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## Agnes Gordon chosen for Bridge Hall of Fame



Agnes Gordon, one of ACBL's top players for three decades, has been chosen for the von Zedtwitz Award by the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame Committee. The award is given to a deceased person who has made outstanding contributions to
the game as a player or in some other capacity. Eric Murray, who played with Gordon frequently, wrote in support of her Hall of Fame
election, "There was no better female bridge player in North America (including Helen Sobel) than Agnes and very few male players her equal. She achieved remarkable success frequently playing with mediocre partners."

The two had a record 78\% game in the final session of the Rockwell Mixed Pairs, which they won in 1963. Wrote Murray: "Agnes never came close to touching a wrong card or making a questionable bid. Everyone who played with Agnes marveled at her perfection. She unquestionably ranks with the all-time very best."

Gordon, who died in 1967, won seven North American championships, including the Chicago Board-a-Match Teams (now the Reisinger) in 1948; the Mixed Board-a-Match Teams in 1951, 1952 and 1962; the Women's Pairs in 1961; the Mixed Pairs and the Womens’ Teams in 1967. She had numerous

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## The pairs champs' secrets of success



Larry Cohen figures that he and David Berkowitz have played in more than 70 high-level pairs events over the 18 years that they have been partners. The two have 11 pairs wins in that span, and Cohen figures it works out to
about one in every seven events they entered.
One for seven might not cut it in baseball, but it's an enviable record in tournament bridge, especially considering that the victories were won against many, if not most, of the top players in the world.

So what is the secret? Surely it's more than just being in the right place at the right time, although that is obviously a key element to success in pairs games.
"We don't like to make life or death, top or
bottom decisions," says Berkowitz. "We try to keep the ball in play."

That's right, says Cohen. "We try not to get bad boards," he says. "You're going to get gifts. We try not to give them. We don't mind a $40 \%$ board, but we don't take an action that turns it into a $5 \%$ board or a zero."

Berkowitz says he and Cohen know the inclinations of most of the players they see a lot, but nowadays everyone bids aggressively and some are unknown quantities.
"People don't put a sign on their chest that says they're crazy bidders," Berkowitz says. "Sometimes you have to take advantage of people's hyperactivity in the bidding."

Wild bidding is not their thing, says Berkowitz, offering this hand from the first final session of the Silodor as an example of his bidding style. In second seat after dealer passed, Berkowitz held

- 32 VKJ 10952 Q 1042 ャ 7 .

Even at unfavorable vulnerability, most players would not consider it a "wild" action to open $2 v$ with the hand, but Berkowitz passed, knowing that he was going against the grain.

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## Meet ACBL's newest members



ACBL has four new members. The players, of Clear Lake TX, came and played Saturday and Sunday, enjoyed themselves and decided to join the league.

Laura Staples and her partner Bill Britton won . 66 masterpoints Sunday. Eva and Michael Margle won 1.06 on Saturday and another .16 on Sunday.
"We are having a wonderful time," said Staples.

Four players joined ACBL yesterday: (standing) Laura Staples, Bill Britton and (seated) Eva and Michael Margle. All four are from Clear Lake TX.

## Vanderbilt round of 64 begins today

Seventy-one teams entered the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams. Forty-three received byes yesterday. The remaining 28 teams played in fourway matches with three survivors out of each. The 21 who advanced join those with byes to begin straight knockout play today.

The defending champions are Jerzy Skrzypczak, Boguslaw Gierulski, Krzysztof Martens and Krzysztof Jassem. The top seed is the Nickell team: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Bob Hamman and Zia Mahmood.

Coverage of the Vanderbilt Teams will be on the Internet and begins Tuesday on Bridge Base Online.

The Vanderbilt is the premier event of the Spring NABC. The history of the contest stretches back to 1928 when the man who invented contract bridge, Harold S. Vanderbilt, put the trophy bearing his name into play.

## Simpson-Bennett lead Silver Ribbon

Californians Gene Simpson and Hamish Bennett will take a slim lead in the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs into today's two final sessions.

Simpson, of San Rafael, and Bennett, of Menlo Park, will start play today with a carryover of 256, just ahead of the 250.52 amassed by Nancy and Alan Popkin of St. Louis MO.

Right behind them are Jeff Hand and Gail Greenberg of New York City.

One hundred thirty pairs made it through the two qualifying sessions.


Ray Alexanian receives a check for $\$ 5000$ from ACBL for the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. The check is presented by Tournament Co-chair Toni Snow. Alexanian is a renowned multiple myeloma specialist and also an ACBL member.

## Goodwill message

Today is Goodwill Day and my co-chairs and I invite members of the National Goodwill Committee to join us at a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. in Meeting Room 343 in the
 Hilton Americas.

We hope to see you there.
Aileen Osofsky, Chairman
National Goodwill Committee

## MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

|  | Monday, March 16 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 10 am - Noon | Competition and Conventions Committee meeting. <br> Meeting Room 331. |
| $10: 30$ am - Noon NABC Advisory Committee meeting. Meeting Room 326. |  |
| 11 am - Noon | Get Online with BridgeBase.com. Don't miss this <br> opportunity to meet with Fred Gitelman, creator of the <br> ACBL's Learn to Play Bridge program. Get a guided tour of <br> the Bridge Base web site and its outstanding teaching <br> features. Meeting Room 327. <br> Goodwill Reception. Meeting Room 335. |
| $5-7 \mathrm{pm}$ | Tuesday, M arch 17 |
| 10 am - Noon | Bridge Sub-committee meeting. Meeting Room 326. |

Wednesday, March 18
5-7 pm Junior Lounge. Juniors who attend coaching/lessons on Bridge Base Online are invited to come and meet Lynn Deas, Valerie Westheimer and others. Meeting Room 327.

Thursday, March 19
10 am - Noon Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge meeting. Meeting Room 326.

Friday, March 20
11:30 pm - 2 am Women's Team Trials meeting. Meeting Room 331.

## CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Be sure to hear these free expert lectures in Houston.
Monday, March 16

12:15 pm
6:45 pm
Phillip Alder
Basic Defensive Signals
Ruling the Game
Tuesday, March 17
12:15 pm
6:45 pm
Haig Tchamitch
Support Doubles
Larry Cohen Bidding Over Preempts

## LATE NIGHT/ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment will be provided in Lanier Ballroom J at 11:30 p.m. Monday, March 16 Barbershop quartet

Tuesday, March 17
Irish dancers

Wednesday, March 18
12:15 pm
6:45 pm
Kitty Cooper
Barry Harper
Spoil Declarer's Plan
Hand Evaluation and Revaluation

## Thursday, March 19

12:15 pm
6:45 pm

The Missing Diamond!
Director - Why Call?

Food will be served nightly in the Lanier Ballroom pre-function area at 11:30 p.m. Monday, March 16 Sundaes

Tuesday, March 17
St. Patrick's mashed potato bar

## ACBL discounted parking

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

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

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

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

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

Bob White has advanced to Platinum Life Master, a rank requiring more than 10,000 masterpoints. White, of Raleigh NC, is an investment manager. He is active in bridge governance and has served as both president and treasurer of the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference (Districts 6 and 7). White has many high finishes in NABC events.

## New Life Master

Gary Hercules, of Stafford TX, achieved Life Master playing in the compact KO teams. His teammates, of Houston, were Lauri Haufman and Nancy and Hans Strohmer.

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

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## Vugraph operators needed

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

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

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

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

## ACBL restaurant shuttle

4 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily
Shuttle Route 1: This bus will circle every 10 minutes. There will be two buses on this route.

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 Seafood Grill
Massa's Seafood Grill.
Strip House
Shuttle Route 2: This bus will circle every 20 minutes. There will be four buses on this route.

Stop 1: Stopping on Texas Ave next to Hard Rock Café.
Bayou Place-following restaurants located here: Hard Rock Café
Mingalone Italian Bar and Grill
Slick Willie's
Stop 2: Stopping at Sambuca's on the corner of Travis and Texas.
Main Street-following restaurants located here:
Azuma Sushi and Robata Bar
Cabo
Café Express
Chipotle
Flying Saucer Draught Emporium
Frank’s Pizza
Sambuca's Jazz Café
Timpano Chophouse and Martini Bar
Yatra Brasserie
Zula
Pick up and drop off located at the Hilton Americas EAST ENTRANCE.

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

# IJ UST FOR NEW PLAYERS 

## Dear New Players:

## By Marti Ronemus

## My friend

 Harriet's Great Dane, Sandy, formed a highly unnatural attachment to the family gerbil. Sandy had learned to remove the cover from the gerbil's aquarium and he would scoop the little critter up in his mouth, carrying him everywhere for hours. I cannot tell you how odd it was to see this monster dog walking toward you with a chubby little gerbil sitting up in his mouth. The gerbil, while quite soggy, never seemed to mind. (One can't help wondering how he would protest if he did mind.) Harriet tried weighting the lid down to keep Sandy out, but the dog would yip and howl when separated from his little buddy. The ways of love are strange.

All went well until one day a stranger came to the house and Sandy went into a frenzy of barking and growling. Oops.

The moral of the story (and our tie-in to bridge) is to be careful not to carelessly bite your partner's head off.

Here's a real-life hand that came up at our club. I had the pleasure of watching beginners play it against a very experienced pair. The newcomers got a top, as they were the only pair to reach slam.

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* 
- 10985
- AJ 3
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* Q 9875
- K Q
- J 83
- A J 63
- K Q 742
- K 2

Q 5

* AK 632
-A 1097654
-     - 
- 1098764
*     - 

Everyone was vulnerable and West dealt. Here's how the bidding went. I'm not saying it's
right or wrong. I'm just a reporter.

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2NT | Pass | $3 \uparrow(1)$ | $3 \uparrow$ |
| $4 \bullet$ | Pass | Pass | 6 |
| Dbl | All Pass |  |  |

(1) Transfer to hearts.

This was fun. North reminded me of Sandy's gerbil - just along for the ride, wide-eyed and open-mouthed. West, with his huge hand, wore a little smirk as he pulled out the ominous red double. (And who wouldn't double with that hand!) And South trembled, wondering how bad it was going to be.

At the end, after South racked up his 1540 and started breathing again, I asked him how this happened. You don't often see someone with 4 high-card points bid and make a doubled slam. He had no explanation, except that with 13 cards in two suits, and a void in the opponents' suit, he just felt he had to do something. He knew he didn't have the tools or knowledge to get to a slam any other way except to just bid it. He figured if his partner liked spades more, he'd correct to $6 \boldsymbol{A}$. He also said (and this is when poor West started choking and had to leave the table, muttering about being fixed) he didn't really notice he only had 4HCP. All he could see was two voids.

## Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

| Dlr: West | ค. 862 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul: E-W | - K J 7 |
|  | - A 64 |
|  | * A 842 |


| ^AK10954 | ヘ 73 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\checkmark 3$ | - Q 86 |
| - J 9 | - Q 108732 |
| \& J 965 | - Q 10 |
|  | ^ Q J |
|  | - A109542 |
|  | - K 5 |
|  | - K 73 |


| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $2 \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ | Pass | Pass | $3 \downarrow$ |
| Pass | $4 \downarrow$ | All Pass |  |
| Opening lead: $\uparrow$ A. |  |  |  |

Opening lead: $\uparrow \mathrm{A}$
Bidding commentary: North has neither the strength nor the distribution, mainly the distribution, to double $2 \boldsymbol{A}$, but is strong enough to raise $3 \vee$ to $4 \vee$.

Defensive commentary: West starts with three rounds of spades, South ruffing. There is no pressing need for West to attack either minor suit.

Play commentary: Declarer has lost two spades, must lose a club, so the problem is picking up hearts for no losers. With no bidding as a guide, the normal play with nine cards missing the queen is the ace-king. However, there has been bidding. West is known to have six spades and seven other cards known as "vacant spaces." East has two spades so 11 vacant spaces. Who do you think is more likely to have the queen, the hand with seven vacant spaces or the one with 11 ? Right. Declarer plays East for the $\vee \mathrm{Q}$, leads a heart to the king and runs the jack. Length attracts shortness, shortness attracts length.

Defensive
commentary: If at any time the $\backsim \mathrm{J}$ is

North asked where we keep the Tums
East and West spent some time snapping each other's head off: "Why didn’t you bid 6 and take the sacrifice?" Said by both of them!

As my faithful readers know, I don't feel my job is to analyze hands, but this was too good to resist. The best part about it was the attitude of the beginner. He knew that something dramatic had to happen. He, like the gerbil, showed no fear of the Big Dogs. Unlike the gerbil, he lived to tell the story.

So tell me your stories good and bad. I need your inspiration! mronemus@comcast.net.


## Berkowitz

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His left－hand opponent，holding 25 high－card points in a balanced hand，bid 3NT，ending the auction．This was the full deal：

| Dlr：South | ＾A Q J 9 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul：E－W | $\checkmark$ A 4 |  |
|  | －AK 6 |  |
|  | ＊AK 96 |  |
| ヘ 32 |  | － 105 |
| －K J 10952 |  | $\bullet 87$ |
| －Q 1042 |  | －J 83 |
| ＊ 7 |  | ＊QJ10854 |
|  | ＾K 8764 |  |
|  | －Q 63 |  |
|  | － 975 |  |
|  | － 32 |  |

Cohen led the $\boldsymbol{*}$ and declarer had to settle for 10 tricks，a cold top for Berkowitz and Cohen－ North－South have 11 tricks in spades，and they would have reached the spade game with ease had Berkowitz bid $2 \downarrow$ ．

In the post mortem，Cohen offered that Berkowitz was probably the only player in the room who didn＇t open the West hand $2 \downarrow$ ．Berkowitz countered that he thought Mike Becker also passed． When queried about it，Becker replied，＂I bid two hearts．＂

Cohen says he doesn＇t approve of Berkowitz＇s conservative，anti－field action，but knowing his partner＇s tendencies is part of what makes their partnership strong．＂When he does open a weak two－bid in second seat vulnerable，＂says Cohen，＂I know what he has．＂
＂It＇s very important to know what to expect from your partner，＂says Berkowitz．

Playing a manageable system is also important， says Cohen．＂We know what our bids mean，and we don＇t use a lot of methods．We don＇t get bad boards that come from not knowing what we＇re playing．＂

Although they don＇t take flights of fancy or make rash doubles，the two do share the same philosophy when it comes to competing for partscores．
＂Larry lives for pushing them from $2 \downarrow$ to $3 \vee$ and beating them a trick，＂says Berkowitz．＂He would rather do that than make a grand slam on a triple squeeze．＂

Cohen agrees，＂We＇re not wild preemptors，but we are very aggressive about not letting them have it at the two level．＂

Berkowitz believes their biggest strength is their temperaments．＂We never fight or get upset，＂he says．

That was not always the case．After the two won a big event in the Eighties，Berkowitz and Cohen didn＇t play for about three years，and Berkowitz found out from Cohen that the reason was that Berkowitz had not been a good partner despite their success．

Berkowitz promised to behave，and Cohen said he could have one＂yell＂every six months，a＂yell＂ being something as minor as a raised eyebrow．
＂I’ve been a very good partner for 18 years，＂ Berkowitz says，＂so I told Larry that I＇m now up to 36 yells．＂

Not true，says Cohen．＂If you don＇t use them， you lose them．＂

To prove his point，Berkowitz recalled a Grand National Teams match against a good team from Florida．During the bidding，Berkowitz had shown strength in diamonds，but when the opponents bid to 7 NT ，he doubled holding the $\approx \mathrm{A}$ ，and he thought it was clear that he wasn’t asking for a diamond lead． Cohen led a diamond anyway and 7NT doubled was made．

Except for a brief apology by Cohen，nothing was said，and over the next six boards，they picked up 50 IMPs．

In any form of scoring，Cohen says，being able to shrug off the inevitable bad results is key．＂I learned that from Bob Hamman，＂says Cohen．＂But we do struggle with it．＂

## Houston，we have a problem

Originally a genuine report of a life－threatening fault．Now used humorously to report any kind of problem．

## By Mark Horton

In 1971，John Swigert，Jr．and James Lovell－ who，with Fred Haise Jr．，made up the crew of the U．S．＇s Apollo 13 moon flight－used（almost）this phrase to report a major technical problem back to their Houston base．

Swigert：＂Okay，Houston，we＇ve had a problem here．＂

Duke：＂This is Houston．Say again please．＂
Lovell：＂Houston，we＇ve had a problem．
We＇ve had a main B bus undervolt．＂
The tagline became famous following its use in the 1995 film Apollo 13，a movie based on what was to be the third lunar－landing mission．It shows the trials and tribulations of the Apollo 13 crew， mission control and families after a near－fatal accident cripples the space vehicle．A mission that couldn＇t get TV airtime because space flights had become routine to the American public suddenly grabbed the national spotlight．This is a tale of averted tragedy and heroism．It＇s a testament to the creativity of the scientists who ran the early space missions．

In the first final session of the Silodor Open Pairs there were a couple of deals that were problematical－let＇s see if you can solve them． You hold this hand as North：

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    A KJ 842
    \bullet94
    - AQ9 }
    * 73
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| West | North | East | South <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> Pass |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2v（1） |  | Pass | $3 \uparrow$ |
| Pass | $?$ |  |  |

Pass ？
Facing partner＇s 15－17 1NT opener and super－ acceptance of the transfer，I toyed with the idea of bidding four diamonds，but I found it difficult to construct a hand where slam would be a decent proposition even if partner held perfect cards．This hand，for example，
＾A Q $73 \quad$＊A $84 \quad$－K $83 \quad$ ヵA 64 leaves you with no way to avoid two losers．

There is also the risk that partner will play you for more than you have，so eventually I bid a peaceful four spades．This was the full deal：

| Dlr：South <br> Vul：Both | ヘ K J 842 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\checkmark 94$ |  |
|  | －A Q 97 |  |
|  | － 73 |  |
| ＊ 1076 |  | $\wedge$ Q |
| －K Q 875 |  | －J 1063 |
| － 3 |  | －J 102 |
| － 10542 |  | ＊K J 986 |
|  | －A953 |  |
|  | －A 2 |  |
|  | －K8654 |  |
|  | － A Q |  |

Although I confess it would not have occurred to me to open 1NT，clearly partner would have driven to slam over four diamonds．

Here＇s another problem．This time you are South as dealer（East－West are vulnerable）．
－K 8764
－ 963
－Q 75
－ 32

| West | North | East | South <br> Pass |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $2 \downarrow$ | Dbl | Pass | $2 \uparrow$ |
| Pass | $3 \boldsymbol{\imath}$ | Pass | $3 \uparrow$ |
| Pass | $4 \vee$ | Pass | $?$ |

In 1936 （！），S J（Skid）Simon published an article in the British Bridge World in which he advocated the bidding up of＂bad hands．＂Having so far shown nothing of any value（there is some case for having bid four spades on the previous round），it is now incumbent upon you to do
something to inform partner that you actually have a couple of high cards．A bid of five diamonds will see partner jump to the laydown slam with this hand：
＾AQJ 9 •A4＊AK 6 ＊AK 96
This was the layout：
Dlr：South＾A Q J 9
Vul：E－W v A 4
－AK 6
＊A K 96

| － 32 | ヘ 105 |
| :---: | :---: |
| －K J 10952 | － 87 |
| －Q 1042 | －J 83 |

Q1042－J83
＊ 7 \＆QJ10854
＾K8764
－Q 63
－ 975
－ 32
Okay，I confess I changed your hand to make my point．On the actual deal，South bid a fourth and final spade．

## Third time skillfully By Phillip Alder

David Berkowitz and Larry Cohen thoroughly deserved their third win in the Silodor Open Pairs on Saturday．They qualified Friday in third place， then had games of $61.14 \%$ and $65.46 \%$ to win by just more than two boards over Xiaodong Shi and David Yang，who had led into the last day．Third were Fred Gitelman and Brad Moss．

The winners modestly said they were given a lot of gifts，but they engineered a near－top in this deal from the final session（rotated for convenience）：

| Dlr：North <br> Vul：None | －J 54 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | －A 92 |  |  |
|  | －Q 87 |  |  |
|  | ＊K Q J 10 |  |  |
| ＊ 82 |  |  | ヘ A 1096 |
| －K Q J 108543 |  |  | $\bullet$－－－ |
| －K |  |  | －J95432 |
| ＊ 76 |  |  | －983 |
| －KQ73 |  |  |  |
| － 76 |  |  |  |
| －A 106 |  |  |  |
| ＊A542 |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
|  | 1＊ | Pass | $1 \wedge$ |
| $3 \vee$ | Pass | Pass | Dbl |
| Pass | 3＾ | Pass | 4＾ |
| All Pass |  |  |  |

Berkowitz was one of the few players to settle for three hearts．Most jumped to four hearts．At the tables where that happened，there were two passes back to South，who doubled，and North passed．Four hearts doubled went down two，losing one spade， one heart，one diamond and two clubs．

When North removed South＇s reopening double to three spades，perhaps South should have passed （his partner did not jump to four spades，which he probably would have done with four－card spade support）or bid four clubs（North surely has at least four clubs，because with $3=4=3=3$ shape，he would have passed），but South raised himself to four spades．（Note that five clubs by North can be made by dropping the diamond king，then squeezing East in spades and diamonds．）

Against four spades，West led the heart queen， Rusinow，and East ruffed away dummy＇s ace．Now East shifted to a low diamond．

Time stood still．Would East lead a diamond away from the king with the queen on the board and South marked with the ace？Probably not．But he had to play something．Eventually declarer ducked， losing to West＇s singleton king．

Now Berkowitz made an expert play，leading the heart eight to force his partner to ruff．Then it was the work of a moment for Cohen to return a diamond for West to ruff．And a moment later East scored the spade ace for down two and 67 matchpoints out of 77 ．

When you want your partner to ruff，lead a loser，not a winner．

## The trick machine

## By Mark Horton

The successful matchpoint player needs to display a myriad of skills, but one of the most important is to rack up the tricks in routine contracts.

On this deal from the final of the Silodor Open Pairs Barry Rigal showed how it should be done:

| Dlr: South <br> Vul: E-W |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | * 954 |  |  |
| - A 74 |  |  | ^ Q J 52 |
| - 87532 |  |  | - Q 64 |
| - K 976 |  |  | - Q 8 |
| - 8 |  |  | - A 632 |
| ^ 98 |  |  |  |
| $\checkmark$ A 109 |  |  |  |
| - A J 4 |  |  |  |
| - K Q J 107 |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
|  | Ornstein |  | Rigal |
|  |  |  | 1NT |

All Pass
1NT was the popular spot, with West, as here, leading a heart for the jack, queen and ace.

Resisting the temptation to play clubs immediately, Barry played a spade to dummy's king. When that held, he attacked clubs, and when East won he retuned a heart, West having discarded a diamond on the second round.

Now Barry played a diamond to the jack. West won and cleared the heart suit. After winning and cashing his club tricks, Barry cashed the ace of diamonds and found that suit was now good.

He had taken one spade, three hearts, three diamond and four clubs for a whopping +210 .
(Only three pairs could beat that, one of them your reporters', who, having donned a pair of rose-tinted spectacles, used Stayman, which eventually saw the Rabbi at the helm in the unbeatable 3NT.)

## The Rabbi to the rescue

## Mark Horton

When the bridge gods are smiling, an apparently hopeless situation may be saved in an unexpected way, as on this deal from the final of the Silodor Open Pairs:

| Dlr: North <br> Vul: E-W | - A 92 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - K 109 |  |  |
|  | - A 6543 |  |  |
| - 8543 |  |  | ^ K Q J |
| $\checkmark$ A 75 |  |  | $\bullet 62$ |
| - J 2 |  |  | - K Q |
| * J 964 |  |  | * AK Q 732 |
|  | - 1076 |  |  |
| - Q J 843 |  |  |  |
| -10987 |  |  |  |
| - 10 |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
|  | Horton |  | Helman |
|  | 1 * | Dbl | $1 \vee$ |
| 14 | 2 | 2^ | 3 |
| Pass | Pass | 4* | Pass |
| 4^ | Dbl | All P |  |

North's wafer-thin double concluded an auction that contained a number of debatable bids.

Declarer took the opening lead of the king of hearts with the ace and played a trump. North took the ace, cashed the ace of diamonds and with a silent prayer switched to the ten of hearts. The Rabbi overtook that with the jack and continued with the queen. When declarer decided to discard one of dummy's clubs, it was clear that the Rabbi's modest assets included the all-important ten of spades. A fourth round of hearts was ruffed in turn by the eight, nine and jack of spades, so declarer was minus 500, which did not trouble the scorers.

## Keeping Margie happy

 By Barry Rigal| Dlr: West | ^ AQ 65 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: None | - K Q J 107 |  |
|  | - 10 |  |
|  | \& 864 |  |
| ヘ J 107 |  | ค 83 |
| - A 85 |  | - 96 |
| - AK 86 |  | - Q J 42 |
| \& Q J 3 |  | * A K 1075 |

^ K 942
$\checkmark 432$

- 9753
-92

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1NT | $2 \div(1)$ | 3NT | All Pass |
| (1) Majors. |  |  |  |

(1) Majors.

How often does a routine deal - one where most pairs in the field will claim at trick one produce such a warm, fuzzy feeling in the heart of a player who held one of the hands?

Margie Gwodzinsky showed me the deal, Board 24 from the second final session of the Silodor Open Pairs. Margie, East, was dummy and her partner, Bill Rosenbaum, quickly claimed ten tricks when North led a heart. "It was my favorite deal of the day," said Margie. Why was that? Answer below.

Margie has the unusual habit of sorting her hand by rank of the cards rather than into suits. Imagine her delight when she saw one of each card denomination, ace through 2, in the East hand. It's something that happens once every 2500 deals, I believe.

## Lost and found

There is a lost and found in the Daily Bulletin office - Room 339. An earring, a pin and a Texas driver's license have been turned in. The hotel also has a lost and found.

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# The Vanderbilt 

The premier event of the Spring North American Championships is the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams. The history of the prestigious contest stretches back to 1928 when the man who invented contract bridge, Harold S. Vanderbilt, put the trophy bearing his name into play.

The winners list is a who's who of bridge, a parade of the titans of the game. As part of the ACBL's ongoing archiving project, photos of some of the winners are included with this history.

## The Vanderbilt Trophy

The Vanderbilt Trophy for the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams was donated in 1928 by Harold S. Vanderbilt, who won the event in 1932 and 1940.

The Vanderbilt was contested annually in New York - as a separate championship - until 1958 when it became part of the Spring North American Championships.

Vanderbilt winners receive replicas of the trophy -- a practice initiated by Vanderbilt from the first running of the event and perpetuated by a $\$ 100,000$ trust fund administered by ACBL under the terms of Vanderbilt's will.

On display at ACBL Headquarters in Memphis are the Vanderbilt Trophy, as well as replicas donated by the families of Caroline Taylor, who won the Vanderbilt in 1928, and Helen Sobel Smith, a Vanderbilt winner in 1944 and 1945.

## Winners:

1928 Ralph Richards, Gratz Scott, Edwin Wetzlar, Wilbur Whitehead tied with Abraham Brown, Mrs. Sidney Lovell, Caroline Taylor, Nils Wester
1929 Michael Gottlieb, Lee Langdon, Jean Mattheys, Harry Raffel
1930 Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson, Theodore Lightner, Waldemar von Zedtwitz
1931 David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Willard Karn, P. Hal Sims
1932 Willard Karn, P. Hal Sims, Harold S. Vanderbilt, Waldemar von Zedtwitz
1933 Phil Abramsohn, Benjamin Feuer, Francis Rendon, Sydney Rusinow
1934 David Burnstine, Richard Frey, Michael Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken

1935 David Burnstine, Michael Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken, Sherman Stearns
1936 Phil Abramsohn, Irving Epstein, Harry Fishbein, Fred Kaplan
1937 David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn Maier, Howard Schenken, Sherman Stearns 1938 David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn Maier, Howard Schenken, Sherman Stearns 1939 Melville Alexander, Sigmund Dornbusch, Syl Gintell, Lee Hazen, Harry Raffel
1940 Edward Hymes Jr., Charles Lochridge, Robert McPherran, Harold S. Vanderbilt, Waldemar von Zedtwitz
1941 John Crawford, Myron Fuchs, Robert McPherran, Sherman Stearns
1942 Lester Bachner, Sigmund Dornbusch, Richard Frey, Lee Hazen, Sam Stayman
1943 Harry Fagin, Harry Fishbein, Fred Kaplan, Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone
1944 B. Jay Becker, Charles Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
1945 B. Jay Becker, Charles Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
1946 John Crawford, Oswald Jacoby, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sam Stayman 1947 David Clarren, Harry Feinberg, Harry Fishbein, Larry Hirsch, Joseph Low
1948 Robert Appleyard, Jay T. Feigus, William Lichtenstein, Harry Sonnenblick, Albert Weiss
1949 Morrie Elis, Harry Fishbein, Lee Hazen, Larry Hirsch, Charles Lochridge
1950 John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor, Sam Stayman
1951 B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapee, Sam Stayman
1952 Ned Drucker, Irvin Kass, Sidney Mandell, Milton Moss, Jesse Sloan
1953 Richard Kahn, Edgar Kaplan, Peter Leventritt, William Lipton, Ruth Sherman
1954 Kalman Apfel, Francis Begley, Ned Drucker, Sidney Mandell, Milton Moss B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor
1956 B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor
1957 B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor


1958 Harry Fishbein, Sam Fry Jr., Leonard Harmon, Lee Hazen, Ivar Stakgold
1959 B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, Norman Kay, George Rapee, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone
1960 John Crawford, Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone
1961 Charles Coon, Robert Jordan, Eric Murray, Arthur Robinson
1962 Larry Kolker, Carolyn Levitt, Jerry Levitt, Garrett Nash, George de Runtz
1963 Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth, Clifford Russell, William Seamon, Albert Weiss


The 2005 Vanderbilt were: (back) Mike Becker, Massimo Lanzarotti, Andrea Baratti, (front) Larry Cohen, Richard Schwartz and David Berkowitz.


## <nockout Teams



1964 Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Don Krauss, Peter Leventritt, Lew Mathe, Howard Schenken
1965 Philip Feldesman, John Fisher, James Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Ira Rubin, Albert Weiss
1966 Philip Feldesman, Bob Hamman, Sami Kehela, Lew Mathe, Ira Rubin
1967 James Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Lew Mathe, Bobby Nail, Ron Von der Porten, Lew Stansby
1968 Bobby Jordan, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Arthur Robinson, Bill Root, Alvin Roth
1969 Gerald Hallee, Paul Soloway, John


Sharon Fairchild presents the trophy to 2007 Vanderbilt winners Bjorn Fallenius, Antonio Sementa, Cristal Henner-Welland, Roy Welland, Adam Zmudzinski and Cezary Balick

The 2004 Vanderbilt champions are Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Giorgio Duboin, Ralph Katz, George J acobs and Norberto Bocchi.


## Swanson, Richard Walsh

1970 Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Sami Kehela, Sidney Lazard, Eric Murray, George Rapee 1971 Bill Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff
1972 Steven Altman, Eugene Neiger, Thomas Smith, Alan Sontag, Joel Stuart, Peter Weichsel
1973 Mark Blumenthal, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff
1974 David Crossley, Robert Crossley, Eric Kokish, Joey Silver
1975 Roger Bates, Larry Cohen, Richard Katz, John Mohan, George Rosenkranz
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1977 Mike Becker, Mark Blumenthal, Fred Hamilton, Mike Lawrence, Ron Rubin, John Swanson
1978 Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Billy Eisenberg, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway
1979 Lou Bluhm, Richard Freeman, Mark Lair, Cliff Russell, Tom Sanders, Eddie Wold
1980 Russ Arnold, Bobby Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Bud Reinhold, Eric Rodwell
1981 B. Jay Becker, Michael Becker, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Ron Rubin
1982 James Jacoby, Jeff Meckstroth, Mike Passell, Eric Rodwell, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold
1983 Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Norman Kay, Edgar Kaplan
Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Hugh Ross, Peter Pender
1985 Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Ron Rubin, Mike Lawrence, Michael Becker, Peter Weichsel
1986 Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek
1987 Peter Pender, Peter Boyd, Lew Stansby, Hugh Ross, Steve Robinson, Chip Martel
1988 Eddie Kantar, Alan Sontag, John Mohan, Roger Bates
1989 Ron Rubin, Michael Becker, Bart Bramley, Robert Levin, Lou Bluhm, Peter Weichsel
1990 Dan Morse, John Sutherlin, Michael Kamil, Ron Gerard, Tom Sanders, Bill

Pollack
1991 Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield
1992 Andy Goodman, John Mohan, Roger Bates, John Schermer, Neil Chambers
1993 Howard Weinstein, Peter Nagy, Dan Morse, John Sutherlin, Tom Sanders, Russ Arnold
1994 Seymon Deutsch, Gaylor Kasle, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
1995 Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Michael Polowan, Marc Jacobus
1996 Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Seymon Deutsch, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
1997 Richard Schwartz, Mark Lair, Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman
1998 Richard Schwartz, Mark Lair, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman
1999 George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace
2000 Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
2001 Andrei Gromov, Aleksander Petrunin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
2002 Reese Milner, Marc Jacobus, Sam Lev, John Mohan, Jacek Pszczola, Piotr Gawrys
2003 Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
2004 George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin
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2008 Jerzy Skrzypcak, Boguslaw Gierulski, Krzysztof Martens, Krzysztof Martens


Harriett Buckman presents the 2006 Vanderbilt trophy to the winners J ack Zhao, Fred Chang, Fu Zhong Gunnar Hallberg and Seymon Deutsch


The Vanderbilt
champions in 2003 were
Eric Rodwell, J eff Meckstroth, Nick Nickell, Eric Kokish (coach), Bob Hamman, Richard Freeman and Paul Soloway.

Mark Itabashi of
Murrieta CA has advanced past the 35,000 masterpoint plateau. This makes him number seven on the ACBL's all-time list of living players. He is a former computer analyst who is now a bridge

teacher and a full-time player. Itabashi won the Grand National Teams in 1998 and has many other top finishes. Earlier this week, Itabashi was third in the North American Pairs.

## Sometimes you bite the bear . . . By Barry Rigal

Two deals from the Silodor Open Pairs final demonstrate that you need to be in the right place at the right time. Unless you were one of a handful of pairs who sat the same direction in both sessions, you were likely to have bid one of these hands and have watched your opponents bid the other.

This was Board 7 from the first final session:

| Dlr: South | - KJ 842 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Both |  |  |
|  | - A Q 97 |  |
|  | - 73 |  |
| ヘ 1076 |  | ^ Q |
| - K Q 875 |  | - J 1063 |
| - 3 |  | - J 102 |
| - 10542 |  | * K J 986 |
|  | ^A953 |  |
|  | - ${ }^{\text {2 }} 2$ |  |
|  | -K 8654 |  |
|  | - A Q |  |

Anyone who opens the South hand with 1NT deserves to miss slam. Our unremarkable auction was:

| North | South |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | 1 |
| $1 \uparrow$ | $3 \uparrow$ |
| 4 | $4 \bullet$ |
| $4 \uparrow$ | $6 \uparrow$ |

Credit North, Alex Ornstein, for the excellent $4 \bullet$ bid. My $4 \vee$ took a finesse in the auction:
When there was no double, I felt confident that the defenders would lead a club and that slam would be no worse than one of two finesses, as indeed it was.

If that was biting the bear, on Board 21 in the evening session the bear bit us:

| Dlr: North | ค A 54 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: N-S | - A Q 86 |  |
|  | - A94 |  |
|  | \& A J 5 |  |
| A Q 73 |  | ヘ K J 98 |
| - J 1075 |  | $\checkmark 4$ |
| - 8532 |  | - K Q J 107 |
| - 109 |  | * 863 |
|  | A 1062 |  |
|  | - K 932 |  |
|  | -6 |  |
|  | * K Q 742 |  |

Very few pairs bid the North-South cards to $6 \boldsymbol{v}$, as Mark Horton indicated in an earlier article. The contracts of $5 \downarrow, 6 \downarrow$ and $7 \bullet$ are all roughly equivalent on a spade lead. As Mark pointed out, if you're in $6 \boldsymbol{v}$ and get a diamond lead, you should win, ruff a diamond and then duck a heart. If you're in $4 \boldsymbol{\downarrow}$, you can draw two rounds of trumps and play on clubs to make 11 or 13 tricks, depending on the trump break.

By the way, plus 650 was worth 63 of 77 matchpoints for our opponents.


The Section Top prize desk is open from 9 to 10 a.m., 12 to 1 p.m. and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. You can pick up goodies from Connie Robichaux or one of her helpers if you top your section or place first in a knockout team game.
SUNDAY MORNING SIDE GAME


| 8.0 Tables |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A | B | C |  |  |
| 1.89 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Ron Wolchik - Dianne Wolchik, Georgetown TX | 62.50\% |
| 1.42 | 2 | 2 | 2 | Kathleen Stuart - Ned Stuart, Houston TX | 59.52\% |
| 1.06 | 3 | 3 | 3 | Eva Margle - Mike Margle, Houston TX | 58.93\% |
| 0.62 | 4/6 | 4 | 4 | Jo Ann McGuire - David McGuire, Kemah TX | 57.74\% |
| 0.62 | 4/6 |  |  | June Silverblatt - Rae Cohen, Houston TX | 57.74\% |
| 0.67 | 4/6 |  |  | Troy Knight - Diane Goodwin, Houston TX | 57.74\% |
| 0.51 |  | 5 |  | Sharon DePrang - Lawrence Tuttle, Houston TX | 57.14\% |
| FIRST SUNDAY AFTERNOON JO DENE BOND - 3 49ER |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.0 Tables |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | A | B | C |  |  |
| 1.79 | 1 |  |  | Gary Winston - Shari Winston, Houston TX | 62.08\% |
| 1.34 | 2 | 1 |  | Jean Foltz - Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland TX | 61.25\% |
| 1.01 | 3 | 2 | 1 | George Miller, Cedar Park TX; Helen Pillifant, Kyle TX | 59.17\% |
| 0.76 | 4 |  |  | Susan Edwards - Lois Frankel, Houston TX | 56.67\% |
| 0.57 | 5 |  |  | Ann Sinclair - Joyce Eveld, Houston TX | 54.58\% |
| 0.68 |  | 3 | 2 | James Kelly - Susan Kelly, Houston TX | 53.33\% |
| FIRST SUNDAY AFTERNOON JO DENE BOND - 3 299ER |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18.0 Tables |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | A | B | C |  |  |
| 3.96 | 1 |  |  | Carol Casey - Marsha Young, Dallas TX | 63.39\% |
| 3.46 | 2 | 1 |  | H Ray Atchley - Jerry Bigner, Shreveport LA | 59.23\% |
| 2.28 | 3/4 | 2/3 | 1/2 | Lamya Agelidis, Franklin TN; Roxanne King, Houston TX | 58.04\% |
| 2.28 | 3/4 | 2/3 | 1/2 | Michele Halligan - Tim Halligan, Houston TX | 58.04\% |
| 1.12 | 5/7 | 4/6 | 3/4 | Marvin Livingston - Michael McKown, Sugar Land TX | 57.14\% |
| 1.12 | 5/7 | 4/6 |  | Charles Loos - Kay Loos, Rapid City SD | 57.14\% |
| 1.34 | 5/7 | 4/6 | 3/4 | Ty Tien - Shirley Tien, Houston TX | 57.14\% |
| 1.13 |  |  | 5 | Mary Dodson - Carolyn Rolsten, Houston TX | 55.36\% |


|  |  | FIRST SUNDAY AFTERNOON 299ER SWISS TEAMS |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 10 Tables |  |  |  |
| 2.83 | 1 | 1 | Ronald Montague - Nancy Montague, La Porte TX; James Ochsner - <br> Allison Ochsner, Houston TX |
| 2.12 | 2 |  | Bolores Joyce - Walter Joyce, Parrish FL; Earl Landrum - Sally <br> Landrum, Marion IN <br> Norma Porter - Catherine Gonzales - Evelyn James - Edna Kelly, |
| 1.59 | 3 | $4 / 5$ | Houston TX <br> 1.05 |
| 1.05 | $4 / 5$ | Patti Mullendore - Bobbie Newman - Sudy Zane - Donna Miller, Houston TX <br> David Martin, Kansas City MO; Judy West, Overland Park KS; Jay Titone <br> - Grace Ann Titone, Denton TX |  |

## BRYAN/COLLEGE STATION A/X SWISS TEAMS

Todd, Tallahassee FL; Sandra Jenkins - Ken Scholes, Bellevue WAJoyjit Sarma, Torrance CA; Rajeev Gupta, San Mateo CA; MichaelHeymann - Mary Orock, Fort Worth TXDavid Moss - Carole Van Wieck - Doug Herron - Bill Begert, New York NYLon Sunshine, Framingham MA; Ivanie Yeo, Brighton MA; Nathan Glasser,Somerville MA; Jeffrey Lehman, Newton Center MAMark Mundt, Los Alamos NM; Bill Aeschbacher - Max Aeschbacher, Salt
Lake City UT; Deborah Reichman, Algodones NM

## EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET I

## 9 Teams

$40.35 \quad 1 \quad$ Michele Foran, Oconomowoc WI; William
Malesevich, Mayville WI; Sun-O Ho, Brookfield WI; Betty
Marggraf, Muskego WI
$28.25 \quad 2 \quad$ 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
16.14 3/4 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
$16.14 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ 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

## EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET II

$27.61 \quad 1 \quad$ Billy Leeper, Fort Worth TX; Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX; Mike Miller, Temple TX; Roy Baughman, Pantego TX
19332 Julian Barr Missouri City TX• William Breslin, Katy TX; Terry Currie - Joan Pleason, Houston TX
$11.04 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Michael McGuire,
Hernando MS; Denny Penticoff - Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR
$11.043 / 4 \quad$ Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; Gary Brown, San Francisco CA; Cameron Shunta, Grand Haven MI; Christopher Seymoure, Mississauga ON

## EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET II

9 Teams
17.211 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 12.052 Fred Wang - Amy Wang - Edwin Zwald Jr,

Houston TX; Vern Schmidt, Dickinson TX
$6.88 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Bill Aeschbacher - Max Aeschbacher, Salt Lake City UT; James Flesher, Bountiful UT; David Feldman, Kissimmee FL
6.88 3/4 Madhusudan Patel, Houston TX; Lily Andre James Andre, Sugar Land TX; Katherine Rabenstein, Washington DC

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET IV
12 Teams
15.461 Henry Caspar, Houston TX; Terry Richardson

Greg Schepens, Austin TX; Joe Handler, Toronto ON
10.822 Robert Lupton, Aurora CO; Robert Paris,

Denver CO; Elaine Everett, Downers Grove IL; Mary Walters, Oak
Park IL
6.18 3/4 Henry Sokol, Milwaukee WI; George Kaiser,

Tequesta FL; Phil Brown - Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio TX
$6.18 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ James Tanner, Highland CA; Millie Garrison,
Riverside CA• Robert Roman, Greenbrae CA• Lenore Cavallero, Hillsborough CA

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET V

| 12 Teams |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 11.31 | 1 | Barbara Blaine - Betty Peden - William |

Kinneman - Beverly Kinneman, Little Rock AR
7.92 2 Richard Cunningham - Malissa Baugh - David

Pennington, Temple TX; Barbara Lyons, Harker Heights TX
$4.52 \quad$ Carol Wilson - Carolyn Lanier - Bette Liebgold

- Linda Marlin, Houston TX
$4.52 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Frankie Hall, Groves TX; Mary Overbey -
Margaret Yeh, Pls Vrds Est CA; Miriam Cooper, Beaumont TX
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET VI
12 Teams
7.801 Karen Dittert - Barbara Gadea - Beverly Fanaro Susan Belding, Houston TX; Erica Jaeger, Bellaire TX 5.4622 Jeri Nelson - Cyann Martin, Neenah WI; Diana Whitfield - Marcia Jameson, Austin TX
$3.12 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Don Grider - Inez Grider - Kay Lynch - Dee Els, Georgetown TX
3.12 3/4 Lloyd Hankinson - Gail Pirodsky - Debra

Werman - Carol Krug, Sarasota FL
SATURDAY/SUNDAY MORNING COMPACT KO
BRACKET I
14 Teams
$17.061 \quad$ David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York
NY; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria
11.9422 Dudley Brown, Grandview WA; Richard

Maison, Yakima WA; James Flint, Zillah WA; C Kay Teal, Richland WA
7.683 Kelley Hwang, New York NY; Rick Kaye, Bingham Farms MI; John Russell, North Barringto IL; Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY
$5.974 \quad$ Veronica McMurdie - John McMurdie,
Sacramento CA; Steve Clements, Laguna Mavel CA; Marjorie Michelin, Los Angeles CA

SATURDAY/SUNDAY MORNING COMPACT KO
BRACKET II
12 Teams
7.94 1 Christopher Whelan - Jane Whelan, Lexington VA; Constance Sackville, Vero Beach FL; Ann Taylor, Port St Lucie FL
5.562 Wayne Gergen - Thomas Racciatti, Minneapolis MN; Sam Dodson, Houston TX; Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { MN; Sam Dodson, } & \text { Houston IX; Philip Duterme, Bellaire } \\ 3.57 & 3 & \text { Frank La Master - Nancy La Master, }\end{array}$ Indianapolis IN; Gene Miley - Christine Miley, Hinsdale IL $\begin{array}{lll}2.78 & 4 & \text { Shirley Eide - Grace Tanner - Gordon Tanner, }\end{array}$ Bakersfield CA; Charlotte Blum, La Jolla CA

## Gordon

Continued from page 1
second-place finishes in NABC events and many regional wins.

She was on the second-place squad in the World Women's Teams in 1964 and represented the U.S. in two world championships.

Born in Ontario, Canada, she moved to Buffalo NY but remained a Canadian citizen.

Gordon served on the ACBL Board of Directors representing District 2, was a member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee and president of Unit 116. She also taught bridge and ran a bridge club.

It was announced in an earlier edition of the Daily Bulletin at this tournament that Mark Lair was elected to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame. The other candidates on the ballot were Marty Bergen, Bart Bramley, Mildred Breed, Gail Greenberg, Karen McCallum, Rose Meltzer, Tobi Sokolow and John Sutherlin.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY MORNING COMPACT KO BRACKET III
12 Teams
4.761 Patti Harp - John Lowenstein - Jane Goldring, New Orleans LA; Louise Saik, Metairie LA
3.332 Phyllis Chambers, Winnetka IL; Dee Coats Jeanne Ingraham - Frank Ingraham, Houston TX
$2.14 \quad 3 \quad$ Lauri Laufman - Nancy Strohmer - Hans Strohmer, Houston TX; Gary Hercules, Stafford TX
$1.67{ }^{4}$ Matthew Duffy, Edina MN; Layne Onufer, Huntington Bch CA; Barbara Mash, San Jose CA; Phyllis Gaffney,
Sunyvale CA Sunnyvale CA

SAT/SUN MORNING COMPACT KO BRACKET CONSOLATION I
7 Teams
Buddhadeb Biswas, Lexington MA; Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Paul Wright Jr, Mount Pleasant SC; Julie Zhu, Vero Beach FL
1.662 Frances Doss, Hot Springs Vlg AR; Adam Parrish, Cincinnati OH; Sally Chapleau, Tampa FL; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN

SATSUN MORNING COMPACT KO BRACKET

## CONSOLATION II

## 6 Teams

$\begin{array}{lll}1.60 & 1 & \text { Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Tom }\end{array}$ Beardsley, Richmond KY; Dolores Schwartz - Betty Bryan,
Pittsford NY
0.852 Richard Burgess Jr, Alamo TX; Rene Wallace Charlotte Lunsford - Joyce Caton, Mission TX

SAT/SUN MORNING COMPACT KO BRACKET CONSOLATION III
${ }_{1.52}^{6 \text { Teams }} 1$ Lainie Edinburg, Edwards CO; Marcia

Pamela Elsner, Avon CO
$0.81 \quad 2$ Kathleen McCool, Castle Rock CO; Jane Hendrix, Breckenridge CO; Hans Kuschnerus - Sandra Kuschnerus, Frisco CO
0.76

Landrum Dolores Joyce - Walter Joyce, Parrish FL; Earl
JIM SHORTT MEMORIAL COMPACT KO BRACKET 7 16 Teams
8.761 Lenore Cavallero, Hillsborough CA; James Tanner, Highland CA; Robert Roman, Greenbrae CA; Millie Garrison, Riverside CA
$6.13 \quad 2 \quad$ Janelle Frusha, Conroe TX; Mavis Warren Melanie Dunn - Brian Stevens, Montgomery TX
$3.94 \quad 3 \quad$ Nicholas Rasmussen - Sam Dodson, Houston $\begin{array}{ll}3.94 & 3 \\ \text { TX; Thomas Racciatti }- \text { Wayne Gergen, Minneapolis MN }\end{array}$ $3.07 \quad 4 \quad$ Joe Nance, Bryan TX; Joseph Kingcade, Brenham TX; Ali Ahmed Khan, Palatine IL; Raj Pruthi, Bellaire TX

| BRYAN/COLLEGE STATION B/C/D SWISS TEAMS |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 31 Tables |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | B | C | D |  |  |
| 12.10 | 1 | 1 |  | Eric Sandberg, Houston TX; Janice Kofman, Miami FL; Tom |  |
|  |  |  |  | Kaufmann, Pine Brook NJ; Martin Lesh, Montville NJ | 135.00 |
| 9.08 | 2 | 2 | 1 | Max Glick, Ann Arbor MI; Arjune Bose - Seth Fogarty - Michael |  |
|  |  |  |  | Fagan - Douglas Moore, Houston TX | 132.00 |
| 6.81 | 3 |  |  | Sean Gannon, Atlanta GA; Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; |  |
|  |  |  |  | Cameron Shunta, Grand Haven MI; Christopher Seymoure, |  |
|  |  |  |  | Mississauga ON; Brenda Glaze, Anchorage AK | 127.00 |
| 5.10 | 4 |  |  | Jeremy Dilbeck, Houston TX; Sandra Parker, Sugar Land TX; |  |
|  |  |  |  | Alfred Fortier III, Katy TX; Steve Tuggle, Pearland TX | 123.00 |
| 3.75 | 5/6 |  |  | Daniel Blaettler - Thomas Trudeau, San Antonio TX; Jerrold |  |
|  |  |  |  | Harrington, Garden Ridge TX; Judy McNeilly, Mount Hope ON | 113.00 |
| 4.12 | 5/6 | 3 |  | Herbert Kalman, Bellaire TX; Robert Reichek, Houston TX; |  |
|  |  |  |  | Rebecca Brown, San Antonio TX; Patty Moncus, Boerne TX | 113.00 |
| 3.03 | 7 |  |  | Anne Fidelman, Houston TX; Janet Fidelman, Arlington MA; |  |
|  |  |  |  | Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Martha Hawley, Carmel Valley CA | 110.00 |
| 3.09 | 8 | 4 |  | Mary Russell - Karen Dittert - Beverly Fanarof, Houston TX; |  |
|  |  |  |  | Erica Jaeger, Bellaire TX | 108.00 |
| 2.90 | 9 | 5 | 2 | Jane Goldring - Patti Harp - John Lowenstein, New Orleans LA; |  |
|  |  |  |  | Louise Saik, Metairie LA | 103.00 |
| 2.18 |  |  | 3 | Pamela Elsner, Avon CO; Joy McKenzie-Smith, Fort Worth TX; |  |
|  |  |  |  | Clairlee Hirsch, The Woodlands TX; Jane Clark, Stephenville TX | 88.00 |
| BYE SWISS |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 Tables |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.60 | 1 | Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ; Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Steve Beatty, |  |  |  |
|  |  | Mill Creek WA; William Pollack, Basking Ridge NJ; Tommy Garvey, EssexCm145ww England; David Bakhshi, London England |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 84.00 |
| 9.45 | 2 | Perla Sultan, Aventura FL; Alejandro Bianchedi - Ernesto Muzzio - Ricardo |  |  |  |
|  |  | Ange | ri, Bu | aenos Aires Argentina | 69.00 |
| 7.09 | 3 | Walter Johnson - Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Cornelis Van Prooijen, Nieuw |  |  |  |
|  |  | Vennep Netherlands; Bruce Rogoff, Tenafly NJ; Dennis Clerkin - Jerry |  |  |  |
|  |  | Clerk | , Blo | omington IN | 63.00 |
| 5.32 | 4 | Geeske Joel, Palo Alto CA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX; Jill Meyers, Santa |  |  |  |
|  |  | Mon | CA; | Jill Levin, Bronx NY; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL | 56.00 |
| 3.99 | 5 | Nico | L'E | cuyer, Montreal QC; Tadashi Teramoto, Tokyo Japan; Nikolay |  |
|  |  | Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Kazuo K. Furuta, Kanagawa-Ken 21 Japan |  |  | 42.00 |
| FIRST SUNDAY EVENING 100/200/300 PAIRS |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11.5 Tables |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | A | B | C |  |  |
| 3.11 | 1 | 1 |  | Colleen Bicket, Edmond OK; Betty McCauley, Oklahoma City OK | 67.73\% |
| 2.33 | 2 |  |  | Jeri Nelson - Cyann Martin, Neenah WI | 67.68\% |
| 1.75 | 3 | 2 |  | Liz Cooper - Mark Heep, Austin TX | 65.73\% |
| 1.31 | 4 |  |  | Nancy Selander - Connie Burnett, Houston TX | 63.43\% |
| 1.42 | 5 | 3 |  | Layne Onufer - Fred Dyle, Huntington Bch CA | 61.09\% |
| 1.20 | 6 | 4 |  | Darlene Reber, Oklahoma OK; Frances Murrell, Oklahoma City OK | 54.46\% |
| 0.80 |  | 5 |  | John Chapman - Wendy Wheeler, Little Rock AR | 53.11\% |
| 1.67 |  |  | 1 | Mary Craft - Mark Craft, Edmond OK | 51.29\% |
| 1.25 |  |  | 2 | Patricia Roberts - Jonny Roberts, Diamondhead MS | 48.46\% |
| 0.94 |  |  | 3 | Barbara Chappell - Richard Chappell, Houston TX | 46.84\% |
|  |  | SUNDAY EVENING 299ER SWISS TEAMS |  |  |  |
| 10 Tables |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2.83 | A | B | C |  |  |
|  | 1 | 1 | 1 | James Ochsner - Allison Ochsner, Houston TX; Ronald Montague - |  |
|  |  |  |  | Nancy Montague, La Porte TX | 83.00 |
| 2.12 | 2 | 2 |  | Kathleen McCool, Castle Rock CO; Jane Hendrix, Breckenridge CO; Hans Kuschnerus - Sandra Kuschnerus, Frisco CO | 80.00 |
| 1.59 | 3 | 3 |  | Louise O'Brien - Marj Frederiksen, Dallas TX; Betty Bartula, |  |
|  |  |  |  | Richardson TX; Billie Dalton, Garland TX | 76.00 |
| 1.19 | 4 | 4 |  | Pamela Thaut - Joan Merrill, Tucson AZ; Bitsy Klein - Michael |  |
|  |  |  |  | Klein, Bethany Beach DE | 73.00 |
| 1.34 |  |  | 2 | Peggy Clough, Cypress TX; Betty Ryan, Tomball TX; Jo Ann Pierce |  |
|  |  |  |  | - Jean Foltz, Pearland TX | 63.00 |



## LOS ANGELES REGIONAL 10 DAY TOUR NAMENT JULY 3-12, 2009 IN HISTORIC PASADENA, CA



District 23 is returning to its traditional 10-day Bridge Week Regional, July 3-12 2009 at the Pasadena Hilton.
We are featuring a 4 -session Open Pairs Championship with a Barometer final session, a 2-session Board-A-Match Team Game and knockouts starting almost every day. On Friday evening, July 3rd, in addition to our master point games, as an added bonus, we are holding a \$MONEY\$ Calcutta.
For more information visit our web site at acbldistrict23.org or contact Tournament Manager John Killian at (562) 592-2716. For those of you who are participating in the Senior Team Trials in Las Vegas, come and practice in Los Angeles on your way.


| 35.0 Tables |  |  |  |  |
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|  | A | B | C |  |
| 20.65 | 1 |  |  | Adam Parrish, Cincinnati OH; Toni Bales, Pickerington OH |
| 15.49 | 2 |  |  | Howard Einberg, Los Angeles CA; Mary Vickers, Apex NC |
| 11.62 | 3 |  |  | Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA; Josh Feldstein, Gainesville FL |
| 8.71 | 4 |  |  | Steve Clements, Laguna Mavel CA; K Fung, Edmonton AB |
| 6.88 | 5 |  |  | Sandra Gebhardt, The Villages FL; Thomas Weik, Reading PA |
| 5.90 | 6 |  |  | William Watson, Sunnyvale CA; Bill Harker, Copperopolis CA |
| 5.16 | 7 |  |  | Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie TX; Bryan Storey, Frisco TX |
| 4.59 | 8 |  |  | Miriam Rosenberg, Huixquilucan Mexico; Adriana Yanez, Mexico Mexico |
| 4.13 | 9 |  |  | Saul Gross, Miami Beach FL; Rick Norton Jr, Oceanside CA |
| 8.27 | 10 | 1 |  | Warren Barrett, Pearland TX; Art Desmond, Houston TX |
| 3.44 | 11 |  |  | Howard Wilkins, Abilene TX; James Tucker Jr, Alexander City AL |
| 3.18 | 12 |  |  | Sally Veauthier, Columbiana OH; Sharon Fairchild, Rocky River OH |
| 2.95 | 13 |  |  | Thomas Jahnke - Ken Navarro, Houston TX |
| 6.20 |  | 2 |  | Debi Balter - Jack Balter, Houston TX |
| 5.19 |  | 3 | 1 | Jonathan Forde, Geneva NY; Stanca Ciupe, Durham NC |
| 3.89 |  | 4 | 2 | James Woodard, League City TX; Vijay Shirsat, Lake Jackson TX |
| 2.56 |  | 5/6 | 3/4 | John Langer, Santa Clarita CA; Ragnar Paulson, Nepean ON |
| 2.56 |  | 5/6 | 3/4 | Richard Polunsky, Houston TX; Alan Blake, East Brunswick NJ |
| 2.16 |  |  | 5 | Amanda Jeger, Frankfurt Am Ma Germany; Estera Lisker, East Quogue NY |
| 2.55 |  |  | 6 | Millicent Wear - Paul Wear, Houston TX |

## SAN ANTONIO KOS BRACKET

## 15 Tables

David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York NY; Rumen
Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria
Margie Beegle - Terry Currie - Jolie Hess - Joan Pleason, Houston TX

Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Sandra Rimstedt, Haverda 3104 Sweden; Cecilia Rimstedt, Halmstad 30251 Sweden; Emma Sjoberg, Linkoping 58431 Sweden
vS
James Melville, Springfield IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Donald Croysdale, Elm Grove WI; William McFall, New Berlin WI

## SAN ANTONIO KOS BRACKET II

## 12 Tables

Sandra Clark - Barbara La Vigne - Dianna Gittelman - Ralda St Pierre, Houston TX

Martha Young - Bob Scallan - Leonard Schaen, Dallas TX; Mym Young, Atlantic Beach NC

Carole Grob, Alexandria VA; Hope Watts, Bethesda MD; Jane Shaw, Hanover PA; Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD vs
James Stevens, Katy TX; Robert Curl, Houston TX; David Curl, Fort Worth TX; Betsy Dubose, Bellaire TX; Thomas Schmalz, Galveston TX

SAN ANTONIO KOS BRACKET IV
16 Tables
Joe Black - Lawton Hutchison - Linda Anthony - Dean Truair, Austin TX

Jeff Lane - Matthew Grant, Austin TX; Jennifer Breihan - James Breihan, Houston TX

Victoria Castleberry - Lynnda Paukune - Mary Lou Fowler, Houston TX; Leon Price, Charlotte NC
Millie Garrison, Riverside CA; James Tanner, Highland CA; Lenore Cavallero, Hillsborough CA; Robert Roman, Greenbrae CA

## SAN ANTONIO KOS BRACKET V

## 16 Tables

David Wicks - Terry Harrison - Cheri Staples, Houston TX; MarieAnne Johnson, Dallas TX

Janet Jordan, Aledo TX; Laura Nash, Stephenville TX; Sue Rowe, Benbrook TX; Patricia Sears, Fort Worth TX

Peggy Naughton, Houston TX; Carol Aiton, Rockwood TN; Meriedith Pfister, Seabrook TX; Patricia Bowles, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR
Edwin Zwald Jr, Houston TX; Don Deal, Nassau Bay TX; Nandlal Khatri, Sugar Land TX; Dick Zinser, Friendswood TX

## SAN ANTONIO KOS BRACKET V

## 16 Tables

Judy Carter, Missouri City TX; Patricia Ward, Stafford TX; Glenda Faragher - Marsha Sachs, Sugar Land TX

Michael Arthur - Elizabeth Arthur, Pearl River LA; Cynthia Keaton, Coppell TX; Eusebio Menezes, Cupertino CA

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

Fredi Weinbaum, Sugar Land TX; Barbara Gadea - Carol Noble, Houston TX; Leora Nowitz, Bellaire TX

## VANDERBILT KO TEAMS PAIRINGS

## 71 Teams

Nick Nickell - Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX

Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Mark Leonard, Ypsilanti MI; Roger Lord, Saint Louis MO; Wojciech Kurkowski, Las Vegas NV

James Cayne, New York NY; Michael Seamon, Hollywood FL; Alfredo Versace - Lorenzo Lauria - Fulvio Fantoni, Rome Italy; Claudio Nunes, Roma Italy

Marius Agica, New York NY; Lee Ohliger, Ridgewood NJ; James Sundstrom, Wyckoff NJ; Charles Newton Jr, Rosenberg TX

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

Yuandong Ren, Burnaby BC; Jack Lee, Richmond BC; Zhi Jun Zhang, Zhong Shan People's Republic of China; Wenhong Teng, Guangzhou People's Republic of China

Roy Welland, New York NY; Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona Spain; Steve Garner, Chicago IL; Howard Weinstein, Sarasota FL; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA
vs
Bob Todd - Marielle Brentnall - Douglas Fisher - Neil Kimelman Jerry Cohen, Winnipeg MB; Karl Gohl, Oakbank MB

Ron Rubin, Miami FL; Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI; Peter Weichsel, Encinitas CA; Matt Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Louk Verhees, Voorhou Netherlands; Jan Jansma, Malden Netherlands

Runar Lillevik - Ovind Ludvigsen, Oslo Norway; Julie Zhu, Vero Beach FL; Eric Sieg, Oklahoma City OK

Ralph Katz - George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Walid Elahmady - Tarek Sadek, Cairo Egypt; Robert Levin, Bronx NY; Steve Weinstein, Andes NY

Jessica Piafsky - Barry Piafsky, New York NY; Bob Drijver, Tilburg Netherlands; Don Piafsky, Toronto ON

Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Kyle Larsen, San Francisco CA; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Geir Helgemo, Trondheim Ca Norway; Tor Helness, Oslo Norway
vs
; Terry
Henry Caspar, Houston TX; Terry Richardson - Greg Schepens, Austin TX; Tom Ottley - Ed Rais, Anchorage AK

Lou Ann O’Rourke, Scottsdale AZ; Espen Lindquist, Trondheim Norway; Giorgio Duboin, Torino Italy; Antonio Sementa, Parma Italy; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Boye Brogeland, Norway

John Erickson - Anton (Tony) Haddad - Mike Doyle, Houston TX; Eddie Bass, Austin TX; Jo Smith, Abilene TX

Carolyn Lynch, Scottsdale AZ; Mike Passell - Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV; Joe Grue, New York NY; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Bart Bramley, Dallas TX

Sylwia McNamara - Michael McNamara, White Plains NY; Jan Martel, Davis CA; Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA

Andrew Gromov - Aleksander Dubinin, Moscow Russia; Victoria Gromova - Tanya Pomonaryeva, Moscow Russia; Cezary Balicki, Smolec Poland; Adam Zmudzinski, Katowice Poland
vs

Rahn Smith, Brandon FL; Linda Epstein, Delray Beach FL; Steve Gross, Westlake Vlg CA; Sharon Meng-Horton, Dade City FL

Richard Schwartz, East Elmhurst NY; Bob Jones, Hypoluxo FL Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden; Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland; Marcin Lesniewski, Zakopane Poland vs
hard $-R$
Barry Rigal - Shane Blanchard - Robert Blanchard, New York NY; Alex Ornstein, Roslyn Heights NY; Glenn Milgrim, Forest Hills NY; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY

John Diamond, Boca Raton FL; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL; Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA; Geoff Hampson - Fred Gitelman, Las Vegas NV; Brad Moss, Mill Valley CA

Wen Fei Wang - Yi Qian Liu, Shanghai People’s Republic of China Sun Ming, Beijing People's Republic of China; Wang Hongli, People's Republic of China; Ru Yan - Yong Ling Dong, Beijing People's Republic of China

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

Ze Jun Zhuang, Shanghai People's Republic of China; Wei Min Wang, Shanghai People’s Republic of China; Jian Ming Dai - Lixin Yang, Beijing People's Republic of China

Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC; Reese Milner, Los Angeles CA; Sam Lev, New York NY; Gary Cohler, Miami FL; Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Bielsk Poland; Krzysztof Buras, Warszawa Poland

John Lusky - Randy Pickett, Portland OR; Eugene Saxe, Briarcliff NY; Rick Binder, Waltham MA; Allen Hawkins Jr, Birmingham AL Willem Van Fijck, Rotterdam Netherlands

Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY; Doug Doub, W Hartford CT vs
Josh Sher, Oradell NJ; Clement Jackson, Albuquerque NM; Danny Sprung - JoAnn Sprung, Philadelphia PA; Sally Wheeler - Buddy Hanby, Spring TX

Michael Rosenberg - Debbie Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark; Daniela von Arnim, Hockenh Germany

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

Mary Ann Berg, Atherton CA; John Mohan, Huixquilucan Mexico; Huub Bertens, Tilburg Netherlands; Ton Bakkeren, Oisterwijk Netherlands; Simon De Wijs, Doorn Netherlands; Bauke Muller, Hoorn Netherlands

Ed Lazarus - Diane Lazarus, Baltimore MD; Miguel Reygadas, Polanco Mexico; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva Israel

Frederic Wrang, Stockholm Sweden; Martin De Knijff, Las Vegas NV; Johan Sylvan, Stockhol Sweden; Marten Gustawsson, Stockholm Sweden

Thomas Carmichael - Jenni Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; Mike Cappelletti, Hixson TN; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON

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

Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie TX; Kimmel Jones, Euless TX; Mark bumgardner, Carrollton TX; Richard Meffley, Fresno CA

Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ; Martin Fleisher, New York NY; David Bakhshi, London England; Tommy Garvey, Essex Cm145ww England; William Pollack, Basking Ridge NJ; Steve Beatty, Mill Creek WA
vs
Geoffrey Brod, Naples FL; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; Glen Eisenstein, New York NY; Allan Rothenberg, W Hartford CT; Stephen Earl, Avon CT; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT

Mark Gordon, Purchase NY; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL; Chuck Burger, West Bloomfield MI; Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Boris Baran, Cote Saint-Luc QC; Richard Zucker, Dobbs Ferry NY vs
oAnna Stansby, Dublin CA; Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; Jeffrey Miller, Naperville IL

Seymon Deutsch, Laredo TX; John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Win Allegaert - Jaggy Shivdasani, New York NY; Hemant Lall, Dallas TX; Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX
vs
Dano De Falco, Rubano Italy; Patricia Cayne - Jacqui Mitchell Amalya Kearse, New York NY; Gabriella Olivieri, Alessandria Italy Charles Weed, Shreveport LA

John Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Dan Gerstman, Buffalo NY; Ron Gerard, White Plains NY; Mark Feldman, Hoboken NJ
vs
Perla Sultan, Aventura FL; Alejandro Bianchedi - Ernesto Muzzio, Buenos Aires Argentina; Ricardo Angeleri, Buenos Aires Brazil

Paul Lewis - Linda Lewis, Sioux Falls SD; Krzysztof Jassem, Puszczykoud Poland; Krzysztof Martens, Rzeszow Poland; John Schermer, Seattle WA; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY vs
Geeske Joel, Palo Alto CA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Jil Levin, Bronx NY

Andrew Rosenthal - Brian Glubok - Aaron Silverstein, New York NY; Tom Townsend, London England; David Gold, Reading Great Britain; Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL

## LEVENTRITT SILVER RIBBON QUALIFIERS

65.0 Tables
Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA
Nancy Popkin, Saint Louis MO; Alan Popkin, St Louis MO
Jeff Hand - Gail Greenberg, New York NY
Carryove
256.00
250.52
245.21
Dennis Kasle, Bloomfield MI; P Drew Cannell, Dol-D-Ormeaux QC
245.21
Joann Glasson - Bob Glasson, Pennington NJ
225.27
209.32
204.67
196.03
178.09
73.0
173.44
173.44
172.11
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166.13
162.81
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73.10
71.77
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70.86
67.78
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Monday. March 16

> Meet 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: Hilton Americas - Meeting Room 327 Time: 10:30 a.m. - Noon Fee: FREE

| 82 | Paul Benedict, Pikesville MD; Lynn Jones, Timonium MD | 59.65 |
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| 83 | Roger Johnson, Sarasota FL; Buddhadeb Biswas, Lexington MA | 58.88 |
| 84 | Wayne Obitz - James Gray, Indiana PA | 57.15 |
| 85 | Mildred Artman, Canfield OH; D Smith, Pampa TX | 56.48 |
| 86 | Paul Janicki - Richard Chan, Markham ON | 55.82 |
| 87 | Lowell Andrews, Huntington Bch CA; Jimmy Pelham, North Baldwin NY | 54.49 |
| 88 | Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA; G. Margie Gwozdzinsky, New York NY | 53.83 |
| 89 | Sally Strul, Delray Beach FL; Jo Morse, Palm Bch Gdns FL | 53.16 |
| 90 | Marianne Aronovich - Serge Aronovich, Tuxedo Park NY | 52.90 |
| 91 | Jim Reiman, Mansfield OH; Jay Baum, Germantown TN | 52.50 |
| 92 | Frank Mastrola, Swansea MA; Walter Spiewak, Wake Forest NC | 50.45 |
| 93 | Jay Karkowsky - Jack Rawitscher, Houston TX | 49.17 |
| 94 | Steve Mager, Hermosa Beach CA; Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA | 46.52 |
| 95 | Bobbi Kauffman - Kay Johnson, Houston TX | 44.52 |
| 96 | Maureen O’Rourke, Port Washington NY; Herbert Wilton, Fredericksburg TX | 43.35 |
|  | Stephen Bruce, Austin TX; George Pisk, Manchaca TX | 43.19 |
|  | Tom Joyce, East Hartford CT; Jonathan Levine, Jackson Heights NY | 41.44 |
| 99 | Steven Reuschlein, Middleton WI; Eileen Cripps, Madison WI | 41.20 |
| 100/101 | 1 Carol Schoenhals - Charlotte Blaiss, Lubbock TX | 40.54 |
| 100/101 | 1 Paul Wright Jr, Mount Pleasant SC; Bing Wong, Whitby ON | 40.54 |
| 102 | Judi Radin - Lynne Tarnopol, New York NY | 39.87 |
| 103/104 | 4 Cindy Harris - Joe Harris, Albuquerque NM | 39.21 |
| 103/104 | 4 Edward Groner, Houston TX; Bobbie Gomer, Willow Grove PA | 39.21 |
| 105/106 | 6 Betty Ann Kennedy, Shreveport LA; Georgiana Gates, Houston TX | 37.88 |
| 105/106 | 6 Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX; Roy Baughman, Pantego TX | 37.88 |
| 107 | Charlene Sands, Pflugerville TX; Virgil Massey, Driftwood TX | 37.21 |
| 108 Jo | Joyce Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Sandra DeMartino, Riverside CT | 35.88 |
| 109/110 | 0 Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL; Michael Huston, Joplin MO | 34.56 |
| 109/110 | Paul Foster, Vista CA; Rolf Paul, Needham MA | 34.56 |
| 111 | Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA; Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Spgs CO | 32.56 |
| 112/114 | 4 Penny Snow, Beeville TX; Marilyn German, Corpus Christi TX | 31.90 |
| 112/114 | 1 Rita Ellington, Traverse City MI; Haig Tchamitch, Scottsdale AZ | 31.90 |
| 112/114 | 4 Dan Parish Jr - Elise Parish, Omaha NE | 31.90 |
| 115 | Carol Stewart, Henderson NV; Paul Ivaska, Las Vegas NV | 31.23 |
| 116 | Faye Marino, Greenwich CT; Betty Fleischer, Ossining NY | 30.57 |
| 117 | Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA; Alan Stout, Mountain Home AR | 29.90 |
| 118 | Mark Teaford, Seal Beach CA; Steven Johnson, San Diego CA | 28.57 |
| 119 | Julia Bomalaski, Cocoa Beach FL; A Beth Reid, Louisville KY | 27.25 |
| 120 | Carol Kasle, Bloomfield MI; Petra Hamman, Dallas TX | 24.59 |
| 121 | Clif Capen - Donald White, Baytown TX | 23.10 |
| 122 | Jules Schoenberg - Hazel Schoenberg, Plano TX | 21.26 |
| 123 | Joseph De Gaetano, Atkinson NH; Bill Irvine, Quincy MA | 19.94 |
| 124/125 | 5 Howard Friedman, Great Neck NY; Lauren Block, Manhasset NY | 19.27 |
| 124/125 | 5 John Rengstorff - Scott Levine, New York NY | 19.27 |
| 126 | Ray Johnson, Park City UT; Howard Piltch, Osceola IN | 16.61 |
| 127 | Nunzio Martorina, Midland TX; Berneice Anglea, Pasadena CA | 9.30 |
| 128 | Fran Beard - Jessica Brown, Dallas TX | 8.64 |
| 129 | Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY; Julian Heicklen, Teaneck NJ | 8.13 |
| 130 | Bob Carteaux, Fort Wayne IN; Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA | 0.00 |

## Vanderbilt Pairings continued

Walter Johnson - Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Ricco Van Prooijen, Nieuw Vennep Netherlands; Bruce Rogoff, Tenafly NJ Dennis Clerkin - Jerry Clerkin, Bloomington IN

Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Gavin Wolpert, Singer Island FL; John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Wooldridge, Williamsville NY; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel; Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba Israel vs
Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA; Robert White, Raleigh NC; Patricia Tucker, Atlanta GA; Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA

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

## vs

Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO; Steven Cooper, Ft Collins CO; Betty Bloom - Steve Bloom, Duanesburg NY

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Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH; Niel Waletzky, Shaker Heights OH Laurie Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Peggy Kaplan, Minnetonka MN

Philip Gordon, Henderson NV; Jason Feldman, San Diego CA; Terje Aa, Heimdal Norway; Joergen Molberg, Trondheim Norway

Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Tadashi Teramoto, Tokyo Japan; Kazuo K. Furuta, Kanagawa-Japan

Robert Lebi, Toronto ON; Waldemar Frukacz, Gloucester ON; Da Jacob, Vancouver BC; Bryan Maksymetz, Garibaldi Highl BC; Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC; Allan Stauber, Palm Bch Grdns FL

Franck Multon, Nice France; Pierre Zimmerman, Geneva Switzerland; Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker - Lionel Sebbane, Paris France

Srikanth Kodayam, Fremont CA; Edward Wojewoda, Clovis CA; Farid Assemi - James Tritt, Fresno CA; David Chechelashvili, San Diego CA; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ
vs

Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID; Johan Upmark, Stockholm Sweden; Per-Ola Cullin, Stockholm Sweden; Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Bengt-G Ran Olofsson, Ume Sweden

Dan Morse - John Zilic, Houston TX; Ira Hessel - Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Thomas Peters, Grapeland TX; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX vs
Daniel Zagorin, Skokie IL; Michael Polowan - Kevin Bathurst, New York NY; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Michael Lawrence, Brentwood TN; Vincent Demuy, Laval QC

## NABC Insider

And, sometimes it's the big things. Yesterday was Cancer Survivors' Day. The ACBL and the local units donated $\$ 5000$ to M. D. Anderson to help in their fight against this disease. The local team gave out several items to help raise awareness. The Services crew wore Susan G. Komen for the Cure shirts. The Insider and many other HQ staff are involved in the Memphis Race For The Cure. Fighting and working to find a cure is a big thing that means a lot to the Insider. Thank you to everyone in ACBLand for your support in these efforts.

Another big thing for the ACBL staff is the search for a new headquarters office building in the Memphis area. Top secret negotiations are going on
as the new building committee has located an undisclosed site that may soon become ACBL's new Master Command Center. The Insider has offered his services as an NABC Insider (in this case NABC stands for New Amazing Building Consultant.) So far, Boss Baum has (rightfully so) been reluctant to accept this offer. The Insider wants to weigh in on ways to make the building as modern and efficient as possible. Most staff members are anxious for the move away from rotary phones and Commodore computers, but, the Insider wants to go even further and realize the cost savings of utilizing up to the minute word processors and copy machines (even if this does mean laying off the 25 Benedictine monks currently working in the North Tower to transcribe the latest copies of the new law book). Replacing the coal-fired furnaces and the hand fans may not
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save too much money, but will certainly improve working conditions. The Insider is bursting with ideas, if only he were to be asked. The new facility will include a great bridge library and museum as well as a wonderful presentation of our Hall of Fame honorees. All members should start making plans to attend the grand opening ceremonies or to visit the new amazing building as soon as the move is approved, finalized and announced.

And, of course, there are still a few little things, too: 1 . The Insider does know how to spell Gatlinburg, yesterday's error notwithstanding. 2. The Houston Center will re-open today. 3. The weather will start to show marked improvement, and 4. You have less than 36 hours to bid farewell to Ask Me Girl as she will be heading home on Tuesday - we'll miss her!!

LEVENTRITT SILVER RIBBON - SECOND QUAL SE

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| 59.23\% | 2 | Lewis Finkel, Jupiter FL; Gaylor Kasle, Boca Raton FL |
| 57.92\% | 3 | Gil Cohen, Ashburn VA; Marty Nelson, Annapolis MD |
| 56.46\% | 4 | Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park Ca |
| 56.31\% | 5 | Christopher Pisarra, Lafayette CA; Tom Jacobson, Fairfield CA |
| 54.69\% | 6 | Marjorie Michelin, Los Angeles CA; Mike Bandler, Alamo CA |
| 54.46\% | 7 | Faye Marino, Greenwich CT; Betty Fleischer, Ossining N |
| 53.08\% | 8 | Robert Sandfield - Geoff Booth, Houston TX |
| 52.31\% | 9 | Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Sangarapil Mohan, Oak Bro |
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| 51.23\% | 11 | Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY; Julian Heicklen, Teaneck NJ |
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| 62.23\% | 2 | Rozanne Pollack, Basking Ridge NJ; Joseph Stokes, Chicago II |
| 62.15\% | 3 | Craig Robinson, Lansdale PA; Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR |
| 60.85\% | 4 | Bruce Noda, Corte Madera CA; Mark Ralph, San Francisco CA |
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Don Caton Pensacola FL. Jim Barrow Lake Chats
Jane Ball, Doylestown PA; Carl Berenbaum, Elkins Park PA
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## TOMORROWS BRIDGE EVENTS

## Tuesday, March 17, 9 a.m

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David Hadden Memorial Morning Bracketed KO Teams Monday-Wednesday Morning Side Game Serie
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0-20, 0-5 Pairs
tratified Fast Pair
uesday, March 17, 10 a.m. \& 3 p.m.
Carolyne Fox Stratified Senior Pairs
Monday-Tuesday Senior KO Teams

Tuesday-Thursday Side Game Series
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 0-20, 0-5 Pair

## Vanderbilt KO Teams

Rockwell Mixed Pairs
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Barbara Babbit Stratified Open Pairs
Esta Van Zandt Memorial Bracketed KO Teams
Continues Wednesday
One-session Stratified Swiss Teams
Tuesday-Thursday Side Game Series
99er Stratified Swiss Teams
99er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs
0-20, 0-5 Pairs

| Session | Sold |
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| 2nd | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
| 2nd single session | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
| single <br> single | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
| 2nd Floor Ballroom |  |

Tuesday, March 17, 10 a.m. \& 2 p.m.

| Entry/player/session <br> ACBL members** | Other <br> \$16 |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 16$ | $\$ 18$ |
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| $1-2$ | 3rd Floor Room $336 ~ \& ~ 337$ | $\$ 16$ |
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| $1-2$ | 4th Floor Ballroom JKL | $\$ 16$ | $\$ 18$ |
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| Tuesday, March 17, $\mathbf{1} \mathbf{~ p . m . ~}$ |  |  |  |
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| 2nd Floor Ballroom | $\$ 16$ | $\$ 18$ |  |
| 1st single session | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI | $\$ 15$ | $\$ 17$ |


| single | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI |
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| Tuesday, March 17, 1 \& 7:30 p.m. |  |  |  |
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| Round 3 | 3rd Floor Room 335 | \$20 |  |
| 1-2 Q | 4th Floor Ballroom A-F | \$20 |  |
| 1-2 | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| 1-2 | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| Tuesday, March 17, 7:30 p.m. |  |  |  |
| single | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$15 | \$17 |
| 2nd single session | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| single | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI | \$15 | \$17 |
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## Goodwill Day

Event
David Hadden Memorial Morning Bracketed KO Teams
Continues Tuesday-Thursday mornings
Monday-Wednesday Morning Side Game Series
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs
$0-20,0-5$ Pairs

Monday, March 16, 9 a.m.

| Session |  |
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| 1st | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
| Sold |  |

Monday, March 16, 10 a.m. \& 2 p.m.
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4th Floor Ballroom JKL

Sunday-Monday Side Game Series
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs
Jo Dene Bond Memorial 0-20, 0-5 Pairs

| Entry/player/session <br> ACBL members** | Other <br> \$16 |
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Vanderbilt KO Teams
Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs
Bertha Tucker Memorial Compact KO Teams
Jack Mehrens Memorial Strati-Flighted Pairs
San Antonio Bracketed KO Teams

One-session Stratified IMP Pairs

One-session Stratified Swiss Teams
Sunday-Monday Side Game Series
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs
0-20, 0-5 Pairs

Monday, March 16, 1 p.m.

| 3rd single session | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
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| single | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI |
| single | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI |

Monday, March 16, 1 \& 7:30 p.m.

| Round 2 | 4th Floor Ballroom A- |
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| $1-2 \mathrm{~F}$ | 4th Floor Ballroom A- |
| $1-4$ | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
| $1-2$ | 2nd Floor Ballroom |

1-2 $\quad$ 2nd Floor Ballroom
3-4 3rd Floor Room 343
Monday, March 16, 3 p.m.
single 4th Floor Ballroom JKL
$\$ 15$
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Monday, March 16, 7:30 p.m.
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| 4th single session | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
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| single | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI |
| single | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI |

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| $\$ 16$ | $\$ 18$ |
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| $\$ 15$ | $\$ 17$ |
| $\$ 15$ | $\$ 15$ |

Monday, March 16, 11:30 p.m.
single
4th Floor Ballroom GHI
\$18
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Unless otherwise noted, Strati-Flighted and Strati-Flighted Senior events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000) separate from B/C/D (1000-2000, 500-1000, 0-500) Strata breaks for Stratified 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.

## Thanks to our sponsors

## DAVID HADDEN MEMORIAL BRACKETED KO

"Cast a cold eye on life, on death. Horseman, pass by. " - W. B. Yeats

## In Memory of David Hadden

David Hadden passed away Sept 29, 2006 after a lengthy battle against cancer. Dave is survived by his wife of 30 years, Mariann M. Hadden.

Dave was a devoted husband, true patriot and an expert player who won the national Men's Pairs at the 1973 Spring NABC with Jack Kennedy. Dave always aided Unit 172 when help was needed. He was a Unit Board member, treasurer, Winning Finesse (Unit 172 newsletter) editor and Unit 172 webpage administrator. He was the recipient of the Texas star Award in 2005.

Always a gentleman at the table, Dave possessed exceptional ability to take in all information before adopting a line of play. We will always cherish that single delicately raised eyebrow, the only noticeable movement, when the unusual took place. He always preferred a witty quip to criticism at the table. God bless old friend

## MILTON FREEDMAN MEMORIAL

## STRATIFIED SENIOR PAIRS

In the "In Memorial Section" of the December Bridge Bulletin is a list of deceased bridge players. A number of them have an asterisk by their name denoting "Life Master." Milton was one of those.

But he was not your ordinary "Life Master." He was an excellent bridge player, poker player and entrepreneur who backed his unit financially, as well as playing with all comers. He loved people and would play with "the good, the bad,
and the horrible."
When you think of Milton "Life Master," remember that in real life and as a person he would have had over a million "masterpoints."

## BERTHA TUCKER MEMORIAL COMPACT

 коIt is still hard to believe that the smiling face of Bertha Tucker is no longer with us. In addition to being a special friend to many, she taught us that we are never too old to find adventure, spread joy and enjoy life. Bertha was a Bronze Life Master and enjoyed the game so much that even in her last days she still wanted to know what happened at the bridge table. A native Houstonian, Bertha graduated from Lamar High School and retired as Vice President for Rives, Dyke \& Co. Her sense of humor and "forever young" attitude will be with us always.

## JACK MEHRENS MEMORIAL

## STRATIFLIGHTED PAIRS

AUGUST 14, 1927 - DECEMBER 11, 2006
It was Jack ${ }^{1}$ s parents who lured Phyllis and Jack to Corpus Christi TX, from Iowa. His mom and dad spent winters in South Texas, escaping the frigid north. Phyllis and Jack came down for three months one especially fine winter, decided to sell the farm and moved down themselves in 1956. Jack was hired by Eastern Seed Company and worked for them for over 40 years, eventually becoming a vice president.

Jack was introduced to bridge by a friend and when the local duplicate club owner moved, Jack and Phyllis opened their own studio in 1968. Jack was great doing all the scoring in his head that we now expect the computer to do. Jack progressed from local director to tournament director in 1982 and was truly loved on the tournament circuit.

What a pleasure it was for Corpus Christi and the ACBL to have such a talented, cheerful man in our midst. We miss him, but are sure he is hovering nearby when not directing a great game in the sky.

## JO DENE BOND MEMORIAL STRATIFIED 299er PAIRS IV

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.

Submitted by Sherry Gerdes

## SAN ANTONIO K.O.

Thanks so much to the San Antonio Unit for supporting our NABC.

## MARGARET RAYMOND

Thanks to local player Margaret Raymond for donating two cases of wine for door prizes at this tournament.


[^0]:    Barry Harper has advanced past 15,000 masterpoints. This makes him the third-highest Canadian masterpoint holder. He is a Grand Life Master and an accredited ACBL teacher. Harper is a full-time player who won the NABC Open Pairs in
     1990. He is a multiple winner of the Richmond Trophy, given to the top Canadian masterpoint winner each year. Harper is active in bridge governance. He is a member of the Board of Governors and the ACBL Conventions Approval Committee.

[^1]:    IMPORTANT NOTE: To attend our private Bridge Voyages events, you must book your cruise directly through Bridge Voyages using the phone number/website
    indicated. If you do not book through Bridge Voyages, you can only participate in the program if you contact bridgevoyages@ovccc and pay a bridge indicated. If you do not book through Bridge Voyages, you can only participate in the program if you contact bridgevoyages@ovc.cc and pay a bridge program surcharge. Those not booking through Bridge Voyages who do not pay the surcharge cannot participate in the Bridge Voyages program.

