



Our Bridge World

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Issue 3, no joke

Many people have come up and made suggestions. THANK YOU!
This is for you and about you. Keep your ideas coming and I will keep writing them up.

Youth Bridge We have been awarded an almost \$800 grant to help with education in schools. This money is earmarked for a Quick Bridge seminar designed to teach bridge in 6 hours on:

June 13th

We do not promise to make great bridge players in a day, just enable basic bridge play and bidding. Judy Remmers will lead the seminar with help from a team she is putting together. Anyone who is interested may attend. Cost is \$20, which includes a book, a CD and lunch. We are going to promote as much as possible. If you have any ideas about how to get the word out please let me know.

Lee Maddocks' MJC bridge class opened with standing room only. Mostly because a new lock required hunting down a security guard with the special key. Once inside the class, there were, in fact, chairs for everyone. Lee has an interesting way of teaching beginning bridge.

Everyone should thank him for all the effort he puts in to keep this going. Interesting Lee fact: He paid much of his way through college with winnings on a game show.



Modestobridgecenter.org We have a new web site. I had hoped I would be able to find someone else to create it, didn't happen. So I buckled down and did it. I changed the name slightly to get a free domain name for a year. The new site is less expensive and allows sub-sites to be created for all special bridge interests. So far, I have created sub-sites for Ray Adams, Lee Maddocks and Sonora bridge players. If you would like a page, see me and I will probably make you one.

Many pages have a place for comments. This is your site. Make suggestions, ask questions, give me material you would like to see posted.

News About Bridge People

Joan DeBoer's granddaughter, Jennifer, was just awarded a full scholarship to the PhD program at George Washington University in Washington, DC where she will study business strategy and public policy.

Linda Ewing (Jeanie Jones' daughter and beginning bridge student) just had two art works accepted by the Central California Art Showcase displaying in Turlock at the Carnegie Art Center and in Modesto at the Modesto Mistlin Gallery. You will see these in Turlock until May 11.





Judy and new players

Another new bridge player, Lynn Brooks, came in Monday with an interesting story. Her loving husband suggested dinner and shopping in San Francisco to celebrate her birthday. Then paused to look at her face and said, "But I guess you would rather play bridge". He obviously knows her well. You know what happened. I began this story with "Lynn Brooks came in Monday". Happy Birthday Lynn.



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Local Bridge News

A few of us barely did well enough to mention the Burlingame regional. The novice players, Chris Barkley, Chuck Silva and Libby Longstreth (me) earned some points in the bunny classes.

Wednesday Duplicate now begins at 6:30 instead of 7. Should be done by 9:30 or so. Hopefully, the earlier time will make this easier on everyone.

This Month's Pet News Rita O'Hare got a new puppy. I don't know the rest of the story. The picture kind of says it all. Who could resist this? She is on a trip to Mexico right now, I'll get the rest of the story when she returns.



Jan's birthday was March 15. I baked her a cake.

Unit Game April 13 Ralph Jungwirth, 576-0349, is in charge. No word on the menu, but I am sure it will be good.

Mentoring Chris Barkley is exploring a mentoring program. Right now the exact form is undetermined. The basic premise is that experienced players will pair up with less experienced players and introduce them to duplicate. The pair might play often; they might

only play once a month or less. Eventually, we hope to have a Pro/Am tournament with these pairs. There might be meetings, there might not.

She is circulating a sign-up sheet to find interested mentors and mentees. If you don't see it, contact Chris at cbarkley@palomar.edu. Almost anyone can be a mentee. Leigh Tibbetts has been helping me. It is a long road, but it is nice to have an experienced person to lean on. This is me saying thank you.



Greetings from Barbara Price
She runs our sectional and keeps us on track with the district