

Rochester Duplicate Bridge Club  
June, 2018



One free  
play in your  
birthday  
month!

The summer bridge season is here! Please get involved in all our exciting activities! Just a reminder - our club is air conditioned and can get chilly at times. Please dress accordingly.

Attached you will find a letter from the president, Ann Van Ryn, regarding ACBL's zero tolerance approach to bridge. To make the game comfortable for all, please be respectful and kind to all players, both your partners and your opponents. Also attached is a copy of our local Zero Tolerance policy.

The North American Pairs games, scheduled throughout June, July, and August, are qualifying rounds for the District 14 pairs finals in Edina, October 6-7, 2018. We have NAP games periodically each month, so there should be plenty of opportunity to qualify. The national finals are at the Spring

NABC national, Memphis, March 2019. This past year, we had two pairs qualify for nationals - Judy Hansen & Grant Boadwine (Flight B) and Syl & Yvonne Sterioff (Flight C). Play your little heart out!!



June 11-15 will be the Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STaC). Each of our games' results will be forwarded to the District 14 Director which then combines all scores from other clubs (playing that day and



time) to determine the District-wide ranking. This is an opportunity to earn silver points without traveling to a tournament. You will either earn your local black points or the District silver points, not both! See you at each game!

Lots of Rochester players attended the Gopher regional, playing at all levels - 0-299, Gold Rush, open pairs, side game, team events. Congratulations to **all** our Gopher players!

Thursday, June 21, is ACBL's "Longest Day" benefiting the Alzheimer's Association. We have been registered as a



team, pledging to raise \$2000 (last year - \$2100+).

During the week of June 18, donations will be collected at each of the games (checks should be made out to the Alzheimer's Association), or you may make donations online at the Alzheimer's Association website. Look for "The Longest Day" and find our "team", Rochester Duplicate Bridge Club. (I am listed as team captain.) Encourage your non-bridge playing friends to offer donations so we can meet this year's goal. (If you are going to the Crystal Lake tournament, please donate in advance or online!)

This year's donations will be in memory and in honor of past and current club members and their families/caregivers. Please see attached flyer for all the fun details of activities - games, silent auction, lunch, trophies.



It's been a bit of a sad month in our club. We lost two iconic bridge players - Bea Bahr and Lee Graham. In addition, several of our players lost a spouse or a family member. As a

bridge community, we offer our condolences and support.

Because of activities, Greg's class, and tournaments, there will be no mini-lesson this month.

Please refrain from using perfumes or strongly scented lotions/aftershave at the bridge games. Those with allergies/asthma are deeply affected by strong scents.

*Tip for the Month:* Please check the BridgePad results screen carefully for the correct contract, direction, and result. Your scorers and DropBox manager will be very appreciative!



*Quote for the Month:* “It could be worse – what if we didn't even do well at the sit-out table?” – Bill Buttle, “Bridge Bulletin” cartoonist

May the sun shine on all your play!  
Sue Greenberg, Club Manager



## **CALENDAR      CHAT BRIDGE EACH MONDAY AT 10 AM**

June 1, Fri. afternoon - Club Championship

June 4, Mon. afternoon - Unit game

June 6, Wed. afternoon - NAP game

June 7, Thurs. afternoon & evening - NAP game

June 8, Fri. afternoon - NAP game

**June 11-15, StaC games**

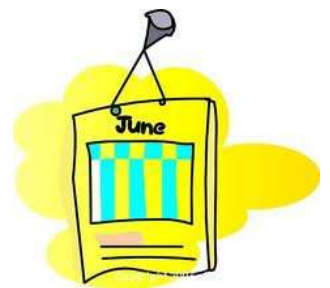
June 18, Mon. afternoon, Open Pairs - NAP game

**June 21, The Longest Day, games all day long! See attached flyer for details**

June 25, Mon. afternoon, Open Pairs - NAP game

June 28, Thurs. afternoon & evening - NAP game

June 29, Fri. afternoon - NAP game



## **Tournaments**

June 11-15 - Sectional Tournament at Clubs

June 21-13 - St. Cloud sectional

June 18-24 - Crystal Lake regional

June 26-July 1 - Coraville, IA regional