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Sent: Monday, May 29, 2023 8:13 AM

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Subject: NVBA E-News - Reston Regional Make Your Plans Now!

Dear Mark:

Excitement builds, the <u>Reston Regional</u> is only five weeks away! We really hope to see you all there. Players will have many opportunities to win GOLD Masterpoints. There will be Gold Rush pairs five days, as well as GOLD RUSH Swiss or Bracketed Teams on all but Monday. See the schedule on the



flier here. Nearby parking will be subsidized courtesy of tournament sponsor Krauss Investment Group. There are also many great restaurants nearby. Please book your rooms now while they are still at the special \$117 bridge rate, see the Reston Regional flier for hotel reservation details. For players who are new or just need to brush up on their bridge we are offering Bridge University on Monday morning July 3. Attend free classes and then play a game for masterpoints! We also offer lectures every afternoon on different bridge conventions or strategies. If you have any questions about the Reston regional, please email or call Tournament co-chair Georgette Weiss at 202-441-1182.

Help #ENDALZ through The Longest Day Fundraiser

MY TEAM PROGRESS	6% COMPLETED
\$1,354	\$20,000
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The Bridge Heroes 2023 team kicked

off its 11th consecutive year in the Alzheimer's Association/ACBL annual **The Longest Day**® fund-raising campaign at NVBA's Annual Meeting.

Many thanks to the early contributors who have boosted the team's total to over 6.5 percent of our 2023 goal. Click <u>here</u> to contribute

Bridge-related events for this campaign will be held from Sunday June 18 through Sunday June 25. Thank you to Kevin O' Brien for being the Bridge Heroes Team Leader and his efforts each year to help this worthy cause.

Thursday Night Unit Games

- This week Thursday, 6/1:
 - NVBA will be hosting a 7PM in-person LM/NLM game at <u>Beth El</u>. We have 34 pairs which is a good-sized game but let's make it even bigger! Pairs/singles can still just show up but <u>registration</u> is highly recommended for singles. Points will be 81.8% sectional-rated black

- points. Please plan to get to the game by 6:30PM so you can find your partner and make a convention card.
- WBL will also be hosting an in-person Unit Game.
- o There is no online game.
- Next week Thursday, 6/8:
 - NVBA will host an in-person 7PM <u>strati-flighted pairs</u> unit game at <u>Beth El</u> as a part of the <u>WBL</u> Sectional.
 - If you need a partner for the unit game at Beth El, please email Jason Carter at the <u>NVBA</u> <u>Partnership Desk</u>.
 - o If you are an ACBL member with fewer than 5 ACBL Masterpoints® or a first-time player to the NVBA Unit Game, you only pay the security fee. The game fee is waived. For more details, see the NVBA Unit Game page.
- PLAN AHEAD -- The <u>NVBA Unit Game</u> will be In-Person at Beth El all five June Thursdays at 7PM each week.
 - o June 01 --- Life Master-Non-Life Master Game. Register now, show up at 6:30 PM
 - o June 08 -- WBL Sectional, Silver Masterpoints® at Sectional Rate
 - o June 15 -- Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STaC), Silver Masterpoints® at 81.8% Sectional Rate
 - o June 22 -- The Longest Day®, Black Masterpoints® at 63.6% Sectional Rate, see below
 - June 29 -- North American Pairs Club Qualifier, half Red/half Black Masterpoints® at 81.8%
 Sectional Rate

ACBL and NVBA News

- The ACBL Educational Foundation is hosting an Online Charity Auction for Spark(!), bidding to open on 6/1/23. Bid on an amazing array of world champions, bridge celebrities, authors and legends to partner YOU in a 20-board online Pro-Am game on 7/10/23! The event is to raise revenue which will be dedicated to "Spark!" the ACBL young adult (age 17-31) initiative. This fund will use these dollars exclusively to provide grants for projects and programs which promote bridge in that age group.
- The 2023 United States Bridge Championships (USBC) started May 1 and finished on May 27. See the
 <u>2023 USBC Results</u> and <u>USBC Daily Bulletins</u> for final results. If you want to view the
 historical Vugraphs, check out the <u>USBF YouTube channel</u>.
- There are 17 in-person club games listed with times in green on the updated <u>Clubs</u> page of the NVBA website that are scheduled to be held. Anyone who is interested in playing an in-person game should contact the listed director in advance to confirm the game is on and to make a reservation.
- Here is the current schedule for <u>NVBA Online Games</u> on BBO.

Upcoming Sectional, Regional, and National Tournaments

- Baltimore (Catonsville) Sectional Friday 6/2 to Sunday 6/4
- WBL Spring Sectional Thursday 6/8 to Sunday 6/11
- National Capital July 4th Regional Monday 7/3 to Sunday 7/9
- Chicago Summer NABC Thursday 7/13 to Sunday 7/23
- WBL Summer Sectional, Thursday 8/3 to Sunday 8-6
- Baltimore Regional Monday 8/21 to Sunday 8/27
- NVBA Fall Sectional Thursday 10/12 to Sunday 10/15

Happy Memorial Day. We are very blessed to have the freedom to do things like play bridge.

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