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Rudeness repudiated

Zero Tolerance seeks 'improved atmosphere'

The ACBL Board of Directors, citing its commitment to "improving acceptable player behavior at all times", has voted to adopt Zero Tolerance as ACBL policy, effective with the 1998 Spring NABC in Reno.

The Board cited Laws 74, 80F, 81C4, 90A, 91 and 92A (*Laws of Duplicate Bridge*) as the basis for "what is expected of all players during NABCs and other ACBL-sponsored events, as well as in the playing area before and after each session."

Here are examples of commendable behavior "which, while not required, will significantly contribute to the improved atmosphere:"

- Being a good "host" or "guest" at the table
- Greeting others in a friendly manner

• Praising the bidding and/or play of the opponents
 • Having two clearly-completed convention cards readily available to the opponents. (This one is a regulation, not just a nicety.)

Here are examples of unacceptable behavior:

- Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, profanity, threats or violence
- Negative comments concerning opponents' or partner's play or bidding
- Gloating
- Constant and gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table

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Henry Francis, right, 1998 ACBL Honorary Member, accepts congratulations from ACBL President Howard Pilch.

Francis named 1998 ACBL Honorary Member

Saturday, Nov. 15, is a day Henry Francis will long remember. He and his wife, Dorothy, had driven to ACBL Headquarters for the grand openings of the ACBL Hall of Fame and the Albert H. Morehead Memorial Library.

The Francis arrived just in time for the speeches, and they stood in the back of the room as ACBL President Howard Pilch took the podium.

Pilch greeted the crowd and acknowledged the 1997 Honorary Members, Tommy and Carol Sanders, who had traveled from Nashville for the ceremonies. That provided the segue into Pilch's

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Board of Governors elect Chris Pisarra

Chris Pisarra of Orinda CA was elected chairman of the Board of Governors yesterday. He will take over his new position when present Chairman Alan LeBendig resigns -- probably tomorrow. LeBendig has been elected a member of the ACBL Board of Directors from District 23 (Los Angeles area).

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Chris Pisarra, new chairman of the Board of Governors.

Chicago foursome lead Open BAM

A Chicago-based team captained by Jeff Schuett -- who has already won a North American title at this tournament -- took a two-board lead after two qualifying sessions of the Open Board-a-Match Teams.

Schuett, of Riverwoods IL (suburban Chicago) and Kerry Smith of Milwaukee won the Life Master Open Pairs Saturday.

In the Open BAM, Schuett is playing with Craig Gardner of Streamwood IL; Sangaparil Mohan, Oakbrook IL, and Claude Vogel, Chicago.

Their score of 35.5 was two better than the total amassed by Jim Krekorian, John Rengstorff and Bob Blanchard, New York City, and Doug Doub, West Hartford CT.

Ohio players ahead in Women's BAM Teams

An Ohio-based foursome took a narrow lead after two qualifying sessions of the Women's Board-a-Match Teams.

The leaders are Mary Kay Fletcher and Cheryl Schneider, Westerville OH; Sheryl Langner, Dublin OH, and Terry James, Columbus OH.

Their score of 36 was one-half board better than that of Mildred Breed, Woodway TX; Shawn Quinn, Katy TX; Renee Mancuso, Redondo Beach CA, and Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX.

Breed and Sokolow have just returned from Tunisia, where they were members of the winning team in the 1997 Venice Cup.

Jabbour, Arnold seek fourth straight Senior KO

The team anchored by Zeke Jabbour and Russ Arnold, seeking their fourth straight Senior Knockout Teams title, was among 16 squads entering the second day of play in the nationally rated event.

Jabbour, of Boca Raton FL, and Arnold, of Miami, have never lost a match in the Senior KO, first played in 1994.

Their teammates this year are Mike Levine, Boca Raton; Arnie Fisher, Clementon NJ; Jim Linhart, Piscataway NJ, and P.O. Sundelin of Stockholm, Sweden.

Pettit comes from nowhere to vie for Top 500 title

By Paul Linxwiler

Randy Pettit has played tournament bridge for some 20 years and has a fair share of regional wins to his name. Recently, however, his tournament results have been especially impressive, so much so that the Marietta GA resident is currently in contention to win the 1997 Barry Crane Top 500 contest.

Through Saturday of the Fall NABC, Pettit had won nearly 1900 masterpoints for the year. But Pettit, 54,

Randy Pettit is making a run for the Top 500.

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Goodwill Committee salutes Ruth McConnell

Today is another special Goodwill Day and we invite all Goodwill Committee members to join us at 5:00 p.m. in the Rose Garden.

We are recognizing Ruth McConnell for her many contributions to District 8 and all of ACBL - as a member of the Board of Directors, the first woman president of ACBL and the first woman elected to the World Bridge Federation Executive Council.

My co-chairmen and I salute Ruth. Congratulations on a job well done!

Aileen Osofsky
 Chairman, Goodwill Committee

Edgar Kaplan Memorial

A memorial service for Edgar Kaplan will be held this morning at 11 in the Rose Garden Room, level four of the Adam's Mark Hotel. Everyone is invited.

Speakers will include Judy Kay, Gail Greenberg, Richard Freeman, Bobby Wolff, Kathie Wei-Sender, Howard Pilch, Sidney Lazard, Ralph Cohen and Amalya Kearse.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Monday, Nov. 24 Goodwill Day

9:00 a.m. - Noon Seminar: Bridge Teachers and Bridge Cruises, Director's Row 44
 9:00 a.m. - Noon Club Director's Course, Director's Row 48
 11:00 a.m. Edgar Kaplan Memorial Service. Rose Garden Room, 4th level, Adam's Mark.
 11:45 a.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Joey Silver: *Character of a Champion*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Goodwill Reception, Rose Garden Room
 6:45 p.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Kathie Wei-Sender: *Championship Bridge*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 11:30 p.m. Player Hospitality, Rose Garden Room

Tuesday, Nov. 25

9:00 a.m. - Noon Club Director's Course, Director's Row 48
 11:45 a.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Jim Kirkham: *Negative Doubles*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 6:45 p.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Michael Huston: *Playing with Finesse*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 11:30 p.m. Player Hospitality, Rose Garden Room

Wednesday, Nov. 26

9:00 a.m. - Noon Club Director's Course, Director's Row 48
 11:45 a.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Max Hardy: *Overcalls*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 6:45 p.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Curtis Cheek: *Interstate Bidding*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 11:30 p.m. Player Hospitality, Rose Garden

Precision bidding system celebrates 30th birthday

The Precision bidding system is celebrating its 30th anniversary. The late C.C. Wei completed his system in 1967, and it was only a year later that Precision was a winner -- in the Far East Championships. The winners from Chinese Taipei were using Precision.

A year later Precision came close to winning the Bermuda Bowl world championship. This was at the time when the Italian Blue Team was running roughshod over the rest of the world. Chinese Taipei got all the way to the final and then gave the Italians a good run for their money before losing.

A special Precision team won the Spingold in both 1970 and 1971. Kathie Wei-Sender, who worked with her husband in perfecting the system, used Precision to win the World Women's Pairs in 1978.

Kathie was instrumental in getting China interested in bridge, and Precision has been the most popular bidding system in that country ever since. The Chinese women's team, now one of the strongest in the world, has finished second in the Women's Olympiad and the Venice Cup over the past two years, and all three pairs use Precision bidding. Kathie had much to do with the early training of the Chinese women, and she brought them to American tournaments on a number of occasions to give them a chance to play against strong opposition.

Even the Italian stars latched onto Precision. Benito Garozzo and Giorgio Belladonna used the system in their heyday.

ACBL Executive Editor Brent Manley and tournament expert David Berkowitz are finishing up the latest Precision book -- *Precision 2000*. The book should be ready for publication early next year.

Check cashing

The check cashing booth is open daily from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm on the second floor of the Adam's Mark near the registration desk and the elevators. The maximum amount a check can be for is \$250. Those wishing to cash a check must present photo identification.

Entry sellers are allowed to accept only Travelers Checks and personal checks for the exact amount of the entry fee.



Win a trip to France!

The 1998 World Championships will be staged in Lille, France, from August 21 to September 4. Here at this tournament you can buy a \$5 raffle ticket that will give you a chance to win two round-trip tickets to Lille plus hotel accommodations (two rooms) for four nights.

Tickets are available for sale in the ACBL Executive Office in Director's Row 26 on the second floor of the Adam's Mark. See Rena Hetzer. Tickets also are on sale for an hour before game time each day at the ACBL Information Desk.

The drawing will take place Friday before the evening session in the second-floor ballroom at the Adam's Mark Hotel.

Proceeds will go to the International Fund which subsidizes player participation in world championship events.



Battle of wits

Quite a battle of wits took place between Eddie Wold, the declarer, and Allan Graves, a defender, on this deal from the second final session of the Life Master Open Pairs.

Board 13 ♠ K 10 8 4 2
 Dlr: North ♥ 3
 Vul: Both ♦ J 10
 ♣ Q 10 9 8 2

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

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

West	North	East	South
Rosenkranz	Graves	Wold	
	Pass	1 ♣	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
4NT	All Pass		

The bidding and final contract were not exactly elegant, but making 10 tricks was all that Wold was thinking about. South started with the ♥J, taken with the ace, and Wold went to work on the spades, cashing the ace and leading another to the queen. But Graves wasn't about to take his king -- he realized this later would put extreme pressure on his partner in the red suits. South pitched a heart on this spade.

Wold countered with a duck of his own -- he led a diamond and allowed Graves to win with the 10. Back came the ♠J, which Wold took with the ace. From the way the play was going, Wold was just about sure he knew the distribution. Since South had thrown a heart, he must have started with five. It sure looked as if North had started with the doubleton jack-10 in diamonds. Clearly North had five spades, so his hand counted to 5-1-2-5, with South holding 1-5-4-3.

Wold crossed to the ♣K and led the ♠J to Graves' king as South discarded a club. Graves refused to take his ♠10 -- instead he led a club to Wold's ace, South playing his last club. This was the end position:

♠ 10 8 4
 ♥ --
 ♦ -
 ♣ Q 10

♠ 9 ♠ --
 ♥ K 7 ♥ Q 8 4
 ♦ K 6 ♦ 9
 ♣ -- ♣ 7

 ♠ --
 ♥ 10 9 6
 ♦ Q 7
 ♣ --

Wold led a heart, and South attempted to mislead him by not splitting. But Wold knew the situation -- he finessed the 7 and cashed the ♥K. Next came the ♦K followed by a diamond to South's queen. South's only remaining card was the ♥10, so Wold's ♥Q took the last trick -- making four.

Calling cards activated

The ACBL Calling Cards that are awarded as section top prizes have now been activated. Members can now enjoy the use of the cards whenever they like.

Déjà vu!

Remember the hand in the first Daily Bulletin in which Haig Tchamitch used an infracinesse to pick up three tricks in the diamond suit? He had to play A 9 5 3 opposite J 8 7 6 for one loser. He led low to the 8, losing to the king, then led the jack, pinning the 10. Neatly done.

But that's not the point here. The point is that this hand came up Friday afternoon, only hours after Tchamitch's play.

Board 7 ♠ 9 8 6
 Dr: South ♥ K 3
 Vul: Both ♦ 10 2
 ♣ K Q 6 5 4 3

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

♠ A 4 2
 ♥ 9 8 2
 ♦ K Q 6
 ♣ J 9 7 2

Dorthy Francis had an attack of déjà vu! She remembered seeing almost the identical diamond layout in that morning's Daily Bulletin. So she decided to see if the infracinesse would work again. Playing in 4♥, she won the opening club lead and took the heart finesse, drawing trumps. Next she got into her hand with a spade and led a diamond to the 7, losing to the king. She ruffed the club return and led the ♦J. South didn't cover, so she let the jack ride -- and down came the 10! Making five for a fine result.

Tchamitch came by later and said, "It pays to read your Daily Bulletin."

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Pisarra has four main goals he wants the Governors to shoot for:

1. Lower the average age of ACBL members by bringing more young people into the fold.
2. Find ways to increase ACBL membership.
3. Have expenses decline as a percentage of revenue (OK for expenses to go up as long as revenues also show a major gain).
4. Increase involvement with the Internet.

"OKbridge is doing wonderful things for bridge on the Internet," Pisarra said. "Lots of people are learning how to play on OKbridge. And many of them are trying live bridge after they get used to the game. In the long run, I think Internet bridge will help, not hurt, clubs, because it will bring more people into the game."

Pisarra feels bridge games like OKbridge have another major asset. "You don't have to commit to a whole afternoon or evening. If you have a free hour, you can sit down at your computer and play for just an hour. If you want to play in the wee hours, you can always find someone somewhere in the world to play with."

A Silver Life Master (almost up to Gold), Pisarra has served many years on unit and district boards. Away from the bridge table he is a painting contractor, although his degrees are in economics (bachelor's) and international management (master's). □

Tonight's hospitality

Pastries will be offered to the players in the Rose Garden Room after tonight's evening session. Dollar beer also will be available.



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Mimi Waugh, far left, and her three sisters are having a family reunion of sorts at the Fall NABC in St. Louis. Waugh says she and her sisters have been playing bridge together since they were youngsters. "Our mother taught us how to play," she says. "She would even get one of us out of school if she needed a fourth," says Mimi Waugh, one of a group of four sisters who are playing here at the Fall NABC. The four are Waugh, of Santa Barbara CA, and Tulsa OK residents Sally Jordan, Betty Wills and Katy Beyhan. Waugh and Wills are twins.

The right place

Winning a major event such as the Life Master Open Pairs is almost always a combination of skill and luck, and it doesn't hurt to have a healthy dose of the latter, as LM Open winners Jeff Schuett and Kerry Smith can attest.

Sitting in third place with two boards to go, Schuett and Smith found themselves in the right place at the right time -- and they zoomed into the winners' circle. Here's what happened:

Dr: South ♠ Q J 10 5 4 2
 Vul: Both ♥ 8 5 3
 ♦ A 8 6
 ♣ 6

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

♠ K 9 8 6 3
 ♥ A
 ♦ Q 10 2
 ♣ Q 5 3 2

West	North	East	South
	Schuett		Smith
1 ♣	2 ♠	4 ♥	Pass
Dbl	Pass	5 ♥	4 ♠
Dbl	Pass	6 ♦	5 ♠
6 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
All Pass			Dbl

This miserable contract went off three, plus 800 and 63.5 out of 64 matchpoints. Next:

Dr: West ♠ 8 7 4
 Vul: None ♥ 9 5
 ♦ K J 10 8 3
 ♣ K Q 3

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

♠ 10 5
 ♥ K 10 8 7 4 2
 ♦ 9
 ♣ 10 9 6 2

West	North	East	South
	Schuett		Smith
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	All Pass		

West appeared to be taking a shot at slam in an attempt to make up for the disaster on the first board. Once again, the opponents were down three, so Schuett and Smith received 58 matchpoints. Their total on the round: 121.5 -- 94.9%.

Dave's matchpoint tip

By David Berkowitz

When people ask me how I win so much, I usually tell them it's easy -- play with Larry Cohen. Based on the following deal from the second final session of the Life Master Open Pairs, I'm considering changing my tip.

Dr: East ♠ 8 2
 Vul: None ♥ Q 9 7 6 4 3
 ♦ 9 6 2
 ♣ 9 3

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

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

West	North	East	South
Me		Larry	
		1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass

This deal occurred in the third round. Our opponents were the pair who were leading at that point and who went on to win -- Jeff Schuett and Kerry Smith.

Larry and I were 2.5 boards off the lead at that point and I figured we needed something good to happen.

North led a low heart against my 3NT contract. South won the ace and returned the ♥10. At that point I had eight top tricks. My best chance for a ninth trick was the club finesse.

I could see that if the club finesse was wrong I would be down two -- possibly three -- tricks. Considering that nearly everyone would reach 3NT on these cards and that most of them would try to make the contract, I decided to play for the club finesse to be wrong by simply cashing my eight tricks and conceding minus 50. If the club hook did fail, my reward would be a lot of matchpoints.

So I took my eight tricks and scored up minus 50. When I checked on the location of the ♠K, I was disappointed to find that the finesse would have worked.

My punishment for the speculation was 12 out of 64 matchpoints.

So here's my tip for winning matchpoint events: if you can't play with Larry Cohen, play against me.

Shuttle service

A free shuttle operates daily from the Adam's Mark to the Marriott and to the 8th and Pine Metrolink station. The shuttle operates between 6:30 pm and 12:30 am through Nov. 29. The last train eastbound Monday through Friday is at 12:29 am, on Saturday at 12:32 am, and on Sunday at 11:38 pm. The last train westbound Monday through Friday is at 12:11 am, on Saturday at 12:08 am and on Sunday at 11:42 pm.



International Fund game

A special two-session International Fund game will take place Thursday and Friday mornings. The money raised will be used to help with expenses of the players who will represent North America in the World Championship in Lille, France, next year. Both sessions will begin at 9 a.m., and the entry fee will be \$40 per pair.

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French win Bermuda Bowl for 2nd straight world title

France held off a strong American rally over the final 16-board segment to win the Bermuda Bowl, 328-301. It was France's second success in this event -- their first victory came 41 years ago in 1956. Their victim at that time also was the United States. The French have had two World Team Olympiad championships at the expense of the Americans -- 1980 in Valkenburg, the Netherlands, and 1992 in Salsomaggiore, Italy.

France was clearly a team of destiny. This year, for the first time, Europe was allowed to qualify five teams for the Bermuda Bowl. France finished fifth!

Followers of world bridge will recognize their names -- Paul Chemla, Christian Mari, Hervé Mouiel, Frank Multon, Alain Lévy and Michel Perron, with Jean-Louis Stoppa as non-playing captain.

France now has won two consecutive world championships -- they became World Team Olympiad titleholders in Rhodes, Greece, last year.

Both teams were greeted with thunderous applause when they appeared before the vugraph audience. The French players arrived one by one, and each got a standing ovation. José Damiani, World Bridge Federation president, translated the general feeling of the French players toward their American opponents: "They're happy you didn't play all the time the way you did in that last segment."

Mari said that the Americans and the French have played against each other many times -- "Sometimes they win and sometimes we win, but the sportsmanship and spirit are always top-grade."

Walt Walvick, America's non-playing captain, congratulated the French team, then called out, "Vive la France." On his team were the defending champions from Beijing, China, in 1995 -- Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Nick Nickell and Richard Freeman.

From the start, the match reflected that two powerful giants were vying with each other. France took a 1-IMP lead in the first segment, increased it to 4 in the second and extended it to 13 in the third. The score going into segment four was France 95, U.S. II 82. Then the Americans came to life, forging into the lead in segment four. Many times the swings were the result of unexpected distributions or differing judgments. Consider this deal where America gained but under different circumstances might have lost.

Board 63 ♠ J 10 9 8 7 5 3
 Dlr: South ♥ A 10 6 2
 Vul: N-S ♦ K
 ♣ 4

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

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

Open room

West	North	East	South
Hamman	Perron	Wolff	Chemla
Pass	3♠	3NT	Pass
			All Pass

Even though Hamman had three kings and 11 high-card points, he decided not to take action when Wolff overcalled Perron's preempt with 3NT. Wolff took 11 tricks for plus 460.

Closed room

West	North	East	South
Multon	Meckstroth	Mouiel	Rodwell
Pass	3*S	3NT	Pass
4♠	Dbl	Reddbl	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♣	All Pass

Multon clearly took a vastly different view of his hand from Hamman. He felt he was far too good to pass 3NT. After the double and redouble, he was able to bid 4NT to show his two-suiter. He was most content when Mouiel leaped to 6♣. And this came close to making -- West needed the ♥10 to go with his kings and jacks.



This is the American team that finished second in the Bermuda Bowl this month in Hammamet, Tunisia. They lost a hard-fought match to France. Left to right: Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Richard Freeman, Jeff Meckstroth, Nick Nickell and Eric Rodwell.

Even more to the point -- if his useless ♠K had been either the ♦K or the ♥Q, slam would have been odds-on.

But Multon had to lose two heart tricks as the cards lay, and that was 11 IMPs to U.S. II. The Americans won the set, 39-17, to move ahead, 121-112.

Things turned a bit sour for U.S. II in the fifth set. For instance, both American pairs got to game on this board, and the result was 9 IMPs to France, tying the match at 121-121.

Board 66 ♠ Q 10 8 7
 Dlr: East ♥ 10
 Vul: N-S ♦ A 9 8 7 2
 ♣ 8 4 2

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

♠ J 4
 ♥ A 9 8 5
 ♦ K J 10 4 3
 ♣ A 5

Closed room

West	North	East	South
Hamman	Mouiel	Wolff	Multon
1♠	3♦	Pass	1♦
4♥	All Pass	Dbl	4♦

The heart game doesn't look all that bad, but the possibility of a bad trump split or a heart ruff detracts from it. Mouiel led the ♦A and a second diamond, forcing Hamman to ruff. Hamman tried the trump queen, ducked, and then the jack. Multon took this and fired back another heart to the king. Then when Hamman knocked out the ♠A, Multon was able to draw the last trump and cash his diamonds -- down four, minus 200.

Open room

West	North	East	South
Levy	Meckstroth	Mari	Rodwell
1♠	4♦	1♣	1♦
Dbl	All Pass	Pass	5♦

After Lévy started with the ♠A, he realized another spade might set up a club pitch for declarer, so he switched to a club. That established the third trick for the defense, so Rodwell went down one for another minus 200 -- 9 IMPs to France.

The French were back in the lead after this set, 167-150. They gained another 22 IMPs in the sixth segment. Much of it came on this deal.

Restored faith

During the afternoon session Sunday, Juanita Chambers left her purse in one of the restrooms at the Adam's Mark. She was highly impressed when hotel security contacted her during the game to return the purse, which had a large amount of cash in it. All of the cash was there. The purse had been found by a member of the hotel staff. "I understand it was a woman named Irma who turned it in," said Chambers. "I was very impressed. It restores your faith in humanity."

Board 86 ♠ J 9 7 5
 Dlr: East ♥ K Q J 5 3 2
 Vul: E-W ♦ K 7
 ♣ 10

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

♠ 2
 ♥ --
 ♦ Q J 3 2
 ♣ K Q 9 8 7 5 4 2

Closed room

West	North	East	South
Freeman	Perron	Nickell	Chemla
		1♦	4♣
Dbl	Pass	4♦	All Pass

Chemla's preemptive 4♣ did what it was supposed to do -- it derailed the Americans. Freeman's double was card-showing, not for penalty. Nickell was faced with a tough decision -- he could bid spades, hearts or clubs. He would have been a hero if he had chosen spades -- he might even have had time to set up his long diamond for a pitch. He would have been a lot less happy if he had tried hearts -- the 6-0 break would have made him wish he was somewhere else during this board. After some thought he decided to rebid his diamond suit. But that wasn't pleasant either.

Nickell won the opening club lead and ran the trump 8 to Chemla, who won and cashed the ♠Q. Next Chemla led the ♠7, ruffed with the 4, king and ace in turn. Nickell tried the ♦10, but Chemla won and forced Nickell by leading another club. Down five, minus 500.

Open room

West	North	East	South
Lévy	Meckstroth	Mari	Rodwell
		1♦	5♣

Dbl All Pass

Rodwell preempted even more vigorously than Chemla, but the outcome was not nearly as good. Lévy doubled and led the ♦8. Mari ducked when declarer played low from dummy. That guaranteed two defensive diamond tricks to go with a spade and a trump -- down two, minus 300, and 13 IMPs to France.

The French lead was up to 38 after this segment, but the Americans still had plenty of time -- there were 64 more boards to play.

The French onslaught continued into the seventh segment. The next deal is an indication of how things were going for the French and against the Americans.

Board 108 ♠ A 10 5 4
 Dlr: West ♥ Q J 6 2
 Vul: N-S ♦ 10 9 5 4
 ♣ 9

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

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

Closed room

West	North	East	South
Lévy	Nickell	Mari	Freeman
Pass	Pass	1♦	Dbl
Pass	2♦	Dbl	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Nickell liked his hand well enough to cuebid over Freeman's takeout double -- he had good hearts and spades, an ace and a singleton. After that it was easy for Freeman to eventually bid the game after a preemptive effort by Lévy. With hearts and spades behaving well, Freeman had no trouble racking up 10 tricks.

Open room

West	North	East	South
Hamman	Perron	Wolff	Chemla
Pass	Pass	1♦	Dbf
Pass	1♠	Pass	Pass
2♦	2♥	3♠	3♦
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Perron took a pessimistic view of those North cards and bid a simple 1♠. Chemla decided he didn't have enough to move opposite a partner who could respond only 1♠, so he passed. Now everything was up to Hamman. Some of the vugraph commentators thought he should have bid 2♦ on his previous turn, but the general feeling now was that he should pass. He knew his partner didn't have a big opening bid -- they play a strong club. But Hamman decided to try to push the opposition up a bit -- he bid 2♦. This had exactly the opposite effect from what he hoped. Yes, it pushed his opponents higher -- all the way to game. On the way they discovered that their hands fit magnificently. It could have been a big gain for the U.S. Instead it was an interesting push.

The picture was getting darker by the moment. After the seventh segment (112 boards), the French lead was up to 64 IMPs, 231-167. The Americans finally rallied a bit in the eighth segment, 62-48, but they still trailed by 50, 279-229. That's how it was when they sat down Saturday morning for the final 32 boards.

Board 131	♠ Q 8
Dlr: South	♥ 6
Vul: E-W	♦ 7 5 2
	♣ K 10 9 8 6 4 2
♠ A K J 6 2	♠ 3
♥ A K J 8 4 3 2	♥ Q 10 7 5
♦ --	♦ Q J 10 8 6 4 3
♣ J	♣ A
	♠ 10 9 7 5 4
	♥ 9
	♦ A K 9
	♣ Q 7 5 3

Closed room

West	North	East	South
Mari	Meckstroth	Lévy	Rodwell
1♥	1NT	2NT	Pass
3♠	4♣	4♥	5♣
5♦	Pass	6♥	Pass
7♥	All Pass		

Mari opened with a quiet 1♥, although many players would open with a strong 2♣. This worked out well because it allowed the French pair to determine the heart fit early. Meckstroth tried 1NT - either real or comic (just a long suit in a weak hand). Lévy's 2NT was a forcing raise in hearts, after which Mari showed where his remaining strength was -- in spades. Later he cuebid his diamond void. When Lévy then leaped to slam, Mari knew clubs had to be under control, so he raised to the grand. Plus 2210.

Open room

West	North	East	South
Hamman	Perron	Wolff	Chemla
Pass	Pass	5♦	Pass
1♣	3♣	3♦	5♣
Pass	Pass	5♦	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♥	All Pass

What happened here? Wolff raised to 6♥ instead of stopping along the way to show his club control. Why?

Wolff later said that he knew that 6♣ was the correct bid, but he was afraid that disclosing that control would induce the non-vulnerable opponents to save at the seven level. Hamman's pass of 5♣ and pull to 5♥ did not show extras, so Wolff wasn't sure enough of a grand slam to be willing to risk giving the information to the opponents.

Wolff accepted the blame for the 13-IMP loss, but he added, "I had my reasons and I knew what I was doing."

The U.S. was now down 63 IMPs with only

29 deals to go, but they weren't giving up. They regained 8 on the next deal when Chemla and Perron got to a bad 3NT while Rodwell and Meckstroth rested in a 2♠ partial.

Meckstroth and Rodwell got to a thin game on Board 141, but Meckstroth found the key and took 10 tricks. Perron and Chemla stopped in a partial -- 10 IMPs to the U.S. Two boards later Chemla and Perron stopped low, but in the wrong place -- in their 5-1 club fit -- down two vulnerable tricks. Rodwell and Meckstroth also stopped at the two level, but in their 4-3 diamond fit. With the defensive trumps breaking 3-3, Rodwell was able to take exactly eight tricks -- 7 IMPs to U.S. II. When the set ended one board later, those two gains just barely kept American hopes alive -- they trailed by 51, 306-255.

The Americans got off to the fast start in the final set that they hoped for.

Board 145	♠ Q J 5 4
Dlr: North	♥ 10 9 5 4
Vul: None	♦ J 7 3
	♣ Q 8
♠ 10 8 2	♠ 9 7 6
♥ 7 2	♥ A J 6
♦ K Q 9 8 2	♦ A 6
♣ A J 10	♣ K 9 7 5 3
	♠ A K 3
	♥ K Q 8 3
	♦ 10 5 4
	♣ 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
Hamman	Perron	Wolff	Chemla
Pass	Pass	1NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

In the closed room the French stopped in 3♣, down one when declarer misguessed trumps. Here Wolff opened 1NT and Hamman blasted into game despite his relatively meager values. The defense quickly cashed four spades, and Perron shifted to a heart. Wolff, of course, rose with the ace and cashed five diamonds. Now everything depended on the club guess -- and Wolff got it right for a 10-IMP gain.

The Americans played ferociously and bravely throughout the set, actually closing to within 21 IMPs at one point. But the French refused to be flustered. They continued playing their natural game. They won by 27, but they were ever so thankful that there were no more sets to play. The Americans had come to life -- but just a little bit too late.

Rudeness Continued from page 1

• Loud and disruptive arguing with a director's ruling.

If a player at the table behaves in an unacceptable manner, **the director should be called immediately.**

The following procedures have been given to ACBL tournament directors for implementation at NABCs. This policy may be instituted at clubs, sectionals and regionals at the sponsor's discretion.

1. At the start of each event, the director shall make an announcement that the tournament will be observing Zero Tolerance for unacceptable behavior. It is requested that the director be called whenever behavior is not consistent with the guidelines outlined above.

2. The director, when called, shall attempt to determine the facts. If it is established that there was unacceptable behavior, an immediate 1/4 board disciplinary penalty (3 IMPs in team games) shall be assigned to all offenders.

This may involve any one or all four players at the table, irrespective of who initiated the unacceptable behavior.

If both members of a partnership are guilty, the penalties are additive (1/4 board *each* = 1/2 board!)

The Board of Directors strongly believes that assignment of disciplinary penalties will improve the overall behavior at our tournaments.

3. If it is determined that a second offense has occurred in the same event, the offender(s) shall be ejected from future competition in that event.

An offender removed from an event shall be deemed to have not played in the event, no masterpoints will be awarded and no refunds will be made.

In the case of a serious offense and in the case of multiple offenses (three) during a tournament, a disciplinary committee may be convened to determine whether the offender(s) should be allowed to play in other events at the tournament and/or whether additional sanctions may be appropriate.

4. Warnings are strongly discouraged and will be given only when there is no clear violation or in cases where the facts cannot be determined. Offenders are to receive immediate penalties. Regardless of who may have initiated unacceptable behavior, ALL offenses are punishable. Retaliatory behavior is a punishable offense. Frivolous accusations will also be considered as offenses under this policy.

5. In accordance with the *Laws of Duplicate Bridge*, a director's decision to impose a disciplinary penalty is final; however, all such decisions may be appealed.

An appeals committee may not overturn the director's decision but could *recommend* that the director reconsider the imposition of a penalty. It should be noted that the committee may feel that the penalty assessed was not severe enough and may refer the matter to a disciplinary committee.

6. A *Zero Tolerance Report Form* shall be available for players to report incidents which occur away from the table and for directors to document complaints and action taken. The DIC shall provide a summary report of all behavioral penalties to the Tournament Chairman and/or Recorder. □

ACBL Calling Card

The ACBL is pleased to present a new calling card program. You are invited to drop by at the Calling Card booth at the ACBL Product Store on Level 2 at the Adam's Mark any day during the tournament from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. and from 6:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Michael Rahtjen from Digital Network Services will be on hand to answer any questions.

The new calling card program, as described in the CEO's message in the November *Bridge Bulletin*, is a low-cost service for ACBL members. The charge is 17.91 cents per minute, billed at a 30-second initial minimum with six-second increments thereafter.

ACBL THANKSGIVING BUFFET


\$26.00 per person (Includes Tax and Gratuity)



Date: Thursday, November 27, 1997

Time: 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Location: 2nd Floor Pre-Convene



Menu to offer all your favorite Thanksgiving treats.

No reservations needed. Please come join us for a great holiday feast.

Needed: a bad split

Here's an interesting situation. Declarer needed to find trumps 5-1 to make her contract. If they were 4-2 was going to go down. Happy ending -- the trumps WERE 5-1.

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

West North East South
 3NT (1) 4♥ All Pass

(1) Gambling 3NT showing a long suit with no outside ace or king.

Gene Freed was faced with quite a tough decision after North preempted with 3NT. He didn't like the idea of doubling because of his singleton spade, so he overcalled 4♥ and bought it there.

He let the opening diamond lead ride around to his 7 and then led the trump queen. South ducked, but took the next heart. South tried another diamond, but not surprisingly North was out of trumps and the 10 won. At this point Freed was reasonably sure of the distribution -- it appeared that the defensive spades were 3-3. So he cashed dummy's top spades and ruffed the suit good. Next came a diamond to the king followed by a spade on which he threw his last club. South was able to ruff, of course, and he still had another trump coming. But that was all the defense scored -- South's three trump tricks.

Play for the winning position

By Frank Mastrola

If you bid aggressively, you'd better find the correct line of play. Here's an example from the Bracketed Knockout Teams.

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

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

West led the ♣K and shifted to a low spade. Declarer must play for the ♦K to be on side to have any hope of taking nine tricks because by running four spades declarer will squeeze his own hand. Therefore cash three spades ending in the dummy and run the ♥10. West has to exit either with a spade (best to squeeze South) or the ♣A and a club, establishing a winner for South.

South is now in control -- if a spade is led, South discards a heart, plays a heart to the jack, winning, and then a diamond toward the queen. That gives declarer four spades, two hearts, two diamonds and a club for the contract.

If West exits with the ♣A and a club, declarer wins in hand and plays a low diamond toward the queen, winning. Then he cashes the fourth spade and repeats the heart finesse. Q.E.D.

Desperately seeking caddies

Jackie Matthews, who in charge of caddies at this tournament, desperately needs more caddies. The critical days are today, tomorrow and Wednesday. If you're available even for only a session or two, please contact Jackie. You can find her in Director's Row 46 on the fourth floor of the Adam's Mark.

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Second place in the Non-Life Master Pairs went to Jay Segal, left, and Greg Berry.

Defensive position

Michael Levin and Alan Carpenter, winners of the Non-Life Master Pairs, were loathe to take too much credit for the victory, explaining that most of their good results came when they were on defense and the opponents were having accidents. This was one of them.

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

West North East South
 Carpenter Levin
 Pass Pass Pass
 1NT (1) 2♥ (2) Db1 Pass
 Pass 2♠ Pass 3♥
 Pass 3♠ Pass 4♥
 Pass Pass Db1 All Pass

(1) 12-14.
 (2) Meant to indicate spades or the minors -- forgotten by South.
 North can take 11 tricks in spades without any fancy plays. 4♥ was a disaster, going down 500 and handing Levin and Carpenter one of six tops that helped them to the win.

Jabbour, Arnold look for fourth Senior Knockout win



When play began in the Senior Knockout Teams yesterday, Zeke Jabbour and Russ Arnold were aiming for their fourth consecutive win in the event, limited to players 55 and older.

The Florida men -- Jabbour lives in Boca Raton, Arnold in Miami --teamed with Richard Hunt, Las Vegas; Dan Morse, Houston; Chuck Said, Nashville, and John Sutherlin, Dallas, to win the inaugural event at the Fall NABC in Minneapolis in 1994.

Their team at the 1995 Fall NABC in Atlanta was Mike Levine, Ann Arbor MI and Boca Raton FL; Billy Eisenberg, also Boca Raton; Benito Garozzo, Palm Beach FL, and Tommy Sanders, Nashville.

Last year's squad captured the title at the Fall NABC in San Francisco. The team included Jabbour, Arnold, Sanders, Eisenberg plus Mary Chilcote, Cleveland, and Fred Hamilton, Fresno CA.

This year's team, Jabbour, Arnold, Levine, Arnie Fisher, P.O. Sundelin and Jim Linhart, won their opening match.

Winners of the Senior KO will have their names engraved on the trophy presented by the U. S. Playing Card Co.

Taking steps

By Barry Rigal

Board-a-match team games give you the chance to risk everything in the search for that extra trick. Two very similar examples came along Saturday evening. Each of them was a variation on a stepping-stone position.

The first one requires suspension of belief -- we will conceal the auction from you. Suffice it to say that North played in 2♥! Yes, West did not bid.

Board 36 ♠ Q 4 3
 Dlr West ♥ A K 8 5 2
 Vul Both ♦ K 2
 ♣ Q 9 5

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

On the lead of the ♠10 I played dummy's ace perforce and cashed my top two hearts. When West discarded I led a low spade from hand, and East erred by taking the ace. She cashed the ♥J and played her last club, which I ruffed. I crossed to the ♠Q and ran the trumps. This was the ending as I led the last trump:

♠ 4
 ♥ 2
 ♦ K 2
 ♣ Q

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

♠ K 10 9
 ♥ --
 ♦ 5 4
 ♣ --

On the last trump East threw a diamond. Now a spade to the 9 and a diamond back endplays East into leading away from the spades.

There was a certain symmetry to another board in this set.

♠ K 9 3
 ♥ K J 5 2
 ♦ J 9 4
 ♣ A 10 8

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

♠ A Q 10 8 7 5
 ♥ A 10
 ♦ 8 5 2
 ♣ K 3

In 4♠ by South on a low heart lead, you win the 10 and run all six trumps. West has to keep three hearts and three clubs in the six-card ending. North duly discarded his ♦A (a fine play), but I cashed the ♥A and then three rounds of clubs to endplay West in the two-card ending to lead into dummy's ♥K-J. Twelve tricks won the board against 650 at the other table.

Casino Queen shuttle

A free shuttle to the Casino Queen across the river will operate during the tournament. Pickups will be outside the Adam's Mark on the following schedule:

Friday, Saturday and Sunday
 Pickup at 8:45 a.m., return at 11:30 a.m.
 Pickup at 4:45 p.m., return at 7:15 p.m.
 Pickup at 12:30 a.m., return at 3:30 p.m.

The shuttle will operate on the same schedule during the week but without the 12:30 a.m. run.

Mention the bridge tournament and you will receive a free pass into the Casino Queen.



Letter

Martel-Stansby conduct Romex auction of year

Chip Martel and Lew Stansby, one of America's strongest pairs, earned the Romex Award for conducting the best auction of the year. The report was written by Brent Manley, executive editor of the ACBL Bridge Bulletin. Here is Manley's report:

Chip Martel and Lew Stansby are known for their hard work when it comes to trying to build a better mousetrap. One area where they have improved on standard methods is the Roman Key Card Blackwood response when you have a void. Usually 5NT shows two aces plus a void, six of a biddable suit for one or three aces with a void, and six of the trump suit for one or three aces and an unbidable void. But what if the void is already defined?

Dlr: South ♠ 8 4 3
 Vul: E/W ♥ K 10
 ♦ 10 3 2
 ♣ Q J 8 6 4

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

♠ 6 2
 ♥ J 9 8 3 2
 ♦ 5
 ♣ A 10 9 3 2

Martel and Stansby had a beautiful auction to get to the best spot.

West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT (1)	Pass
3♦ (2)	Pass	4NT	Pass
6♣ (3)	Pass	7♦	All Pass

- (1) Relay.
- (2) Natural.
- (3) Two aces and a void.

When the shortage is already defined -- and here it must be clubs -- you can use 5NT for one ace plus a void, 6♣ for two aces and a void and 6♦ for three aces and a void.

Here Martel knew that if he played 7♠ he could not use his partner's diamond suit because of the blockage, since he would have to ruff clubs in dummy. So he settled for the diamond grand slam. Nicely bid.

She tipped her cap

It's no fun to be endplayed, but a good sport is willing to acknowledge a well-played deal. Shireen Mohandes received a poor score on this deal from the second final session of the Life Master Open Pairs because of astute play by her opponent, and she wanted to give him credit. Mohandes and Andy Bowles, both of England, were playing against Andy Robson, formerly of England but now listed as a Carmel CA resident. His partner was Rita Shugart.

Dlr: North ♠ K 10 8 4 2
 Vul: Both ♥ 3
 ♦ J 10
 ♣ Q 10 9 8 2

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

West	North	East	South
Shugart	Bowles	Robson	Mohandes
	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♥ (1)	Pass	2♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Mohandes led the ♥J, taken in hand by Robson with the queen. He played the ♠A, followed by a spade to dummy's jack as Mohandes discarded the ♣5 (discouraging).

Bowles won the ♠K and returned the ♦J, ducked all around. The ♦10 continuation was taken with the king in dummy. Robson then cashed the ♣K and the ♠Q (South discarded a heart).

Next Robson played a diamond to his ace, cashed the ♣A, stripping Mohandes of her last black card, and played a heart toward dummy, leaving Mohandes two losing options. If she played low on the heart, Robson could play the 7, cash the king and exit with a diamond. Mohandes would then have to play her last card -- a heart -- to Robson's ♥A.

In practice, Mohandes put in the ♥9. Robson won the ♥K and exited with a diamond, putting Mohandes in. At trick 12, she had the ♥10 6, Robson the ♥A 8. The overtrick was quite useful -- plus 630 was good for 44.5 out of 64 matchpoints.

Obey smoking rules

Smoking is permitted in only a few places at the Adam's Mark. There is a foyer at the east end of both ballrooms -- smoking is permitted in the foyers. Smoking also is permitted in the corner area near Rooms 21 and 41. These are the only areas where smoking is permitted.

Many players are lighting up as they leave the playing area and head for the smoking areas. This is NOT permitted. Please wait until you get to the smoking area before lighting up.



Jeanne Stenger passes 10,000-point hurdle

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Jeanne Stenger of Bethesda MD went over the 10,000 mark in masterpoints Friday, playing in the Senior Pairs with Gail Rust.

"I played throughout the fall with my husband Charles, but he isn't the one that got me there," said Jeanne.

Jeanne has come close to winning a North American championship on two occasions -- she was third in the Women's Pairs in Miami in 1963 (the event that was cut short because of President Kennedy's assassination) and she had another third in the 1971 Master Pairs in Boston.

Jeanne Stenger is the first player to go over 10,000 masterpoints at this tournament.

Jeanne and Charles celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last year. They play primarily on the Senior circuit.

Jeanne has been treasurer for several North American championships, and she often has been in charge of hospitality at Mid-Atlantic regionals.

Help your opponent to make a mistake

By Barry Rigal

Dick Katz found a really thoughtful way to encourage his opponents to go wrong on the following hand. After all, if you can give the opposition a gentle shove in the wrong direction, why not take advantage of the opportunity?

Board 32 ♠ 8 7 5
 Dlr West ♥ A K 8
 Vul E-W ♦ 7 5 4
 ♣ 9 8 7 4

♠ A 10 2
 ♥ Q J 5 3 2
 ♦ 10 8 3
 ♣ J 3

♠ K J 4
 ♥ 6
 ♦ A K J 9
 ♣ A K Q 6 2

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

Both tables played 3NT from the East seat after West had bid hearts, and both Souths led a low spade. Our declarer put in the 10, which held, and then took the diamond finesse. Sue Picus now did well to shift to the ♥10, and I cashed my heart winners to hold declarer to 430.

Katz took a different line. He overtook dummy's ♠10 with his jack and returned a spade to dummy's ace before taking the diamond finesse. Now South knew he could set up a spade by playing a third round (and that would have been reasonable if he had had a heart entry). Of course, as the cards lie, playing the third spade allows declarer to wrap up 11 tricks. While you might argue with South's defense, Katz nevertheless gave him the opportunity to make the mistake.

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next announcement, which knocked *The Bridge Bulletin's* editor emeritus for a loop.

Francis, who retired last June after 25 years as executive editor of the magazine, had been voted earlier in the day by the ACBL Board of Directors as the 1998 Honorary Member, awarded to an ACBL member for long and meritorious service to bridge.

The honor puts Francis in some pretty good company. Other Honorary Members include Charles Goren, Easley Blackwood, Alfred Sheinwold, Edgar Kaplan and Bob Hamman.

Piltch, who had been concerned about keeping the vote a secret until his announcement, walked up to Francis after he had made the announcement.

"That was a tremendous surprise," said Francis, smiling. Piltch smiled back, gave his friend a big hug and kissed him on the cheek. Francis said later, "I was a little dizzy after I heard Howard's announcement."

The honor capped a year of mixed emotions for Francis, who was among dozens paying tribute to former *Bridge Bulletin* editor Sue Emery at the Goodwill Committee meeting in Dallas. In Albuquerque, the tables were turned and Francis was the object of several emotional accolades.

Although retired, Francis still works part-time for the ACBL, handling It's Your Call for *The Bridge Bulletin* and editing the *Daily Bulletins* at the NABCs, among other things.

Francis joined the ACBL staff in 1972 after 25 years as a writer and editor for the *Boston Herald* and *Boston Traveler*. For much of that time, he also worked as a tournament director, and distinguished himself as a player in the New England area.

Francis has edited several editions of *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* and many world championships books, and he has been a fixture at world bridge championships, editing daily bulletins, for decades. Last year, Francis was elected president of the International Bridge Press Association. □

Revised results of Saturday events

There were major changes in four Saturday events as a result of corrections and committee rulings. Therefore we are publishing the updated results here of the Life Master Open Pairs, the Life Master Women's Pairs, the Flight A Pairs and the B/C/D Stratified Pairs.

LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS REVISED

130 Pairs				
150.00	1	Jeff Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI	2088.30	
112.50	2	Dennis Kasle, Bloomfield Hill MI; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ	2072.17	
84.38	3	Sigurdur Sveinsson - Adalsteinn Jorgensen, Reykjavik, Iceland	2059.28	
66.67	4	Mike Passell, Dallas TX; Gene Freed, Los Angeles CA	2036.60	
60.00	5	David Lindop, Toronto ON; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC	2021.73	
54.55	6	Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Richard Schwartz, E Elmhurst NY	2007.83	
50.00	7	Sidney Lazard Sr, New Orleans LA; Bart Bramley, Chicago IL	1966.75	
46.15	8	Alan Beir, Jacksonville FL; John Morris, Atlanta GA	1946.08	
42.86	9	Chip Martel, Davis CA; Michael Rosenberg, Tuckahoe NY	1931.57	
40.00	10	Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI; Ron Sukoneck, Annandale VA	1919.08	
37.50	11	Don Probst - Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA	1918.62	
35.29	12	Kevin Collins, Atlanta GA; Paul Romig, Duluth GA	1916.88	
33.33	13	Charles Kopp, Scottsdale AZ; Gregory Potts, Portsmouth OH	1915.20	
31.58	14	Fred Stewart, West Hurley NY; Steve Weinstein, Glen Ridge NJ	1889.74	
30.00	15	Jim Hall, Minneapolis MN; David Lehman, Glenview IL	1885.40	
28.57	16	William Wickham, Los Angeles CA; John Zilic, Houston TX	1882.13	
27.27	17	Alan Truscott, Riverdale NY; Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ	1881.62	
26.09	18	Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Adam Wildavsky, Jackson Heights NY	1880.91	
25.00	19	Robert Crafton, Huntington Wood MI; Bert Newman, West Bloomfield MI	1880.76	
24.00	20	George Whitworth, San Ramon CA; Phil Warden, Madison WI	1879.64	
23.08	21	George Rosenkranz, Mexico City; Eddie Wold, Houston TX	1856.51	
22.22	22	Martin Caley, Montreal PQ; Anne Simon, Syracuse NY	1850.44	
21.43	23	Eric Rodwell, Naperville IL; Marty Seligman, Philadelphia PA	1847.80	
20.69	24	Michael Polowan, New York NY; Kyle Larsen, San Francisco CA	1844.79	
20.00	25	Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; James Fellows, Omaha NE	1843.90	
19.35	26	Hugh Ross, Oakland CA; Michael Lawrence, Berkeley CA	1843.77	
18.75	27	Richard Potter, Black Mountain NC; John Potter, Panama City Beach FL	1843.72	
18.18	28	Steve Garner, Northfield IL; Gerald Caravelli, Des Plaines IL	1836.33	
17.65	29	Edward Wojewoda, Antelope CA; Farid Assemi, Fresno CA	1835.74	
17.14	30	Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Mike Bandler, Alamo CA	1834.69	
16.67	31	Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Robert Gookin, Falls Church VA	1833.17	
16.22	32	Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA	1827.79	
15.79	33	Andrew Chesterton, Lexington MA; Howard Piltch, Andover MA	1823.56	
15.38	34	Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA; Stephanie Hamilton, Medford MA	1815.09	
15.00	35	Dan Morse, Houston TX; Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL	1811.97	
14.63	36	Fred Gitelman - Sheri Winestock, Toronto ON	1811.71	
14.29	37	Charles Lipman, Dunwoody GA; Art Mathews, Atlanta GA	1806.46	
13.95	38	Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Walter Johnson, Gahanna OH	1800.35	
13.64	39	Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Perry Johnson, Southfield MI	1799.31	
13.30	40	Michael Moss - Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY	1798.98	
13.04	41	Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Jim Looby, Burbank CA	1798.96	
12.77	42	Robert Varty - Walter Casper, Grand Rapids MI	1798.87	
12.50	43	Jim Foster - Allen Hawkins Jr, Birmingham AL	1794.58	
12.24	44	Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Peter Weichsel, Encinitas CA	1792.65	
16.09	45	Yoshiyuki Nakamura, Tokyo Japan; Haruko Koshi, Tokyo Japan	1789.50	
11.76	46	Marcus Rodhouse - Mark De Garcia, Columbia MO	1788.38	
11.54	47	Jan Martel, Davis CA; Georgiana Gates, Houston TX	1785.78	
11.32	48	Lynn Rose-Hall - Burt Hall, Lake Worth FL	1777.78	
11.11	49	Ralph Cohen, Memphis TN; Marvin Shapiro, St Louis MO	1777.58	
10.91	50	Samuel Miller, Glencoe IL; Jim Humphrey, Wheeling IL	1771.66	

LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS REVISED

52 Pairs				
99.36	1	Sylvia Moss, New York NY; Janice Seamon, Miami FL	773.72	
74.52	2	Linda Perlman, West Palm Beach FL; Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL	771.43	
55.89	3	Peg Waller, Eden Prairie MN; Cynthia Balderson, Minnetonka MN	760.64	
44.16	4	Barbara Fellows - Marilyn Hemenway, Omaha NE	760.11	
39.74	5	Lynne Feldman, Champaign IL; Carlyn Steiner, Seattle WA	752.82	
36.13	6	Gigi Geiger, Austin TX; Gen Geiger, Belleville IL	736.65	
33.12	7	Pam Wittes, Los Alamitos CA; Stasha Cohen, Glen Ridge NJ	721.73	
30.57	8	Susi Katz, Longwood FL; Kamla Chawla, Longmeadow MA	721.35	
28.39	9	Nell Cahn, Shreveport LA; Nancy Passell, Dallas TX	719.41	
26.50	10	Gladys Collier, E Hampton NY; G. Margie Gwozdzinsky, New York NY	718.66	
24.84	11	Laurie Vogel - Gail Greenberg, New York NY	718.37	
23.38	12	Judi Smith, Houston TX; Temi Linzner, Pompano Bch FL	716.69	
22.08	13	Kathie Wei-Sender, Nashville TN; Juanita Chambers, Schenectady NY	711.59	
20.92	14	Sheila Pies, Potomac MD; Nadine Wood, Silver Spring MD	705.85	
19.87	15	Barbara Lesser, Los Angeles CA; Adrienne Green, Venice CA	705.46	
18.93	16	Barb Hamman, Dallas TX; Carol Pincus, Las Vegas NV	699.82	
18.07	17	Annette Barrett, Miami FL; Jane Greenberg, Boca Raton FL	691.66	
17.28	18	Carol Sanders, Nashville TN; Betty Ann Kennedy, Shreveport LA	687.79	
16.56	19	Sandra Low, Centerville OH; Ellasue Chait, Palm Beach Gdns FL	687.18	
15.90	20	Barbara Lehman, Glenview IL; Candace Fowler, Ponte Vedra FL	685.68	
15.29	21	Barbara Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ; Joan Remy Moore, Troy MI	685.46	
14.72	22	Pamela Wild, Daytona Beach FL; Susan Pflederer, W Hartford CT	684.26	
14.19	23	Eunice Portnoy, Chesterfield MO; Jacqueline Sincoff, St Louis MO	682.67	
13.70	24	Suzy Burger, W Bloomfield MI; Susan Miller, Boca Raton FL	679.79	
13.25	25	Kathryn Hattendorf, Joliet IL; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN	678.99	
12.82	26	Ora Lourie, White Plains NY; Susan Wexler, New York NY	673.52	
12.42	27	Lisa Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ; Rozanne Pollack, Warren NJ	672.42	
12.04	28	Jan Weyant - Linda Wolber, Cincinnati OH	672.13	
15.46	29	Jill Mellstrom, Sweden - Pirkko Savolainen, Finland	668.99	
11.36	30	Cynthia Hincley, Guayanabo PR; Diana Schul, Glen Head NY	668.44	
11.04	31	Linda Spangler, Duncanville TX; Jeanne Kretz, McKinney TX	665.40	
10.74	32	Sheryl McDonald, Las Vegas NV; Sheryl Langner, Dublin OH	659.14	
10.46	33	Mary Jane Farrell - Joanne Minken, Los Angeles CA	656.91	
10.19	34	M Metz, Wilmette IL; Harriette Buckman, Lincolnwood IL	655.54	
9.94	35	Eunice Rosen, Highland Park IL; Ginny Schuett, Riverwoods IL	653.25	
9.69	36	Diane Graese, Evanston IL; Eileen Cripps, Madison WI	644.79	
9.46	37	Bernice Larson, Greenfield WI; Nancy Mandel, Milwaukee WI	641.02	
11.04	38	Eileen Paley, Scarsdale NY; Mimi Bieber, Armonk NY	639.98	

1ST SATURDAY FLIGHT A PAIRS REVISED

160 Pairs		A	X		
36.79	1			Tim Benoit, Florissant MO; Ed Schultz, Chesterfield MO	1181.50
27.59	2			Roni Gitchel, Pittsburgh PA; Jan Shane, White Plains NY	1170.25
20.69	3			James Koley, Omaha NE; Gene Simpson, Redlands CA	1165.49
15.52	4			Jacqui Mitchell - Lynne Tarnopol, New York NY	1164.02
11.64	5			Nell Schaefer - Phil Schaefer, Los Angeles CA	1157.50
8.73	6			G Gard Hays, Veradale WA; Joseph Jabon, Bellevue WA	1150.50
27.50	7	1		Denny Cahan, Duluth GA; Jim Jackson, Tryon NC	1138.96
20.63	8	2		D Howard - Robert Carstedt, Wichita KS	1132.40
15.47	9	3		Winston Legge Jr - Jennie Legge, Athens AL	1121.16
3.68	10			Si Frome - Carole Frome, Destrehan LA	1120.27
3.34	11			Janet Colchamiro - Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY	1112.64
3.84	12			Chuck Malcolm - Marti Malcolm, Topeka KS	1111.94
3.06	13			Bill Kent, Iowa City IA; Harry Ross, Des Moines IA	1109.72
2.63	14			Jim Cleary, Bloomfield CT; Tom Joyce, Newington CT	1103.00
2.45	15			Simon Kantor, Agawam MA; Murray Melton, Las Vegas NV	1102.21
2.94	16			Mildred Breed, Woodway TX; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX	1097.00
11.60	17	4		Charles Davis, Dunwoody GA; Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA	1096.16
8.70	18	5		N Paasch, Casselton ND; Keith Connolly, Minneapolis MN	1095.01
6.53	19	6		Jim Senter - Gale Senter, Laguna Niguel CA	1093.16
2.45	20			Samuel Hanna, W Roxbury MA; Phyllis Rye, Jamaica Plain MA	1091.27
3.75	21			Barbara Kasle, Boca Raton FL; Linda McGarry, Lauderhill FL	1088.25
3.43	22			Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL	1088.17
3.56	23			Raymond Zekauskas Jr, Tulsa OK; Mike Aliotta, Oklahoma City OK	1086.50
4.89		7		Joseph Bramer, Rogers AR; Patrick McCammon, Springfield MO	1083.91
3.67		8		Brita Bridenstine, Pittsburgh PA; Kitten Haag, Metairie LA	1077.76
5.71		9		John Stansbury, Minneapolis MN; Sue Himel, Omaha NE	1074.52
4.36		10		Richard Gibons, Princeton IL; Ronald Simmons, Springfield IL	1074.50
3.86		11		Diana Lowell, San Ramon CA; Doug Handler, Berkeley CA	1065.00
2.29		12		David Liss - Michael McNamara, Morristown NJ	1063.20

1ST SATURDAY STRATIFIED B/C/D PAIRS REVISED

140 Pairs		B	C	D	
21.14	1			Mark Coulter - John Turner, Kansas City MO	382.50
15.86	2			Imogene Olcott - Joseph Olcott, Glenview IL	381.00
12.50	3	1	1	Herbert Lee III, Pittsburgh PA; Jason Smith, Brooklyn NY	371.08
9.38	4	2		Donn Miller, Decatur IL; Gordon Walker, Chicago IL	370.46
7.03	5	3		James Crump, Saint Louis MO; Peggy Gaskill, St Louis MO	368.00
5.27	6	4		Jerry King, Clayton IL; John Weber, Homewood IL	367.50
4.51	7	5	2	David Sheedy, Grand Ledge MI; Kenneth Korb, Lansing MI	366.50
3.06	8	6		Michael Kuhnle, Indianapolis IN; Melvin Ward, Carmel IN	364.50
3.09	9			W Holloway Jr, Murfreesboro TN; Manfred Michlmayr, Orinda CA	357.00
2.22		7		Marcin Szumowski - Amitabh Dave, Urbana IL	355.47
2.60		3		William Wilding - Robert Jeffers, Evansville IN	342.25
1.95		4		Anne Schock - Karen Land, Keokuk IA	323.08
1.89		5		Betty Wills - Sally Jordan, Tulsa OK	321.17
1.60		6		George Klemic, Hillside IL; Lev Pinsky, Columbus OH	312.13

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS

76 Pairs		A	B	
7.28	1	1		Betty Duer, Atlanta GA; Bob Fuoto, Norcross GA
5.46	2			George Ferre, Hamlet NC; Jack Armstrong, Falls Church VA
4.10	3			Ritchey Goodwin, New York NY; Kent Mignocchi, Los Angeles CA
3.07	4			Ann Marino, Papillion NE; Carol Sibbensen, Omaha NE
2.80	5			Richard Weiss, Swampscott MA; George Prozan, Hillsborough CA
1.96	6			Judy Tucker, New York NY; Aileen Osofsky, Scottsdale AZ
2.84		2		Henry Raymond, Red Bank TN; Rick Magro, Harrison TN
2.13		3		Gwyn Morgan - Joan Cherry, Toronto ON
1.60		4		Carole Landa, No Miami Bch FL; Fredi Consolo, Miami FL
1.23		5		Craig Schallert - Paul Theroff, Kansas City MO
1.31		6		Lew Walter, Carmel NY; Richard Barber, San Francisco CA

SUNDAY EVENING 100/200 PAIRS

28 Pairs		A	B	
3.08	1			Lucille Y Wong - Daniel Wong, Honolulu HI
2.31	2			Pat Calliham, Lake Quivira KS; Sandra Witt, Hoisington KS
1.73	3			Carole Zang - Gerald Zang, Lake St Louis MO
1.30	4			Charles Dailey, Erie PA; Virgil Holdeman, Highland IL
1.75	5	1		Max Bettman, Southfield MI; Sandra Garber, W Bloomfield MI
1.08	6			Elin Schultz, Brookline MA; Carmela Eyal, Waltham MA
1.31		2		Gary Dayton, Urbana IL; Frederick Clark, Mahomet IL
0.98		3		Irene Sprinkle - Larry Sprinkle, Dayton OH
0.65		4/5		Robbi Graf - Elizabeth Davis, St Thomas VI
0.65		4/5		Joyce Gautier - Norman Gautier, The Woodlands TX

Helgemo gets Le Bridgeur

Award for Best Play

Geir Helgemo of Norway earned the Le Bridgeur Award for the Best Play of the Year. He made the play in the Open Swiss Teams at the Spring NABC in Dallas. The journalist who reported the play was the late Edgar Kaplan. Here is his write-up:

My team had a rather short run in the Vanderbilt, but there was a consolation prize at the finish. With a somewhat different team, Norman Kay and I won the concluding Open Swiss Teams. Our teammates were Bart Bramley, Brian Glubok, Geir Helgemo and Walter Schafer.

Helgemo is the young Norwegian who has been producing superb results for the last five years. The reason for this became clear when I played a match with him and he produced a brilliant dummy play on this deal, which hinged on an eight-spot.

When an opposing weak two-bid is raised to game, the fourth player holding a good hand must guess well. Helgemo took a reasonable shot at 6♣.

Dir: West ♠ 9 7 3
Vul: Both ♥ 9 7 6 2
♦ K 10 8 6
♣ 9 2

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

West	North	East	South
	Kaplan		Helgemo
2♥	Pass	4♥	6♣!
	All Pass		

Helgemo ruffed the opening heart lead, happy to have escaped a club lead. The ♠A removed the missing trumps, and it was now necessary to score three spade tricks. The only obvious chance was a 3-3 split, but Helgemo saw another possibility. He led a spade to the 7, a rare finesse against an 8 on the first round.

East made a tricky play by winning with the jack and returning the 5. Helgemo guessed what was happening -- he played low from his hand, won with dummy's 9 and threw dummy's club loser on the fourth round of spades to make a slam that failed in the replay.

There were two psychological clues to this remarkable winning play. East's spade return was slightly suspicious, since he could obviously have led a heart. And if West had been able to win the third trick he might have done so, or at least hitched fractionally.

None of the experts who were shown South's problem found the solution, and all were in awe of Helgemo's effort. If East had returned an obvious heart at the fourth trick, South could still have succeeded by ruffing, crossing to dummy and leading the ♠9.

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shrugs his shoulders at the mention of this.

"If I win it, that's great, but if not, that's fine, too," says the semi-retired financial planner, who credits his recent success to changes in his personal life.

Pettit says he had an experience akin to being born again in Christianity during a church service, which he was attending with his girlfriend. The upshot of the event, which occurred more than two years ago, was a change in Pettit's outlook -- and his demeanor at the table.

"I used to be such a tyrant," says Pettit, who explains that the spiritual change has profoundly influenced his behavior.

"I love the game, but my view of it has changed. I am more interested in enjoying the company of my partners and teammates, so the competitive aspect has diminished somewhat."

Pettit says that he admires other expert players who have a similarly relaxed view of the game, and who understand its place in the context of the bigger picture of their personal lives.

"When my attitude toward the game became one of 'I can take it or leave it', I found that my performance was actually enhanced.

"I'm trying not to discuss boards or criticize teammates anymore," he says.

Pettit also credits his results to playing with excellent partners.

"I frequently travel to events without having any firm dates. Sometimes I sit out several sessions at a tournament because I don't have a partner, but that's OK. I guess I've played with 45 different partners this year, and some of them are the best players around."

One of them, Nashville's Chuck Said, agrees that Pettit's profile these days is one of a more relaxed, happier person. Said recalls an occasion when two friends of Pettit arrived in Atlanta, bound for the regional in Gatlinburg TN. The car they were to use, however, was in terrible shape, so Pettit lent them his car and rode to Gatlinburg on a motorcycle.

Said gives Pettit high marks in bridge skill. "Randy is a very good card player," says Said, "and he has some very good theories of bidding."

Pettit does some professional bridge work but "not much yet, either because I'm not well known or I'm not good enough. I'm trying to eliminate the former."

When he is not playing bridge, Pettit can often be found on his motorcycle, which he continues to enjoy despite two accidents in the last couple of years.

The first occurred in October of 1995, when he had a blowout doing 75 mph during rush hour in Atlanta. Pettit went over the handlebars of his cycle and broke his collarbone in four places, plus an elbow, a rib and his right kneecap. He spent the night on a gurney in the hospital without treatment because several shooting victims were ahead of him. The next day, a Friday, he went to a private physician to get patched up. After all, he had plans for the next day. He and a friend were driving 200 miles to play in a qualifying game for the North American Open Pairs.

The next accident occurred on his trip from Atlanta to Gatlinburg.

On that occasion, Pettit landed in an emergency clinic in Gatlinburg, where he refused to take stitches in his leg because doing so would cause him to miss the first round of a knockout teams at the regional.

Pettit's enormous tournament success this year has put him in the #2 spot for total number of masterpoints earned in 1997. As of the last masterpoint cycle produced at ACBL Headquarters, Pettit trailed perennial *Top 500* leader Paul Soloway by 10 masterpoints. Soloway earned some masterpoints at the world championships in Tunisia in October, so the gap may widen slightly when the next cycle is run, but Pettit could still win.

"My goal is simply to win 2000 masterpoints this year. Even if I were to lose by one point, it wouldn't bother me," he says. "You have to remember that it's just a game. There are more important things in life." □

OPEN BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS

78 Teams	
1	Jeff Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Sangarapil Mohan, Oakbrook IL; Claude Vogel, Chicago IL; Craig Gardner, Streamwood IL 35.50
2	Jim Krekorian - John Rengstorff - Robert Blanchard, New York NY; Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT 33.50
3	James Cayne, New York NY; Chuck Burger, W Bloomfield MI; Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL; David Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ; Michael Seamon, Miami Beach FL; Mike Passell, Dallas TX 33.00
4	Larry Bass, Urbana IL; Earle Davis, Glenview IL; Craig Jacobson - William Doroshow - David Temkin, Skokie IL 32.50
5	Hugh Brown Jr, McCormick SC; Don Caton, Pensacola FL; Larry Griffey, Ponte Vedra FL; Richard Potter, Black Mtn NC; John Potter, Panama City Bch FL; Gregory Roberts, Longmeadow MA 32.00
6/7	John Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI; Ron Smith, Chattanooga TN; Allen Hawkins Jr - Jim Foster, Birmingham AL 31.50
6/7	Jill Meyers - Sidney Brownstein, Santa Monica CA; Jon Brissman, San Bernardino CA; Alan Le Bendig, Los Angeles CA 31.50
8/10	Ed Schulte, Tampa FL; Donald Stack, Overland Park KS; Tom Kniest, Clayton MO; Joseph Godefrin, Sarasota FL; Harry Tudor, Miami FL 31.00
8/10	Grant Baze, La Jolla CA; Fred Gitelman - George Mittelman, Toronto ON; Michael Whitman, San Francisco CA; Richard Katz, Rancho Mirage CA 31.00
8/10	Eddie Wold, Houston TX; George Rosenkranz, Mexico City; Cezary Balicki - Marcin Lesiewski - Marek Szymanowski - Adam Zmudzinski, Poland 31.00
11/13	Gerald Sosler, Purchase NY; Jim Backstrom, San Diego CA; John Mohan - Kay Schulle, Santa Monica CA; Adalsteinn Jorgensen - Sigurdur Sverrisson, Iceland 30.50
11/13	David Treadwell, Wilmington DE; Henry Bethe, Ithaca NY; Jo Ann Sprung - Danny Sprung, Philadelphia PA; Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ; Alan Truscott, Riverdale NY 30.50
11/13	Walter Schafer Jr, Bloomingdale IL; Tom Fox, Glenview IL; Hugh Ross, Oakland CA; Michael Lawrence, Berkeley CA 30.50
14/16	Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD; Ed Manfield, Hyattsville MD; Geoff Hampson, Fenton MI; Eric Greco, Annandale VA 30.00
14/16	Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA; Michael Rosenberg, Tuckahoe NY; Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Andrew Robson, Carmel CA 30.00
14/16	Alan Popkin - Kenneth Bland, Saint Louis MO; Hans Iukovici - Nancy Popkin, St Louis MO; Gerald Popkin, Atlanta GA 30.00
17/19	Chuck Malcolm - Marti Malcolm, Topeka KS; Mike Eakes - Linda Hager, Overland Park KS 29.50
17/19	Allan Graves, Vancouver BC; Gordon McOrmond, Delta BC; Dan Jacob, Burnaby BC; Bryan Maksymetz, Coquitlam BC 29.50
17/19	Robin Klar, Spring TX; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Glenn Eisenstein - Bobbie Satz, Boca Raton FL 29.50
20/23	Kenji Miyakuni, Chicago IL; Sakiko Naito, Tokyo; Larry Mori, Charlton NY; Richard Zucker, N Tarrytown NY 29.00
20/23	David Siebert - Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR; Randall Pettit, Marietta GA; Paul Munafo, Huntsville AL 29.00
20/23	Steve Zolotow - Harold Lilie - Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Bobby Goldman, Highland Vlg TX; Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA 29.00
20/23	Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Chris Willenken, New York NY; Darren Wolpert, Thornhill ON; Ronald Smith, San Francisco CA; Reece Rogers, Southaven MS 29.00
24/25	William Wickham, Los Angeles CA; Jeff Miller, Naperville IL; George Whitworth, San Ramon CA; John Zilic, Houston TX; Phil Warden - Mary Warden, Madison WI 28.50
24/25	Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Richard Schwartz, E Elmhurst NY; Lew Stansby, Castro Valley CA 28.50
26/28	Paul Hackett - John Armstrong - John Holland, England; Brigitte Mavromichalis, Martigny; Jason Hackett - Justin Hackett, Manchester England 28.00
26/28	Nick Nickell, New York NY; Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA; Bobby Wolff - Bob Hamman, Dallas TX; Eric Rodwell, Naperville IL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL 28.00
26/28	Martin Baff, Beachwood OH; Janet Lee Gumbert, Washington DC; Frederick Allenspach, Potomac MD; Jim Reiman, Mansfield OH; Gregory Potts, Portsmouth OH; Charles Kopp, Scottsdale AZ 28.00
29/33	Art Mathews - Kevin Collins, Atlanta GA; Paul Romig, Duluth GA; Charles Lipman, Dunwoody GA 27.50
29/33	David Lehman, Glenview IL; George Steiner, Seattle WA; Nels Erickson, Meadview AZ; Jim Hall, Minneapolis MN 27.50
29/33	Lester Sokolower, Verona NJ; Barbara Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ; Jay Korobow, Princeton NJ; Eugene Prosnitz, Riverdale NY 27.50
29/33	Bart Bramley - Howard Weinstein, Chicago IL; Sidney Lazard Sr, New Orleans LA; Steve Garner, Northfield IL 27.50
29/33	Peder Langsetmo - Jerome Lee, Minneapolis MN; Joe Grue, Richfield MN; Bob Balderson Jr, Hopkins MN 27.50
34/38	Bjorn Fallenius - Michael Moss - Brad Moss, New York NY; William Pollack, Warren NJ 27.00
34/38	Andrew Chesterton, Lexington MA; Steve Levinson, Fort Lauderdale FL; Howard Plitch, Andover MA; Michael Rahtjen, Mt Pleasant SC 27.00
34/38	John Malley, Pascoag RI; Daniel Colatosti, Waltham MA; Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA; Charles Coon, Marshfield MA 27.00
34/38	Wayne Hascall, Grandville MI; Bert Newman - Kathy Newman, West Bloomfield MI; Alexander Kolesnik, Austin TX; Varis Carey, Ithaca NY 27.00
34/38	Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Steven Onderwyzer, Venice CA; Jim Looby, Burbank CA; Steve Cohen, North Hollywood CA 27.00
39	Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Martin Sklar, Northridge CA; Peter Nagy, Las Vegas NV; Dan Morse, Houston TX 26.50
40/43	Richard Mydlowski, Taylor MI; Gary Macgregor, Portola Vly CA; James O'Neil, Ann Arbor MI; Brad Holtsberry, Farmington MI 26.00
40/43	William Hugenberg Jr, Grand Jct CO; Douglas McCormac, N Dartmouth MA; Flo Beck - Andy Smith, Anchorage AK 26.00
40/43	Sharon Kochoer - Charles Bantz, West Allis WI; William Zurfluh, Milwaukee WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI 26.00
40/43	Jean Hume, Livermore CA; Srikanth Kodayam, Union City CA; Diana Lowell, San Ramon CA; Doug Handler, Berkeley CA 26.00
44/45	Tony Ames - Judy Nassar, Minnetonka MN; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; Bill Kent, Iowa City IA 25.50
44/45	Don Probst - Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA; Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA; Earl Glickstein, Gaithersburg MD 25.50
46/50	Barbara Marcus, Bloomfield Hill MI; Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI; Donald Rumelhart, Ann Arbor MI 25.00
46/50	Hank Youngerman, Longwood FL; Rich Rothwarf, Philadelphia PA; Alan Beir,

	Jacksonville FL; John Morris, Atlanta GA	25.00
46/50	Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Kyle Larsen, San Francisco CA; Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA; Mike Cappelletti, Red Bank TN	25.00
46/50	John Kranyak - Kenneth Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Mary Paulone Carns - Gail Carns, Export PA	25.00
46/50	William Treble - Leonard Doerksen, Winnipeg MB; R Okubo, St Paul MN; Robert Rosenberg, Geneseo NY	25.00
51/52	Stephanie Hamilton, Medford MA; Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA; Robert Katz, Toledo OH; Pietro Campamile, London UK	24.50
51/52	Leslie Amoils, North York ON; Bruce Norman, Ajax ON; Michael Gamble, Victoria BC; Sean Ganness, Aventura FL	24.50

QUALIFIERS IN WOMEN'S BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS

40 Teams		
1	Mary Kay Fletcher - Cheryl Schneider, Westerville OH; Sheryl Langner, Dublin OH; Terry James, Columbus OH	36.00
2	Mildred Breed, Woodway TX; Shawn Quinn, Katy TX; Renee Mancuso, Redondo Beach CA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX	35.50
3/4	Susan Picus, New York NY; Connie Goldberg, Philadelphia PA; Rozanne Pollack, Warren NJ; Lisa Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ	34.00
3/4	Kathie Wei-Sender, Nashville TN; Beth Palmer, Silver Spring MD; Lynn Deas - Juanita Chambers, Schenectady NY; Stasha Cohen, Glen Ridge NJ	34.00
5	Pam Wittes, Los Alamitos CA; Cheri Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL; Sue Weinstein, Glenview IL; Judy Wadas, Chicago IL	33.00
6	Laurie Vogel - Lynne Tarnopol - Jacqui Mitchell - Amalya Kearse - Gail Greenberg, New York NY	30.50
7	Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA; Judy Randel, Albuquerque NM; Barb Hamman, Dallas TX; Carol Pincus, Las Vegas NV	30.00
8	Roni Gitchel, Pittsburgh PA; Jan Shane, White Plains NY; Laurie Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Jan Assini, Chagrin Falls OH	29.50
9/11	Cynthia Balderson - Peggy Kaplan, Minnetonka MN; Peg Waller, Eden Prairie MN; Audrey Weikle, Saint Paul MN	29.00
9/11	Helen Corbin, Menlo Park CA; Donna Rodwell, Naperville IL; Elvera Levine, Charlotte NC; Barbara Nist, Kent WA	29.00
9/11	Rhoda Kratenstein, Schenectady NY; Stella Rainey - Libby Fernandez, Tuscaloosa AL; Marinesa Letizia, Louisville KY	29.00
12/17	Michiko Ono, Japan; Hiroko Janssen, Minato-Ku Tokyo I; Yasuko Shrenzel, Kihei HI; Judy Rimer, La Jolla CA	28.00
12/17	Ginny Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Susan Finkelman, Glenview IL; Suzanne Siebert, Little Rock AR; Jacqueline Derouin, Okemos MI	28.00
12/17	Carlyn Steiner, Seattle WA; Lynne Feldman, Champaign IL; Jan Martel, Davis CA; Georgiana Gates, Houston TX	28.00
12/17	Karen Barrett, Vancouver WA; Rebecca Rogers, Dallas TX; Susan Wexler, New York NY; Linda Lewis, Las Vegas NV	28.00
12/17	Kitty Munson, Jersey City NJ; Carol Simon, New York NY; Judy Pede, Cerritos CA; Carreen Hinds, Long Beach CA	28.00
12/17	Lee De Simone, Alexandria VA; Nannell Edmunds - Linda Smith, Annapolis MD; Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD	28.00
18	Gigi Geiger, Austin TX; Gen Geiger, Belleville IL; Ayako Amano, Tokyo Japan; Miho Sekizawa, Itabashi-Ku, Tokyo Japan	27.50
19/20	Sharon Jabbour, Boca Raton FL; Dorothy Francis, Memphis TN; Mary Oshlag, Germantown TN; Ellen Siebert, Little Rock AR	27.00
19/20	Karen Walker, Champaign IL; Anne Leverone - Carol Schaffer, Saint Louis MO; Nell Schneider, St Louis MO	27.00
21	Candace Fowler, Ponte Vedra FL; Mary Gardner, Streamwood IL; Eunice Rosen, Highland Park IL; Adrienne Cohen, Elmhurst IL	26.60
22	Judi Radin - Valerie Westheimer, New York NY; Irina Levitina, Teaneck NJ; Jillian Blanchard, Riverdale NY	26.50
23/26	Linda Spangler, Duncanville TX; Jeanne Kretz, McKinney TX; Jerre Gardiner, Ft Worth TX; Fran Beard, Dallas TX	26.00
23/26	Joan Jackson - Peggy Sutherlin - Petra Hamman, Dallas TX; Nell Cahn, Shreveport LA; Linda Perlman, West Palm Beach FL; Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL	26.00
23/26	Eunice Portnoy, Chesterfield MO; Jacqueline Sincoff, St Louis MO; Madi Drimmer, Stamford CT; Myrna Bachiochi, Hamden CT	26.00
23/26	Jo Morse - Ellasue Chait, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Terry Michaels, Prairie Village KS; Judi Cody, Annandale VA	26.00

GARRETT NASH MEMORIAL B/C/D SWISS TEAMS

96 Teams			
	B	C	D
23.48	1	1	Stephen Myers, Florissant MO; Robert Mager, Ballwin MO; J Cline, Creve Coeur MO; Sidney Levin, Saint Louis MO
17.61	2	2	Ed Barad, Marina Del Rey CA; Donald Seldeen, Culver City CA; Joyce Nakasaki - Joseph Thomas, Redondo Beach CA
13.21	3		John Majors, New York NY; Harvey Bernstein, Cleveland OH; Max Limbocker, Louisville KY; Jim Hoffmann, Covington GA
9.91	4		Helen Walz, Madison IN; Ross Spiro, Cherry Hill NJ; Jim Johnsen, Camarillo CA; Paul Spear, Richmond IL
7.43	5		David Will - Sue Mooberry - Kathy Carmichael - John Carmichael, Lincoln NE
9.90	6	3	Jim Overcashier, East Canton OH; Janet Shaheen - Peg Clifford, Canton OH; Scott Amos, Sugar Creek OH
4.18	7		James Ford, Carmel IN; Laura Lee Bright, Terre Haute IN; Carol Rynders, Minneapolis MN; Jack Mosinger, Clayton MO
3.13	8		John Derald - Jan Derald, Western Springs IL; Imogene Olcott - Joseph Olcott, Glenview IL
2.61	9		Gary Fan, Birmingham AL; Sheila Dippel, Florence KY; Betty Hurst, Ft Mitchell KY; Rose Simon, Ft Wright KY
7.43	10	4	Mr Todd Wolford, Aurora OH; Peter Gray, Ketchum ID; Grace Selby - Edna Williams, Elgin IL
6.93	5	1	David Findley, Broadview IL; Gary Gang, Lombard IL; Edward Gale - Ann Gale, Richmond Hill ON
4.18	6		Mark Fanning - Carl Fortney - Jeffrey Morasco - Dee Roberts, Kirksville MO
3.13	7		Alan Cole, Council Bluffs IA; Mark Laughlin - Jerry Laughlin, Omaha NE; Virginia Smith, Eureka MO
2.35	8		Courtney Nelson, Wells VT; Sandra Hammer, Dedham MA; Judith

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TOURNAMENT APPEALS

CASE ONE

Subject: Tempo
Event: Life Master Pairs, 21 Nov 97, Second Session

Board: 22 Brad Holtsberry
Dealer: East ♠ 10 8
Vul: E/W ♥ K 10 9 4 2
♦ Q 5 4
♣ A J 5

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

Richard Mydloski
♠ A
♥ J 8 7 5
♦ J 10 7 6 2
♣ K 4 2

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♣	1♥	1♠	4♥
Dbl (1)	Pass	4♠	All Pass

(1) Break in tempo

The Facts: 4♠ made four, plus 620 for E/W. West considered his bid for about 30 seconds before he doubled 4♥. This was agreed by all four players. The Director was called when the 4♠ bid was made. The Director ruled that the 4♠ bid was suggested over other logical alternatives and changed the contract to 4♥ doubled down one, plus 100 for E/W.

The Appeal: East explained the virtues of his call. He thought his defensive prospects were not good, despite the double, and if his partner had as little as a good doubleton in spades it might be profitable to play in 4♠. He also said he made the same bid he would have made if the double had been in tempo. East was asked why he had not opened a weak two-bid in spades. He said that the hand was not good enough. When asked what 2♠, instead of 1♠, would have meant, he said the bid was undiscussed. N/S noted that the agreed-upon break in tempo suggested uncertainty about the double and therefore suggested bidding, when passing was a logical alternative.

The Committee Decision: The Committee disagreed with East's analysis of the auction. The ♥Q was not necessarily a wasted value. The ♠Q could also be a defensive value, and if partner has only a doubleton spade, then the ♠KQ were defensive values. There are hands consistent with the auction where 4♠ would be the winning call, but pass was very clearly a logical alternative to the 4♠ bid. The Committee unanimously agreed that the 4♠ bid could not be allowed. The Committee considered several defenses and lines of play and decided that in a 4♥ contract, down one was substantially the most likely and the most probable result. The contract was changed to 4♥ doubled down one, plus 100 for E/W.

East stated that he had never appeared before a National Appeals Committee. The Committee knew him to be an expert with a great deal of tournament seasoning. E/W were believed to be sufficiently knowledgeable about the game and its rules to be held to NABC standards for presenting appeals. Under the current ACBL policies, the Committee retained the \$50 deposit for an appeal lacking substantial merit.

Chairman: Michael Huston
Committee Members: Doug Heron, Brad Moss, Phil Warden, Michael White

Marriott buffet

\$9.95

Includes salad bar and non-alcoholic beverages



Monday, Nov. 24

Salad bar

Seafood Newburg

Rice

Penne Pasta with meatballs in tomato sauce

Succotash (lima beans, peas and corn)

Dauphinoise potatoes

Cobbler

TOURNAMENT APPEALS

CASE TWO

Subject: Tempo
 Event: Life Master Pairs, 21 Nov 97, Second Session

Board: 19 Alice Leicht
 Dealer: South ♠ K J 8 5 3
 Vul: E/W ♥ A Q 2
 ♦ J 6
 ♣ A 7 5

Claude Vogel
 ♠ --
 ♥ J 8 5 4
 ♦ A K 10 9 8 7 2
 ♣ 10 9

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

Marvin French
 ♠ A Q 7 4
 ♥ 6 3
 ♦ 4
 ♣ K J 8 6 4 2

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
3♦ (1)	Dbl (2)	Pass	1♣
Pass	4♠	All Pass	3♠

(1) No skip-bid warning

(2) Break in tempo before and after looking at convention card marked as penalty; not Altered

The Facts: 4♠ made six, plus 480 for N/S. South was considerably more experienced than North. After West's 3♦ call, North was uncertain about the best action. The Director was called at the time of the break in tempo and was called back to the table after the hand was over. The Director ruled that unauthorized information was present and the removal of the penalty double could have been suggested by the tempo. Since pass was a logical alternative to 3♠ for South, the Director changed the contract to 3♦ doubled made four, plus 870 for E/W.

The Appeal: N/S appealed the Director's ruling. South asserted that he had played tournament bridge for 50 years and that he did not play negative doubles. His approach to doubles was modeled after the S. J. Simon book, *Why You Lose at Bridge*. He stated that the double was a suggestion, not a command, and that he should have about four defensive tricks in his hand to pass the double. South thought his hand warranted the 3♠ call.

North admitted uncertainty about her choice of calls. When asked why she didn't bid 3♠, she said she didn't want to bid "just a king-jack suit." She said "I'm doubling to let him make the decision." South submitted that the North hand was not one that called for a double in their methods. He also stated that he had system notes at home which could substantiate and corroborate the criteria he used to decide which penalty doubles to pull and which ones to pass.

The Committee Decision: The Committee believed that if North's spade and diamond suits had been interchanged, the hesitation was not likely to have occurred. The hesitation thus conveyed the information to South that the penalty double was not based on length and strength in trump. While South did not have an ideal hand for defense, his hand was within the range that his partner could have anticipated when she chose the penalty double. The unauthorized information suggested that bidding 3♠ was more likely to be successful than passing so South was not allowed to select that action. Since E/W would most probably win ten tricks, the contract was changed to 3♦ doubled made four, plus 870. The \$50 deposit was returned.

Chairman: Jon Brissman

Committee Members: Phil Brady, Ed Lazarus

Our apologies, Julie

In the caption on the picture yesterday of Lynn Deas and the daughter of her partner, Beth Palmer, we misnamed the girl. Her name is Julie, not Lisa.

GARRETT NASH MEMORIAL B/C/D SWISS TEAMS Continued from page 11

1.96	9	Harrington, Saugus MA; Sandy Sloan, Ipswich MA	146.00
		John Bolego, Saint Louis MO; Marie Sander Bolego - Richard Page - Mike Giacaman, St Louis MO	145.00
5.20	2	Nancy Thornberry, Robards KY; Elizabeth Grace, Henderson KY; Ann Lourie, Newburgh IN; Joanne Wright, Evansville IN	143.00
3.90	3	Celia Meyer - Lana Lu Hull, Manchester MO; Wojciech Golik, St Louis MO; Wojciech Kaniewski, Chesterfield MO	129.00
2.92	4	Marcus Feldman - Susan Feldman, Kirkwood MO; Robert McDill, Sappington MO; Michael Thiel, Chesterfield MO	124.00
2.19	5	Gregg Griffith, Scottsdale AZ; Gregory Berry, Buffalo Grove IL; Jay Segal, New Rochelle NY; Steven Millman, Chandler AZ	120.00
1.64	6	Donna Cutitta - Barbara Youngworth, Overland Park KS; Jean Howard, Prairie Village KS; Lucy Stinson, Grandview MO	116.00

FLIGHT A/X SWISS TEAMS

70 Teams			
	A	X	
29.74	1/2		Betsey Schneider, San Carlos CA; Kay Beck, Indianapolis IN; Bev Nelson, Ft Myers FL; Mark Boswell, Belvidere IL
			189.00
29.74	1/2		Bert Eccles - Marc-Andre Fourcaudot, Montreal PQ; Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Leo Weniger, Halifax NS
			189.00
19.11	3		John Blubaugh - Dave Durlacher - Al Fenton, Indianapolis IN; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN; Dave Fred, Granger IN; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA
			174.00
28.82	4/5	1	Tom Miller - Gay Miller, Centerville OH; George St Pierre, Columbus OH; Ed Judy, Chicago IL
			170.00
12.55	4/5		Mark Shaw - Barbara Benbow, Laurel MD; William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; Ron Sukonek, Annandale VA
			170.00
7.06	6/7		Ed Schultz, Chesterfield MO; Larry Hansen - David McLellan, Thunder Bay ON; Mark Kessler, Springfield IL; Michael Yuen, Winnipeg MB
			161.00
7.06	6/7		Paul Vickers - Mary Vickers, Northboro MA; Sue Himel, Omaha NE; John Stansbury, Minneapolis MN
			161.00
4.54	8		Kiyoshi Asai, Tsukoba, Japan; Yoshinori Otsuka, Ushiku, Japan; Tadashi Teramoto - Kotomi Asakoshi, Tokyo, Japan
			160.00
3.78	9		Glafkos Galanos - Judith Eaton - Harold Emme - Carol Emme, Carbondale IL
			156.00
3.40	10		Martha Owen - Deborah Avery, Champaign IL; Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA; Richard Price, Fort Worth TX
			150.00
3.09	11		Bram Schwartz, Sydney NS; Bryan Rapson, Dartmouth NS; Toni Bales, Pickerington OH; John Currie, Halifax NS
			148.00
21.62	12	2	Martine Lacroix - Marc Fiset, Laterriere PQ; Jean Boucher, Chicoutimi Nord PQ; Alain Chapdelaine, Jonquiere PQ
			147.00
16.21	13	3	Paul Erb, Scottsdale AZ; Jill Lind, Sun City AZ; Barry Spector, Springfield VA; Randy Thompson, Burke VA
			144.00
10.64	14/15	4/5	Robert Whitehead - Richard Weissman, New York NY; Jim Relihan, Cpe Canaveral FL; Wayne Christensen, Jr, Houston TX
			143.00
10.64	14/15	4/5	Joanna Hebermehl, Paris IL; Milt Van Reed - Fred Ervin - James Gormong, Terre Haute IN
			143.00
2.16	16/18		Richard Anderson, Regina SK; Joan Levy Gerard, White Plains NY; Barbara Nudelmann, Chicago IL; Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA; Dudley Brown, Grandview WA; Louise Sklar, Northridge CA
			142.00
6.84	16/18	6	Geoffrey Mallette, Christiansburg VA; David Walker, Salem VA; Avril Rodney - David Rodney, Oakton VA
			142.00
2.00	16/18		Janet Dunbar - Dudley Camacho - Barbara Seagram - Alex Kornel, Toronto ON; Anne Marie Crabbe, London ON
			142.00
5.13	7		Clyde Hassebrock - H Gerard Surkamp, St Louis MO; Mary Weyerich, Frontenac MO; Bobbie Holmes, Saint Louis MO
			141.00
3.85	8		William Allison, Dunwoody GA; Jean Bowers - Newton Bowers, Clive IA; Charles Galloway, Bolton ON
			139.00
3.20	9		Keith Connolly - David Neiman, Minneapolis MN; Lawrence Diamond, Barbican London E; Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN
			136.00
2.63	10/12		Monte Lopata - Carrie Lopata - Aralyn Rosenberg - Marilyn Kopf, St Louis MO
			132.00
2.63	10/12		Walter Dedio, Morden MB; Ursula Bladen, Creve Coeur MO; Bob Bainter, San Antonio TX; Zenon Rowicki, Lambertville MI; Betty Lou Heeg, Regina SK
			132.00
2.63	10/12		Charles Clickner - Paul Streigle, Clearwater FL; Richard Gibbons, Princeton IL; Ronald Simmons, Lasalle IL
			132.00
2.14	13/14		Howard Weber, Las Vegas NV; Michael Weber - Noe Mallari, San Diego CA; Robert Rinehart, Northumberland PA
			129.00
2.14	13/14		Joe Rickman, Louisville TN; Jody Plummer, Duluth GA; Diana Beasley, Marietta GA; Carol Mathews, Atlanta GA
			129.00

WELCOME KNOCKOUT TEAMS

Bracket 1

16 Teams			
61.75	1	Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN; Robert Teel Jr - Jane Teel, Rockford AL; Paul Lewis, Powell OH; Jerry Clerkin, North Vernon IN	
46.31	2	Terry Riely - Carolyn Teinert, San Antonio TX; Debbie King - Marvin King, Creve Coeur MO	
30.39	3/4	Shannon Lipscomb, Red Bank TN; Brian Gunnell, Jacksonville Bc FL; Julie Bradley, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Edwards, Rock Island IL	
30.39	3/4	Richard Gabriel, Chicago IL; Jim Burt, Darien IL; Robert Jackson - Sharon Pobloske, Bensenville IL	

Bracket 2

16 Teams			
44.70	1	Jean Cole, Richards TX; Ron Woodsum, Houston TX; Richard Williams, San Carlos CA; Josephus Scherders, Sunnyvale CA	
33.53	2	Mark Zellmer, Creve Coeur MO; Peggy Wald, Chesterfield MO; Ralph Behrens, Kirkwood MO; John Dicks, St Charles MO	
22.00	3/4	Roger Lord - Richard Riezman - Gloria Spitzer, St Louis MO; Nancy Caraway, Ballwin MO; Andrea Rothburt, St. Louis MO	
22.00	3/4	Ritchey Goodwin, New York NY; Ari Greenberg, Malibu CA; Kent Mignocchi, Los Angeles CA; Jim Dingwerth, Kansas City MO; Richard Quist, Moreno Valley CA	
9.67	5/8	Doreen Douglas - James Douglas, Oakland CA; Margaret Chitty - G Roger Chitty, Carbondale IL	

Bracket 3

16 Teams			
34.48	1	Fred MacNair, Albuquerque NM; Dorothy Larson, Gilbert AZ; Don Steele, Springfield OH; Patrick Moran, Dayton OH	
25.86	2	Jackie Boisseau, Etobicoke ON; Frances Hillin, Crp Christi TX; Ronald Schacht, Bayside NY; Terry Currie, Houston TX	
16.98	3/4	Kenneth Marcroft - Carole Marcroft, Dayton OH; Jerry Strack - Pam Strack, Indianapolis IN	
16.98	3/4	Michael Walrath, Fort Worth TX; Les Gerig, Kansas City MO; Shirley Seals, Ponte Vedra FL; Martha Easter, Longwood FL	
7.46	5/8	Paul Chan - Lily Chan, Columbia MO; Thomas Ahmann Sr, Mexico MO; Judy Overland, Weston ON	

Bracket 4

16 Teams			
27.54	1	Mark Daily, Lerna IL; Bess Bailey, Pana IL; Alan Resser, Chicago IL; William Charowhas, Wheaton IL	
20.66	2	Carl Wolinsky - James Satterfield, Marietta GA; Michael Hampton, Kennesaw GA; Robert Epstein, Atlanta GA	
13.56	3/4	Roman Smolski, Warwick Wkbx; Vera Petty, Warwick; Sheree-Lynn Katz - Linda Gottlieb, Willowdale ON	
13.56	3/4	Rowen Bell, Evanston IL; David Genne, Gaitthersburg MD; Bill Drewett - A. Kirk Twiss, Chicago IL	

Bracket 5

16 Teams			
19.93	1	Don Define - Somkietr Rojanasathit, St Louis MO; Carol Koterba, Florissant MO; Arbha Vongsvivut, Godfrey IL	
14.95	2	Denis Murphy, Colorado Spring CO; R Elwin Brown, Gloucester ON; William Parks, Baton Rouge LA; John Ledet, Colorado Spgs CO	
9.81	3/4	Elizabeth Moore, Glasgow KY; Barbara Boyce - James Carey, Louisville KY; Elsie Creal, Hodgenville KY	
9.81	3/4	John Anderson - Michael Lohman, Baton Rouge LA; Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON; Jason Ciano, Boston MA; Fabrice Lecomte, New York NY	
4.31	5/8	John Smith Jr - Fran Scheifler, St Louis MO; Donald Hilleary, Glendale MO; Vincent Lopiccio, Ballwin MO	
4.31	5/8	Clarence Willging - Douglas Gugger, Freeport IL; Craig Bontjes - Raymond Wuebben Jr, Oregon IL	

Bracket 6

16 Teams			
14.42	1	Ronald Sholes - Carole Sholes - James Bruner - Ann Bruner, Springfield IL	
10.82	2	Lori Birbaum, Mt Prospect IL; Alex Balestrieri, Carol Stream IL; Jim O'Brien - Sandra O'Brien, Oconomowoc WI	
7.10	3/4	Phillip Wagner, Springfield IL; Mary Spahr, Terre Haute IN; Ruth Salisbury, Fullerton CA; J. Ball, New York NY	
7.10	3/4	Kenneth Baher, Calgary AB; Joe Riccardo, Burbank IL; Eleanor Barrett, Williamsville NY; Carol Ehinger, West Seneca NY	

Bracket 7

16 Teams			
12.40	1	Robert Sievers - Lisa Sievers - Scott Merritt, Champaign IL; Brandon Buzzell, Urbana IL	
9.30	2	Roman Shapiro, Fair Lawn NJ; Diana Tenery, Fairfax VA; David Hemmer - Samuel Kutin, Chicago IL	
6.11	3/4	Dale Darnell - Eve Goodknight, Ballwin MO; Claudia Beaty, Hazelwood MO; Helen Thalhammer, St Louis MO	
6.11	3/4	Charles Raines - Barbara Skogman - Judith Huntsinger - Frances Easley, Cedar Rapids IA	

Bracket 8

16 Teams			
10.37	1	Janet Bernacki - Ray Bernacki, Bridgeton MO; Thea Johnson, Foley MO; Michael Saville, St Louis MO	
7.78	2	Alan Goff, Arlington MA; Coral Harris, Boston MA; Larry Shell - Dale Wicks, Muscatine IA	
5.10	3/4	Kaye Folsom, Chicago IL; Grace Bartlett, Houston TX; Patricia Wood - William Wood, Jr, White Plains NY	
5.10	3/4	Alan Tuvin, Folsom CA; David Lesieur, Manchester CT; Constantine Liebholz, Parlin NJ; Robert Lake, Montgomery AL	

Bracket 9

16 Teams			
8.35	1	Jack Mayer, Mission KS; Lawrence Mayer, Overland Park KS; Steven Goodman - Bert Jacob, Kansas City MO	
6.26	2	Mark Craiker, Carrollton TX; Andrew Sims, Dallas TX; Susan Lewis - Shirley Wottman, Chicago IL	
4.11	3/4	Bernice Gilman, Beverly MA; Patricia Muise, Danvers MA; Louis Stern, Canton MI; Carol Pollock, Bannochuen IL	
4.11	3/4	Carl Frank Farley, Madison WI; Shirley Hillmer, Chicago IL; Joan Webb - Keith Harrison, Clearwater FL	
1.81	5/8	Lee Miller - Pat Bradley, St Louis MO; Lois Miller, Vero Beach FL; Betty Anderson, Chesterfield MO	

Bracket 10

13 Teams			
5.82	1	Todd Anderson - Gil Busby - Daniel Neill - Eric Hawkins, Lexington KY	
4.37	2	George Marvin - John Newman, St Louis MO; Ronald Trimmer, Granite City IL; Luis Remis, Saint Charles MO	
2.87	3/4	Jimmie Bernard, Plano TX; Anne Williams, Red Oak TX; William Ervin, Indianapolis IN; Mark Greenwell, Newport IN	
2.87	3/4	Martin Kurlander - Amy Stabenow, Saint Louis MO; Carol Carlson - Andrew Carlson, St Louis MO	

SUNDAY EVENING 100 SWISS

10 Teams			
2.33	1	Geraldine Christensen, Houston TX; Bill Willis, El Dorado AR; Joan Chase, Mc Murray PA; Richard Chase, McMurray PA	57.00
1.75	2	Timothy Luker, Green Bay WI; Joseph Dicken, Louisville KY; Alan Gengenbach, Champaign IL; David Ford, San Jose CA	47.00
1.31	3	Woodie McLean, Potomac MD; Shirley McCullough, Kirkwood MO; John Serra, Calgary AB; Doris Dennis, St Ann MO	45.00
0.98	4	Donald Brock - Helen Brock, Cuyahoga Falls OH; Gerald Myers, Ft Worth TX; Robert Ellison, Fort Worth TX	42.00

CASE THREE

Subject: Misinformation
Event: Life Master Pairs, 22 Nov 97, First Session

Board: 9 *Jeff Meckstroth*
Dealer: North ♠ Q J 9 6
Vul: E/W
♥ A 6
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ J 8 3

Zeke Jabbour *Dan Morse*
♠ 8 7 5 ♠ A K 10 4
♥ K Q 2 ♥ J 10 7 4 3
♦ 10 9 8 2 ♦ A 6
♣ K Q 9 ♣ 7 6

Perry Johnson

♠ 3 2
♥ 9 8 5
♦ Q J 5
♣ A 10 5 4 2

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	INT (1)	2♣ (2)	Pass
3♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

(1) Announced; 10-12

(2) Alerted; explained as "diamonds, I think"

The Facts: 3NT made three, plus 600 for E/W. Before the opening lead, East informed his opponents that he believed that in their methods 2♣ showed the majors. East suggested that the Director be called. N/S stated they wished to reserve their right to call the Director later if necessary. After the play was completed and East's hand was revealed, N/S called the Director and stated that they thought pass was a logical alternative to bidding 3NT. The Director ruled that 3NT had not been demonstrably suggested as a logical alternative over other possibilities such as 3♥ and allowed the score to stand.

The Appeal: N/S appealed the Director's ruling. North, South and East attended the hearing. N/S stated that they thought a 3♦ bid would mean that West had long diamonds and playing strength for a diamond contract. They stated that West knew his partner had made a vulnerable overall which should show values and that if 3NT were the correct contract, West should bid 3NT over 2♣. From East's point of view, if his partner could not bid 3NT, there was a real danger that there was no club stopper. They thought that 3♥ by East would show four hearts along with diamonds, that East might have considered bidding 4♦ or passing, and that the presence of the unauthorized information made 3NT a logical alternative.

East stated that he tried to bid as if he had not heard his partner's explanation of his 2♣ call. He thought 3♦ showed a forward-going hand suggesting 3NT as a possible contract. This was the second time E/W had played together. They had agreed to play Landy and transfers over 12-14 notrumps. East did not believe there had been any discussion for weaker notrump ranges. East stated that he thought a bid over a 10-12 notrump should show a better hand than a bid over a 12-14 notrump because of the danger of missing game. He stated that, had the weak notrump required a pre-Alert, he would have agreed with his partner that they would play the same method as over 12-14 notrumps. East stated that he thought it was just unlucky for N/S that E/W were able to make 3NT because the ♠A was onside and the diamonds blocked.

The Committee Decision: The Committee decided that E/W did not have the agreement that 2♣ showed diamonds over the 10-12 notrump (Law 75D2) and that West's explanation created unauthorized information. N/S were obligated to call the Director when they were told about the misinformation (Law 9B1a) rather than stating that they wished to reserve their rights to do so later (Law 16A1 for ACBL sanctioned events.) East was also required by law (75D2) to call the Director rather than suggesting to North that he do so. The Committee agreed with East that the 3♦ bid could not be made on a very weak hand with diamonds.

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West should not have ♦KQxxxx with no other values, but even if he did, clubs may split 4-4. They also agreed that had the ♦A been the ♥A, passing 3♦ would be clearly indicated but agreed that some would still consider passing with the given hand. In the presence of the unauthorized information, however, the Committee believed that 3NT became a logical alternative. In a 3♦ contract, the Committee determined declarer would lose three diamonds, one heart, and one club. For this reason, the Committee unanimously decided to disallow the 3NT bid and change the contract to 3♦ down one, plus 100 for N/S. Chairman: Karen Allison Committee Members: Lowell Andrews, Henry Bethe, Mary Jane Farrell, Michael Rahtjen, (scribe: Linda Weinstein)

CASE FOUR

Subject: Unauthorized Information Event: Flight A Pairs, 22 Nov 97, Second Session

Board: 9 Alan Miller Dealer: North ♠ Q 8 4 Vul: E/W ♥ A Q 5 3 ♦ Q 8 5 3 ♣ 10 4

James Bachelder ♠ K 10 9 ♥ 4 ♦ K 10 6 4 ♣ A 9 7 5 2 George St. Pierre ♠ A J 6 5 3 ♥ J 9 7 2 ♦ 7 ♣ K 8 3 Judy Bianco ♠ 7 2 ♥ K 10 8 6 ♦ A J 9 2 ♣ Q J 6

Table with 4 columns: WEST, NORTH, EAST, SOUTH. WEST: Pass, Pass, Pass, 3♠. NORTH: 1♥, Pass, 3♦, Dbl. EAST: Pass, 2♣, Pass, All Pass. SOUTH: 1♦, Pass, Pass, Pass.

The Facts: 3♠ doubled made five, plus 1130 for E/W. Before West passed 2♥, he reached for bid cards, retracted, then passed. N/S called the Director when East bid 2♠. East stated he had not seen his partner's actions. The Director ruled that since unauthorized information was present, the 2♠ bid would not be allowed because pass was a logical alternative. The contract was changed to 2♥ down two, plus 100 for E/W.

The Appeal: E/W appealed the Director's ruling. N/S did not attend the Committee hearing. West stated he had no intention of bidding. He had reached for his bid box and when he looked up his hand was about three inches too high. He re-oriented himself and extracted the pass card from the proper location. He admitted his motion could have been construed as uncertainty. He stated he never considered bidding with only three spades, four diamonds and such a bad club suit. East stated he had planned to balance over 2♥ if that option became available. E/W stated their general overall style was sound, that they played together about once a month and that they use bid boxes often at their local club.

The Committee Decision: The Committee decided that unauthorized information was present. The Committee unanimously decided that the 2♠ bid was automatic and that pass was not a logical alternative with the East hand. The Committee allowed East's 2♠ bid and allowed the table result, 3♠ doubled made five, plus 1130 for E/W to stand. The Committee reminded West to be more careful when selecting bids in the future. Since this was a busy night for appeals, a fifth member for this Committee was not available. The Chairman designated herself as a non-voting member of the Committee.

Chairman: Karen Allison Committee Members: Lowell Andrews, Henry Bethe, Michael Rahtjen, (scribe: Linda Weinstein)

SUNDAY FAST PAIRS

Table with 3 columns: Pairs, A, B, C. Lists names and scores for Sunday Fast Pairs.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS

Table with 3 columns: Pairs, A, B. Lists names and scores for Friday-Saturday-Sunday Continuous Pairs.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON 0-5/20 PAIRS

Table with 3 columns: Pairs, G, H. Lists names and scores for Sunday Afternoon 0-5/20 Pairs.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON 50/100 SWISS TEAMS

Table with 3 columns: Pairs, A, B. Lists names and scores for Sunday Afternoon 50/100 Swiss Teams.

SUNDAY STRATIFIED SENIOR PAIRS

Table with 3 columns: Pairs, A, B, C. Lists names and scores for Sunday Stratified Senior Pairs.

1ST SUNDAY EVENING IMP PAIRS

Table with 3 columns: Pairs, A, B, C. Lists names and scores for 1st Sunday Evening IMP Pairs.

SUNDAY EVENING 5/20/50 PAIRS

Table with 3 columns: Pairs, A, B, C. Lists names and scores for Sunday Evening 5/20/50 Pairs.

SUNDAY MORNING SIDE/CONTINUOUS PAIRS

30 Pairs	A	B		
3.79	1		William Hunter, Reading MA; Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA	182.00
2.84	2	1	Vincent Lopiccio, Ballwin MO; John Schapflin, Florissant MO	156.00
2.92	3	2	Bernard Neuhart - Robert Neuhart, Niskayuna NY	155.50
2.04	4		Bert Newman - Kathy Newman, West Bloomfield MI	154.00
1.46	5		Amelia Fraser - Marcia Greenstein, Miami FL	149.50
1.02	6		Tadashi Teramoto, Yokohama JA; Kotomi Asakoshi, Tokyo JA	148.00
1.54	3		Daniel Small, New York NY; Joshua Small, Atlanta GA	145.00
1.15	4		Thomas McDow, Rock Hill SC; Thomas McDow V, New York NY	137.50
0.86	5		Andrew Eames, Ashland MA; Andrew Savitz, Cambridge MA	135.00

SUNDAY MORNING 99ER STRATIFIED PAIRS

12 Pairs	A	B		
1.87	1		Robert Ellis - Evelyn Fagin, St Louis MO	54.00
1.40	2	1	Dennis Martin, Omaha NE; Gary Martin, Spring Hill FL	52.50
1.05	3		Ann Smith, Conroe PA; Mary Rodriguez, Reno NV	
50.50				
0.91	4	2	Fran Bernstein, Leawood KS; Gail Himmelstein, Prairie Village KS	48.50

STRATIFIED 299ER SWISS TEAMS

12 Teams	A	B		
3.08	1		Thelma Trudgen - Elizabeth Johnson, Indianapolis IN; Judy Shuel, Carmel IN; Rhea Harcourt, Sebring FL	57.00
2.31	2	1	Michael Purcell, Mainville OH; Jerry Sainsbury, Mainville OH; David Nagler, La Pointe WI; Alan Gengenbach, Champaign IL	53.00
1.52	3/4		Patrick Shaw, Olean NY; Lois Scott, Carmel IN; Diane Norris - Georgia Pope, Atlanta GA	46.00
1.52	3/4		Vivian Leshin, West Hartford CT; Barbara Berrigan, Glastonbury CT; Robert Wheeler, Florissant MO; Sol Scholnik, St Louis MO	46.00

CHARITY KNOCKOUT TEAMS

Bracket 1

16 Teams				
50.60	1		Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; Murray Melton, Las Vegas NV; Simon Kantor, Agawam MA; Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Paul Munafo, Huntsville AL; Randall Pettit, Marietta GA	
37.95	2		Douglas Heron, Ottawa ON; Barry Rigal, New York NY; Carol Tchamitch, Peoria AZ; David Lindop, Toronto ON; Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Jim Linhart, Piscataway NJ	
24.91	3/4		Eric Rodwell, Naperville IL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN; Jerry Clerkin, North Vernon IN; Paul Lewis, Powell OH	
24.91	3/4		Richard Katz, Rancho Mirage CA; Steve Cohen, North Hollywood CA; Beverly Rosenberg, Sherman Oaks CA; Steven Onderwyzer, Venice CA	

Bracket 2

16 Teams				
33.35	1		Anne Hoffman, Peru VT; G S Jade Barrett, Vancouver WA; Thomas Carmichael, Middletown NJ; Ken Gee, Regina SK; Sakiko Naito, Tokyo; Kenji Miyakuni, Chicago IL	
25.01	2		John Groben, Evansville IN; Phelps Lambert, Henderson KY; Elaine Said, Nashville TN; Alan Myerson, Sherman Oaks CA; Nell Schaefer - Phil Schaefer, Los Angeles CA	
16.42	3/4		Hans Jacobs, Aurora ON; Duncan Phillips - Joy Phillips, Willowdale ON; David McLellan - L Hansen, Thunder Bay ON	
16.42	3/4		Glenn Smith - Alan Mariam, Creve Coeur MO; Richard Anderson - Janice Anderson, Regina SK; Robert McClintock, Chesterfield MO; Michael Carmen, St Louis MO	
7.21	5/8		Jean Cole, Richards TX; Ron Woodsum - Terry Currie, Houston TX; Ross Robbins, Laguna Vista TX	

Bracket 3

16 Teams				
23.00	1		Ann Marino, Papillion NE; Carol Sibbersen - Minna Lou Mercer - Leslie Hoberman, Omaha NE	
17.25	2		Donna Pedrotti, Maryland Hgts MO; Donald Van Buskirk, Whiteside MO; Mark Ehret, St Louis MO; Curtis Hastings, Chesterfield MO	
11.32	3/4		Mary Spahr - Milt Van Reed, Terre Haute IN; Joanna Hebermehl, Paris IL; Hal Cultice, Peru IN	
11.32	3/4		John Marlin, Frankfort KY; Sandra Thompson, Somerset KY; Max Limbocker, Louisville KY; Jim Hoffmann, Covington GA	
4.98	5/8		Michael Walrath, Fort Worth TX; Les Gerig, Kansas City MO; Shirley Seals, Ponte Vedra FL; Martha Easter, Longwood FL	
4.98	5/8		Fabrice Lecomte - Jessica Hayman, New York NY; Jason Ciano, Boston MA; Darren Wolpert - Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON; Varis Carey, Ithica NY	

Bracket 4

16 Teams				
16.10	1		Alan Resser - Steve Clark, Chicago IL; William Charowhas, Wheaton IL; Louise Clark, Glencoe IL	
12.08	2		Robert McPhee, Belleville ON; Rosemarie Miller, Waverly NY; Christine Kirmaier, St Louis MO; R Charles McLaughlin, Mississauga ON; Steven Rutledge, Andre Blum - Gitta Kastner, Madison WI; David Findley, Broadview IL; Don Lussky, Elmhurst IL	
7.93	3/4		Annette Bergstrom, Burbank CA; William Hugenberg Jr, Grand Jct CO; Perry Seal, San Mateo CA; Irwin Bender, Glencoe IL	
7.93	3/4		Donald Sondergeld, Hubbardton VT; Ruben Egeberg, Rock Island IL; Sandy Ritchey - Paula Messinger, Columbus OH	

Bracket 5

16 Teams				
10.43	1		Dave Rahubka, St Louis MO; Raymond Wiese, Clayton MO; Jane Sample, Pickens MS; Inez Gray, Madison MS	
7.82	2		Robert G Hicks - Barbara Hicks, Shawnee Mission KS; Rita Estes, Huethinson KS; Barbara Hicks, Kansas City MO	
5.14	3/4		Caroline Pieper, Tomahawk WI; Lois Killinger, Eagle River WI; Eunice Cohodas - Marge Jones, Wausau WI	
5.14	3/4		Marilyn Bell, Blue Eye MO; Shirley Wood, Branson MO; Phyllis Yates, Lampe MO;	

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Double trouble

When you're playing IMPs, those double game swings can certainly come in handy. This deal from the Bracketed Knockout Teams helped Jason Ciano of Boston MA and Gavin Wolpert of Toronto ON to eke out a win.

Dir:East ♠ A J 9 8 7 4
 Vul:Both ♥ Q 9
 ♦ 7 6 5 3
 ♣ 9

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

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

West	North	East	South
	<i>Wolpert</i>		<i>Ciano</i>
1♥	2♠(1)	1♣	1♦
4♥	Pass	3♥	4♦
		Pass	4♠

All Pass
 (1) Fit-showing.
 East led a top heart and switched to the ♠Q. Wolpert made five on the deal when he later guessed the diamond position. That was plus 650 for North-South.

At the other table, Ciano and Wolpert's teammates, John Anderson and Mike Lohman of Baton Rouge LA, had this auction:

West	North	East	South
<i>Anderson</i>		<i>Lohman</i>	
		1♣	1♦
1♥	1♠	2♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Anderson made four, plus 620 East-West. The team picked up 15 IMPs on the deal, a handy sum since they won the match by only eight IMPs.

Try Café de France

Chef Marcel Keraval of Café de France is internationally celebrated for his dining creations. The restaurant is within walking distance -- north on Fourth Street a few blocks to Olive Street and half a block to the restaurant. The feature here is classic and creative French cuisine. Dinner reservations are accepted Monday through Thursday until 9:30 p.m. and on Friday and Saturday until 10:30 p.m. Call 231-2204 for reservations.



Tournament attendance

Attendance has been quite good for the past two days, with well over 500 tables per session. The total table count through Sunday is 3537.5. We're not up to the numbers posted by the 1987 NABC here, but that tournament was a Spring NABC, which usually have larger attendance than Fall tournaments.

Good steaks and seafood

Visit 100 North Seventh Street, within easy walking distance, for some fine steaks and seafood at Mike Shannon Steaks and Seafood.

St. Louis Cardinals

The St. Louis Cardinals have made a contribution to the tournament to help with the hospitality.

Partnership desks

The Intermediate/Novice (0-199) Partnership Desk is located on **Level 4** at the Adam's Mark (near the Rose Garden Room).
 The regular Partnership Desk is on **Level 2**.

SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS

31 Teams
 Robert Cartheaux, Ft Wayne IN; David Adams, Kennesaw GA; Al Childs, Little Rock AR; Ralph Cohen, Memphis TN; Chuck Said, Nashville TN
 vs
 Robert Ryder, Caldwell NJ; Richard Budd, Portland ME; Howard Hertzberg, Alpine NJ; William Esberg, Elberon NJ; Simon Kantor, Agawam MA; Murray Melton, Las Vegas NV

Jim Kirkham - Corinne Kirkham, San Bernardino CA; George Pisk, Manchaca TX; George Dawkins, Austin TX
 vs
 Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA; William Hunter, Reading MA; Elaine Kadis - Kenneth Kadis, Brookline MA

Mike Levine - Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL; Russell Arnold, Miami FL; Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Jim Linhart, Piscataway NJ; Per Olov Sundelin, Stockholm, Sweden

vs
 Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK; Shelba Parnley, Oklahoma City OK; Tom Brown, Duncan OK; Paul White, Edmond OK; Liane Turner - Donald Turner, Kansas City MO

Jim Sternberg, Jupiter FL; Allan Cokin, Palm Beach FL; Frederick Hamilton, Fresno CA; Eddie Kantar, Santa Monica CA; Bill Eisenberg, Boca Raton FL; Richard Reisig, Delray Beach FL

vs
 Andy O'Grady, Miami FL; Robert Rosen, Delray Beach FL; Steven Pawliger, Hollywood FL; Martin Hoffman, Lauderhill FL

John Gustafson - Helen Gustafson - Harry Ross, Des Moines IA; Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA; Mike Albert - Marilyn Hemenway, Omaha NE

vs
 Ed Groner, Duncan OK; Steve Lawrence, Athens TX; Bob Luebke, Walnut Creek CA; Richard Holmes, Wichita KS

Colin Revill, Burlington ON; Edward White, Grand Blanc MI; Marc Low - Sandra Low, Centerville OH; Joan Remy Moore, Troy MI; Phil Leon, Grosse Pointe MI

vs
 Chris Larsen - Kay Larsen, Costa Mesa CA; Lea Dupont - Benito Garozzo, Palm Beach FL

Joseph Jabon, Bellevue WA; G Gard Hays, Veradale WA; Trudi Nugit, Bel-Air CA; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA

vs
 James Fellows - Barbara Fellows, Omaha NE; Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; Lee Magee, Prairie Village KS

Richard Kiepf, Boerne TX; Jim Mahorner, Tallahassee FL; Sidney Axelrod - Eileen Axelrod, Chicago IL

vs
 Gerald Schneider, Saint Louis MO; Marvin Shapiro, St Louis MO; Alan Oaks, Germantown TN; Anthony Astrologes, Hazelwood MO

IMP Pairs idea works

Yesterday a one-session stratified IMP Pairs event was run in the evening for the teams that dropped out of the various Swiss Team events. This event replaced the usual Swiss consolations.

The event proved very popular -- 56 tables signed up. Of this field half came from teams that dropped out of the Swiss and half were new entries.

Our thanks to Roger Lord for suggesting this new event.

CHARITY KNOCKOUT TEAMS Continued from page 15

2.26 5/8 Audrey Long, Kimberling City MO
 Betty Vandervort, Freehold NJ; Faith Reddy, Princeton NJ; C Knipple, Madisonville KY; F Bell, Evansville IN
 2.26 5/8 Eugene Lyons, Arlington VA; Fay Entler, York PA; Charles Hays, Lawrenceville GA; Richard Hagenlocker, Fredericksburg VA

Bracket 6

15 Teams
 6.33 1 Celia Meyer - Lana Lu Hull, Manchester MO; Wojciech Kaniewski, Chesterfield MO; Wojciech Golik, St Louis MO
 4.75 2 Lee Miller - Pat Bradley, St Louis MO; Lois Miller, Vero Beach FL; Betty Anderson, Chesterfield MO
 3.12 3/4 George Marvin - Sasanka Ramanadham - Mark Gilje, St Louis MO; Luis Remis, Saint Charles MO
 3.12 3/4 Elizabeth Grace, Henderson KY; Nancy Thornberry, Robards KY; Joanne Wright, Evansville IN; Ann Lourie, Newburgh IN

1ST SATURDAY ZIP KO—BLUE FLIGHT

16 Teams
 3.94 1 John Marlin, Frankfort KY; Sandra Thompson, Somerset KY; Paul Coulter, New Albany IN; Mike Sloan, Marengo IN
 2.96 2 Sandy Ritchey - Paula Messinger, Columbus OH; John Blubaugh, Indianapolis IN; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA
 1.94 3/4 Byron Crittenden, Kingswood Surrey, England; James Bochsler, London, England; Toola Keso, Holland; Dolly Davis, Sparks NV
 1.94 3/4 Scott Merritt - Lisa Sievers - Robert Sievers, Champaign IL; Brandon Buzzell, Urbana IL

1ST SATURDAY ZIP KO—GOLD FLIGHT

14 Teams
 3.64 1 Jean Cole, Richards TX; Ron Woodsum, Houston TX; Nancy Wittwer, Falls City NE; Ross Robbins, Laguna Vista TX
 2.73 2 Roman Shapiro, Fair Lawn NJ; Diana Tenery, Fairfax VA; Samuel Kutin - David Hemmer, Chicago IL
 1.80 3/4 Wirt Gilliam III, San Diego CA; William Kulbersh, Tucker GA; Diana Beasley, Marietta GA; Claude Chimene, San Antonio TX
 1.80 3/4 Kitten Haag - Chris Moll, Metairie LA; Bill Cook Jr, Madison MS; Brita Bridenstine, Pittsburgh PA

1ST SATURDAY ZIP KO—WHITE FLIGHT

14 Teams
 3.64 1 Daniel Levin, Wheaton IL; Hank Youngerman, Longwood FL; Craig Ganzer, Fairfax VA; Joe Aramowicz, Harrisburg PA
 2.73 2 Shirley Seals, Ponte Vedra FL; John Freed - Steven Greenstein, New York NY; Alan Goldenberg, Oak Ridge TN
 1.80 3/4 Ross Spiro, Cherry Hill NJ; Alexander Clague, Brooklyn NY; David Bryant, San Francisco CA; Nancy Ferguson, Greenbrae CA
 1.80 3/4 Jeffrey Carter, Lombard IL; Craig Andersen - Marcia Aspinall, Naperville IL; Michael Hewson, Bolingbrook IL

RENO MORNING CONTINUOUS PAIRS FINAL

160 Players
 7.60 1/2 William Hunter, Reading MA 124.89
 7.60 1/2 Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA 124.89
 6.03 3/4 Kotomi Asakoshi, Tokyo JA 123.92
 6.03 3/4 Tadashi Teramoto, Yokohama JA 123.92
 4.31 5/6 John Schapflin, Florissant MO 118.02
 4.31 5/6 Vincent Lopiccolo, Ballwin MO 118.02

SUNDAY AFTERNOON 50/100/200 PAIRS

44 Pairs

	D	E	F	
4.11	1			Beth Armstrong, Kalamazoo MI; Jessica Mendelson, Troy MI 111.50
3.08	2			Bernice Mamroth, Houston TX; Vince D'Souza, Stratford CT 110.50
2.31	3			Lucille Wong - Daniel Wong, Honolulu HI 103.50
1.73	4			Betty Dick-Peddie, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR; Jack Dick-Peddie, Hot Springs Vlg AR 100.00
1.30	5			Carole Zang - Gerald Zang, Lake St Louis MO 99.50
0.98	6			Charles Dailey, Erie PA; Virgil Holdeman, Highland IL 99.00
2.45		1		Rosalie Corbett - Harold Corbett, Avon CO 95.00
1.84		2	1	Pat Warren, Westchester IL; Helen Mehler, Hinsdale IL 93.00
1.38		3		Gary Dayton, Urbana IL; Frederick Clark, Mahomet IL 92.50
1.03		4		Elizabeth Parry - Margaret Kelly, Little Rock AR 90.50
0.78		5		Robbi Graf - Bette Davis, St Thomas VI 88.50
1.19		6	2	Michael Purcell, Mainville OH; Jerry Sainsbury, Maineville OH 88.00
0.89		3		Elenore Collinger - Mimi Mednikow, St Louis MO 86.00
0.67		4		Ann Smith, Corry PR; Mary Rodriguez, Reno NV 83.00

WOMEN'S BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS 2ND QUALIFYING SESSION

SECTIONS K, M
 1 Mildred Breed, Woodway TX; Shawn Quinn, Katy TX; Renee Mancuso, Redondo Beach CA; Tohi Sokolow, Austin TX 19.50
 2 Mary Kay Fletcher - Cheryl Schneider, Westerville OH; Sheryl Langner, Dublin OH; Terry James, Columbus OH 17.00
 3 Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA; Judy Randel, Albuquerque NM; Barb Hamman, Dallas TX; Carol Pincus, Las Vegas NV 15.00
 4 Joan Jackson - Peggy Sutherland - Petra Hamman, Dallas TX; Nell Cahn, Shreveport LA; Linda Perlman, West Palm Bch FL; Hjordi Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL 15.00
 5 Judi Radin - Valerie Westheimer, New York NY; Irina Levitina, Teaneck NJ; Jillian Blanchard, Riverdale NY 14.50
 6 Roni Gitchel, Pittsburgh PA; Jan Shane, White Plains NY; Laurie Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Jan Assini, Chagrin Falls OH 14.00
 7/11 Linda Spangler, Duncannon TX; Jeanne Kretz, McKinney TX; Jerre Gardiner, Ft Worth TX; Fran Beard, Dallas TX 13.50
 7/11 Cynthia Balderson - Peggy Kaplan, Minnetonka MN; Peg Waller, Eden Prairie MN; Audrey Weikle, Saint Paul MN 13.50
 7/11 Eunice Portnoy, Chesterfield MO; Jacqueline Sincoff, St Louis MO; Madi Drimmer, Stamford CT; Myrna Bachiochi, Hamden CT 13.50
 7/11 Jo Morse - Ellause Chaitt, Palm Beach Gdns FL; Terry Michaels, Prairie Village KS; Judi Cody, Annandale VA 13.50
 7/11 Susan Picus, New York NY; Connie Goldberg, Philadelphia PA; Rozanne Pollack, Warren NJ; Lisa Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ 13.50

SECTIONS L, N
 1 Kathie Wei-Sender, Nashville TN; Beth Palmer, Silver Spring MD; Lynn Deas - Juanita Chambers, Schenectady NY; Stasha Cohen, Glen Ridge NJ 18.00
 2/3 Laurie Vogel - Lynne Tamopol - Jacqui Mitchell - Amalya Kears - Gail Greenberg, New York NY 17.00
 2/3 Lee De Simone, Alexandria VA; Nannell Edmunds - Linda Smith, Annapolis MD; Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD 17.00
 4 Kitty Munson, Jersey City NJ; Carol Simon, New York NY; Judy Pede, Cerritos CA; Carreen Hinds, Long Beach CA 16.50
 5 Rhoda Kratenstein, Schenectady NY; Stella Rainey - Libby Fernandez, Tuscaloosa AL; Marinca Letizia, Louisville KY 16.00
 6 Helen Corbin, Menlo Park CA; Donna Rodwell, Naperville IL; Elvera Levine, Charlotte NC; Barbara Nist, Kent WA 15.00
 7 Ginny Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Susan Finkelman, Glenview IL; Suzanne Siebert, Little Rock AR; Jacqueline Derouin, Okemos MI 14.50
 8/11 Gigi Geiger, Austin TX; Gen Geiger, Belleville IL; Ayako Amano, Tokyo, Japan; Miho Sekizawa, Itabashi-Ku, Tokyo, Japan 13.50
 8/11 Fern Thompson - Eileen Cripps - Libushe Zaporozec, Madison WI; Diane Graese, Evanston IL 13.50
 8/11 Karen Walker, Champaign IL; Anne Leverone - Carol Schaffer, Saint Louis MO; Nell Schneider, St Louis MO 13.50
 8/11 Karen Barrett, Vancouver WA; Rebecca Rogers, Dallas TX; Susan Wexler, New York NY; Linda Lewis, Las Vegas NV 13.50

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Goodwill Day

Monday, November 24, 1997, 8:45 a.m.

Event	MP Limit	Session	Entry Fee	Sold
Morning Bracketed KO Teams		1st	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Chicago Morning Continuous/Side Pairs*		1st	\$20 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Stratified 199er Pairs, A	100-200	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat B	50-100	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat C	0-50	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark

Monday, November 24, 1997, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Lila Witte Memorial Stratified Senior Pairs*	1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Marriott Pavilion Ballroom
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Monday, November 24, 1997, 12:30 p.m.

International Fund Pairs*	single	\$18 pair	Marriott Pavilion Ballroom
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Note location change

Monday, November 24, 1997, 12:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

OPEN BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1st & 2nd F	\$88 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark
WOMEN'S BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1st & 2nd F	\$96 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark
SENIOR KO TEAMS	Round 2	\$88 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark
Bracketed KO Teams II (4 rounds, continues Tuesday)	1st & 2nd	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
George DeRuntz Memorial Stratified Open Pairs*	1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark
Sue Deets Memorial Stratified Mixed Pairs*	1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
199er Pairs	0-200	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
99er Pairs	0-100	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
49er Pairs	0-50	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Non-Master Pairs	0-20	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Newcomer Pairs	0-5	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F

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Monday, November 24, 1997, 7:30 p.m.

ACBL-wide Charity Pairs*	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single	\$36 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark

Monday, November 24, 1997, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Stratified Swiss Teams*	single	\$36 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
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TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday, November 25, 1997, 8:45 a.m.

Event	MP Limit	Session	Entry Fee	Sold
Morning KO Teams		2nd	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Chicago Morning Continuous/Side Pairs*		2nd	\$20 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Stratified 199er Pairs, A	100-200	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat B	50-100	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat C	0-50	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark

Tuesday, November 25, 1997, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

R. J. Thalhammer Memorial Stratified Senior Pairs*	1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Marriott Pavilion Ballroom
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Tuesday, November 25, 1997, 12:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

BLUE RIBBON PAIRS (6 sessions) -- Prequalification required	1&2 Q	\$48 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark
SENIOR KO TEAMS	Round 3	\$44 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark
Bracketed KO Teams II	3rd & 4th	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Carl Schulze Appreciation Stratified Open Pairs*	1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Tues., Wed. & Thur. Continuous/Side Pairs*	1st & 2nd	\$20 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Rose Garden
199er Pairs	0-200	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
99er Pairs	0-100	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
49er Pairs	0-50	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Non Master Pairs	0-20	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Newcomer Pairs	0-5	single	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F

Tuesday, November 25, 1997, 11:30 p.m.

ZIP Stratified Swiss Teams*	single	\$36 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
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*Unless otherwise indicated, Stratified Open events are divided: A (unlimited and separate); B, C & D stratified -- B (750-1500), C (300-750), D (0-300). Strat breaks for Open and Senior Stratified Pairs and Teams are: A (1000+), B (300-1000), C (0-300). Strat breaks for Continuous/Side Pairs and Zip Swiss teams are: A (750+), B (0-750).