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Canada surprises, takes gold in Salt Lake

By Brent Manley

Looking back, it probably would have been a good idea for Jamie Sale and David Pelletier to stop by the Salt Lake City Hilton for a bit of coaching before they took to the ice in the 19th Winter Olympic Games.

The Canadian figure skaters, who were nearly robbed of the top prize by a suspect judge, might have benefitted from some advice by the first Canadians to earn gold in Salt Lake — the six-man squad which surprised everyone by winning the 4th IOC Grand Prix, the bridge exhibition that concluded just as the Olympics began.

So, what would the Grand Prix champs have told the skaters?

How about *Start off like a house afire and hold on?*

That's what the Canadians did in the men's final against Poland, thanks to a 44-0 second set. It also didn't hurt that the underdogs showed up in Salt Lake with a never-say-die spirit.

"We won because of character," said an exuberant Joey Silver of Montreal. "We outplayed them because of character. I'm proud of this team."

Silver, an attorney, played with Toronto resident Fred Gitelman, a computer expert in the process of moving to Las Vegas. Their teammates were Calgary residents Nick Gartaganis, a government intelligence analyst, and Gordon Campbell, computer expert and property manager; Edmonton's Peter Jones, communications facilitator for a construction company, and Keith Balcombe, materials manager from Oshawa ON.

The Canadian victory capped a five-day tournament aimed at, if only briefly, turning the attention of Olympics officials to the game of bridge, whose leaders have been knocking on the door of the Games for several years now. The Canadians were joined as gold



Grand Prix champions: Fred Gitelman, Joey Silver, Gordon Campbell, Peter Jones, Nick Gartaganis and Keith Balcombe.

medal winners by France — Catherine D'Ovidio, Veronique Bessis, Benedicte Cronier and Sylvie Willard. They defeated the USA — Mildred Breed, Amalya Kearse, Jill Meyers, Sharon Osberg, Shawn Quinn, Kerri Sanborn and playing captain Rose Meltzer — in the women's final 173-80.

In the Junior competition, the Americas team — Americans Joel Wooldridge and John Hurd, playing with Argentinians Agustin Madala and Carlos Pellegrini — tied with Europe North, composed of pairs from the Netherlands and Denmark.

The other USA Junior team — Kent Mignocchi, John Kranyak, Joe Grue and Brad Campbell — defeated Europe South (Italy and France) in the bronze-medal playoff.

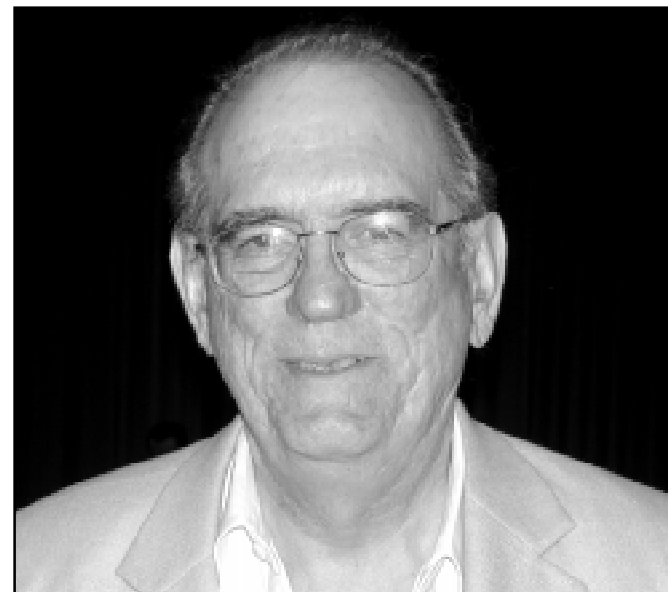
José Damiani, president of the World Bridge Federation, was cautiously optimistic about the upshot of the Grand Prix, which was contested away from Lausanne, Switzerland, for the first time since

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Locals Gates and Suty lead Open Pairs

Georgiana Gates and Daniel Suty of Houston led by 1.6 matchpoints after two qualifying sessions of the Open Pairs I. Their score of 1205.45 was enough to lead, but they were not far ahead of Virginians Janet and Robert Gookin.

In third place were a pair of Norwegians — Joergen Molberg and Boerre Lund, followed by Paul Soloway of Mill Creek WA and Steve Catlett of Richmond VA.



Dan Morse

District 16 boasts colorful history

District 16 began life as a series of units, organized in Dallas and Houston in 1949. A 1951 *Bridge Bulletin* report on the ACBL Board of Directors meeting lists Jerry Lewis of Dallas as one of 10 ACBL vice presidents.

By 1952 the league had organized into districts. District 9 was made up of these units: Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, Sooner (Oklahoma), Tulsa, Arkansas, Louisiana, Shreveport LA, Mississippi and West Tennessee.

Robert Y. Barrett of Houston was the first district director. He was succeeded by John Gerber, also of Houston, in 1955.

The league reorganized into districts in 1956 and District 16 — units in Dallas, Fort Western, El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, South Texas and Mexico City — was born. George Heath of Dallas was elected to a one-year term beginning Nov. 1, 1956. He was elected for a three-year term the following year.

Heath was succeeded by Jerry Lewis, who served as ACBL president in 1963 and as chairman of the Board of Directors in 1962 and 1964.

Lewis was succeeded by "Big Ira" Corn of Dallas, who served as district director from 1965 to 1980 and as ACBL president in 1980. Corn was best known for organizing, financing and captaining the Aces, the world's first professional bridge team. The Aces won the Bermuda Bowl in 1970 and 1971.

Bobby Wolff of Dallas, who grew up in San Antonio and ran a bridge club there, became the next district director. Wolff, an original member of the Aces, served from 1981 to 1992. He was ACBL president in 1987.

Wolff resigned to become president of the World Bridge Federation and Dan Morse of Houston was elected as the district director in 1993. Morse continues to serve in the post. He is an ACBL representative to the World Bridge Federation.

Zero tolerance four years later

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

Unacceptable behavior has decreased. The goal, however, is to eliminate unacceptable behavior as much as possible.

Please report conduct that is unacceptable while keeping in mind that we must be tolerant of other people in general -- and bridge players in particular. Also report conduct that is outstanding or refreshing.

Commendable behavior includes (but is not limited to):

- 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 is also a regulation.

Unacceptable behavior includes (but is not limited to):

- Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, profanity, threats or violence.
- Negative comments concerning opponents' or partner's play or bidding.
- Gloating over good results.
- Constant and gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table.
- Loud and disruptive arguing with a director's ruling.

If you experience someone exhibiting discourteous behavior or being other than civil, please call a tournament director immediately. If you feel that there was a very serious breach of discipline, in addition to the resolution by the tournament director at the table, please discuss the problem directly with the Director-in-Charge of the tournament.

Should it become necessary to call a tournament director, you may simply state: "This player is interfering with my enjoyment of the game."

The director will then attempt to determine the facts. If he establishes 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, regardless of who initiated the unacceptable behavior. If both members of a partnership are guilty, the penalties are cumulative (1/4 board *each* = 1/2 board or 3 IMPs *each* = 6 IMPs).

If it is determined that a second offense has occurred in the same event, the offender(s) shall be

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Audrey relocates

The venue for the free bridge lessons by Audrey Grant, scheduled for today from 10 a.m. to noon, has changed. You can find her on the 21st floor of the Westin Oaks in a room called The Roof.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, March 9

Club Managers' Morning and Junior Day

- 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Marketing for Club Development. Westin Oaks, Embassy Room. Join Marti Ronemus, coordinator of Easybridge!, to learn more about how to promote your club.
- 9:00 a.m. - Noon Teachers and Cruises. Westin Oaks, Oak Room. Arlette Schutte offers tips on becoming a successful teacher/game director on a cruise ship. \$25 fee (certificate to participants).
- 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Easybridge! Stages A & B, with Easybridge! Field Coordinator Marti Ronemus. (Stage A in the morning, lunch break, Stage B in the afternoon.) Westin Oaks, Directors Room.
- 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Coffee with Carol Robertson, Westin Oaks, Embassy Room. Robertson, manager of the ACBL Club Membership Department, and other ACBL staff members will be on hand to answer questions and to let you know about new opportunities and programs for clubs.
- 10:00 a.m. - Noon Free bridge lesson with Audrey Grant. Westin Oaks, The Roof (21st floor).
- 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Easybridge! Stage C. Westin Oaks, Consulate Room. Easybridge! Coordinator Marti Ronemus presents an Accreditation Update Seminar.
- 11:00 a.m. - Noon ACBLscore Seminar with Rick Beye, Associate National Tournament Director. Westin Oaks, Embassy Room. Beye will discuss the benefits of using the ACBLscore program and answer questions.
- Noon - 12:45 p.m. Joan Pleason plays show tunes and golden oldies at the Marriott.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Martin and Elaine Ware : *How to be a good partner (including playing with your spouse!)*. Westin Oaks, Consort II.
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Bridge Plus+. Westin Oaks, Consort II.
- 4:30 p.m. e-bridge volunteers meeting, Embassy Room, Westin Oaks
- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Newcomer Reception. Westin Oaks, Consort II.
- 5:30 p.m. Junior dinner at Chili's in Galleria.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Bruce Reeve, *Care and Feeding of Your Favorite Pet*. Westin Oaks, Consort II. Reeve, Raleigh NC, is District 7's representative to the ACBL Board of Directors. He is a Diamond Life Master and an ACBL Accredited Teacher.
- After the evening session Baked potato bar at the Marriott and the Westin Galleria Plaza Ballroom, third floor. Join us at the Westin for the *Knight Beats*, a fantastic Elkins High Jazz Ensemble. Enjoy the music and congratulate the pair (25 years or younger) who won the Junior Day \$10,000 scholarship award donated and presented by Jim "Mattress Mac" McIngvale, owner of Gallery Furniture.
- After the evening session Patron Member reception, President George Retek's suite, Westin Oaks, Room 2105. Patron Members only.

Sunday, March 10

- 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. Easybridge! presenters' breakfast and meeting with Easybridge! coordinator Marti Ronemus and the Easybridge! staff. Westin Oaks, Oak Room.
- 9:30 a.m. - Noon Board of Governors meeting. J W Marriott, Exhibit Hall Salon II.
- 10:00 a.m. - Noon Bridgebase.com -- teaching online. Westin Oaks, Embassy Room. Teachers are invited to learn how to work with BridgeBase and ACBL to offer bridge lessons online. Fred Gitelman will provide details on how to sign on, register your students and prepare your course material.
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. International Team Trials Commission meeting. J W Marriott, Nueces Room.
- 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Easybridge! Stages A & B, with Easybridge! Field Coordinator Marti Ronemus. (Stage A, break, Stage B.) Westin Oaks, Directors Room.
- Noon - 12:45 p.m. Joan Pleason plays show tunes and golden oldies at the Marriott.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Jerry Helms, *Jerry-isms*. Westin Oaks, Consort II. Helms, Charlotte NC, is a full-time bridge professional, club owner, bridge teacher and a TAP Teacher/Trainer for the ACBL's Education Program. He is a Diamond Life Master and a member of the National Goodwill Committee.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Harriette Buckman, *Bridge Players' R&R -- Rights and Responsibilities*. Westin Oaks, Consort II. Buckman, Lincolnwood IL, is District 13's representative to the ACBL Board of Directors.
- After the evening session Hero sandwiches and chips at the Marriott and the Westin Galleria Plaza Ballroom, third floor. Join us at the Westin for singer Michael Ballew, a real Texas troubadour.

Monday, March 11

- 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Easybridge! Stages A & B, with Easybridge! Field Coordinator Marti Ronemus. (Stage A in the morning, lunch break, Stage B in the afternoon.) Westin Oaks, Directors Room.
- 9:00 a.m. - Noon Club Directors' Refresher Course. Westin Oaks, Oak Room. This is a three-session program dealing with the public relations aspect of running a successful club. The fee is \$20 if pre-registered; \$25 at the door. (Continues Tuesday and Wednesday.)
- 10:00 a.m. Fashion show at the Westin Galleria, Plaza Ballroom (third floor). Bridge players model clothes from Chico's. Refreshments will be served.
- 10:00 a.m. - Noon Teacher Update Meeting. Westin Oaks, Embassy Room. Join Kitty Cooper for a presentation on teaching in schools. Cooper, organizer of the Albuquerque Bridge Teaching Program, will share information on new lessons plans and a Powerpoint presentation created to help get bridge into schools.
- 10:30 a.m. - Noon Remembering Norman Kay. J W Marriott, Lamar Room.
- Noon - 12:45 p.m. A barbershop quartet will serenade players at the Marriott.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Ken Monzingo, *Hand Patterns*. Westin Oaks, Consort II. Monzingo, San Diego, is managing editor of *The Contract Bridge Forum*, the monthly publication of Districts 17, 20, 21 and 22.
- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Goodwill Reception. Westin Galleria, Monarch Room.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Curtis Cheek, *Bridge -- the Language of Love*. Westin Oaks, Consort II. Cheek, Huntsville AL, is a bridge professional who has won numerous regional events.
- After the evening session Sundae Night at the Marriott and the Westin Galleria Plaza Ballroom, third floor. Join us at the Westin for singer Jim Barry and his *Over the Hill Gang*.

Montreal World Championship Quiz #2

To heighten awareness of the Montreal World Championships that will take place in August, the organizers are offering a daily problem. There will be a daily drawing among those who turn in the correct answer to the Daily Bulletin office, Continental Room, Westin Oaks third level.

Every day five prizes will be awarded as the result of the drawing. The winners will have their choice of a World Championship Book from either 1995 or 1996 or a 2002 World Championship hat.

Here is the Quiz 2 problem.

Dlr: East ♠ J
Vul: None ♥ A Q 8 7 6
♦ 7 6
♣ Q 9 8 3 2

♠ 10 7
♥ J 2
♦ K J 10
♣ A K J 10 5 4

West	North	East	South
		1♠	2♣
4♠	5♣	All Pass	

West leads the ♠3. East wins the king and shifts to a low diamond. Which diamond should you play and why? Thanks to Eddie Kantar for the problem.

Solution to Quiz #1

(Problem on page 2 of Daily Bulletin 1)

♠ A Q 9
♥ A J 8 7 6
♦ Q
♣ Q 4 3 2

♠ 6 5 4
♥ 3 2
♦ K J 5 4
♣ J 8 7 6

♠ K J 8 3
♥ Q 5 4
♦ 9 8 7 6
♣ 10 9

♠ 10 7 2
♥ K 10 9
♦ A 10 3 2
♣ A K 5

The contract is 3NT by South. West leads the ♠6. Assuming you were playing this contract for your life, how would you play to ensure nine tricks?

Kantar's answer: For your life, rise with the ♠A, lead a heart to the king and run the ♥10 into East. Assuming this loses you have nine sure tricks, and a 10th if the clubs are 3-3.

If you duck the spade lead or put in the queen, the cards could lie in such a way that you would live to regret your greediness. East could shift to a diamond. True, with the actual lie of the cards you could still come out of this by rising with the ace and finessing a heart into West. Even if the finesse fails, the defenders could take only two more diamonds, but then again the diamonds might be placed differently, and you could lose three or even more diamond tricks!

On the other hand, if you duck the diamond switch around to the queen, the cards might be as you see them. West wins and plays a second spade, which you duck again. This time East wins and returns a second diamond, and you feel as if your head is on a swivel. You now find yourself down to guessing the ♥Q for your contract. Ugh.

Westin restaurant discount

Show your convention card at any restaurant in either Westin hotel and receive a 20% discount on your bill.

Helix BioMedix Inc.

Helix BioMedix Inc. is hosting an information meeting for shareholders and other interested people at 11 a.m. on Wednesday in the Travis Room at the J.W. Marriott Hotel.

A leading question

By Barry Rigal

How do you fancy yourself on opening leads? Just look at the bidding and the East cards and plan your opening salvo.

Dlr: South ♠ J 9 8 7 5 4

Vul: E-W ♥ 9 7 5

♦ J

♣ K 9 5

♠ A Q 10

♥ A K 10

♦ K Q 10 4 3

♣ Q 7

♠ 2

♥ Q J 8 6 4 3 2

♦ 9 6

♣ J 10 4

♠ K 6 3

♥ --

♦ A 8 7 5 2

♣ A 8 6 3 2

West North East South

Dbl 2♠ 3♥ 1♦

Dbl All Pass 4♠

What do you think of the choice of the ♣J? Well, a trump lead holds declarer to seven tricks for minus 500. A club lead worked out considerably worse. Lew Stansby, winner with his wife JoAnna of the North American Pairs, won the king and ruffed a heart, cashed the ♦A and ruffed a diamond. Then he ruffed a heart, cashed the ♣A and ruffed a third diamond with East unable to overruff. He ruffed a third heart and a fourth diamond. That was nine tricks in the bag with this ending:

♠ J 9 8

♥ --

♦ --

♣ 9

♠ A Q 10

♥ --

♦ K

♣ --

♠ --

♥ Q J 8 6

♦ --

♣ --

♠ --

♥ --

♦ 2

♣ 8 6 3

Lew exited with the ♣9 and collected a trump trick in the ending for plus 590 for 22.5 matchpoints out of 25.

Arsenic and old ace gets two thumbs up

Arsenic and Old Ace, a mystery melodrama by Toni Snow, got two-thumbs-up reviews from the bridge players who watched the show last night.

The cast consisted of John Zilic, Shawn Quinn, Wayne Miller, Don Timko, Paul Nimmons, Toni Snow, Richard Polunsky, Mary LeGrand, Rev. Rick Elliott, Marsha Bernstein, Helen Lauderdale, Jolie Hess and Chris Compton.

Terry Currie was stage manager, and Sandy Stevens was in charge of graphics. Meredith Beck was the card girl, and Joan Pleason was at the piano.

Quiz winners

The following are winners in the first Montreal World Championship Quiz:

James Gormong, Howard Einberg, Marvin Shatz, Jerry Poliquin and Shirley Matthews.

Please collect your prizes at the Daily Bulletin office – Continental Room in the Westin Oaks Hotel.

Attention Juniors! A change in coupons

At this tournament Junior Coupons are good for entry to any event for just \$6.00.

Coupons will be available only to ACBL members who are residents of Zone 2 (North America including Bermuda) who are either (1) 21 years of age or younger or (2) full-time students between 22 and 25 years of age. Full-time students must offer proof of eligibility prior to purchasing their entry.

Goin' campin'

The first 75 North American Junior players who are accepted for the 2002 Junior Bridge Camp will receive quite a deal -- the ACBL Educational Foundation will subsidize \$200 of the \$425 tuition cost.

The camp is scheduled for July 29-Aug. 4, 2002 at Frostburg State University in Frostburg MD.

Transportation will be provided to the camp on Monday, July 29, from the Marriott Wardman Park, site of the Summer NABC, and from Ronald Reagan and Dulles airports in Washington DC. Transportation will be provided to both airports Aug. 5 and buses will arrive at the airports by noon.

Juniors, ages 16-25, are encouraged to participate. You may apply by phoning Charlotte Blaiss, ACBL Director of Junior Programs, at (901) 332-5586 Ext. 214 or Harley Bress at Ext. 222. You may send an e-mail application to Charlotte.Blaiss@acbl.org or Harley.Bress@acbl.org. You may send your written request to: Junior Bridge Camp, 2990 Airways Boulevard, Memphis TN 38116-3847.

The camp will kick off with opening ceremonies on Monday, July 29, at 5:00 p.m. followed by an outdoor barbecue. Closing ceremonies will be held on the evening of Aug. 4 with participants returning to the DC area the following morning.

The camp's daily program will include lectures, physical-sporting events, picnics and numerous bridge tournaments. In addition, there will be an outing to the nearby Youghioghney River in Ohiopyle PA for an afternoon on Class III and Class IV rapids.

\$\$\$ for Juniors

Junior players will have a chance to share in a \$10,000 scholarship -- that's the prize today for the winners of a special event for Juniors at the Gallery Furniture Houston NABC.

The event, sponsored by Gallery Furniture, will be limited to Junior players (aged 25 and younger). The event is a two-session regionally rated game.

Dinner for Juniors

Junior players are invited to join Charlotte Blaiss and other Junior players for dinner at Chili's in the Galleria today-- Junior Day -- at 5:30 p.m. The dinner is co-sponsored by Gallery Furniture, the Houston NABC and the ACBL.

Goodwill message

Today in Junior Day, the day we celebrate -- and salute -- our Junior players. These players, ages 25 and younger, are the future of ACBL. Encourage them. Today's Junior player is tomorrow's Jeff Meckstroth.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman
National Goodwill Committee

Jesse Heim honored with special game

Two of yesterday's games were named in honor of outstanding bridge personalities.

The first was the Jessie Heim Stratified Senior Pairs, which her daughter, Melva Keil, bought to honor her mother. Melva remembered vividly what happened back in the Fifties.

"The doorbell rang and a telegram came with an orchid congratulating Mother on becoming a Life Master," said Melva. "What a terrific honor for one of the first women to achieve the title."

"She was one of a kind and very independent for a woman of that time. She was a colorful person who had a commanding presence. Never short of an opinion, she played a room just as well as she played bridge, which she played with the perseverance and confidence of a champion athlete.

"She had a brilliant mind and knew the game inside and out. Her gift of gab was as much her trademark as her red hair. Even to this day, people come up to me with any number of stories she shared.

"I am very proud that she was my mother, leaving me with many fond memories and a passion for the game."

Unit 74 purchased the Bracketed Knockout Teams which became the Shawn Quinn Bracketed KOs in honor of the woman who has made such a major mark in bridge at both the North American and the world level. She has won nine North American championships and the 2000 World Women's Olympiad. In addition, she was third in the 2001 Venice Cup and a runner-up in the last three IOC Grand Prix (two in Lausanne, Switzerland and the last in February just before the start of the Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City).

Quinn has two other world titles: the World Women's Pairs in 1998 and the Women's Team Olympiad in 1996.

The Fort Concho Unit BAM Teams was purchased by the friends and supporters of the Fort Concho Unit.

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Fort Western Unit Day

Fort Western really came through with support for our NABC. We want to extend a personal thanks to the folks who contributed above and beyond:

Maxine Burwitz 299er Pairs

Arlington DBC 299er Swiss Teams

DeWitt & Elizabeth Hudson Stratified Senior Pairs

Bobby & Georgie Jaeger 299er Pairs

Mel Bason & Kay Jones Board-a-Match Teams

Natalie Cohn 299er Pairs

Wiltie & Gretchen Creswell 299er Swiss Teams

Meredith's Midnight Madness. What can we say -

- after two years, Meredith Beck still holds the title of ACBL's youngest woman Life Master. Even though she now lives in Philadelphia, she will always be a Houstonian to us.

USBF Dues

Players are reminded to pay their 2002 United States Bridge Federation dues before the Vanderbilt starts tomorrow.

The \$50 USBF dues must be paid prior to the first session of play in the 2002 Vanderbilt in order for teams to be eligible for Placing Points earned toward a bye in the 2002 United States Bridge Championships.

Look for the "Pay USBF Dues Here" sign and manned desk one hour before game time Sunday at the Vanderbilt playing site at the J W Marriott.



Bridgebase.com – Teaching Online

Teachers are invited to learn how to work with BridgeBase and ACBL to offer bridge lessons online. Fred Gitelman will give you the details of how to sign on, register your students and prepare your course material. Don't miss this new and interesting seminar.

Date: Sunday, March 10

Location: Westin Oaks/Embassy Room

Time: 10 AM to 12 Noon • **Fee:** None

NABC+ OPEN PAIRS I QUALIFIERS

NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS A B C		EAST-WEST	
1	Georgiana Gates - Daniel Suty, Houston TX	1205.45	1	David Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ; Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL	1159.05
2	James Cayne, New York NY; Geir Helgemo, Trondheim Norway	1145.45	2	Jay Apfelbaum, Pittsburgh PA; Ruth Grant, Hastings Hdsn NY	1152.55
3	Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA; Andrew Robson, Santa Cruz CA	1130.95	3	Jacob Morgan - Eileen Cripps, Madison WI	1110.05
4	Joan Brooke - Dave Glen, La Quinta CA	1130.80	4	Jill Levin - Robert Levin, Bronx NY	1108.47
5	Linda Spangler, Duncanville TX; Paul Markarian, Fort Worth TX	1125.53	5	Karen McCallum, Exeter NH; Lynn Baker, Austin TX	1098.05
6	JoAnna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Castro Valley CA	1097.38	6	Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL	1086.05
7	Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; David Butler, Keswick VA	1092.49	7	Jayne Thomas, Lutz FL; Stephen Warner, Davie FL	1083.97
8	Diane Walker, Gaithersburg MD; Jo Anne Casen, Boca Raton FL	1079.88	8	Edward Barlow, Sunnyvale CA; Evan Bailey, San Diego CA	1080.62
9	Lisa Cabay - Stan Cabay, Edmonton AB	1072.95	9	Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Geoff Hampson, Los Angeles CA	1065.20
10	Curtis Cheek, Huntsville AL; Mike Cappelletti, Hixson TN	1070.45	10	Jan Martel, Davis CA; Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA	1064.00
11	Jeff Olson, Dallas TX; Gene Freed, Los Angeles CA	1063.95	11	Fred King, Falls Church VA; Marc Umeno, Cleveland OH	1060.62
12	Roger Lord, Saint Louis MO; Peggy Kaplan, Minnetonka MN	1063.50	12	Gaylor Kastle, Boca Raton FL; Gary Cohler, Miami FL	1048.50
13	James Golden, Brookline MA; Christopher Storm, Hanover NH	1057.95	13	Richard Meffley - James Tritt, Fresno CA	1046.55
14	Bobby Wolff, Fort Worth TX; Seymon Deutsch, Laredo TX	1045.00	14	Jim Stogner, Atlanta GA; Marvin Shatz, Hilton Head SC	1041.05
15	Jim Aitken - Haskell Fuller, Bellevue WA	1025.95	15	John Rengstorff, New York NY; Adam Wildavsky, Jackson Heights NY	1034.05
16	Carol Sanders, Nashville TN; Libby Fernandez, Northport AL	1016.50	16	Dennis Sorensen, Portland OR; George Pisk, Manchaca TX	1029.55
17	Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA; Alan Lebendig, Los Angeles CA	1016.38	17	Jolie Hess, Houston TX; Penny Snow, Beeville TX	1022.01
18	Cenzig Arigun - Nuri Cenzig, Turkey	1015.50	18	Ed Ulman, Portland OR; Don Nemiro, Hollister CA	1021.00
19	Simon Kantor, Agawam MA; John Potter, Panama City FL	1015.45	19	Harvey Brody, San Francisco CA; Nels Erickson, Las Vegas NV	1006.05
20	Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie TX; Kimmel Jones, Euless TX	1014.95	20	Rhoda Prager, Allentown PA; Gloria Brown, Virginia Beach VA	1004.05
21	George Steiner, Seattle WA; Steve Beatty, Bothell WA	1005.50	21	Bill St Clair Jr, Houston TX; Seth Cohen, Stamford CT	990.12
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS D E F		EAST-WEST	
1	Joergen Molberg - Boerre Lund, Trondheim Norway	1179.22	1	John Lusky - Dennis Metcalf, Portland OR	1128.26
2	Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA; Steve Catlett, Richmond VA	1168.98	2	George Jacobs, Burr Ridge IL; Alfredo Versace, Rome, Italy	1116.30
3	Niel Waletzky, Shaker Heights OH; Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH	1164.20	3	Jack Lacy, Round Rock TX; Gary Powell, Austin TX	1111.28
4	Peter Stromberg, Hanuige SE; Tadashi Teramoto, Yokohama, Japan	1160.88	4	Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA; Brad Moss, New York NY	1107.17
5	Ralph Katz, Hinsdale IL; Allan Falk, Okemos MI	1153.13	5	Loren Hawkins, Bremerton WA; Dudley Brown, Grandview WA	1089.99
6	Howard Weinstein, Sarasota FL; Steve Garner, Northfield IL	1151.85	6	Cynthia Balderson, Minnetonka MN; Carole Miner, Rochester MN	1079.79
7	Jan Nathan, Manhattan Beach CA; Steve Mager, Hermosa Beach CA	1137.61	7	Wafik Abdou, Bakersfield CA; B Wayne Stuart III, Santa Cruz CA	1076.87
8	Mike Passell, Plano TX; Michael Seamon, Miami Beach FL	1104.83	8	Stephen Schmeer, Croton Hdsn NY; Carlos Munoz, White Plains NY	1074.66
9	Chris Larsen, Costa Mesa CA; Jon Wittes, Claremont CA	1100.97	9	Vivian Kilstrup, Vail CO; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ	1061.66
10	Norman Beck, Dallas TX; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX	1075.50	10	Douglas Dang, San Mateo CA; Srikanth Kodayam, San Leandro CA	1060.99
11	Joshua Parker, Briarcliff NY; Bruce Rogoff, New York NY	1069.59	11	Dave Westfall, Spokane WA; Dick Yarrington, Seattle WA	1050.68
12	Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR; Randy Pettit, Marietta GA	1050.72	12	David Horner, Carrollton TX; Ed Groner, Duncan OK	1042.76
13	Edward Zaluski, Ottawa ON; James Gordon, S Burlington VT	1046.75	13	Lyle Poe Jr, Columbia MD; David Kogut, Statesville NC	1035.80
14	Tony Forrester, Herefordshire, England; Boye Brogeland, Fyllingsdalen, Norway	1043.08	14	Ron Smith, San Francisco CA; Justina McKee, Summit MS	1033.97
15	Tom Kniest, Saint Louis MO; Karen Walker, Champaign IL	1029.24	15	Dan Gerstman, Buffalo NY; Henry Bethe, Ithaca NY	1029.38
16	Rick Goldstein, White Plains NY; Steven Ehrenworth, Wayne NJ	1027.17	16	William Esberg, Long Branch NJ; Robert Ryder, Caldwell NJ	1027.33
17	James Griffin - Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX	1026.86	17	Mildred Breed, College Sta TX; Shawn Quinn, Richmond TX	1025.30
18	Victor Chernoff - Guy Green, Los Angeles CA	1024.06	18	George Mittelman, Toronto ON; Peter Nagy, Las Vegas NV	1022.13
19	Roy Welland - Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY	1022.76	19	Kenneth King - Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC	1017.73
20	John Gilbert, Kitchener ON; Stephen Mackay, Markham ON	1022.14	20	Kenji Miyakuni, Tokyo JP; Kazuo K. Furuta, Kanagawa-Ken, Japan	1015.12
21	Buddy Hanby, Spring TX; Richard Oshlag, Germantown TN	1008.25	21	Fred Gitelman - Sheri Winestock, New York NY	1014.96
22	Ralph Cohen, Memphis TN; Bud Marsh, Scottsdale AZ	999.88	22	Jim Foster - Allen Hawkins Jr, Birmingham AL	1008.06
23	John Erickson, Houston TX; Steven Huhman, Pleasant Hill CA	999.40	23	Drew Casen, Las Vegas NV; Lee Rautenberg, Boca Raton FL	1006.72
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS G H I		EAST-WEST	
1	Janet Gookin, Annandale VA; Robert Gookin, Falls Church VA	1203.90	1	Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA	1130.96
2	Sam Lev, New York NY; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	1124.37	2	Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY; Irina Levitina, Fair Lawn NJ	1124.96
3	William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; Frederick Allenspach, Potomac MD	1106.74	3	Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA	1120.89
4	Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL; Richard Schwartz, East Elmhurst NY	1094.70	4	David Treadwell, Wilmington DE; Darwin Afdahl, Virginia Beach VA	1111.96
5	Robert Matcha - Jane Matcha, Sugar Land TX	1092.01	5	Norberto Bocchi, Milano IT; Michael Polowan, New York NY	1104.26
6	Rose Meltzer - Peter Weichsel, Los Gatos CA	1085.87	6	David Rosenberg, Jackson Heights NY; Allen Kahn, New York NY	1098.43
7	Stephen Landen, Rochester Hills MI; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Powell OH	1076.37	7	Haig Tchamitch, Peoria AZ; Suzette Wynn, Phoenix AZ	1079.91
8	John Zaluski, Nepean ON; Jeffrey Smith, Ottawa ON	1071.04	8	Lawrence Lau, Westport CT; Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN	1061.13
9	Barry Turner, Richardson TX; John Schwartz, Plano TX	1063.61	9	Magy Rosenberg, Mexico; John Mohan, Christiansted VI	1049.76
10	Rebecca Rogers, Las Vegas NV; Jon Brissman, San Bernardino CA	1063.11	10	Bert Newman, West Bloomfield MI; Bob Webber, Waterford MI	1045.26
11	Linda Lewis, Vashon WA; Jim Robison, Las Vegas NV	1055.59	11	Fred Stewart, Kingston NY; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	1040.07
12	Jeff Miller, Naperville IL; William Wickham, Los Angeles CA	1050.83	12	Andy Stark - Franco Baseggio, New York NY	1037.41
13	Peter Fredin, Malmo SE; Grace Jeklin, Surrey BC	1044.75	13	Kent Mignocchi, Glendale CA; Peter Rank, Los Angeles CA	1035.13
14	Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL	1042.47	14	Danny Sprung - Jo Ann Sprung, Philadelphia PA	1025.38
15	Joan Jackson, Dallas TX; Robin Klar, Spring TX	1038.25	15	Elaine Landow - Craig Robinson, Lansdale PA	1023.89
16	Jerry Clerkin, New Albany IN; Sue Cutler, New York NY	1038.11	16	Nick Nickell, New York NY; Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA	1004.96
17	A Greer, Buffalo NY; P Mallela, Dekalb IL	1030.37	17	G S Jade Barrett, Vancouver WA; Jonathan Greenspan, New York NY	1002.89
18	Marc Leventhal, Yorba Linda CA; Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA	1024.59	18	Winthrop Allegaert, New York NY; Mark Gordon, Purchase NY	1002.03
19	Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Fred Paul, Fort Lee NJ	1017.93	19	Richard Zucker, Dobbs Ferry NY; Jim Krekorian, New York NY	995.13
20	Barbara Shaw - Mark Shaw, Laurel MD	1014.11	20	Patricia Griffin - Stephen Wood, Austin TX	992.76
21	Teri Casen - Julie Miller, Las Vegas NV	1013.54	21	Donald Rothschild, Sunnyvale CA; Diane Shannon, Saratoga CA	992.30

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Flights, Hotels and Reservations

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Hotel reservations must be made through the 2002 World Bridge Championship Housing Bureau: Tel: 1 (514) 844-0848 Fax: 1 (514) 844-6771; E-mail: reservations@tourisme-montreal.org

Please note that the number of rooms at the venue hotels is limited and **you are advised to book early** if you wish to stay in either of the venue hotels — The Queen Elizabeth is already sold out for 15th of August and you are urged to make your reservations as soon as possible.

Prices are per room (double or single occupancy), per night and payable in Canadian dollars. The rates shown do not include 7% Canadian tax, 7.5% Quebec tax and a \$2 per room per night guestroom tax. (At the present time the 7% rate is refundable to non-Canadian visitors.) Conversion to US\$ is calculated on the basis of US\$1 = Cnd \$1.60. **On the list to the right, US\$ prices are shown in parentheses.**

Hotels	Walking Distance	Standard Rooms	Deluxe Rooms	Concierge	Suites	Cutoff Date for Reservations	Remarks
Host Hotel							
Fairmont Queen Elizabeth Hotel	0 mins	\$173 (\$108)	\$194 (\$121)	\$234 (\$146)	\$294 (\$184)	15 July	Tournament venue
Montreal							
Bonaventure Hilton	0 mins	\$213 (\$133)	\$267 (\$167)		\$450 (\$281)	15 July	Tournament venue
Nearby Hotels							
Château Royal Hotel Suites	9 mins	\$135 (\$85) \$189 quad (2 br) (\$118)				1 July	Apartment-style hotel
Days Inn	10 mins	\$119 (\$75) \$129 triple (\$81) \$139 quad (\$87)				15 July	10 th night free after 9 nights
Hotel du Fort	15 mins	\$160 (\$100)	\$185 (\$116)			15 May	Complimentary taxi once a day to venue
Le Cantile	8 mins	\$165 (\$103)				15 May	
Le Nouvel	12 mins	\$155 (\$97)				15 May	Free parking for at least 10 nights' stay
Novotel	6 mins	\$159 (\$99) \$174 triple (\$109) \$189 quad (\$118)				2 July	
Marriott	2 mins	\$195 (\$122)					Available for 28/31 Aug.

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it was inaugurated in 1998. Lausanne is headquarters for the International Olympic Committee and home to the Olympics Museum, where the first three tournaments were played.

"I believe we will get a lot of publicity," Damiani said at the end of the Grand Prix. "More important, it will be good publicity."

Bruce Keidan, longtime ACBL member and newspaper editor, served as media liaison for the Grand Prix while it was in progress. The Pittsburgh resident said he had no trouble selling the event as a news story. "It's obvious to me that there's an audience for this," he said. "It was just a great idea to hold it here."

Approximately 125 bridge players from around the world arrived in Salt Lake to find a city in the final stages of preparation for the Winter Olympics. Security was tight but not oppressive, and Salt Lake residents seemed to have put on their most friendly faces for the athletes — there were hundreds already roaming the streets and filling the hotels — and the bridge players, who hope one day to be part of the Olympic experience.

There were accounts of the bridge event in the local newspapers, but they concentrated on the Olympics for the most part. There was, however, plenty of other attention focused on the efforts to make bridge a part of the Games. There was a front-page article in the *Wall Street Journal* and an interview on National Public Radio. Jill Meyers, one of the competitors, appeared on NBC's *Today* show (the day after the Grand Prix ended), and the NBC Nightly News also carried news of bridge and the Olympics. New agencies outside the USA were also interested, including *La Presse* in Montreal, *The Daily Telegraph* and *The Times* in London. On radio, the BBC covered the story along with German, Norwegian and Dutch television networks.

During the tournament, several Olympics officials visited the Hilton, where play took place.

One of them, Marc Hodler, has been leading the effort to help bridge gain a foothold in the Olympics. Hodler is a member of the executive board of the IOC. He has worked tirelessly to convince his colleagues that bridge belongs in the Olympics. "They think I'm a little crazy to press for that," he said, "and the people with the power to decide are not very favorable (to the idea)."

Hodler said that if bridge is to join the Olympics, there are significant hurdles to overcome, not the least of which is the IOC rule which specifies that Winter Olympics sports must be played on ice or snow. He said there is another rule that once a city has been awarded the Games, no new events can be added for that year. That rule would seem to exclude bridge for many years into the future, considering that the Games have been awarded as far ahead as the summer of 2008 (Beijing).

Hodler said, however, that a special committee of the IOC may soon consider adding another set of games — for indoor sports. That, he said, might allow the transfer of some sports from the Summer Games to relieve some of the pressure of organizing competition for a growing number of athletes. Hodler said the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney, Australia, drew more than 10,000 athletes, a nearly unmanageable number. By contrast, about 2500 athletes showed up for the Salt Lake Games.

No matter what, Hodler said, he is not giving up. "We have made progress," he said. "The World Bridge Federation has been recognized (by the IOC) as a sports federation. That's a big step."

Damiani also remains committed, and he believes his pursuit of the goal has resulted in many converts to his way of thinking — that bridge should be part of the Olympics. The Grand Prix in Salt Lake, he said,

"gave me some force and some strength. I so believe in what I am doing."

The competition

The field for the 4th IOC Grand Prix was star-studded, with dozens of current and former world champions on hand. Following the Olympics format, events were separated by gender, and there was a special competition for Juniors. The USA sent the six members of the reigning world championship team.

In men's and women's events, each bracket of 10 teams played a complete round-robin. The top four teams in each of the two events began knockout play in the semifinal stage, followed by the gold-medal and bronze-medal matches.

In the men's bracket, Canada sent three members of the Canadian National Team Championship squad. The fourth member, Judith Gartaganis, was not eligible for the men's heat, so she played with the Canadian women. Added to the squad for the Grand Prix were Gitelman, Silver and Jones.

Europe dominated both brackets as Italy, Norway, Poland and Canada made up the men's semifinals. In the women's bracket, France — runners-up in last fall's Venice Cup — topped the round-robin, followed by Germany, USA and the Netherlands.

The men's USA entry — Bob Hamman, Ron Smith, David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Nick Nickell and Richard Freeman — finished a disappointing eighth out of 10 teams in the round-robin. In the women's bracket, the Canadians — Gartaganis, Francine Cimon, Dianna Gordon, Beverly Kraft, Gloria Silverman and Katie Thorpe — also finished eighth in the round-robin.

The semifinal matchups in the men's draw were Italy versus Canada and Norway against Poland. In the women's event, USA faced Germany while France battled the Netherlands.

In the men's event, Italy started off against Canada with a carryover of 6 IMPs and immediately increased their lead with a 43-12 first set. Canada lost another 5 IMPs in the second set before cutting 24 IMPs off the deficit with a good third segment. With a quarter to play — 12 deals — Canada was behind by 18 IMPs. The Canadians won the final set 34-5, but they didn't take the lead until the 10th board of the 12-deal set.

Trailing by 1 IMP with three boards to go, Gitelman and Silver were the heroes on two decisive deals that sealed Italy's fate. Ironically, it wasn't until the match was over that Gitelman realized he wasn't actually the goat. The Canadians were playing against Giorgio Duboin and Guido Ferraro.

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

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

♠ Q
♥ 6
♦ Q 7 5
♣ K Q 9 8 7 5 4 2

West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Ferraro</i>
		1♠	4♣
4♠	5♣	5♠	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

In the closed room, Lorenzo Lauria and Alfredo Versace stopped in game, so Canada had a chance for a major swing, and Gitelman was up to the task. In the highly competitive auction, Gitelman had confidence in his partner. "I knew he wouldn't bid 5♠ unless he thought he could make it," Gitelman said. "If he thought he could make 5♠, I thought he could make six."

Gitelman was correct, and plus 1430 put the Canadians ahead by 12 with two deals to go. As it happened, the set of deals was a wild one, and the action was not over.

On the next deal, Lauria and Versace bid to a club slam, so the match was in the balance. Would Gitelman and Silver be up to the challenge?

Dlr: South ♠ 2
Vul: Both ♥ Q 9 7 6 5 4
♦ 10 7 5
♣ 9 7 4

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

♠ J 8 6 5 4 3
♥ J 3
♦ A 9 8 2
♣ 10

West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>Duboin</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Ferraro</i>
			Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	6♣	All Pass

Gitelman's 4♦ bid may look strange, but there was a method to his, you might say, imaginative call. Gitelman can explain: "I knew that if I cuebid 4♥, my partner would not be able to cuebid spades, so I psyched the diamond cuebid."

Ferraro led the ♦A and Fred put down the dummy, noting that his partner did not thank him for the 13 cards lying on the table in front of him. Very quickly, Silver claimed, and Gitelman feared the worst --- that Silver was claiming for down one.

"I thought we might have won it on the previous board," Gitelman said, "but then I thought we had lost it on that board."

In fact, it wasn't until the match was over and the team was making comparisons that Gitelman became aware that Silver had actually claimed 12 tricks, not 11.

The final board was flat --- Italy gained 1 IMP --- and Canada had pulled a huge upset, knocking off the defending Olympiad champions, who had been having their way with the Grand Prix field.

In the final against the formidable team from Poland, Canada was again the underdog. The four Polish players were on the team which narrowly lost to Italy in the 2000 Olympiad in the Netherlands --- and they were playing well, having defeated a strong Norwegian team 112-89 to reach the final.

Ignoring the pundits, Canada raced to an early lead, helped by the huge second quarter. This deal was a missed opportunity for Poland. Gitelman and Silver opposed Cezary Balicki and Adam Zmudzinski.

Dlr: North ♠ 9 8
Vul: Both ♥ A J 5
♦ A Q 6
♣ A Q J 8 2

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

♠ 7 4 3 2
♥ K Q 10 7 6
♦ J 9 2
♣ 4

West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
	1♣	1♠	Db1
Pass	2♠	Db1	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

In the closed room, Jacek Pszczola (East) played in 2♠, taking eight tricks for plus 110. In the open room, Zmudzinski found himself in a vulnerable game that,

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despite bad breaks, had plays.

Gitelman led the ♠J, and Silver played the 10, suit preference for diamonds, when Gitelman obliged. Zmudzinski put in dummy's ♦Q and Silver won the king. He then cashed the ♠A and continued with the ♠Q, forcing dummy to ruff. Zmudzinski cashed the ♥A, getting the bad news in trumps, and continued with the ♥J. Looking at all the cards, one can see that the winning line is to play a diamond to the 9, cash the hearts, pitching the ♦A and clubs, then the ♦J. East will be squeezed in the black suits on the play of the ♦J. Declarer would hold the ♠7 and ♣4 in his hand, while dummy would be down to the ♣A Q. East would be holding the ♠K and the ♣K 7 with no good discard.

Zmudzinski, however, apparently decided early in the play that Gitelman was more likely to hold the ♣K, so after picking up trumps he played a club to dummy's queen. Silver won the king and had a spade to cash for two down and 3 IMPs to Canada instead of 12 to Poland.

Gitelman played expertly on this deal to help his team to a major swing.

Dlr: West ♠ A 10
Vul: E-W ♥ K J 10 7 2
♦ 7 6 4
♣ 6 3 2

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

♠ 9 8 4
♥ Q 9 8 4
♦ Q J 5
♣ A J 7

West	North	East	South
<i>Kwiecien</i>	<i>Gartaganis</i>	<i>Pszczola</i>	<i>Jones</i>
1♣	1♥	1♠	2♣
2♠	Pass	Pass	3♥
Dbl	All Pass		

This must have been scary for Michal Kwiecien and Pszczola — scoring only five tricks against the doubled heart partial by Gartaganis for plus 100. At the other table, Gitelman and Silver found their way to a vulnerable game. All Gitelman had to do was make it.

West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
1♣	2♥	Dbl	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Balicki led the ♦6, and Gitelman studied the dummy for a long time before playing. Eventually, Gitelman played low and won Zmudzinski's ♦J with the ace. He then cashed the ♥A, ruffed a heart and played a spade to his king and Balicki's ace. Balicki exited with his ♠10 to Gitelman's queen. Gitelman then ruffed his last heart and played a low diamond from dummy. Zmudzinski won the ♦Q and played a fourth

round of hearts, but Gitelman ruffed, drew the last trump and gave up only the ♣A from there. That was plus 620 and 11 IMPs to Canada.

Just as Italy had suffered on slam swings against Canada, so did the Poles. The final two deals of the set represented major setbacks for Poland.

Dlr: South ♠ Q 7
Vul: Both ♥ J 4
♦ A K 7 4
♣ Q 9 8 6 5

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

♠ A 10
♥ A K 9 8 7 3
♦ Q 10 5
♣ A J

West	North	East	South
<i>Kwiecien</i>	<i>Gartaganis</i>	<i>Pszczola</i>	<i>Jones</i>
1♠	Dbl	2♠	4♥
All Pass			

With his good spots and the fall of East's ♥10, Peter Jones had no trouble taking 12 tricks for plus 680. Would Poland be able to engineer a slam swing of its own? It turned out that the answer was yes, but not in the way they wanted.

West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
2♠	3♠	Pass	4♥
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♣
All Pass			

Zmudzinski's 1♣ opener was Polish, meaning it could be a minimum balanced hand or any of a wide variety of strong, unbalanced hands. It appeared that, after the 3♠ cuebid, South was to bid 3NT with a minimum and a spade stopper. Zmudzinski's 4♥ bid, therefore, showed a strong hand.

The way the auction developed might have worked out all right for Poland were it not for the terrible break in clubs. Still, it seems that Gitelman's 2♠ bid completely derailed North-South in the auction.

Gitelman started with a low diamond to the jack and queen. Zmudzinski cashed the ♣A and followed with the jack, ducked by Silver. Now Zmudzinski was forced to use a diamond entry to dummy to drive out the ♣K. Silver won the third round of clubs and played the ♥10. Zmudzinski took the ♥A and, preparatory to squeezing West in the majors, cashed the ♠A, before going to dummy again with a diamond. Had that suit been 3-3, Gitelman would indeed have been squeezed in the majors, but Zmudzinski didn't have enough tricks. In the end, because he had failed to unblock the ♥J earlier, Zmudzinski could not endplay Gitelman for down one by exiting with dummy's ♠Q. He had to settle for minus 200 and a 13-IMP loss.

The final deal of the set was another big swing for Canada.

Dlr: West ♠ A J 9 8 7 4 3
Vul: None ♥ 8 5
♦ ---
♣ Q 8 6 3

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

♠ 6 5
♥ Q 9 6 4 3 2
♦ J
♣ A J 10 4

West	North	East	South
<i>Kwiecien</i>	<i>Gartaganis</i>	<i>Pszczola</i>	<i>Jones</i>
Pass	3♠	3NT	Pass
4NT	All Pass		

Pszczola took 11 tricks in the normal-looking notrump contract for plus 460. The auction was much different at the other table.

Looking at all four hands, it is obvious that no slam can be made legitimately. Nevertheless, at four of the eight tables in play at the tournament, slam was bid — and made. Not one of the four pairs took the two tricks to which they were entitled. In the women's match between France and USA, the contract was doubled by North-South (the American pair).

West	North	East	South
<i>Gitelman</i>	<i>Balicki</i>	<i>Silver</i>	<i>Zmudzinski</i>
Pass	4♠	5♦	5♠
6♦	All Pass		

With one board to go Poland had not scored an IMP in the set. Balicki's aggressive 4♠ opener put Poland in position to at least break the shutout. 5♠ doubled would have gone for minus 500, but it's hard to blame Gitelman for carrying on to slam. His ♠K was worthless, but the rest of his hand was potentially useful.

Zmudzinski started with the ♠5 (low from doubletons), and Balicki took the king with the ace. It was up to him then to figure out how to defeat the slam if indeed it could be beaten. Perhaps Balicki did not consider that the defense had a chance, for he took only a moment to return the ♥8. Silver claimed at that point — his losing club was going away on one of dummy's hearts, the king if South didn't cover the jack, the 10 if he did. That was plus 10 IMPs for Canada and a fitting end to a strong set for the underdog Canadian team.

After being shut out in the second quarter, Poland stormed back to win the third set 39-9. With one board to go in the final set, a relatively quiet affair, Canada was in position to win the gold medal without scoring an IMP in the quarter. Down 16-0, they were still in the lead by 1.5 IMPs — and Campbell and Balcombe had bid and made 4♣ in the other room. Barring a complete meltdown by Gitelman and Silver — which wasn't going to happen — Canada had won. In fact, Kwiecien as South, also playing in 4♠, backward finessed in trumps, apparently trying to generate a swing for his side. He thus went down and ended up losing 10 IMPs. Canada had the gold medal with a 76-64.5 victory.

In his remarks at the medal ceremony, ACBL President George Retek, clearly pleased with the showing of his countrymen, remarked: "The slogan of these Olympic Games is 'Light the Fire Within.' Our bridge players have shown with their skill and determination at the Grand Prix that this Olympic motto already exists in our sport."

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ejected from future competition in that event.

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

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28 Pairs					
1.40	1		Grim Lock - Steve Tuggle, Houston TX		110.94
1.05	2		Nancy Crabtree - Phyllis Wilson, Houston TX		95.00
0.79	3		Carl Estes - Robert Wear, Houston TX		89.00
0.59	4		Mary Bridge - Barbara Higgins, Houston TX		87.69
0.44	5		Susan Stone, Kingwood TX; Robin Johnson, Kingwood TX		84.94
0.33	6		Daphne Pickering - C Gerald Pickering, Houston TX		84.50

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 20/50 PAIRS

38 Pairs					
	A	B			
3.05	1		Betty Davis - Millicent Wear, Houston TX		116.22
2.29	2	1	Kay Humphries, Bellaire TX; Mary Hudson, Houston TX		106.35
1.72	3		Steven Eggleston Sr, Dacono CO; Helen Onsager, Littleton CO		105.00
1.29	4		Bobby Stinebaugh - Audrey Stinebaugh, Bellaire TX		103.50
0.97	5		Betty Boyd - Charles Boyd, The Woodlands TX		102.00
0.74	6		Susan Gerard - Faye Dubus, Lake Charles LA		100.00
1.47		2	Carolyn Couch, Sugar Land TX; Betty Draper, Sugarland TX		99.50
1.10		3	Gaylene Jewell - Joe Jewell, Houston TX		93.72
0.83		4	Warren Androus - Dee Androus, Avon CO		92.00
0.70		5	Shannon Hopkins, Katy TX; Christine Malfarlane, Houston TX		86.71
0.49		6	Marsha Sachs - Susan Mullens, Sugar Land TX		82.50

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 100/200/300 PAIRS

54 Pairs					
	A	B	C		
5.18	1	1		Charles Zander, Tomball TX; C. Robert Butterfield, Dallas TX	181.50
3.89	2	2	1	Thomas Lin, Rnch Palo Vrd CA; John C Lai, Houston TX	176.00
2.91	3	3	2	Hugh Miller, Houston TX; Catherine Miller, Chiswick London, England	164.00
2.19	4	4		Lynn Mix - Cheri Staples, Houston TX	159.00
1.64	5	5		Alfredo Ringel - Deborah Ringel, Guadalajara, Mexico	157.00
1.38	6/7	6/7	3	Sue Williams - Elisabeth Kay, Sugar Land TX	156.00
1.61	6/7	6/7		Shirley Ferguson - Marilyn Maxum, Beaumont TX	156.00
1.03			4	Terry Swanson - Harry Swanson, Clive IA	150.00
0.78			5	Nancy Fisher, San Antonio TX; Carol Cobler, Pipe Creek TX	148.00
0.82			6	Brockett Hudson, Austin TX; Christopher Gennick, Owens X Rds AL	144.00

FRIDAY-SATURDAY SIDE GAME SERIES

40 Pairs					
	A	B	C		
4.55	1			Fred Hamilton, Las Vegas NV; Rose Boot, Fresno CA	132.50
3.41	2			J Frank Williamson, Houston TX; Robert Mangas, San Antonio TX	130.00
3.94	3	1		John Monroe, Houston TX; Ing-Tai Chen, Sugar Land TX	128.00
2.96	4	2		Max Levit - Ariel Leibovitz, Houston TX	123.00
2.22	5	3		Carol Wood - Susan McMahan, Houston TX	120.50
1.63	6/7			Sheri Morrison, League City TX; Kerr Godfrey, Houston TX	119.50
1.66	6/7	4		Jack Christopher - Dorothy Christopher, Milford MI	119.50
1.34		5		Jane Simmons, The Woodlands TX; Jean Phillips, Newcastle TX	119.00
1.71		6		Norma Gordon - Lawrence Gordon, Houston TX	117.50
2.88			1	Constance Singleton - Michele McGlothlin, Houston TX	116.50
2.16			2	Catherine Gay, Kalamazoo MI; Mary Cunningham, Wichita KS	115.00
1.62			3	Sue Olstad, Houston TX; Sue Stokes, Southlake TX	113.50
1.31			4/5	Irene Parker, Austin TX; June Aulbaugh, Beaumont TX	109.50
1.07			4/5	Margaret Stultz - Ann Taylor, Houston TX	109.50

JESSE HEIM SENIOR PAIRS

74 Pairs					
	A	B	C		
13.16	1			Annette McCarty, Galveston TX; Mary Hardy, Las Vegas NV	399.63
9.87	2			David Adams, Kennesaw GA; Anne Simon, Syracuse NY	385.38
7.40	3			Arlene Slomka - Shirley McKee, Houston TX	383.94
5.55	4			Fred Fason - Milton Freedman, Houston TX	380.94
4.16	5			Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; Jim Fellows, Omaha NE	374.83
6.50	6	1	1	Richard Davidson, Pasadena TX; Gil Brigham, Issaquah WA	374.13
3.02	7			Norm Rosen - Susan Abrams, Sun City West AZ	370.73
4.88		2		Kay Vogler - Cedric Hill, Spring TX	351.00
3.66		3	2	Gene Tuck, Sour Lake TX; Jack Cato, Houston TX	343.73
2.74		4		Lovelle Hatch, Taylor TX; Mary Poythress, Houston TX	338.54
2.18		5		Claudette Roush - Billie Shotwell, Houston TX	333.86
2.21		6	3	Judy Comeaux, Lake Charles LA; Diane Daley, San Rafael CA	329.71
1.73			4	Rex Smith, Tulsa OK; Jay Friedenson, Morrisville VT	324.12
2.07			5	Allen Brandt - Ida Lewis, Houston TX	313.85

WELCOME TO HOUSTON KO TEAMS

Bracket 1 16 Teams

Malcolm Brachman, Dallas TX; Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Chuck Burger, West Bloomfield MI; Eddie Wold, Houston TX

vs

Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Bryan Storey, Plano TX; Bill Staats, Southlake TX; Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton TX

Lou Ann O'Rourke, Scottsdale AZ; Peter Fredin, Malmo SE; Magnus Lindkvist, Hoor SE; Mike Cappelletti, Hixson TN; Curtis Cheek, Huntsville AL; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV

vs

G S Jade Barrett - Ann Labe, Vancouver WA; Mike Bandler, Alamo CA; Michael Katz, San Ramon CA; Hugh Grosvenor, Alexandria VA

Bracket 2 16 Teams

James Bauer, Dallas TX; Mike Miller, Temple TX; Roy Baughman, Pantego TX; Melody Gann, Arlington TX

vs

Steven Lawrence - Jim Clark, Calgary AB; Jerry Pietscher, Elk Grove CA; Anthony Aukstikalnis, Harvey Cedars NJ

S Pei - Tosi Liang - Cheng Hu King - Amy Wang, Houston TX; James Zhan, Sugar Land TX; Kevin Chen, Boonton NJ

vs

Dudley Brown, Grandview WA; Barbara Nist, Bellevue WA; Chuck Wilkinson - Robin Wilkinson, Jackson MS; Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Spgs CO

Bracket 3 16 Teams

Ashok Shingavi - Walter Arnold - Billie Nicholas, Houston TX; Lillie Gates, Katy TX

vs

Rachel Chittaro, Kildeer IL; Rosalie Campeau, Libertyville IL; Edward Nield, Westchester IL; Mary Keever, Grayslake IL

Laima Gaizutis, Katy TX; Clif Capen, Pasadena TX; Chris Curran - Robert Johnson, Houston TX

vs

Jeffrey Brown, Golden CO; Reiko Raese, Boulder CO; L Kreh Connart, Jackson MS; James Bochsler, Kissimmee FL; Ivor McGloughlin, Pittsburgh PA; Marie Asmussen, Denmark,

Bracket 4 16 Teams

Michael T Pierce, Fairfield OH; Jody Castillo, Warsaw IN; Cindy Siegel, Knoxville TN; Paula Duncan, Lenoir City TN

vs

Mac Busby, San Diego CA; Grant Peacock, Charleston SC; Ann Johnson, Durango CO; Edwin Glickman, Snowmass CO

Annie Duaine - David Bynog - R.Steve Stewart, Houston TX; Barbara Freilich-Nance, Bryan TX

vs

Pam Phillips - Kathy McCabe - Larry Barr, Austin TX; Cathy Moss, Houston TX

Bracket 5 12 Teams

Darlene Rischling, Papillion NE; Marianne Bruner - Peggy Martin - I. Barbara Corrigan, Omaha NE

vs

Rebecca McCarter - Jerry McCarter - Keith Marks, Lake Kiowa TX; Richard Carroll, Gainesville TX

Karen Verdirame - Elaine Martin - Dennis Martin, Omaha NE; Gary Martin, Spring Hill FL

vs

Betty Moore - Eleanor Lipscomb - Millicent Wear - Bette Pressler - Betty Davis, Houston TX

BUS SHUTTLE

Shuttle service is offered between the JW Marriott and the Westin Galleria hotels from 8:30 a.m. until the last departure at 12:30 a.m. Barring any unforeseen traffic problems, the shuttle will depart from the JW Marriott at :30, :50 and :10 past the hour. The shuttle will depart from the Westin Galleria on the hour and at :20 and :40 past the hour.

Those requiring shuttle service with handicapped accessibility should call Sandy with Sierra Stagecoaches. Her cell phone number is 713/444-2675. She will set up an appointment time for departure from either the JW Marriott or the Westin Galleria hotels.

Because security bars keep buses from entering the parking lot in front of the Westin Oaks, we suggest you walk through the mall to the Westin Galleria to board the shuttle.



Westin drawing winners

Players who made their NABC reservations at one of the Westin hotels before Feb. 2 were part of a drawing for free room and tax. Here are the winners:

Victor Chernoff-Guy Green, Bill and Myrna Nabors and Estella Margolin.

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FORT CONCHO UNIT 204 BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS

32 Teams			
	A	B	C
7.01	1		James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Murray Melton, Las Vegas NV; David Better, Southampton PA; Daisy Goecker, Yardley PA 18.50
5.26	2		Jay Baum - Kathy Baum, Cordova TN; Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA; Mary Oshlag, Germantown TN 17.00
4.68	3/4	1/2	Wayne Christensen Jr - Sanford Lobliner - Jeff Nuttall, Houston TX; William Daniel III, Spring TX 15.00
4.68	3/4	1/2	Jeffrey Brown - James Spurlin, Golden CO; Dick Duff, Denver CO; Thomas Lenahan, Littleton CO 15.00
2.22	5		Peter Schneider, La Canada CA; George Whitworth, Coarsegold CA; Brenda Keller, Boise ID; Bruce Ferguson, San Francisco CA 14.50
1.07	6/10		Jim Haws, Tampa FL; Samuel Lowell, Talent OR; Donald Mamula - Linda Mamula, Mill Creek WA 14.00
2.78	6/10	3/4	1/2 James Hibbetts - Elizabeth Ward - Barbara McAllister, Bryan TX; Carlton Ruch, College Station TX 14.00
1.07	6/10		Elaine Said, Nashville TN; Raymond Raskin, King of Prussia PA; Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA; William Hunter, Reading MA 14.00
2.78	6/10	3/4	1/2 Dean Truair - Ellen Meyer - Jean Dula - Peggy Geiler, Austin TX 14.00
1.07	6/10		Karl Keller, Colorado Spgs CO; Ed Howard, Wichita KS; Shelba Parmley - Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK 14.00
1.78	5	3	Douglas Dawsey, New Orleans LA; Judy Bridges, Kenner LA; Friederike Scherz, 1230 Vienna A; Thomas Cupit, Brandon MS 13.90
1.27	6		Dwayne Ballew - Marcia Ballew, Hot Springs Vil AR; Patricia Livers, Fargo ND; Cheryl Overman, Dallas TX 13.50
1.34		4	Peg Mitchell - Ruth Bennett, Minneapolis MN; Mary Brown, Golden Valley MN; Maddy Husson, Inver Grove MN 11.00

FRIDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS

24 Pairs			
	A	B	C
3.08	1	1	Evelyn Berger - Mary Hudson, Houston TX 98.50
2.31	2		Wesley Clements - Louise Andy, Madison MS 97.00
1.93	3	2	Richard Fein - Brenda Fein, Boynton Beach FL 96.00
1.31	4/5	3/4	Pat Culpepper, Houston TX; Anna Vella, Missouri City TX 95.00
1.31	4/5	3/4	Gwen Boyd, Acapulco Gro MX; Heather Thomas, Corpus Christi TX 95.00
0.71	6/7	5/6	Eric Watson - James Cauble, Houston TX 94.00
0.77	6/7	5/6	Clarence Brown, Muskogee OK; Pebble Brown, Aransas Pass TX 94.00
1.63		1	Brockett Hudson, Austin TX; Christopher Gennick, Owens X Rds AL 93.50
1.22		2	Peter Bowman, Ivins UT; Cathy River, Madison WI 86.00
0.92		3	Carol Scott, Plain City OH; Eleanor Cherryholms, Hilliard OH 85.00

1ST FRIDAY SIDE GAME SERIES

38 Pairs			
	A	B	C
4.40	1		Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA; Richard Anderson, Regina SK 121.50
3.30	2		John Russell, North Barrington IL; Chuck Said, Nashville TN 106.50
2.48	3		Ken Gee, Regina SK; Martha Lucas, St Augustine FL 106.00
1.86	4		Neva Kegel, Milwaukee WI; Marjorie Thien, Waukesha WI 102.50
3.64	5	1	Marsha Bernstein, Sugar Land TX; Bobbi Kauffman, Katy TX 97.00
2.73	6	2	Martha Wilkins Young, Dallas TX; Mym Young, Atlantic Beach NC 95.00
2.05		3	John Monroe Jr, Houston TX; Ing-Tai Chen, Sugar Land TX 91.50
1.54		4	Michele McGlothlin, Houston TX; Helen Pruitt, Tomball TX 88.50
1.15		5	Carol Johnston - Edward Theismann, Houston TX 88.00
2.73		6	1 Carolyn Schendle - Nancy Harralson, Dallas TX 87.50
2.05		2	James Flint, Zillah WA; Michael Kilgore, Wichita KS 87.00
1.54		3	Janet Borg - David Borg, Garland TX 86.00
1.01		4/5	Jan Hauck, Missouri City TX; Judith Smith, Houston TX 85.00
1.01		4/5	Mark Wallet, Katy TX; Robert Ellison, Houston TX 85.00

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Antoinette Edeiken, Sugar Land TX; Jill Hendricks, Tomball TX; Nancy Perry - Fredrica Lake, Houston TX	vs	Michael T Pierce, Fairfield OH; Deb Phillips, N Little Rock AR; Cindy Siegel, Knoxville TN; Paula Duncan, Lenoir City TN
Bracket 8 16 Teams		
Patricia Bowles, Hot Springs AR; Carol Lynn Aiton, Seabrook TX; Dennis McAdams, Friendswood TX; David Mitchell, Deer Park TX	vs	Martha Sanders - Bernice Delaney - Virginia Hillegeist - Rita Greer, Houston TX
Susan Sekulow, Scarsdale NY; Jill Rosen, Greenwich CT; Marilyn Krog, Sugar Land TX; Herbert Krog, Sugarland TX		
vs		
Patsy Walters - David Pollard, Fort Worth TX; Larry Howell, Arlington TX; Carol Melin, Bedford TX		
Bracket 9 16 Teams		
Elaine Jordan - B J Jordan, Austin TX; Leo Maktenieks, Tahoe City CA; Collene Stout, Sparks NV		
vs		
Joanne Wegsten - Robert Wegsten, San Francisco CA; Eileen Aronovitch - Martin Aronovitch, New Orleans LA		
Carlys Swenn - Joyce Ryan - Suzanne Humphreys, Houston TX; James Greaves, Pearland TX		
vs		
Cheryl Evans - Matthew Rawson - Michele Rawson - Gary Shepley, Houston TX		

Rules for appeals

Players who have an appeal pending are requested to appear at the appeals screening room no more than 30 minutes after the completion of play in the session.

Appellants who fail to appear within this period may have their appeal dismissed or may be subject to penalty. Non-appellants who fail to appear will forfeit their right to provide statements in their own behalf.





e-bridge volunteers

The kickoff meeting of ACBL online e-bridge volunteers will take place today from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Embassy Room of the Westin Oaks Hotel.

Dress Up Night

Players are encouraged to dress up for the evening session Saturday, March 9. This is a regular feature of all NABCs.


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ACCREDITED TEACHERS SOCIAL

ACBL Accredited Teachers are invited to network with fellow teachers from all areas of ACBL at this NEW get-together. Join us for a good time over cocktails and dinner. No business tonight! Bring your guests.

Sunday, March 10 — 5 to 7 PM • Fee: Dutch Treat

The Teacher Dinner is at Zucchini's, located on the 2nd level of Galleria I (behind the Westin Oaks Hotel). You can walk from the playing area at the Oaks right into the mall. Zucchini's is on the left.



TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Fort Western Unit 183 Day, Junior Day and Dress-Up Night

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

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

Saturday, March 9, 2002, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry/player/session		Sold
		ACBL members**	Other	
ACBL Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	3 rd	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway III
Morning Compact KO Teams (Continues at 9 a.m. Sunday)	1-2	\$6.50	\$7.50	Westin Galleria, Woodway III
Mildred Klarfield Memorial Morning Side Game Series I* (Continuous/Side Pairs)	single	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway I
Maxine Burwitz Stratified 299er Pairs	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
Arlington DBC Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II

Saturday, March 9, 2002, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Dewitt and Elizabeth Hudson Stratified Senior Pairs*	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Oaks, Consort I
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Saturday, March 9, 2002, 1:00 p.m.

Fort Western Unit 183 Compact KO Teams (Continues at 8 p.m.)	1-2	\$6.50	\$7.50	Westin Galleria, Woodway III
Bobby & Georgie Jaeger 299er, 199er, 99er and 49er Pairs	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
Bobby & Georgie Jaeger 0-20 & 0-5 Newcomer Pairs Bridge Plus+ – 14 hands, no card fees	single	\$12	\$12	Westin Oaks, Consort II

Saturday, March 9, 2002, 1:00 & 8:00 p.m.

OPEN PAIRS I	1-2 F	\$15.50	\$16.50	Marriott, ExHall
Junior Scholarship Game	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
Fort Western Unit 183 Strati-Flighted Open Pairs*				
A/X	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Plaza I (3 rd floor)
B/C/D	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway I
Shawn Quinn Bracketed KO Teams I	3-4	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway III
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series* (Continuous/Side Pairs)	single	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway II

Saturday, March 9, 2002, 8:00 p.m.

Mel Bason & Kay Jones Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Galleria, Woodway I
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series* (Continuous/Side Pairs)	single	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
Wiltie & Gretchen Creswell 299er Stratified Swiss Teams	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
Natalie Cohn 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
Natalie Cohn 0-20 & 0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	\$12	\$12	Westin Oaks, Consort II
Fort Western Unit 183 Compact Bracketed KO Teams	3-4	\$6.50	\$7.50	Westin Galleria, Woodway III

Saturday, March 9, 2002, midnight

Meredith's Midnight Madness Zip KO Teams*	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
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Note: Entry for the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams required by 8:00 p.m. Saturday.

TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

Viva San Antonio Day

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

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

Sunday, March 10, 2002, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry/player/session		Sold
		ACBL members**	Other	
ACBL Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	4th	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway III
Morning Compact KO Teams	3-4	\$6.50	\$7.50	Westin Galleria, Woodway III
Mildred Klarfield Memorial Morning Side Game Series I* (Continuous/Side Pairs)	3 rd single session	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
Stratified 299er Pairs	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II

Sunday, March 10, 2002, 10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

San Antonio Bridge League Stratified Fast Open Pairs* Finish by 5:00 p.m.	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Plaza Ballroom
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Sunday, March 10, 2002, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Joyce Kelly Stratified Senior Swiss Teams*	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Oaks, Consort I
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Sunday, March 10, 2002, 1:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT KO TEAMS		\$15.50	\$16.50	Marriott ExHall
Entry for the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams required by 8:00 p.m. Saturday.				
SILVER RIBBON PAIRS Prequalification required. 2 qualifying & 2 final sessions.	1-2Q	\$15.50	\$16.50	Marriott, Grand Ballroom
San Antonio Bridge League Bracketed KO Teams II (Continues Monday)	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway III
Paul Lewis Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams*				
A/X	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
B/C/D	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
Lil Parker Stratified Open Pairs*	1-2	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway I
Sunday-Monday Side Game Series* (Continuous/Side Pairs)	single	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway I
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	\$11	\$11	Westin Oaks, Consort II

Sunday, March 10, 2002, 8:00 p.m.

Stratified IMP Pairs* Open to Swiss non-quals and new entries	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
Sunday-Monday Side Game Series* (Continuous/Side Pairs)	single	\$13	\$14	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Oaks, Consort II
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	\$12	\$12	Westin Oaks, Consort II

Sunday, March 10, 2002, midnight

Zip KO Teams*	single	\$12	\$13	Westin Galleria, Woodway II
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