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Philadelphia NABC



It's almost here!!!!!!!

In just a few weeks, we will be looking for you at the Philadelphia NABC at the Marriott. Don't miss it!

Our terrific group of volunteers has been working hard to provide a wonderful experience for all District 4 bridge players.

On Friday night, March 9th, the ACBL will be hosting an opening reception after the evening session. The Jersey Tenors will be the entertainment, singing the music from "Jersey Boys" and other great hits.

There will be food and drinks and a great party atmosphere.

On Sunday, March 11th, Allison Brandt and Mike Giesler invite you to take a stroll on the "Atlantic City Boardwalk", right inside the hotel. The ballroom will be transformed into the Boardwalk - the one we remember when we were kids.

The Boardwalk will have cotton candy, sno cones, hot dogs and funnel cake with salt water taffy as a take-away "parting gift."

There will be arcade games like Skee-Ball, Darts, Ring Toss and Plinko. Strolling magicians will walk around and do up-close magic and a balloon vendor will give away balloons. There will even be photo booths with on-site printable pictures. It's an event not to be missed.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings there will be a special 30 minute show after the evening session. Come watch the "Counterparts", a nationally honored "a cappella" group from the University of Pennsylvania - they are amazing! Their show will combine bridge parodies with some other tunes you will just love. Wednesday night will be a special performance - Jay Whipple, ACBL President, will be a guest star! Make sure you catch one of the shows.

The Philadelphia NABC has events for bridge players at every level, so don't be intimidated by the "national" title. There are intermediate/newcomer games every day at 10:00am, 3:00pm and 7:30pm. Debi and John Klinger will be waiting for your arrival with special gifts.

A schedule of special bridge lessons and events are listed on the <u>attached</u> <u>poster</u>. Included are free two hour lectures on Saturday, March 10th by Jerry Helms and Sunday, March 11th by Audrey Grant.

If you have a friend who would like to learn to "Play Bridge in a Day" there is a five hour workshop for \$15 on Saturday, March 10th and a four hour workshop on Notrump on Sunday, March 11th.

<u>Name an Event</u>. It's not too late to name a regional event for a special bridge partner, teacher, mentor or loved one. Your honored person's picture and a writeup will be in the Daily Bulletin and we will send you a gift certificate to give as a rememberance. Act quickly - time is short.

See you all in Philadelphia!