

San Diego 539 By Stuart Showalter

Mark your calendar! Our joint NLM Sectional with the San Diego Unit will be held Friday and Saturday, October 25-26. We'll have lots of silver points to award for those trying to reach their next ACBL milestone.

This year's tournament will again be at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (JCC) at 4126 Executive Drive in La Jolla. The JCC is between I-5 and I-805 near University Town Centre, so it's easy to get to. There is lots of parking in the rear of the center, which you can access from Eastgate Mall (the first street north of Executive Drive). Look for the "Bridge Tournament" signs and greeters by the entrance.

The game is open to all Non-Life Masters with fewer than 750 points. Games are at 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. If you are playing in the morning, be sure to take advantage of our excellent, \$5 box lunch (yes there is a vegetarian option) by ordering before your morning game. We look forward to seeing you there. Use the link below to see our tournament flyer: https://web2.acbl.org/Tournaments/Ads/2019/10/1910130.pdf

A number of Unit 539 players reached new masterpoint plateaus recently:

- Rick Schewengerdt (Junior Master)
- Jimmy Stevens (Sectional Master)
- Madelyn Trainor (Regional Master)
- Patrick Staley (Advanced NABC Master)
- Doug Magde (Silver Life Master)
- Janice Joerger (Gold Life Master)
- Lamya Agelidis (Sapphire Life Master)
- Dorn Bishop (Diamond Life Master).

Congratulations to all!

Winning pairs in the September 1 unit game were Lynne Feldman-Sam Madison followed by Kathy Byrne-Jane Petering and Rick Roeder-Liliane Kirchhoff.

A special note about our October 6 unit game: it will precede a charity game held to support Dr. Ray Sach's medical missions. We encourage you to stay and play in the second game because card fees and contributions go directly to support that charity, which treats children and young people in foreign countries who have serious disabilities. Pizzas and desserts will be served.

All Unit 539 game results are posted on BridgeResults.net. To receive notifications when your results are published, go to <u>http://www.bridgeresults.net/login.cgi</u> and register your email address.

San Diego Club News:

Adventures in Bridge (<u>www.adventuresinbridge.com</u>) is located at 9025 Balboa Avenue, near the Montgomery Field executive airport. Please check the website for the schedule.

Redwood Bridge Club (<u>www.redwoodbridgeclub.org</u>) and *San Diego Bridge Academy* (<u>www.sandiegobridgeacademy.com</u>) are located on the west side of Balboa Park at 3111 6th Avenue. There are games every day except Sunday and lessons for players at all levels. Check out the websites for upcoming classes, descriptions of the games, and daily results. A couple of recent results deserve special mention. On September 5, Ted Hazard and Nancy Lipton had a 71.33% game sitting N/S, but they were outdone by Dan Grindle and Barbara Brady's whopping 75% game! Congratulations to all four of these avid players.

And a special shout-out to two Redwood bridge aficionados for their birthdays this year. Mel Cohn (below, left) will be celebrating 99 years, and Omar Jasperling turned 101 in April. Mel was born in Indiana and Omar in Missouri, but both have lived in San Diego for many years. Each of them started with social bridge but "graduated" to duplicate at the Redwood club. Mel has earned "about 100" MPs and Omar "200 or so." They both say that the greatest benefit of bridge is the nice people you meet. Likewise, Redwood members feel honored to know these two august players.



San Diego Bridge Club (*www.sandiegobridgeclub.com*). Construction has been completed at the Normal Heights Masonic Center, so the club returned this month to its usual Thursday-Friday site: 3366 Adams Avenue. The Tuesday games continue to be held at the Columbus Club, 4425 Home Avenue. All games begin at 10:30 a.m. and include a light lunch. In addition to stratified pairs, they offer a Swiss Team game once a month. The October team game will be Grand National Swiss qualifiers on Tuesday the 8th. Check the website or call (619) 847-3001 for more information.

21st Century Bridge Club meets at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday for a sanctioned game at the Redwood Bridge Club. If you need a partner or would like more information, please call Beverly Stebbins at 619-463-0927.