

# DAILY BULLETIN



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Editors: Brent Manley and Karen Walker

## Mary Jo (Jody) Latham 1944 – 2005

Jody Latham, associate editor of the Bridge Bulletin for more than a decade and an ACBL employee since 1988, died June 9 after a brief battle with cancer. She was 60.

Born in Cleveland MS, she earned a degree in journalism from the University of Mississippi in 1965 and worked for the Tupelo Journal and the Commercial Appeal in Memphis before joining the ACBL staff, initially in the Club Membership Department. She divided her time between Club Membership and proofreading for the Bridge Bulletin before becoming associate editor in June of 1993.

Latham joined the ACBL in 1972, earning her gold card six years later. She was a Silver Life Master with nearly 2500 masterpoints to her credit. For most of her ACBL career, she was a regular at area tournaments and at the bridge club in Memphis.

She was well-liked and respected by her colleagues at Headquarters in Memphis (see page 6) and by the players she came in contact with as a Bridge Bulletin editor and Daily Bulletin staffer at NABCs. She had a special interest in women's bridge. Besides her family, Latham's other interests were her college alma mater and her two cats, Katherine and Spencer.

One of her best friends among the players was Betty Ann Kennedy. "Jody had a keen insight into the nature of people — their strengths and foibles," Kennedy said. "She could discern the good qualities in people, and she called a spade a spade. She was extremely kind. Her talent in journalism was

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## Young players wowed by first look at an NABC



*Patty Tucker with participants in the special game she organized for her bridge camp youngsters.*

Marie Majorov and her grandson, Jake Branch, drove 12 hours from Winchester VA to attend the NABC. On Thursday afternoon, Majorov spent her time taking photos of her young bridge prodigy as Jake played in a special game organized by Atlanta player and teacher Patty Tucker.

It was worth the trip for Jake, who came in first East-West playing with 15-year-old Mandy Lowell, who lives in Louisville but spends her summers in Atlanta.

North-South winners were identical twins Marcus and DeMarcus Jenkins of Lithonia GA.

The special game was the culmination of a week-long bridge camp Tucker put together to try to introduce more young people to bridge. Ten of the 11 youngsters who participated in the camp played in the special game, a three-table affair.

Majorov and her husband, Milan, came to Atlanta so that he could take the Teacher Accreditation Course and she and Jake could play some bridge. They taught him to play at home in Virginia, starting about two years ago when he was 10. He plays at the Winchester bridge club and with

friends in person and online.

At school, Jake did a how-to project in which he taught his class how to evaluate a bridge hand.

Tucker started the bridge camp for the youngsters so they could see how duplicate works. She brought them to the NABC so they could experience the atmosphere at a big tournament.

Jake was impressed, but then he has already developed an affinity for the game. "It's exciting, it's challenging and you have to think a lot," Jake said. "It's just fun."

## Gerald Michaud

Gerald Michaud, a three-time NABC champion from Derby KS, died at his home Monday, July 18, of complications from congestive heart failure. He was 76.

Michaud, playing with ACBL Hall of Famer Bobby Nail, won the Life Master Pairs and the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1974. Michaud was a member of the winning squad in the 1990 Open Swiss Teams, and he was also part of the team representing the U.S. in the 1978 Rosenblum.

A retired attorney specializing in medical malpractice, Michaud was involved in groundbreaking litigation. His cases led to the reduction of estrogen in birth-control pills, the reformulation of tampons connected to toxic shock syndrome and the introduction of safety precautions at the gasoline pump to reduce the risk of cancer from benzene.

Michaud is survived by his wife, Shannon, and four children.



*Evan Stoll of Kingston WA, right, accepts a 14K gold pendant from Jim Miller of the ACBL Product Store. Stoll received the pendant, provided by the Bridge Gold Group, as the first Life Master at the 2005 Summer NABC. See page 6.*

## Welcome to the Summer NABC

Welcome to Atlanta for the 2005 Summer North American Bridge Championships. The Hyatt Regency offers us great playing space under one roof in the middle of Atlanta. Nearby there are many fine restaurants, and you can enjoy the benefit of a food court adjacent to our site without setting foot outside.

Within a few blocks we have the World of Coca-Cola, CNN Center, Underground Atlanta, Olympic Park and many other attractions. To get a great view of Atlanta, cross the street and take an elevator ride to the top of Westin Peachtree Plaza. Also, a MARTA train will take you to many interesting places throughout Atlanta and to more great places to dine.

Our Tour and Information desks will assist you with your choices. Our special entertainment planned by Susan Wolfe and her committee will be detailed in the Daily Bulletin each day. For resting between sessions, we have a player's lounge in the Hanover ballroom. Volunteers from all over District 7 have worked hard to make your stay here enjoyable, and we believe you are going to have a great tournament!

**Jack Feagin and Barbara Heller**  
Chairpersons for the 2005 Summer NABC

## 2005 Grand National Teams

Ninety-six teams representing ACBL's 25 Districts met on Wednesday to decide the winners in four flights of the 2005 Grand National Teams.

Play in the Championship Flight (open) and Flight A (0-5000 masterpoints) events began Wednesday afternoon with round-robin matches. Three teams advanced from each round-robin group to play three-way matches on Thursday afternoon, with two teams surviving to play head-to-head matches on Thursday night.

Four teams in each flight advanced to today's semi-final rounds. Matches were not yet finished when the Daily Bulletin went to press. Tomorrow's Bulletin will include a full report from Thursday's quarter final and Friday's semi final matches.

One result was final in the Championship flight when Einberg (District 23), down by 98 IMPs to Zerbini (District 12), withdrew with 16 boards left to play. Two round-of-eight matches were fairly close at the halfway point in the evening – Mahaffey (District 9) led Clerkin (District 11) by 11 IMPs, and Baze (District 22) led Lusk (District 20) by 3 IMPs.

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

### MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

#### Friday, July 22

- 8:30–9:30 a.m. **Teaching Young People.** Informative free session on materials and funding available from the ACBL and the ACBL Educational Foundation. Location: Hanover F.
- 6:30 p.m. **Reception for Teachers and Club Officials.** This is the ACBL's "thank you" reception for the teachers and club officials who work so hard to recruit and retain our members. All teachers are welcome, along with club directors, managers and owners. Location: International South.
- 7:30–10:30 p.m. **Bridge Teachers and Bridge Cruises with Peg Cundiff.** Become a successful teacher or game director on cruise ships. *Pre-registration required for this seminar.* Location: Regency V.
- 7:30–10:30 p.m. **ACBL Laws Commission meeting.** Location: Hanover F.
- 8–10:30 p.m. **ACBL Educational Foundation meeting.** Location: Hanover G.

#### Saturday, July 23

- 8:30–10 a.m. **Questions for Management?** Meet with members of the ACBL management team, including Carol Robertson, director of club and member services, and Julie Greenberg, director of education, to have your questions answered. Location: the ACBL Product Store.
- 10 a.m.–Noon **Free Bridge Lesson with Audrey Grant.** Renowned teacher and author Audrey Grant offers a fun and free bridge lesson for intermediate and newer players. The topic: Five Commonly Made Mistakes — and How to Fix Them. Complete with handout. Come at 9:30 a.m. for coffee and pastry. Following the lesson, there will be a Bridge Plus+ game with 14 boards. Players with 0–5 masterpoints play free. Location: International South.
- Noon–2 p.m. **Bridge Plus+.** 14 deals, no card fee. Location: International South.

- 1:30–2:30 p.m. **Junior Player Reception.** For ACBL members under 26. A light lunch will be served. Location: Hanover F & G.
- 2–3 p.m. **National Appeals Committee meeting.** Location: Learning Center.
- 6:30–8 p.m. **Intermediate–Newcomer Player Reception.** Location: Regency VII.
- 8–11 p.m. **ACBL Hall of Fame Banquet.** Tickets are required. (For more information, visit the Daily Bulletin office.) Location: Centennial I.

#### Sunday, July 24

- 8:30–10 a.m. **Get Online with Bridge Base.** Don't miss the opportunity to meet Fred Gitelman, Bridge Base founder and the creator of the ACBL's *Learn to Play Bridge* program. Find out how you can use this material for promotion and get a guided tour of the Bridge Base site and its outstanding teaching features. Location: Hanover F.
- 10 a.m.–Noon **Easybridge! Lesson with Marti Ronemus.** Topic: Defense — You Mean I Have to *Think*? Following the free lesson, there will be an Easybridge! game for players with 0–50 masterpoints. Location: Regency V.
- Noon–2 p.m. **Easybridge! game.** Location: Regency V.
- 7:15 p.m. **Board of Governors meeting.** All members of the ACBL Board of Governors are invited to attend the Summer NABC meeting to hear and discuss the motions passed by the ACBL Board of Directors. Location: International Ballroom South.
- 7:15 p.m. **ACBL Membership meeting.** The agenda includes an opportunity to discuss old and new business and approval of the revised ACBL bylaws. Location: International Ballroom South, located in the International Tower, one level below the lobby.
- 6:30–9 p.m. **Women's Team Trials meeting.** Location: Hanover G.
- 6:45–9 p.m. **Open Team Trials meeting.** Location: Hanover F.

### BRIDGE TALKS

#### Friday, July 22

- 9:15 a.m. **Frank Stewart, *Who Has the Queen?***
- 7:15 p.m. **Larry Cohen, *Lawful Preemption***

#### Saturday, July 23

- 9:15 a.m. **Jerry Helms, "Jerryisms"**
- 7:15 p.m. **Marti Ronemus, *Hands So Light They Float***

#### Sunday, July 24

- 9:15 a.m. **Peg and Dewy Cundiff, *The Numbers Game***
- 7:15 p.m. **Audrey Grant, *Improving Your Judgment***

### LATE NIGHT / ENTERTAINMENT

All nightly entertainment will be held in Hanover Hall.

#### Friday, July 22

- 6–8 p.m. **The Class Act Band,** a variety of music by request.

#### Saturday, July 23

- 6–8 p.m. **The Radio Kings Band,** band and singers with music from the Forties through the early Eighties.

#### Sunday, July 24

- 6–8 p.m. **Dan Manning,** with a trio performing light jazz.

## GNT

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In the fourth match, Maksymetz (District 19) had built a 52-IMP lead on Carmichael (District 7).

With 16 boards left to play in Flight A, Ziemer (District 7) had a 14-IMP lead on Kirsch (District 12). The other three matches were closer, with Halvorsen (District 8) leading Bumgardner (District 16) by 10 IMPs, Russell (District 9) ahead of Cordes (District 10) by 10 IMPs, and Carciu (District 24) over Janicki (District 2) by 9 IMPs.

## Atlanta Transportation

Atlanta has outstanding public transportation. MARTA rail service is available with 15-minute service from the airport to the Hyatt. The MARTA rail stops at the Peachtree Center station, which is underneath the Hyatt with an escalator ride to the hotel. The cost is \$1.75 for one-way fare with free transfer, but the real deal is in unlimited-ride convention passes, \$11 for specific five-day periods or \$23 for 12 days, July 20-31. Special MARTA pass packages (for rail or bus) are available at any RideStore cashier.

## Filming in progress

Stellar Media, in conjunction with Bonesteel Films Inc. and Track3Studio (all of North Carolina), are developing a documentary on the game of bridge. You may see representatives Eric Larson and Serena Dossenko during the tournament. They are looking for unique bridge partnerships to follow for the documentary and will be filming short interviews throughout the weekend.

If you are interested in learning more about the project or how you can help spread bridge to the masses, contact Eric Larson at (828) 777-8459 / [www.stellarmediaonline.com](http://www.stellarmediaonline.com) or Serena Dossenko at (828) 399-0412 / [www.Track3studio.com](http://www.Track3studio.com).

## Food discounts

Many establishments in the food court adjacent to the hotel offer discounts to players who present their convention cards.



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Exhibit Level Foyer

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... and much more!





# JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

## Welcome to the NABC

By Lynn Berg



You've come to Atlanta mainly to play bridge, but while you're here take advantage of all the goodies and services available for advancing players.

Start with the twice-daily free lectures by the stars of the bridge world. Judy Cotterman and the Education Department of ACBL have recruited wonderful speakers and bridge experts to talk to you. It's a great opportunity to ask questions, too.

Collect the handouts provided by most of the speakers. You'll have the basis for your own bridge library right there.

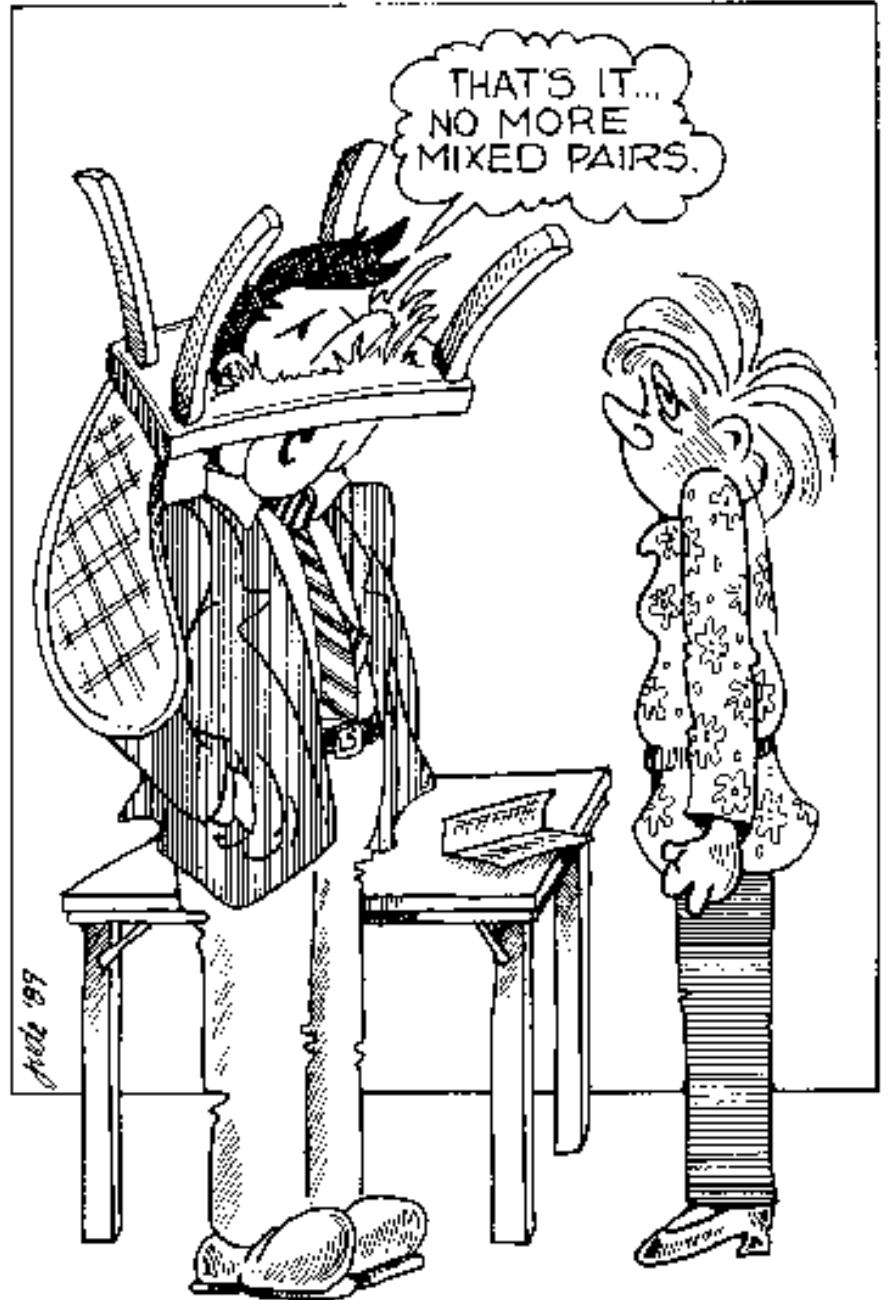
Then go to the ACBL Product Store to find a comprehensive collection of the best in bridge books. Here's your chance to have a look at the

books and to ask questions about them. As an ACBL member you also get a discount. Not a member yet? Ask any game director for membership forms and take advantage of the great discount for new members.

Drop by the ACBL Information Desk and pick up a free diskette of the "Learn to Play Bridge" software developed by Fred Gitelman for new players. It's not just a book on your computer: you'll find a challenging interactive program which lets you practice the basic skills. Even if you've been playing for a while, get this free disk. Use it to review for yourself and then pass it on to someone else who is learning the game. It's shareware, too: you can copy the material and pass it out. Somewhat more advanced? There's also a disk for basic play techniques. Both programs are also available online for anyone to download at [www.acbl.org](http://www.acbl.org).

The Education Department has great plans for you here in Atlanta. Free lessons and seminars will be announced in the Daily Bulletin. As they say, "Watch this space!"

Lynn Berg lives in DeLand FL with her husband, David, an opinionated dachshund and three cats. She likes writing about bridge, playing bridge, teaching bridge and being a tournament director. She is a retired English professor who is really enjoying her new career in bridge.



### Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

Dlr: East ♠ 8 6  
 Vul: None ♥ K Q 9 5  
 ♦ 9 7 6 5 2  
 ♣ 9 8

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

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

West	North	East	South
		1♣	1♠
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 8

**Bidding commentary:** West has a choice of responses. 1NT limits the hand to count and distribution but may lose hearts. A negative double to get hearts into the picture is also flawed. If partner rebids 2♣, a follow up bid of 2NT shows 11-12 HCP. 1NT is slightly better.

**Lead commentary:** Normal. High-low from a doubleton. Give North ♠ 8 6 2 or ♠ 8 6 3 2 and he should lead the 2 if he has not supported the suit, high if he has supported. The lead of a high card in an unsupported suit shows shortness. The lead of a low card in a supported suit shows an honor.

**Defensive commentary:** The outcome of this contract is decided early on, like at trick two! South knows that West has the ♠K and can see six quick club tricks plus at least two diamond tricks staring him in the face. This gives declarer a minimum of 9 tricks outside of hearts. If the contract is to be defeated, it must be defeated in hearts, not spades – and now! The correct defense is to win the ♠A and shift to a low heart,

guaranteeing a high honor. Whichever heart West plays, North wins and with three hearts remaining returns the lowest. South wins the ace and plays a third heart allowing the defense to take four heart tricks for down one.

When a defender can count declarer for enough quick tricks in three suits to make the contract, it's not a bad idea to shift to the fourth suit. In fact, it's a very good idea!

### Cell phones

Cell phones, audible pagers or any similar communication equipment may not be operated or operable in the playing area during a session of play at NABCs except for health-related equipment or by permission of the director-in-charge of the tournament or event.

### Entertainment room

Here are a couple of things you should know about the Entertainment Room in Hanover Hall:

Sections C and D are open as a player lounge all days and nights except for Monday afternoon, July 25. There is a juke box for your listening pleasure.

Section E is also a player lounge but with a television and DVD player.

### Today's I/N speakers

**Location:** Regency VII, ballroom level.

9:15 a.m. – Frank Stewart: Who Has the Queen?

7:15 p.m. – Larry Cohen: Lawful Preemption

### SATURDAY, JULY 23

**Free Lesson — with Audrey Grant**

**Topic: Five Commonly Made Mistakes and How to Fix Them — Complete with handouts.**

**Location: International Ballroom South**

Time: 10am-noon

### SUNDAY, JULY 24

**Free Lesson — Easybridge Workshop with Marti Ronemus**

**Topic: Defense: You Mean I have to THINK? Complete with handouts.**

**Location: Regency V**



Two Super Mornings!

## Jody

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unexcelled. Jody was very witty and found humor in nearly everything."

Following are messages received from various friends and associates:

Roy G. Green, former chief executive officer of the ACBL: "Jody was a wonderful person and will be missed by many, including me."

Joan Jackson, Dallas TX: "Jody was always such a delight to work with. We frequently talked about hands and I enjoyed her a lot."

Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA: "The best description I can give of Jody is that she was just a 'good egg.' She was very thoughtful, kind, honest and truly loved bridge and bridge players. She had a particular interest in women's bridge and always gave it great coverage. She was a very good friend to me. I am going to sorely miss our conversations, particularly about our 'kitty children.' The bridge world has lost a great devotee."

Barbara Seagram, Toronto ON: "Jody was such a special lady. She was feisty with lots of style and always fun to be around. She was good company. She loved the ACBL and cared so much about everyone she worked with. Whenever she called me, there were always lots of laughs and good times."

Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV: "For more than a decade, Jody so beautifully put the finishing touches on all of my Dear Billy columns. She took so little credit, but deserved so much. She was understated, but never under-appreciated. I considered her one of my dearest friends, and our monthly conversations were inspirational. I already miss her terribly."

Eddie Kantar, Santa Monica CA: "Jody was the editor of my intermediate-level bridge columns. She always encouraged me to come up with new ideas and then was very supportive of those ideas. And I remember how much I enjoyed seeing her at the NABCs we both attended. But I will not remember Jody as my editor, I will remember her as my friend along with all the e-mails and telephone calls that we shared. Jody, you were very special and I will miss you big time."

Carol Sanders, Nashville TN: "Jody was my friend from the time she started playing duplicate. I remember how happy she was when she went to work for the ACBL. In Jody's case it was a marvelous life working for the Bridge Bulletin. She loved watching her twin nieces grow into young ladies and proudly showing off their pictures as if she was their grandmother. She truly loved all bridge players."

Sheila Wimer, Reno NV: "I first met her in Reno, 1989, at the Spring NABC. What a fine time we had together, as she and Henry Francis worked on the Daily Bulletins, which I think I still have. My condolences to you and your staff, her friends, who will miss her."

Augie Boehm, New York City: "Jody was my editor and cheerleader for close to a decade. When I ran dry for new ideas, she had a ready suggestion. She tracked the exploits of my fictitious student, Sally Fourth, with a keen eye. If Sally was absorbing the Professor's advice a little too quickly to be realistic, Jody was there to caution."

She leaves her brother, Wayne Latham of Cordova TN; a nephew, Zach Latham, and twin nieces, Beth and Melanie McCasland. The family

requests that memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society or Crossroads Hospice of Tennessee, 5909 Shelby Oaks Dr. Suite 200 Memphis TN 38134.

## Ruling the Game

by Mike Flader

Associate National Tournament Director

The trouble with psychs — part 1

One of my administrative tasks is to respond to letters and e-mails written by ACBL members inquiring about rulings they have received at clubs or tournaments. An large number of these letters involve incidents of psychs made at the club level, and a disproportionately high percentage of these cases seem to involve Flight A players psyching against less experienced opponents. The purpose of this article is to help directors, club managers and players deal with psychs.



A psych by definition is a call which grossly distorts either the distribution or strength of the player's hand made with the intent to mislead the opponents. Psychs are legitimized by Law 40, which allows players to make any legal call, including an intentionally misleading one such as a psych, as long as the agreed upon meaning of such calls are disclosed to the opponents in accordance with the regulations of the sponsoring organization.

As you can see from the above, some psychs are regulated by the sponsoring organization (in this case the ACBL).

1. An agreement to psych, either explicit or implicit, is illegal. A pattern of frequent psychs suggests an agreement, as do calls made by the psycher's partner in an auction when partner has made a call that is a psych. When a director deems that a pair has such an agreement, he may award an adjusted score if he believes that the opponents have been damaged as a direct result of the illegal agreement. He may, in addition, assess a procedural penalty against a guilty pair even if there is no damage to the non-offending side.

2. Frequent or excessive psychs are illegal. If it is reported to the director that a pair has psyched three times in a session, the director should proceed under the assumption that this is the case.

3. Frivolous or unsportsmanlike psychs are also illegal. A pair deemed to be psyching in the hopes of creating a favorable swing on the last round of an event against the leaders when the offending pair is out of contention is deemed to be doing this. The same applies to a pair who attempts to help friends by "taking a flyer." Players must attempt to win even if their position is hopeless. The penalty for doing this could be as severe as an appearance before a conduct and ethics committee with possible probation or suspension for the offenders.

The big issue with the folks who write me regarding psychs is the issue of how to deal with them fairly and legally in their clubs and at tournaments. That will be the subject of tomorrow's article.

## Hall of Fame banquet

The 2005 class of the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame will be inducted in ceremonies at a banquet Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Centennial I ballroom. The winner of the Sidney Lazard Jr. Sportsmanship Award will also be honored. For more information, visit the Daily Bulletin office and ask for Kelley McGuire. The event will feature cocktails, dinner, dessert and dancing.

## Play and Stay!

"Play and Stay" is the slogan for this tournament, and with a unique playing schedule and all of the extracurricular activities, you can see why. All nightly entertainment will be held in Hanover Hall. Look for the balloons.

The experience at NABCs is not solely bridge, and that's what makes these tournaments special. The local Entertainment and Registration committees have stuffed lots of items in your registration pack. Choose between an official Atlanta NABC tee-shirt and a collapsible tote bag, and enjoy all of the other goodies we have to offer, including numerous coupons at various stores and eateries that will lessen the tournament's impact on your wallet.

Susan Wolfe and her Entertainment Committee have been particularly busy, lining up a 10-day-long variety show.

Look (and listen) for all the live music . . . and quench your thirst or stem an appetite while you're at it. Chips and dip, beer, wine, lemonade and cookies, self-serve ice cream with toppings are some of the snacks to look forward to. Special after (or during) supper activities are planned the evenings of Tuesday, July 26, through Friday, July 29.

**Friday, July 22**, 6–8 p.m., The Class Act Band, a variety of music by request.

**Saturday, July 23**, 6–8 p.m., The Radio Kings Band, band and singers with music from the Forties through the early Eighties.

**Sunday, July 24**, 6–8 p.m., Dan Manning with a trio performing light jazz.

**Monday, July 25**, 6–8 p.m., The Sentimental Journey Barbershop Quartet.

**Tuesday, July 26**, 6–8 p.m., The Has Beens, a musical variety band. Then, 8–10 p.m., interactive fun with Rob Clark and Team Trivia . . . including plenty of bridge trivia.

**Wednesday, July 27**, 7–9 p.m., buffet supper at Max Lager's, a popular brew-pub across the street from the northwest corner of the Hyatt. Enjoy specially made and named "Grand Slam" beer, "Down One" ginger ale and "On a Finesse" root beer throughout the tournament, and on this night, there will be food and live music. You must get an advance ticket (it's free, but act quickly, as capacity is limited) from the evening's hostess, Jan Word. She'll be wearing a hat and a large pin, and she promises she'll be easy to find. Or try the Information Desk.

**Thursday, July 28**, 6–8 p.m., Country Western music. 8–10 p.m., AirTran Charity Texas Hold'em tournament. Register at information desk, with buy-in proceeds going to charity.

**Friday, July 29**, 6–8 p.m., Deja Bluegrass. 8–10 p.m., Casino Night, and the conclusion of the AirTran Texas Hold'em tournament.

**Saturday, July 30**, 6–8 p.m., Beverly Gray sings and plays the piano.

## Stay cool all summer in the Mid-Atlantic

The Atlanta NABC is just the season's midway point, so there's plenty of cool bridge remaining on these hot summer days.

**Hunt Valley, MD – Aug. 8-14**, at Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn, 410-785-7000. It's the eleventh hour to make plans for this one, so act quickly to be part of one of the Mid-Atlantic's best attended regionals – a record 3,504 tables last year. For late hotel/motel reservations and any other issues, contact Chairwoman Patricia Wilson, valleybridg@cs.com, 410-825-7579.

**Charlotte, NC – Aug. 30-Sept. 5**, at the Hilton Charlotte University Place, 704-547-7444. Book immediately: Deadline for the great bridge rate of \$79 is July 30. It's our first Charlotte regional in 10 years, but another already is scheduled in 2007 at this new and convenient site. This Labor Day regional will be the ACBL's biggest and best. Chairman: Len Case, lencase@carolina.rr.com, 704-992-0397.



## GNT: Championship and 'A' Flights

The GNT was originally a grassroots event with no flights. In 1985 the event was subdivided into three separate events: flights A, B and C. Another change came in 2001 when the GNT Championship Flight — for players with more than 5000 masterpoints — was created. Flight A is now a 0–5000 event.

The winners in each event will have their names engraved on the Morehead Trophy, donated by The New York Times in memory of its longtime bridge editor Albert H. Morehead.

### Albert H. Morehead

Morehead (1909–1996) was born in Flintstone GA and educated at Baylor and Harvard. Ely Culbertson hired him in 1932 because of his outstanding ability as a player and analyst and made him technical editor of *The Bridge World* in 1933.

He proved so invaluable that in 1934 he was made general manager of all Culbertson enterprises. He was only 25 when he played on the Culbertson team that defeated the British in the second international match for the Schwab Cup.

Morehead was the first bridge editor of *The New York Times* with a Sunday column from 1935 and a daily column from 1959. He resigned from the Times late in 1963 to devote full time to writing, editing and publishing of the dictionaries, encyclopedias and thesauruses that made him one of the foremost American lexicographers.

During those years, Morehead found time for tremendous service to organized bridge. He was an officer of the United States Bridge Association when that organization amalgamated with the American Bridge League in 1937.

He became a governor of the newly formed ACBL and served as president in 1943 and chairman of the board from 1943 to 1945. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1946.

Morehead was a member of the National Laws Commission and was in charge of production of the *International Laws of Contract Bridge*. He was also the author of the constitution of the World Bridge Federation — the first formal definition of the scope, structure, powers and duties of that organization.

Morehead was named to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame in 1996.

Some insight into the man behind all this talent can be found in his obituary in the November 1966 issue of the *Bridge Bulletin*. Editor Dick Frey wrote:

“No one ever saw him lose his temper at the bridge table or heard him speak an unkind word to a partner. He smiled often, but the only player he ever laughed at was himself.

“Rarely if ever did he turn down a plea for help. Writing this, I am proud to acknowledge the debt I owe him and to claim that he was my best friend. The secret of his greatness was that there are scores of others who will truly say exactly this of Albert Hodges Morehead.”

### District 9 squad will defend title

Jim Mahaffey captained the Florida-based team that won the 2004 GNT Championship Flight, and the entire six-man squad is back this year to defend their title. Playing with Mahaffey are Michael Seamon, Gary Cohler, Barnet Shenkin, Eric Rodwell and Jeff Meckstroth.

### Winners and runners-up

- 1973** 1. Russell Arnold, James Beery, Jane Jaeger, Richard Pavlicek, William Seamon, Robert G. Sharp; 2. Brian Economoidy, Jerry Levitt, Roger Lord, Norb Kremer, Dave Smith, Ron Smith
- 1974** 1. Larry Cohen, Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Richard Katz, Paul Soloway, John Swanson; 2. Chuck Burger, Fred Hamilton, Howard Perlman, Stanley Smith, Jeffrey Starr, Dick Yanko
- 1975** 1. John Fisher, Charles Gabriel, Bob Hamman, Jim Hooker, Charles Weed, Bobby Wolff; 2. Mike Cook, Jim Felts, Doug Hill, Reece Rogers, Ron Smith, Bernie Yomtov
- 1976** 1. Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Paul Soloway, John Swanson; 2. Marty Fleisher, Charlie Friedman, Ron Gerard, Halina Jamner, Archie McKellar, Neil Nathanson
- 1977** 1. Bob Hamman, Dan Morse, Curtis Smith, Eddie Wold, Bobby Wolff; 2. Bobby Lipsitz, Steve Parker, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1978** 1. Gerald Caravelli, Charles Peres, William Rosen, Milton Rosenberg, Dan Rotman; 2. Allan Cokin, Bobby Levin, Bud Reinhold, William Seamon, Steve Sion
- 1979** 1. Greg DeFotis, Jerry Goldfein, Arnold Leavitt, Larry Robbins, Claude Vogel; 2. Marty Bergen, Chuck Lamprey, Warren Rosner, Allan Stauber
- 1980** 1. Jack Bitman, Jan Janitschke, Craig Janitschke, Dick Lesko; 2. Russell Arnold, Edith Kemp, William Passell, Cliff Russell, Billy Seamon, Dave Strasberg
- 1981** 1. Ira Chorush, James Jacoby, Mike Passell, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold; 2. Mike Becker, Brian Glubok, John Lowenthal, Phillip Martin, Michael Rosenberg, Ron Rubin
- 1982** 1. Ron Von der Porten, Hugh Ross, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Kyle Larsen, Peter Pender, Jeff Polisner (npc); 2. Steve Landen, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Jeff Starr, Frank Bell, Chuck Berger
- 1983** 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter Pender, Lew Stansby; 2. Lou Blumn, Richard Freeman, Larry Gould, Randy Joyce, Nick Nickell
- 1984** 1. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Bob Lipsitz, Steve Robinson; 2. Greg De Fotis, Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Hal Mouser, Jack Oest, Gerry Caravelli
- 1985** 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby, Peter Pender, Alfred Sheinwold (npc); 2. Steve Robinson, Eddie Manfield, Peter Boyd, Bobby Lipsitz
- 1986** 1. Seymon Deutsch, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby; 2. Milt Rosenberg, Ralph Katz, Hal Mouser, Greg DeFotis, Larry Robbins, Howard Weinstein
- 1987** 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter Pender, Lew Stansby, Mike Lawrence; 2. Frank Hoadley, Sidney Lazard, John Onstott, Jack LaNoue
- 1988** 1. Steve Robinson, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Robert Lipsitz; 2. Jack Oest, Steve Garner, Jerry Goldfein, Bart Bramley, Gerry Caravelli, Howard Weinstein
- 1989** 1. Steve Sion, Robert Barr, Howard Stengel, Bernie Miller; 2. Tony Kasday, Paul Ivaska, Gaylor Kastle, Garey Hayden, Roger Bates
- 1990** 1. Doug Simpson, Walter Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Dennis Clerkin; 2. Kay Larsen, Chris Larsen, Joe Kivel, Robert Rosenblum, Evan Bailey
- 1991** 1. Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein,

Jack Oest, Peter Nagy, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein; 2. Marty Bergen, Fred Stewart, Larry Cohen, Steve Weinstein

**1992** 1. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Robert Lipsitz, Ed Manfield; 2. Michael Becker, Ron Rubin, Richard Pavlicek, William Root, Bobby Levin, Jeff Wolfson

**1993** 1. Ravindra Murthy, Brad Moss, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Jeff Ferro; 2. Brian Ellis, Asim Ulke, Florine Walters, Richard Finberg, Jay Apfelbaum, Piyush Vakil

**1994** 1. Jimmy Cayne, Alan Sontag, Dave Berkowitz, Larry Cohen; 2. Doug Simson, Walter Johnson, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth

**1995** 1. Steve Garner, Jack Oest, Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Gerald Caravelli, Gay Cohler; 2. Billy Cohen, Marc Jacobus, Harold Lilie, Peter Nagy

**1996** 1. Ralph Buchalter, Hugh Ross, Kyle Larsen, Ron Smith, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby; 2. Chuck Burger, Geoff Hampson, Allan Falk, Perry Johnson

**1997** 1. Jeffrey Wolfson, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Neil Silverman, Richard Pavlicek, Michael Seamon; 2. Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Curtis Cheek, Steve Beatty, John Onstott

**1998** 1. Ross Grabel, Jon Wittes, Mark Itabashi, Fred Hamilton, Gene Simpson; 2. Bobby Goldman, John Sutherlin, Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold

**1999** 1. Joseph Shay, Michael Seamon, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Jill Meyers, Ed Davis, Mitch Dunitz, Iftikhar Baqai

**2000** 1. Joseph Shay, Michael Seamon, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Ron Smith, Kyle Larsen, Chip Matel, Lew Stansby

**2001** Championship Flight: 1. Jill Meyers, Ed Davis, Mitch Dunitz, Iftikhar Baqai; 2. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Hugh Ross, Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby  
Flight A: 1. Merline Vilhauer, Pam Stratton, Robert Johnson, Bruce Cuthbertson, Mark Litterman; 2. Lyle Poe, Rusty Krauss, David Butler, Raphael Kahn, Barry Falgout, Mark Dahl

**2002** Championship Flight: 1. Russ Ekeblad, Sheila Ekeblad, Jeff Meckstroth, Michael Seamon, Eric Rodwell, Mark Molson; 2. Lou Ann O'Rourke, Roger Bates, Garey Hayden, Billy Miller, Marc Jacobus.

Flight A: Adrian Dovell, Patricia Dovell, John Moschella, John Brady, Bob Dennard, Brian Gunnell; 2. Bob Balderson, Cindy Balderson, Kurt Schaeffer, Carole Miner

**2003** Championship Flight: 1. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Hugh Ross, Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby; 2. Larry Griffey, Spike Lay, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Michael Seamon, Russ Ekeblad

Flight A: 1. Buddy Hanby, Sally Wheeler, Patricia Griffin, James Griffin; 2. Niel Waletzky, Stan Dub, Don Sulgrove, Kathleen Sulgrove

**2004** Championship Flight: 1. (District 9) Jim Mahaffey, Michael Seamon, Gary Cohler, Barnet Shenkin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. (District 16) Malcolm Brachman, Bart Bramley, Sidney Lazard, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold

Flight A: 1. (District 6) Sumner Steinfeldt, Marshall Kuschner, Hal Hindman, Mark Chen; 2. (District 12) Mark Leonard, Thomas Rozinski, Barry Lippitt, Richard Mydloski



## Mid-Atlantic bridge can be a beach ...

Join us this fall (after hurricane season) with TWO regionals on the sandy shores of the Atlantic Ocean.



**Virginia Beach, VA, Nov. 7-13**, Cavalier Hotel, 757-425-8555, honors \$81 bridge rate through Oct. 9. In a conference renown for its hospitality, this tournament REALLY goes all-out, including complimentary on-site suppers between sessions several days and an open suite every night. Co-chair: Nancy Cook, nancycook5@cox.net, 757-410-4274.

**Myrtle Beach, SC, Dec. 5-11**, Marriott Resort at Grande Dunes, 843-449-8880, honors \$89 bridge rate through Nov. 3. THE most talked-about tournament of the year. We've been looking for a first-class venue at this popular destination, and we've got it: A brand-new oceanfront hotel. Co-chair: Evelyn Brandon, ebrandon@sc.rr.com, 843-449-3279.

Fliers on information tables, and see [www.mabcbridge.org](http://www.mabcbridge.org)

# A long road but worth it

Evan Stoll of Kingston WA arrived at the 2005 Summer NABC needing only .86 masterpoints to become a Life Master. He accomplished his goal almost immediately as a member of a Flight C Grand National Team representing District 19.

Late Thursday afternoon, Stoll's team had advanced to the point where he would earn at least 1.64 MPs, so his gold card was assured. See photo, page 1.

Stoll earned his first mastepoints in 1969 in Astoria OR – .05 as he remembers it. He doesn't get to play a lot, so his accumulation of masterpoints was slow. Even now that he has retired as a programmer analyst from the Government Accounting Office, he still doesn't play a lot because he has a long way to go from his home to the bridge clubs in Seattle.

When he isn't playing bridge, he sails, bikes and "pulls weeds."

Stoll's teammates in the GNT were Tom Bailey and Tim Dallas of Shoreline WA and Lane Galloway of Seattle.

The Bridge Gold Group, which provided the pendant Stoll received as the first LM at the NABC, has pendants, rings, pins and cufflinks for all ACBL ranks, including Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs winners. Generic ACBL pendants, pins and rings are also available. Visit the ACBL Product Store to see the selection.

90 Pairs

	A	B	C
12.83	1		
9.62	2	1	
7.22	3		
5.41	4		
4.06	5		
3.04	6		
5.17		2	
3.88		3	
2.91		4	
3.79		5	1
2.84		6/7	2
1.44		6/7	
2.13		3	
1.77		4	
1.67		5	
0.90		6	

## INT'L FUND 1 SESSION OPEN

Jesus Arias - Randi Adelman, New York NY	68.43%
Laurence Rivkin, Dunwoody GA; Josie Mitchell, Decatur GA	67.63%
Paul Ross, Fair Grove MO; Jon Nance, Springfield MO	65.87%
Sherry Ann Kavaler, New York NY; Yatindra Sahae, Carmel Valley CA	65.22%
Robert Cofer III - Stanley Perlo, Ithaca NY	64.90%
Donald Stack, Overland Park KS; Alan Stout, Mountain Home AR	62.66%
Gloria Tsoi - Brian Duran, Somerville MA	62.02%
Dilip Udeshi, Bensalem PA; James Partridge, Birmingham AL	57.53%
A Ramsey, Atlanta GA; Risa Campbell, Brownsville TN	54.97%
Ina Parry, Lithia Springs GA; Linda Kelly, Marietta GA	54.01%
Gary Stern, Columbus GA; Harry Rogers, Wailuku HI	53.85%
Jean Franke, Norcross GA; Ronald Kral, Reston VA	53.85%
Stephen Hawthorne, Bloomington IL; Eric Gettleman, Normal IL	51.76%
Bernetha Henry, Hopkins SC; Sylvia White, Columbia SC	51.28%
Suzanne Lilly - Beth Keeney, Fayetteville NC	50.16%
Ruth Scherer - Jack Scherer, Sharpsburg GA	48.56%

## INT FUND 299ER PRS

30 Pairs

	A	B	C
3.09	1/2		
3.09	1/2		
1.99	3		
1.67	4	1	
1.12	5		
0.76	6/7		
0.76	6/7		
1.25		2	
0.94		3	

Cathy Simms - John Simms, Marietta GA	61.36%
Chloe Johnson, San Antonio TX; Wanda Worsham, Arlington VA	61.36%
Joe Mandel, Cary NC; Alan Gross, Cherry Hill NJ	61.17%
Thomas Racciatti, Minneapolis MN; Matthew Duffy, Edina MN	57.58%
Marie Douglas - Janet Peters, Warner Robins GA	56.82%
Gloria Scroggins - Rene Nalley, Atlanta GA	53.98%
Rosemary Grant, Canton GA; Jeanne Bloom, Alpharetta GA	53.98%
Keith More - Flora More, Ann Arbor MI	50.19%
Peggy Larson - Barbara Gomez, Cumming GA	48.86%

## NAOMI & JOHN LUCAS JUNIOR

6 Pairs

0.76	1	Mandy Lowell, Fort Thomas KY; Jake Branch, Winchester VA	60.54%
0.57	2	Marcus Jenkins - Demarcus Jenkins,	58.14%

### INT'L FUND 1 SESSION OPEN

NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C
1		
2		
3		
4	1	1
5/6	2	
5/6		
	3	2

SECTION F

A	B	C
60.26	1	
57.05	2	
54.81	3	1
53.85	4	
52.40	5/6	
52.40	5/6	
51.76		
	2	
	3	1
	4	
		2/3
		2/3

EAST-WEST

Jesus Arias - Randi Adelman, New York NY	68.43%
Paul Ross, Fair Grove MO; Jon Nance, Springfield MO	65.87%
A Ramsey, Atlanta GA; Risa Campbell, Brownsville TN	54.97%
Richard Anderson, Regina SK; Bill Cook Jr, Madison MS	51.44%
Joanne Carroll, Carrollton GA; Joan Braender, Newnan GA	51.28%
Cynthia Balderson, Eden Prairie MN; Carole Miner, Rochester MN	51.28%
Chuck Ellison, Oxford GA; Geo. J. Anderson,	48.56%
Carolyn Cromer - J. Lewis Cromer, Columbia SC	47.76%
James Light, Gurley AL; Hansford Rowe, Newhall CA	45.67%
Allan Tushman, West Bloomfield MI; Patrick Amrine, Norman OK	45.51%
Stuart Siegel - Sabra Wilson, Pensacola FL	45.51%

### SECTION G

NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C
1	1	
2		
3		
4		
5	2	1
6	3	
	4	
		2

A	B	C
67.63	1	
57.37	2	
55.77	3	1
54.97	4	2
54.01	5	
53.85	6	
51.76		
48.56		
	3	
	4	
		1
		2
		3

EAST-WEST

Sherry Ann Kavaler, New York NY; Yatindra Sahae, Carmel Valley CA	65.22%
Donald Stack, Overland Park KS; Alan Stout, Mountain Home AR	62.66%
Gloria Tsoi - Brian Duran, Somerville MA	62.02%
Dilip Udeshi, Bensalem PA; James Partridge, Birmingham AL	57.53%
Howard Epley, Kent WA; William McFall, New Berlin WI	52.08%
Beryl Shapiro - Marvin Shapiro, Saint Louis MO	50.80%
Fay Teal, Waterloo ON; Colin Lafferty, Kitchener ON	49.52%
Mona Cavanaugh - Marianne Payne, Overland Park KS	46.47%
Marilyn Kelley - Ellen Melenikotis, Chapel Hill NC	45.35%

### SECTION K

NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
	1	1
	2	
	3	
		2

A	B	C
61.38	1	
58.17	2	
57.69	3	
57.05	4	
56.73	5	
54.65	6	1
51.28		2
47.12		3
46.96		
44.71		

EAST-WEST

Robert Cofer III - Stanley Perlo, Ithaca NY	64.90%
Andrew Gofreed, La Plata MD; Alan Tenenbaum, Rockville MD	59.46%
Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria; Peggy Allen, Chevy Chase MD	57.05%
Will Engel, Freeport IL; James Melville, Springfield IL	55.29%
Gail Hastings, Verona PA; Louis Joseph, Pittsburgh PA	54.81%
Suzanne Lilly - Beth Keeney, Fayetteville NC	50.16%
Mary White, Las Vegas NV; Rick Holcomb, Malden MA	49.68%
Marjorie Grant - Frances Beard, Atlanta GA	48.40%

### INT FUND 299ER PRS

NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C
1/2		
1/2		
3/4		
3/4		
5		
6		
	1	1

SECTION M EAST-WEST

A	B	C
61.36	1	
61.36	2	1
53.98	3	
53.98	4	
53.41	5	
49.43	6/7	
48.86	6/7	
	2	1

EAST-WEST

Joe Mandel, Cary NC; Alan Gross, Cherry Hill NJ	61.17%
Thomas Racciatti, Minneapolis MN; Matthew Duffy, Edina MN	57.58%
Marie Douglas - Janet Peters, Warner Robins GA	56.82%
Michael Lattak, Westchester IL; Raymond Wise, Valrico FL	53.41%
Roma Chandra, Silver Spring MD; Shlomit Rind, Rockville MD	52.65%
Marsha Derynck, Cary NC; Eileen Ashby, Apex NC	51.89%
Charlotte Heinz - Shirley Riggins, Duluth GA	51.89%
Keith More - Flora More, Ann Arbor MI	50.19%

### NAOMI & JOHN LUCAS JUNIOR

NORTH-SOUTH

1	Marcus Jenkins - Demarcus Jenkins,	
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SECTION T EAST-WEST

58.14	1	Mandy Lowell, Fort Thomas KY; Jake Branch, Winchester VA	60.54%
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## Prizes

Section top winners will receive gold coins. Special Atlanta NABC logo pens will be awarded to stratum top winners. For all team game winners, we have a special Atlanta NABC logo convention card holders.

## Goodwill message

Welcome to Atlanta and the Summer 2005 North American Bridge Championships. Tournament co-chairs Jack Feagin and Barbara Heller and their group of volunteers, staff and sponsors have worked hard to make you welcome and to assure that you have a good time.

We can all be winners by treating each other with respect and simply enjoying the fact that we are all together. I look forward to seeing (and greeting) you at the table.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman  
National Goodwill Committee



## Ring in the new year ... in Atlanta

Your NABC hosts couldn't quite handle the traditional Labor Day regional this year, but they vowed to do the next-best thing:

New Year's regional, Dec. 26-Jan. 1, at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia, 770-395-7700. Our popular regional venue is convenient to scores of restaurants and across the street from Perimeter Mall and all of the massive post-Christmas sales. Prime playing times of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. leave log, leisurely evenings for a third session of bridge or a great meal and holiday camaraderie. Book early: The \$84 bridge rate rooms will sell out. Chairman Jack Feagin, jfeagin2@bellsouth.net, 404-252-9246.

• The Mid-Atlantic hosted the ACBL's largest New Year's regional last winter, in Charleston, and we return for New Year's 2007. Then it's to Myrtle Beach for New Year's 2008, Charleston for '9 and Myrtle Beach for 2010.



## Questions for Management?

Meet with Julie Greenberg, Director of Education and  
Carol Robertson, Director of Club and Member Services

**Location:** ACBL Product Store • **Time:** 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. • **Free**  
Exhibit Level Foyer



## Get Online with Bridge Base

Meet with Fred Gitelman, the creator of ACBL's "Learn to Play Bridge" program.  
Get a guided tour of the Bridge Base site and its outstanding teaching and  
playing features.

**Location:** Hanover F • **Time:** 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. • **Free**

### TOMORROW'S BRIDGE EVENTS

#### Junior Day

\*Unless otherwise noted, strat breaks for all stratified events are: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750). For strati-flighted events, A/X are 3000+/0-3000 and play in their own game; B (1000-2000), C (500-1000) and D (0-500) play in their own game.  
\*\*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
<b>Saturday, July 23, 10 a.m.</b>				
Lou Bluhm Friday-Saturday Side Game Series*	4th single session	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15
0-20 Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
<b>Saturday, July 23, 10 a.m. &amp; 3 p.m.</b>				
Von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs	1-2SF	Centennial	\$16.50	—
Bruce LM-5000 Pairs	1-2SF	Centennial	\$15	—
Young LM-1500 Pairs	1-2SF	Centennial	\$15	—
Grand National Teams, Championship Flight <i>(2nd session at 4:30)</i>	1-2F	International	\$16.50	—
Morehead Grand National Teams, Flight A <i>(2nd session at 4:30)</i>	1-2F	International	\$15	—
Sheinwold Grand National Teams, Flight B <i>(2nd session at 4:00)</i>	1-2F	International	\$15	—
Mac Nab Grand National Teams, Flight C <i>(2nd session at 4:00)</i>	1-2F	International	\$15	—
Naomi and John Lucas Strati-Flighted A/X and B/C/D Pairs*	1-2	TBA	\$14	\$16
Stratified Senior Pairs*	1-2	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
Gatlinburg Bracketed KO Teams 2 <i>Continues Sunday</i>	1-2	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
Atlanta Bracketed KO Teams 1	3-4	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
Collegiate Team Championship	SF-F	International	Free	—
<b>Saturday, July 23, 3 p.m.</b>				
Lou Bluhm Friday-Saturday Side Game Series*	5th single session	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
Strati-Flighted A/X and B/C/D Side Board-a-Match Teams*	single	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15
0-20 Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Regency VII	\$14	\$16
Saturday, July 23, 8 p.m.				
Coastal Georgia Evening Bracketed KO Teams 1	2nd	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	3rd	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
Lou Bluhm Friday-Saturday Side Game Series*	6th single session	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
Stratified Side Swiss Teams*	single	Regency VII	\$14	\$16
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15
0-20 Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Regency VII	\$14	\$16
<b>Saturday, July 23, 9:30 p.m.</b>				
Knoxville Late Bracketed Compact KO 1 <i>Continues Sunday-Tuesday evenings, one 12-board match each evening</i>	1st	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
Chuck Whidden Friday-Monday Fast Side Series*	2nd single	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
Zip Knockout Teams	single	Grand Hall West	\$12 / team / match	—

*See back cover for Today's Schedule.*



## Mid-Atlantic: George and the gators

Here's where to play your first two regionals of 2006

**Williamsburg, VA, Jan. 16-22**, the Marriott, 50 Kingsmill Road, 757-220-2500. A town steeped in history, and where George Washington slept around. Take a nice midwinter break in a relaxed and pleasant atmosphere. Bridge? It's our usual array of knockouts, events for the Intermediate/Novice crowd, and the Mid-Atlantic's trademark: hospitality. Chairman: Wyatt Mapp, mappowell@yahoo.com, 757-597-0000.

**Hilton Head Island SC, Feb. 6-12**, Marriott Beach & Golf Resort, 843-686-8400. Our biennial first hint of spring on a semi-tropical island. The Low Country Classic draws the nation's top players, with plenty more to make those brackets and brackets of knockouts. Enjoy the beaches, golf, shopping and dining, but as our hosts always request: Please do not feed the alligators. Co-chairs: Carol Wilson, cjwdw@adelphia.net, 843-681-3083, and Nancy Pruitt, pruittnw@aol.com, 843-671-3556.



**TODAY'S BRIDGE EVENTS**

See page 2 for other events

\*Unless otherwise noted, strat breaks for all stratified events are: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750). For strati-flighted events, A/X are 3000+/0-3000 and play in their own game; B (1000-2000), C (500-1000) and D (0-500) play in their own game.

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

**Friday, July 22, 10 a.m.**

0-5 Newcomer pairs play free today!

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Educational Foundation Pairs* <i>Part of the Lou Bluhm Side Game Series</i>	1st single session	Grand Hall East	\$14	
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15
0-20 Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Regency VII	Free	Free

**Friday, July 22, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.**

Von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs	1-2Q	Centennial	\$16.50	—
Bruce LM-5000 Pairs	1-2Q	Regency VI	\$15	—
Young LM-1500 Pairs	1-2Q	Regency VI	\$15	—
<i>All LM Pair events are two qualifying, two semifinal &amp; two final sessions.</i>				
Grand National Teams, Championship Flight <i>(2nd session at 4:30)</i>	1-2SF	International	\$16.50	—
Morehead Grand National Teams, Flight A <i>(2nd session at 4:30)</i>	1-2SF	International	\$15	—
Sheinwold Grand National Teams, Flight B <i>(2nd session at 4:00)</i>	QF & SF	International	\$15	—
Mac Nab Grand National Teams, Flight C <i>(2nd session at 4:00)</i>	QF & SF	International	\$15	—
Metro-Atlanta Stratified Open Pairs*	1-2	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
Stratified Senior Pairs*	1-2	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
Atlanta Bracketed KO Teams 1	1-2	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
Collegiate Team Championship <i>(pre-qualification required)</i>	Round-Robin 1-2	Grand Hall West	Free	

**Friday, July 22, 3 p.m.**

International Fund Pairs* <i>Part of the Lou Bluhm Side Game Series</i>	2nd single	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
Strati-Flighted A/X and B/C/D Side Swiss Teams*	single	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15
0-20 Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Regency VII	Free	Free
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15

**Friday, July 22, 8 p.m.**

Coastal Georgia Evening Bracketed KO Teams 1 <i>Continues Saturday and Sunday evenings</i>	1st	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	Grand Hall West	\$14	\$16
International Fund Pairs* <i>Part of the Lou Bluhm Side Game Series</i>	3rd single session	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15
0-20 Pairs	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$13
0-5 Newcomer Pairs	single	Regency VII	Free	Free
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Regency VII	\$13	\$15

**Friday, July 22, 9:30 p.m.**

Chuck Whidden Friday-Monday Fast Side Series*	1st single	Grand Hall East	\$14	\$16
International Fund Zip Knockout Teams*	single	Grand Hall West	\$12 / team / match	

Tomorrow's schedule is on page 7.

**NABC Sponsors**

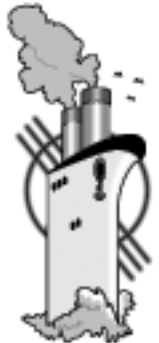
Throughout the week, you will see a list of sponsors of events – and some background on the companies and individuals who are supporting the tournament.

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(They are both children of Valerie and Mike Benoit, local ACBL members.) You may reach them at 770-938-1000 or visit their web site at [www.Metro-AtlantaInsurance.com](http://www.Metro-AtlantaInsurance.com). We are pleased to support the 2005 Atlanta NABC.



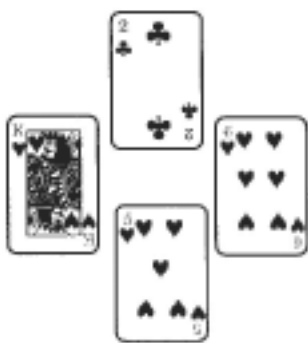
## Bridge Teachers and Bridge Cruises

The Ins and Outs of being a Teacher/Game Director on a Cruise Ship.

**Friday, July 22 – 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.**

**Location: Regency V**

**Instructor: Peg Cundiff – Fee: \$25 at door**





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