

### Newsletter of the Dutchess County Bridge Association

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#### Welcome to all of the DCBA members

Our annual meeting will be Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at the Hudson River Bridge Club. Flyers are coming out for signing up and for selecting a Panera's lunch. The cost is \$20 for the meal and game or \$12 if you just want to attend the game.

Since this time last year the finance's and attendance at the club have slowly improved with 50-60 tables a month. While "face to face" bridge has improved, attendance at the Virtual Club on BBO has decreased.

During the summer the DCBA Board worked with the Dutchess County Office of the Aging and set up an information booth at the Senior Picnics offering six weeks of free Bridge lessons taught by Neal Christensen. The classes are on Wednesdays at 1 PM. Neal Christensen has been giving beginner Bridge lessons to approximately 20 people. He has also expanded the lessons to 12 weeks and on the first Wednesday of each month we run a bridge game for people with less than 50 points so the students can practice what Neal has taught. So far we have conducted 3 games for the students and have received positive feedback from everyone. Thanks Neal. .

In addition to our games on Monday, Tuesday and Friday, on February 7<sup>th</sup> the club started testing an Open game on Thursday night at 7 pm. We need an average of 3 tables a night to break even on cost. We will continue the Thursday game until the end of March and then review if we have enough support to continue the game. Contact Jack Parry if you want to attend the Thursday game. Phone number is in the HRBC phone list.

#### OTHER EVENTS DURING 2023

February 25<sup>th</sup> Royal STAC game on Saturday

March 26<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) Annual Meeting with Lunch and Game

May 5-7<sup>th</sup> Sectional

June 10<sup>th</sup> STAC game on Saturday

July 22 Anniversary Game- Club Open 2 years on July 12, 2023

September 9<sup>th</sup> Back2Bridge

October 7<sup>th</sup> STAC game on Saturday

December 2<sup>nd</sup> Holiday Party Game- Saturday

#### **BOARD NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION**

Officers – 2 year terms
Bill Maine –Vice President
Cecilia Collopy – Secretary

## Board Position - 3 year terms

Melinda Dahlman (replacing Flora Rocco)
Neal Christensen (replacing Ronnie Cavalla)

Ann Mercer (incumbent)

Other Board Changes

Past -President Lynn Baker (replacing Barb Lemberger who moved)
Board Member Ed Herbst (appointed to complete Lynn's Term)

Additional nominations may be made by petition on an official form supplied by Ceil Collopy, DCBA Secretary, or any similar form. A properly executed petition should include the names, signatures, ACBL number and addresses of fifteen DCBA members in good standing. The petition should be submitted to the Secretary with a copy to the President by March 17, 2023

# 2022 Milestones

Advanced NABC Master Alan Gamble Gail Gamble Brenda Baker	<u>Club Master</u> Elizabeth Graham Corazon Flores
	Junior Master
Patricia Richardson	Andee Fountain
Suzanne Buttner Patricia Cerngia	
	Alan Gamble Gail Gamble Brenda Baker  Sectional Master Patricia Richardson Suzanne Buttner

# 2022 Unit Awards

Ace of Clubs		Mini-McKenney	
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**IN MEMORIAM FROM 2022** 

Stan Israel

Mike Kulla

Walter Kurkela