



Welcome to our Summer 2018 issue!

CELEBRATING GOLD



Pat Kelleher, Ann Keegan, Betsy Hines, Nora Schneider, Peter Griff, Jenny Koenecke, and Betsey Paige celebrate gold won at the tournament in Falmouth recently.

Two of our longtime members have become

NEW DIRECTORS

Gautam Merchant and Roger Goldberg

Gautam can generally be found directing our Saturday game and filling in for absent directors when needed. Roger directs the 99er game on Friday mornings. We are thrilled to add them to our director roster. If you are interested in becoming a director, please speak with Jenny Koenecke or any of our directors.

DOUBLE FUN DAY:

Wednesday – Mah Jong

After the regularly scheduled bridge game, we are hosting Mah Jong on Wednesdays. Games will start 1:45ish. All are welcome.

CLASSES

Summer Classes for Intermediates

Henry Daley and Jim Vierra will conduct short focused classes for intermediate players on select Tuesdays this summer. Classes will start at 9:30 am and run 20-30 minutes. Classes are free but sign up to attend.

Henry’s topics are doubles and preemptive bids. His dates are June 5, 19, and 26.

Jim’s topics are defense and play of the hand. His dates are July 10, August 7, and August 2.



Fall OLLI Classes for Beginners

Elaine Sheeran will once again be teaching a program for beginners through the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of UMass Boston. Classes will be held at our Club on Friday mornings starting the beginning of September. Registration is through the OLLI Program.

SAVE THE DATES - PARTIES!

Bridge Brunch – Tuesday, June 26
Annual Barbecue – Saturday, Sept 8



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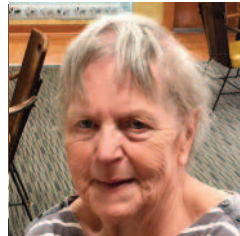
WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS



Martha Cochran



Tom Burke



Susan Hanna



Mary Ryan



REMEMBERING DONNA DALEY

On Wednesday, May 23rd, 2018, The Puritan Club welcomed 16 tables of bridge players, to a game and luncheon honoring the memory of Donna Daley.

Donna was a great ambassador for our Club, always eager to raise needed funds for building improvements and providing special lunch surprises. She was a character we all remember fondly and she will be missed.

Sixteen tables were more players than the Club has seen at one game in recent memory. It was a great tribute to Donna, as well as to Henry who provided lunch for the event.



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Notable Members

Have you noticed that lately our Club is having more parties?

In addition to the traditional December Holiday Parties and Summer Barbecue, we are now hosting Spring Flings, Pizza Mentor Games, considering an Italian Lunch on Columbus Day and an Oktoberfest. This is thanks to our Entertainment Co-Chairs, **Maureen Cullen** and **Nancy Mullen** (a/k/a "Cullen & Mullen") who strive to enhance the social atmosphere of our competitive bridge club.

Cullen & Mullen first met in 2009. Nancy had just retired from teaching and asked her former teaching co-worker, Pat Lyons, what to do for fun in retirement. The answer, bridge. Nancy, Pat, and Pat's book club friend, Maureen, joined Gretchen Maull for a bridge class taught by Bob Prevoir at Braintree High School.

The group formed a social bridge club which is ten strong today, including Cullen & Mullen, Pat, Gretchen and (alternates) Brian King, Elaine Madden and Libby Nielson. They play every Friday afternoon.



Encouraged by Bob Prevoir, Pat and Nancy first played at our Club in 2010. Nancy was immediately hooked on duplicate. Soon after Cullen & Mullen started to play regularly at the Club. Nancy was eventually elected to the Board as Membership Chair, working at that role until she decided to go "social" and stepped aside to make way for Peter Roos who wanted to be on the Board. Cullen & Mullen, being essential party girls, worked with the then Entertainment Chair, Betsey Paige. When Betsey retired, Cullen & Mullen were the natural successors. Henry Daley, the then Nominating Committee Chair, first approached Cullen & Mullen to serve as Entertainment Co-Chairs. Rumor has it that Maureen's Costco membership was an added asset. They are working hard to provide an ever more comfortable and enjoyable environment for all members, and an environment that welcomes, supports and encourages new members. **Party on!**

Final Notes

Not only did we say a final farewell to Donna Daley, but also our reliable good friend and long time member Charlie Mattina recently passed away. We miss them both.



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