We are thrilled to share the results of our The Longest Day fundraiser. Together, we raised \$21,719, surpassing our goal by \$2,121. This achievement marks our Unit as San Diego's top fundraising team for the fourth consecutive year. We thank each of you who participated in the Pro Auction, donated to our fundraising page, or played in our TLD unit game last month.

Our Unit celebrated The Longest Day by hosting 17 tables across two sections on Father's Day, with nearly everyone participating by wearing purple. The auction bidding table featured fine art by Phyllis Yates and Larry Sherman, attracting active bidding and sales throughout the day. Sarah Granby from the Alzheimer's Association gave a brief presentation highlighting how our donations support care, research, and advocacy efforts. Judy Rimer and Steve Love won the Open Pairs with a 60.37% game, and William Huckell and Lorraine Helmers won the 699er game with a 57.60% game. The event included a crowd-favorite pizza and salad, a decorative cake, balloons, flowers, and a festive atmosphere, making it a wonderful day for a great cause.

Looking ahead, our joint Summer Sectional with the La Jolla Unit at the Soledad Club is scheduled for Friday, August 2, and Saturday, August 3. Due to high demand, seating is limited to the first 40 tables. Please refer to the advertisement on page (xx) for more information or email Lamya with your partner/team names, game section (Open/1499er/299er/Team), preferred dates and sessions of play (AM and/or PM), and lunch preferences. Lunch boxes featuring sandwiches and sides will be available for purchase. Pairs games are on Friday for all levels, including 499ers, 1499ers, and Open pairs, for both sessions. On Saturday, we mix it up with several brackets of Swiss Teams. The more teams we have, the more we can divide players into different flights. Additionally, we will offer 599er and Open pairs in both AM and PM sessions on Saturday for those who aren't too keen on teams or only want to play one session. We can't wait to see you there!

The annual Ray Sachs' Charity Game is on Sunday, August 18, at 1:00 PM at the Soledad Club. The entry fee for this special fundraiser is \$20. Stay tuned for updates on this special event. Ray Sachs, renowned among bridge players for organizing medical teams for orthopedic surgeries in developing countries, has expanded his efforts over the past twelve years with the support of the bridge community. Our Unit is donating all proceeds from the Unit game to Ray's charity.

In addition to the Summer Sectional and Ray Sachs' Charity Game, please mark your calendars for our upcoming Unit games on July 21 and August 4. Each game begins with a light lunch at 12:30 PM, a mini-lesson, and bridge at 1:00 PM. For our 699er players, RSVP to Bridget Poizner at BridgeFun1430@gmail.com.

Let's make July sparkle and shine!

San Diego Club News:

<u>Redwood Bridge Club</u> offers multiple daily games and lessons for players of all levels. Visit their website for upcoming classes, game details, and daily results.

<u>San Diego Bridge Club</u> hosts sanctioned games every Tuesday and Friday at 10:30 AM at the Masonic Center, 3366 Adams Avenue. For more information, contact Sebastian at (619) 299-0026. Please check each club's website for the latest updates on game schedules.