



BRIDGE IN THE PARK

A Newsletter for Redwood Members and Guests

(Spring 2019)

APRIL FOOLS DAY

My goal was to send this on April Fools Day. This is the ONE TIME in my life I am going to be early.

Turns out April 1st, 2019 is going to be a HUGE day on the Redwood Bridge Club calendar and this news just can't wait!

As of today, April 1, 2019 is the first day Redwood Bridge and San Diego Bridge Academy games will be held at the San Diego Chess Club building in Balboa Park.

The chess club address is 2225 Sixth Avenue. Enter Balboa Park on Laurel Street then take the first right, just before the bridge. The chess club is the first building on the right. Maps are posted at Redwood to help you find your way there.

CHESS CLUB PARKING

Parking is available on Juniper St, just before reaching the Chess Club building itself. Parking is also available along Balboa Drive. There are a few handicapped spots.

There is a small parking lot maybe 1/10 mile past the Chess Club building.

Follow Balboa Drive/Marston Circle past that little parking lot and around a curve and you will come upon some more parking spaces. Parking there will mean a short trek uphill to get to the Chess Club. GREAT exercise before sitting at the bridge table for a couple hours. Just saying

BUILDING ENTRANCES

Enter the Chess Club building from the side that faces Sixth Avenue.

SO WHY THE MOVE?

The city allocated funds to bring the (city owned) Redwood Bridge Club building in compliance with ADA regulations.

The city anticipates starting this project April 1st and finishing 6 weeks later. That means the bridge building will be unavailable to use from April Fools Day through mid-May (at least). If this project finishes on time, it will be the first construction project in history to do so. Fingers crossed we'll be making history here.

Changes to the building will include:

-- Extending the ramp from the kitchen up to the game room, which is currently steeper than ADA regulations allow.

-- Back door steps will become a ramp.

-- Restrooms will be modified to comply with ADA guidelines.

-- The outer door to the library is slated to receive with a low, rounded threshold.

WILL THE BRIDGE SCHEDULE CHANGE?

Bridge games will be scheduled around the existing Chess Club Schedule.

Since the Chess club plays on weekends and Wednesday evenings, there will be no bridge games scheduled at those times.

Redwood and SD Academy daytime game schedule will not change. Monday and Tuesday evening game schedule will also remain the same. Evening games may be scheduled for Thursdays and Fridays. Stay tuned.