

The Gay 90's

Let's go back, let's talk about the gay 90's. But not the times, the Los Angeles Bridge Unit arm of American Bridge Association members 90 and over. They are folks that tend to play bridge with brazen brilliance at times. They seldom botch a bid and can often be surprisingly shrewd.

On September 29th the Los Angeles Bridge Unit helped the "90 year old plus members" in our midst, celebrate their lives at the card table. These Bridge Players are the very identity of Gay 90's as it means to high happiness at any age. We did have two of our faithful missing unfortunately, Rosa Hawkins and Velma Davis (who were definitely missed.) The bridge extravaganza featured a glorious meal provided by the LABU plus 9 tables of good friends and good fun.

There are actually two separate but equal visions of the "Gay 90's" gala. First, I was fascinated by the great gears of the LABU producing the impressive union of friends, food, and fun. Second, each member of our gay 90's has surpassed the useful recreational gamesmanship of majority of Bridge Players...and have done so despite the brain work of negative generations.

There were Gifts for our 90s group to show our appreciation. Not just to say Thank You, for **appreciation** only begins with saying **thanks**. True **appreciation** is recognizing someone's excellent efforts and contribution. We wanted "to recognize and enjoy" their value to us. In return our friends shared their stories of how they began playing bridge. The very memories of how it all began for them were fascinating and you could see each one's personality involved in how they got started. Our 90 plus guest shared beautiful memories and

stories of their humble beginnings and why they are still an avid player today with a tremendous love of the *Game of Duplicate Bridge*.

Romancing all aspects of our *Gay 90's* celebration allows the comprehensive nature of our game and some of our wisest performers, to model the areas of competition that goes beyond conventional wisdom. And define the embrace of food, fun, and good friends to reveal impressive portraits of lives perpetually made better because of the *Game of Duplicate Bridge*.