

Jacksonville School of Bridge

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Rank Achievements

Martha Peloquin	Junior Master	Carol Shotwell*	Regional Master
Judy Harhai	Sectional Master	Paul Turner*	Regional Master
Jodee Rushton	Sectional Master	Linda Wilson	Regional Master
Deane Schall	Sectional Master	Lynn Sandry	NABC Master
Linda Sandeen*	Sectional Master	Martin Eltrich	Adv NABC Master
Dorothy Hall*	Sectional Master	Palle Reddy	Adv NABC Master
Constance Maynard	Sectional Master	Claudia Bliss*	Life Master

Anne Landry* Gold Life Master

Note: Rank Achievements are posted here when published in *Sunshine Bridge News**Denotes 2020 achievers

Congratulations to Robert McClendon, who "Mastered the Chaos" (the headline on the cover of the March Bridge Bulletin). Robert is the winner of ACBL's prestigious contest, the Barry Crane Top 500 masterpoint race, given annually to the member who wins the most master points for that year. Robert, a JSOB player and Diamond Life Master, earned 1619.11 master points in 2020 to claim first place. As the ACBL article states, Robert joins a list of previous winners that reads like the who's-who of the bridge world. In the article, Robert acknowledges JSOB members Aldo Cardia and John Brady for helping him achieve his goal. Congratulations Robert....job well done! We look forward to seeing you back at the club soon.

Welcome, new members: Nancy Bartmess, Nancy Faigen, Louise Fontecchio, Penney Shannon, and Gary Smith

Note from Burt O'Dell: Thank you for your cards and prayers as I recover.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Nancy Mitchell and family in the passing of her son.

The Ambassador for Bridge program is designed to recognize members who put forth extra effort to help JSOB become a pleasant place to play our wonderful game and provide leadership to help the club grow. If you would like to nominate someone as the next Ambassador for Bridge, please contact Burt O'Dell.

A request from newer players: Old timers, please wear your name tag at the club so we can get to know you and feel more at home!!!

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Birthdays are once again listed on the **JSOB Monthly Calendar**, which will soon resume distribution via our email list. If you are a paid member and do not see your name on the monthly calendar, please email Jeanne Harlan (vandykat@gmail.com) so we can update the list. If you are not receiving club emails, please contact Judy Miller (judithevelynmiller@gmail.com).

Donations welcome: It takes 16 tables for JSOB to break even on expenses to pay ACBL and our director. In addition, the club has other building expenses just as our homes do. Therefore, any donations are appreciated.

Newsletter distribution: The newsletter will continue to be distributed via email. A limited number of hard copies will also be available at the club. We would like to reduce copying expenses, so please don't pick up a paper copy unless you really need it. Thank you!

Unfortunate Occurrence: Sometime between late afternoon Friday, March 12 and noon Sunday, March 14, unknown parties gained access to the JSOB club building. There was no sign of forced entry. JSO was called and a theft report filed. Missing items were the large screen TV, a laptop and a metal lock box which held some members' emergency contact information cards. The police suggested the thieves likely thought the locked metal box contained cash and when they discovered it contained informational cards, likely disposed of it. The police concluded perhaps a door was left ajar, allowing entry by a homeless person, since several homeless people were recently seen seeking shelter around the building. Items were left nearby, but none were related to the theft.

JSOB Website: We didn't publish a 2021 directory, but an online directory along with other good stuff is on the website (<u>www.bridgewebs.com/jacksonvilleschool</u>). Here's how to use it:

- Create an account. Click on Membership in the left-hand menu. Read the instructions on the right!
- Log in. If you have not created an account, or don't remember your password, click Set/Reset Password.
- Once you have logged in, look at the tabs across the top of the page.
 - You can go straight to your Personal Analysis.
 - You have access to the Member List (who needs a printed directory?!).
 - In the Account tab, you can view and edit your member information. Consider uploading a photo, it will appear on your Results page for every game! You can make changes to your name, address, phone, and options such as directory list, mailing list, and what information about you is displayed. More information about how to use the Account page is on the right side of the page—please read it before making any changes.
- While you are on the site (you don't need to be logged in), take a few minutes to click on each left hand menu option and see what's there—bylaws, history, newsletters, tournament results, a lot of good stuff!

As always, if you see anything that needs to be corrected or added, please let me know by sending a message in the Contact Us area in the left-hand menu. – Judy Miller, Web Manager

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