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News from Judy Hellen, Education Liaison

Classes on Stayman and Jacoby Transfer Conventions

After a notrump opening bid or overcall the Stayman and Jacoby transfer conventions allow you to find a fit in a major whenever the responder has either four or five cards in a major. These conventions are widely used and should be part of every player's bidding toolbox. Once you have mastered the basics, your notrump bidding will be a piece of cake around 90% of the time. (Non-scientific guesstimate.) Bridge players love the occasional easy bidding sequence.

These classes are intended for newer players who have already started learning bridge and have played for a while. Other players who struggle with these conventions are encouraged to attend no matter how long you have played the game. Common issues are "Which convention do I use?" or "What is my next bid?" in the opener's seat or the responder's seat. In the class you will learn the concepts along with the actual bids. There will be sufficient hands-on practice. Expect a small class size with highly personalized instruction.

Instructor: Cecelia Ray

Dates: Tuesday, November 28 and Tuesday, December 5

Location: Fellowship Presbyterian Church, 2005 New Garden Rd, Greensboro

Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Cost: \$50

Reserve your space today by responding to Cecelia at CeceliaRay@gmail.com or call/text 336-601-5058.

Coming in January

Bridge Basics: An Introduction is scheduled starting January 9. Barbara Pomer will be delivering this class. The class meets on four consecutive Tuesdays at 9:30am to 11:45am at the Fellowship Presbyterian Church, 2005 New Garden Road in Greensboro. The cost is \$100. An accompanying textbook is recommended and can be purchased from the instructor at a discount. It's not too early to reserve a space. Contact Barbara at bdpomer@gmail.com or call/text 336-202-1299.

Look for news about **Bridge Basics in the Evening** in January. The details are not finalized at this time. We are listening to you!

Play and Learn in Winston-Salem

Whenever Martha Meyer is directing a game, Mark Meyer is giving a class one hour prior to the game. These dates are scheduled: 11/6, 11/7, 11/14, 11/17, 12/8, 12/15, and 12/22. For location and times, click on *Clubs* on the menu then select *Winston-Salem*.

Opportunity to Play and Practice

Each Friday Greensboro's Triad Bridge Club offers a Supervised Play event. There is a lesson, a game and experienced players to answer your questions. The location is Fellowship Presbyterian Church, 2005 New Garden Rd and the time is 9:30am to noon. On November 10 only, the event will take place at the Guilford College United Methodist Church, 1205 Fleming Road. Although reservations are not required, advanced registration is requested for planning purposes. Contact Peter Boyd-Bowman at PeterBoydBowman@yahoo.com or even better text/call 336-686-3680.