



## San Diego 539

By Stuart Showalter

*Please note:* The Unit 539 Summer Sectional is happening now (Aug. 1-3) at Marina Village. If you haven't already made plans, it's not too late. And the regular unit game will be held at Soledad on Sunday, Aug. 4 if you need more of a bridge fix.

With a total of 25 tables, the unit's purple-themed "The Longest Day" game was June 16. Beth Granby, the Unit TLD coordinator this year (pictured at right in center photo along with Judy Rimer and Beth Granby), led a team of busy volunteers, and many players gave in memory of a friend or loved one. Donated items—including Judy Rimer's and Suzanne Lebendig's knitting and crochet handiwork, as well as Jane Good's ceramic plates—brought in additional contributions.



All told, the unit raised more than \$3,400 for The Alzheimer's Association. Thanks to all who played and contributed to this worthy cause!

Winners in The Longest Day game were Sam Madison and Lynne Feldman in the Open Pairs and Richard and Sharon Gabriel in the 1499er Pairs.

June 30 was the occasion for our annual membership meeting, and we saw the following installed as your board of directors: Lamya Agelidis, John Boackle, Kathy Byrne, Carolyn Casey, Sam Madison, Pete Moyer, Wendy Vaughn Platt, Stuart Showalter, Marge Van Hemert, and Wayne Sottosanti.

In the Open Pairs that day Tom Sauer and Charlotte Blum came in first, and Fred Bode and Marilyn McDonald won the 1499er Pairs. The winners in the Open Pairs Trophy Game on July 7 were Kathee and George Bessinger. Their names will be engraved on the Open Pairs Trophy. Nira Levy and Helene Miller took top honors in the 1499er Pairs on that day.

The unit presents two other very special awards during the year: the Tribute Trophy and the NLM Pairs Trophy. The Tribute Trophy game is currently scheduled for September 1, but the date may change because the Soledad Club is unavailable to us that day. The NLM Pairs Trophy game will be held on October 20.

As always, game results are posted on our website, <http://www.sandiegobridge.com/index.html>, along with other useful information. To receive notifications when your results are published, go to <http://www.bridgeresults.net/login.cgi> and register your email address.

*San Diego Club News:*

*Adventures in Bridge* ([www.adventuresinbridge.com](http://www.adventuresinbridge.com)) is now located at 9025 Balboa Avenue in Clairemont. There are classes and various games, including one Friday evening and two on Saturday (a 1999er game at 9:30am and an open barometer game at 1pm). Game results are posted on the website. Check there for a description of all the available games and any schedule changes. Space is limited, so please RSVP to [wirt@adventuresinbridge.com](mailto:wirt@adventuresinbridge.com) or (619) 328-1207.

*Redwood Bridge Club* ([www.redwoodbridgeclub.org](http://www.redwoodbridgeclub.org)) and San Diego Bridge Academy ([www.sandiegobridgeacademy.com](http://www.sandiegobridgeacademy.com)) are back home at 3111 6th Avenue and again happily playing bridge and offering classes. There's bridge at Redwood almost all day long six days a week, with only Sundays off.

Our men's and women's restrooms are now ADA compliant with new stalls and equipment. The second women's restroom is not ADA compliant but will soon be improved with mirrors, new paper holders, and hopefully a new floor finish; meanwhile it is fully functional (if a bit outdated). Redwood has been freshly painted on the inside, has better handicap access, and has an extended hallway with the secondary benefit of better sound control.



The club also has a new system for hanging art in the lounge and main game room. Any artist interested in showing their work can use the "Contact Us" button on the website. Open show slots start in 2020, and ten percent of any art sale goes to benefit club.

*San Diego Bridge Club* ([www.sandiegobridgeclub.com](http://www.sandiegobridgeclub.com)), in response to numerous requests, has added a 999er Pairs game in addition to their usual Open Pairs game on Tuesdays at the Columbus Club, 4425 Home Avenue. On Thursdays and Fridays the club holds pairs games at the Normal Heights Masonic Center, 3366 Adams Avenue, and they offer a Swiss Team game (Open and 1499er) once a month. August 20 will feature a Silver STAC Team game at Home Ave, and STAC Pairs will be held on Adams Ave. on the 22nd and 23rd. All games begin at 10:30 a.m. and include a light lunch. Check the website or call (619) 847-3001 for details.

*21st Century Bridge Club* has happily resumed its regular Thursday evening (6:30 p.m.) games at the Redwood Bridge Club facility. If you need a partner or would like information on this sanctioned game, please call Beverly Stebbins at 619-463-0927.

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