



Jacksonville School of Bridge

Northeast Florida's premiere bridge club experience



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Our sympathies are with **Anne Landry** and family as her husband **John** has passed away.

Our sympathies are with **Kay Craft** whose husband **Dennis** has passed away.

Congratulations to **Paul Herron**, our newest Life Master! Great job!

A big thank you to **Dick** and **Barbara Parke** for donating a microphone and speaker!

We must say good-bye to board member **Margaret Fulton** as she is moving to New Smyrna, FL. Please read her goodbye letter posted at the bridge club.

Grand National Teams (GNT)

A few of our members played in the FL GNT final in May at the Sanibel Regional. The winning teams are given \$900 per person to go to Providence Nationals in July plus your entry is free! That's well worth trying. Anyone can win because few people participate. It is great fun!

In the A Strat there were only 3 teams! **Jan Madsen** competed and came in 2nd, so her team will not advance. In the B Strat there were 6 teams; our JSOB team (**Nick Tallyn, Clive Morgan, Regina Soeey** and **Bill Page**) won and will be going to the Nationals. All of them are still working so you may not know them since they don't play at the club often. However, they will come on Tacos and Team night, so talk to them about their experience. No C teams competed. If any of you had shown up with a team, you would have automatically been representing Florida and have the \$900 in travel funds to do it! Consider participating next year, starting with playing in the GNT Qualifying game at Tacos & Teams in March.

ACBL/JSOB The Longest Day Alzheimer Association Fund Raiser, Friday June 24

JSOB will serve pizza! **Lorie Holmes** and **Michael Smalline** will be on hand to sell raffle tickets and raise money for the Alzheimer Association. Please come and participate.

JSOB Summer Sectional

On July 15-17, JSOB will hold our semiannual Sectional. We are inviting players from around the state and outlying areas to attend. However, the key to success is YOU! We need our members to participate. Tournaments are expensive to run. The Tournament Director alone will cost more than \$1500 in fees and expenses. Approximately \$13.00 per table goes to the ACBL. So, we are estimating our expense at \$33 per table before any incidentals, e.g., new cards. If we have fewer than 75 tables over the three days, we will lose money. Remember, if you play both morning and afternoon sessions on the same day, your accumulated points increase. All sessions are stratified, so you will be playing only against those in your point category for purposes of assigning winning points.

On another note, we need VOLUNTEERS. We will be serving breakfast, lunch, and snacks throughout the day. Kitchen help is needed. If you cannot play but can spare a few hours, please help. Lunch is the biggest area of need since those of us playing will not be able to set it up. Please contact Monica Heseman, Tournament Chair, who will be coordinating food, cleanup, and other activities for those days. If you cannot be there nor help, please donate. With the rising cost of food, the budget is very tight. There is a signup sheet and an envelope for you to donate either food or money.

JSOB Board

Since Margaret Fulton resigned from her Board position, we have an opening. If you would like to join the JSOB Board, please let Jan Madsen know. We need people willing to participate and give back. There is always work to be done. If you do not wish to serve on the board, consider volunteering. All the work at the club is done by volunteers.

Besides the ongoing ones--**Harold Elkins** (accounting), **Julie Bradley** (building maintenance), **Jeanne Harlan** (newsletter and Chat Bridge), **Judy Miller** (website design and maintenance)--there are many others: **Nancy Meade** and **Julie Mackey**- (Christmas Party and decorations), **Don Dvorak** (charity donation drawing), **Lynn Brown** (monthly calendar), **Leyse Lowry** (Supervised Play), **Melissa Sovereign** (plaques and display on back wall), **Anne Landry** (Tacos & Teams), **Monica Heseman** (tournaments and easels). **Aldo Cardia**, **Lynn Brown**, **Don Dvorak**, and **Louise Fontecchio** also help with Chat Bridge. **Lorie Holmes** and **Michael Smalline** have volunteered to raise money for **The Longest Day**. Our great instructors also deserve recognition: **Louise Fontecchio**, **Craig Hemphill**, **Nancy Stein**, and **Ru Terajewicz**.

As you can see, it takes a village. Thank you all for making the club a great place.

Bridge Lessons

Bridge Basics III (Popular Conventions) starts Wednesday October 19, taught by Ru Terajewicz. Ru is an outstanding instructor, and the classes are well worth your time. Cost is \$90 for the series plus \$12.00 for the book. Tell your friends and neighbors! Registration forms will be coming or email janice.madsen@att.net.

Thank you, **Judy Miller**, for editing the newsletter.