

# Daily



# Bulletin

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## WBF tournament in the U.S. 'possible'

Buoyed by a commitment from Tracy and Lou Ann O'Rourke, forces are at work to convince the World Bridge Federation that the 2010 world championships should be scheduled in the United States.

The O'Rourkes, who celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary on Thursday, have pledged

\$50,000 to the United States Bridge Federation to help make the tournament on American soil possible.

WBF President Jose Damiani, visiting Houston to discuss the possibilities, said that he is hopeful his organization, the USBF and the ACBL "will find a solution."

The 2010 World Championships are the most open of the WBF international tournaments. There are no team trials to determine competitors, and all events are transnational: teams and pairs can be made up of players from any countries. There are a wide variety of teams and pairs competitions, including the Rosenblum (open) and McConnell (women's) knockout teams.

Lou Ann O'Rourke said she believes it would be a great benefit to U.S. players to be able to compete in a

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World Bridge Federation President Jose Damiani, Lou Ann O'Rourke and Chris Compton, co-chair of fundraising for the USBF effort to have a world championship scheduled in the U.S.

## Cayne and Diamond rally, make Vanderbilt semifinals

Teams captained by John Diamond and James Cayne came from behind to make it to the semifinal round of the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

Cayne trailed the John Sutherland team by 10 IMPs with 16 boards to play but won the final set 54-23 to earn a berth in the semifinals against the Ralph Katz squad. Katz held a 138-60 lead over the Jacek Pszczola squad after three quarters when the latter withdrew.

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## Canadians lead IMP Pairs

Two players from opposite ends of Canada take a slim lead into today's two final sessions of the Lebhar IMP Pairs. Leading by 4.39 IMPs are Zygmunt Marcinski of Westmount QC and Bryan Maksymetz of Garibaldi Highlands BC.

Their carryover score of 29.39 was just ahead of the 25 earned by Nikolay Demirev of Arlington Heights IL and Nicolas L'Ecuyer of Montreal.

In third with 24.8 were Kenneth Schutze of Austin TX and Hemant Lall of Dallas.

## Chicago pair leads Red Ribbon

Darina Demirev, of Arlington Heights IL, and Howard Liu, of Naperville IL, lead going into today's final two sessions of the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. Their carryover of 117.60 is slightly ahead of Walter Smith, of Washington DC, and Ann Faget, of Houston. The second-place pair has 115.63. Top on a board will be 38.

The leaders, Demirev and Liu, had a solid 58.62% in the afternoon session and followed with 67.43% in the evening. Smith and Faget scored 59.29% and 66.33%.

The Bean Red Ribbon Pairs is for players with 2000 masterpoints or fewer. Players earn qualification by placing first or second overall in regionally rated events of at least Flight B status.

## Berkowitz, Glasson lead in Whitehead Women's

Lisa Berkowitz and Joann Glasson lead the Whitehead Women's Pairs as the event moves into the final today. The pair scored two solid games — 63.43% and 61.94% — to take the top spot. Berkowitz, of Boca Raton FL, and Glasson, of Pennington NJ, are a longtime partnership.

Beverly Gardner, of Farmington Hills MI, and Lynne Schaeffer, of West Bloomfield MI, scored 64.02% in the afternoon session and 57.09% in the evening. The leaders have a carryover of 96.62 and the second-place pair has 81.64.

Shawn Quinn and Pam Wittes qualified in third position and lead the third-place pair of Nadine Wood and Mickie Chambers.

## Goodwill message

Today's opponent may be tomorrow's partner — a good reason to treat opponents and partner with respect and courtesy: the way you expect to be treated.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman  
National Goodwill Committee



## He just can't stop writing



Mark Horton attended his first NABC in 1999, the fall tournament in Boston — and it was a memorable occasion for him.

The team of Horton, Rabbis Leonard Helman and Richard Margolis, Augie Boehm and

Phillip Alder made it to the final of the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, arguably the toughest event on the ACBL calendar.

He has been to at least one NABC a year since. He is attending the Spring NABC in Houston and has been prolific in his contributions to the Daily Bulletin.

A veteran of tournaments around the world, Horton is always impressed with what he sees at ACBL's big events.

"The NABCs are different because of the diversity of the standard of play," he says. "They are bigger than anything else you go to — and they are

fantastically well organized."

Formerly a lawyer by profession, Horton was an accomplished chess player who as a Junior represented England and subsequently played for Great Britain in the European Team Correspondence Championship, winning the Gold Medal on his board as the team took the bronze. He penned a series of articles and booklets on opening theory — and American legend Bobby Fischer used one of his suggestions to win a game against Russian Mark Taimanov on his way to the world title.

Horton developed an interest in bridge in the early Seventies and chess has taken a back seat ever since.

Around 1993, Horton decided change from the law to a career in bridge. He was fortunate to live in Nottingham, which was the home of International Popular Bridge Monthly magazine and also ensured that he could listen, learn and play with the pick of England's players, including Tony Sowter, Tony Forrester, Graham Kirby, Brian Senior and Sally Brock.

On the advice of Forrester, he formed a partnership with Richard Winter and they rapidly rose to the top, winning in rapid succession a host of major events, including the Life Master Pairs, the Grandmaster Pairs, Crockford's Cup and the Spring

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### Attendance

Table count through the Thursday evening sessions: 7211.5.

### Bridge on TV

Don't forget to watch (or record) the 10 p.m. news tonight on Channel 13, the local ABC-TV affiliate. There will be a report on the Spring NABC.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

**Friday, March 20**

11:30 pm - 2 am **Women's Team Trials meeting.** *Meeting Room 331.*

**Saturday, March 21**

10:30 am - Noon **Understanding Changes in the Laws seminar.** Club managers and directors are invited to join ACBL National

Director Rick Beye and the ACBL staff for an overview of the recent changes in the 2008 Laws of Duplicate Bridge. A question-and-answer session will be included. *Meeting Room 344.*

11 am - 5:30 pm **Vugraph.** *Room: TBA.*  
8 pm til **Vugraph.** *Room: TBA.*

### CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

*Be sure to hear these free expert lectures in Houston.*

**Friday, March 20**

12:15 pm David Berkowitz *Partnerships*  
6:45 pm G S Jade Barrett *The Learning Curve*

**Saturday, March 21**

12:15 pm Mildred Breed *Tales of Beijing!*  
6:45 pm Jeff Roman *The Difference between Pairs and*

### LATE NIGHT/ENTERTAINMENT

*Entertainment will be provided in Lanier Ballroom J at 11:30 p.m.*

**Friday, March 20**

Line dancing, with instruction

**Saturday, March 21**

Carnival: Fortune tellers, tarot card readers, magician, caricaturists

*Food will be served nightly in the Lanier Ballroom pre-function area at 11:30 p.m.*

**Friday, March 20**

Hot dogs (chili, if you like it) and chips

**Saturday, March 21**

Pizza and beer



**Candace Griffey** is a new Grand Life Master, a rank requiring 10,000 masterpoints and a win in an NABC+ event. ACBL CEO Baum presents a certificate to Griffey in honor of the achievement. Griffey is club manager of the Vero Beach FL Bridge Club. She won the Women's Pairs in 2003 in Philadelphia and has been second twice in the Wagar Knockout Teams. Her husband is Larry Griffey, a well-known teacher and player.

### ACBL restaurant shuttle

*4 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily*

**Shuttle Route 1:** This bus will circle every 10 minutes. There will be two buses on this route.

**Stop 1:** Stopping in front of House of Blues on Caroline St.

Houston Pavilions-following restaurants located here:

House of Blues  
McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant  
Guadalajara del Centro  
Josephine's Ristorante  
**Stop 2:** Stopping on Lamar St. next to  
Massa's Seafood Grill  
Massa's Seafood Grill.  
Strip House

**Shuttle Route 2:** This bus will circle every 20 minutes. There will be four buses on this route.

**Stop 1:** Stopping on Texas Ave next to Hard Rock Café.

Bayou Place-following restaurants located here:

Hard Rock Café  
Mingalone Italian Bar and Grill  
Slick Willie's  
**Stop 2:** Stopping at Sambuca's on the corner of Travis and Texas.  
Main Street-following restaurants located here:  
Azuma Sushi and Robata Bar  
Cabo  
Café Express  
Chipotle  
Flying Saucer Draught Emporium  
Frank's Pizza  
Sambuca's Jazz Café  
Timpano Chophouse and Martini Bar  
Yatra Brasserie  
Zula

**Pick up and drop off located at the Hilton Americas EAST ENTRANCE.**

**Buses will pick up where you were dropped off at the restaurant locations.**

### NABC Insider

Last night was a quiet night for the Insider as the Supreme C. went next door to hear a couple of garage bands that he feels have some potential. The bands were fronted by a couple of guys named Elton something and Billy Joel something or another. The S.C. suggests you watch for their records at your local Kresge. During the peaceful time while the S.C. was out of the building, the Insider changed the oil in the Bulletin Boys computers, watched UConn eke out a victory in the NCAA tournament and reserved a front row seat for the fourth quarter of the Nickell match. It was a great night.

A commercial for the upcoming Summer NABC in Washington: Margot has reassembled most of the crew from last time and promises more of everything you loved then, plus some new things to make the whole thing even better. The Capital Steps will be there. Ron is setting up the Bridge University for newer players. The kids will be coming for the Youth NABC on the second weekend. The Marriott Wardman Park is a wonderful hotel. Be sure to make your reservations soon. The Washington Summer NABCs are known for great organization, super hospitality, incredible bridge and all the amazing stuff Washington itself has to offer. Don't miss it.

Although it looks like our total table count here in Houston will be down a little over 5% from our estimates put together a year ago, the Insider is content with our numbers. Circuit City, Linens and Things, Ford and many others would be quite happy to be down 5% or 10% or (fill in your own percentage here) from their own estimates of a year ago. The S.C. may not be as content. Since the Insider has probably already wasted any chance of a merit increase this year – apparently merit increases are based on merit – he will just have to stretch his paycheck a little

further in 2009. So, keep playing, give the table count a late tournament surge and maybe the S.C. will be forced to reconsider and the Insider will be able to get some peanut butter to go with the jelly he "borrowed" from the Café to make his and Mrs. Insider's 20th anniversary celebration next month extra special. (A note to the casual Insider reader: The S.C. is not to be confused with ACBL's CEO. Our CEO is known in these musings as Boss Baum. Those trying to figure out who the S.C. is will have to try harder.)

### Vugraph operators needed

Coverage of the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams is on Bridge Base Online and vugraph operators are needed.

As a vugraph operator, you get a front-row seat at an exciting match, a few Bridge Bucks and the gratitude of thousands of spectators around the world.

If you have a session free on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday and want to help out, contact Jan Martel. E-mail is best: marteljan@gmail.com. Her hotel room at the Hilton Americas is 10055. You may also call her cell phone (leave a message because it's usually turned off): 530-574-5780.

To watch the Vanderbilt online, you need access to a computer and the Internet except for Saturday, when the final will be shown in an auditorium at the hotel (location to be announced).

### New Life Master

**Steve Reichek** made Bronze Life Master playing in the Milton Freedman Memorial Stratified Daylight Pairs on Monday.

If you make Life Master or achieve a New LM rank during this tournament, don't forget to tell the Daily Bulletin about it in Room 339.

### Lost jewelry bag

If you found a red silk jewelry bag in one of the fourth-floor ballrooms, please call the owner at 720-384-8722.

### Lost and found

There is a lost and found in the Daily Bulletin office — Room 339. The hotel also has a lost and found.



# JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

## Dear New Players:

By Marti Ronemus

More letters!

Yowza. Usually I don't answer bridge problems, but these two touch on some serious concepts, and introduce two Life Lessons.



"Dear Marti, West opened the bidding 1♦ and my partner doubled in the direct seat. Here's what I had:

♠10 5 ♥7 6 3 ♦9 8 7 4 3 ♣K 8 5.

What would you bid? A two-word answer is all I can hope for, but if you wish to elaborate, that would be most welcome. Helpless in Houston"

Dear Helpless,

What a mess, but it is so "real life," isn't it! Your best bet is to just keep it as low as possible. Translation: bid 1♥. 1NT is not an option because that shows some values, whereas you promise nothing with a bid of 1♥.

Pard's takeout double promised three things: shortness (no more than two) in the opponent's suit, an opening-ish hand (including distribution points), and four cards in the unbid majors. It's possible that he might have only 4-3 in the majors, but if he only has three hearts, well...it's his problem. I'm counting on him to have what he promised and your hand has a little ruffing value if he told the truth.

This is one of those problems with no perfect answer, just the lesser of evils.

Your Life Lesson from this hand: Sometimes there just ain't no right answer, so make sure your partner has a sense of humor.

P.S. A two-word answer? Surely you jest.

"Dear Marti,

Please give me your opinion on how I handled this situation in yesterday afternoon's game. My partner and I have been arguing about it since then. My partner passed and my RHO opened 1♠. I held

♠9 6 3 ♥A K ♦K J 5 4 ♣K J 6 2.

If I double, my partner will take me for four hearts and will surely bid them. If I pass, the opposition may steal the hand, when LHO bids 2♠. So I decided to overcall 1NT. I expected to lose the first five spade tricks and then scramble

to make seven of the next eight tricks. Which is exactly what happened. Perhaps I was lucky, as I could have been clobbered.

"Do you think there is a better bid on my part? My partner just won't let this go. Harassed in Houston."

Dear Harassed: There sure is a better bid. First, though, a Life Lesson for you: When you introduce notrump into an auction where the opponents have named a suit, you are promising a stopper in that suit. What if your partner held 10 HCP, and although he couldn't open the bidding, he had enough fire power to easily take you to 3NT, knowing you had spades stopped. You would be down a phone number if the opponents were smart enough to double you.

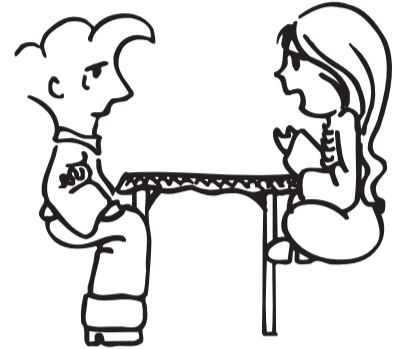
Now listen to Mother. Sometimes the best hand at the table must pass. Pass is not a dirty word, although those of us who love to bid (and that would include me) have a terrible time pulling out that green card.

Let's say you do the right thing and pass, and your LHO bids 2♠. Your partner thinks to himself, "What's wrong with this picture? Why didn't my partner bid? I only have a few points and the opponents might have only 18-20 points. My partner must have the rest, but he must have the wrong shape to bid...no five-card suit to overcall, and the wrong shape for a double." And so your partner will take action if he has the right hand. Of course, he might conclude that the opening bidder has a huge hand and is about to bid game and make a disciplined pass.

In this particular case, if the bidding is about



EVENTUALLY I REALIZED THAT IN ORDER TO REACH TRUE CLARITY ONE HAS TO GET OUT AND FEEL THE HEARTBEAT OF THE PEOPLE...



to die at 2♠, you can now bid 2NT, telling partner to pick his best minor suit. He will then get the picture: you have a decent hand but no spade stopper and no support for hearts.

Bridge is a partnership game. To make bad bids just because you've got some points shows you don't have any trust in your partner. It shows that you'll make any bid with a hand, even if it doesn't fit, just so you can keep control.

So there we have it. Two wonderful Life Lessons – and for free! Pay attention! And stay in touch. mronemus@comcast.net

## Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

Dlr: West ♠ J 10 9  
Vul: N-S ♥ A 9 2  
♦ A 5 3 2  
♣ 7 6 4

♠ A K 4 2 ♠ Q 8 5  
♥ K 4 ♥ 5 3  
♦ Q 8 4 ♦ 10 7 6  
♣ K 8 3 2 ♣ Q J 10 9 5

♠ 7 6 3  
♥ Q J 10 8 7 6  
♦ K J 9  
♣ A

West	North	East	South
1NT	Pass	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Opening lead: ♠A.

Bidding commentary: South has a promising hand for a balancing 2♥ bid and has no trouble bidding game after North invites.

Defensive commentary: East signals encouragement in spades and West continues with the king and a spade to East's queen. East exits with the ♣Q.

Play commentary: South counts 20 HCP between his hand and dummy, leaving the opponents with 20. Furthermore, South knows that West has 15-17 high-card points. East has already turned up with the ♠Q and presumably the ♣Q J. That's 5 HCP. Therefore, West must have the ♥K and the ♦Q.

After the heart finesse wins and trumps are removed, South has to broach diamonds, knowing West has the queen. If the queen is doubleton, playing the ace and king will work. But West has turned up with a doubleton heart and is unlikely to have two doubletons and open 1NT. What South has to do is play East for the ♦10 and take a backwards finesse!

South leads the ♦J. Assuming West covers, dummy's ace wins and a diamond is led to the 9. West would play the same with the A-J-9 facing K-x-x, knowing where the queen is.



The Intermediate-Newcomer directors do it all. They sell entries, answer questions, make rulings, post results and hold the hands of players who are lost. Well, maybe they don't hold hands, but they do all they can to make newcomers feel comfortable. Shown are Judy Cotterman, Donna Coker and Priscilla Smith.

## Horton

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Foursomes.

Their success earned them invitations to overseas events, and they won both the famous Hoechst Team tournament and the Dunhill Cup.

They represented England on numerous occasions and were in the Great Britain team in the World Championships in Albuquerque in 1994.

It was in that same year that Horton was asked by Patrick Jourdain to work at the European Mixed Championships in Barcelona – the only snag was that it meant that he would not be allowed to play. He decided to accept, and when Patrick announced at the end of the event that he wanted to retire from Bulletin work, the EBL appointed Horton chief editor, a post he has held ever since.

A year later, he was invited to become Editor of Bridge Magazine, the world's oldest publication (May 1926) and he has been doing that ever since.

He started writing bridge books, and is now well into double figures. His latest, *Misplay these Hands with Me*, has earned rave reviews and was short listed for the 2008 Masterpoint Press Book of the Year award.

His current workload includes a revision of the *ACBL Encyclopedia of Bridge* and books on the Multicoloured Two Diamonds, a history of bridge since 1950 and a collection of double dummy problems.

There is also the possibility of a book on professional bridge, centered on his adventures with Rabbi Helman.

Although his partnership with Winter came to an end, Horton continued to play in international events and he has won tournaments in such far-flung places as Australia, France, Germany, Holland, Romania, the U.S., Portugal, Egypt and Malta to name but a few.

It was on that Mediterranean island that he met the now legendary rabbi, and they formed a professional partnership. They were in the prize money in Malta, and ever since they have played in two or three events a year, both at the NABCs and in some overseas events.

A couple of years ago, they won the Polish Team Championships in Sopot along with their regular Bulgarian teammates, Vladi Isporski, Valio Kovachev and Victor Aronov.

These occasional outings are pretty much the only bridge Mark has played for the last 10 years. Remarkably, he has not played a single session in the UK during that period.

He now lives in Bath with his partner, Liz, and is busy restocking his wine cellar – his latest acquisition is a bottle of Ch. Latour 1961.

When Horton is not at his computer, you might find him reading – the Richard Sharp novels are amongst his favorites – or watching soccer, cricket or baseball.

If the Rabbi ever decides to call it a day, Horton says he and the Bulgarians will continue to play if a new sponsor comes along.

## Barry's prolific, too



Mark Horton has produced a mountain of material for the Daily Bulletins in the past few years, but over the past decade, none can top Barry Rigal, another native of Great Britain. Rigal, like Horton an expert player,

## Bridge Clerihews

By William J. Jones

Edmund Clerihew Bentley  
Would not repent. He  
Wrote awful rhymes  
About folks of the times.  
And who the Charles Dickens was Edmund  
Clerihew Bentley? He was an English humorist born  
in 1875 who at age 16 invented a silly little rhyme  
scheme like the above.

The standard form gave a person's name in the  
first line and completed the four line rhyme in that  
AABB style and comically unbalanced meter,  
especially in the third and fourth lines. Now how  
about some Clerihews for the world of Bridge? I  
mean, gee whiz, why should Edmund have all the  
fun?

Charles Goren.  
His rules now seem foreign  
But he paved the way  
To better Bridge play.

Alfred Sheinwold.  
His writing like fine gold.  
His humor, his teaching  
Are still far reaching.

The Blackwood Convention  
One could "Easley" mention  
Like Captain Marvel's "Shazam!"  
Could turn mere Game into Slam.

Sam Stayman  
Was clearly no layman  
When he perfected the kit  
To find the 4 4 fit.

Ira Corn  
Entrepreneur sworn  
To bring "Play Bridge with the Aces"  
To faraway places.

Frank Stewart's column  
Isn't overly solemn.  
Through Louie and Cy and Wendy  
We learn what is trendy.

has been chronicling bids and plays, triumphs and disasters at the bridge table for about a decade and a half since arriving in the U.S. in 1994.

"I got here on Sept. 2," he recalls, "the day that Major League Baseball players went on strike." Rigal did not comment on whether there was any connection between the two events.

Rigal turns in his reports in his own inimitable handwriting – editors have learned through the years to decipher it – but he has had to yield to modern technology in collaborating with Bobby Wolff on the Aces on Bridge syndicated column.

The process would be more cumbersome except that Rigal's wife, Sue Picus, wrote a software program that facilitates the typesetting.

Rigal has managed some impressive bridge accomplishments, as a member of the winning squad in the Mixed Board a Match Teams in 2000 and the Swiss Teams in 2003. He says his finest hour as a competitor came in 2002 in Montreal, where his team, with three women on it, made it to the round of 16 in the Rosenblum Knockout Teams, the open event at the World Bridge Championships.

"All my best accomplishments have been with women as teammates," he says.

## Masterpoint disclaimer

Scores as reported in the Daily Bulletin are subject to change because of score changes or corrections.

The masterpoint awards as shown are, therefore, also subject to change.

Jacoby and son  
Wrote, invented, and won.  
When we transfer, oh, wow!  
To Ozzie we should bow.

Eddie Kantar  
Tries to slant our  
Bridge thinking. Right off the bat  
I Kantar gue with that.

The Hat Lady Marie  
Is all about Zero T  
Which means doing what you're able  
To keep meanness from the table.

David Bird  
Spreads the good Word.  
His Bridge with the Abbot  
Could get to be a nun's habit.

Louis H. Watson, I understand  
Wrote a book on the play of the Hand.  
A classic labor of love in '34  
But he didn't live to see it score.

Sam Fry  
Is the guy  
Who pushed for "Skip Bid."  
Wish it had been kept hid.

Harold Vanderbilt  
Played Bridge to the hilt.  
Invented Contract in twenty five;  
A "fad" that surely did survive.

Waldemar Zedtwitz, Baron true  
Partner of Harold and Bridge guru.  
Once in charge of a wake up  
That saved League from breakup.

*The author lives in Syracuse NY. He earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Utica College 1954 and a master's degree in math from Syracuse University. He founded Designer Software in 1991 to create software for fabric and surface pattern design. The Bridge Lexicorn is part of his collection of bridge papers that can be found at [www.wjjonbridge.com](http://www.wjjonbridge.com).*

## USBF

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world championship at home.

"I hope others will join me in helping our people play in the U.S.," she said. "This is the perfect time for us to have a world championship in America. We have some beautiful cities."

Said Damiani, "There is a good chance that if we find an acceptable solution we will do it, but it has to be acceptable."

Anyone interested in contributing to the cause can contact either of the fundraising chairs: Bob Hamman or Chris Compton. Contact information is available at [www.usbf.org](http://www.usbf.org). All gifts to the USBF, a 501(c) 3 organization, are fully tax deductible.

Compton said having a world championship in the U.S. would give many players a chance to compete in such a tournament for the first time.

"This event," he said, "will further the USBF's express purpose of selecting and training players for representation of the U.S. in international competition by, among other things, encouraging their interests and ambitions in getting them involved in the process on a personal playing level."

## Vanderbilt

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Diamond was 21 IMPs in arrears against China Longzhu Open with 16 deals to play. Diamond won the final set 65-14 to earn a 117-87 victory.

Similarly, No. 1 seeded Nick Nickell was ahead of Lou Ann O'Rourke 143-49 after three sets when O'Rourke called it a day. Nickell will face Diamond in today's semifinal round.

### Searching for IMPs

By Mark Horton

*Searching for Bobby Fischer* is an acclaimed 1993 film based on the life of prodigy chess player Josh Waitzkin. Adapted from the book of the same name by his father Fred, the film was written and directed by Steven Zaillian. In the United Kingdom the film was released under the title *Innocent Moves*.

In this film, Josh's family discovers that he possesses a gift for chess and they seek to nurture it. They hire a strict coach, Bruce Pandolfini, who aims to teach the boy to be as aggressive as Bobby Fischer. The title of the film is a metaphor about the character's quest to adopt the ideal of Fischer and his determination to win at any price. The main conflict in the film arises when Josh refuses to adopt Fischer's misanthropic frame of reference. Josh then goes on to win on his own terms with the kind of gracious sportsmanship that Fischer rejects.

Much the same could be applied to many bridge players, don't you think?

In any event, join me on a search for IMPs in the Lebhar IMP Pairs.

Dlr: South ♠ A 10 4  
 Vul: Both ♥ 9 3 2  
 ♦ A 10 8 3  
 ♣ 10 7 3

♠ K Q 8 7	♥ Q 7	♦ K Q 7 6 5	♣ 8 2	♠ J 9 3 2	♥ A K 10 8 5 4	♦ —	♣ 6 5 4
	♠ 6 5	♥ J 6	♦ J 9 4 2	♣ A K Q J 9			

West	North <i>Horton</i>	East	South <i>Helman</i>
	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♦	Pass	4♠	All Pass

East-West took full advantage of the lack of bidding by North-South and even though North led a club declarer had an easy route to ten tricks – and 7.65 IMPs.

Dlr: North ♠ A Q  
 Vul: E-W ♥ A K J 10 8 4 2  
 ♦ 7 2  
 ♣ A K

♠ 6 3 2	♥ Q 5 3	♦ 10 9 6 4 3	♣ 9 5	♠ 8 4	♥ 9 7 6	♦ A 8 5	♣ Q J 10 4 3
	♠ K J 10 7 5	♥ —	♦ K Q J	♣ 8 7 6 2			

West	North <i>Horton</i>	East	South <i>Helman</i>
	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	6♣
Pass	6♥	Pass	6NT

The Rabbi's 2♥ promised one ace or two kings and he was right on the money when he converted to 6NT, earning 5.27 IMPs.

Dlr: North ♠ J 9 8  
 Vul: Both ♥ A K J 9  
 ♦ K 8 4 3 2  
 ♣ 6

♠ 7	♥ 8 7 5 4	♦ A J	♣ Q 8 5 4 3 2	♠ A K 5 3	♥ 10 6 2	♦ 10 9 7 5	♣ A 10
	♠ Q 10 6 4 2	♥ Q 3	♦ Q 6	♣ K J 9 7			

West	North <i>Horton</i>	East	South <i>Helman</i>
	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	Pass
3♣	Pass	Pass	Dbl

All Pass  
 Three clubs strikes me as a very dubious move, especially at this vulnerability. There was no way to avoid the loss of 500, and that cost 8.41 IMPs.

Dlr: West ♠ A K 6 4  
 Vul: N-S ♥ 6  
 ♦ A Q J 9 3  
 ♣ A K 4

♠ Q 7	♥ A 9 5	♦ K 8 5 4 2	♣ 10 5 2	♠ 9 2	♥ K 10 7 4 3 2	♦ 10 6	♣ J 9 6
	♠ J 10 8 5 3	♥ Q J 8	♦ 7	♣ Q 8 7 3			

West	North <i>Horton</i>	East	South <i>Helman</i>
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

Perhaps four hearts is a better technical bid than asking for key cards, but if partner has a pile of rubbish with only the queen of spades and the king of diamonds you will miss a good slam.

With trumps 2-2 the Rabbi wrapped up 12 tricks to earn 9.7 IMPs.

Dlr: East ♠ A J 7 4 2  
 Vul: Both ♥ 10 5  
 ♦ —  
 ♣ Q 9 7 5 3 2

♠ K Q 9 8 6 3	♥ 4	♦ K Q 9 8	♣ K 4	♠ —	♥ K Q 9 8 7 6 2	♦ J 7 6 5 3	♣ 8
	♠ 10 5	♥ A J 3	♦ A 10 4 2	♣ A J 10 6			

West	North <i>Horton</i>	East	South <i>Helman</i>
		3♥	3NT!
Dbl	All Pass		

The Rabbi's adventurous overcall struck gold when West was tempted to double. With two suits that might deliver tricks, there was certainly no case for North to run.

West led the king of spades and declarer won with dummy's ace and played a club to the ace and a club. West won and switched to the king of diamonds. When that held he continued with a low diamond to East's jack. At this point all declarer has to do to swing around 16 IMPs is win

and play a spade, but the Rabbi's Guardian Angel was taking a nap and when he played low he was booked for one down and a loss of 5.4 IMPs.

### What is going on?

By Arnie Frankel

Playing IMPs, your opponents arrive in a contract of 3♠ on the bidding shown below.

*Dummy*  
 ♠ K 8 5  
 ♥ K 9 3  
 ♦ K 4 3  
 ♣ A 9 8 7

*You*  
 ♠ 9 7 6  
 ♥ A Q 10 8 5 4  
 ♦ 9 6 5  
 ♣ Q

West	North	East	South
	1♣	2♥	Dbl
3♦	Pass	3♥	3♠

All Pass  
 Partner leads the ♥7 against South's 3♠ contract and declarer plays low. You win your ♥Q, what now? Let's say you continue with the ♥A, declarer follows and partner plays an encouraging ♦2. What's going on and how do you defend?

If partner wanted a ruff, he should not encourage in diamonds. Surely he has a trump, so why doesn't he want a ruff?

The answer might be that his trump is the singleton ace! So, you play the ♣Q.

Here are all four hands (low cards approximate):

♠ K 8 5	♥ K 9 3	♦ K 4 3	♣ A 9 8 7
♠ A	♥ 7	♦ A Q J 8 7 2	♣ 10 6 5 4 3
♠ 9 7 6	♥ A Q 10 8 5 4	♦ 9 6 5	♣ Q
♠ Q J 10 4 3 2	♥ J 6 2	♦ 4	♣ K J 2

You can now get two club ruffs, along with two heart tricks and partner's two aces, to set the contract.

### Bid Box Alerts and Announcements

When using bid boxes, ACBL suggests that players tap the Alert strip and say "Alert" at the same time.



When making an Announcement, use the Announcement word — such as "transfer" — and tap the Alert strip at the same time.

A player who Alerts or Announces a bid should make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or Announcement has been made.

### Notice to players

Each player must have an ACBL convention card filled out and on the table. Please note that other types of convention cards, such as the WBF convention card or homemade cards that do not sufficiently resemble the ACBL convention card, are not acceptable substitutes.

Saturday,  
March 21

## Understanding Changes in the Laws

Club Managers and Directors are invited to join ACBL staff for an overview of the recent changes in the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2008. Q & A period included.

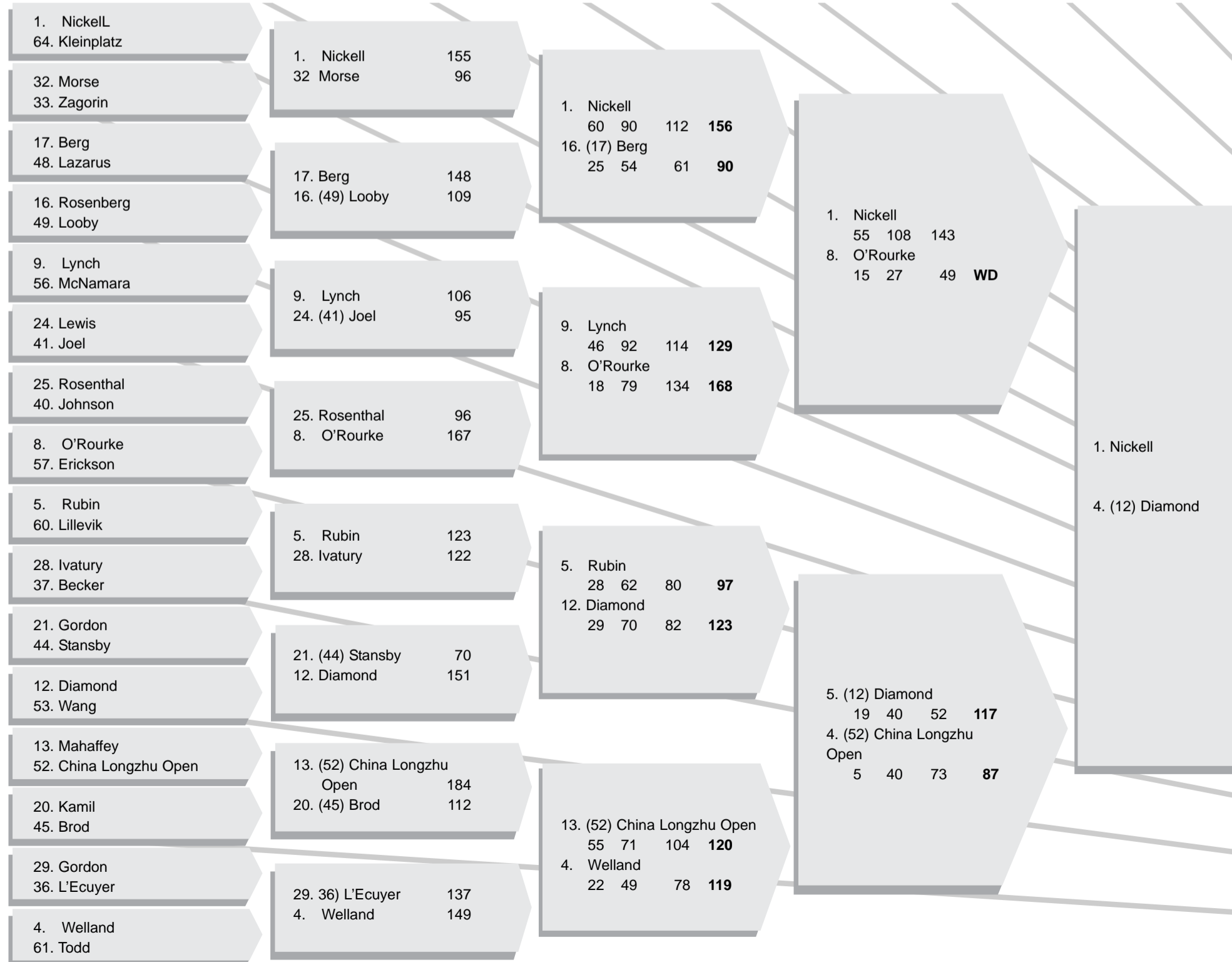
**Location:** Hilton Americas — Meeting Room 344    **Time:** 10:30 a.m. — Noon    **Fee:** FREE

# TODAY'S PAIRINGS IN THE



**71 Tables**  
 Nick Nickell - Zia Mahmood, New York NY;  
 Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA; Jeff Meckstroth,  
 Tampa FL; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL;  
 Bob Hamman, Dallas TX  
 vs  
 John Diamond, Boca Raton FL; Brian Platnick,  
 Evanston IL; Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA; Geoff  
 Hampson - Fred Gitelman, Las Vegas NV; Brad  
 Moss, Mill Valley CA  
  
 James Cayne, New York NY; Michael Seamon,  
 Hollywood FL; Alfredo Versace - Lorenzo Lauria  
 - Fulvio Fantoni, Rome Italy; Claudio Nunes,  
 Roma Italy  
 vs  
 Ralph Katz - George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Walid  
 Elahmady - Tarek Sadek, Cairo Egypt; Robert  
 Levin, Bronx NY; Steve Weinstein, Andes NY  
  
 80.00 5/8 Lou Ann O'Rourke, Scottsdale AZ;  
 Espen Lindquist, Trondheim Norway; Giorgio  
 Duboin, Torino Italy; Antonio Sementa, Parma  
 Italy; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Boye  
 Brogeland, Norway  
 80.00 5/8 Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC;  
 Reese Milner, Los Angeles CA; Sam Lev, New  
 York NY; Gary Cohler, Miami FL; Grzegorz  
 Narkiewicz, Bielsk Poland; Krzysztof Buras,  
 Warszawa Poland  
 80.00 5/8 John Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Dan  
 Gerstman, Buffalo NY; Ron Gerard, White Plains  
 NY; Mark Feldman, Hoboken NJ  
 80.00 5/8 Ze Jun Zhuang, Shanghai People's  
 Republic of China; Wei Min Wang, Shanghai  
 People's Republic of China; Jian Ming Dai - Lixin  
 Yang, Beijing People's Republic of China

50.00 9/16 Roy Welland, New York NY;  
 Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona Spain; Steve Garner,  
 Chicago IL; Howard Weinstein, Sarasota FL; Billy  
 Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Ron Smith, San  
 Francisco CA  
 50.00 9/16 Ron Rubin, Miami FL; Russell  
 Ekeblad, Providence RI; Peter Weichsel, Encinitas  
 CA; Matt Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Louk  
 Verhees, Voorhou Netherlands; Jan Jansma,  
 Malden Netherlands  
 50.00 9/16 Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Kyle  
 Larsen, San Francisco CA; Alan Sontag,  
 Gaithersburg MD; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Geir  
 Helgemo, Trondheim Ca Norway; Tor Helness,  
 Oslo Norway  
 50.00 9/16 Carolyn Lynch, Scottsdale AZ;  
 Mike Passell - Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV; Joe  
 Grue, New York NY; Eddie Wold, Houston TX;  
 Bart Bramley, Dallas TX  
 50.00 9/16 Mary Ann Berg, Atherton CA; John  
 Mohan, Huixquilucan Mexico; Huub Bertens,  
 Tilburg Netherlands; Ton Bakkeren, Oisterwijk  
 Netherlands; Simon De Wijs, Doorn Netherlands;  
 Bauke Muller, Hoorn Netherlands  
 50.00 9/16 Frederic Wrang, Stockholm 1  
 Sweden; Martin De Knijff, Las Vegas NV; Johan  
 Sylvan, Stockholm Sweden; Marten Gustawsson,  
 Stockholm Sweden  
 50.00 9/16 Seymon Deutsch, Laredo TX; John  
 Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Win Allegaert - Jaggy  
 Shivdasani, New York NY; Hemant Lall, Dallas  
 TX; Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX  
 50.00 9/16 Franck Multon, Nice France; Pierre  
 Zimmerman, Geneva Switzerland; Thomas  
 Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les  
 Mouline France; Lionel Sebbane, Clichy France



# VANDERBILT KNOCKOUTS



25.00 17/32 Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL; Michael Becker - Larry Cohen - David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Lew Stansby, Dublin CA

25.00 17/32 Andrew Gromov - Victoria Gromova - Tatiana Ponomareva - Aleksander Dubinin, Moscow Russia; Cezary Balicki, Smolec Poland; Adam Zmudzinski, Katowice Poland

25.00 17/32 Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY; Doug Doub, W Hartford CT

25.00 17/32 John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jim Krekorian - Chris Willenken - Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY; Chris Compton, Dallas TX; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ

25.00 17/32 Andrew Rosenthal - Brian Glubok - Aaron Silverstein, New York NY; Tom Townsend, London W9 1sd England; David Gold, Reading R Great Britain; Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL

25.00 17/32 Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Gavin Wolpert, Singer Island FL; John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Wooldridge, Williamsville NY; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel; Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba Israel

25.00 17/32 Marc Bompis, Bourg La Reine France; Albert Faigenbaum - Dominique Pilon - Jean Quantin, Paris France

25.00 17/32 Uday Ivatury - Christal Henner-Welland, New York NY; Sjoert Brink, Rotterdam Netherlands; Bas Drijver, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands; Vincent Ramondt, Alphen Aan Den Netherlands; Berry Westra, Krmibn Rrn Den Netherlands

25.00 17/32 Dan Morse - John Zilic, Houston TX; Ira Hessel - Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Thomas Peters, Grapeland TX; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX

25.00 17/32 Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID; Johan Upmark, 115 58 Stockho Sweden; Per-Ola Cullin, Stockholm Sweden; Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Bengt-G Ran Olofsson, Ume Sweden

25.00 17/32 Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Tadashi Teramoto, Tokyo Japan; Kazuo K. Furuta, Kanagawa-Ken 21 Japan

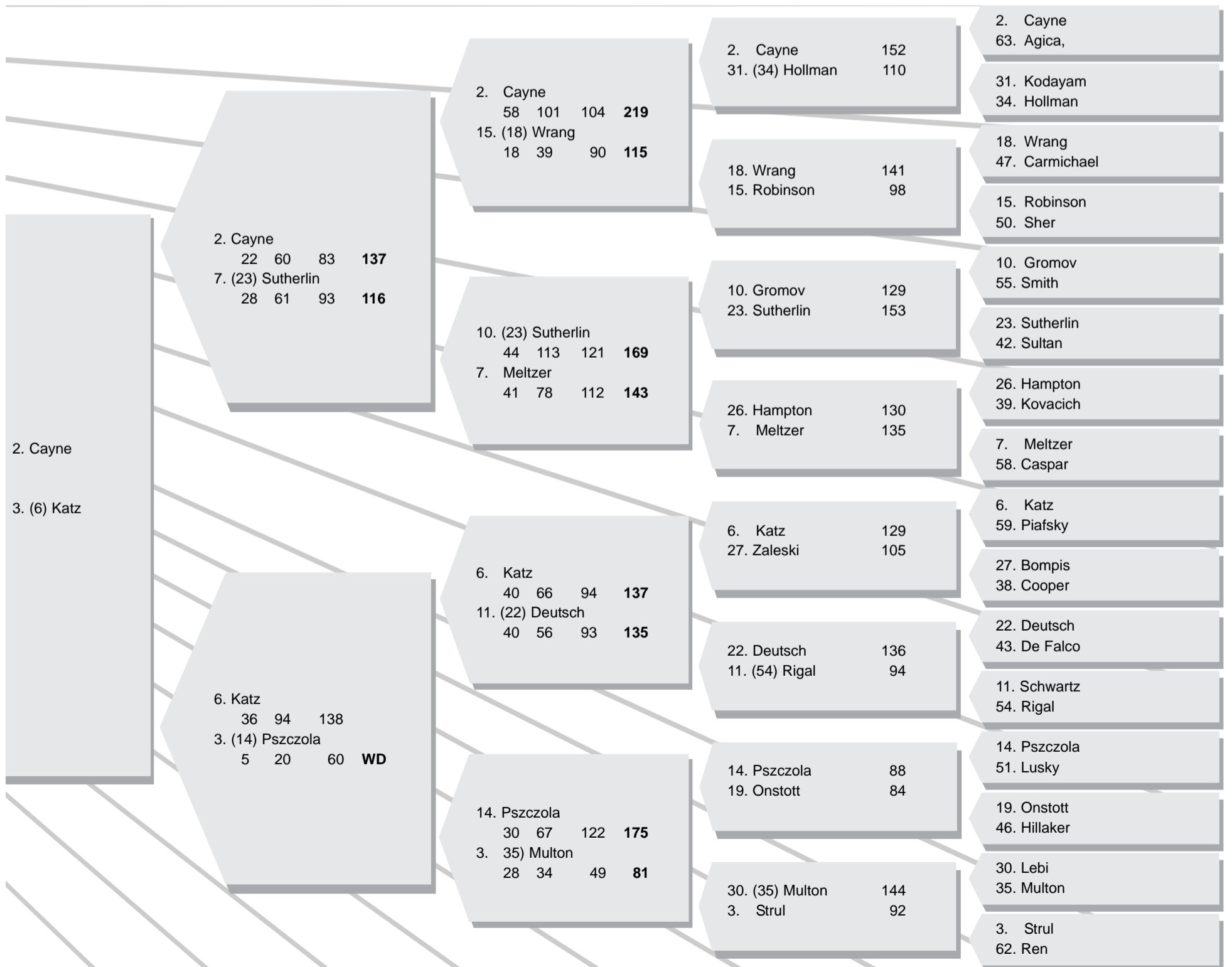
25.00 17/32 Geeske Joel, Palo Alto CA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Jill Levin, Bronx NY

25.00 17/32 JoAnna Stansby, Dublin CA; Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; Jeffrey Miller, Naperville IL

25.00 17/32 Geoffrey Brod, Naples FL; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; Allan Rothenberg, W Hartford CT; Stephen Earl, Avon CT; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT

25.00 17/32 Jim Looby, Burbank CA; Mark Perlmutter, San Diego CA; Ed Ulman - Ed Freeman - Craig Huston, Portland OR; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA

25.00 17/32 Barry Rigal - Shane Blanchard - Robert Blanchard, New York NY; Alex Ornstein, Roslyn Heights NY; Glenn Milgrim, Forest Hills NY; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY



## A pair of beauties

By Barry Rigal

My teammates and my partner demonstrated some nifty footwork on this pair of deals from the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

Dir: North ♠ K 6 3  
 Vul: None ♥ 10 5  
 ♦ A 7 6 4 3  
 ♣ Q 9 2

♠ Q 10  
 ♥ Q 8 6 3  
 ♦ K 9 8  
 ♣ K 7 4 3

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	1NT (1)
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

(1) 14-16.

Glenn Milgrim as West led a fourth-highest heart to the king and ace. Declarer now led a spade to dummy and a spade to the jack and queen. East's spade plays are the 2 and 7. A high-low would have suggested extra heart length or honors?

What now?

Glenn inferred that declarer had five spades to the ace-jack and A-J-x in hearts, plus the ♣A and , if left to his own devices the ♣Q would be the ninth trick. Desperate measures were called for. Glenn therefore shifted to the ♦K. This was the full deal:

♠ K 6 3  
 ♥ 10 5  
 ♦ A 7 6 4 3  
 ♣ Q 9 2

♠ Q 10  
 ♥ Q 8 6 3  
 ♦ K 9 8  
 ♣ K 7 4 3

♠ 8 7 2  
 ♥ K 9 4 2  
 ♦ Q 10 2  
 ♣ J 10 5

♠ A J 9 5 4  
 ♥ A J 7  
 ♦ J 5  
 ♣ A 8 6

Declarer could do nothing to avoid his fate. He ducked the diamond, won the continuation but had to lose two diamonds and one trick in each other suit. 3NT made on less challenging defense at the other table.

Here is the next play problem.

Dir: North ♠ A Q 9 7 3  
 Vul: N-S ♥ 8 6 4  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ A K 8 7

♠ 4  
 ♥ A 9  
 ♦ A K 10 8 6 4  
 ♣ Q J 6 4

This was our auction:

West	North	East	South
	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♥
Pass	6♣	All Pass	

There was nothing special in the auction – 4♥ suggested a control – but inferentially not enough to use Blackwood. In context, North (who had limited his hand by his failure to bid 3♣ at his second turn) had a moose.

Alex Ornstein won the heart lead and played a trump to dummy, then the ♦A, a diamond ruff, club to the queen and a diamond ruff as West discarded, then the ♠A and a spade ruff to make 1370. This was the full deal:

♠ A Q 9 7 3  
 ♥ 8 6 4  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ A K 8 7

♠ K 10 6 2  
 ♥ K Q J 7 3  
 ♦ Q 9  
 ♣ 9 5

♠ J 8 5  
 ♥ 10 5 2  
 ♦ J 7 5 3  
 ♣ 10 3 2

♠ 4  
 ♥ A 9  
 ♦ A K 10 8 6 4  
 ♣ Q J 6 4

At the other table in 3NT, declarer had to guess

whether to duck a diamond or take the spade finesse after his ♥A was knocked out. He got it wrong, so 3NT was down a trick – 16 IMPs to the good guys!



Lynne Feldman and Chris Benson won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 2008.

## Women's Pairs compete for Whitehead Trophy

Play began yesterday in the Whitehead Women's Pairs with two qualifying sessions, followed by two final sessions today.

This is the 79th Women's Pairs. At stake is the Whitehead Trophy, donated in 1930 by Wilbur C. Whitehead of New York, a great bridge authority and a member of the team that won the Vanderbilt Cup in 1928, the first year it was in play.

Whitehead (1866-1931) was president of the Simplex Automobile Company, but bridge held such a fascination for him that he retired from business in 1910 to devote his life to bridge.

He was the inventor of many bidding and play conventions, the quick-trick table of card values, the Whitehead system of requirements for original bids and responses and the Whitehead table of preferential leads.

Whitehead was instrumental in standardizing procedures in auction bridge and later in contract bridge.

### Winners:

1930 Olive Peterson, Maud Zontlein  
 1931 Vivi Hanson, Elinor Murdoch  
 1932 Mrs. Jay S. Jones, Olive Peterson  
 1933 Doris Fuller, Mrs. Courtand Smith  
 1934 Helen Bonwit, Helen White  
 1935 Bertine Teichman, Mable Ulbrich  
 1936 Mrs. Jay S. Jones, Sally Young  
 1937 Mable Ervin, Doris Fuller  
 1938 Helen Sobel, Sally Young  
 1939 Helen Sobel, Sally Young  
 1940 Edith Atkinson, Mrs. John Waidlich  
 1941 Mae P. Rosen, Edith Seligman  
 1942 Mae P. Rosen, Edith Seligman  
 1943 Mae P. Rosen, Edith Seligman  
 1944 Ruth Sherman, Margaret Wagar  
 1945 Peggy Golder, Olive Peterson  
 1946 Edith Seligman, Sally Young  
 1947 Gratian Goldstein, Josephine Gutman  
 1948 Gratian Goldstein, Josephine Gutman  
 1949 Kay Rhodes, Ruth Sherman  
 1950 Mrs. John Kelly, Dorothy Thompson  
 1951 Alwina M. Dunphy, Mrs. Edward Minear  
 1952 Shirley Fairchild, Elaine Lee  
 1953 Mrs. Harold P. Swearingen, Barbara Weiner  
 1954 Margaret Alcorn, Sally Neely  
 1955 Kay Rhodes, Margaret Wagar  
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 1958 Betty Nail, Phyllis Novak  
 1959 Betty Adler, Dorothy Hayden  
 1960 Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon  
 1961 Agnes Gordon, Betty Haddad

The Women's Pairs was held at the Summer North American Championships until 1962. A similar event was held at the Spring NABC 1958-1962 with these winners:

1958 Kay Rhodes, Margaret Wagar  
 1959 Bert Epstein, Blossom Grossblatt  
 1960 Gretchen Feldstein, Jane Mueller  
 1961 May Belle Long, Effie Woods  
 1962 Clarice Holt, Mrs. Greeley Warner  
 1962 Carol Sanders, Sylvia Stein  
 1963 Mrs. K. L. Sargent, Mrs. Ray Tobin  
 1964 Margaret Alcorn, Lucille Patterson  
 1965 Nancy Gruver, Sue Sachs  
 1966 Virginia Heckel, Edith Kemp  
 1967 Garner McDaniel, Terry Michaels  
 1968 Hermine Baron, Rhoda Walsh  
 1969 Gale Clarke, Gloria Noszka  
 1970 Robin Klar, Tina Rockaway  
 1971 Amalya Kears, Jacqui Mitchell  
 1972 Kerri Davis, Rhoda Walsh  
 1973 Ann Economidy, Vivian Williamson  
 1974 Pat Leary, Jan Stansby  
 1975 Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss  
 1976 Gail Schaab, Barbara Staton  
 1977 Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss  
 1978 Babs Charney, Flo Rotman  
 1979 Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp  
 1980 Mildred Boyce, Barbara Norwood  
 1981 Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
 1982 Hermine Baron, Beverly Rosenberg  
 1983 Evelyn Levitt, Jo Morse  
 1984 Judy Tucker, Jacqui Mitchell  
 1985 Dale Dermer, JoAnne Caplan  
 1986 Edith Freilich, Nancy Gruver  
 1987 Tobi Deutsch, Kay Schulle  
 1988 Sally Wheeler, Georgiana Gates  
 1989 Nadine Wood, Jeanne Elkner  
 1990 Tobi Deutsch, June Deutsch  
 1991 Leslie Paryzer, Nancy Widman  
 1992 Cheri Bjerkan, Janice Seamon  
 1993 Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
 1994 Corinne Kirkham, Ann Kluewer  
 1995 Lila Perlstein, Juanita Chambers  
 1996 Nancy Widman, Leslie Paryzer  
 1997 Susan Wexler, Margie Gwozdzinsky  
 1998 Judi Radin, Valerie Westheimer  
 1999 Harriet Eaton, Ellen Crawford  
 2000 Joan Stein, Eunice Rosen  
 2001 Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss  
 2002 Cheri Bjerkan, Sue Weinstein  
 2003 Joan Eaton, Candace Griffey  
 2004 Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears  
 2005 Gail Greenberg, Laurie Vogel  
 2006 Sylvia Moss, Judy Radin  
 2007 Kamla Chawla, Irina Ladyzhevsky  
 2008 Lynne Feldman, Chris Benson

## Convention card reminder

Each player is required to have a convention card filled out legibly and on the table throughout a session. Both cards of a partnership must be identical and include the first and last names of each member of the partnership.

If a director determines that neither player has a substantially completed card, the partnership may play only the Standard American Yellow Card and may use only standard carding. This restriction may be lifted only at the beginning of a subsequent round after convention cards have been properly prepared and approved by the director. Further, the partnership will receive a 1/6-board matchpoint penalty for each board played, commencing with the next round and continuing until the restriction is lifted. In IMP team games, penalties shall be at the discretion of the director.

If the director determines the partnership has at least one substantially completed convention card but has not fully complied with ACBL regulations, the director may give warnings or assign such penalties as he deems to be appropriate under the circumstances.

The objective of these warnings and penalties is the encouragement of full compliance with ACBL regulations.



**THURSDAY A.M. SIDE GAME**

30.0 Tables

A	B	C		
6.07	1		Cetin Okcuoglu, Moorestown NJ; Roy Perry, St Johns NL	67.05%
4.70	2	1	Jeff Ford, Redmond WA; Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA	64.20%
3.53	3	2	Linda Harrison, Calgary AB; Hao Ge, Bay Village OH	64.02%
2.64	4	3	Walter Marcin - Haakon Thorsen, Charlotte NC	60.61%
2.33	5		Sara Parks M.D., Owensboro KY; John Herrmann, Chattanooga TN	60.23%
3.49	6	4	1 Myrtis Pauling - Jason Holliday, Baton Rouge LA	59.85%
1.87		5	Scott Nelson, Encinitas CA; Donna Wood, Vista CA	59.47%
1.12		6	Margaret Jones, Breckenridge CO; Eleanor Gimon, Greenwich CT	55.49%
2.62		2	Mary Spyers Duran, Shorewood WI; Joanne Behling, Wauwatosa WI	54.36%
1.96		3	Kevin Dybvig, Birmingham AL; Stuart Rachels, Tuscaloosa AL	53.22%
1.47		4	Matthew Grant, Austin TX; Jennifer Breihan, Houston TX	52.65%
1.40		5	Debra Sherman, San Diego CA; Daniel Jackson, Houston TX	52.46%
0.94		6	Verlyn Stahlecker - Ralph Shaw, San Antonio TX	52.08%

**THURSDAY A.M. 299ER PAIRS**

22.5 Tables

A	B	C		
4.66	1		Terri O'Brien - Barbara Vervenne, Austin TX	67.26%
3.73	2	1	1 James Ochsner, Houston TX; Ronald Montague, La Porte TX	66.71%
2.80	3	2	Suzann Patterson - Annette Ruth, Georgetown TX	61.01%
2.15	4	3	2 Lynn Luster - Carolyn Robertson, Houston TX	60.42%
1.61	5	4	3 Jean Pittman, East Ellijay GA; Raymond Laythe, Saint Louis MO	59.23%
1.48	6	5	4 Margot Welch - Norman Welch, Edwards CO	58.93%
1.09		6	5 Mark Speizer - Nancy Speizer, Long Beach CA	57.82%
0.78		6	6 Janet Williams, Houston TX; Connie Montgomery, Katy TX	56.85%

**GRADY WATKINS MEMORIAL FAST PAIRS**

8.0 Tables

A	B	C		
9.80	1		Ed Freeman - Craig Huston, Portland OR	58.13%
7.35	2		Allen Tan, Makati Philippines; Henry Bethe, Ithaca NY	57.17%
5.51	3		Rose Black - Peggy Craig, El Paso TX	56.04%
4.13	4		Dave McClintock, Bluffton SC; Brenda Montague, Swampscott MA	53.63%
4.13	5	1	Joseph Thomas - Joyce Nakasaki, Redondo Beach CA	52.21%
3.10		2	Melvin Rueppel - John Krueger, Estes Park CO	50.29%
2.32		3	Sally Ann Rhea, Boulder CO; Gerdur Kristjansdottir, Longmont CO	49.57%

**BETTY STARZEC 1 49ER PAIRS**

9.0 Tables

A	B	C		
2.00	1	1	1 Donald Dawson, Kingwood TX; Blair Young, Littleton CO	69.94%
1.50	2		Catherine Bruff - Karen Bedell, Dallas TX	58.16%
1.13	3	2	Jean Foltz - Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland TX	55.74%
0.84	4	3	Thomas McIntosh - Jean McIntosh, Houston TX	55.70%
0.70	5	4	Beth Manders - Sandra Barnes, Houston TX	52.76%
0.71		2	Janet Young - Charlotte Ewing, Baton Rouge LA	48.51%

**BETTY STARZEC 1 299ER PAIRS**

25.0 Tables

A	B	C		
4.95	1	1	1 Arjune Bose, Houston TX; Ranjit Bose, Albuquerque NM	69.94%
3.71	2	2	2 Keith Anderson - Mary Anderson, Rochester MN	64.58%
2.78	3	3	3 Stehpanie Slattery, Houston TX; Charlene Bolten, Cypress TX	59.66%
2.09	4	4	Ronald Antinori - Susan Antinori, Atlanta GA	59.52%
1.57	5	5	Kailash Sachdev - Rani Sachdev, The Woodlands TX	58.93%
1.17	6	6	Edna Kelly - Norma Porter, Houston TX	58.71%
1.55		4	Gaylene Jewell - Helen Hollis, Houston TX	58.03%
0.93		5	Elise Homer - Gary Homer, Lincoln CA	57.58%
1.09		6	Leon Clegg, 7 Sisters Falls MB; Edith Olson, Lac Du Bonnet MB	56.84%

**SECOND THURSDAY STRATIFIRD SENIORS PAIRS**

20.0 Tables

A	B	C		
8.12	1		John Dockray - Edie Dockray, Villanova PA	63.66%
6.09	2	1	Max Levit - Ariel Leibovitz, Houston TX	62.04%
4.57	3		Royce Herndon Jr, Oklahoma City OK; Lawrence Gordon, Houston TX	60.65%
3.43	4		Richard Wilson - Rose Calvin, Houston TX	60.53%
2.76	5		Phyllis Parker, Long Beach CA; Sallie Jac Schafer, Newport Beach CA	59.84%
2.32	6		Mary Gorkin, Hallandale Bch FL; Vishnampet Vaidhyanathan, Aventura FL	57.75%
4.07		2	Phyllis Maness, College Sta TX; Kathy Baldwin, Bryan TX	56.94%
3.05		3	Julie Ford - Susan McMahan, Houston TX	53.94%
2.29		4	Barry Martin - Connie Martin, Dallas TX	53.47%
1.81		5	V Abercrombie - Phyllis Timko, Houston TX	53.36%
1.88		6	Stephen Reichel - Robin Ladin, Houston TX	52.08%
3.17		1	James Smith, Brooklyn Park MN; Richard Cottle, St Paul MN	50.35%
2.38		2	Alan Holzberg - Rick Burton, Houston TX	48.84%
1.78		3	Susan Edwards - Shannon Jones, Houston TX	47.57%
1.34		4	Debra Alexander, The Woodlands TX; Nancy Carlin, Spring TX	46.76%

**TUESDAY-THURSDAY SIDE GAME SERIES**

18.0 Tables

A	B	C		
4.25	1		Emily Leake - Brenda Baker, Tyler TX	69.46%
3.34	2	1	Judith Euler - John Euler, Benton Harbor MI	60.52%
2.51	3	2	Kenneth Harris, Santa Fe NM; Janet Macchi, Stuart FL	59.78%
1.83	4		William Curtis, Colorado Spgs CO; Dian Petrov, Buffalo NY	59.50%
2.73	5	3	1 Darrel Peckinpugh, Muncie IN; Terrence Rice, San Antonio TX	57.36%
1.44	6	4	Peggy Wey, League City TX; Markus Wey, Vienna Austria	55.63%
2.05		5	2 Heather Elliott - Stuart Rachels, Tuscaloosa AL	55.39%
1.54		6	3 James Woodard - Mattie Woodard, League City TX	53.67%
1.15		4	Tim White - Renae Gunstone-White, Mercer Island WA	50.96%
0.86		5	Susan Seitz - Michael Smith, Des Moines IA	50.80%

**WED MIDNITE KOS**

16 Tables

3.94	1	Alex Hudson, Raleigh NC; John Cobb Jr, Apex NC; John Marriott Jr - John Marriott III, Cary NC
2.76	2	Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Jason Daming, Austin TX; Greg Giem, Houston TX; Cameron Shunta, Grand Haven MI
1.58	3/4	Bill Ream, Burleson TX; Jean Helmers, Stephenville TX; Kathy Coleman, Fort Worth TX; Diane Washabaugh, Aledo TX
1.58	3/4	Steven Love, Laguna Niguel CA; Ahmed Sorathia, Chino CA; Arun Savara, Honolulu HI; Harjinder Ajmani, Kula HI

**ED HOFFING MORNING KO BRACKET I**

13 Tables

Geoffrey Brod, Naples FL; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA; Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT
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vs
James Melville, Springfield IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Donald Croysdale, Elm Grove WI; William McFall, New Berlin WI

Ahmed Sorathia, Chino CA; Lowell Andrews, Huntington Bch CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA; Mariko Kakimoto - Atsuko Kurishima, Newport Beach CA; Matthew Mallory, San Diego CA
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vs
Chris Curran - Jonathan Holmes - Sadhana Dalal - Elton Lipnick, Houston TX

**ED HOFFING MORNING KO BRACKET II**

11 Tables

Judy Corey Edmiston - George Roach, Dallas TX; Calvin Konner, Bethesda MD; Jose Porres, Rockville MD
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vs
Hans Strohmer - Nancy Strohmer, Houston TX; David McCarron - Mary McCarron, Austin TX

Richard Hill - Alice Hill, Haslett MI; Daniel Poret, Ville Platte LA; Jo Ann Gros, Lafayette LA
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vs
Richard Markell, Los Gatos CA; Barbara Mash - Wendy Dewell, San Jose CA; Phyllis Gaffney, Sunnyvale CA

**DAVID HADDEN MORNING KO BRACKET I**

9 Teams

32.58	1	David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York NY; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria
22.81	2	G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Diana Marquardt, Del Mar CA; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva 493 Israel; Miguel Reygadas, Polanco Mexico
13.03	3/4	Linda Harrison, Calgary AB; Hao Ge, Bay Village OH; Hui Lin Zhu, Chongqing People's Republic of China; Warren Foss, Omaha NE; Weidong Pei, Brea CA; Nongyu Li, Sunnyvale CA
13.03	3/4	Veronica McMurdie - John McMurdie, Sacramento CA; Chester Johnson, Chicago IL; William Turner, Houston TX; Marjorie Michelin, Los Angeles CA; Steve Clements, Laguna Mavel CA

**DAVID HADDEN MORNING KO BRACKET II**

14 Teams

18.94	1	Ronnie Frank, Saint Louis MO; Judith Inker, Wellesley Hills MA; John Cox, Kellogg ID; Nadia Nilsson, Santa Clara CA
13.26	2	Bee Hallett - Dave Anthony - Keith White, Fort Myers FL; Miles Thomson, Cape Coral FL
7.58	3/4	Madhusudan Patel - Ashok Shingavi - Karur Krishnan, Houston TX; Phil Brown, San Antonio TX
7.58	3/4	Luca Dona, Englewood NJ; Neal McKinney, Vienna VA; Carl Nelson - Abigail Nichols, Washington DC

**DAVID HADDEN MORNING KO BRACKET III**

9 Teams

7.37	1	Norman Sweed - Ronnie Sweed, Potomac MD; Beth Wisinski, Washington DC; Kay Miller, US
5.16	2	Marguerite Town - Beth Fuller, Baton Rouge LA; Marilyn Elston, Aledo TX; Judy Phillips, Fort Worth TX
2.95	3/4	Patricia Morrison, Wellington NS; Maureen Donovan, Halifax NS; Janet Corkum, Dartmouth NS; Linda Shaw, Geneva IL
2.95	3/4	Cherry Schwarz - Rosalie Schwarz - Suzanne Musgrove - Penny McAdams, Houston TX

**Lost and found**

There is a lost and found in the Daily Bulletin office — Room 339. A cell phone, coat and a pair of glasses have been turned in. The hotel also has a lost and found.

**Slow Play**

Slow play, as opposed to careful or thoughtful play, is discourteous to your opponents — and to all other competitors as well. Players and pairs who take more than their allotted time are subject to penalty.

In general, pairs who are rarely late will be warned while pairs who are habitually tardy and/or pay no attention to time limits will be penalized.

## Thanks to our sponsors

### ED HOFFING MEMORIAL BRACKETED K.O.

Edgar Hoffing passed away on March 8th, 2008. He was 84 years old.

Born in Chicago, he received his undergraduate degree in chemical engineering from the University of Illinois. Moving on to the Univ. of Southern California he received his doctorate. After an illustrious career with M.W. Kellogg, he retired as V.P. of Latin American sales.

Being the consummate bridge player, his contributions to the bridge world are many. In 1990, he volunteered and gave bridge lessons at Spring Branch Community Center. After 2 years of teaching, he wrote a booklet for beginners titled, "Competitive Bidding." At the same time he directed a nonsanctioned game once a week.

Being the visionary he was, in 1992 he founded the ACBL sanctioned duplicate games at the community center, directing twice a week. This affected hundreds of bridge players and the games grew to other community centers. Many new players were added to the Houston membership. Again, volunteering his time at the community center, he taught advanced players the system of Max Hardy's "Two Over One Game Force."

In August 2007, he achieved the rank of Gold Life Master. Edgar is survived by Judith Hoffing, his wife of 26 years, son Glen, and four beautiful grandchildren.

### MAX LEVIT & ARIEL LEBOVITZ SIDE GAME

There once was a young bridge player named Max,

But you really need all of the facts.

With long-suffering Ariel

They're quite adversarial

And they'll grab up your queens and your jacks!!!

*By Lew Levy and Toni Snow*

### GARY KING APPRECIATION COMPACT KO

This event is dedicated to Gary from friends and students who want to honor Gary and thank him for his dedication to bridge and teaching. Gary's commitment to bridge started when he was eleven years old. He started playing with his parents and continued until he left for Texas A&M. While at college he started his journey of teaching — oftentimes reading chapter three, while teaching chapter two.



After graduating Gary moved to Houston, and directed and taught bridge at the Bridge and Games Studio from '86-'90. In 1987, he and Chris Compton in conjunction with Alcatel (a French company) ran the first computer generated simultaneous pairs in the world. It was played simultaneously at the B&G Studio and two other clubs in Paris. WOW!!!!

Although Gary has worked at Powell Industries for 20+ years, he has constantly contributed to our unit and district. For ten years he wrote "The Bridge Companion" newsletter, a total of 63 issues. He wrote the I/N column for the District 16 Scorecard for seven years. Now he is teaching at the Houston Bridge Studio.

His students say he is a gifted teacher because "he can teach so it is not over their head". In school we learn the three "R's", with Gary it is the three "L's"- LISTEN, LAUGH AND LEARN. About 70% of Gary's students continue playing at the club and tournament level!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Thank you Gary for all you do.

### GRADY WATKINS MEMORIAL STRATIFIED FAST PAIRS

Grady Watkins was an Emerald Life Master who passed away in 2005. He loved the game of Bridge and was a very considerate partner and formidable opponent in his day. He started playing bridge in the late Sixties and played up until about three months before his death. His most formidable partner was a player name E. X. Snovel and they had a tem that won most of the team events they attended for a five- to ten-year period. The team consisted of Grady, E.X., Ed Rawlinson and Jerry Crooker. During the last 15 years, he played with his wife, Donna, but he never seemed to complain. He loved the game and he loved the people. He always found a way to spread his enthusiasm.



### EDDIE WOLD APPRECIATION BRACKETED KO

Eddie Wold is from Houston and is #4 on the ACBL Masterpoint Winners' list with more than 50,000 masterpoints. Eddie's wins include: the Grand National Teams and Spingold Knockout Teams, both at the NABC in the summer of 1977; the Vanderbilt twice; the Reisinger Board-a-Match twice; the Men's Board-a-Match teams twice; Master Mixed Team; Open Swiss Teams and the National Open Pairs in 2005. He has collected the Mott-Smith Trophy three times, the Lou Herman trophy twice for the best performance at an NABC, and has more than 600 regional wins to his credit.

### DORIS ALLEN STRATIFIED SENIOR PAIRS

Today's Senior Pairs honors Doris Allen, longtime tournament director from Harlingen TX,

who passed away in January 2007.

Doris loved her husband best, her two kids, and everything about bridge. She discovered tournament directing after selling several beauty salons. Although she joined us later in life, she made up for the missing years with intensity and joy.

When she worked the floor, Doris wanted to take all of the calls. At a San Antonio regional, she thought National TD Chris Patrias was getting to tables ahead of her. When the next call came, Chris looked around for it and Doris firmly pointed and said, "Over there." As Chris charged off, she turned the other direction and took the ruling.

Doris was warm, always firm but polite, hard-headed, funny. She was a team player and always an individual. She worked a year past when the doctors told her she could, and never once complained. The players and directors of Texas miss her and honor her memory.

*From Tom Whitesides*

### ANNA MARLATT APPRECIATION STRATIFIED SWISS

Anna Marlatt is a player with many talents, but her most outstanding talent is being the best partner you could have. Playing with her is fun and no matter what happens during the bidding or play of the hands on any given day, at the end of the session she will always make a comment such as "We'll get 'em next time" or "We did alright today"

### BETTY STARZEC APPRECIATION STRATIFIED I/N PAIRS

It's impossible to describe Betty in a few paragraphs. We've never seen anyone work as hard as she does.

She is the Chair for the I/N Program and has gone way beyond the job description to provide extras such as classes, door prizes, special food and bridge books (and don't forget the special goody bag treat and the extra decorations).

In addition to that job, her other responsibility is being one of the Co-Chairs for the whole enchilada. She has used her tremendous organizational skills to help get this monster endeavor to fruition.

She truly is Wonder Woman.

### DAVID MILLER APPRECIATION SIDE GAME

It is a pleasure to honor David N. Miller. He is a great bridge partner — courteous to the opponents and thoughtful in his play. He is also a good friend and was a tremendous help to me when I first moved to Houston more than nine years ago. He introduced me to people, lined up partners for me and offered helpful advice. All of this I really appreciated. Sometimes we forget to tell people how much they mean to us until it is too late, so from his partner and his many friends: "Thank you David. We all wish you had more years at the bridge table and more years with us."

*From Deborah Case & friends*

## Register for the USWBC

The 2009 United States Women's Bridge Championship will select the two U.S. teams for the 2009 Venice Cup. The 2009 USWBC will be held in Sacramento CA.

If no more than 10 teams enter, it will start on May 23 and end on May 28. The Venice Cup will be held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, starting Aug. 29 and ending Sept. 12.

The USWBC will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Sacramento, the site of the Sacramento Regional, which starts on May 25. You can book online by going to the USBF website ([www.usbf.org](http://www.usbf.org)) or by phone (916-929-8855).

Entries for the 2009 USWBC are now open and close, for teams requesting byes, on April 1, and for teams not requesting byes on April 15. Please refer to the USBF website for more information.

## ACBL discounted parking

*Please arrive early to take advantage the discounted parking. When lots sell out, we are unable to offer additional spaces. The discounted parking is provided by the Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau, not the Hilton Americas.*

Discounted parking for the Houston NABC is available at the following locations:

**George R. Brown Convention Center (GRBCC) and Hilton Americas garage.**

Please note there are no in-and-out privileges with the discounted parking. A person from the Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau will be at the entrance of the garage from 6 a.m. until 7:30 pm. Please identify yourself as a bridge player or show



your convention card. You will be given a parking pass that must be presented to the parking attendant upon exit to receive the \$5 parking. The garage is connected to the Hilton Americas with a skywalk on the second floor of the hotel. There are 400 discounted spaces available. The availability will fluctuate each day depending on the number of overnight cars.

**If you leave the garage you will have to pay for parking and upon re-entering you will have to get a new pass (if available).**

**Parking lot at Polk and Chenevert.** Please note there are no in and out privileges with the discounted parking. The entrance for this lot is on Polk and is two blocks from the Hilton Americas Houston. There are 200 discounted parking spaces available. The cost is \$5 per day. You will pay upon entering the lot.

## TUESDAY-THURSDAY AFTERNOON/EVENING SIDE SERIES 6

## 102.50 Tables

10.54	1/2	Brenda Baker, Tyler TX	130.04%
10.54	1/2	Emily Leake, Tyler TX	130.04%
10.17	3	Grant Sutton, Lawrence KS	129.10%
5.83	4/5	Ricardo Angeleri, Buenos Aires	123.63%
5.83	4/5	Ernesto Muzzio, Buenos Aires	123.63%
6.50	6/7	Jenny Wolpert, Singer Island FL	121.82%
6.50	6/7	Joyce Hampton, Blythewood SC	121.82%
6.47	8	Chris Moll, Raleigh NC	120.83%
4.99	9/10	Jay Baudler, Piedmont CA	119.80%
4.99	9/10	Cordelia Menges, New York NY	119.80%

## SECOND THURSDAY EVENING STRATIFIED IMPS

## 24.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
5.16	1			Kasmer Andreychuk, Yorkton SK; Charlotte Blum, La Jolla CA	64.00
4.40	2	1	1	Janice Joerger, Rancho Santa Fe CA; Marilyn Kalabsa, Salona Beach CA	48.00
3.30	3	2	2	Peggy Mc Cormick, Arlington TX; Michael McCormick, Fort Worth TX	47.00
2.48	4	3		Joe Choate, League City TX; Charles Ensor, Seabrook TX	45.00
1.67	5/6			Yoon Kim, San Diego CA; Yas Takeda, Hacienda Hgts CA	37.00
1.86	5/6	4		Becky Mosely, San Antonio TX; Warren Watson, Trail BC	37.00
1.52		5		Stephen Hibbard - Penny Mixon, Arlington TX	35.00
1.52		6		Joseph Gill, Richardson TX; David Pearlman, Trophy Club TX	32.00
1.70			3	Judith Ensor, Seabrook TX; Daad Rodgers, Houston TX	30.00
1.28			4	Constance Singleton - Annie Duaine, Houston TX	27.00
1.06			5	John Heath - George Keiller, Houston TX	23.00
0.85			6	Lucerne Bunch - Patsy Martin, Austin TX	12.00

## PAT MCCOY MEMORIAL STRATIFIED OPEN

## 31.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
17.15	1			Darlene Shirey - Steve Shirey, Fort Worth TX	61.96%
12.86	2			Penny Snow, Beeville TX; Donna Watkins, San Antonio TX	61.38%
9.65	3	1	1	Carol Hall - David Collins, Horseshoe Bay TX	61.00%
7.24	4			Victor Sitton - Joan Sitton, Sugar Land TX	60.10%
5.72	5			En Xie, Saint Louis MO; Alice Brown, Midlothian VA	59.79%
6.20	6	2		Chet Mody, Greenville PA; Brenda Merkich, Cortland OH	58.18%
4.29	7			John Schwartz, Plano TX; Phillip Grothus, San Antonio TX	56.95%
3.81	8			Nada Sundermeyer - Clay Sundermeyer, Bellevue WA	56.60%
4.65	9	3		Scott Nelson, Encinitas CA; Bill Ream, Burleson TX	56.53%
3.12	10			Raymond Yuenger, Campbell CA; Mansoor Gowani, San Jose CA	56.27%
2.86	11			Anne Dawson, Delhi LA; Tom Breed, Aurora CO	56.04%
3.49		4		James Frick, Friendswood TX; David Glandorf, Houston TX	55.30%
4.08		5	2	Lawrence Wolfson, Schaumburg IL; Marvin Raines, Fort Washington MD	52.81%
3.06		6	3	Edwin Elton, Ridgewood NJ; Brian Kruse, North Haledon NJ	51.03%
2.30			4	Barbara Montgomery - Christopher Rinkus, Houston TX	50.74%
2.39			5	Geraldine Macsween, Dartmouth NS; J Darryl Pistone, Halifax NS	48.40%
1.80			6	Jo Graves - Billie Graves, Austin TX	47.99%

## DENA BRUCE MEMORIAL STRATIFIED SWISS

## 38 Tables

	A	B	C		
18.90	1	1		Diane Henson - Larry Henson, Minnetonka MN; Jill Flader, Saint Paul MN; Michael Flader, Eagan MN	143.00
14.18	2			Melanie Tucker - Erez Hendelman, New York NY; Joergen Molberg, Trondheim Norway; Terje Aa, Heimdal Norway	134.00
10.63	3			Bob Todd - Douglas Fisher - Neil Kimelman - Jerry Cohen - Marielle Brentnall, Winnipeg MB; Karl Gohl, Oakbank MB	128.00
7.97	4			John Cox, Kellogg ID; Marilyn Hughes, Englewood CO; Donna Wood, Vista CA; Rodney Paxton, Coeur D'Alene ID	124.00
6.30	5			Paul Benedict, Pikesville MD; Sara Parks M.D., Owensboro KY; Lynn Jones, Timonium MD; John Herrmann, Chattanooga TN	118.00
4.78	6/8			Eric Snow - Toni Snow, Houston TX; Betty Starzec - Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land TX	114.00
8.63	6/8	2		Jorge Nischli - Claudia Tinajero - Adela Naftali - Moises Weinstock, Mexico Mexico	114.00
4.78	6/8			Shatrugna Prasad - Oren Moore, Missouri City TX; Anton (Tony) Haddad, Houston TX; Jo Smith, Abilene TX	114.00
6.47	9	3		Yvonne Strangmeyer - Lynda Kornbleet - Karen McCandless, Houston TX; Kathy Hughes, Missouri City TX	106.00
7.42	10	4	1	Joan Slaughter - Joanna Kaspar - Mary Norfleet - Carol Nicoud, Dallas TX	104.00
5.57	11/12	5	2	Terri Orlean - Kathy Watkins - Nancy Reader - Muriel Gilmour, Houston TX	102.00
3.03	11/12			Stephen Bruce - Gary Powell - Marcia Powell, Austin TX; C Bell, Dallas TX	102.00
4.17		6	3	Nancy Starks - Joanna Overbaugh - Paul Boven, Lake Jackson TX; Helen Caldwell, Angleton TX	97.00
2.88		7		Patti English - Randall Rubinstein, Cincinnati OH; Lorna Davis, West Chester OH; Donald Etson, Hamilton OH	96.00
3.13		8	4	Bridgett Pitt, Media PA; Charles Raines, Katy TX; Sue Olstad, Frisco CO; Sharon Howard, Noblesville IN	95.00
2.47			5	Sue Semple, Venice FL; Gloria Pollard, Matthews NC; Mary Jo Long, Fort Worth TX; Janet Cunningham, Aledo TX	93.00
2.12			6	Mark Craig - Clara Wood - Sharon Hoger - Matthew Grant, Austin TX	92.00

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 1

## 12 Teams

Marc Bompis, Bourg La Reine France; Albert Faigenbaum - Dominique Pilon - Jean Quantin, Paris France	
vs	
Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID; Per-Ola Cullin, Stockholm Sweden; Johan Upmark, 115 58 Stockho Sweden; Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Bengt-G Ran Olofsson, Ume Sweden	
David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York NY; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria	
vs	
Richard Schwartz, East Elmhurst NY; Bob Jones, Hypoluxo FL; Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden; Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland; Marcin Lesniewski, Zakopane Poland	

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 2

## 13 Teams

Paul Wright Jr, Mount Pleasant SC; Leigh Ives, Barrie ON; Lois Scott, Carmel IN; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN	
vs	
Linda Harrison, Calgary AB; Hao Ge, Bay Village OH; Hui Lin Zhu, Chongqing 401147 People's Republic of China; Warren Foss, Omaha NE; Nongyu Li, Sunnyvale CA	
Billy Leeper, Fort Worth TX; Roy Baughman, Pantego TX; Mike Miller, Temple TX; Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX	
vs	
James Melville, Springfield IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; William McFall, New Berlin WI; Donald Croysdale, Elm Grove WI	

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 3

## 12 Teams

Harry Selldin, Houston TX; Kenneth Smith, Hialeah FL; H Robert Gerberich Jr, Corpus Christi TX; Neal McKinney, Vienna VA	
vs	
Ronnie Frank, Saint Louis MO; Shirley Matthews, Lindale TX; Nicholas France, Spring Valley NY; Judith Inker, Wellesley Hills MA	
Thomas Jahnke - Anna Marlatt - Joyce Park - Ken Navarro, Houston TX	
vs	
William Smith, Houston TX; Kenneth McAllister, Pearland TX; Kay Olness - Ernest Olness Jr, Billings MT	

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 4

## 16 Teams

Michael Strong, Winfield IL; Jerry Barker, Newport News VA; Charles Alexander, Northbrook IL; Dale Fiebelkorn, Norfolk VA	
vs	
Sanford Lobliner - Laima Gaizutis - Ervie Freeman, Houston TX; Youssef Youssef, Katy TX	
Edwin Bain III, Houston TX; Mary Anne Woessner, Montgomery TX; Jeanne Marie Childe, Spring TX; Karla Riddick, Conroe TX	
vs	
Don Morgan - John Lai - Ralph Herz - Nancy Crabtree, Houston TX	

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 5

## 15 Teams

Charles Burke - Caron Peck, Arlington TX; Byron Taylor, Fort Worth TX; Karen Caton, McKinney TX	
vs	
Richard Hill - Alice Hill, Haslett MI; Robert Ewigleben - Jayne Ewigleben, Elizabethtown KY	
Wayne Pinsonneault, Saint Paul MN; Larry Pinsonneault - Nadia Branisa, Houston TX; M Topper, Minneapolis MN	
vs	
Eleanor Sherwyn - Donald Varvel, Corpus Christi TX; Daksha Adhia, Missouri City TX; Karur Krishnan, Houston TX	

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 6

## 16 Teams

Paul Cuneo - Steve Varner - Jeannette Nestvold, Houston TX; RaeDonna Jones, Kingwood TX	
vs	
Carolyn Carpenter - Shirley Mueller - Barbara Tommasini - Ronald Tommasini, Louisville KY	
Keith Meyer - Marci Meyer, McKinney TX; Ken Cornelius - Mary Cornelius, Portland OR	
vs	
Jerry Bowen, Dickinson TX; Marilyn Hughes, La Porte TX; Johnell McKee, Friendswood TX; Joyce Garner, Pearland TX	

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 7

## 16 Teams

Bert Sheldon, San Antonio TX; Dianne Segerstrom - Karen Dittert, Houston TX; Erica Jaeger, Bellaire TX	
vs	
Don Deal, Nassau Bay TX; William Houck - David Bradt, Houston TX; Dick Zinser, Friendswood TX	
Janet Smith - Barbara Langendorf - Mercedes Snyder, Kingwood TX; Carolyn Labouliere, Seabrook TX	
vs	
Susan Flick - Leah McCarthy, Mc Kinney TX; Carla Guthrie, McKinney TX; Jackie Hertweck, Edmond OK	

In the Margo P. Geddie Compact KO Bracket 10 that was reported in yesterday's Daily Bulletin, third- and fourth-place were reversed.

## Top stars in bridge and golf

By Mark Horton

Bridge and golf go naturally together and a lot of world class bridge players are keen golfers. Jeff Meckstroth might well have pursued a professional career in the game and the same is true of England's Tony Forrester. Zia is known to be passionate about the game.

Not many people know that a number of outstanding golfers relax by playing bridge. One example is Jesper Parnevik, while another is American sporting icon Arnold Palmer who combines good playing technique with the essential element of table presence that makes you realise why he was always considered to be one of the best golfers when it came to psychology.

Take a look at this deal played at Palmer's golf club in Bay Hill Orlando, USA. He was South.

Dlr: South	♠ Q		
Vul: N-S	♥ A Q J 9 8 3		
	♦ Q J 8		
	♣ Q 8 2		
♠ 8 5 3 2		♠ 9 7 4	
♥ K 6 2		♥ 10 5 4	
♦ K 6 3 2		♦ 9 7 5	
♣ 7 6		♣ 10 5 4 3	
	♠ A K J 10 6		
	♥ 7		
	♦ A 10 4		
	♣ A K J 9		
West	North	East	South
			1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	7NT!!

All Pass

Driving to the game's ultimate contract was something of a long shot with just 11 tricks on top. If that is par, then Arnie had to go two better, skip the putting and achieve an eagle!

His table feel helped him to the successful line in the play. West hesitated before making his final pass, and Palmer decided that the reason had to be that he held the two missing red kings.

Without this information, he would have played East for the king of diamonds as a successful diamond finesse ensures thirteen tricks while a heart finesse only gives twelve unless West has a doubleton king of hearts.

At the same time maybe Palmer could not resist the temptation to make a spectacular stroke at the bridge table just as in golf!

He won the club lead and cashed the diamond ace (Vienna Coup) and eight more black tricks. Before playing the last one the position was:

♠ —		♠ —
♥ K 6 2	♥ A Q J	♥ —
♦ K	♦ Q	♦ —
♣ —	♣ —	♣ —
	♠ 10	
	♥ 7	
	♦ 10 4	
	♣ —	

The spade ten destroyed West. He let go the two of hearts, South discarded the queen of diamonds from dummy and made the last three tricks in hearts with a first round finesse.

## Child Care

Child care is available daily from noon to 5 pm and 7 pm to midnight.

For more information, contact Donna Compton at the Hilton-Americas in Romm 12009.



## WHITEHEAD WOMEN'S PAIRS QUALIFIERS

26.0 Tables		Carryover
1	Lisa Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Joann Glasson, Pennington NJ	96.62
2	Beverly Gardner, Farmington Hls MI; Lynne Schaeffer, W Bloomfield MI	81.64
3	Shawn Quinn, 30-218 Krakow Poland; Pam Wittes, Venice CA	70.23
4	Nadine Wood, Silver Spring MD; Mickie Chambers, Atlanta GA	68.45
5	Candace Griffey, Vero Beach FL; Joan Eaton, North York ON	65.24
6	Gigi Simpson, Sarasota FL; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL	60.79
7	Barbara Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ; Sharon Hait, Livingston NJ	60.61
8	Susan Wexler, New York NY; Suzy Burger, West Bloomfield MI	54.01
9	Molly O'Neill - Bella Ionis-Sorren, Ft Lauderdale FL	52.41
10	Victoria Gromova - Titiana Ponomareva, Moscow Russia	52.23
11	Rozanne Pollack, Basking Ridge NJ; Lynne Feldman, Champaign IL	52.05
12	Sharon Jabbour, Boca Raton FL; Elaine Said, Nashville TN	51.69
13	Laurie Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Linda McGarry, Stuart FL	46.35
14	Susan Culham - K Fung, Edmonton AB	45.63
15	Sylvia Moss, New York NY; Joan Jackson, Dallas TX	43.67
16	Eileen Paley, Scarsdale NY; Mimi Bieber, Armonk NY	41.89
17	Cathy Strauch, San Diego CA; G. Margie Gwozdzinsky, New York NY	41.18
18	Betty Ann Kennedy, Shreveport LA; Sally Chapleau, Tampa FL	41.00
19	Brenda Solovitz, Houston TX; Kay Humphries, Bellaire TX	38.50
20	Jean Talbot - Joan Van Geffen, Metairie LA	35.83
21	Mary Savko - Ellie Hanlon, Tequesta FL	34.40
22	Pat Levy - Mary Pat Gentry, Houston TX	33.69
23	Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Jo Anna Stansby, Dublin CA	30.84
24	Ora Lourie, Hypoluxo FL; Lori Jacobs, Boca Raton FL	29.41
25	Toni Bales, Pickerington OH; Kamla Chawla, Longmeadow MA	24.60
26	Emma Sjoberg, Linkoping 58431 Sweden; Sandra Rimstedt, Haverdal 310 4 Sweden	24.42
27	Lois Stuart, West Chester PA; Ricki Rogers, Moorestown NJ	23.53
28	Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL; Valerie Westheimer, New York NY	23.17
29	Harriet Eaton Morris - Tina Tessaro, Miami FL	23.00
30	Judi Radin, New York NY; Stacy Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	22.28
31/32	Eileen Cripps, Madison WI; Diane Graese, Las Vegas NV	21.75
31/32	Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY; Faye Marino, Greenwich CT	21.75
33	Mildred Breed - Anita Cokins, Austin TX	19.61
34	Ljudmila Kamenova, Stony Brook NY; Diana Schuld, Glen Head NY	19.07
35	Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA; Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL	18.00
36/37	Malle Andrade, New York NY; Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY	16.04
36/37	Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Cecilia Rimstedt, Halmstad 30251 Sweden	16.04
38	Cheri Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL; Sue Weinstein, Las Vegas NV	15.86
39	Barbara La Vigne - Kay Johnson, Houston TX	13.01
40	Shelba Parmley, Oklahoma City OK; Barbara Whittlesey, Edmond OK	12.66
41/42	Carolyn Sessler, Boca Raton FL; Sally Strul, Delray Beach FL	9.98
41/42	Linda Spangler, Duncanville TX; L Snyder, Richardson TX	9.98
43	Nancy Stanton, Frisco TX; Beth Coker, Bryan TX	6.24
44	Bernace De Young, Miami FL; Gen Geiger, Sarasota FL	5.70
45	Kathy Baum, Germantown TN; Nadia Koch, Copenhagen Denmark	5.17
46	Carol Sanders, Nashville TN; Libby Fernandez, Tuscaloosa AL	3.57
47	Sandrea Friedman, Flushing NY; Madi Drimmer, Sarasota FL	3.21
48	Linda Perlman, Lake Park FL; Susan Picus, New York NY	2.67
49	Cynthia Balderson, Eden Prairie MN; Carole Miner, Rochester MN	1.43
50	Carlyn Steiner, Seattle WA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX	0.89
51	Claudette Hartman - Rosemary Kelley, Austin TX	0.53
52	Susan Jackowitz - Nancy Turner, New York NY	0.00

## THURSDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS

24.0 Tables	A	B	C		
4.80	1			Nell Nichols - Marilyn Haver, Birmingham AL	61.61%
3.60	2	1		Rani Sachdev - Kailash Sachdev, The Woodlands TX	60.42%
2.70	3	2	1	Kay Kennedy - Joyce Eveld, Houston TX	59.23%
1.94	4/5	3		Steven Brown, Wichita KS; Sue Bailey, Stockport United Kingdom	58.93%
1.78	4/5			Lorena Wetherhold, Emmaus PA; Linda Parsons, Las Vegas NV	58.93%
1.55	6	4	2	Stephanie Slattery, Houston TX; Charlene Bolten, Cypress TX	58.63%
1.09		5		Keith Anderson - Mary Anderson, Rochester MN	57.14%
0.94		6/7		Mark Speizer - Nancy Speizer, Long Beach CA	55.95%
1.06		6/7	3	Jo Ann Pierce - Jean Foltz, Pearland TX	55.95%
0.81			4	Amy Puchot - Lori McGuinness, Houston TX	54.46%
0.60			5	Nicholas Howell - Charlotte Howell, Houston TX	54.17%

## TUESDAY-THURSDAY SIDE GAME SERIES

24.0 Tables	A	B	C		
5.16	1			Carl Nelson - Abigail Nichols, Washington DC	64.81%
3.87	2			Jay Baudler, Piedmont CA; Cordelia Menges, New York NY	62.27%
2.90	3			Phyllis Mehrens, Leander TX; Betty Marriett, Port Aransas TX	59.95%
3.94	4/5	1	1	Cynthia Struve - Joyce Wormser, Corpus Christi TX	58.80%
1.91	4/5			Madhusudan Patel, Houston TX; Susan Grauer, Aurora CO	58.80%
2.96	6/7	2	2	James Smith, Brooklyn Park MN; Richard Cottle, St Paul MN	58.56%
2.05	6/7			Emily Leake - Brenda Baker, Tyler TX	58.56%
2.22		3		Lee Levit - Edith Reed, Houston TX	56.71%
1.88		4	3	Pawel Hanus, Carrollton TX; Andrzej Kudlicki, Tiki Island TX	56.48%
1.68		5	4	Sally Ann Rhea, Boulder CO; Gerdur Kristjansdottir, Longmont CO	54.63%
0.93		6		Dorothy Martin, Irving TX; Dorothy Moore, Keller TX	53.70%
1.18			5	Paula Warren - Mary Rita de Hoyos, New Braunfels TX	53.24%
1.18			6	Darrel Peckinpaugh, Muncie IN; Terrence Rice, San Antonio TX	52.31%

## BEAN RED RIBBON PAIRS QUALIFIERS

39.0 Tables		Carryover
1	Darina Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Howard Liu, Naperville IL	117.60
2	Walter Smith Jr, Washington DC; Ann Faget, Houston TX	115.63
3	Steven Towner, Salt Lake Cty UT; Mitch Towner, Salt Lake City UT	93.24
4	Donald Daigle - Bernie Weiss, New Orleans LA	90.68
5	Kevin Casey - Bill Begert, New York NY	88.47
6	Ann McClelland, La Canada Flt CA; Shiu-Ming Huang, San Marino CA	84.91
7	Marianne Aronovich - Serge Aronovich, Tuxedo Park NY	81.89
8	Jeremy Dilbeck, Houston TX; Steve Tuggle, Pearland TX	81.06
9	Edwin Zwald Jr - Joseph Wald, Houston TX	77.26
10	Sherryl Buchler - Ned Kohler, Scottsdale AZ	74.42
11	Ivanie Yeo, Brighton MA; Lon Sunshine, Framingham MA	72.17
12	Robert Abrams, Atlanta GA; Michael Abrams, Pasadena CA	69.31
13	Bert Onstott III - Katherine Onstott, Stafford TX	69.15
14	Robert Levey, Chevy Chase MD; Jimmy Ritzenberg, Bethesda MD	67.39
15	Irfan Ashraf, Ajax ON; Bing Wong, Whitby ON	66.67
16	Robert Taylor - Anne Taylor, Newark DE	65.71
17	Dori Byrnes, Morris Plains NJ; Matt Meckstroth, Baltimore MD	62.16
18	Edwina Corn, Hurst TX; Margot Hirsch, Arlington TX	61.66
19	Larry Froeberg, Ruckersville VA; Richard Gordon, Rowlett TX	61.43
20	Weidong Pei, Brea CA; Philip Hiestand, Irvine CA	59.72
21	Penny Stoever, Mount Airy MD; Steven Johnson, Houston TX	56.44
22	Langdon Jones, N Little Rock AR; Jane Dickey, Little Rock AR	55.04
23	Douglas Ogren, St Paul MN; William Cummings, Monticello MN	52.34
24	Stephen Jackson - Susan Jackson, Roseville MN	52.33
25	Jeffrey Katz - Sheila Katz, Atlanta GA	51.22
26	Daniel Jackson, Spring TX; Bill Gervais, Cypress TX	50.04
27	Linda Marshall, Bethesda MD; Monique Smith, Arlington VA	48.99
28	Gino Scalamandre - Katie Scalamandre, Surfside FL	48.22
29	Marc Sylvester, Edinboro PA; Francis Tseng, Erie PA	45.92
30	Bijoy Anand, Jacksonville FL; Earl Brown Jr, St Augustine FL	44.49
31	Georgianna Spinazze, Saratoga CA; Steve Chen, Fremont CA	43.71
32	Peter Grenier, Dallas TX; Lynne Wood, Richardson TX	43.68
33	Terry Jones, Falls Church VA; Chongmin Zhang, Getzville NY	42.34
34	Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Cameron Shunta, Grand Haven MI	42.26
35	Jeremy Stambaugh, Jackson MS; Russ Kirkpatrick, Mobile AL	40.62
36	Joe Siqueira - Peter Haglich, Virginia Beach VA	39.33
37	Robert Stearns, Chevy Chase MD; William Goldman, Bethesda MD	38.35
38	Jeff Ford, Redmond WA; Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA	37.84
39	Fred Wang - Amy Wang, Houston TX	37.38
40	Lewis Gamerman, Brookline MA; Robert McCaw, Sudbury MA	35.40
41	Jeffrey Nash, Shawnee Msn KS; Carroll Frogge, Kansas City MO	32.95
42	Eric Ho, Irving TX; Jeff Dater, Dallas TX	32.74
43	James Spurlin, Wiscasset ME; Greg Stander, San Diego CA	32.09
44	Madleine Nikolova - Paul Cozzi, Toronto ON	31.94
45	Matthew Dyer, Chicago IL; Lorraine Cable, New York NY	31.55
46	Jerry Sloan - Grant Sutton, Lawrence KS	29.56
47	Wayne Obitz - James Gray, Indiana PA	29.28
48	Robert Donathan - Janet Clark, Austin TX	28.77
49	Eric Watson - Garold Adamson, Houston TX	28.61
50	William Howard - Greg Frank, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR	27.84
51	Steve Clark - Louise Clark, Glencoe IL	23.67
52	Donald White - Clif Capen, Baytown TX	23.35
53	Leslie Lege, Thurmont MD; Collis James Jackson, Brookline NH	18.92
54	Reisha Berkowsky, Huntingtn Sta NY; Gail Levy, Melville NY	17.88
55	Sherry Greisen, Houston TX; Charlotte Coon, Deer Park TX	17.61
56	Melinda Foos, Campbell CA; Michael Fleisher, Sunnyvale CA	16.87
57	Jay Barron, Tulsa OK; Eric Bell, Norman OK	15.06
58	Jean Blilie - Katherine Pearce, Kerrville TX	13.72
59	Claire Krukenberg, Charleston IL; Richard Brummer, Effingham IL	12.30
60	Roman Matusik, San Clemente CA; Oliver Yildiz, Tustin CA	11.42
61	Pamela Keim - Jason Larrivee, Regina SK	10.87
62	Jonathan Holmes, Houston TX; Sandra Parker, Sugar Land TX	10.60
63	Josette Levesque - Jean La Traverse, Outremont QC	8.83
64	Lydia Bearden, Lakeway TX; Nancy Riley, Silver Lake OH	8.76
65	Jay Friedenson, Morrisville VT; David Weisman, Englewood NJ	8.01
66	Larry Washburn, The Woodlands TX; Wayne Christensen, Jr, Laporte TX	7.44
67	Daniel McGuire - Molly Hosford, Las Vegas NV	6.75
68	Kevin Fay - Brian Wyman, Ann Arbor MI	6.11
69	Keith Thorp, Klamath Falls OR; Bud Hamilton, Redding CA	5.84
70	Allison Howard, Cookeville TN; Tammy Pepper, Raleigh NC	4.73
71	Mario Mory - Phyllis Mory, Los Angeles CA	4.47
72	Robert Cohen, Houston TX; Charles Michalski, Cypress TX	3.74
73	William Northrop, Schoolcraft MI; Catherine Gay, Kalamazoo MI	3.41
74	Patrick Moos - Fei Dong, Peoria IL	3.39
75	James Wang, Tempe AZ; Min Xu, Oxnard CA	2.97
76	Roy Perry, St Johns NL; Barbara Rhoades, Wilmington DE	1.50
77	Zheng Zhang - Hsi-Chun Liu, Pasadena CA	1.43
78	Nancy Ferguson, Greenbrae CA; David Bryant, San Francisco CA	0.00

## Entry fees

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any of the following nationally ranked events: Silodor Open Pairs, Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs, Rockwell Mixed Pairs, Lebar IMP Pairs, Whitehead Women's Pairs, Jacoby Open Swiss Teams, and the Machlin Women's Swiss Teams. The entry fees for these contests are \$20 per player per session.

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. The entry fee is \$17 per player per session.

Regional championships are \$16 per player per session for ACBL members, \$18 for nonmembers.

All other events are \$15 per player per session for ACBL members, \$17 for nonmembers.

(Note: There is no entry fee for any flight of the North American Pairs, but participants are still required to be paidup members.)

Houston 2002:  
A look back

The last NABC held in Houston was Spring of 2002 and 1978 before that. Here are some of the well-played deals.

## Looking back to 1978

An NABC was held here in 1978. The following deal features Betty Ann Kennedy making a neat defensive bid that paved the way for a 17-IMP gain for her team:

Dlr: South	♠ A J 8 5 4	
Vul: N-S	♥ 10	
	♦ Q	
	♣ K Q 10 9 8 2	
♠ K 10		♠ 3 2
♥ Q J 3 2		♥ A 9 8 7 6 3
♦ J 10 8 4		♦ 9 7 6 5 3
♣ 7 4 3		♣ —
	♠ Q 9 7 6	
	♥ K 4	
	♦ A K 2	
	♣ A J 6 5	

West	North	East	South
<i>Sanders</i>		<i>Kennedy</i>	
			1NT
Pass	2♦ (1)	3♥	3♠
4♥	4NT	5♣	5♦
Pass	6♣	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

Kennedy bid her heart suit preemptively the first time around, but she switched tactics when the opposition went slamming — she put in a lead-directing bid of 5♣.

Sanders dutifully led a club. Kennedy ruffed and cashed her ♥A.

At the other table, Sanborn (South) reached slam on this bidding:

North	South
	1NT
2♥ (1)	3♠
5♣	5♠
6♣	6♠
Pass	

(1) Transfer.

East won the opening heart lead with her ace and switched to a diamond. Sanborn was careful to win her king, smothering dummy's queen. She led the ♠Q to the king, ace and 2. Now she was at the crossroads. She could come back to her hand with a club, risking a ruff, or she could cash the ♠J, hoping to drop trumps 2-2. Looking at 10 clubs between her hand and dummy, she decided the club play was too risky. She cashed the ♠J and claimed her slam.

## Quiz #5 from 2002

By Eddie Kantar

♠ 10 8 5
♥ J 10
♦ A 7 2
♣ K Q J 9 2

♠ K Q J 9 7
♥ K Q 6
♦ K 9 4
♣ 6 3

The contract is 4♠ by South. West leads the ♦Q. Plan the play

Kantar's answer:

♠ 10 8 5
♥ J 10
♦ A 7 2
♣ K Q J 9 2

♠ 6	♠ A 4 3 2
♥ 8 4 3	♥ A 9 7 5 2
♦ Q J 10 5 3	♦ 8 6
♣ A 10 8 7	♣ 5 4

♠ K Q J 9 7
♥ K Q 6
♦ K 9 4
♣ 6 3

Win the ♦K in dummy and start on hearts. You

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must try to avoid a diamond loser before the opponents build up a trick in that suit.

Assuming someone wins the ♥A and returns a diamond, you win and discard a diamond from dummy on your long heart. Now lead a club before you ruff a diamond, just in case someone has 4=5=2=2 distribution and discards a club on the diamond ruff, later getting a club ruff.

Take half credit if you ruffed a diamond before leading a club. The easy part was supposed to leading hearts immediately.

### Three-suit squeeze

By Barry Rigal

Larry Cohen showed me this excellent deal:

Dr: West	♠ A K 3		
Vul: E-W	♥ 10 6 5 4		
	♦ A 9 8 5 4		
	♣ J		
	♠ J 7 5 4 2	♠ 10	
	♥ Q 9 8 7	♥ K 3 2	
	♦ 3	♦ J 10 7 6 2	
	♣ K 5 4	♣ Q 10 3 2	
	♠ Q 9 8 6		
	♥ A J		
	♦ K Q		
	♣ A 9 8 7 6		

West	North	East	South
Bocchi	Berkowitz	Polowan	Cohen
Pass	1♦	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♥	Dbl	Pass
Pass	Redbl	Pass	4NT
All Pass			

In 4NT, Norberto Bocchi led a heart to the king and ace. Cohen returned a heart and Bocchi won and led a third heart, leaving Cohen unsure who had the 13th heart. He won the ♥10 and cashed the ♦K Q. He was disappointed when Bocchi pitched a spade. At this point, Cohen could infer that Bocchi had five spades. He crossed to the ♠K and passed the ♦8 to Polowan as Bocchi pitched a club. Cohen won the club return and crossed to the ♠A. These were the cards that were left:

	♠ 3		
	♥ 6		
	♦ A 9		
	♣ —		
♠ J 7			
♥ 9		Immaterial	
♦ —			
♣ K			
	♠ Q 8		
	♥ —		
	♦ —		
	♣ 9 8		

Cohen cashed the ♦A, discarded a club, and Bocchi was squeezed in three suits. He pitched his ♣K, so Cohen threw him in with the 13th heart to force a spade lead into his tenace. Contract made!

### Quiz #6

By Eddie Kantar

	♠ A 2		
	♥ A 9 6 5 4		
	♦ 7 6 5		
	♣ K Q 2		
♠ J 10 9		♠ Q 8 7 6 5 3	
♥ Q 10 8 7 2		♥ K J	
♦ K 10 2		♦ J 8 4 3	
♣ 4 3		♣ 5	
	♠ K 4		
	♥ 3		
	♦ A Q 9		
	♣ A J 10 9 8 7 6		

The contract is 6♣. West leads the ♠J. You win the king and immediate play a heart to the ace and ruff a heart. You enter dummy with a trump, both following, and lead a third heart, upon which East discards a spade. Now what?

### LEBHAR IMP PAIRS QUALIFIERS

Carryover

65.0 Tables			
1	Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC; Bryan Maksymetz, Garibaldi Highl BC		29.39
2	Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC		25.00
3	Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX; Hemant Lall, Dallas TX		24.80
4	Carolyne Fox - George Fox, Manvel TX		24.16
5	Ernesto Muzzio, Buenos Aires Argentina; Ricardo Angeleri, Mar Del Plata Argentina		24.02
6	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA		23.72
7	Ken Cohen, Philadelphia PA; Meyer Kotkin, Cherry Hill NJ		23.29
8	B Horiguchi, Gardena CA; Lucy Tredennick, San Pedro CA		23.12
9	Migry Zur Campanile - Chris Willenken, New York NY		22.57
10	Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT		22.04
11	Richard Meffley, Fresno CA; Kenneth Stuckey, Arvada CO		21.54
12	Jeff Hand, New York NY; Robert Lebi, Toronto ON		21.51
13	Alan Watson, Lexington MA; David Becher, Peabody MA		21.05
14	Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba 44 Israel; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel		20.75
15	Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX		20.67
16	David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL		20.21
17	Bruce Rogoff, Tenaflly NJ; Cornelis Van Prooijen, Nieuw Venneep Netherlands		19.20
18	Dennis Dawson, Santa Fe NM; Walter Johnson, Columbus OH		18.34
19	Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Buddhadeb Biswas, Lexington MA		18.33
20	Eric Sieg, Oklahoma City OK; Atul Rai, Wichita KS		18.11
21	Jim Looby, Burbank CA; Ed Ulman, Portland OR		17.65
22	Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Mark Leonard, Ypsilanti MI		17.54
23	Tim Crank, Cincinnati OH; Jim Reiman, Mansfield OH		17.45
24	Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ		17.31
25	Robert White, Raleigh NC; Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA		17.25
26	John Schermer, Seattle WA; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY		16.47
27	Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY		16.39
28	Charles Lipman, Dunwoody GA; Steven Huhman, Larchmont NY		16.23
29	John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jim Krekorian, New York NY		16.13
30/31	Helen Hackner, Willowdale ON; David Horner, Carrollton TX		15.66
30/31	Min Zheng - Fan Zhang, Redmond WA		15.66
32	Runar Lillevik - Ovind Ludvigsen, Oslo Norway		15.64
33	Bas Drijver, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands; Sjoert Brink, Rotterdam 3 Netherlands		15.50
34	Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL; Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL		15.37
35	Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Jill Levin, Bronx NY		15.26
36	Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN; Randy Okubo, Saint Paul MN		15.11
37	Dell Berg, Redmond WA; David Binney, Seattle WA		15.10
38	McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL		14.68
39	Garth Yettick, Denver CO; Jan Janitschke, Littleton CO		14.37
40	Waldemar Frukacz, Gloucester ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC		13.93
41	Robert Blanchard - Shane Blanchard, New York NY		13.61
42	Warren Oberfield, Pittsburgh PA; Peggy Kaplan, Minnetonka MN		13.16
43	Vincent Ramondt, Alphen Netherlands; Berry Westra, Krmibn Rrn Den Netherlands		12.99
44	Brady Allen, Seattle WA; Rose Bolson, Lake Forest Par WA		12.77
45	Andrew Gumperz, Castro Valley CA; Mark Dean, Fremont CA		12.76
46	Gary Roberts, Leawood KS; Chad Fisher, Kansas City MO		12.52
47	David Yang, Chicago IL; Jeff Fang, Arcadia CA		12.49
48/49	Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA		12.39
48/49	Maurice De La Salle, Edmonton AB; Steve Clements, Laguna Mavel CA		12.39
50	Pierre Flatowicz, Omaha NE; Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR		12.17
51	Joann Court, Oklahoma City OK; Paul Frean, New York NY		11.99
52	Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY		11.58
53	Samuel Cohen, Lisle IL; Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA		11.30
54	Todd Lusk - C Reis, Baton Rouge LA		11.26
55	Rita Ellington, Traverse City MI; Robert Morris, Houston TX		11.12
56	Bruce Noda, Corte Madera CA; Mark Ralph, San Francisco CA		10.91
57	Gloria Silverman Bart - Les Bart, Bradenton FL		10.73
58	Leon Lowe, Fountain Hills AZ; Kenneth Badertscher, Tucson AZ		10.32
59	Douglas Doub, W Hartford CT; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY		10.15
60	Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA; John Morris, Atlanta GA		10.10
61	Ed Schulte, Tampa FL; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC		10.03
62	Arnie Frankel, Laurel MD; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA		10.00
63	Michael Rosenberg - Debbie Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY		9.97
64	Jim O'Neil, Palo Alto CA; Robert Madalena, San Jose CA		9.94
65	Larry Mori, Clearwater FL; Leonard Melander, West Bloomfield MI		9.88
66	Eric Goff, Austin TX; John Pendergrass, Albuquerque NM		9.80
67	Josh Sher, Oradell NJ; Adam Meyerson, Los Angeles CA		9.66
68	Melih Ozdil, Astoria NY; Ali Koray Selcuk, Istanbul Turkey		9.58
69	Sylwia McNamara - Michael McNamara, White Plains NY		9.54
70	Miguel Reygadas, Polanco Mexico; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva 493 Israel		9.51
71	Dennis Lane, Ponte Vedra FL; Kevin Lane, Long Beach CA		9.36
72	Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA		9.35
73	John Russell, North Barrington IL; Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY		9.16
74	Corinne Kirkham - Jim Kirkham, Leawood KS		9.02
75	William Arlinghaus, Ann Arbor MI; Dave Swarthout, San Antonio TX		8.96
76	Ted Gibbs, Rncho Pls Vrd CA; Alan Myerson, Sherman Oaks CA		8.93
77	Pam Stratton, Las Vegas NV; Donna Chambers, Schenectady NY		8.79
78	Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; Gary Brown, San Francisco CA		8.77
79	Susan Miller, Boca Raton FL; Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA		8.66
80	Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ		8.65
81	Barry Spector, Springfield VA; Randy Thompson, Albuquerque NM		8.29
82	Bill St Clair Jr, Cypress TX; Henry Caspar, Houston TX		8.01
83	Jose Damiani, Paris France; Pierre Dufour, Houston TX		7.99
84	Gary Sawyer, Alto NM; Billie Mitchell, Ruidoso NM		7.87
85	Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL; Michael Huston, Joplin MO		7.29
86	Charles Gill, St Petersburg FL; Andrew Garnett, Raleigh NC		7.28
87	David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Don Caton, Pensacola FL		7.17
88	Debbie Benner - Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT		7.16
89	Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA		6.72
90	Jamie Ingolia, Cambridge MA; Mike Doyle, Houston TX		6.64
91	Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Gavin Wolpert, Singer Island FL		6.55

92	Farid Assemi, Fresno CA; Edward Wojewoda, Clovis CA	6.54
93	J Bachman Nabors III, Kempner TX; Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI	6.38
94	John Marriott Jr, Cary NC; John Cobb Jr, Apex NC	6.32
95	Robert Kent, Marina Di Rey CA; Ellen Kent, Marina Del Rey CA	6.11
96/97	P Caplan - Catherine Caplan, N Versailles PA	6.05
96/97	Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX; Keith Garber, Las Vegas NV	6.05
98	Igor Milman - Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY	5.88
99	Thomas Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON	5.77
100	Sheri Winestock, Las Vegas NV; Lynne Schaefer, Ellicott City MD	5.73
101	Dennis Heller, Clinton WA; Harold Antonson, Olympia WA	5.72
102/103	Michael Yuen, Vancouver BC; Patrick Dunn, Bellevue WA	5.61
102/103	Gil Cohen, Ashburn VA; Marty Nelson, Annapolis MD	5.61
104	Daniel Suty, Houston TX; Jim Hilton, Austin TX	5.22
105/106	Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL	5.07
105/106	Sharon Meng-Horton, Dade City FL; Rahn Smith, Brandon FL	5.07
107/108	Veronica McMurdie - John McMurdie, Sacramento CA	4.83
107/108	Pinpin Deng, Hackettstown NJ; Yafu Lin, Shenzhen Guangd People's Republic of China	4.83
109	Bill Walker, Bulverde TX; Massoud Banan, McAllen TX	4.68
110	David Caprera - Anne Brenner, Denver CO	4.41
111	Jill Wooldridge, Buffalo NY; Gerald Ungar, Pt Charlotte FL	4.35
112	Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; James Gordon, S Burlington VT	4.08
113	Tony Ames - Judy Nassar, Minnetonka MN	4.05
114	Mark Gordon, Purchase NY; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL	3.91
115	Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Mark Perlmutter, San Diego CA	3.83
116	James Koley - Mike Albert, Omaha NE	3.81
117	John Valliant, Ottawa ON; Ron Zambonini, Nepean ON	3.80
118	Johan Sylvan, 114 42 Stockhol Sweden; Marten Gustawsson, Stockholm Sweden	3.79
119	Daniela von Arnim, D-68766 Hockenh Germany; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark	3.50
120	Ru Yan - Yong Ling Dong, Beijing People's Republic of China	3.30
121	Leonard Helman, Santa Fe NM; Mark Horton, Bath United Kingdom	3.21
122	Cetin Okcuoglu, Moorestown NJ; Julie Zhu, Vero Beach FL	3.20
123	L Laird, Sugar Land TX; W Lease, Houston TX	2.83
124	Barry Rigal, New York NY; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY	2.79
125	Daniel Denison - Mary Lou Denison, Solana Beach CA	2.57
126	Judith Weisman, Englewood NJ; Ronald Felton, New York NY	2.18
127	Adam Parrish, Cincinnati OH; Norman Coombs, Brookville IN	1.96
128	Kimmel Jones, Euless TX; Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie TX	1.54
129	Barry Piafsky, New York NY; Don Piafsky, Toronto ON	0.89
130	Joel Wooldridge, Williamsville NY; Jenni Carmichael, Kennesaw GA	0.00

## From the textbook

By Adam Wildavsky

Dlr: North	♠ A Q 10 7 3 2		
Vul: Both	♥ 10 5 3		
	♦ A 3 2		
	♣ 8		
	♠ K 8 5		♠ J 6
	♥ K 9 2		♥ A J 7
	♦ K 10 8 7 6 5		♦ Q J 9 4
	♣ 7		♣ A 4 3 2
		♠ 9 4	
		♥ Q 8 6 4	
		♦ —	
		♣ K Q J 10 9 6 5	
West	North	East	South
	1♠	Dbl	2♣
3♦	Pass	Pass	4♣
All Pass			

It's not often a perfect textbook hand is dealt at the table. This one, from my first-round Vanderbilt match, had everything — bidding, play and defense. I was playing with Dan Morse.

East-West might have competed to 4♦, which they make by leading a spade toward the jack. As it turns out, they did well to defend.

West led the ♥2, showing an odd number. When East won and shifted to the ♦Q, the heart suit was almost certain to lie as it did. I ruffed and started trumps from the top. East won the first trump to continue diamonds and I ruffed to draw the remaining trumps. My plan was to hook against the ♠K J, ruffing the ♦A to return to my hand.

I pitched two spades from the dummy and then found dummy was squeezed on the last trump — I had to discard a heart to retain my chance of making the contract. When the ♠10 lost to the jack, East was able to return the ♥J and collect 200.

Do you see my mistake? The finesse against the ♠J was never necessary — I can squeeze West instead. I can discard a heart on East's second diamond return (a spade would also work), return to my hand with a diamond ruff, and lead trumps. This will be the position as I lead the last trump:

	♠ A Q 10		
	♥ 10 5		
	♦ —		
	♣ —		
♠ K 8 5			♠ J 6
♥ K 9			♥ J 7
♦ —			♦ J
♣ —			♣ —
	♠ 9 4		
	♥ Q 8		
	♦ —		
	♣ 5		

If West discards a spade, I pitch a heart from dummy and lead a spade to the queen to take three spade tricks. If West discards a heart, I throw a spade and duck a heart to West.

Did I mention defense? Certainly! If East can foresee this position, a tall order, he can ensure a plus score by returning a spade at trick two.

## Coming through

When you bid 'em up, you'd better know how to play 'em. On this deal, Eric Greco showed that he knows what he's doing when he gets his hands on a dummy. His farsighted pay at trick two helped his team to a sizeable gain on this deal:

Dlr: East	♠ K 10 9 6 3		
Vul: Both	♥ A K Q		
	♦ A J 7 6		
	♣ 4		
	♠ Q 8 7		♠ 4 2
	♥ 10 8 6 5 4		♥ J 9 3
	♦ K 10 8 5		♦ Q 4 3 2
	♣ 3		♣ J 9 8 6
		♠ A J 5	
		♥ 7 2	
		♦ 9	
		♣ A K Q 10 7 5 2	

West led a low diamond against 7♣. Greco went

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Kantar's answer:

♠ A 2			
♥ A 9 6 5 4			
♦ 7 6 5			
♣ K Q 2			
♠ J 10 9		♠ Q 8 7 6 5 3	
♥ Q 10 8 7 2		♥ K J	
♦ K 10 2		♦ J 8 4 3	
♣ 4 3		♣ 5	
	♠ K 4		
	♥ 3		
	♦ A Q 9		
	♣ A J 10 9 8 7 6		

Actually, things aren't all that bad. Ruff the third heart, enter dummy with a trump and ruff dummy's next-to-last heart. Now back to the ♠A, lead dummy's last heart and discard the ♦9. West is in, and must either lead a diamond or, equally good for you, a spade.

If you even as much as thought of monkeying with the diamonds, don't admit it in public.

## Two hearts canopy

In a previous board-a-match teams, the combination of Mark Horton, editor of Bridge Magazine; Sascha Wernle and Jovi Smederevac, current members of the Austrian Open Team; and the famous Rabbi, Leonard Helman, of Santa Fe NM, was in awesome form, scoring 20 out of 24, for a winning 83.3% session.

A couple of days before the event, they were dining in a restaurant close to the Galleria and spotted a bottle of wine rejoicing in the name of Two Hearts Canopy. If you are playing with a couple of Austrians whose system incorporates the Canapé style of bidding where you may have a longer suit than the one you first bid, then you need look no further — it turned out to be a very acceptable bottle — and a portent for the following deal:

Dlr: North	♠ 10 7 4 3		
Vul: None	♥ A 10 8 7 5 2		
	♦ 4		
	♣ 10 8		
	♠ 8 6 5		♠ K Q 9
	♥ 6 4		♥ K Q 9
	♦ K J 10 9 7 6 2		♦ 8 5 3
	♣ 4		♣ Q 9 5 2
		♠ A J 2	
		♥ J 3	
		♦ A Q	
		♣ A K J 7 6 3	
West	North	East	South
	Helman		Horton
All Pass	Pass	1♣	3NT

West led an unimaginative diamond and declarer won and simply played a low club to the 10 to establish nine tricks for plus 400.

The auction at the other table took a rather different course:

West	North	East	South
Smederevac		Wernle	
	Pass	1♦	Dbl
2♥	Dbl	Pass	3NT
4♦	4♥	Pass	4NT
All Pass			

Although 1♦ might be based on as few as two cards, West had enough support to be able to muddy the waters by bidding 2♥ (Canapé!). Although it was easy enough to expose this humorous effort, it led to a spectacular difference in the number of tricks.

West led a spade and declarer took the queen with the ace and ran the ♥J to East's king. He tried the ♦Q when East switched, and the defenders cleared the suit. When declarer took a second heart finesse, the roof fell in, and he was down six, minus 300.

The team intends to take home a few bottles of Two Hearts Canopy!

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up with the ace and made the key play of ruffing a diamond at trick two. He then cashed the top two trumps. The 4-1 trumps split was inconvenient, but Greco played skillfully to land the contract anyway.

This is how the play went from there: heart to the ace, diamond ruff, heart to the king, diamond ruff, ♠A, spade to the king and the ♥Q, pitching his third spade. Dummy was now on lead with two spades. East held the ♣J 9 and Greco held the ♣Q 10. The trump coup brought home the grand slam and 12 IMPs as North-South played 6NT making at the other table.

Quiz #7

By Eddie Kantar

Dlr: ♠ A J 10
Vul: ♥ A K 10 8
♦ A 7 6 5
♣ J 7

♠ 9 5 4
♥ Q 3
♦ K 4
♣ A K 10 4 3 2

The contract is 6♣ and West leads the ♠2\*.

Which finesses do you take and which do you give up?

Kantar's answer:

Dlr: ♠ A J 10
Vul: ♥ A K 10 8
♦ A 7 6 5
♣ J 7

♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ J 9 4 2
♦ J 9
♣ Q 9 5

♠ 9 5 4
♥ Q 3
♦ K 4
♣ A K 10 4 3 2

The first step is to win the ♠A. That's one finesse you can live without. Next the ♣7 is led to the ace, just in case there's a singleton ♣Q lurking.

Dummy is now entered with a diamond and the ♣J is led. This play is made for two reasons. Some players think it's a sin not to cover an honor with an honor, and a player with Q-9-8-x might cover to ensure his trump trick. Assuming the jack is not covered, you are now down to your last big play — the ♥Q followed by a heart to the 10 in order to dispose of two spades. Win some, lose some.

Taken in

If you don't give the opponents a chance to err, they will make far fewer mistakes against you. John Russell's play on this deal is a case in point. Russell was playing with Chuck Said.

Dlr: North ♠ K 3
Vul: Both ♥ A K 5 2
♦ K 9 5 4 3
♣ 8 4

♠ A 7 6 4 2
♥ 10
♦ J 7
♣ 9 6 5 3 2

♠ J 10 9 8
♥ 6 4 3
♦ Q 10
♣ Q J 10 7

♠ Q 5
♥ Q J 9 8 7
♦ A 8 6 2
♣ A K

West North East South
Said Pass 1♥
1♠ 2♥ 3♠ (1) 4♥

(1) Preemptive.

Said started with the ♠Q. When Russell followed with the 9, Said took it as showing interest in a diamond switch, so Said duly put the ♦J on the table at trick two. Declarer played low and Russell followed smoothly with the queen. Declarer won with the ♦A, pulled trumps and, believing he knew the layout of the diamond suit, played a low

diamond to dummy's 9. Minus 650 was worth nearly all the matchpoints for Russell and Said.

Slam makes off three aces

How often have you bid a makable slam off three aces? Preston Morrow of Dallas found himself in this situation on this deal:

Dlr: South ♠ K Q 10 9 4 3 2
Vul: None ♥ 10
♦ —
♣ A K 10 4 3

♠ J 8 7
♥ 5 2
♦ A Q J 10 6 4
♣ 7 2

♠ —
♥ K Q J 8 7 6
♦ K 9 5 3
♣ Q 6 5

West North East South
2♦ Dbl 3♦ 1♥
Pass 3♠ Pass 3♥
Pass 6♣ All Pass 4♣

Preston ruffed the opening ♦A lead. He called for the ♠K and ruffed when East produced the ace. He led the ♦K, pitching the ♥10 from dummy — but East ruffed! East immediately saw his error and announced that he could follow suit. That put the ♣8 on the table as an exposed card. Declarer continued with the ♥K, discarding a spade. East won, and, of course, had to return the exposed ♣8 to dummy's 10. Declarer ruffed a spade with the ♣Q and led a low club to dummy. He drew trumps and ran spades from the top to make his slam.

The exposed card had nothing to do with whether or not the slam made.

LEBHAR IMP PAIRS - SECOND QUALIFYING SESSION

Table with columns for North-South and East-West pairs, and scores for various sections (D E F G, H I J K). Lists names and scores for 24 pairs in each direction.

WHITEHEAD WOMENS PAIRS - SECOND QUALIFYING SESSION

Table with columns for North-South and East-West pairs, and scores for various sections (A B C). Lists names and scores for 18 pairs in each direction.





GRADY WATKINS MEMORIAL FAST PAIRS - 1 OF 2 SESSIONS

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTION RR, A, B, C). Rows include names like Ed Freeman, Rose Black, Heather Shane, Joseph Thomas and their respective scores and opponents.

SECOND THURSDAY STRATIFIED SENIORS - FIRST SESSION

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTION U, A, B, C). Rows include names like Max Levit, Chuck Said, Sara Babb, Phyllis Maness, Jay Rogaski and their respective scores and opponents.

GRADY WATKINS MEMORIAL FAST PAIRS - 2 OF 2 SESSIONS

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTION RR, A, B, C). Rows include names like Allen Tan, Ed Freeman, Marilyn Mac Donald, Joseph Thomas, Sally Ann Rhea and their respective scores and opponents.

BETTY STARZEC 1 49ER PAIRS - THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTION N, A, B, C). Rows include names like Donald Dawson, Beth Manders, Yvonne Pierce, Barbara Squires and their respective scores and opponents.

BETTY STARZEC 1 29ER PAIRS THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTION O, A, B, C). Rows include names like Keith Anderson, Arlene Rawitscher, Elise Homer, Janet Pickell, Ewen Ferguson and their respective scores and opponents.

SECOND THURSDAY STRATIFIED SENIORS - SECOND SESSION

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTION W, A, B, C). Rows include names like John Dockray, Betty Freedman, Richard Davidson, Stephen Reichke and their respective scores and opponents.

PAT MCCOY MEMORIAL STRATIFIED OPEN - 1 OF 2 SESSIONS

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTIONS OO PP, A, B, C). Rows include names like En Xie, Scott Nelson, Geraldine Macswen, Betsy Dubose, Sandra DeMartino and their respective scores and opponents.

BEAN RED RIBBON PAIRS - FIRST QUALIFYING SESSION

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTIONS VV WW YY, A, B, C). Rows include names like Steven Towner, Langdon Jones, Jeremy Dilbeck, Daniel Jackson and their respective scores and opponents.

TUESDAY-THURSDAY SIDE GAME SERIES - THURSDAY AFTERNOON 5 OF 6 SESSIONS

Table with 3 columns (A, B, C) and 3 sub-columns (SECTION JJ, A, B, C). Rows include names like Emily Leake, Kenneth Harris, Darrel Peckinpaugh and their respective scores and opponents.

LEBHAR IMP PAIRS - FIRST QUALIFYING SESSION					
	NORTH-SOUTH	SECTIONS D E F G	EAST-WEST		
1	Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC	64.17	1	Josh Sher, Oradell NJ; Adam Meyerson, Los Angeles CA	51.82
2	Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ	57.75	2	Alan Watson, Lexington MA; David Becher, Peabody MA	50.24
3	Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY	41.14	3	Robert White, Raleigh NC; Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA	43.73
4	Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX; Hemant Lall, Dallas TX	39.51	4	Richard Meffley, Fresno CA; Kenneth Stuckey, Arvada CO	42.95
5	Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT	30.49	5	Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL; Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL	36.86
6	Miguel Reygadas, Polanco Mexico; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva 493 Israel	27.22	6	David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL	36.67
7	Bruce Rogoff, Tenafly NJ; Cornelis Van Prooijen, Nieuw Venneep Netherlands	25.38	7	Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX	36.61
8	David Yang, Chicago IL; Jeff Fang, Arcadia CA	24.36	8	Migry Zur Campanile - Chris Willenken, New York NY	35.24
9	Jeff Hand, New York NY; Robert Lebi, Toronto ON	24.31	9	Sylvia McNamara - Michael McNamara, White Plains NY	31.91
10	Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Buddhadeb Biswas, Lexington MA	23.38	10	Carolyn Fox - George Fox, Manvel TX	31.78
11	Jose Damiani, Paris France; Pierre Dufour, Houston TX	23.37	11	Sharon Meng-Horton, Dade City FL; Rahn Smith, Brandon FL	28.40
12	Eric Sieg, Oklahoma City OK; Atul Rai, Wichita KS	21.68	12	Garth Yettick, Denver CO; Jan Janitschke, Littleton CO	26.60
13	Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA	21.16	13	Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Gavin Wolpert, Singer Island FL	19.64
14	Ted Gibbs, Rancho Pls Vrd CA; Alan Myerson, Sherman Oaks CA	18.60	14	Mark Gordon, Purchase NY; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL	19.17
15	Tony Ames - Judy Nassar, Minnetonka MN	16.35	15	Andrew Gumperz, Castro Valley CA; Mark Dean, Fremont CA	18.30
16	Robert Kent, Marina DI Rey CA; Ellen Kent, Marina Del Rey CA	15.04	16	John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jim Krekorian, New York NY	17.43
17	Claybourne Waldrop Jr, Arlington TX; Virginia Sherman, Dallas TX	13.37	17	Tom Kniest, University City MO; Alan Popkin, St Louis MO	13.26
18	Corinne Kirkham - Jim Kirkham, Leawood KS	12.55	18	Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; Gary Brown, San Francisco CA	13.17
19	Ernesto Muzzio, Buenos Aires Argentina; Ricardo Angeleri, Mar Del Plata Argentina	11.68	19	Daniel Denison - Mary Lou Denison, Solana Beach CA	11.33
20	Nathan Heller, Clinton WA; Harold Antonson, Olympia WA	10.98	20	Arnie Frankel, Laurel MD; Richard Stanton, Los Gatos CA	7.25
21	Susan Miller, Boca Raton FL; Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA	9.55	21	McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL	5.98
22	Bruce Nolla, Corte Madera CA; Mark Ralph, San Francisco CA	8.71	22	Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL; Shirley Blum, Fresno CA	4.73
23	Rita Ellington, Traverse City MI; Robert Morris, Houston TX	4.85	23	Waldemar Frukaez, Gloucester ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	3.49
24	Joel Wooldridge, Williamsville NY; Jenni Carmichael, Kennesaw GA	3.85	24	James Koley - Mike Albert, Omaha NE	1.09
	NORTH-SOUTH	SECTIONS H J K L	EAST-WEST		
1	B Horiguchi, Gardena CA; Lucy Tredennick, San Pedro CA	37.97	1	Ken Cohen, Philadelphia PA; Meyer Kotkin, Cherry Hill NJ	82.14
2	Larry Mori, Clearwater FL; Leonard Melander, West Bloomfield MI	31.57	2	Jim Looby, Burbank CA; Ed Ulman, Portland OR	50.55
3	Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC; Bryan Maksymetz, Garibaldi Highl BC	29.76	3	Dennis Dawson, Santa Fe NM; Walter Johnson, Columbus OH	36.33
4	Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA; John Morris, Atlanta GA	29.68	4	David Berent - Shirley Berent, Ventura FL	35.60
5	Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba 44 Israel; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel	26.57	5	Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA	33.05
6	Johan Sylvan, 114 42 Stockhol Sweden; Marten Gustawsson, Stockholm Sweden	26.35	6	John Schermer, Seattle WA; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY	30.46
7	Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; James Gordon, S Burlington VT	24.75	7	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA	25.64
8	Min Zheng - Fan Zhang, Redmond WA	22.75	8	Bas Drijver, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands; Sjoert Brink, Rotterdam 3 Netherlands	23.68
9	Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Marvin Deneroff, North Bergen NJ	21.38	9	Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA	18.93
10	Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX; Keith Garber, Las Vegas NV	18.30	10	Kimmel Jones, Euless TX; Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie TX	18.86
11	Gil Cohen, Ashburn VA; Marty Nelson, Annapolis MD	17.07	11	Todd Lusk - C Reis, Baton Rouge LA	18.80
12	Ru Yan - Yong Ling Dong, Beijing People's Republic of China	16.96	12	Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Mark Leonard, Ypsilanti MI	16.90
13	Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN; Randy Okubo, Saint Paul MN	16.48	13	Leon Lowe, Fountain Hills AZ; Kenneth Badertscher, Tucson AZ	16.00
14	Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA; Patricia Tucker, Atlanta GA	15.20	14	Ed Schulte, Tampa FL; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC	14.49
15	Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL	13.16	15	Runar Lillevik - Ovid Ludvigsen, Oslo Norway	12.52
16	Pam Stratton, Las Vegas NV; Donna Chambers, Schenectady NY	12.22	16	Barry Spector, Springfield VA; Steve Thompson, Albuquerque NM	10.75
17	P Caplan - Catherine Caplan, N Versailles PA	11.28	17	John Valliant, Ottawa ON; Ron Zamboni, Nepean ON	9.24
18	Michael Rosenberg - Debbie Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY	10.41	18	Melih Ozdil, Astoria NY; Ali Koray Selcuk, Istanbul Turkey	8.56
19	Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; Barbara Kasle, Boca Raton FL	9.04	19	Vincent Ramondt, Alphen Aan Den Netherlands; Berry Westra, Krmibn Rrn Den Netherlands	8.15
20	Judith Eaton - Glafkos Galanos, Carbondale IL	8.40	20	Mike Floyd - Mack Meigs, Baytown TX	6.02
21	Frank Mastrola, Swansea MA; Walter Spiewak, Wake Forest NC	7.65	21	L Laird, Sugar Land TX; W Lease, Houston TX	5.43
22	John Marriott Jr, Cary NC; John Cobb Jr, Apex NC	7.38	22	Igor Milman - Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY	4.98
WHITEHEAD WOMENS PAIRS - THURSDAY AFTERNOON 1 OF 4 SESSIONS					
	NORTH-SOUTH	SECTIONS A B C	EAST-WEST		
1	Beverly Gardner, Farmington Hls MI; Lynne Schaeffer, W Bloomfield MI	64.02%	1	Lisa Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Joann Glasson, Pennington NJ	63.41%
2	Candace Griffey, Vero Beach FL; Joan Eaton, North York ON	60.93%	2	Lois Stuart, West Chester PA; Ricki Rogers, Moorestown NJ	61.69%
3	Emma Sjoberg, Linkoping 58431 Sweden; Sandra Rimstedt, Haverdal 310 4 Sweden	60.48%	3	Pat Levy - Mary Pat Gentry, Houston TX	58.81%
4	Victoria Gromova - Titiana Ponomareva, Moscow Russia	60.12%	4	Judi Radin, New York NY; Stacy Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	57.39%
5	Shawn Quinn, 30-218 Krakow Poland; Pam Wittes, Venice CA	60.07%	5	Molly O'Neill - Bella Ionis-Sorren, Ft Lauderdale FL	56.93%
6	Bernace De Young, Miami FL; Gen Geiger, Sarasota FL	57.19%	6	Laurie Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Linda McGarry, Stuart FL	56.73%
7	Sylvia Moss, New York NY; Joan Jackson, Dallas TX	56.93%	7	Susan Wexler, New York NY; Suzy Burger, West Bloomfield MI	55.92%
8	Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL; Valerie Westheimer, New York NY	56.43%	8	Carolyn Sessler, Boca Raton FL; Sally Strul, Delray Beach FL	54.91%
9	Carlyn Steiner, Seattle WA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX	54.35%	9	Barbara Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ; Sharon Hait, Livingston NJ	54.71%
10	Shelba Parmley, Oklahoma City OK; Barbara Whittlesey, Edmond OK	54.20%	10	Harriet Eaton Morris - Tina Tessaro, Miami FL	54.25%
11	Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Cecilia Rimstedt, Halmstad 30251 Sweden	53.85%	11	Mildred Breed - Anita Cokins, Austin TX	54.10%
12	Brenda Solovitz, Houston TX; Kay Humphries, Bellaire TX	52.99%	12	Gigi Simpson, Sarasota FL; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL	53.80%
13/14	Cathy Strauch, San Diego CA; G. Margie Gwozdziński, New York NY	52.94%	13	Ora Lourie, Hypoluxo FL; Lori Jacobs, Boca Raton FL	53.64%
13/14	Sandra Friedman, Flushing NY; Madi Drimmer, Sarasota FL	52.94%	14	Eileen Cripps, Madison WI; Diane Graese, Las Vegas NV	53.34%
15	Nadine Wood, Silver Spring MD; Mickie Chambers, Atlanta GA	52.88%	15	Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA; Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL	52.48%
16	Malle Andrade, New York NY; Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY	52.53%	16	Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Jo Anna Stansby, Dublin CA	52.18%
17	Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY; Faye Marino, Greenwich CT	51.72%	17	Joyce Hampton, Blythewood SC; Jenny Wolpert, Singer Island FL	51.97%
18	Jerry Jungmichel - Shirley George, Austin TX	51.62%	18	Sharon Jabbour, Boca Raton FL; Elaine Said, Nashville TN	51.82%

## TOMORROW'S BRIDGE EVENTS

### Eddie Wold & Bob Morris Appreciation Day

Saturday, March 21, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Friday-Saturday Morning Compact KO Teams	3-4	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Max Levit & Ariel Leibovitz Morning Side Game <i>Part of the Thursday-Saturday Morning Side Game Series</i>	3rd single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Ed Hoffing Memorial Wednesday-Saturday Morning Bracketed KO Teams	4th	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17
<b>Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m. &amp; 2 p.m.</b>				
Eddie Wold & Bob Morris Stratified Fast Pairs	1-2	3rd Floor Room 336	\$16	\$18
<b>Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m. &amp; 3 p.m.</b>				
Stratified Senior Pairs	1-2	4th Floor JKL	\$16	\$18
<b>Saturday, March 21, 1p.m.</b>				
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	3rd single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	3rd Floor Room 335	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	3rd Floor Room 335	\$15	\$15
<b>Saturday, March 21, 1 &amp; 7:30 p.m.</b>				
Jacoby Open Swiss Teams <i>2 qualifying, 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	4th Floor Ballroom A-F	\$20	
Machlin Women's Swiss Teams <i>2 qualifying, 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	4th Floor Ballroom A-F	\$20	
Golder North American Pairs, Flight B <i>Pre-qualification required. 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	No fee	
President's Cup North American Pairs, Flight C <i>Pre-qualification required. 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	No fee	
David Hurd Memorial Strati-Flighted Pairs	1-2	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Milton Freedman Memorial Saturday-Sunday Bracketed KO Teams <i>Continues Sunday at 10 a.m.</i>	1-2	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
<b>Saturday, March 21, 1 &amp; 8 p.m.</b>				
Vanderbilt KO Teams	Round 7	3rd Floor Room 343	\$20	
<b>Saturday, March 21, 7:30 p.m.</b>				
One-session Stratified Swiss Teams	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	4th single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
299er Stratified Swiss Teams	single	3rd Floor Room 335	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	3rd Floor Room 335	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	3rd Floor Room 335	\$15	\$15
<b>Saturday, March 21, 11:30 p.m.</b>				
Zip KO Teams	single	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	\$12/team/match	

Unless otherwise noted, Strati-Flighted and Strati-Flighted Senior events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (1000-2000, 500-1000, 0-500). Strata breaks for Stratified and Stratified Senior events are: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750).

\*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

## TODAY'S BRIDGE EVENTS

See page 2 for other events

## Friday, March 20, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Friday-Saturday Morning Compact KO Teams	1-2	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
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299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17

## Friday, March 20, 10 a.m. &amp; 2 p.m.

Stratified Fast Pairs	1-2	3rd Floor Room 336	\$16	\$18
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## Friday, March 20, 10 a.m. &amp; 3 p.m.

Doris Allen Stratified Senior Pairs	1-2	4th Floor Ballroom JKL	\$16	\$18
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## Friday, March 20, 1 p.m.

Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	1st single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Betty Starzec 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	\$15	\$17
Betty Starzec 0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	\$15	\$15

## Friday, March 20, 1 &amp; 7:30 p.m.

<b>Lebhar IMP Pairs</b>	1-2 F	4th Floor Ballroom A-F	\$20	
<b>Whitehead Women's Pairs</b>	1-2 F	4th Floor Ballroom A-F	\$20	
<b>Bean Red Ribbon Pairs</b>	1-2 F	4th Floor Ballroom A-F	\$17	
Grady Watkins Memorial Stratified Open Pairs	1-2	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Donna Compton Appreciation Thursday-Friday Bracketed KO Teams	3-4	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Gary King Compact KO Teams	1-4	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18

## Friday, March 20, 1 &amp; 8 p.m.

<b>Vanderbilt KO Teams</b>	Round 6	3rd Floor Room 343 & 346	\$20	
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## Friday, March 20, 7:30 p.m.

Anna Marlatt One-session Stratified Swiss Teams	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	2nd single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	4th Floor GHI	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	4th Floor GHI	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	4th Floor GHI	\$15	\$15

## Friday, March 20, 11:30 p.m.

Zip KO Teams	single	4th Floor GHI	\$12/team/match	
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Unless otherwise noted, Strati-Flighted and Strati-Flighted Senior events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (1000-2000, 500-1000, 0-500). Strata breaks for Stratified and Stratified Senior events are: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750).

\*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

## Intermediate-Newcomer top masterpoint winners

1	19.14	Kailash Sachdev, The Woodlands TX	43	6.86	Kim O'Hara, Humble TX	89	4.99	Lil Schwarzschild, Patchogue NY
2	16.07	Rani Sachdev, The Woodlands TX	44	6.86	Michael Novack, Humble TX	90	4.99	Joan Kalinousky, Ridge NY
3	14.17	Ronald Montague, La Porte TX	45	6.46	Betty McCauley, Oklahoma City OK	91	4.95	Carolyn Robertson, Houston TX
4	14.02	Janice Vernia, Carmel IN	46	6.27	Mary Jennings, Houston TX	92	4.91	Bette Magee, Houston TX
5	14.02	Robert Vernia, Carmel IN	47	6.16	David Durand, Houston TX	93	4.91	Maureen McGrath, Seabrook TX
6	13.15	James Ochsner, Houston TX	48	6.06	Claire Ridgley, Tehachapi CA	94	4.76	Earl Landrum, Marion IN
7	12.41	James Smock, Santa Fe NM	49	6.05	Walter Zolla, Montgomery TX	95	4.76	Sally Landrum, Marion IN
8	12.03	Stephen Apodaca, Santa Fe NM	50	6.03	Colleen Bicket, Edmond OK	96	4.75	Keith Everett, Houston TX
9	11.91	Janet Williams, Houston TX	51	6.02	Gary Homer, Lincoln CA	97	4.75	James Prim III, South Pines NC
10	11.50	Marilyn Hughes, La Porte TX	52	6.02	Connie Burnett, Houston TX	98	4.75	Donna Simmons, Southern Pines NC
11	10.93	Johnell McKee, Friendswood TX	53	6.02	Elise Homer, Lincoln CA	99	4.69	Annette Ruth, Georgetown TX
12	10.69	Arlene Rawitscher, Houston TX	54	6.00	Nell Nichols, Birmingham AL	100	4.69	Suzann Patterson, Georgetown TX
13	10.69	Jack Rawitscher, Houston TX	55	6.00	Marilyn Haver, Birmingham AL			
14	10.44	Mary Anderson, Rochester MN	56	5.77	Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO			
15	10.44	Keith Anderson, Rochester MN	57	5.76	Sharon MacMorran, Austin TX			
16	10.27	Steven Brown, Wichita KS	58	5.76	Kenneth MacMorran, Austin TX			
17	10.04	Gaylene Jewell, Houston TX	59	5.74	Arjune Bose, Houston TX			
18	10.04	Helen Hollis, Houston TX	60	5.61	Laxmi Mehra, Houston TX			
19	9.52	Sue Bailey, Stockport	61	5.61	Usha Mehra, Houston TX			
20	9.22	H Ray Atchley, Shreveport LA	62	5.58	Jo Chorpening, Ellisville MO			
21	9.22	Jerry Bigner, Shreveport LA	63	5.54	Connie Montgomery, Katy TX			
22	9.02	Kathleen McCool, Castle Rock CO	64	5.53	Cherry Schwarz, Houston TX			
23	9.02	Jane Hendrix, Breckenridge CO	65	5.53	Rosalie Schwarz, Houston TX			
24	8.90	Elenalani Lam, Sunnyvale CA	66	5.45	Jeri Nelson, Neenah WI			
25	8.85	Nancy Montague, La Porte TX	67	5.37	Pamela Elsner, Avon CO			
26	8.70	Patricia Bunn, Cypress TX	68	5.37	Clairlee Hirsch, The Woodlands TX			
27	8.70	O Bunn, Cypress TX	69	5.36	Maureen Viaclovsky, Friendswood TX			
28	8.53	Jean Foltz, Pearland TX	70	5.34	Bradley Etnyre, Las Vegas NV			
29	8.53	Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland TX	71	5.34	Daniel Potkalesky, Plano TX			
30	8.21	Pauline Mitchell, Houston TX	72	5.28	Arne Hoepfner, Sherman TX			
31	8.00	Marj Frederiksen, Dallas TX	73	5.26	Ranjit Bose, Albuquerque NM			
32	8.00	Louise O'Brien, Dallas TX	74	5.25	Patsy Howell, Houston TX			
33	7.99	Joyce Eveld, Houston TX	75	5.23	Barbara Webber, Houston TX			
34	7.94	Mark Heep, Austin TX	76	5.23	Edna Kelly, Houston TX			
35	7.94	Liz Cooper, Austin TX	77	5.23	Ann Wales, Houston TX			
36	7.92	Joan Maxwell, Davidson NC	78	5.23	Indu Khera, Houston TX			
37	7.92	William Taylor, Mooresville NC	79	5.23	Wendy Wheeler, Little Rock AR			
38	7.83	Allison Ochsner, Houston TX	80	5.23	John Chapman, Little Rock AR			
39	7.82	Joseph Cunningham, Conroe TX	81	5.20	Jean Moritz, Houston TX			
40	7.74	Thomas Hamilton, Montgomery TX	82	5.16	Michael Skoller, Bellaire TX			
41	7.47	Jim McCormick, Houston TX	83	5.16	Robert Paules Jr, Austin TX			
42	7.19	Yvonne Pierce, Houston TX	84	5.15	Jacqueline Leedom, Glenwood MD			
			85	5.15	Robert Leedom, Glenwood MD			
			86	5.05	Pamela Hughes, Bend OR			
			87	5.01	Trudi Lamendola, Waco TX			
			88	5.00	Kay Kennedy, Houston TX			



Eddie Wold and Bob Morris, who are honored tomorrow with a special appreciation day (see page 19).

## Monitoring

At this and future North American Championships, ACBL will be monitoring NABC+ events with visible, real-time cameras. The images will be recorded and will be available for later official inspection and review.

By general monitoring of the session and participants' behavior, ACBL has another source of information that may be useful in determining facts and settling issues arising from some types of ethical and behavioral complaints or actions. Please summon a director if a problem occurs at the table.

This procedure is intended to assure everyone that the playing field is level and that misbehavior will not be tolerated.