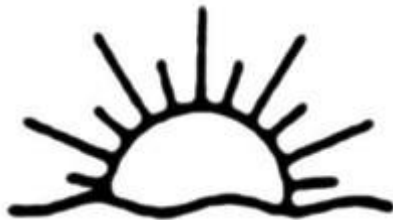


Please read what's going on at the Bridge Center!



The Longest Day - Great Success!

The final results are in. We raised a CBA record of \$15,453 for the Alzheimer's Association, which ranked 14th nationally among ACBL units! What a successful fundraiser and enjoyable day. Again, a thanks to everyone who contributed to our success!

Martha Harrington



Fall Sectional

THANKS to everyone that volunteered to help during our upcoming tournament!!! If you haven't been approached and want to help, please contact Alice Gallagher, 704-975-3919.

OUR Tournaments are known for their "Southern Hospitality", including delicious food and plenty of it!!! Please say "yes" to Ruth Scherr when she asks for a food donation! Or contact her directly to offer up your specialty (704-619-3740). We welcome "cash donations", too!

Swiss Team **CADDIES NEEDED!**

When: Sunday, September 10th

Time: Morning shift - 9:30-1:00 (2 needed)

Afternoon shift- 1:00-5:00 (2 needed)

Benefits: \$35 a session and a free lunch!

If you know of someone who could help - a teenage neighbor, grandchild, nephew, niece, a friend of a friend, or maybe you - please contact Colleen McMahon or Jim Bender.

And start thinking about a possible CARPOOL to the tournament!!! The Greek Festival shares the same dates as our tournament so parking will be at a premium.

Thank you,
Colleen & Jim



EXPRESS EVENING BRIDGE IS BACK!!!!

Co-directors H.Thomas Hunt and Julie Arbit are starting this popular game shortly after the Fall Sectional. This "Express Game" will be an open game consisting of 18 boards. The

game will be on THURSDAYS at 6:30PM. Check the website for the starting date.



It's Back-to-School season and Heart Math Tutoring needs YOU! The Charlotte Bridge Association's participation in the program last year helped contribute to 98% of Heart's students increasing their math skills by significant amounts. With several new schools added this year, Heart needs more volunteers than ever.

Thirty minutes to one hour of your time a week makes a big difference in the life of a 2nd-5th grader in one of Heart's 17 area schools. To find out more about Heart Math Tutoring or to become a volunteer, click on the link below or contact Martha Eubank).



NEW CLASSES IN THE FALL

Vinay Apte - Defense Series

Defense Series of about 10 bi-weekly classes will be offered every other Friday from 10 AM to noon starting September 15th (repeated on Sundays from 2 to 4 PM starting September 17th). Email apte2@gmail.com if you are interested.

Ethel Butler - Easy Bridge and Step-up

- "Easybridge" is a beginning bridge class, starting Tuesday morning September 12th, from 9:30 to 11:30. There will also be a night class starting Thursday evening, September 14th, from 6:30 to 8:30.

- The "Step Up" intermediate class begins Monday morning, September 11th, from 9:30 to 11:30.

For additional information please contact Ethel Butler at 803-412-0908 or ebutler1943@gmail.com.

Jean Davis - is offering 3 classes this Fall;

- a. 2/1
- b. Defense
- c. Doubles - 3 sessions covering Negative/Reopening, Take Out, and Balancing Doubles.

Contact Nancy Conison for additional information and to register. Additional details are available on the web site.



We are continuing the process of updating the printed Directory, and anticipate it will be available for Members to pick up at the CBA in early September.



- New Plateaus -

Club Masters – Lynn Stewart, Robert Williams

Sectional Masters – Karyn Brann, Richard Freund, Margaret Irvin, Kevin Kelley, Susan Wade

Regional Master - Jim Diana

Ruby Life Master - Arnold Hoffmann

Message from the Board

1. New Bidding Boxes - A BIG THANKS to Lauren Campbell, Martha Harrington and Marta Heise for their help in the assessment of our current bidding boxes! A report was compiled with 3 options for action. The board accepted the third option which was to replace 160 of them. A generous bequest from Frank Mueller, a former CBA member, covered most of the cost of the new bidding boxes, purchased in his honor. Our many thanks! Colleen McMahon

2. The board requested that there not be a picnic on Labor Day this year, since our Sectional is Thursday-Sunday of the same week.



Suggestion - New toilets ladies room - ADA.

While we understand that we are not required to be in compliance with the ADA, the taller toilets in the Handicap stalls in both main restrooms are in compliance with the height requirements of ADA.

Suggestion - put a working pencil sharpener near the limited side.

The manual pencil sharpener has been reattached to the wall and is working.



"Just think, I could be taking you to your bridge game if we had bought that bass boat."