San Mateo Unit 498

June 2018

The Unitizer



Unit 498 Charity Game Schedule Elevated Points at All Games!

Wednesday, June 20

Peninsula Duplicate Club at Fattoria e Mare Restaurant Open Game at 12:30 P.M. and 6:30 P.M.

Thursday, June 21

Bayshore Bridge Club 9:15 A.M.: 49er Game 1300 Bayshore Hwy

San Mateo Bridge Club
Open Game
11:30 A.M.
Fattoria e Mare Restaurant

Open Game
12:00 noon
1300 Bayshore Hwy

The Main Event on The Longest Day Unit 498 Charity Game

at Fattoria e Mare Open and 299er Sections 6:30 P.M.

Silent Auction All Day-Closes at 6:00 P.M.

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Message from the President... Jackie Lowenberg

Wasn't the May Unit game the most fun? Everyone loved the *Fast Boards*, the salmon, chicken and roast beef buffet, the camaraderie of the friendliest bridge players ever... Wow, let's do it again at Fattoria e Mare on **The Longest Day, June 21** (with *Short Boards* this time). Not only will you be home before dark, but every player will be take home a gift bag and hopefully head out with a pocket full of elevated master points!

Thank you to **Virginia Zapitz** for the desserts she brought to the Unit game; thank you to **Janelle Van Rensselaer** for her impeccable



accounting for game attendance and seating; thank you to **Fran Gaura**, our wonderful treasurer, and thank you to **Cathy Johnson** for keeping

our reception and registration running smoothly and efficiently. **Marge Pacchetti** is the detail maven, so if you think the evening was a success, don't forget to thank her!

Congratulations to first place overall winners, **Rosemarie Dean and Sandra Tilch** with a 60.71% game! Second overall winners, 57.74%, were **Art Quey** and **Stan Chow**, and third place winners, with 57.49% were **Debbie Weinstein** and **Wendy Benveniste**.

We are indeed a lucky Unit to have such wonderful Directors. **Jenny Kuhn** directed the *Fast Board* game so efficiently and smoothly that it ran literally like clock work. We were instructed to watch the timer, and even with such a big group, not one board was removed for over the time limit! **Raad Bunni** will direct the *Short Board* game on the 21st. What a team!!!

On **The Longest Day**, our Silent Auction, will open at 11:00 A.M. at Fattoria, next to the bridge room, so you can start your bidding early. The Auction will close at 6:00 p.m. and winners will be announced immediately on closing. The afternoon game starts at 11:30 and the evening game at 6:30, so you can keep an eye on those bidding sheets all day! We are showcasing some of our art items here in the Unitizer now, but in a few days, the whole catalogue will be online and sent to you. You can put together groups to bid on some of the "experience" prizes and you can designate others to overbid for you.

Our raffle has been wildly successful, and winners will be called on Friday afternoon, June 22 to collect their prizes. Winners need not be present when the winning tickets are pulled on Friday afternoon at Fattoria.

What a team effort our Longest Day campaign has been. Starting with **Fred Chasalow**, Team Peninsula leader, the committee grew quickly, and each dedicated member has put in hours of energy and creativity to make a difference for patients with the dementia diseases. Thanks to **Bob Johnson**,

Donna Pellegrini, Janelle Van Rensselaer, Jenny Kuhn, Loren Charlton, Marge Pacchetti, Marie Pattie, Raad Bunni, Sue Papilion, Sandra Tilch, and me, we have created a Raffle, Silent Auction, and arranged Club games that will provide elevated master points. And wait till you see the prizes! Our donors are over the top generous!

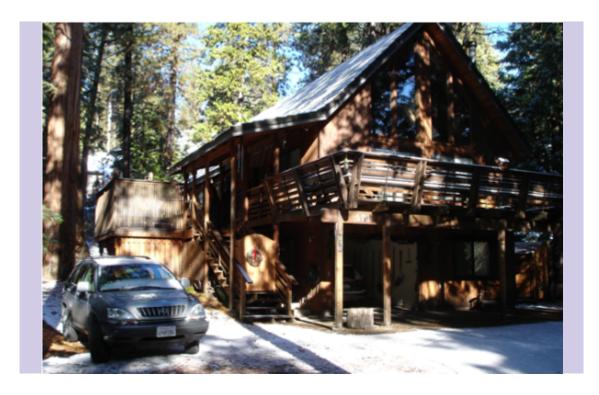
For the last four years, ACBL has raised over three million dollars for the Alzheimer's Association. And due to this, we are told that the Alz Org is going to fund a study to prove that playing bridge is a significant exercise to improve brain health. By the way, the Alzheimer's Association runs on less than a 10% overhead, and to us, this is hugely significant.

So come and play at our Charity games. Win a raffle prize! Bid in the Silent Auction! The Longest Day is less than three weeks away. Help us prove that **Unit 498 rocks!**

A Sampling of our Silent Auction. The full catalogue will be online soon!

#2 Fabulous Two Night Bridge Retreat for 4!

Play bridge and more at the beautiful vacation home of Sandy and Bob Johnson in Arnold, California! Pampered by your hosts, you will enjoy one barbeque dinner, two breakfasts, hot tub, horseshoes, pool room, nature walks, two pools, and two lakes! Mutually agreeable date!



#16 Original Painting by Doriane Heymann

You've seen her beautiful work on the walls of our bridge centers. Now you can buy your very own Doriane Heymann framed acrylic on canvas! This stunning painting is titled "Flower Cart".



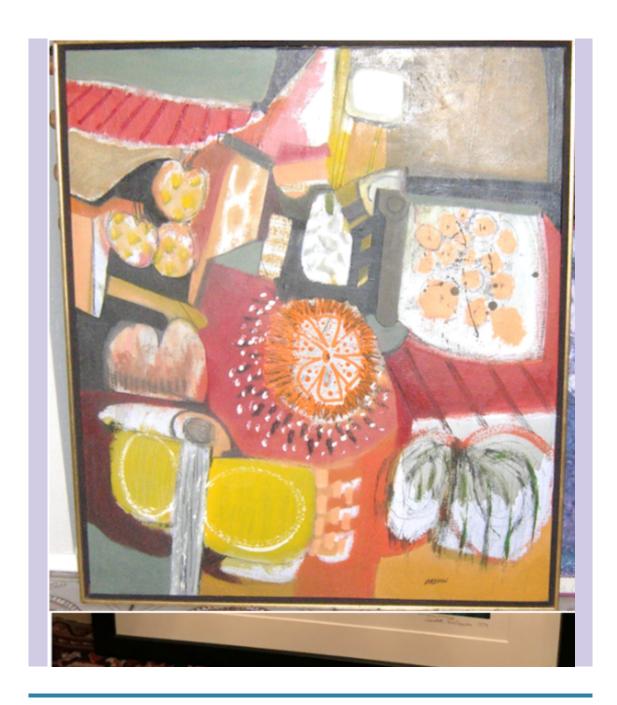
#18 "Pensive" by Dee Brown, signed Giclee, numbered 2/100

The original and all but one other giclee's have been sold. You know Dee at the bridge table, but he is also a post modernist abstract artist, whose work is in the collection of Charles Schwab and many others.



#20 Painting by Gloria Brown Donated by Fred Chasalow

Gloria Brown was a talented and prolific abstract expressionist East Bay painter. Her vibrant and colorful works have been widely exhibited and collected in galleries and museums throughout the Bay Area, nationally and internationally.



#21 Framed Poster by George Seurat, Donated by Fred Chasalow

A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte
Poster of Painting by Georges Seurat

A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte, painted in 1884, is one of Georges Seurat's most famous works. It is a leading example of pointillist technique.



Report from Peninsula Youth Bridge

Peninsula Youth Bridge just completed its third year! Volunteers from our unit (Jeanie Kwong, Janelle Van Rensselaer, Mary Bates, Joan Bodenlos, Irv Agard, Fran Guara, Cathy Johnson, Joanne Lewin, Marcia Mehl, Madhu Mehta, Vaughn Patterson, Donna Pellegrini, Camele Wanat, Ginny Zapitz) taught bridge to 19 high school students at Mills, Burlingame, San Mateo and Hillsdale high schools and we also initiated a program at Bowditch Middle School in Foster City where 24 students signed up to learn how to play bridge.

We are very grateful to the Unit Board for donating \$520 to the program this year and are also very grateful to all the members who contributed at the April Unit Game where we collected \$850. The money is used towards things like bridge supplies, such as bidding boxes and duplicate boards, snacks (very important to the hungry students), ACBL student memberships and sponsoring the Bay Area High School Bridge Tournament.

The Fourth Annual Bay Area High School Bridge Tournament was held at Bayshore Bridge Club on April 29 with Will Watson directing. There were about 60 student bridge players from the Bay Area. Ten of our

students participated with two pairs winning masterpoints. Win or lose, all the students enjoyed the experience.

We will be starting up again in early September. We can always use more volunteers, even if you can only come once a month. Please contact Peninsula Youth Bridge at penyouthbridge@gmail.com if you are interested.in volunteering.







70% May Game

Ted Richmond and Dariush Youssefi 72.2%

San Mateo County Summer Sectional



August 18 and 19, 2018 At Canada College "Grove" 4200 Farm Hill Boulevard Redwood City, CA 94061

Sanction 1808108

Saturday August 18, 2018	Sunday August 19, 2018
10:00 AM	10:00 AM
Two Sessions Open Pairs (0-750/2000/Unl.) (Pairs must play both sessions)	Two Sessions Bracketed Swiss Teams (First 3 or 4 rounds, 7 boards per round) (Lunch break will be staggered to manage traffic flow at the cafeteria / grill)
One Session Open Pairs (0-500/1500/Unl.)	
Single Session 299er Pairs (100/200/300)	One Session Open Pairs (0-500/1500/Unl.)
Art Weinstein Trophy Pairs (0-100)	
1:30 PM Lunch hour	1:30 PM Lunch hour
3:00 PM	Approximately 2:30 PM
2nd Session Open Pairs (0-750/2000/Unl.)	2 nd Session of Bracketed Swiss Teams (Last 3 or 4 rounds, 7 boards per round)
Single Session Open Pairs (0-500/1500/Unl.)	One Session Open Pairs (0-500/1500/Unl.)
One Session 299er (100/200/300)	

Director-in-Charge: Greg Vance <u>Greg.Vance@acbl.org</u>
Tournament Chair: Marc Renson <u>MarcRenson@yahoo.com</u>
Partnership Coordinator: Marge Pacchetti pacchettim@sbcglobal.net

Fees per Session: \$12 for ACBL members, \$15 for unpaid & non-members, and \$6 for students.

Directions to playing site:

From Highway 280, exit at Farm Hill Boulevard, between Highway 92 and Woodside Road. Turn left into the Canada campus at the first signal light. Follow the Loop Road (and signs) around to lots #5 and 6.

Handicap players should use the elevator from lot #4.

Note: Cafeteria onsite.

Raad Bunni's San Mateo Bridge Center

at Fattoria e Mare Restaurant

1095 Rollins Road Burlingame 94010

Tuesday and Friday Mornings

Stratified 499'er Game

Lesson at 9:00

Game at 9:30

Lunch available after the game for \$10

Choice of Soft Drink

Thursday Afternoons
Stratified Open Pairs
\$10/player
Game at 11:30 A.M
Lunch available at 11:00 A.M. for \$5. Soft Drink \$1

No Reservations Required

Plenty of Parking

You Can Play and Avoid the Commute!

For more information, visit <u>www.sanmateobridgecenter.com</u>
Or email Raad at: <u>bridgepals@gmail.com</u> Phone: (650) 954-7757

Jennifer Kuhn Peninsula Duplicate Bridge Club

www.peninsuladbc.com

Wednesdays

Fattoria e Mare 1095 Rollins Road Burlingame

9:00 AM EasyBridge lessons

12:30 Open Pairs 6:30 Open Pairs

No afternoon or evening games on *June 27 and July 4.*

Need A Partner?

Don't have a partner, but want to play? Just send in your reservation and note that you need a partner in the comment section, and we will be happy to help you find one. Please give us a day to find a partner for you.

Patti Frederick
Bayshore Bridge Club
1300 Bayshore, Suite 168
Burlingame

(650) 344-4919

Sunday Game, June 24 at Noon

No Mentor-Mentee Game in June

Agnes Lee is offering

NLM (0 – 500) North American Pairs

Club qualifying games 50/50 red and black at 81.8% sectional rating

Stratification based on pair's average masterpoints

When: Fridays: June 15; July 13, 20; August 17

9:00 am - 11:30 am

Where: Bridge is For You and Me

Bayshore Bridge Center

1300 Bayshore Hwy, Suite 168

Burlingame, CA 94010

Cost: \$ 12.00

Size: Limited to 8 tables

Director: Agnes W. Lee

Preregistration:

bridgeuandme@gmail.com

Open Games

Monday thru Friday at **Noon**

Light lunch on Thursday and Friday

Morning Game:

Thursday at 9:15 49er Game (0-49 points) Carol Knowles, Director

Evening game: Th (Barometer) 7 PM - Will Watson

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