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NVBA E-News - get ready for the Chantilly regional next week

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Dear Ronald:

Last week's unit game had 14 tables. Congratulations to winners Vince
Wilmot - Sven Pride (EW) and Sarah Anne Cressy - Robert Gookin
(NS). Full results here. The game raised \$1,329 for the Alzheimer's
Association as part of the annual Longest Day fundraiser. Many thanks to
all those who donated. Thanks also to those who stayed after the game to put away the furniture and equipment.

This week's unit game will be back at the usual Beth El Location. As usual, there will be a separate 99er section if attendance permits. The pre-game lesson will continue the discussion of teams strategy and scoring. If you were unable to make a Longest Day donation last week, donations will still be accepted at this week's game. You can also still donate online at https://act.alz.org/goto/BridgeHeroes.

Condolences to NVBA member and chief director of the unit game **Jim Gerding** on the loss of his mother, **Elizabeth Gerding** of Maine. Elizabeth was an enthusiastic bridge player and a bronze life master. She often played in NVBA games when visiting Jim here in Northern Virginia.

Get ready for the **Chantilly regional** next week (June 30 - July 5). The tournament is at a great new site this year, with free onsite parking. Events include Gold Rush pairs Monday through Friday, 99er pairs on Tuesday, bracketed teams Tuesday through Saturday, celebrity speakers for intermediate and newcomer players, and more. **A few rooms are still available** at the tournament hotel even though the original deadline has passed. See the tournament flyer for the detailed schedule, information about hotel reservations, and contact info for help finding a partner.

Registration is open for **bridge classes** in July and August at Fairfax County's South Run Rec Center. For details of the classes and how to register, enter the word "bridge" in the search box here.

Are you an accountant? The NVBA is still seeking a volunteer to do the annual review of our accounting. Many thanks to **Sue Doerner**, who has been doing this for us for many years but needs to step down. To volunteer, or for more information, contact NVBA treasurer Ann Atcheson at Treasurer@NVBA.org.

Club News

- The **Tuesday morning game at Bethlehem Lutheran** will be closed for most of July because of the Chantilly regional, the Philadelphia NABC, and two church camps -- but it will be open on July 15.
- The **Tuesday evening game at Army-Navy Country Club** will accept Longest Day donations at the game on June 24. The game will be closed on July 1 because of the Chantilly regional.

Selected Upcoming Tournaments

Chantilly (formerly Reston) Regional - Mon Jun 30 to Sat Jul 5

- Philadelphia NABC Wed Jul 23 to Sun Aug 3
- Hanover MD (formerly Baltimore) Regional Mon Aug 18 to Fri Aug 22
- The NVBA website has a list of other 2025 tournaments of interest

Useful Links

The NVBA website includes more information about the unit game including the free pre-game lessons, listings of local clubs and tournaments, help with finding a partner, and much more. Webmaster Ron Kral welcomes your feedback and suggestions.

Link of the week: the archive of NVBA board meeting minutes. Suggestions for future links of the week will be gratefully accepted! Just reply to this email.

Play well, have fun, and see you at the tables!

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