

BELVEDERE TUESDAY PLAYERS: We are still experiencing technical difficulties in getting the Belvedere **Nov 13th, 2018** (this date only) masterpoint awards loaded. We are on it and getting closer, so don't freak out – they will appear in your account soon!

FANTASTIC TOTAL TO HOMEWARD BOUND OF MARIN (HBOFM):

I heard from David Smith, our Platinum Life Master Member and 2x "Matcher" of our donations, that another \$1400 from our Unit came in with postmarks in 2018, making our total **\$22,885**. With David's very generous double match, our Unit upped the HBOFM coffers by **\$68,655 ! More than enough to take care of 4+ people for a whole year!** As they say in New Zealand, "Nicely Done!"

CALLING ALL MENTEES: It's a New Year, so why not take the step and reach out **to be Mentored** by someone more knowledgeable than you? Someone really wanting to help you and has lots of experience to draw on. If you are an intermediate player on a plateau, a Mentor can help get you that "nudge." If you are taking/took one of the classes taught by one of our fine teachers, a Mentor can help you put your new learnings to work. It won't cost you one extra penny, because we pay the Mentor's card fees! Plus, you can do it up to eight times on your journey to Life Master!

To Request A Mentor: <http://marinbridge.com/mentee/>

To Learn about our Unit's Mentoring Program:

http://marinbridge.com/pdf_Files/ACBL.Unit508.MentoringFlyer.2018-05.pdf

CALLING ALL MENTORS: Okay, so we've made some promises that we need your help keeping. We are counting on you that would like to give a little back to our Bridge Community by signing up to **Mentor someone**. We can connect you to that right player that could benefit from your experience. It may be with an intermediate player wanting to further advance, or a newer player in/from a class by of our fine teachers. We'll do the pre-screening and then you can meet the Mentee and decide if there's a fit. Remember navigating the waters when you were "coming up" and how foreign it felt at times? Please jump in and help.

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Here is a shout out to another in our Unit that has achieved the next ACBL Ranking milestone - **Please congratulate her when you see her:**

New **Bronze** Life Master:

Pat Irwin

Peter Sager sent the following as a quote from Rixi Markus:

'I have always believed that your attitude toward your partner is as important as your technical skill at the game.'

(If you don't know of Rixi Markus, *Google* her.)

Remember, all our regular games, etc. can be found through our site:
<http://marinbridge.com/>

Here are links to our Unit and District Facebook pages:
<https://facebook.com/ACBL-Unit-508-249516438506646/>
<https://facebook.com/d21acbl/>

Here is a link to the latest edition of the District (D21) Newsletter, [Diamond in the Ruff](http://d21acbl.com/programs/newsletter/v01/n09/):
<http://d21acbl.com/programs/newsletter/v01/n09/>.

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COMING UP (Remember: the regular games in our Unit are not shown - only special games, irregular games or outages are called out below). The **contacts** for additional info, partnership, or to register Teams are shown at the bottom by Club.

The following shows the things I know that are coming up in the near future; if you want to know everything I have been told, check out the "**News**" link at the top of our Website, as it has it all (http://marinbridge.com/pdf_Files/MBNE.pdf).

Saturday, January 19th:

The 19th is the 3rd Saturday in the month so the B & P duo will be in action at the **Tiburon/Belvedere Community Center @ 10:30 AM** (Contact at the bottom):
Barbara Prior will be directing a **Limited Game** (0 – 750 MP's).
Peggy Tatro will be directing a **Novice Game** (0 – 20 MP's).

Martin Luther King Day, Monday, January 21st:

- **Pickleweed is Closed today only**
- The **Noon Game at Terra Linda** will be an **Open, Stratified** match with **Sign-ups required** (the sign-up sheets are at Pickleweed and Terra Linda).

Monday, January 28th:

The **Noon Limited (2100), Stratified Pairs** Game at **Terra Linda** will be a Q1 **Club Championship** with extra Masterpoints awarded.

Wednesday, February 6th:

The **Noon Open, Stratified Pairs** Game at **Terra Linda** will be a Q1 **Club Championship** with extra Masterpoints awarded.

Thursday, February 14th:

The **Noon Open, Stratified Pairs** Game at **Terra Linda** will be a Q1 **Club Championship** with extra Masterpoints awarded.

Friday, March 15th:

The **Noon Open, Stratified Pairs** Game at **Terra Linda** will be a Q1 **Club Championship** with extra Masterpoints awarded.

UNIT 508 CLUB CONTACTS -

For More Info, Partnership and to **Register your Teams for Team Games:**

"BELVEDERE" - **Barbara Prior** at cardscases@aol.com or 415-892-1856

"FULDEK" -

ALL Sunday Games at Terra Linda (including Sunday Unit Games):

Henry Kingdon 415-572-9458 or h_kingdon@yahoo.com

Wednesday Evening Game at Terra Linda:

Hannah Kishi at 415-897-7664 or hrdhrtd@aol.com

Thursday Novice Game at Belvedere

Henry Kingdon 415-572-9458 or h_kingdon@yahoo.com

"HOPPE" (Thursday & Friday at Belvedere)

David Blohm at david_blohm@hotmail.com or 415-332-9548

"PICKLEWEED" - **Ellen Weingart** at grammyellen@comcast.net or 415-461-5905

"TERRA LINDA" – **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday** Games:

Peggy Tatro at peggytatro@sonic.net or 415-299-7511