

Jacksonville School of Bridge

Northeast Florida's premiere bridge club experience



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Have you paid your annual membership dues yet? Renewals for current JSOB members are due **December 31st**. Although JSOB is not open for face-to-face bridge right now, we need to receive your membership dues in the mail. Other than the online bridge games at BBO, we are not generating any regular revenue while the club is closed, but we still have bills to pay. You should have received a renewal form and Board voting form with an envelope to send your payment to Linda O'Dell. If you haven't received a renewal package, contact Jan Madsen (janice.madsen@att.net). Any extra in the form of a donation is appreciated, no matter how small or large.

## **JSOB Board nominees**

## **Jacquelyn Bates**

I grew up in Jacksonville and live in Ponte Vedra Beach. I've been active in a number of community organizations: president of the Junior League of Jacksonville; president of the Jacksonville Community Council; Vestry, Lector, Foundation and Choir, Christ Episcopal Church. I have been a realtor for the past 35 years, though I'm not beating the bushes much now. How can I? I'm playing bridge! I love the challenge of the game, the variety of the hands, the diversity of the players, united by our passion for the point. I have benefitted so from JSOB: the lessons, the festivities, the friendships. Serving on the board would give me an opportunity to repay some of this largesse and generosity of spirit. But breathe easy. If elected, I will not be giving lessons!

# Lynn Brown

Bridge has been a focal point of my life for about 25 years. I have served on the JSOB board for the past two years with a group of hardworking and dedicated board members. It has been a pleasure. I would like to be considered to serve on the board again and continue to give back to a wonderful club.

# Sharon Bushman

I joined ACBL in 1988 and was fortunate to have a lot of good players reach out to me. I served on the Board of the Cleveland Whist Club, co-chaired tournaments and was caddy master. I have lived in, played in, and seen how clubs operate in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Lexington, Orlando and now Jacksonville. I have always participated in the mentor/mentee program here. For over 32 years, bridge has provided an outlet where I can enjoy the game in a friendly and pleasant atmosphere, and where I have made life-long friends from all over the country. I want to further give back to the game.

# Monica Heseman

Duplicate bridge has been a passion of mine since the early 1990s, however due to a busy career I've only been playing regularly since my 2012 retirement. I was recruited to be a nominee for the board by a

fellow JSOB member. If elected I will do my best to make common sense decisions regarding our club building, our games and all facets of keeping our club financially solvent.

#### Jan Madsen

I joined JSOB in 2006, having been widowed. I had no idea how to play bridge, let alone duplicate. In many ways, I still feel the same. Bridge is a love that I discovered here, so I would like others to have the same opportunity to learn a great game and to make friends and acquaintances who enrich their lives. In order to do that, the best way that I can support the club is by giving my time.

## **Don Michels**

I have been a full time Jacksonville resident for 20+ years. I have been a student at JSOB for 3+ years, and consider myself a freshman level player and still learning. My background includes service as a USN Officer, senior project manager for a ship repair contractor and site manager/lead engineer for power plant construction. While a member of JSOB, I have been active in supporting JSOB activities and hope my experience will support the JSOB as a board member in the future.

#### Anita Ritchin

Not running.

#### Nancy Whitmire

I have been a member of JSOB for over 12 years. Most of my working career was spent in healthcare as a Department Director in three hospitals over a 40+ year span. Since retirement I stay busy as a volunteer at Hospice, gardening, reading and trying new recipes. I enjoy being on the JSOB board and having an opportunity to contribute whatever possible to assure the ongoing success of the club.

#### Linda Wilson

I have lived in Jacksonville since 1991. I worked at the University of North Florida for 25 years before retiring in 2019. I am an avid tennis player and served as team captain and sat on league boards for 20 years. I started as a rubber bridge player in the 1970's and am new to duplicate since 2017. If I can help our club by being on the board, it would be an honor to serve. I already know many of you but would love this opportunity to meet many more of you.

happy becember birthday							
Jay Cochran	1	Kathy Eisele	11	Sharon Bushman	27		
Gail Poquette	1	Gloria Sevilla	11	Robin Webster	27		
Judith Bloch	6	Yves Genre	15	Judith Miller	30		
Ru Terajewicz	6	Geraldine Tyler	16	Kathie Munson	30		
Steve Bonner	8	Kathy Reed	18	Aldo Cardia	31		
Martin Alpert	8	Carl Wasserman	20	Kay Craft	31		
Stan Hill	9	<b>Richard Streeter</b>	24	Judy Harhai	31		
Marl Kessler	9						

#### Happy December Birthday

#### Happy January Birthday

Hallie Coalson	1	Anne Tuten	10	Sharon Carter	19
Anita Ritchin	3	Don Michaels	12	Monica Hesseman	21
Lynn Brown	4	Nancy Hardner	13	Jerry Schemer	25
Steve Coletta	6	Tom Fox	15	Edith Hill	26
Donna Born	7	Carole Esman	15	Barbara Parke	26

Betty Morgan	7	Anne Landry	15	Daniel Sellers Jr	26
Steve Lazoff	8	Charlotte Ehlig	16	Bruce Bedient	27
Joy White	8	Joe Sackett	16	Joan Douglas Gordan	27
Penny Marks	9	Charlotte Tingen	16	Sheila Grimm	29
Cassie Wentworth	9	Catherine Beykovsky	17	Virginia Hoffman	30
Jacquelyn Bates	10	Paula Robinson	17	Dotty Johnson	30

Note: if you have a December or January birthday and don't see your name on this list, please email Jeanne Harlan at vandykat@gmail.com so we can update our membership records with the correct information.

Thank you, Judy Miller, for proofreading this issue