Redwood Bridge Club May 12, 2023

# Redwood News





# Save the Date June 24

The American Contract
Bridge League has teamed
up with the Alzheimer's
Association to help fight this
brain disease during The
Longest Day.

Redwood Bridge Club will have bridge games all day Saturday, June 24, to celebrate The Longest Day. Our Club always has actively supported this event.

A casual bridge game will be in the morning, and two levels of open games in the afternoon.

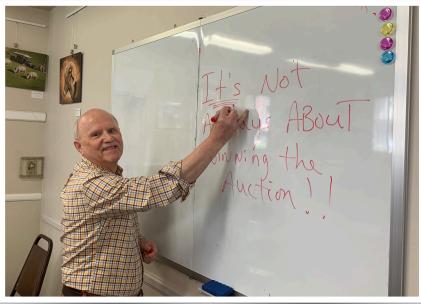
Snacks and food will be provided.

Proceeds from the games and all other donations will go to the Alzheimer's Association.

Donations can made before or on June 24 by check or cash given to the Director or a Board Member, or placed in the donations jar. Also donations can be made by credit card at our special donations website:

http://act.alz.org/goto/
BridgeInThePark

Plan to wear purple, play bridge and donate to The Longest Day on June 24.



### **New White Board Installed**

Philippe Gagne will be using the new white boards for half-hour talks before Wednesday's game. His next set of talks focus on What's My Second Bid and will begin June 7 for four weeks.

The cost for the four-week session is \$12 or you can attend one session for \$5. Half the proceeds will go to the club.

### **Long Range Capital Improvement Plan**

Your yearly dues provide more than \$2-off sanctioned games. Without our membership, we would have no place to play with relatively good parking.

Your dues go for upkeep of the building like new flooring and the recent termite tenting of the building.

The board is working on a long-range plan to prioritize future capital needs. Currently we are investigating airconditioning the building.

Doing this is more complicated than getting a bid and raising the funds. We need to work with Balboa Park regulations that may require upgraded windows as well as whether the electrical panel will need to be upgraded.

The board would like your input on capital improvements as it develops the list of priorities. What would you like to see at the club? Send your ideas to Margaret Plumb Balcom, bmaggieb@me.com.

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## **Redwood Update**

#### **Member Dies**

Long-time Redwood member Merle Oleson died May 11.

#### Top 50 Clubs in the ACBL

Redwood/San Diego Bridge Academy made the top 50 Clubs for tables played in 2022.

We are the only club in San Diego to make the list. Five other clubs in California made it. We are 43 on the list.

#### Moving up

Congratulations to these members reaching new levels. **Toby Burke**—Ruby Life Master **John P, Himebaugh**—Sectional Master

#### **Special Request**

While you may love your perfume or cologne or smell, your fellow bridge players may not. Some players are very sensitive to smells. We ask that you leave off your special scent when you come to play. There is nothing sweeter than a clean body.

## **Redwood Bridge Club Rules of Play**

#### **Authority of Game Director**

The Game Director's decisions are final and all players will abide by his/her rulings. Any discussion of or debate about a ruling must be deferred until after the day's session has ended. The Game Director's rulings shall be in accordance with the Laws of Duplicate Bridge and with the ACBL manual: Duplicate Decisions - A Club Director's Guide for Ruling at the Table.

#### **Unacceptable Behavior**

Redwood adheres to the ACBL "Zero Tolerance" policy. Members and guests are expected to exhibit acceptable behavior at all times and to make the game enjoyable to those present. Following are examples of behavior that will not be tolerated:

- Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, profanity, threats or violence
- Negative comments concerning anyone's play or bidding
- Constant, gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table
- Loud and disruptive arguing with opponents or with a Game Director

If a player behaves unacceptably, the Game Director should be called immediately to deescalate the behavior if possible. The Game Director has the authority to assess disciplinary penalties and issue a verbal and/or written warning if he/she so determines. If a warning is issued, the Game Director shall report the event in writing to the Club President or Vice President. This report shall include the name of the warned player, the other players involved, the date/time of the verbal warning, and a brief description of the event. The warned player shall be given a copy of the warning report.

#### **Removal and Reinstatement of Members**

Should any member or guest accrue a second warning, he/she will be suspended from playing until the next Board meeting, at which time the player will be invited to present their side of the issue. The Board will then consider the matter, in executive session, to consider whether to extend the suspension and, if so, upon what terms. After a reasonable time, as determined by the Board, suspended players may seek reinstatement. Suspended members are not entitled to refund of dues.