



Jacksonville School of Bridge

Northeast Florida's premiere bridge club experience



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Our sympathies are with the family of **Yvonne Giberson** who passed away.

Our sympathies are with **Sheila Spears**, whose sister, JSOB member **Sharon Toth**, passed away.

Our sympathies are with **Bill Hutchins** whose wife Linda passed away.

Longest Day: JSOB had a great turnout in June for the Longest Day fundraising game, 17.5 tables. Thanks to our team leaders **Lorie Holmes** and **Michael Smalline**, it was a great success. Between them they contributed \$1500 or almost HALF of the funds raised and organized the silent auction. We sent \$3290 in donations to the Alzheimer's Association. The table fees that went to ACBL for their Alzheimer's Fund were over \$400. It was a fun day with salads, pizza, and desserts. Thanks to **Jacquelyn Bates, Joan Romain, Patricia Bayer** and **Anna Bell**, all of whom can be counted on for food for EVERY special event, and **Emmy Peters**, who brought dip and crackers, we had a great meal. Here are the auction volunteers/winners: **Aldo Cardia/Tom Fox; Jack Carter/Charlie Schubiger; Craig Hemphill/Alta Tanner; Anne Landry/Jacquelyn Bates; Jan Madsen/Anne Landry; Michael Smalline/Nancy Meade; Nancy Stein/Judy Harhai; and Alex Weiss/Charlotte Ehlig.**

Sectional Tournament Summary, July 15-17

The Sectional began on Thursday afternoon with an awesome team of volunteers getting the club ready for Friday's game. Wow...the place looked wonderfully inviting! After coming home, I went into panic mode as I read an email stating we didn't have a tournament director--the one ACBL had assigned was stuck in Finland. Frantic calls to ACBL informed me we would have to pay a zillion dollars more for an "emergency" director. I questioned "why can't we have our very own competent club directors"? "No, that would be illegal" was the reply. Lo and behold, there were no "legal" directors available so we could now use our own awesome "illegal" directors. **Anne Landry** volunteered to direct on Friday after spending 3 days preparing a superb chicken salad for Friday's lunch. What a Super Woman! **Alta Tanner** graciously agreed to direct Saturday. **Bruce**

Bedient returned from Finland in time to direct Sunday. Early Friday morning we discovered “internet was out” which was necessary for various reasons. Panic struck again. Trouble shooting miraculously fixed the issue as well as everyone’s high blood pressure. We had 111.5 tables during the 6 sessions and netted approximately \$4700 for JSOB. It was a JSOB Team Extraordinaire effort. I cannot express enough thanks and gratitude to each of you who donated time, talents, financial support, food and tournament play that made this event a rousing success. I would like to individually list all who contributed but it would take several more paragraphs and I might accidentally forget someone. However, I must add a special thank you to our President **Jan Madsen**, who basically camped at the club for a week, **Ru Terajewicz** as she created the highly time consuming 6 sessions of boards, Anne and Alta for saving the day(s) and **Craig Hemphill** for super-duper French toast treats Sunday morning. Many compliments regarding our facility and friendliness were conveyed from our out-of-town guests throughout the three days. You ALL deserve the praise! Sincerely, **Monica Heseman**, Chairperson

Tacos and Teams: There will be no August Tacos and Teams game, but it will return on Tuesday September 20th.

Lessons Return this Fall:

- Improve your Bridge Game, a 3-part, 12-session series, will begin on Monday September 12 with **Louise Fontecchio**.
- The Bridge Basics III course, Popular Conventions, will begin on Wednesday October 19 with **Ru Terajewicz**.
- The Bridge Basics I course, Beginner Bridge, will begin on October 21 with **Ru Terajewicz**.

Please post the BBI flier (linked from the Home Page and the Education Page of the club website) on your Nabr or other local community boards, at community centers and in churches, wherever you have friends and neighbors. Our last beginning class graduated over 20 people and most of them are continuing to BB III. Many of them are playing in the limited games or in the Wednesday 0-20 game or attending Supervised Play.

Upcoming Events:

- October Date TBD, JSOB Annual Meeting.
- October 27-28, Jacksonville Non-Life Master Tournament.

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