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52nd Spring North American Bridge Championships

## Editors: Brent Manley and Dave Smith

## Welcome to Houston!

Welcome to the 2009 Spring North American Bridge Championships in Houston. Considered by many to be the energy capital of the world, Houston is the fourth-largest city in the U.S. Houston is also home to the world renowned Texas Medical Center, Rice University and the University of Houston. Among our professional sports teams, the Rockets will be playing at the Toyota Center only a few blocks from the hotel.

All of the events at the NABC will be held inside the brand new and beautiful Hilton Americas, so there is no need to go outside if you don't want to. Houston, however, has many things to see and do if you do choose to venture out. Tours are planned Monday through Thursday, including the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, shopping at the Galleria (the venue of the 2002 Spring NABC), the Johnson Space Center and historic Galveston. Be sure to check with our Information Desk for times and availability.

Our committees and volunteers have been working hard to make sure that you have a fun and memorable experience. We want to give a special thanks to our committee chairmen:

**Partnerships:** Jolie Hess and Terrie Curry. **Registration:** Yvonne Strangmeyer and Kathy

#### Hughes.

**Information:** Barbara and Joe Nance. **Prizes:** Connie Robichaux and Vicki Ornowski.

Special Events: Marsha Bernstein.
Publicity: Jane Armstrong.
Volunteers: Carol Irvin and Judy Smith.
Hospitality: Julia Miller and Barbara Peck.
Caddies: John and Virginia Zilic.
Decorations: Debra Bellan and Ellen

Greenfield.

**Logistics:** Bert Onstott and Sandy Lobliner. Restaurant Guide and Program: Dianna and Joe Gittelman.

Pre tournament: Katherine Onstott.

**Fund Raising:** Lew Levy and Terrie Curry. **Treasurer:** Carolyne Fox.

**I/N Program:** Betty Starzec and Sue Williams.

**Entertainment:** Toni Snow and Sandy Stevens.

Tee-shirts: Brigitte Sandifer.

They and their committee members have worked tirelessly for months to make this tournament a great success, so please be sure to give them your thanks when you see them.

Again, we hope y'all have a great time, win lots of points, make lots of friends, have a safe trip home and come back to see us again and again in the future. We have a fabulous regional every year in February.

- Eric and Toni Snow and Betty Starzec, Tournament Co-Chairs



Jim Krekorian and John Rengstorff won the North American Pairs.

# New Yorkers take NAP-A

Jim Krekorian and John Rengstorff won the North American Pairs, Flight A, by more than a board. The New York City pair took the lead after the first final session by more than 17 matchpoints (13 top). They had a 53.85% game in the evening to win by about 15 matchpoints.

"With three rounds to go, we went into the four corners," said Krekorian, making a basketball reference. "I knew a pair would have to have a huge game to catch us, and I didn't want any zeroes."

"We went conservative," added Rengstorff. The winners have been a regular partnership for about 15 years. They credit their defense as the biggest reason for their victory.

This is Rengstorff's second NABC title and Krekorian's fifth. This is their first NABC championship as partners. They have one previous win as teammates in the 1997 Board-a-Match Teams in St. Louis. Krekorian is a full-time player. Rengstorff is an actor.

In second place were Robert Heitzman Jr, of Suffern NY and Jonathan Weinstein of Princeton NJ. Their score was 412.86. In third place were Mark Itabashi of Murrieta CA and Steven Love of Laguna Niguel CA with 390.81.

# Silodor Pairs starts today

The four-session Silodor Open Pairs starts today with two qualifying sessions. It will conclude on Saturday with two final sessions.

Betty Starzec and Eric and Toni Snow are the tournament co-chairs.

# An ace in space? You bet!

# Plug them in and see how it goes

Today, the ACBL will conduct an experiment

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Astronaut Gregory Johnson today will present to the ACBL an ace of spades that he carried on the Shuttle Endeavor on a 15-day mission. The STS-123 Endeavor orbited the earth 250 times, traveling 6.6 million miles in 15 days and 18 hours March 11 - 25 in 2008.

Johnson will present the card to Jay Baum, ACBL's chief executive, at 11:30 a.m. today on the fourth floor at the Hilton Americas near the registration desk.

Astronauts are allowed to carry up to 10 items on shuttle flights, and Johnson selected the ace of spaces from an official ACBL deck of cards to honor the organization and demonstrate his love of bridge.

Johnson has been a bridge player for more than 30 years. He started duplicate as a new U.S. Air Force pilot in 1988. He is a Life Master. in remote bridge play.

In the Silodor Open Pairs, one pair will have a player sitting at a table in Houston. His partner and a monitor will be sitting at a computer in Las Vegas.

Via the Internet, with assists from numerous humans, the experiment will help the ACBL evaluate possibilities for future bridge competition.

Thanks to all competitors for your cooperation.

The winners' names are engraved on the Silodor Trophy, presented in memory of Sidney Silodor, winner of the Bermuda Bowl, the McKenney Trophy and more than 30 North American championships.

Silodor, a member of the team that won the first Bermuda Bowl World Championship in 1950, won the Vanderbilt eight times, the Reisinger six times, the Spingold, the Open Pairs and the Master Mixed Teams three times each and the Mixed Pairs five times.

For more information see page 8.

## **Goodwill Message**

Welcome to the 2009 Spring North American Bridge Championships in Houston. Tournament chairs Betty Starzec, Toni Snow

and Eric Snow and their committees have lined up a great schedule of bridge events, terrific late-night food, celebrity speakers and more. Please join me in saying "thank you" to our hosts.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman National Goodwill Committee



## SPECIAL EVENTS

## **MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS**

	Friday, March 13	10:30 am - Noon	ACBLscore Seminar. Join ACBL National Director Rick
9 am - Noon	Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP). Second session of		Beye for an informative seminar on the ACBLscore
	the ACBL's popular 10-hour seminar for people interested		program. Meeting Room 345.
	in learning how to teach bridge successfully. Pre-	1 - 3 pm	Bridge Plus+. Special game for new players. 14 boards, no
	registration required. Meeting Room 336.		card fee. Lanier Ballroom GHI.
9:30 am - Noon	ACBL Charity Foundation meeting. Meeting Room 331.	5 - 7 pm	Junior Reception. All Junior players are invited to attend.
10 am - Noon	<b>ACBL Disciplinary Committee meeting.</b> <i>Meeting Room</i> 326.		Meeting Room 343.
10:30 am - Noon	ACBL Tournament Director meeting. Meeting Room 327.		Sunday, March 15
4:30- 6:30 pm	Reception for Teachers and Club Officials. This is the	9:45 am - Noon	Free Bridge Lesson with Gary King. Lanier Ballroom
-	ACBL's "thank you" reception for the teachers and club		GHI.
	officials who work so hard to recruit and retain our	10 am - Noon	Board of Governors/ACBL Membership Meeting. This
	members. Meeting Room 343.		meeting is open to all members. Lanier Ballroom A-F.
11 pm -	National Appeals Committee meeting. Meeting Room	10 am - Noon	Reception for Bridge Teachers of Junior Players.
Midnight	327.		Interested in teaching bridge to Juniors? Currently teaching
11 pm - 1 am	Grant Baze memorial. Meeting Room 335.		Juniors? Meet officials of the School Bridge League and the
			ACBL Education Department staff to exchange ideas and
	Saturday, March 14		find others interested in pursuing Junior bridge activities in
9 am - Noon	Bridge Teachers and Bridge Cruises Seminar. Join		their areas. Meeting Room 343.
	instructor Sue Williams for great tips on being a successful	10 am - Noon	<b>Open Team Trials meeting.</b> <i>Meeting Room 331.</i>
	teacher and bridge host on a cruise ship. Fee: \$25 at the	Noon - 5 pm	Happy Bridge. Special game for new players. Lanier
	door. Meeting Room 327.		Ballroom GHI.
9 am - Noon	ACBL Educational Foundation meeting. Meeting Room	5 - 7 pm	Teaching Bridge to Young Students seminar. Be among
	331.		the first to take our new, free continuing education course in
10 am - Noon	ACBL Laws Commission meeting. Meeting Room 332.		Houston. It will help you strengthen and grow your current
9:45 am - Noon	Free Bridge Lesson with Jerry Helms. Helms, well-		school bridge program. Join Patty Tucker for a great
	known teacher and Bridge Bulletin columnist, presents a		seminar following the afternoon session. Meeting Room
	fun bridge lesson for intermediate and newer players.		346.
	Lanier Ballroom GHI.	11 pm - 1 am	ACBL Patron Member Reception. Hilton Americas, Suite
10 am - Noon	ACBL Hall of Fame Committee meeting. Meeting Room		21027.
	326.		

## **CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM**

Be sure to hear these free expert lectures in Houston.					
Friday, March 13					
12:15 pm	Jerry Helms	Ask Jerry	6:45 pm		
6:45 pm	Toni Snow	The Lady – When to Play the Queen			

## Saturday, March 14

12:15 pm Harriette Buckman Rule of 14 6:45 pm Gary King Making Close Decisions

### Ken Monzingo Allan Mazer

### Hand Patterns Tell Your Partner Where to Go!

## LATE NIGHT/ENTERTAINMENT

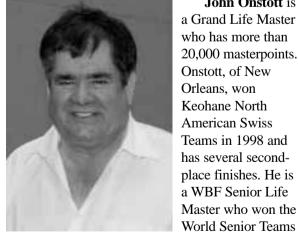
Entertainment will be provided in Lanier Ballroom J at 11:30 p.m.

Friday, March 13

Frontier Squares. This popular dance group performs all over the world. There will be a contest for the best Western duds: \$100 first prize, \$50 second prize.

## Saturday, March 14

The Over-the-Hill Dixieland Jazz Band



John Onstott is a Grand Life Master who has more than 20,000 masterpoints. Onstott, of New Orleans, won Keohane North American Swiss

## Special thanks

- 1. "Thank you to Baron Barclay Bridge Supply for sponsoring the Win a Bridge Library contest in the Intermediate Newcomer area." Please put this in a small box and include in each day's bulletin.

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

Sunday, March 15

Friday, March 13 **Burritos** 

Saturday, March 14 Hero sandwiched and chips

penalty.

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



Championship in 2001 and 2004.

2. "Thank you to Kronberg's Flags and Flagpoles for supplying and delivering the Texas State flag displayed on the 2nd floor."

## **Slow Play**

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

Players are encouraged to dress up for the evening session Saturday, March 14. This is a regular feature of all NABCs.





Join Suc Williams, experienced bridge cruise host, for an informative session about what you need to know to be a successful teacher and bridge host on a cruise ship. An interesting morning program for current and prospective teachers/directors.

Location: Hilton Americas — Meeting Room 327

Time: 9 a.m. - Noon



Fee: \$25 at door



## **Dear New Players:** By Marti Ronemus

Congratulations! Here you are at the Mecca

of bridge ... the North American Bridge Championships. Wow. Pretty exciting, no? And for a relative newcomer, it can be a little overwhelming. Not



to worry. Just like the government, I'm here to help you. Only I'm not going to help you with your actual bridge game - there are others much better qualified to do that. (Don't miss a single column in this newspaper. Ideas everywhere.) No, I'm going to help you with the decisions and problems that no one else ever tackles, and yet are pivotal to your success.

For example, today we are going to discuss "Sitting North-South or East-West," a decision that can affect your entire game. If your position goes against your basic nature ... well, there goes your afternoon.

Theories abound. You've heard the one about sitting the same direction as the bathtub, haven't vou? I had a partner who insisted it was lucky, but couldn't begin to explain why. She was adamant she start sitting the same way as the tub at every party. (Okay, okay. I admit I like to sit facing the same direction as the makeup counter at Saks in New York, my personal Mecca. In case you care, it faces East.) Others like to sit East-West "because I like to stretch between rounds." Listen folks, there is absolutely no law against standing up and stretching if you are North-South, so let's be a little more thoughtful about our rationalizations.

All this doesn't really make any sense, so let's talk about reasons that do make sense. It really comes down to your personality type.

Do you like to be in charge? Sit North. The responsibilities on North are myriad. You must make sure the right people and the right boards are in place. You are an official greeter and act as host at the table. You are responsible for switching to the next board, although you may delegate that to South if you can bear to give up that much control. (Do you know why only one person is to turn the boards? Well, some day when the director must be called because three of you are playing with yellow cards, and one with blue, you'll get it.) Some people are just plain born to be North. If you are one of them, you will drive everyone nuts if you are sitting somewhere else, being bossy, trying to resist touching the boards and just generally twitching.

## vou a minimalist, or "heavy" traveler?

Do you find it impossible to go to the playing area without a coat, light sweater, travel bag with socks, emergency rations for that 3 p.m. blood-sugar drop? Knitting? A good book? A travel mug with a capacity that rivals a camel? A newspaper and the Daily **Bulletin?** For heaven's sake, sit either North or South. A heavy traveler takes forever to gather all their belongings, pack them up and move to the next table. Plus they invariably leave something behind. You don't really want to be that annoying, do you?

A minimalist is someone who pops a lipstick or room key into a pocket, along with a few bucks, and off they go. This is you if you can make do with those teensy hand-out pencils, see no need to drag stuff wherever you go. You happy-go-lucky folks are the perfect East-Wests, as you are ready for the next round with a few seconds' notice.

It all comes down to style. Here's what my

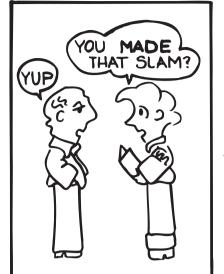
friend Paul McMullin has to say. He's a director and player in the Washington DC area.

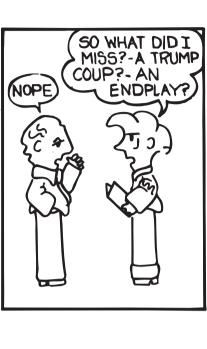
"The truth is, on some days, the deals will match your style no matter what seat you're in. All your decisions will be good ones and you'll have a great game for no particular reason. On other days, the deals will be disasters for your style, and all your decisions will turn out poorly ... again, for no particular reason.

"The *real* trick to picking where to sit is to make sure it is opposite someone who smiles at you when you return from the restroom; someone

## Thinking bridge By Eddie Kantar

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who usually leads your suit and returns your lead. And the easiest way to find that seat is to provide those same courtesies for your partner when you take your seat at the table."

Listen to the man.

Tomorrow, we'll once again take on the tough problems in bridge. Until then, have fun. And remember, I'm one of the few people who really wants to hear about your newcomer experiences. You can e-mail me anytime at mronemus@comcast.net.

North's invitational raise. Note: North does not count the AJ as a point. Unsupported jacks in suits bid by the opponents are usually worthless – unless partner bids notrump.

**Defensive commentary:** After East cashes three spades, West must find a discard. As West, before discarding, ask yourself which suit you want partner to lead. If you said a diamond, think again. You want a spade! Look at your hearts. If partner leads a spade and declarer discards, your  $\mathbf{v}$ 8 drives out the ace. The  $\mathbf{v}$ K is now the setting trick. If declarer ruffs with an honor (likely), you will discard – and your ♥K 9 8 will now produce a trick! This is one of those time when you want partner to give declarer a ruff and a sluff! So how do you get partner to lead a spade? You make a discouraging discard in diamonds. the suit partner will be tempted to lead. If you discard the  $\blacklozenge$ 3, discouraging, it doesn't take an Einstein to figure out you want a spade. After all, how could you want a club?

Do you like to be associated with

greatness? Sit South. Bask in North's glory. (South also should be someone who likes to declare. After all, South plays all the contracts in the newspaper.)

Do you like to know what's going on everywhere? Sit East-West. As you have to wait between rounds, you can be checking out the room, seeing where everyone is, noticing who is with whom, being in the know. But, horrors, avoid even glancing at hands being played! (Also, if you like to make the opening lead, sit West. Again, in the newspaper, West always leads.)

Another important distinction between North-South players and East-West players: Are

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## **Baldwin NAP-A winners**

Play in the Baldwin North American Pairs, Flight A — a grassroots event that began last summer at the local club level — began Wednesday.

Qualifiers at the club level advanced to unit competition and those qualifiers advanced to district finals. Three pairs from each district — more, depending upon attendance — qualified for the North American final.

Winners will have their names inscribed on the Baldwin Memorial Trophy and will also receive certificates of recognition.

The trophy is presented in memory of Col. Russell J. Baldwin (1889-1969), U.S. Army officer and expert on tournament procedure who was ACBL *Honorary Member of the Year* in 1943.

Baldwin was active as an organizer from the earliest days of contract bridge. He became a director of the American Bridge League and its treasurer shortly after its founding in 1927. He was a member of the ACBL Laws Commission and primarily responsible for the first Duplicate Code issued in 1935.

Baldwin was active as a tournament director from 1927 until 1941. After service in World War II, he was ACBL business manager from 1946 until 1951.

He was recalled to military serve at the outbreak of the Korean War and retired from the U. S. Army in 1957. He rejoined ACBL in 1958 and was in charge of tournament scheduling until his retirement in 1963.

#### Winners:

- 1979 Arthur Moore, Eric Robinson
- 1980 Bob Feller, Jeffrey Hall
- 1981 Helen Blakey, Robert Blakey
- 1982 Bill Nuttig, Ivan Scope
- 1983 John Griscom, Jim Felts
- 1984 Steve Sion, Harold Stengel
- 1985 Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson

## Defenders, Spring North American Bridge Championships

- Baldwin North American Pairs, Flight A: Xiaodong Shi, David Yang
- Golder North American Pairs, Flight B: Sidney Kanter, Ron Nelken
- President's Cup North American Pairs, Flight C: Abraham Pallas, Dmitri Bourilkov
- Vanderbilt Knockout Teams: Jerzy Skrzypcak, Boguslaw Gierulski, Krzysztof Martens, Krzysztof Martens
- Jacoby Open Swiss Teams: Perry Johnson, Chris Compton, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- Machlin Women's Swiss Teams: Cheri Bjerkan, Joan Glasson, Lisa Berkowitz, Sue Weinstein
- Silodor Open Pairs: Robert Lebi, Dan Jacob
- Whitehead Women's Pairs: Lynne Feldman,
- Chris Benson Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs: Sheldon Kirsch,
- Morrie Kleinpletz



Xiaodong Shi and David Yang

1986	Drew Cannell, G. Sekhar
1987	Jan Janitschke, Dick Reed
1988	Jan Martel, Chip Martel
1989	David Caslan, Dennis Clerkin
1990	Sidney Lazard, Jack LaNoue
1991	Mark Stein, Boris Baran
1992	Jim Krekorian, Rick Zucker
1993	James Griffin, Kenneth Schutze
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1995	David Berkowitz, Lisa Berkowitz
1996	Marshall Tuly, James Cunningham
1997	Aidan Ballantyne, Gordon McOrmond
1998	Ron Sukoneck, Bill Cole
1999	James Griffin, Kenneth Schutze
2000	Patty Tucker, Kevin Collins2001 Frank
	Merblum, Doug Doub
2002	JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby
2003	Steve Landen, Michael Zerbini
2004	Henry Lortz, Wayne Ohlrich
2005	David Yang, Nikolay Demirev
2006	Gordon Campbell, Piotr Klimowicz
2007	Dave Abelow, Dick Wegman

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## ACBL discounted parking

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

George R. Brown Convention Center (GRBCC) and Hilton Americas garage. Please note there are no in-and-out privileges with the discounted parking. A person from the Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau will be at the entrance of the garage from 6 a.m. until 7:30 pm. Please identify yourself as a bridge player or show your convention card. You will be given a parking pass that must be presented to the parking attendant upon exit to receive the \$5 parking. The garage is connected to the Hilton Americas with a skywalk on the second floor of the hotel. There are 400 discounted spaces available. The availability will fluctuate each day depending on the number of overnight cars.

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

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

## **NABC Insider**

Welcome to Houston!! Even though it is cold and dreary, the Insider assures you that warm weather is just around the corner. (But then, this is the NABC Insider not the Weather Channel Insider – that title is reserved for the Insider's close personal friend "Stormy" Jim Cantore.) You got us off to a good start on Thursday and we're looking forward to a well-attended, well-played NABC here in Houston. If you attended the last NABC here, you know the local folks are known for their hospitality before, during and after the game. Today, they'll give you a great bag at Registration, a snack at the table and a burrito at the square dance after the game. Let them know how much you appreciate what they've done to show their Texas-sized-extra-large friendliness and smiles.

On a sad note, the Insider left Ask Me Girl's sign back in Memphis. She'll have to make do with a big yellow and blue ACBL logo and volunteer information without waiting to be asked. BUT, as a loyal Insider reader, here's a tip: you can still ask her. You can get inside information like this only in one place – right here in the ACBL Daily Bulletin! The Bulletin Boys continue to do their amazing magic act - making this informative, results-filled newspaper appear every day in a matter of just a few hours from the time the editor hits "send" until 4000 copies show up on the hotel's front porch. Thank you, guys, you do a great job. Another hot tip, since they don't go to bed until after 4:00 (on a slow news night), don't come looking for them before you buy your entry for the morning knockout.

More quick tips: Look for information on the evening restaurant shuttles elsewhere in this issue. Join us on the fourth floor – near the registration desk - around noon to meet astronaut Greg Johnson, who will be presenting Boss Baum with an out-of-this-world ACBL ace of spades direct from space. Watch for the Channel 13 news crew shooting footage for the evening news during the 1:00 game. Try the food court at Houston Center – but do it before 5:00 p.m. when they shut down for the day. (No, they wouldn't take our advice and stay open later for the influx of bridge players.) There are some full-service restaurants over in the same building that stay open late, but not the food court. And, the hottest tip of them all: Check in here tomorrow for more critical information (critical in terms of the the Insider's future employment not in terms of our dear reader's needs.)

## Monitoring

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

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

Morrie Kleinplatz **Rockwell Mixed Pairs:** Gail Greenberg, Jeffrey Hand **Lebhar IMP Pairs:** Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky **Bean Red Ribbon Pairs:** Mike Develin, LiChung Chen **Mott-Smith Trophy:** Krzysztof Martens, Krzysztof Martens

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

# FREE

# **Teaching Bridge to Young Students**

Be among the first to take our new FREE continuing education course in Houston. It will help you strengthen and grow your current school bridge program. Join Patty Tucker for a great seminar following the afternoon session.

Date: Sunday, March 15 Location: Hilton Americas - Meeting Room 346 Time: between sessions

# National Appeals Committee Roster and Schedule for the Houston NABC

**Director** Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC

## **RED TEAM**

#### Team Leaders Mark Bartusek, Santa Barbara CA Ron Gerard, White Plains NY Michael Huston, Joplin MO

#### **Team Members**

Darwin Afdahl, Oro Valley AZ Jeff Aker, Ossining NY David Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ Dick Budd, Portland ME Tom Carmichael, Atlanta GA Curtis Cheek, Huntsville AL Gary Cohler, Chicago IL Jan Jansma, Malden, Netherlands Mike Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA Ed Lazarus, Baltimore MD Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL Bill Passell, Coral Springs FL Marlene Passell, Coral Springs FL Lou Reich, Wheaton MD Becky Rogers, Las Vegas NV Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas TX\* Patty Tucker, Atlanta GA Bob White, Raleigh NC Eddie Wold, Houston TX

## On duty

Saturday, March 14 Tuesday, March 17 Friday, March 20 Chairman Adam Wildavsky, New York NY

## WHITE TEAM

**Team Leaders** Doug Doub, West Hartford CT Richard Popper, Wilmington DE

#### **Team Members**

Karen Allison, Las Vegas NV Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ Jon Brissman, San Bernardino CA\* Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL Mark Feldman, New York NY Robb Gordon, Sedona AZ Gail Greenberg, New York NY Joe Grue, New York NY Ellen Kent, Marina Del Ray CA Chris Moll, Lavonia GA Tom Peters, Grapeland TX Jeff Polisner, Walnut Creek CA Judy Randel, Albuquerque NM Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA Blair Seidler, Fair Lawn NJ Bob Schwartz, San Pedro CA Joann Sprung, Philadelphia PA Jim Thurtell, Dallas TX Steve Weinstein, Glen Ridge NJ\* Chris Willenken, New York NY Migry Zur Campinile, East Palo Alto CA

### On duty Sunday, March 15 Wednesday, March 18 Saturday, March 21

\* Semi-active members remaining on the National Appeals Committee



# Best Value

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## Bridge Voyages Welcomes You to Houston & the North American Bridge Championship!

From March 13 to 16, we invite you to stop by our table at the NABC so we can share the fun and excitement of our Bridge Cruises with you and answer all of your questions. We look forward to meeting you!

in Bridge Cruises!

## PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR UPCOMING VOYAGES!

## PANAMA CANAL - May 22, 2009 - 14 Nights

Sail from Costa Rica to Ft. Lauderdale aboard the MV Explorer Cruise & Bridge Package from \$1699 INCLUDING AIR!

## ALASKA - June 28, 2009 - 7 Nights

Sail Roundtrip from Seattle aboard the Norwegian Pearl Cruise & Bridge Package from \$1099! PANAMA CANAL - January 2, 2010 - 14 Nights Sail from Los Angeles to Miami aboard the Norwegian Star

Cruise & Bridge Package from \$1249!

## E. CARIBBEAN - January, 30, 2010 - 7 Nights

Sail Roundtrip from Miami aboard the Norwegian Pearl Cruise & Bridge Package from \$799!

## National Appeals Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting of the National Appeals Committee on Friday, March 13, from 11 p.m. to midnight in Meeting Room 327.

## **BLUE TEAM**

**Team Leaders** Jeff Goldsmith, Pasadena CA Aaron Silverstein, New York NY

## **Team Members**

Bart Bramley, Dallas TX Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ Abby Heitner, Wheaton MD E.J. Kales, East Lansing MI Fred King, Falls Church VA John Lusky, Portland OR Jacob Morgan, Madison WI Mike Passell, Dallas TX Barry Rigal, New York NY Bruce Rogoff, Upper Grandview NY Michael Rosenberg, North Rochelle NY John Solodar, Palm Beach Gardens FL Dan Sprung, Philadelphia PA Kathy Sulgrove, Twinsburg OH Riggs Thayer, San Diego CA Howard Weinstein, Sarasota FL\*

#### On duty

Friday, March 13 Monday, March 16 Thursday, March 19

BERMUDA - September 11, 2009 - 7 Nights

Sail Roundtrip from Boston aboard the Norwegian Spirit Cruise & Bridge Package from \$899!

## MEXICAN RIVIERA - October 17, 2009 - 7 Nights

Sail Roundtrip from Los Angeles aboard the Norwegian Star Cruise & Bridge Package from \$699!

## BAHAMAS / FLORIDA - March 6, 2010 - 7 Nights

Sail Roundtrip from New York aboard the Norwegian Gem Cruise & Bridge Package from \$949!

## W. CARIBBEAN - March 21, 2010 - 7 Nights

Sail Roundtrip from New Orleans aboard the Norwegian Spirit Cruise & Bridge Package from \$849!

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## Bored-a-match victory?

#### By Barry Rigal

Toward the end of the second qualifying session of the North American Pairs, I was pressing hard in an ultimately unsuccessful campaign to qualify for the second day.

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Maybe I did too much as West but at the time I thought I had my bids. Alex Ornstein was hoping to buy four trumps, of course.

The wily campaigner in the North seat won the opening club lead and returned the suit (a naïve diamond shift might have worked).

Alex ruffed and played the  $\bigstar K$ . When the queen appeared, he elected to unblock the diamond suit, playing to the singleton ace, then a heart to dummy allowed him to pitch a, club on the  $\bigstar K$ . He then finessed North for the  $\bigstar J$ . Contract made.

When I asked why he had taken the apparently anti-percentage in spades (North clearly had five or six clubs from the auction, while South had three or four), he told me:

"Many years ago I read a story about an expert declarer who tranced in this position. When one of his opponents ordered a drink from a passing water, he played him for the missing card. Here, while I was thinking, North yawned three times. Nobody could be that disinterested – he had to have the critical card!"

## Entry fees

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

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

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

## Thanks to sponsors

**GO TEXAN DAY** – This day is celebrated throughout Houston, so you will probably be seeing lots of folks dressed in their finest western clothes. We will have a contest for the best Western duds tonight in the Lanier JKL Ballroom, 4th floor, after the game. Be sure to attend, first prize of \$100.00, second prize \$50.00. Judges will be ACBL Directors Tom Marsh and Kevin Perkins plus Publicity Chairman Jane Armstrong, should you like to try to curry favor with them prior to contest time.

Thanks from the NABC Committee to Stephen and Robert Reichek for making storage available to us for all the items that help make the tournament enjoyable for everyone.

A big thanks to Virginia Zilic and Target for the door prizes.

### HELEN LEVY APPRECIATION SIDE GAME

Central Texas Unit 233 is proud to sponsor this game for Helen. She has been the Unit's Secretary-Treasurer, Membership Chairman and Tournament Coordinator since March 1989. She also writes the bi-monthly SCORECARD column for the unit. All of her work is volunteered and we appreciate all she has done over the years.

### BOB GERBERICH APPRECIATION STRATIFIED PAIRS

Bob began playing bridge at Jack Mehrens' club in the late 70's. Since then, he has served on the Board of Directors of Unit 187, twice serving as President, and is the photographer at tournaments and special games.

Currently he manages Jack's Bridge Club using the overriding principle that bridge must be fun for new players. After all, he says, "If you can't keep new players, soon you won't have any old ones." He makes a point to play with as many new players as possible. In fact, he gets as much satisfaction in winning a club game with a newcomer as doing well in tournament events with experienced players.

## JO DENE BOND MEMORIAL STRATIFIED 299er PAIRS I

How do I describe Jo Dene Bond? Mother, friend, bridge player, club owner, director, board member, teacher. Her greatest love of all was I/N director. She worked long and hard all year long for them. She really loved her novices. She always decorated the non-Life Masters' area at tournaments. When you walked into the area it always stood out.

She was a tiger at the bridge table and a kitten when she was teaching. She was my mentor and my friend. I will miss her beautiful smile, red hair and her love of bridge. She's one of the brightest leaves in my memory book and I miss her dearly.

## Electronic devices banned in national events

The ACBL Board of Directors approved a comprehensive ban on electronic devices for all national level events, but not to regional or Intermediate Newcomer contests: Submitted by Sherry Gerdes

## ED HOFFING MEMORIAL BRACKETED

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

Born in Chicago, he received his undergraduate degree in chemical



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

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

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

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

### NANCY STROHMER BIRTHDAY STRATIFIED SWISS

"It's a game you can play at any age. If you take it up young, you have fun doing it the rest of your life" — Bill Gates

Happy Birthday, Nancy, from Hans

#### ANNA MARLATT APPRECIATION ZIP KO

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

These restrictions shall apply to all pairs, team members, captains, coaches, recorders and kibitzers and shall apply throughout any actual playing session or segment.

A violation of this policy shall result in a disciplinary penalty of one full board (or 12 IMPs at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense shall result in disqualification from the event for the pair/team.

nonmembers.

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

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

Electronic devices, excluding health related equipment, capable of sending or receiving communication, including but not limited to, headphones, earphones, cellular phones and minicomputers: (1) shall not be allowed in the playing areas, adjacent hallways, restrooms or accessible break areas; and (2) shall not be used during a session.

Kibitzers violating this policy shall be removed from the playing area for the remainder of the session.

Participants will be reminded not to approach the playing area with a personal electronic device in their possession, even if the device is turned off.



# **ACBLscore Q&A Session**

You have a problem? We'll find a solution! Join the ACBL staff for a lively, informative and entertaining 90 minutes on hints to help make your club's computing problems disappear. Come by for coffee and help us solve problems and find new ideas too.

Location: Hilton Americas — Meeting Room 345 Time: 10:30 a.m. — noon Fee: FREE

## Welcome, Intermediate/ Newcomer Players, to Houston!

All IN (Intermediate/Newcomer) events will be played in the Ballroom of the Americas at 9 a.m., and in the Lanier Ballroom at 1 and 7:30 p.m.

Don't forget to pick up your registration gift.

The IN Partnership Desk will guarantee you a partner if you sign up one hour prior to game time.

Celebrity Bridge Speakers will give free mini lessons at 12:15 and 6:45 p.m. all week. On Thursday, March 12, at 6:45 p.m., John Hermann will discuss "Third and Fourth seat Openings." On Friday, March 13, at 12:15 p.m., Jerry Helms will present "Ask Jerry." And at 6:45 p.m., Toni Snow will discuss "The Lady: When to Play the Queen."

On Friday, March 13, there will be free Newcomer games (0-5 MPs) at 9 a.m., 1 and 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, March 14, at 9:45 a.m., Bridge Bulletin columnist Jerry Helms will give a free two hour lesson. On Sunday, March 15, at 9:45 a.m., Gary King will also give a free two hour lesson.

On Saturday, Mar. 14, there will be a reception for IN players at 5 p.m. in the Lanier Ballroom.

Entry fee special! Players with 0-100 MPs who buy a regular price entry March 13-15 will receive a half priced entry for games held March 20-22.

## **Child Care**

Child care is available daily from noon to 5 pm and 7 pm to midnight. For more information, contact Donna Compton

at the Hilton-Americas.

## ACBL Restaurant Shuttle

Friday, March 13-Saturday, March 21, 2009 4:00pm-7:00pm

Shuttle Route 1: This bus will circle every 10 minutes. There will be 2 buses on this route. Stop1: Stopping in front of House of Blues on Caroline St.

Houston Pavilions-following restaurants located here:

House of Blues

McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant Guadalajara del Centro

Josephine's Ristorante

Stop 2: Stopping on Lamar St. next to Massa's

## Touch and go

By Barry Rigal This deal comes from the first qualifying ion of the North American Pairs

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

Say you reach  $4 \lor$  as South on a diamond lead. The normal but unsuccessful line is to play three rounds of diamonds, ruffing in dummy. Now you unblock hearts, play a spade to the king and cash the  $\bullet$ A, finding out the bad news. Your only chance now is the trump endplay, and you need to reduce trumps twice to achieve that.

When you exit with your  $\blacklozenge Q$ , East must win and should not exit with a spade. If he does, you ruff, cross to the A to ruff a spade, then exit with a club to collect one of the last two tricks. Instead, East plays a club at the critical moment, and you can no longer ruff two spades.

Armed with hindsight, can you do better? Yes, though protecting against 4-1 hearts onside with West having a low singleton trump is against the odds.

There are lines involving trump endplays where you don't cash the  $\blacktriangleleft A$ . Win the diamond lead in dummy and play a spade to the king. Then exit with the  $\mathbf{A}Q$ . Now you can arrange to ruff a spade while you still have an entry to dummy. When you test hearts to find the 4-1 break, you can then use the remaining entry to North to ruff again.

After two hearts, three diamonds, four rounds of spades and the A, you can exit with a second club and collect a trump trick from your J-9.

Hard Rock Café Mingalone Italian Bar and Grill Slick Willie's Stop 2: Stopping @ Sambuca's on the corner of Travis and Texas Main Street-following restaurants located here: Azuma Sushi and Robata Bar Cabo Café Express Chipolte Flying Saucer Draught Emporium Frank's Pizza Sambuca's Jazz Café

Timpano Chophouse and Martini Bar

Yatra Brasserie Zula

## Tough defense

Jim Krekorian and John Rengstorff won the Baldwin North American Pairs Flight A by less than 15 matchpoints on a top of 13. This deal from the second final session helped the winners to a cold top.

Dlr: North	<b>▲</b> J	94	
Vul: Both	<b>♥</b> A	10987	
	♦ K	8	
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	1♥	Dbl	1
Pass	1NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Krekorian led the \$2:7, 3, Q. Declarer played the **\u0355**K, ducked by Krekorian. Rengstorff played the  $\blacklozenge 9$ , suit preference for spades.

Krekorian won the next diamond with the ace and stopped to consider. He could count declarer for at least the heart ace (no opening bid without it), four diamonds, two clubs, two top spades, and he inferred that declarer had three spades from his partner's count card in clubs at trick one, marking declarer with three clubs as well. Declarer surely was 3=5=2=3, so Krekorian knew North could duck a spade to get three tricks in that suit. Krekorian reasoned that it couldn't cost to switch to the  $\mathbf{\Psi}$ K and it might gain, so he played the high heart. Declarer won the  $\mathbf{v}A$ , played a spade to dummy's ace and ran diamonds, pitching a heart and his other two clubs.

Declarer then exited with the *AJ*, pitching another heart. Krekorian won the A and could have cashed the  $\mathbf{v}Q$  and played a heart to his partner's jack to hold declarer to nine tricks, but he gave North a chance to go wrong, continuing with a low spade. Declarer, aware that the defense had been pretty sharp to that point, hoped to regain some matchpoints by making an overtrick, so he ducked, not unreasonably playing the takeout doubler for the  $\blacklozenge Q$ . Rengstorff won the  $\mathbf{A}$ Q and the defense cashed out for one down. That was 13 out of 13 matchpoints.

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



Seafood Grill Massa's Seafood Grill Strip House

22.05

Shuttle Route 2: This bus will circle every 20 minutes. There will be 4 buses on this route. **Stop 1:** Stopping on Texas Ave next to Hard Rock Café

Bayou Place-following restaurants located here:

Pick up and drop off located at the Hilton Americas EAST ENTRANCE. Buses will pick up where you were dropped off at the restaurant locations.

# Will Content of Youth Players



Currently teaching young students or interested in starting a youth class? Meet with Patty Tucker, Julie Greenberg and a School Bridge League official to exchange ideas and brainstorm about youth bridge.

Date: Sunday, March 15 Location: Hilton Americas — Meeting Room 343 **Time:** 10:00 a.m. — Noon

# Open Pairs competitors vie for Silodor Trophy

The Silodor Open Pairs is a four-session event consisting of two qualifying and two final sessions. The winners' names are engraved on the Silodor Trophy, presented in memory of Sidney Silodor, winner of the Bermuda Bowl, the McKenney Trophy and more than 30 North American championships.

Silodor, a member of the team that won the first Bermuda Bowl World Championship in 1950, won the Vanderbilt eight times, the Reisinger six times, the Spingold, the Open Pairs and the Master Mixed Teams three times each and the Mixed Pairs five times.

Barry Crane holds the record in the event with seven victories.

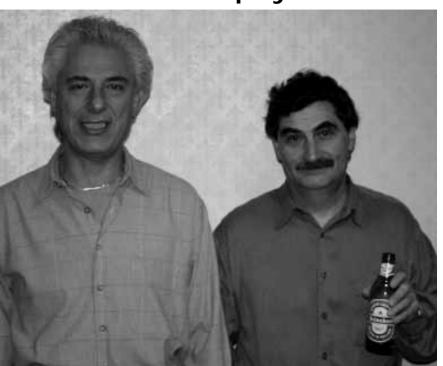
Silodor was an original member of the Bridge Hall of Fame, elected in the Sixties when the institution was the province of its creator, *The Bridge World* magazine.

The trophy was presented in 1963 in memory of Silodor and made retroactive to include winners of the event, which began in 1958.

#### **Previous winners:**

1958 Leonard Harmon, Ivar Stakgold 1959 Lew Mathe, Edward Taylor 1960 Robert Jordan, Alvin Roth 1961 Mark Hodges, Hampton Hume 1962 Robert Jordan, Arthur Robinson 1963 Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor 1964 Barry Crane, Oswald Jacoby 1965 John Biddle, James Wisemiller 1966 Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay 1967 Harvey Cohen, Maury Genud 1968 Ronald Balu, Richard Spero 1969 Robert Freedman, James Mathis 1970 Barry Crane, John Fisher 1971 1-2. Barry Crane, John Fisher 1-2. Joan Remey, Vincent Remey 1972 1-2. Barry Crane, John Fisher Matt Granovetter, Merle Tom 1-2. Michael Hoffman, Jack Rhatigan 1973 1974 Barry Crane, John Fisher Garey Hayden, Daniel Hyland 1975 1976 Terry Hause, Ernest Ivey Barry Crane, Peter Rank 1977





Last year's Silodor Open Pairs: Robert Lebi and Dan Jacob

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1978	Robert Levin, Mike Passell
1979	Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
1980	Paul Lewis, Michael Schreiber
1981	Dan Gertsman, Marc Nathan
1982	Gerald Caravelli, Craig Janitschke
1983	Barry Crane, Mike Passell
1984	Lou Bluhm, Bart Bramley
1985	Jim Robison, Joey Silver
1986	Lew Stansby, Ralph Katz
1987	Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey
1988	Ron Rubin, Michael Becker
1989	Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield
1990	Don Campbell, Barry Harper
1991	Larry Mori, Henry Bethe
	(became Open Pairs)
1992	Bernie Miller, Mike Lucas
1993	Russ Ekeblad, Peter Weichsel
1994	Lloyd Arvedon, Allan Falk
1995	John Strauch, Evan Bailey
1996	Ralph Katz, Howard Weinstein
1997	Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson
1998	Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester
1999	Mike Passell, Michael Seamon
2000	Mike Cappelletti, Larry Hicks
2001	Jim Tritt, Richard Meffley
2002	Joergen Molberg, Boerre Lund
2003	Ralph Katz, Michael Rosenberg
2004	Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz
2005	Bob Morris, Eddie Wold
2006	David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen
2007	Giorgio Duboin, Roy Welland
2008	Robert Lebi, Dan Jacob

## Charivari Restaurant

## Houston 2002: A look back

The last NABC held in Houston was Spring of 2002. The table count was 10,656.5 and Paul Soloway was the leading masterpoint winner with 357. Jeff Meckstroth was second with 292. NABCs were also held here in Spring of 1978 and Fall of 1970.

The tournament drew players from 17 countries, fewer than usual. Norman Kay was remembered at a memorial service. Dan Morse and Gary Blaiss were given a Goodwill tribute. The World Bridge Federation announced that revisions to the Laws of Duplicate Bridge were under consideration.

Here are some of the bridge deals reported in the Daily Bulletin in 2002. Hands rotated for convenience where needed.

Quiz #1

A series of bridge quizzes were written by Eddie Kantar and presented in the Daily Bulletin each day. This is the first one:

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• 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 pay to ensure nine tricks?

Kantar's answ	ver:	
	🔺 A Q 9	
	♥ A J 8 7 6	
	♦ Q	
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	♥ K 10 9	
	♦ A 10 3 2	
	🗣 A K 5	

For your life, rise with the A, lead a heart to the king and run the v10 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 diamonds 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.

Romanian born Chef/Owner Johann Schuster is the master of European specialty dishes found no where else in Houston, delighting patrons with Beef Carpaccio, Foie Gras "Budapest Style", dry aged Steaks and incredible seafood uniquely prepared in a manner that won Charivari accolades as one of Houston's best and most unique dining treats.

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#### INTERNATIONAL FUND OPEN PAIRS

66.0 Ta	bles				
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17.04	1			Justine Cushing, New York NY; Melih Ozdil, Astoria NY	69.71%
12.78	2			Bill St Clair Jr, Cypress TX; Henry Caspar, Houston TX	67.95%
9.59	3			Harriet Eaton, Miami FL; John Morris, Atlanta GA	66.51%
7.19	4			Siraj Haji, Columbus OH; Daniel Neill, Lexington KY	66.20%
5.39	5			G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL	66.02%
4.04	6			Barry Rigal, New York NY; Alex Ornstein, Roslyn Heights NY	65.89%
3.03	7			Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; David Sabourin, Ottawa ON	63.78%
8.07		1		Ralph Herz - Art Desmond, Houston TX	60.74%
6.05		2		Jeffrey Lehman, Newton Center MA; Stephannie Russo, New York NY	58.49%
4.54		3		Charles Michalski - Bill Gervais, Cypress TX	58.33%
3.40		4		Gabriel Perry - Charles Zander, Houston TX	56.25%
2.55		5		James Tanner, Highland CA; Millie Garrison, Riverside CA	56.09%
1.68		6/7		Barbara Harberg - Robin Ladin, Houston TX	54.65%
1.68		6/7		Debi Balter - Jack Balter, Houston TX	54.65%
4.12			1	Margaret Jones, Breckenridge CO; Charles Raines, Katy TX	53.36%
3.09			2	Jane Whelan - Christopher Whelan, Lexington VA	52.56%
2.32			3	Ragnar Paulson, Nepean ON; John Langer, Santa Clarita CA	49.98%
1.74			4	Kristy Garrison - David Garrison, Spring TX	48.72%
1.30			5	David Reynolds - Burton Lewis, Chicago IL	48.56%
1.07			6	Rick Burton - Alan Holzberg, Houston TX	48.53%

#### **299ER INTERNATIONAL FUND**

	Α	В	С		
5.09	1	1		Janice Vernia - Robert Vernia, Carmel IN	66.10%
3.82	2			Johnell McKee, Friendswood TX; Marilyn Hughes, La Porte TX	65.72%
2.90	3	2		Lloyd Hankinson - Gail Pirodsky, Sarasota FL	62.88%
2.15	4			Indu Khera, Houston TX; Cathy Chen, Sugarland TX	62.12%
2.38	5	3	1	Geri McKallip - Janet Williams, Houston TX	61.36%
1.21	6			Janet Revennaugh, Marble Falls TX; Jo Dee Bowen, Jonestown TX	60.42%
1.63		4		Jim McCormick - David Durand, Houston TX	58.52%
1.22		5		Charles Loos - Kay Loos, Rapid City SD	57.77%
0.92		6		Lola Crochet, Cade LA; Jessie Williamson, Opelousas LA	55.11%
1.79			2	Pauline Mitchell, Houston TX; Connie Montgomery, Katy TX	54.73%
1.34			3	Doris Meeks - Carolyn Robertson, Houston TX	54.55%
1.00			4	O Bunn - Patricia Bunn, Cypress TX	54.36%
0.75			5	Diane Smith - John Smith, Georgetown TX	53.79%
0.56			6	Maureen Viaclovsky, Friendswood TX; Robert Foote, La Porte TX	52.27%

#### INTERNATIONAL FUND EVENING STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS

89.0 Ta	Dies				
	А	В	С		
18.86	1			Anton Tsypkin, Sharon MA; Mark Ospeck, Memphis TN	67.95%
14.15	2			Zhi Jun Zhang, Zhong Shan; Wenhang Teng,	66.03%
10.61	3			Jolie Hess, Houston TX; Jill Wooldridge, Buffalo NY	65.38%
7.96	4			Eileen Axelrod - Sidney Axelrod, Glenview IL	64.22%
5.97	5			Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Paul Lewis, Zionsville IN	63.62%
4.48	6			Leo LaSota, Laurel MD; Kenton Schoen, Falls Church VA	62.98%
3.36	7			Amy Downing - Michael Schreiber, Memphis TN	62.66%
2.92	8			Gudrun Wallace - Keith White, Fort Myers FL	62.02%
2.92	9			Linda Eakes, Leawood KS; Donald Stack, Overland Park KS	61.38%
6.30		1		Lewis Gamerman, Brookline MA; Robert McCaw, Sudbury MA	57.69%
4.73		2		Kenneth McAllister, Pearland TX; Richard Hamm, Kerrville TX	57.21%
3.54		3		Wayne Obitz - James Gray, Indiana PA	54.97%
2.66		4		Faye Vincent, The Woodlands TX; Patricia Updegraff, Saginaw MI	54.01%
2.97		5	1	Art Savage - Susan Savage, Sacramento CA	52.72%
1.77		6		Jim Cady - Anne Page, Houston TX	52.56%
2.23			2	Myrna Dorman, League City TX; Sylvia Thomas, Alvin TX	50.32%
1.67			3	Rebecca Brown, San Antonio TX; Daniel Rosenblatt, Winston Salem NC	50.16%
1.25			4	Steve Vrooman, Pepper Pike OH; Allen Shifley, Asheville NC	48.72%
0.94			5	Kristy Garrison - David Garrison, Spring TX	47.77%

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14.0 Ta	bles		
65.00	1	John Rengstorff - Jim Krekorian, New York NY	427.79
48.75	2	Robert Heitzman Jr, Suffern NY; Jonathan Weinstein, Princeton NJ	412.86
36.56	3	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Steven Love, Laguna Niguel CA	390.81
28.89	4	Ralph Katz, Hinsdale IL; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL	390.28
26.00	5	Bill Harker, Copperopolis CA; William Watson, Sunnyvale CA	386.34
23.64	6	Melvin Marcus, Waltham MA; Luke Gillespie, Wayland MA	386.17
21.67	7	Lawrence Hicks, Coquitlam BC; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	384.43
20.00	8	Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA	382.57
18.57	9	Gregory Potts, Portsmouth OH; Charles Kopp, Columbus OH	375.43
17.33	10	Ken Scholes, Bellevue WA; Dick Yarington, Seattle WA	375.36
16.25	11	Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI; Edward White, Grand Blanc MI	371.59
15.29	12	Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Rick Roeder, San Diego CA	371.58
14.44	13	Bing Le, North York ON; Richard Chan, Richmond Hill ON	367.66
13.68	14	Thomas Peters, Grapeland TX; John Zilic, Houston TX	361.50
13.00	15	Tom Kniest, University City MO; Karen Walker, Champaign IL	356.94
12.38	16	Niel Waletzky, Shaker Heights OH; Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH	356.34
11.82	17	Larry Oakey, Minneapolis MN; Kerry Holloway, Bloomington MN	343.30

#### EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET I 9 Tables

G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Miguel Reygadas, Polanco Mexico; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva 493 Israel; McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Randy Field, Overland Park KS

Ruth Stober, Great Neck NY; Elaine Said, Nashville TN; Steven Conrad, Manhasset NY; Frank Mastrola, Swansea MA; Walter Spiewak, Wake Forest NC; Gary Kessler, Springfield IL vs

Douglas Simson - Walter Johnson, Columbus OH; Barry Turner, Richardson TX; John Schwartz, Plano TX; Phillip Grothus, San Antonio TX; Kimmel Jones, Euless TX

Veronica McMurdie - John McMurdie, Sacramento CA; Lowell Andrews, Huntington Bch CA; Steve Clements, Laguna Mavel CA; Marjorie Michelin, Los Angeles CA

vs Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Gunnar Hallberg, Brighton United Kingdom; Peter Bertheau, Taby Sweden; Fredrik Nystrom, 11421 Stockholm Sweden; Fu Zhong, Beijing People's Republic of China; Jie Zhao, Tianjin People's Republic of China

vs

Michele Foran, Oconomowoc WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI; Sun-O Ho, Brookfield WI; Betty Marggraf, Muskego WI

#### EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET II 13 Tables

Julian Barr, Missouri City TX; William Breslin, Katy TX; Terry Currie - Joan Pleason, Houston TX vs

Robert Hendricks, Virginia Beach VA; Susan Bowles, Va Beach VA; Carole Grob, Alexandria VA; Charles Pecarro, Falls Church VA

Billy Leeper, Fort Worth TX; Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX; Mike Miller, Temple TX; Roy Baughman, Pantego TX vs

John Derdall - Jan Derdall, Western Springs IL; Bee Hallett, Fort Myers FL; Miles Thomson, Cape Coral FL

Fay Teal, Mesa AZ; Linda Green - Sam Whitten, Scottsdale AZ; Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI

vs Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Michael McGuire, Hernando MS; Denny Penticoff - Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR

#### EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET III 9 Tables

Jean Monette, Hallandale FL; Dick Wilson - Marilyn Goldman, Rochester NY; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ vs

Bill Aeschbacher - Max Aeschbacher, Salt Lake City UT; James Flesher, Bountiful UT; David Feldman, Kissimmee FL

vs Madhusudan Patel, Houston TX; Lily Andre - James Andre, Sugar Land TX; Katherine Rabenstein, Washington DC

Fred Wang - Amy Wang - Edwin Zwald Jr, Houston TX; Vern Schmidt, Dickinson TX

vs Frank La Master - Nancy La Master, Indianapolis IN; Gene Miley - Christine Miley, Hinsdale IL

Linda Harrison, Calgary AB; Hao Ge, Bay Village OH; Hui Lin Zhu, Chongqing 40001 People's Republic of China; Nongyu Li, Sunnyvale CA; Weidong Pei, Brea CA

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET IV 12 Tables

Nancy Strohmer - Hans Strohmer - Lorraine Coomes, Houston TX; Sonia Bryant, Spring TX vs

James Tanner, Highland CA; Millie Garrison, Riverside CA; Robert Roman, Greenbrae CA; Lenore Cavallero, Hillsborough CA

Constance Sackville, Vero Beach FL; Ann Taylor, Port St Lucie FL; Christopher Whelan - Jane Whelan, Lexington VA

vs Henry Caspar, Houston TX; Terry Richardson - Greg Schepens,

	stin TX; Joe Handler, Toronto ON
The	rrles Newton Jr, Rosenberg TX; John Wang, Beltsville MD; rresa Ann Brantley, Mabank TX; Maxwell Hughes, Vero ich FL
	vs
Rob	pert Lupton, Aurora CO; Robert Paris, Denver CO; Elaine
Eve	rett, Downers Grove IL; Mary Walters, Oak Park IL
	nry Sokol, Milwaukee WI; George Kaiser, Tequesta FL; Phil wn - Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio TX
	VS
Cat	herine Miller - Hugh Miller, Houston TX; Art McHaffie - Joy
	Haffie, Santa Fe NM; Gayle McCarron - Immie Pamplin,
Aus	stin TX
	UCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET V 7 Tables
Ric	hard Burgess Jr, Alamo TX; Rene Wallace - Charlotte
Lun	sford - Joyce Caton, Mission TX
	VS
Fra	nkie Hall, Groves TX: Mary Overbey - Margaret Yeh, Pls

Frankie Hall, Groves TX; Mary Overbey - Margaret Yeh, Pls Vrds Est CA; Miriam Cooper, Beaumont TX Carol Wilson - Carolyn Lanier - Bette Liebgold - Linda Marlin, Houston TX

vs Larry Harrington - Ramona Harrington, Boone IA; Jackie Burroughs, McAllen TX; Donna Delacretaz, Kingston ON

Barbara Blaine - Betty Peden - William Kinneman - Beverly Kinneman, Little Rock AR vs

Patsy Pierce, Hardin TX; Ann Blohm - Faye Baker, Houston TX; Sally Blewett, Beaumont TX

Richard Cunningham - Malissa Baugh - David Pennington, Temple TX; Barbara Lyons, Harker Heights TX vs

Ralph Raber - Karin Raber, Toledo OH; Linda Adamchik - Liz Karnicki, Beaumont TX

#### EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET VI 12 Tables

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Karen Dittert - Barbara Gadea - Beverly Fanarof - Susan Belding, Houston TX; Erica Jaeger, Bellaire TX

Kathleen McCool, Castle Rock CO; Jane Hendrix, Breckenridge CO; Hans Kuschnerus - Sandra Kuschnerus, Frisco CO

12.5 Ta	bles									
	А	В	С							
3.25	1			Arlene Rawitscher - Jack Rawitscher, Houston TX	64.28%					
2.44	2	1		Kailash Sachdev, The Woodlands TX; Joseph Cunningham, Conroe TX	61.44%					
1.83	3	2		Joan Kalinousky, Ridge NY; Lil Schwarzschild, Patchogue NY 58.36%						
1.79	4	3	1	Maureen Viaclovsky, Friendswood TX; Robert Foote, La Porte TX 5						
1.03	5			Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Jo Chorpening, Ellisville MO 56.69%						
0.77	6			Peter Peca, El Paso TX; Jon Hoy, Adel IA	55.71%					
1.01		4		Jessie Williamson, Opelousas LA; Lola Crochet, Cade LA	54.94%					
1.34		5	2	Diane Smith - John Smith, Georgetown TX	53.12%					
1.01			3	Pamela Hughes, Bend OR; John McDonald, Pearland TX46						
Sally Kni	Ily Knight - Patsy Howell - Anne Knott, Houston TX; Mary Lloyd Hankinson - Gail Pirodsky - Debra Werman - Carol Krug,									

Sarasota FL

vs

Gerald Oliphant - Brenda Oliphant, Urbandale IA

Marcy Cochran, Georgetown TX; Mark Ravreby, Des Moines IA;

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Sally Knight - Patsy Howell - Anne Knott, Houston TX; Mary Janak, Webster TX

vs Jeri Nelson - Cyann Martin, Neenah WI; Diana Whitfield -Marcia Jameson, Austin TX

Don Grider - Inez Grider - Kay Lynch - Dee Els, Georgetown TX Lainie Edinburg, Edwards CO; Marcia McCalden, Wolcott CO;

Clairlee Hirsch, The Woodlands TX; Pamela Elsner, Avon CO

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		r, Suffern NY; Jonathan Weinstein, Princeton NJ	54.95% 3				ff - Jim Krekorian, New York NY	53.85%
		eapolis MN; Kerry Holloway, Bloomington MN rk ON; Richard Chan, Richmond Hill ON	54.81% 4 53.16% 5				insdale IL; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL Irvine CA; Rick Roeder, San Diego CA	53.43% 53.16%
		rsity City MO; Karen Walker, Champaign IL	52.61% 6				Bellevue WA; Dick Yarington, Seattle WA	52.20%
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		Eileen Axelrod - Sidney Axelrod, Glenview IL Mark McLaughlin - Susanne McLaughlin, Charleston SC	64.22% 1 60.78% 2				Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA; Mike Cappelletti, Hixson TN Patricia Tucker, Atlanta GA; Kathy Baum, Germantown TN	58.27% 57.89%
		Claude Vogel, Chicago IL; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	59.89% 3				W Lease, Houston TX; Sandra Parker, Sugar Land TX	56.68%
		Neal Perlman, San Angelo TX; J Bagwell, Paris TX	55.31% 4				Dave McClintock, Bluffton SC; Brenda Montague, Swampscott MA	56.53%
		Yoon Kim, San Diego CA; Yas Takeda, Hacienda Hgts CA	53.73% 5	5			Louisa Duemling, Washington DC; Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA	53.74%
		Howard Friedman, Great Neck NY; Lauren Block, Manhasset NY	52.95% 6				Scott Levine - Aaron Silverstein, New York NY	52.98%
1		Paula Hradecky - Elizabeth Ghrist, Houston TX	49.79%	1	-		Al Jinnah, Vancouver BC; Peter Huggler III, Seminole OK	48.05%
2		Jeremy Dilbeck - David Grace, Houston TX NORTH-SOUTH	43.33%	2	2		Joe Black - David Warner, Austin TX EAST-WEST	47.96%
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Б	C	Sally Chapleau - Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL	60.58% 1		0	C	Leo LaSota, Laurel MD; Kenton Schoen, Falls Church VA	62.98%
		Linda Epstein, Delray Beach FL; Steve Gross, Westlake Vlg CA	58.97% 2	2			Anthony Bianchi - J Gittelman, Houston TX	61.22%
1		Kenneth McAllister, Pearland TX; Richard Hamm, Kerrville TX	57.21% 3	3			Richard Anderson, Regina SK; Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA	56.89%
		Steven Reuschlein, Middleton WI; Eileen Cripps, Madison WI	55.45% 4				Janet Appel, Estill Spgs TN; Louise Fontecchio, Nashville TN	55.61%
		Harjinder Ajmani, Kula HI; Arun Savara, Honolulu HI	53.21% 5				Claudette Roush, Houston TX; Timucin Erkoc, Richmond TX	53.04%
2		Beverly Perry, New York NY; Gavin Wolpert, Singer Island FL Jim Tully, Cocoa FL; Arline Rubin, San Antonio TX	52.40% 6 51.28%	) 1	1		Jon Bartlett - Hal Montgomery, Portland OR Mark Wallet, Katy TX; Duane Friedrich, Houston TX	52.72% 50.80%
2	1	Britt Siem, Houston TX; Lotte Optekamp, Spring TX	44.39%		2	1	Mark wanet, Katy TX, Duale Friedrich, Houston TX Myrna Dorman, League City TX; Sylvia Thomas, Alvin TX	50.32%
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		Jolie Hess, Houston TX; Jill Wooldridge, Buffalo NY	65.38% 1				Dianna Gittelman - Robert Morris, Houston TX	59.29%
		Charles Maccracken - Richard Oshlag, Memphis TN	59.94% 2				Gregory Nowak - Wojciech Kurkowski, Las Vegas NV	58.81%
		Ray Miller, Seattle WA; Craig Barkhouse, Redmond WA	58.81% 3 57.37% 4				Alison Wilson - Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY	58.49%
		Royce Herndon Jr, Oklahoma City OK; Lawrence Gordon, Houston TX Melanie Tucker - Erez Hendelman, New York NY	57.37% 4 54.01% 5				William Arlinghaus, Ann Arbor MI; Dave Swarthout, San Antonio TX Ellen Anten, Encino CA; Chris Moll, Raleigh NC	57.05% 55.45%
		Andy Avery, Jamaica VT; Cecily Kohler, Washington DC	50.48% 6		1		Faye Vincent, The Woodlands TX; Patricia Updegraff, Saginaw MI	54.01%
1	1	Rebecca Brown, San Antonio TX; Daniel Rosenblatt, Winston Salem NC	50.16%	2	2		John Johnson - James Bagley, Harlingen TX	50.80%
2		Paul Olstad, Frisco CO; Margaret Jones, Breckenridge CO	44.71%			1	Harry Kenny - Peggi Kenny, Marlin TX	41.51%
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		Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Mark Perlmutter, San Diego CA Gary Zeiger, Phoenix AZ; Mike Albert, Omaha NE	60.26% 1 58.65% 2				Anton Tsypkin, Sharon MA; Mark Ospeck, Memphis TN Leneta Boudreaux - Judy Robertson, Lake Charles LA	67.95% 61.06%
		Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO; Steven Cooper, Ft Collins CO	57.37% 3				Scott Gates, Miamisburg OH; Norman Coombs, Brookville IN	60.10%
		Christopher Pisarra, Lafayette CA; Mike Bandler, Alamo CA	57.37% 4				Joan Gerard, White Plains NY; Craig Robinson, Lansdale PA	52.88%
		Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton TX; Jimmy Pelham, North Baldwin NY	53.53% 5	5 1	1		Cerona Stevens, Marquette MI; John Rollinson, Clovis NM	51.60%
1	1	Art Savage - Susan Savage, Sacramento CA	52.72% 6				Perla Sultan, Aventura FL; Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina	50.96%
2		Bob Armstrong, Weaverville NC; Jane Helm, Arden NC	52.24%	2	2	1	Steve Vrooman, Pepper Pike OH; Allen Shifley, Asheville NC	48.72%
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в	C	Linda Eakes, Leawood KS; Donald Stack, Overland Park KS	61.38% 1		Б	C	Gudrun Wallace - Keith White, Fort Myers FL	62.02%
		Les Bart - Gloria Silverman Bart, Bradenton FL	60.74% 2	2			Douglas Dye, Wyndmoor PA; Everett Young, Lafayette Hill PA	57.85%
		Bryan Howard, Nashville TN; Terry Spector, Franklin TN	57.85% 3	3			Steven Adelson, Scottsdale AZ; David Zapatka, Sun Lakes AZ	56.89%
		Elaine Wood, Southlake TX; J Bachman Nabors III, Kempner TX	56.09% 4		1		Wayne Obitz - James Gray, Indiana PA	54.97%
		Harriet Eaton Morris, Miami FL; John Morris, Atlanta GA	54.17% 5		-		Daniel Neill, Lexington KY; Siraj Haji, Columbus OH	54.49%
1		Sangarapil Mohan, Oak Brook IL; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL Jim Cady - Anne Page, Houston TX	53.53% 6 52.56%	5 2 3			William Lindner, Conroe TX; Bill Gemas, Huntsville TX Dennis McAdams, Cosby TN; David Mitchell, Deer Park TX	51.92% 46.47%
2		Vivienne Whitworth, Richmond Hill ON; Richard Panarese, Atlanta GA	48.56%		5	1	Mark Leighton, Pasadena TX; Garry Pasby, Colorado Spgs CO	45.67%
3		Jessie Schoppe, Katy TX; Katherine Moore, Houston TX	48.40%			-		
	1	Thomas Hamilton - Terry Sucher, Montgomery TX	42.63%					
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		Zhi Jun Zhang, Zhong Shan; Wenhang Teng, Amy Downing - Michael Schreiber, Memphis TN	66.03% 1 62.66% 2				Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Paul Lewis, Zionsville IN Gaylor Kasle, Boca Raton FL; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA	63.62% 60.26%
1		Lewis Gamerman, Brookline MA; Robert McCaw, Sudbury MA	57.69% 3				Brian Glubok, New York NY; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC	57.85%
		Barbara Kasle, Boca Raton FL; Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID	57.21% 4				Faye Marino, Greenwich CT; Betty Fleischer, Ossining NY	54.17%
		Joanne Molt - Walter Casper, Grand Rapids MI	55.61% 5				Eric Snow - Toni Snow, Houston TX	52.08%
		Joyce Hampton, Blythewood SC; Jenny Wolpert, Singer Island FL	55.61% 6				Martha Young, Dallas TX; Mym Young, Atlantic Beach NC	50.00%
2	1	Estera Lisker, East Quogue NY; Amanda Jeger, Frankfurt Am Ma Germany	47.28%		/2		Adam Parrish, Cincinnati OH; Meg Myers, Charlottesville VA	46.31%
				1,	/2		Serge Aronovich - Marianne Aronovich, Tuxedo Park NY	46.31%
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		NORTH-SOUTH	SECTION SS				EAST-WEST	
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1		Arlene Rawitscher - Jack Rawitscher, Houston TX	64.28% 1 58.36% 2		1	1	Kailash Sachdev, The Woodlands TX; Joseph Cunningham, Conroe TX	61.44% 57.93%
1		Joan Kalinousky, Ridge NY; Lil Schwarzschild, Patchogue NY Connie Burnett - Nancy Selander, Houston TX	58.36% 2 53.93% 3		4	1	Maureen Viaclovsky, Friendswood TX; Robert Foote, La Porte TX Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO: Io Chorpening, Ellisville MO	56.69%

5	3	Gail Gillespie - Willie Jo Schaefer, Houston TX	52.05%	5	3		Jessie Williamson, Opelousas LA; Lola Crochet, Cade LA	54.94%	
	2	Betty Cochran, Houston TX; Lucy Shaw, Angwin CA	45.92%			2	Pamela Hughes, Bend OR; John McDonald, Pearland TX	46.71%	

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#### NORTH-SOUTH

	NORTH-SOUTH
1	John Rengstorff - Jim Krekorian, New York NY
2	Niel Waletzky, Shaker Heights OH: Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH

Connie Burnett - Nancy Selander, Houston TX Diane Smith - John Smith, Georgetown TX

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- Jacqueline Sincoff En Xie, Saint Louis MO Robert Heitzman Jr, Suffern NY; Jonathan Weinstein, Princeton NJ
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- Bill Harker, Copperopolis CA; William Watson, Sunnyvale CA Tom Kniest, University City MO; Karen Walker, Champaign IL Jo Anna Stansby Lew Stansby, Dublin CA 6
- Barbara Sartorius Robert Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ
- John Jones, Hacienda Hgts CA; Leo Bell, Long Beach CA Les Bart Gloria Silverman Bart, Bradenton FL

- Brian Gunoll, St Augustine FL; John Brady, Jacksonville FL Steven Cooper, Ft Collins CO; Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO Xiaodong Shi, Naperville IL; David Yang, Chicago IL
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- Craig Huston Ed Freeman, Portland OR

#### NORTH-SOUTH

- Ken Scholes, Bellevue WA; Dick Yarington, Seattle WA 1
- Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI; Edward White, Grand Blanc MI
- 4 Wallace Macdonald, Albany PE; James Praught, Summerside PE

- Gregory Potts, Portsmouth OH; Charles Kopp, Columbus OH Ralph Katz, Hinsdale IL; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA; John McLaughlin, Melrose MA 5/6 5/6 7
- Ken Cohen, Philadelphia PA; Neal Satten, Wynnewood PA Bing Le, North York ON; Richard Chan, Richmond Hill ON 9 10
- Bill Aeschbacher, Salt Lake City UT; James Flesher, Bouniful UT Melvin Marcus, Waltham MA; Luke Gillespie, Wayland MA Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton TX; Charles Price, Sherman TX
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- Douglas Dye, Wyndmoor PA; Everett Young, Lafayette Hill PA Allan Rothenberg, W Hartford CT; Stephen Earl, Avon CT
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#### EAST-WEST Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Steven Love, Laguna Niguel CA SECTIONS Y Z 65.38% 1 65.54% 61.23% Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA 62.15% Gregory Potts, Portsmouth OH; Charles Kopp, Columbus OH Vincent Demuy - Daniel Demuy, Laval QC Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Rick Roeder, San Diego CA 59.08% 58.08% 58.38% 56.62% 58.31% 5 55.85% 56.85% 56.23% Bing Le, North York ON; Richard Chan, Richmond Hill ON Melvin Marcus, Waltham MA; Luke Gillespie, Wayland MA Kenton Schoen, Falls Church VA; Diane Walker, Gaithersburg MD 54.77% 53.69% 56.08% 53.38% Larry Oakey, Minneapolis MN; Kerry Holloway, Bloomington MN Lawrence Hicks, Coquitlam BC; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC 52.69% 52.54% 55.31% 54.77% 10 Claude Vogel, Chicago IL; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL Norman Coombs, Brookville IN; Scott Gates, Miamisburg OH Allan Rothenberg, W Hartford CT; Stephen Earl, Avon CT Leonard Doerksen - David Sired, Winnipeg MB 54.54% 11 51.77% 52.69% 52.23% 12/13 50.92% 12/13 50.92%

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SECTIONS Y Z		EAST-WEST	
60.23%	1/2	Lawrence Hicks, Coquitlam BC; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	59.23%
60.15%	1/2	Len Case, Charlotte NC; Robert Heller, Decatur GA	59.23%
57.00%	3	Brian Meyer, Cheektowaga NY; Dan Gerstman, Buffalo NY	57.69%
55.15%	4	Xiaodong Shi, Naperville IL; David Yang, Chicago IL	55.23%
54.46%	5	Craig Huston - Ed Freeman, Portland OR	53.92%
54.46%	6	Tom Kniest, University City MO; Karen Walker, Champaign IL	53.77%
54.38%	7	John Rengstorff - Jim Krekorian, New York NY	53.62%
53.92%	8	Marilyn Garcia - Spike Lay, Daytona Beach FL	53.38%
53.69%	9	Mikhail Kreslavskiy, Marietta GA; Michael Strizhevsky, Dunwoody GA	52.69%
53.46%	10	Bill Harker, Copperopolis CA; William Watson, Sunnyvale CA	52.62%
53.23%	11	Jo Anna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA	51.85%
52.92%	12	Bruce Noda, Corte Madera CA; Mark Ralph, San Francisco CA	51.54%
52.69%	13	Brian Gunnell, St Augustine FL; John Brady, Jacksonville FL	51.38%
52.38%	14	Thomas Peters, Grapeland TX; John Zilic, Houston TX	50.85%

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1			Andre Chartrand, Lery QC; Charles Martineau, Brossard QC	62.18%	1			Victoria Muir - William Muir, Kansas City MO	60.58%
2	1		Jeffrey Lehman, Newton Center MA; Stephannie Russo, New York NY	58.49%	2	1		Charles Michalski - Bill Gervais, Cypress TX	58.33%
3			Perla Sultan Slimak, Aventura FL; Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina	54.49%	3			Larry Cohen - James Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL	58.01%
4/6			Alison Wilson - Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY	53.36%	4			Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Hixson TN	57.69%
4/6	2	1	Margaret Jones, Breckenridge CO; Charles Raines, Katy TX	53.36%	5			Vinh Tran - Edward Groner, Houston TX	53.52%
4/6			James Senter - Gale Senter, San Clemente CA	53.36%	6	2	1	Jane Whelan - Christopher Whelan, Lexington VA	52.56%
	3		David Reynolds - Burton Lewis, Chicago IL	48.56%		3		Ken McAllister, Pearland TX; Richard Hamm, Kerrville TX	49.68%
		~	NORTH-SOUTH	SECTION B			~	EAST-WEST	
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1			Barry Rigal, New York NY; Alex Ornstein, Roslyn Heights NY	65.89%	1			Daniel Boye, Victor NY; Jay Apfelbaum, Philadelphia PA	61.22%
2	1		Ralph Herz - Art Desmond, Houston TX	60.74%	2			Norman Coombs, Brookville IN; Scott Gates, Miamisburg OH	60.74%
3			Randall Lake - Kay Johnson, Houston TX	58.49%	3	1		Barbara Harberg - Robin Ladin, Houston TX	54.65%
4			John Diamond, Boca Raton FL; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL	58.41%	4 5	2		Richard Oshlag, Memphis TN; Dave Smith, Walls MS	52.00%
5	2		James Praught, Summerside PE; Wallace Macdonald, Albany PE	57.77% 49.52%	6	2		Alfred Fortier III, Katy TX; Susan Kaplan, Houston TX W Lease, Houston TX; Sandra Parker, Sugar Land TX	51.68% 50.72%
0	3	1	Sanford Lobliner, Houston TX; Youssef Youssef, Katy TX Rick Burton - Alan Holzberg, Houston TX	49.52%	0		1	Ragnar Paulson, Nepean ON; John Langer, Santa Clarita CA	49.98%
	5	1	NORTH-SOUTH	SECTION C			1	EAST-WEST	49.9870
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1			Bill St Clair Jr, Cypress TX; Henry Caspar, Houston TX	67.95%	1			Harriet Eaton, Miami FL; John Morris, Atlanta GA	66.51%
2			G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL	66.02%	2			Claudette Roush, Houston TX; Timucin Erkoc, Richmond TX	58.65%
3			Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; David Sabourin, Ottawa ON	63.78%	3	1		Gabriel Perry - Charles Zander, Houston TX	56.25%
4			Rod Paxton, Coeur D'Alene ID; Henriette Mufich, Coeur D Alene ID	55.93%	4	2		Debi Balter - Jack Balter, Houston TX	54.65%
5			Jeffrey Hand - Gail Greenberg, New York NY	54.49%	5			Steven Adelson, Scottsdale AZ; David Zapatka, Sun Lakes AZ	54.49%
6			Melanie Tucker - Erez Hendelman, New York NY	51.60%	6			Joanne Molt - Walter Casper, Grand Rapids MI	51.28%
	1		Julia Miller - Barbara Peck, Houston TX	48.72%		3		Robert Lupton, Aurora CO; Robert Paris, Denver CO	48.40%
	2		Elizabeth Ghrist - Paula Hradecky, Houston TX	47.60%			1	Thomas Hamilton - Terry Sucher, Montgomery TX	44.23%
	3		Phil Brown - Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio TX	43.59%					
		1	Dee Els - Kay Lynch, Georgetown TX	42.31%					
			NORTH-SOUTH	SECTION D				EAST-WEST	
А	в	С			А	в	С		
1			Justine Cushing, New York NY; Melih Ozdil, Astoria NY	69.71%	1			Jimmy Pelham, North Baldwin NY; Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton TX	62.82%
2			James La Fountain, Temple TX; Jon Richard Ware, New Braunfels TX	59.77%	2			Donna Compton, Dallas TX; Gary King, Houston TX	61.06%
3			Bryan Howard, Nashville TN; Terry Spector, Franklin TN	57.53%	3			Mariko Kakimoto, Newport Beach CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA	56.57%
4			Linda Green - Sam Whitten, Scottsdale AZ	54.01%	4	1		James Tanner, Highland CA; Millie Garrison, Riverside CA	56.09%
5	1		Patricia Updegraff, Saginaw MI; Faye Vincent, The Woodlands TX	52.40%	5			Michael Strizhevsky, Dunwoody GA; Mikhail Kreslavskiy, Marietta GA	55.61%
6			Allen Tan, Makati Philippines; Julie Zhu, Vero Beach FL	51.60%	6			Partha Mallela, Oak Brook IL; Vishnampet Vaidhyanathan, Aventura FL	53.36%
	2		David Vine, Chattanooga TN; Carl Garcia, Houston TX	44.71%		2		Jane Helm, Arden NC; Bob Armstrong, Weaverville NC	48.56%
		1	Harry Kenny - Peggi Kenny, Marlin TX	42.63%		3	1	Sandra Carton, Billings MT; Connie Grubbs, Clearwater FL	46.80%
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1			Siraj Haji, Columbus OH; Daniel Neill, Lexington KY	66.20%	1			Douglas Dye, Wyndmoor PA; Everett Young, Lafayette Hill PA	59.26%
2	1		Kenton Schoen, Falls Church VA; Leo LaSota, Laurel MD	53.70%	2			Jon Bartlett - Hal Montgomery, Portland OR Donald Housley, Vancouver WA; Richard Carle, Longview WA	57.41%
3	1		William Turner, Houston TX; Sam Graham, Germantown TN Craig Barkhouse, Redmond WA; Ray Miller, Seattle WA	53.01% 50.23%	3 4/5			Anne Derkat - Floyd Derkat, Edmonton AB	57.18% 51.62%
4	2	1	Jerry Deutser - Sid Weiss, Houston TX	47.22%	4/5			Dave McClintock, Bluffton SC; Brenda Montague, Swampscott MA	51.62%
	2		Jerry Deutser - Bid Weiss, Houston TA	47.2270	4/5	1		Wayne Obitz - James Gray, Indiana PA	45.37%
							1	Donald Messer Jr, Centerville OH; Wayne Outlaw, Orange TX	43.98%
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			NORTH-SOUTH	SECTION E				EAST-WEST	
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1	1		Janice Vernia - Robert Vernia, Carmel IN	66.10%	1	1	1	Geri McKallip - Janet Williams, Houston TX	61.36%
2			Johnell McKee, Friendswood TX; Marilyn Hughes, La Porte TX	65.72%	2	2		Charles Loos - Kay Loos, Rapid City SD	57.77%
3	2		Lloyd Hankinson - Gail Pirodsky, Sarasota FL	62.88%	3	3		Lola Crochet, Cade LA; Jessie Williamson, Opelousas LA	55.11%
4			Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Jo Chorpening, Ellisville MO	51.14%	4	4	2	Pauline Mitchell, Houston TX; Connie Montgomery, Katy TX	54.73%
5	3		Joan Kalinousky, Ridge NY; Lil Schwarzschild, Patchogue NY	48.11%	5			Fran Hannah - Robert Hannah Sr, Blowing Rock NC	53.79%
	4		Jeff Armstrong - Chris Whitelonis, Houston TX	47.35%					
		1	Jay Titone - Grace Ann Titone, Denton TX	45.08%					
			NORTH-SOUTH	SECTION F				EAST-WEST	
А	В	С			А	в	С		
1	1		Jim McCormick - David Durand, Houston TX	58.52%	1			Indu Khera, Houston TX; Cathy Chen, Sugarland TX	62.12%
2			Kim O'Hara - Michael Novack, Humble TX	56.44%	2			Janet Revennaugh, Marble Falls TX; Jo Dee Bowen, Jonestown TX	60.42%
3	2		Gail Gillespie - Willie Jo Schaefer, Houston TX	54.73%	3	1	1	Doris Meeks - Carolyn Robertson, Houston TX	54.55%
4	3	1	O Bunn - Patricia Bunn, Cypress TX	54.36%	4	2		Kathleen Malcolmson - Dale White, Houston TX	54.36%
5	4	2	Diane Smith - John Smith, Georgetown TX	53.79%	5	3		Kailash Sachdev, The Woodlands TX; Joseph Cunningham, Conroe TX	53.22%
						4		Betty Clark, Lake Charles LA; Wanda Bergeron, Crowley LA	52.27%
							2	Rogie Peyton - Marion Shortle, Houston TX	51.14%
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2			coquitlam BC; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC			59.47%			
4			Southfield MI; Edward White, Grand Blanc MI			59.47% 57.40%			
5			tsmouth OH; Charles Kopp, Columbus OH			56.80%			
6			ale IL; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL			56.66%			
7			ropolis CA; William Watson, Sunnyvale CA			55.92%			
8			wue WA; Dick Yarington, Seattle WA			52.22%			
			Robert Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ			51.92%			
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## TOMORROW'S BRIDGE EVENTS

## Rose Black Day, Junior Day, Dress-Up Night

#### Event

Saturday-Sunday Morning Compact Bracketed KO Teams Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series ACBL Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams Stratified 299er Swiss Teams 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs

Dib McGee Stratified Senior Pairs

Friday-Saturday Side Game Series Jo Dene Bond Memorial 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs

#### Saturday, March 14, 9 a.m. Session Sold

		ACBL members**	Other
1-2	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
2nd single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
3rd	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17
single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17
single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$15
<b>Saturday, March</b> 1-2	14, 10 & 3 p.m. 4th Floor Ballrooms JKL	\$16	\$18
Saturday, Mar	ch 14, 1 p.m.		
3rd single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$17

Entry/player/session

Finday-Saturday Side Game Series	Sru single session	Zhu Floor Bailtoom	\$10	\$10
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$17
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$15
	Saturday, March 1	4, 1 & 7:30 p.m.		
Silodor Open Pairs	1-2 F	4th Floor Ballrooms A-F	\$20	
Rose Black Strati-Flighted Pairs	1-2	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Jim Shortt Memorial Compact Bracketed KO Teams	1-4	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Ed Hoffing Memorial Friday-Saturday Bracketed KO Teams	3-4	3rd Floor Room 335	\$16	\$18
	Saturday, March	n 14, 7:30 p.m.		
One-session Stratified Swiss Teams	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series	4th single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	\$15	\$17
0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	\$15	\$15
	Saturday, March	14, 11:30 p.m.		
Jeanette Magid Memorial Zip KO Teams	single	4th Floor Ballroom GHI	\$12/team/match	

#### Note: Entry for the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams required by 8 p.m. Saturday, March 14.

Unless otherwise noted, Strati-Flighted and Strati-Flighted Senior events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (1000-2000, 500-1000, 0-500). Strata breaks for Stratified and Stratified Senior events are: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750). \*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

## TODAY'S BRIDGE EVENTS

## See page 2 for other events

## Go Texan Day

0-5 Newcomer players play free today.

Friday, March 13, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session		
Helen Levy Side Game			ACBL members**	Other	
Part of the Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	1st single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18	
ACBL Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18	
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17	
0-20 Pairs	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$15	
0-5 Pairs	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	Free!	Free!	
	Friday, March 13,	10 am & 3 nm			
Stratified Senior Pairs	1-2	4th Floor Ballrooms JKL	\$16	\$18	
Straumed Senior Pairs	1-2	4th Floor Bailrooms JKL	\$10	\$18	
	Friday, Marc	h 13. 1 p.m.			
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series	1st single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18	
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$17	
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 0-20 Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$15	
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 0-5 Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	Free!	Free!	
	Friday, March 13	1 & 7·30 n m			
Silodor Open Pairs	1-2 Q	4th Floor Ballrooms A-F	\$20		
2 qualifying sessions, 2 final sessions	1-2 Q	4th Pibbi Bantoonis A-1	\$20		
Bob Gerberich Stratified Open Pairs	1-2	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18	
Ed Hoffing Memorial Friday-Saturday Bracketed KO Teams	1-2	2nd Floor Ballrooms	\$16	\$18	
	Friday, March	13, 7:30 p.m.			
Nancy Strohmer One-session Stratified Swiss Teams	single	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$15	\$17	
Friday-Saturday Side Game Series	2nd single session	2nd Floor Ballroom	\$16	\$18	
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$17	
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$17	
0-20 Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$15	\$15	
0-5 Pairs	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	Free!	Free!	
	Friday, March 1	13. 11:30 n.m.			
Anna Marlatt Zip KO Teams	single	4th Floor Ballrooms GHI	\$12/team/match		
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Note: Entry for the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams required by 8 J	J.m. Saturuay, March 14.				

Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for Stratified and Stratified Senior events are: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750). \*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

## Convention card reminder

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

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

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

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

## Bid Box Alerts and Announcements

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

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

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



There's still time to make your reservations for April 13-19 at Catlinburg, Tenn., the gateway to the Great Smoky Mountains. These Mid-Atlantic regionals follow, all offering our usual fare: Bracketed knockouts galore, hospitality to the max, and a real bridge bargain – \$10 per gold point session.

 Richmond, VA, on May 19-25. There are several Memorial Day regionals, and this will be the ACBL's largest. Excellent site convenient by air or interstate. Holiday Inn Koger Center (804) 379-3800. Co-chair: Jacki Shuman (804) 307-4304, richmondregional@aol.com

 Greenville, SC, on June 8-14. The Heritage Regional is at one of the Mid-Atlantic's nicest venues, with loads of shops and restaurants a short walk away in a revitalized downtown. Hyatt Regency (864) 235-1234. Co-chair: Jim Villanueva (864) 322-6153, jaimepvillanueva@aol.com

#### Hunt Valley, MD, on Aug. 17-23. The

countryside outside of Baltimore lures one of the year's largest contingents of East Coast bridge players. Baltimore Marriott Hunt Valley Inn (410) 785-7000. Tournament chair: Patricia Wilson (410) 825-7579, valleybridg@cs.com

 Atlanta, GA, on Scpt. 1-7. Always the league's largest Labor Day regional, last year with a record 3,467 tables. Book early to enjoy one of our classiest properties, the Crowne Plaza Ravinia (770) 395-7700. Tournament chair: Jack Feagin (404) 252-9246, jfeagin2@bellsouth.net days until the world's largest gathering of regional tournament bridge players.

Fliers on information tables; latest news and updates, see www.mabcbridge.org