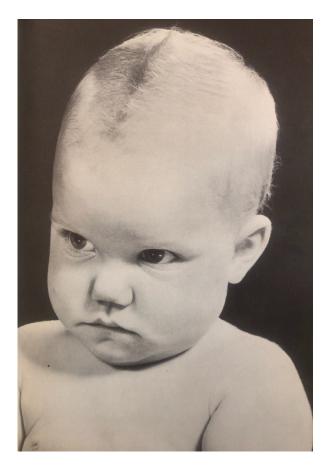
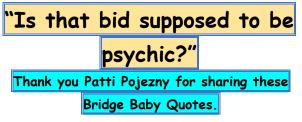
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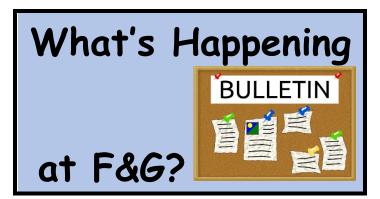
ALERT! ALERT!

March 28, 2024









- 🖊 Saturday Zoom Classes, 9am
- Tuesday Beginner Games, 10:30 am (no games April 9 and 16)
- March 30 Coached Limited Team Game Canceled
- April 7, Sunday Potluck and New Rankers' Party
- 🖊 Unit's Regional Tournament April 8-13
- F&G day games cancelled April 8-13. Night game April 9 is on!
- 4 April 13, no Zoom class
- 4 May 5, Cinco de Mayo Party

I'm always happy to receive help with this Newsletter and appreciate the contributions I've received from many of you. If you have information to share, please send it to me at <u>launaashby@outlook.com</u>.

April BIRTHDAYS

April's F&G birthday folks and the famous persons with whom they share their birthdays are:

Jerry	Baird	5	Bette Davis
Ed	Rubac	11	Ethel Kennedy
Linda	Rodgers	12	Oleg Cassini
Carol	Scully	12	Vince Gill
Penny	Stansberry	18	Conan O'Brien
Peggy	Lara	24	Kelly Clarkson
Darlene	Reber	27	Coretta Scott King



ACBL requires players to have their partnership convention cards completed and available at the game table. Sadly, we've had to cancel our planned Coached Limited Team Game that was scheduled for Saturday, March 30. Watch for another opportunity in a few months.

NEW RANKERS' CELEBRATION



April 7 will be our First Sunday Potluck and New Rankers' Party. This will be a great time to test that new recipe - and bring it along just in case someone asks for it. And listen up New Rankers. You get to play free on this day. F&G celebrates its New Rankers at each First Sunday Potluck. The meal will be served at 1:00, announcements at 1:40 and games at 2:00. Our New Rankers to be recognized are:

<u>Club Master</u> – Sally Bentley, Jan Bullard, Helen Gaudin, Cynthia Kidd and Linda Sherer <u>Regional Master</u> – Cindy Coate <u>NABC Master</u> – Lane Whitesell Life Master – Debra Duncan

CONGRATULATIONS to all our New Rankers !



Need a partner? Just log into Pianola.net (it is free) and click on "Partner Finder" at the top of the page to get started.

- ✓ Click on "Adverts"
- ✓ Click on Create a Partner Finder Advert" tab on right side of the screen
- Choose the date you want to play then click "save and send emails"



Ta Da !!!! Your request has now been emailed to the players in the point range session you chose. If you're a limited player and want to play in either the limited or open session, you'll need to send a separate Advert for each group. Please note that Partner Find will not send an Advert for a session in which you are NOT eligible to play, i.e., players with more than 500 points will not receive email Adverts for limited sessions.

<u>WHILE YOU'RE on Partner Find</u> - and so you don't miss any partner Adverts, click on "**Preferences**" and change yours to "notify" and click "update preferences."

Do you want your partner Advert emails to go only to specific people or to everyone eligible for the game? You can choose in Preferences by "blocking" those you do not want to receive your request, and "neutral" for those you do. You only have to set your Preferences one time. Questions about Partner Find? Call Karen Clark at (405) 760-3744.

The John Parish ProAm & St. Patrick's Day Party

It was Saturday, March 16. We're so sorry if you missed it! The Hospitality/Player's Committee outdid themselves with décor, Irish food and beer. Players brought sides and many wore green with the hope of winning a door prize! Everyone had a great time partnering with new people and picking up a tip or two along the way.



Wearing green really paid for our gift basket winners: Abra Figueroa, Nola Duncan and Cynthia Cortright. Cynthia had never scratched a "scratch off" ticket, but her trusty, experienced friend and partner Nola Duncan showed her how simple it was. And Voila'! Cynthia won \$481 from her scratch off lottery tickets !!!! I wonder if she'll be buying more lottery tickets ?



Cynthia Cortright (gift basket winner) and Richard Hinkle partnered for the ProAm. Richard is hoping some of Cynthia's Irish Luck rubbed off on him.



LET'S PARTY



HUGE thank you to Don Dillingham, Hospitality Chair and all of the committee members, and to Colleen Bicket who organized the Pros and Ams for the fun afternoon of bridge and learning experiences. And of course, to our crazy/happy director Don who kept all the happy chaos in check!





This author agrees with the hat!!



16 and 17. Tournament OKC Shootout for 0-750 NLM. What's amazing about 600? And even more amazing about 2,400???

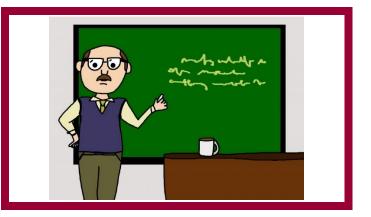


Did you know 600 is the average number of pre-dealt boards that our volunteer dealers make each week. That's more than 2,400 boards per month!!! Bob Joyner leads the dedicated dealing crew, assisted by several volunteers - and it takes each and every one of them to have pre-dealt boards ready for your games!!

How do pre-dealt boards happen?? Bob Joyner downloads the games from ACBL. Then Bob and other volunteers <u>each</u> work three to five hours per week with our dealing machine to make each case of predealt boards and hand records that we all use. Please let Bob and his crew know you appreciate them! If we didn't have boards that were pre-dealt by volunteers, we would all be shuffling and returning to those dark ages of paper travelers and waiting for games results. UGH!



Do you enjoy decorating for the holidays?? Do you have a little extra time and a few ideas? Please help us decorate our mall windows! PLEASE contact Launa Ashby at <u>launaashby@outlook.com</u> or Karen Clark at <u>karclark19@yahoo.com</u>. Our windows need you!



If you have suggestions for learning opportunities or would like to know more about teaching beginning bridge, please share your thoughts with Ed at <u>edwardrubac@yahoo.com</u>. Thank you, Ed!



Sunday, May 5 More details soon. Bridge "isms" recently heard around the bridge table:

It just seemed like the right thing at the time!

Don't dig the hole any deeper.

Don't save your partner.

Anything could happen.

I had opening "ish" points.

Please note Susan Williamson's email address is <mark>rswilliamson@gmail.com</mark>.