



# Jacksonville School of Bridge

Northeast Florida's premiere bridge club experience



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Our sympathies are with the families of **Helen Gardner** and **Gwen Cordes**, who passed away.

Congratulations to **Lorie Holmes** and **Lois Sayward**, who made Life Master at the Daytona Tournament.

Congratulations to newly elected board members **Mark Franzoni**, **Judy Harhai**, **Jan Madsen**, **Tracy Miller**, **Michael Smalline**, and **Nancy Whitmire**, who will serve January 2025-December 2026.

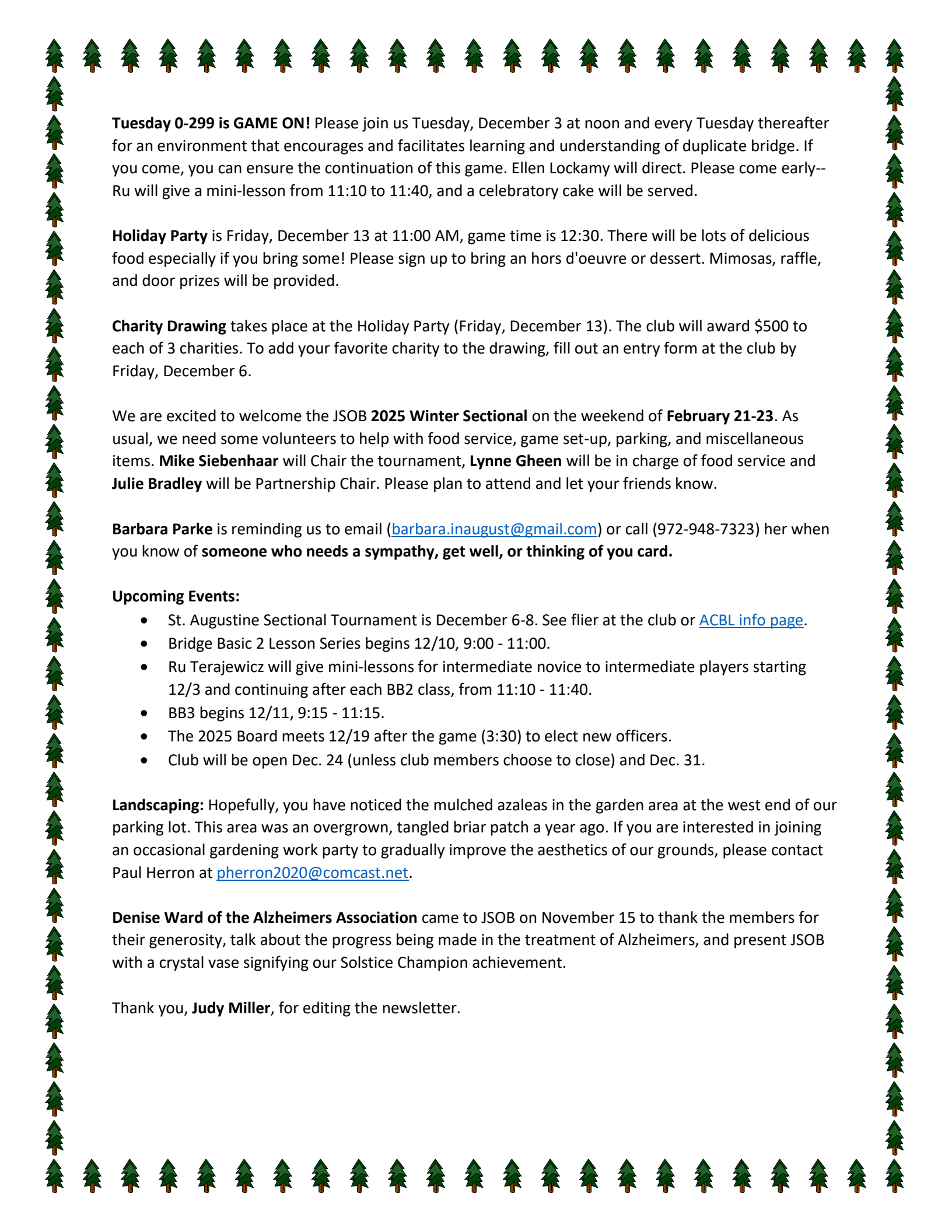
Continuing to serve through December 2025 are **Bunny George**, **Craig Hemphill**, **Mike Palmer**, **Emmy Peters**, and **Carol Shotwell**. Thank you, **Lynne Gheen**, **Anne Landry**, and **Mike Siebenhaar** for your service on the board.

**Dues for 2025 are \$25 through December 31, \$30 thereafter.** If you have any directory changes, please fill out a renewal form at payment time or any other time to let JSOB know of the changes. Or better yet, change your information yourself online (see next item). Dues money is used for day-to-day expenses, building maintenance, insurance, utilities, etc., which exceed \$1000 per month.

**JSOB Website:** We aren't publishing hard copy directories any more, but an online directory along with other good stuff is on the website ([www.bridgewebs.com/jacksonvilleschool](http://www.bridgewebs.com/jacksonvilleschool)). Here's how to use it:

- Create an account, starting with clicking on Membership in the left-hand menu. Read the instructions on the right!
- Log in. If you have not created an account, or don't remember your password, click Set/Reset Password.
- Once you have logged in, look at the tabs across the top of the page.
  - You can go straight to your Personal Analysis.
  - You have access to the Member List (who needs a printed directory?!).
  - In the Account tab, you can view and edit your member information. Consider uploading a photo, it will appear on your Results page for every game! You can make changes to your name, address, phone, and options such as directory list, mailing list, and what information about you is displayed. More information about how to use the Account page is on the right side of the page—please read it before making any changes.

As always, if you see anything that needs to be corrected or added or if you are having difficulty, please let me know by sending a message in the Contact Us area in the left-hand menu of the website. – **Judy Miller**, Web Manager



**Tuesday 0-299 is GAME ON!** Please join us Tuesday, December 3 at noon and every Tuesday thereafter for an environment that encourages and facilitates learning and understanding of duplicate bridge. If you come, you can ensure the continuation of this game. Ellen Lockamy will direct. Please come early-- Ru will give a mini-lesson from 11:10 to 11:40, and a celebratory cake will be served.

**Holiday Party** is Friday, December 13 at 11:00 AM, game time is 12:30. There will be lots of delicious food especially if you bring some! Please sign up to bring an hors d'oeuvre or dessert. Mimosas, raffle, and door prizes will be provided.

**Charity Drawing** takes place at the Holiday Party (Friday, December 13). The club will award \$500 to each of 3 charities. To add your favorite charity to the drawing, fill out an entry form at the club by Friday, December 6.

We are excited to welcome the JSOB **2025 Winter Sectional** on the weekend of **February 21-23**. As usual, we need some volunteers to help with food service, game set-up, parking, and miscellaneous items. **Mike Siebenhaar** will Chair the tournament, **Lynne Gheen** will be in charge of food service and **Julie Bradley** will be Partnership Chair. Please plan to attend and let your friends know.

**Barbara Parke** is reminding us to email ([barbara.inaugust@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.inaugust@gmail.com)) or call (972-948-7323) her when you know of **someone who needs a sympathy, get well, or thinking of you card**.

**Upcoming Events:**

- St. Augustine Sectional Tournament is December 6-8. See flier at the club or [ACBL info page](#).
- Bridge Basic 2 Lesson Series begins 12/10, 9:00 - 11:00.
- Ru Terajewicz will give mini-lessons for intermediate novice to intermediate players starting 12/3 and continuing after each BB2 class, from 11:10 - 11:40.
- BB3 begins 12/11, 9:15 - 11:15.
- The 2025 Board meets 12/19 after the game (3:30) to elect new officers.
- Club will be open Dec. 24 (unless club members choose to close) and Dec. 31.

**Landscaping:** Hopefully, you have noticed the mulched azaleas in the garden area at the west end of our parking lot. This area was an overgrown, tangled briar patch a year ago. If you are interested in joining an occasional gardening work party to gradually improve the aesthetics of our grounds, please contact Paul Herron at [pherron2020@comcast.net](mailto:pherron2020@comcast.net).

**Denise Ward of the Alzheimers Association** came to JSOB on November 15 to thank the members for their generosity, talk about the progress being made in the treatment of Alzheimers, and present JSOB with a crystal vase signifying our Solstice Champion achievement.

Thank you, **Judy Miller**, for editing the newsletter.