

FUN & GAMES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

ALERT! ALERT!

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Bridge Baby

quotes from 1961



"We made it!"

Thank you to Patti Pojezny for contributing these very fun Bridge Baby Quotes.

A lot is happening at your Bridge Club?



- August 3 through September 7, Beyond Beginning Bridge Part 2
- August 19 through October 14, Beginning Bridge Part 1
- Monday, September 4, Labor Day Hot Dogs and game at 10:30 am
- Sunday, September 10 Potluck at 1:00 pm, game at 2:00 pm
- Thursday, September 14 to November 2, Defense Classes, 10 am-Noon.
- Sunday, September 17, UNIT NAP qualifiers, 2:00 pm. NO OPEN GAME
- Sunday, September 24, 2:00 pm, TEAM Games
- November 2, 6-9 pm BEDLAM bridge game. More details for this fun event soon.

September BIRTHDAYS

We have lots of September birthdays - ARE YOU READY?

September's F&G birthday folks and the famous persons with whom they share their birthdays are:

Diane	Cline	2	Salma Hayek
Patti	Davenport	7	Leslie Jones
Dana	Turner	7	Rachel Wood
Wanda	Ives	11	Harry Connick, Jr.
Ruth Ann	Pierson	12	Jennifer Hudson
George	Craig	14	Clayton Moore
Linda	Hughes	14	Joey Heatherton
George	Francis	15	Prince Harry
Jan	Harrison	15	Nick Jonas
Jo	Fudge	16	Lauren Bacall
Eric	Genheimer	19	Jimmy Fallon
Bill	Easter	21	Bill Murray
Jim	Hammond	27	Gwyneth Paltrow
Joella	Carter	28	Ed Sullivan



Just what you've been waiting for . . .

**DEFENSE
CLASSES!!**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!



Defense Classes with Cherry Blevins and Ramona Bienstock, ACBL certified teachers will begin Thursday, September 14 for 8 weeks, from 10am to Noon. As they say . . . learn defense - it's half your game! Cost is \$120 each and you do NOT need a partner to participate. The coursebook is available for \$15 (or \$25 online). There's a signup sheet at the Club or contact Cherry directly at 580-595-4004, cherry_blevins@yahoo.com or Ramona at 580-581-7520, rsb.rsb@icloud.com.

In case of an emergency . . .

In case of an emergency, we may rely on the contact information you've included in your pianola account. **Please** take a few moments and update your Pianola profile now with your current emergency contact information at pianola.net.

I'm always looking for help with this Newsletter and appreciate the contributions I've received. If you have information to share, please send it to me at launaashby@outlook.com.

Two elderly women who had not seen each other in many years, met one day on the street. They were both delighted and, being in front of a restaurant, one of them suggested that they go inside to visit over coffee.

They had been there several minutes when one of them said, "You know, this is rather embarrassing, but as well as I knew you, and for as long as I knew you, I can't remember your name. Please tell me what it is."

The other lady sat there for a few moments in silence then asked, "How soon do you need to know?"

Shared by Suzy Livesay

Bet you didn't know!



Our very own Cynthia Cortright began playing piano at the age of six, and has built a solid reputation as a soloist, collaborative artist and teacher. Cynthia has a Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance from Indiana University, and a Doctor of Musical Arts in Piano Performance from the University of Oklahoma. Dr. Cortright has served as Organist/Choir Master at St. John's for more than 40 years. Cynthia also has a well-established private piano studio in Oklahoma City.

And NOW . . .



Cynthia Cortright will be part of the free performance Sunday, October 1, from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church, 1001 NW 25th Street, Oklahoma City, OK, when John L. Edwards will present a concert featuring a few of his favorites.

John L. Edwards, piccolo and organ
with

John P. Allen, trombone
Cynthia Cortright, piano
Martin King, alto saxophone
Rondal J. Wallace, piano

This diverse program features the majestic Sonata in A by César Franck (adapted for Piccolo by John L. Edwards), settings of favorite hymns "To God Be the Glory" and "It Is Well With My Soul," the haunting "O Magnum Mysterium" of Morten Lauridsen, adapted for trombone and organ and the Sonata for saxophone and organ of Denis Bédard.

See kemconcerts.org for more information about the concert series.

UNIT NAP SUNDAY, September 17

We'll have a UNIT NAP qualifier game on Sunday, September 17 at 2:00 pm. This game will be limited to those who have "already qualified" for the Unit NAP. The cost will be \$14 and will pay $\frac{1}{2}$ red points. You can expect to see a list of qualifiers posted at the club soon. Qualifiers will also be notified by email. There will NOT be an open game on this date.

Transportation and Personal Services

Our friend Nancy (from Nancy's Dress Shop) and her daughter have a great service to offer called "At Your Service," 405-650-8393. If you need a ride to the airport or any special activity, just give them a call.

They will also be happy to deliver groceries, pick up cleaning or medicine from the pharmacy. Actually, they are willing to help in any way they can - even personal shopping and gift wrapping. It is like having your own Uber service from someone you know and trust.

Article contributed by Sara Joyner

Often heard around the bridge table ...

"Well, at least they didn't double us!"

Premium Channel, Showtime, DIRECTV,
Paramount+ Showtime.



Have you seen the feature documentary "Dirty Tricks?" The story focuses on Lotan Fisher, who wandered into a bridge club as an 11-year-old and, after only one afternoon of playing, was targeted as a potential champion. A young Israeli gifted with a photographic memory and a hunger for greatness, Lotan rose through the international ranks with partner Ron Schwartz. They traveled the globe living a somewhat glamorous life until, in 2015, former teammate Boye Brogeland accused them of cheating. What followed was several years of Fisher trying to clear his name and return to bridge and Brogeland trying to prove the cheating conclusively, even if his crusade for integrity could topple the entire "sport." According to the Internet, you can currently see the documentary streaming on fuboTV, Showtime Amazon, Showtime Roku

We're Sad to See Them Go.



Sadly, Linda Huggard has resigned as President and a Board Member, and Jim Stammer has resigned as a Board Member of Fun and Games DBC. We certainly appreciate the many, many hours and even days they have both devoted to making Fun and Games one of the best bridge clubs ever. They will be missed and will be hard to replace. If you or someone you know would like to be considered for a volunteer Board Member position, please contact me at 405-503-3824 or launaashby@outlook.com. And in the meantime, your Board Members are continuing to work hard to keep business, bridge and fun as usual at Fun and Games.

QUEEN OF HEARTS

Susie Graves

Our King or Queen of Hearts award is given to one of our many loyal and dedicated volunteers who consistently contributes an extraordinary level of dedication and hard work. The recipient of this award is just one of our many volunteers who works tirelessly to make Fun & Games the best bridge club ever! At our 7th Anniversary Party, Linda Huggard presented the Queen of Hearts Award to camera-shy Susie Graves! Here's what some of her fellow bridge players have had to say about her.

1. She is the best—peppy, cheerful and always ready to help.
2. She is always smiling and upbeat. A real asset to F&G!!
3. To say she is a competitive bridge player who wants to be the best bridge player possible is a huge understatement. She is learning and playing bridge at every opportunity she gets. **Could she have a bridge addiction?**
4. Talk about leading by example! She is involved in EVERYTHING at Fun and Games from working tournaments, to special events, to fundraising and everything in between.
5. What is her standard answer whenever she's asked if she has time to help? **"Of course! Whatever you need, whenever you need me."**
6. She is the Chairperson of the Players' Committee and rallies the troops over and over to create innovative events. And she's

right in the middle working those events - all to introduce new players to Fun and Games.

7. While she's working to grow Fun and Games, she's also working for her HOA and church. She must be another of our many volunteers who's obviously blessed with 30-hour days instead of just 24 like the rest of us. How else could she possibly do it all?



Susie is pictured here in green, along with the other three to date award recipients, Gloria Smith, Bob Joyner and Joyce Atchison. A bridge foursome for sure 😊

I hope you'll take a few minutes to thank and congratulate Susie Graves, our July 2023 **Queen of Hearts** who is truly a treasure and does so much to make Fun & Games the best bridge club ever!



THINGS KEEP CHANGING!!

Do you have an update for our directory?



We're ready to update our Fun and Games directory with a supplement containing our new players' information and existing players' updates. Players, please contact Patti O'Neil with your new or updated information. And if you don't mind sharing your birth month and day, and whether you're a vet, we'd like to give you a birthday shoutout during your birthday month and honor our veterans in November. Birthday and veteran information will NOT be published. It will only be used for F&G celebratory purposes. Patti's contact info is (405) 706-5893 (text) or email pattioneil@cox.net. We'll also have an update sheet available at the famous

island at the club through the month of September.

Who Enjoys Dabbling in PowerPoint?



I need help updating the PowerPoint slide show with upcoming events that you frequently see before a game. It's a great way to keep you all informed about upcoming events at Fun and Games and we'd like to continue this feature for you. Any volunteers? Please contact launaashby@outlook.com.