

BRIGHT LEAF ALERT – JUNE 2024



President's Corner

Dear Unit Members,

May was a memorable month for Unit 191. We had a delightful luncheon and Annual Awards program on Friday, May 17. Altogether we had 17 tables for bridge. Many thanks again to Robin Marin, Audrey Crosby and Katie Wilson who worked diligently to make the lunch special and delicious. Thank you to Suzie Goldberg and Phylliss Woody for being our unit photographers for the event. Marc Goldberg has posted pictures on our unit website. You will find event photos and other current information about the unit on our website [ACBL Unit 191 Bright Leaf](#).

Unit 191 had an excellent turnout of members at the Raleigh Regional and many left with a good haul of gold and red points. This number is not exact, but there were at least 85 unit 191 members who participated in the regional. It was great to see so many unit members playing in the regional. Many of our unit members who played in the regional do not play regularly in club games. We would love to have you come play with us!

Our Mentor Mentee program for the 2023-2024 season has ended. We had a good game on Saturday, June 1. Several of us met for lunch at Fosters afterwards to discuss hands and socialize. Many thanks to our Mentor Mentee committee for all the work they put into finding and matching mentors and mentees, writing up interesting hands for the Alert, and sending out timely emails to remind MMs of upcoming games.

Jo Anne Rosenfeld is taking orders for name tags if you would like to order one. As this is a group order, the badges cost will be \$5.50 (instead of \$6.95). You can customize your name tag by color and up to 3 lines of type. Jo Anne will accept Zelle, a personal check, or Venmo. You can contact her at jorosenfeld@yahoo.com for more details. You can also check out the name tags on the website before placing your order with her. <https://sevennotrump.com/product/suits/>. **Deadline to order a nametag from Jo Anne is July 1st.**

We truly miss Janet Strobe's contribution to board meetings as our Secretary and as the editor of the Alert. We are grateful to Janet for all she has given to the unit. Thank you Janet!

This month's Alert is somewhat abbreviated as the board decides how to move forward with the Alert. We welcome your suggestions.

See you at the table,

Ann

June Game Schedule

Triangle Bridge Academy

Monday

9:00 AM -11:00 am - Play and Learn online

12:30 PM - Stratified Open pairs

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM – Wine and Cheese Social Bridge

Tuesday

1:30 PM 0-500 Barometer game

Wednesday

12:30 pm - Stratified Open pairs

Friday

12:30 pm - Open and 0-500 limited games

Saturday

10:00 am -Open and 0-500 limited games

10:00 am - 8 is Enough Swiss (Saturday, June 15- there will be no limited or open game today)

Online Games

Monday 7:00 PM VACB 183376 Open SE Carolina Triangle (Triangle Bridge)

Various starting times daily (9:30 AM, 1:05 PM, 3:45 PM, 7:05 PM and 9:30 PM) VACB 248732 and VACB 244657 Knoxville SEBCC Alliance (Triangle Bridge Academy)

Upcoming District 7 Bridge Events (click for flyer):

June 13-15 [Greensboro Sectional](#)

June 16-21 [Columbia SC Regional](#)

July 5-7 [Pinehurst Sectional](#)

July 25-28 [Durham Sectional](#)

Membership Report

(TOTAL MEMBERS 502)

Welcome new members:

Nancy Grebenkemper
David Dickinson
Elizabeth Sanders
Henry Luftman

Congratulations for a new level of achievement to:

Ginger Long- Junior Master
Forrest McElroy- Junior Master
Anne Hershey- Club Master
William Marzluff- Club Master
Stanley Wilson- Sectional Master
Joanna Karwowski – NABC Master
Marian Corey – Life Master
Karen Popovich- Bronze Life Master
Dean Shangler- Silver Life Master
Kay Joyce- Grand Life Master
Randy Joyce- Grand Life Master

Phylliss Woody
Membership Chair

We were all saddened by the untimely loss of our faithful unit member Kathy Newman. Roz Katz has written a lovely tribute below.

Remembering Kathy

"This is a Roz move," Kathy smiled as she put the dummy down.
Six hearts, making, only one in the room – made our day.
Our last live game at Henry's was pure joy.
Every single week during the past 13 years we played.
Since the Pandemic, Kathy moved me to Thursday so that she could
play live every other day.
She knew I preferred playing in my pajamas – being lazy.

Snapshots of Kathy include:
Dancing in the Nutcracker with Granddaughter Alexandra
Attending Mardi Gras in Durham
Being lauded as a tennis superstar on the NC Team
Playing bridge throughout the years.

Never losing her cool or patience, Kathy tolerated all manner of craziness with aplomb.
Truth is, she GOT me and I GOT her. Quiet, brilliant, steady, reliable – common sense and
fun.

"Where do you get your wigs? You always look so good." Kathy's focus was always forward.
No one can replace you, Kath.

Bob, The Newman Family, The Bridge World and the Tennis World – will all feel the void.

With much love, Roz Katz, 2024