



Jacksonville School of Bridge

Northeast Florida's premiere bridge club experience



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Our sympathies are with the family of **Christie Sellers**, who has passed away.

The Longest Day: Thank you, Lorie Holmes, Michael Smalline, and players who attended and contributed, all of whom raised \$4,591 for the Alzheimer's Association. We exceeded last year's total!

Michael Smalline will be donating pizza for special games throughout the second half of the year, so watch for when and enjoy! Thank you, Michael!

The JSOB Summer Sectional had 42 tables on Friday, 43 on Saturday, and 16 teams on Sunday! Thanks to so many people who contributed to its success. Mike Siebenhaar served as Tournament Chair, ably communicated with ACBL, and ensured the playing areas were set up each day. Nick Tallyn was our friendly and capable Director. Julie Bradley served as Partnership Chair for both sections. Lynne Gheen (with lots of help from Carol Shotwell) served as food chair and planned, purchased, prepared and served two meals daily. Thanks also to all who helped in the kitchen with set up, serving and clean up: Donna Sutliff, Pat Smith, Nancy Meade, Barbara Parke, Nancy Whitmire, Judy Harhai, Jan Madsen, Joel Rappoport, Michael Smalline, Leyse Lowry, Lorie Holmes and all those others who jumped in and did what needed to be done. We appreciate all of you who brought food or donated cash to help fund the food. A special shoutout to Anne Landry for the ziti, Mark Franzoni for his pizza connection, and Anna Bell for all the goodies. Thanks to Charlie Schubiger for help with parking; to Lynn Chapman and Per Berg for help with getting a caddy; to numerous folks for staying late on Thursday to set up, and on Friday and Saturday to clean up; to Mike Siebenhaar and Lisa Higginbotham for making the boards; and to Jeanne Harlan and Joel Rappoport for staffing the food ticket table. A huge shout out to all who volunteered or attended to make the Summer Sectional a success, and special thanks to the dedicated

*********** players who braved the torrential rain and flooded parking lot on Friday. Thank you to all—we can't do it without you! The Board of Directors needs a few good people! If you want to give back to the club and have some ***** good ideas, consider running for the Board for a 2-year term beginning January 1, 2024. If you'd like to know more, see Mark Franzoni. If you can't make a board commitment but would like to contribute in other ways, let **Carol Shotwell** know you are available to help on occasion. **Upcoming events:** August 1: Hubbard House household items collection (see next item) Sept 6-Oct 11: Bridge Basic I lessons by Ru Terajewicz, Wednesdays 9:15-11:15 (registration information linked from Lessons page of the club website) Oct 5-6: Non-Life Master Tournament Oct 15: Hubbard House Exit Basket NEW items collection (see next item) Oct 12-Nov 16: Louise Fontecchio classes Subject TBA Oct 26: Annual Meeting Nov 15: Pro-Am game Dec 6: Mentor-Mentee game Dec 15: Holiday Party Jan 16-18,2024 JSOB Sectional **Hubbard House**: JSOB will be collecting used and new household items for Hubbard House as our way to celebrate Thanksgiving. For those of you new to Jacksonville, Estes Carns wrote this explanation: Hubbard House is a community-based center that helps victims of domestic violence and their families. Their services include a 116-bed shelter, a 24/7 hotline, counseling, an education program, and various other support services. To date this lifesaving and life-changing facility has answered more than 108,000 hotline calls and has sheltered more than 47,000 victims. Hubbard House has been in existence for over 40 years, working to raise awareness and provide services. When a shelter resident is moving to independent living, they are provided with Exit Baskets filled with NEW essentials to help set up their new home. This is where we come in. We will be collecting NEW items like dishes, sheets, towels, etc. Check to see if you have any UNOPENED, NEW items to donate. If not, please purchase something to donate. If you cannot shop, donate a gift card to Walmart or Target. These items will be collected beginning in mid-October.

In addition, for those of you who are downsizing, we are separately collecting LIGHTLY used household items to donate for the use of the residents while in the shelter. If what you have is too much for you to bring to the club, let one of the Board members know and someone will collect items from your home. Beginning around the first of August, we will provide a designated area for donations at the club.

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