

# Daily



# Bulletin

83rd North American Bridge Championships

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## Sue Emery 1920 – 2010

Sue Emery, a Bridge Bulletin editor for nearly a quarter of a century and a fixture at NABCs for even longer, died on Nov. 20 of natural causes in Wichita Falls TX, her home since she retired from the ACBL in 1996. She was 90.



One of the most beloved figures at ACBL, Emery had a long and varied career in bridge. A native of Wichita Falls, she earned a degree in English from Harding University in Searcy AR. While working as a school teacher in that state, she met H.B. Camp, her first husband. They were divorced in the mid-Fifties after having moved to Texas.

After returning to Texas, Emery played bridge and ran a club for a time. She met future husband Tournament Director "Big John" Emery, at a tournament. They married in 1966. Under her husband's tutelage, Emery became a TD. The two were a well-known and popular directing team, mostly in Texas, until his unexpected death in 1972.

After her husband's death, Emery joined the staff of the Bridge Bulletin. By the time she retired, primarily because her eyesight was affected by macular degeneration, she had attended 95 consecutive NABCs. During her time at the ACBL, she wrote *No Passing Fancy*, a book about the ACBL's first 50 years.

Among Emery's many friends and admirers are former Bridge Bulletin Editor Henry Francis and former Associate Editor Frank Stewart, whose tributes follow:

Francis: "I have lost a true friend. Sue Emery was much more than my chief assistant on the Bridge Bulletin. She was my confidant, my crutch, my right hand, my shining star. Our lives were happily intermingled throughout our careers at ACBL. These are the more poignant memories I have of Sue:

"Her decision to leave the directing field and become a writer after the death of her beloved husband, Big John Emery. She didn't want to return to tournaments where all her memories of John would compound her grief. For all the Bridge Bulletin readers who were her loyal fans, this was a most happy decision.

"Her victorious battle to wear pants while working at ACBL. As a result of a tournament accident, she had a scar on her leg that she did not wish to have constantly on display. Take my word for it – this was not an easy battle. The women at ACBL exalted her as a heroine.

"Her untiring efforts to make sure that everything in the Bridge Bulletin was factually correct. She would pore over the masterpoint totals well into the night, and they were correct when she finished.

"Her smiling face that greeted every visitor to the Daily Bulletin office at NABCs. Some of the younger players even called her 'Mother.' It was a

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## Welcome to Orlando!

Welcome to Florida! District 9, which encompasses the entire state of Florida plus Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, is delighted to share some of its sunshine with the players at the Fall 2010 NABC. Florida is home to many superstar bridge players and even more 299er players. We hope you'll have a great time, whether you're in either of those categories or someplace in between.

District 9 always offers free orange juice and coffee at its regionals, and we are providing both beverages for you here at the NABC. We hope you will enjoy these as well as our other hospitality and entertainment. Enjoy the free lectures. Go outside



*Jayne Thomas and Muriel Altus.*

and get a little Vitamin D! And whether you win or lose, we want you to have a wonderful time.

Jayne Thomas, Chair  
Muriel and Phil Altus, Co-Chairs



*Phil Altus*

## Four national events Kick off Fall NABC

Players get down to business today in the chase for platinum masterpoints in three of four national events kicking off the schedule for the 2010 Fall NABC.

Tops on the list is the Nail Life Master Open Pairs, a four-session event won last year by Norwegians Tor Helness and Martin Andresen. The Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 2009 went to Sue Picus and Shawn Quinn. The third

platinum-point event starting today is the Baze Senior Knockout Teams, named for the late Grant Baze starting this year. Defenders in the event are Carolyn Lynch, Melih Ozdil, Mark Lair, Mike Passell and Garey Hayden.

The fourth event is the newly renamed Ed Manfield Non-Life Master Pairs, won last year by Stephen Drodge and Dan Emmons. Awards in that event are red and gold.

## Greco has narrow lead for Player of the Year

Eric Greco, a member of the team that won the Spingold Knockout Teams in New Orleans and the Rosenblum Cup in Philadelphia this year, has a slim lead in the contest for 2010 Player of the Year.

The honor goes to the ACBL member who wins the most platinum points – available only in nationally rated events with no upper masterpoint restrictions – during a calendar year.

Greco has amassed 511.86 platinum points as the Fall NABC begins. Right behind him is Brad Moss, Greco's teammate on the John Diamond team that scored the two big triumphs earlier in the year. Moss has won 506.82 platinum points this year.

The top six in the contest make up the Diamond team, including Greco's regular partner, Geoff Hampson; Diamond's regular partner, Brian Platnick, and Moss's partner, Fred Gitelman.

The ACBL masterpoints awarded to Greco for

winning the Rosenblum, a World Bridge Federation event, are not platinum.

The NABC events the contenders are likely to play in at this tournament are the Nail Life Master Open Pairs, starting today; the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams, the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs and the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams.

The top 10 in the Player of the Year contest through the 2010 Summer NABC:

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|----|------------------------------|--------|
| 1. | Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA  | 511.86 |
| 2. | Brad Moss, San Anselmo CA    | 506.82 |
| 3. | Brian Platnick, Evanston IL  | 495.00 |
|    | John Diamond, Boca Raton FL  | 495.00 |
| 5. | Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV  | 482.54 |
| 6. | Fred Gitelman, Las Vegas NV  | 477.50 |
| 7. | Robert Levin, Lake Ariel PA  | 468.80 |
| 8. | Lew Stansby, Dublin CA       | 467.62 |
| 9. | Martin Fleisher, New York NY | 447.52 |
|    | Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ    | 447.52 |

## Goodwill Message

Welcome to the 2010 Fall North American Bridge Championships in Orlando.

Tournament Chair Jayne Thomas, co-chairs Muriel and Phil Altus and the Orlando committees have a great tournament in store for everyone. With first-class bridge contests, great entertainment, late-night food, and celebrity speakers, Orlando will be

an NABC you'll remember for years.

Please join us in saying "thank you" to our hosts.

— The National Goodwill Committee



# SPECIAL EVENTS

## MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

### Friday, Nov. 26

- 10 a.m.-Noon **ACBL Charity Foundation meeting.** Room: Atlanta.  
 10:30 a.m.- **ACBL Tournament Director meeting.**  
 Noon Room: Anaheim.  
 4:30-6 p.m. **Reception for Teachers and Club Officials.** This is the ACBL's "thank you" reception for the teachers and club officials who work so hard to recruit and retain our members. Room: Chicago.  
 11-11:30 p.m. **National Appeals Committee meeting.** Room: Crystal B.

### Saturday, Nov. 27

- 8:30 a.m.-Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP).** ACBL's popular 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge successfully. Pre-registration required. Continues Sunday and Monday. Room: Anaheim.  
 9 a.m.-Noon **ACBL Educational Foundation meeting.** Room: Atlanta.  
 9 a.m.-Noon **ACBL Laws Commission meeting.** Room: Denver.  
 10-11 a.m. **ACBLscore seminar.** Come by for coffee with ACBL Tournament Director Ken Horwedel and ACBL Director of Club and Member Services Carol Robertson. They will be available to answer your questions on scoring, reporting your games and managing your club. Room: Boston.  
 10 a.m.-Noon **Free Bridge Lesson with Jerry Helms.** Helms, well-known teacher and Bridge Bulletin columnist, presents "How to Make Your Partner's Bad Bids Look Good: Notrump Contracts." Room: Crystal B, C & D.  
 10:30 a.m.-Noon **ACBL Hall of Fame Committee meeting.** Room: Crystal E.  
 11-Noon a.m. **Marketing Matters – Live!** ACBL Marketing Director Vicki Campbell will host a program for those interested in marketing their clubs, bridge lessons, tournaments, etc. Don't miss this chance to meet Vicki and explore your options. Room: Boston.

- 1-3 p.m. **Bridge-Plus+.** Special game for new players. 14 boards, no card fee. Room: Crystal B, C & D.  
 5-7 p.m. **Junior Reception.** All Junior players are invited to attend. Room: Chicago.  
 11:30 p.m.-2 a.m. **Women's Team Trials meeting.** Room: Crystal E.

### Sunday, Nov. 28

- 8:30 a.m.-Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP).** Session two of the ACBL's popular 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge successfully. Pre-registration required. Continues Monday. Room: Anaheim.  
 10 a.m.-Noon **Free Bridge Lesson with Lynn Berg.** Berg, well-known teacher and Bridge Bulletin columnist, presents "Play of the Hand for Suits or Notrump." Room: Crystal B, C & D.  
 10-Noon **Board of Governors/ACBL Membership Meeting.** This meeting is open to all members. Discussion will include recent actions of the Board of Directors, reports from the CEO and treasurer and new proposals from the Board of Governors. Room: Grand 8-14.  
 10 a.m.-Noon **Seminar for Teaching Young People.** Interested in teaching bridge to young people? This seminar will help you focus on goals, format, course materials and successful practices. Join Dana Norton, ACBL Youth Coordinator, for an interesting continuing education opportunity. You won't want to miss it. Room: Atlanta.  
 5-6 p.m. **Workshop for Teachers of Youth Players.** Informal meeting for anyone teaching young students or considering a youth program. Meet with Dana Norton, ACBL Youth Coordinator, to exchange ideas and to look at materials available to teachers. Room: Atlanta.  
 11 p.m.-1 a.m. **ACBL Patron Member Reception.** Suite 22876.

## CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don't miss these exciting speakers in Orlando:

### Friday, Nov. 26

- 9:15 am Jerry Helms *Ask Jerry*  
 6:45 pm Lynn Berg *Bidding After Preempts!*

### Saturday, Nov. 27

- 9:15 am Allan Mazer *I'd Rather Be Last*

### Sunday, Nov. 28

- 9:15 am Lisa Berkowitz *Play to Trick One*  
 6:45 pm Ken Monzingo *Hand Patterns*

## ENTERTAINMENT / FOOD

**Come to the Fair tonight at 10:30 p.m.:** Music by Jimmy Spoto, caricaturists, magicians and a photo booth.

**Jimmy Spoto Band.** Live music for dancing and listening. All of your favorites that bring back memories of the good old days from the 50s, 60s, 70s, rock & roll. Requests gladly accepted. *Crystal Ballroom J.*

**Caricaturists and Magicians:** The finest in "quick sketch" entertainment, and strolling magicians performing mesmerizing tricks. *Crystal Ballroom J.*

**Photo Booth:** Remember the old time photo booths where you and a friend made faces and got five photos for 10 cents? There's one difference this time – it's free.

**10:30:** Mini-Cuban sandwiches and snacks. *Crystal Ballroom J.*

## NABC Insider

Welcome to the Fall, 2010 NABC in sunny Orlando. The Insider has heard reports of a chill in the air (not to mention cold, white stuff on the ground) elsewhere but things are just fine here. Jayne and Muriel and their crew of local volunteers have put together a great NABC. There will be OJ and coffee everyday. Registration and section top gifts are great. All the volunteers are ready to welcome you to Orlando and make this a special NABC. Thank them when you see them — there couldn't be an NABC without them.

A few housekeeping type notes:

For free parking be sure to pick up a blue ticket at the Registration Desk outside the Grand or the Director's table in Cypress. Free parking is in the self-park lots only.

You will notice the Marriott World Center is pretty spread out, so leave yourself a little extra time to get to the playing areas.

The food court is open but the ACBL has also arranged for cash concession near the playing areas. The restaurants are aware of our schedule and have adjusted their hours to accommodate our bridge schedule.

The Insider and all the usuals — Ask Me

girl, Boss Baum, the Bulletin Boys and, soon, the Supreme Commander — will all be here in Orlando. So, be sure to look for the Insider's daily compendium of facts and tales throughout the NABC. The only place to get the real Inside dish on what really goes on is right here. As mentioned, the S.C. has not yet arrived in town as he stayed behind in metro Horn Lake to have Thanksgiving dinner. The ACBL jet is warming up and he will soon join us. Watch for the red carpet at the front door and the full security escort to the 42nd floor luxury suite when he arrives. There is good golf and good single malt at Hawk's Landing so look for him there throughout the week. With any luck he may make the trek to the Cypress Room to check things out. He'll be the one with the red-shirted team of former Navy Seals escorting him around the hotel.

## Free Parking

Players can park for free, but they have to pick up tickets when leaving. They are available at the Registration Desk on in the Cypress Room.

## Breakfast with the Stars

Expert Rose Meltzer will present "Breakfast with the Stars" on Tuesday, Nov. 30, from 10 a.m. to noon. This is your chance to meet Rose and many other superstars, including Debbie and Michael Rosenberg, Lisa and David Berkowitz, Alan Sontag, Michael Seamon, Janice Seamon-Molson, Marc Jacobus, Shannon Cappelletti, Nancy and Mike Passell and Daniela von Arnim, among others.

The price for the full breakfast is \$20 per person, with proceeds going to charity. Seating is limited. Register in advance at the Tour Registration Desk to guarantee a spot at the table with the experts you'd like to meet.

Registration ends Monday at noon.

## Life Master news

Players who earn Life Master rank or advance to Bronze Life Master or higher please report in to the Daily Bulletin office in the Tampa Room.

## Pre-registration for Senior KO

Teams must pre-register to play in the Senior KO Teams. The deadline is 11 a.m. today.



# JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

## Dear New Players:

By Marti Ronemus

Welcome to Orlando...the city built by a mouse! If this is your first NABC, you are in for quite an experience. If you've been before, prepare for

an even more exciting time. Look over the schedule and events and plan your time wisely because you simply must go to the Magic Kingdom.

There's nothing like it, even if you're a grown-up.



And then there's the bridge. Ahhhh, it can't get much better than this: Events for every possible level of player, free lessons by the best, games morning, noon, night and beyond.

Enough chatter. Let's get down to business. I'm going to be your guide, giving you the straight scoop on bridge. I'll tell you truths that no one else will.

Here's the first. You've been told by everyone that "Bridge is just a game." Well, maybe so, but it's so much more than that. Over the next 10 days, we'll explore what else bridge is, plus I'll be giving you lots of playing and strategy tips. Let's begin.

Recently, a wonderful friend of mine (and a long-suffering partner) sent me a list of Life Skills we all should have. As you might imagine, there's a story here, friends, but I'll save it for another day.

When I read down the list, I saw that these are all skills learned playing bridge! So, how about this as a working hypothesis: *Bridge is the training ground to practice your Life Skills.* We'll explore these skills and see how bridge helps develop them in future articles.

First on the list of skills is "interpersonal communication skills," including verbal and non-verbal communication, active listening and expressing feelings.

Hmmm. Verbal and non-verbal communication. There are only 16 words in bridge. I see you counting, and coming up with only 15. Did you include *Rats!* which I consider allowable? Heaven knows I've said it often enough. Anyway, that's supposed to be the limit of our communication – *But!*

The amount of non-verbal communication that sometimes goes on is, shall we say,

interesting? Sighs, grimaces, snapping cards, frowns... folks, it's all there. And none of it is allowed. But you already knew that, didn't you? By the way, those of us who've been playing for a while appreciate how much bidding boxes have cut down on unauthorized communication.

How about Active Listening. Interpreting and paying attention to your partner's bids is all about active listening. One of the biggest mistakes I see with less-experienced players is they are so eager to make their bids that they don't stop to listen to the description of their partner's hand. Here's an e-mail I got yesterday that shows this very problem.

"Dear Marti, aka Dear Abby,

*My partner and I had a difference of opinion, so what's new?*

*The bidding was*

Partner	Moi
1♥	1♠
2♥?	

*I held: ♠J 6 4 3 2 ♥10 ♦AK 10 7 ♣7 4 3.*

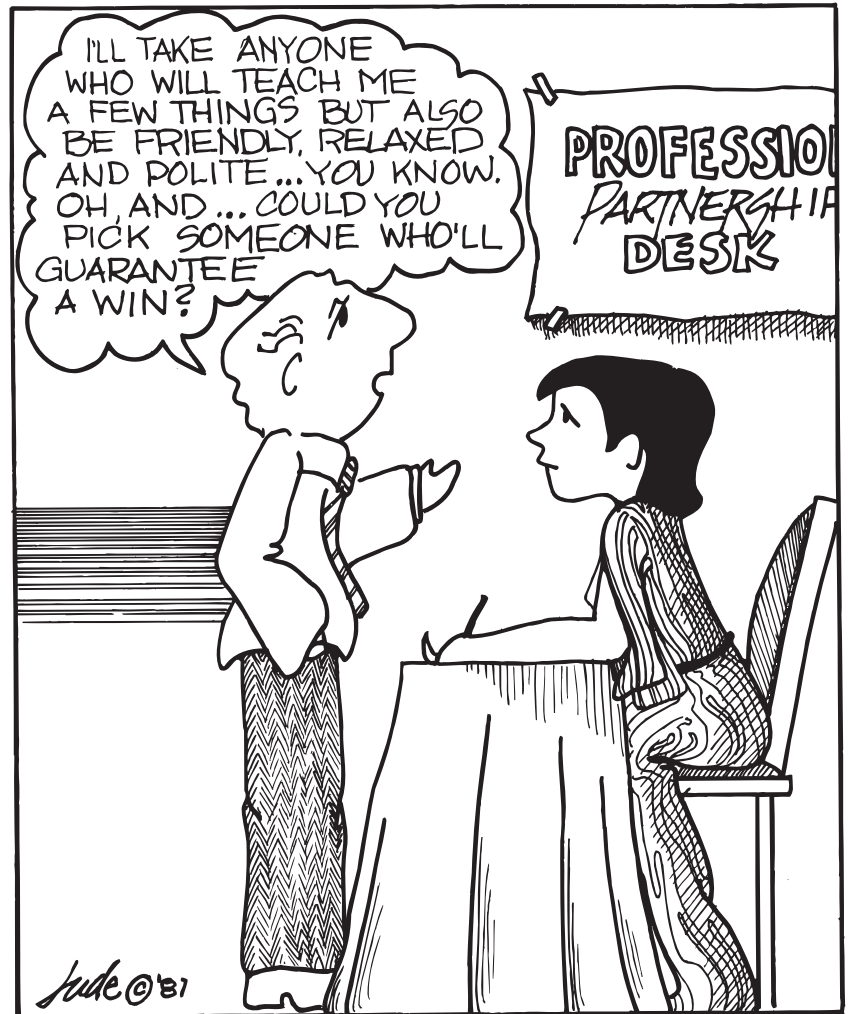
*I passed. After she saw the dummy, my partner told me I should have rebid my spades. Of course, partner had ♠Q 10 5 and that would have been a better contract.*

*I still think I'm right, but being new, I'm not sure, and I still need someone to fight my fights for me. Can you help me out?"*

Of course I can help you out! Active listening is the skill required here. Your partner was not listening carefully. She showed a six-card heart suit and a minimum hand. You listened actively and made what I think is a good decision.

Here's your bridge tip for the day:

Two minimum hands should never bid above 2♠! Got that? In an uncontested auction, two minimum hands are limited. Our writer's partner's heart rebid promised six. He had one. That's seven. His minimum hand didn't deserve to bid again. If he *were* to rebid spades, he would be promising six, or at least a rockin' five. He could be forgiven for rebidding with only five if they were nice. His *were*, to be honest, less than



adequate.

With two minimum hands, players often have to settle for a less-than-ideal contract. You should be able to count on your pard not to mislead you. In my (humble?) opinion, the writer did exactly what should be done... he passed. He actively listened and visualized Pard's hand. I have to wonder... was Pard upset because maybe she rebid a five-card suit and she ended up in a six-card fit? Just wondering.

The last part of interpersonal communication skills is "expressing feelings and giving feedback without blame. I will leave that for you and your pard to discuss privately.

So there you have it. Our first look at how bridge trains us in Life Skills. Tomorrow we're going to look at Negotiation and Refusal Skills, and you'll get another bridge tip. Meantime, have a great time.

By the way, please e-mail me with your questions, about bridge or life. I always have an answer to everything, and sometimes it's even right! (Also, your e-mails give me lots of material for my columns!) mronemus@comcast.net.

## Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

### Card combinations

A working knowledge of the common card combinations from both the declarer's and the defenders' point of view is basic to playing good bridge.

The following diagrams illustrate card combinations that should be on your *must know* list. Equally important is the ability to differentiate the best play of a card combination in isolation – perhaps when it is the only problem you have – as opposed to the context of the entire deal. And don't forget the bidding! In most cases, the play of a card combination might differ depending upon these variables:

1. The number of tricks needed. Consider this card combination in a 7♠ contract.

♠5 4 3 2

♠A Q 10 7 6

Obviously, you can't afford to lose a trick, and the best play for *five* tricks is to lead low to the queen, hoping (praying) East has K-x-(x). Change the contract to 6♠ with no side suit losers, and it's different.

If an overtrick is not a concern (more about that coming up), you have to know what the correct play is for *four* tricks. It happens to be to lay down the ace, guarding against a singleton king in the West hand. If no honor falls, cross to dummy and lead up to your Q-10-7-6. The two spades remaining are the KJ, and unless West has them both, in which case you were always a dead man walking, you will lose one trick.

Had you led low to the queen first and lost to the king, there would be two spades still in play: the jack and a low one. Now you have to guess whether West started with K-J doubleton, in which case the ace is the winning play, or a singleton king, in which case leading low to the 10 is the winner. If you start with the ace, you

don't have this problem.

2. The form of scoring. The strategy of how to play a particular combination often depends upon the form of scoring.

At matchpoints, you sometimes risk your contract for the sake of an overtrick or two, but only if you have more than a 50-50 chance of succeeding or you feel you need a top board. Otherwise it is a losing proposition.

3. When playing a doubled contract, a super contract, or playing IMPs. When playing a doubled contract or one so good that most of the field won't even smell it, or when playing IMP scoring, perhaps in a knockout match, the overriding concern is safety first, *not* overtricks. This often alters the play of a particular combination as the previous example showed.

More card combination advice tomorrow, plus some example deals.

# National Appeals Committee Roster and Schedule for the Orlando NABC

## Director

Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC

## Chairman

Adam Wildavsky, New York NY

## National Appeals Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting of the National Appeals Committee today, from 11 to 11:30 p.m.

### 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  
Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV  
Gary Cohler, Chicago IL  
Jan Jansma, Malden, Netherlands  
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  
Patty Tucker, Atlanta GA  
Bob White, Raleigh NC  
Eddie Wold, Houston TX

#### On duty

Saturday, Nov. 28  
Tuesday, Dec. 1  
Friday, Dec. 4

### WHITE TEAM

#### Team Leaders

Doug Doub, West Hartford CT  
Richard Popper, Wilmington DE

#### Team Members

Karen Allison, Las Vegas NV  
Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ  
Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY  
Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL  
Mark Feldman, New York NY  
Gail Greenberg, New York NY  
Joe Grue, New York NY  
Ellen Kent, Marina Del Ray CA  
Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC  
Chris Moll, Raleigh NC  
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  
David Stevenson, Liverpool, England  
Jim Thurtell, Dallas TX  
Chris Willenken, New York NY

#### On duty

Sunday, Nov. 29  
Wednesday, Dec. 2  
Saturday, Dec. 5

### BLUE TEAM

#### Team Leaders

Jeff Goldsmith, Pasadena CA  
Aaron Silverstein, New York NY

#### Team Members

Bart Bramley, Dallas TX  
Tom Carmichael, Atlanta GA  
Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY  
Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ  
Robb Gordon, Sedona AZ  
Abby Heitner, Wheaton MD  
E.J. Kales, East Lansing MI  
Fred King, Falls Church VA  
Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC  
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

#### On duty

Friday, Nov. 27  
Monday, Nov. 30  
Thursday, Dec. 3

## Non-Life Master Pairs title renamed in honor of Ed Manfield



**Last year's Non-Life Master champs Stephen Drodge and Dan Emmons.**

Play begins today in the Manfield Non-Life Master Pairs, a two-session event. The contest, known as the Rufus L. "Skinny" Miles Jr. Non-Life Master Pairs since 1981, was renamed this year in honor of Ed Manfield.

Manfield (1943-1999) appeared at his first NABC in 1965 and soon emerged as a dominant

force in Washington-area bridge. In the '70s and '80s, he captured hosts of events, soaring to national and international prominence with partner Kit Woolsey and teammates Peter Boyd and Steve Robinson.

He may be best remembered for his 1987 BOLS Tip, "The Five Level Belongs to the Opponents."

In 1986, Manfield won the Rosenblum Teams, perhaps somewhat easing the pain and disappointment of losing the final in 1982.

Receiving his master's degree at UVA, Eddie worked for the Federal Trade Commission and then pursued an exciting and volatile career as an options trader where he enjoyed an extraordinarily successful track record both for himself personally and for those friends and bridge players whom he sponsored on The Philadelphia Exchange. However, despite his enormous all-around success, his true pride and joy were his children, Karen, Sabrina and Seth.

#### Winners:

**1981** Lin Goldstein, Shirlee Shaw  
**1982** Paul Bratton, Robert Bernhard  
**1983** Moses Ma, Philips Santosa

**1984** Summer Steinfeldt, Nancy Muehter  
**1985** Hank Hristienko, Zbigniew Radwanski  
**1986** Lanier Hurdle, Mike Hurdle  
**1987** Anthony Trafecanty, Michael Trafecanty  
**1988** Sharon Tuggle, Tom Tuggle  
**1989** Jay Berke, Thomas Halton  
**1990** Metin Uz, Jeffrey Naiman  
**1991** Daryl Hicks, Charles Papp  
**1992** Cordelia Menges, Audrey Robb  
**1993** Bob Ehrlich, Clark Millikan  
**1994** Jean-Cheui Hsung, Edmund Chen  
**1995** Michael McNamara, David Liss  
**1996** Adam Barron, Anthony Hurwitz  
**1997** Alan Carpenter, Michael Levin  
**1998** John Markey, John Cobb  
**1999** Aviv Shahaf, Igor Sauchenko  
**2000** Ernie Fusco, Sherry Fusco  
**2001** Aaron Craig, Max Minzner  
**2002** Edward Wilson, Paul Fagan  
**2003** Marie Berggren, Gunnar Gothberg  
**2004** Jadwiga Polujan, Bernie Weiss  
**2005** Mike Develin, John Barth  
**2006** Robert Bertoni, William Nason  
**2007** Metin Gokcen, Sadif Arf  
**2008** Debbie Crisfield, Karen Haines  
**2009** Stephen Drodge, Dan Emmons

## ACBLScore Q&A

(Saturday, November 27)

Come by for coffee with Ken Horwedel, ACBL Tournament Director, and Carol Robertson, Director of Club and Member Services. They will be available to answer your questions on scoring, reporting your games and managing your club.

**FREE OF CHARGE.**

**Date:** Saturday, November 27 • **Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Marriott World Center – Boston Room



## Welcome, IN (Intermediate/Newcomer) Players, to the 2010 Fall North American Bridge Championships in Orlando!

The Orlando staff has many special events planned for your entertainment and pleasure.

The starting times will be 10 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on most days. All IN events will be played in the Crystal Ballroom, Salon G.

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 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. all week (with the exception of the first Thursday afternoon and the final Sunday). Don't miss these free lessons!

On Friday, Nov. 26 at 9:15 a.m., Jerry Helms will offer his popular "Ask Jerry," and at 6:45 p.m., Lynn Berg will present "Bidding After Preempts."

On Friday, Nov. 26, there will be free Newcomer games (0-5 MPs) at 10 a.m., 3 and 7:30 p.m.

Be sure to check out these free two-hour lessons:

Saturday, Nov. 27, at 10 a.m., Bridge Bulletin

columnist Jerry Helms.

Sunday, Nov. 28, at 10 a.m., Bridge Bulletin columnist Lynn Berg.

Friday, Dec. 3, at 10:30 a.m., ACBL teacher extraordinaire Audrey Grant.

On Wednesday, Dec. 1, win gold points in the National 99er Pairs, a two-session event, held at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Entry fee special! Players with 0-100 MPs who buy a regular-price entry Nov. 26-28 will receive a half-priced entry for games held Dec. 3-5.

### 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 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.

# Season's Greetings

## from the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference



Host to 33,000 regional tables last year

*Treat yourself to a yearlong holiday gift: Play in the biggest and best tournaments of 2011. Mid-Atlantic regionals offer loads of bracketed knockouts; "gold rush" pairs, where events limited to 0-750 MP players pay gold points; an exciting intermediate/newcomer program; and our three favorite words: hospitality, hospitality, hospitality.*

**Charleston, SC — Dec. 27-Jan. 2**, Embassy Suites Hotel & Convention Center (843) 747-1882. One of five quality hotels a short walk to the playing site. Co-chair: Lindsey Butler (843) 881-0818, blindsey730@bellsouth.net.

**Wilmington, NC — Jan. 24-30**, Hilton Riverside (910) 763-5900. A pleasant winter respite on the Cape Fear River. Several top restaurants a short walk from site. Co-chair: David Klein (910) 763-4079, klein4@earthlink.net.

**Gatlinburg, TN — April 11-17**, Convention Center. Bridge and springtime come together in the Great Smokies. Join 4,000 other players at the ACBL's largest regional every year since 2001. Co-chair: Marlene Wass (865) 966-3292, mpwass@yahoo.com.

**Richmond, VA — May 24-30**, Holiday Inn Koger Center (804) 379-3800. Thriving I/N program boosts the holiday crowd. Lots of hospitality, nearby restaurants. Co-chair: George Lewis (804) 527-0181, richmondregional@aol.com.

**Greenville, SC — June 6-12**, Hyatt Regency (864) 235-1234. One of our nicest venues, with loads of shops and restaurants just outside the downtown hotel. Co-chair: Jim Villanueva (864) 322-6153, jaimepvillanueva@aol.com.

**Reston, VA — June 28-July 4**, Hyatt Regency at Town Center (703) 709-1234. The Nation's Capital Regional offers the best hospitality to the most bridge players over Independence Day. Chair: Margot Hennings (703) 560-0245, margot10bridge@cox.net.

**Hunt Valley, MD — Aug. 15-21**, Baltimore Marriott Hunt Valley Inn (410) 785-7000. The countryside near Baltimore is a major draw for bridge players up and down the East Coast. Chair: Patricia Wilson (410) 785-7700, valleybridg@cs.com.

**Atlanta, GA — Aug. 30-Sept. 5**, Crowne Plaza Ravinia (770) 395-7700. This venue always sells out early, but there are plenty of options around Perimeter Mall. Events for daytime players. Chair: Jack Feagin (404) 252-9246, jfeagin2@bellsouth.net.

**Charlotte, NC — Oct. 24-30**, Hilton University Place (704) 547-7444. Wonderful property and setting in the shadows of a university, financial centers and a NASCAR landmark. Chair: David Smith (704) 987-1472, charlotteregional@att.net.

**Virginia Beach, VA — Nov. 7-13**, Cavalier Hotel (757) 425-8555. On-site complimentary suppers, post-game hospitality room, spectacular ocean views. Co-chair: Peggy Willett (757) 467-4186, bean2sadie1@verizon.net.

**Myrtle Beach, SC — Dec. 27-Jan. 2**, Marriott Resort at Grande Dunes (843) 449-8880. Begin 2012 on one of the nation's most popular beaches. Up-scale resort has amazing \$92 rate. Co-chair: Evelyn Brandon (843) 449-3279, cbrandon@sc.rr.com.

**Pick up fliers on regional information tables**

## Emery

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never-ending pleasure to be working beside her.

"Her bridge friendships that endured the years, right up to the day she died."

Stewart: "Sue Emery was one of my heroes. When I went to work for the ACBL in 1984, the Headquarters operation had a sense of community. Key administrative positions were held by expert players: people such as Ralph Cohen, Charles MacCracken, Alan Oaks and Richard Oshlag. Julie Greenberg came from a notable bridge-playing family. Much of the staff had a passion for the game and, therefore, a personal stake in how the League fostered its development. Nobody epitomized that spirit more than Sue Emery.

"I started as a co-editor with apprehension. I had never held an eight-to-five job and had no idea whether I could handle one. I had one thing going for me: I had a friend. Sue's office was next to mine, and she was more than an inspiration. Without her acceptance, patience and unfailing good humor, I don't know whether I would have survived. In all the years we were together, not a cross word passed between us.

"Sue's work on the Daily Bulletins at the NABC is well known -- during one stretch she attended 95 in a row -- but one I especially recall. In the grandmother of all oversights, the 1985 Fall NABC in Winnipeg was scheduled against that year's Bermuda Bowl in Sao Paulo. Executive Editor Henry Francis left for Brazil, and Sue and I went to Canada. It was a trial of fire and ice -- my expertise at composing a Daily Bulletin was nil -- but Sue got me through it.

"Sue's name no longer appears in the Bridge Bulletin as an Editor Emeritus. When that change came earlier this year, she received the news, her daughters told me, with perfect grace. She said she figured she'd been on there long enough. That was my friend Sue Emery. Even at the end of her life, she held fast to an editor's foremost virtue: she was content to put the work first and herself in the background.

"Susie, you were, and always will be, one of my heroes."

Emery is survived by daughters Ann McGrath and Connie Phillis of Wichita Falls, son Brit Camp of Los Angeles and grandson Sean McGrath.

## Defenders, Fall North American Championships

**Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs:** Bjorn Fallenius, Bart Bramley

**Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams:** Nick Nickell, Ralph Katz, Zia Mahmood, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell

**Keohane North American Swiss Teams:** Carolyn Lynch, Mike Passell, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Aleksander Dubinin, Adam Zmudzinski

**Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams:** Joyce Hampton, Sabine Auken, Daniela von Arnim, Benedicte Cronier, Sylvie Willard, Jenny Wolpert

**Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams:** Jerzy Zaremba, Josef Blass, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Aleksander Dubinin, Adam Zmudzinski

**Baze Senior Knockout Teams:** Carolyn Lynch, Melih Ozdil, Garey Hayden, Mike Passell, Mark Lair

**Nail Life Master Open Pairs:** Tor Helness, Martin Andresen

**Smith Life Master Women's Pairs:** Sue Picus, Shawn Quinn

**Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs:** Harold Huffaker, Ronald Huffaker

**Manfield (formerly Miles) Non-Life Master Pairs:** Stephen Drodge, Dan Emmons

**National 99er Pairs:** Malvina Aljure, Elsa Castillo

**Goren Trophy (formerly Herman Trophy):** Jeff Meckstroth

## Play begins today in Smith LM Women's Pairs



**They won the 2009 Smith Life Master Women's Pairs: Sue Picus and Shawn Quinn.**

Play gets underway today in the four-session Life Master Women's Pairs with the Helen Sobel Smith Trophy going to the winners.

The Smith Trophy recognizes Helen Sobel Smith, the first woman elected to the Bridge Hall of Fame. Smith was an outstanding player and is universally considered the best woman player of all time.

She won 35 North American titles -- the Vanderbilt twice, the Spingold five times and the Reisinger four times -- and the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) three times: in 1941, 1942 and 1944.

### Past winners and runners-up:

- 1961** 1. Dorothy Hayden, Helen Portugal; 2. Gratian Goldstein, Jane Mueller  
**1962** 1. Barbara Kachmar, Margaret Wagar; 2. Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp  
**1963** 1. Anne Burnstein, Hermine Baron; 2. Carrie Arnold, Neva L. Gray  
**1964** 1. Margaret Alcorn, Betty Kaplan; 2. Agnes Gordon, Sylvia Stein  
**1965** 1. Ann Sheaber, Jan Stone; 2. Mary Jane Farrell, Peggy Solomon  
**1966** 1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden; 2. Mary Jane Farrell, Peggy Solomon  
**1967** 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Sachs; 2. Mary Jane Farrell, Peggy Solomon  
**1968** 1. Dorothy Talmage, Rhoda Walsh; 2. Katherine Blanchard, Mary Jane Farrell  
**1969** 1. Gratian Goldstein, Sylvia Stein; 2. Karen Allison, Gladys W. Collier  
**1970** 1. Bette L. Cohn, Marietta Passell; 2. Louise Krauss, Betty Mangan  
**1971** 1. Ruth Bloomfield, Delle Levinson; 2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders  
**1972** 1. Amalya Kears, Rhoda Walsh; 2. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
**1973** 1. Frieda Arst, June Deutsch; 2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport  
**1974** 1. Bernice Larson, Joan Stein; 2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport  
**1975** 1. Dorothy Moore, Marion Weed; 2. Nancy Gruver, Helen Utegaard  
**1976** 1. Barbara Furbeck, Barbara Herr; 2. Carol Crawford, Joan Remy  
**1977** 1. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport; 2. Bernadine Jenkins, Joan Remy

- 1978** 1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott; 2. Ann Economidy, Anne Leverone  
**1979** 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp; 2. June Deutsch, Sandi Leavitt  
**1980** 1. Kathie Cappelletti, Claire Tornay; 2. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp  
**1981** 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp; 2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders  
**1982** 1. Dorothy Buchanan, Barbara Morris; 2. Mary Albert, Rhoda Walsh  
**1983** 1. Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas; 2. Sandra Low, Joan Stein  
**1984** 1. Karen Singer, Sharon Soules; 2. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin  
**1985** 1. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer; 2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman  
**1986** 1. Mickie Kivel, Judi Cody; 2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman  
**1987** 1. Jill Meyers, Gaye Herrington; 2. Mary Ann Coyle, Jackie Hess  
**1988** 1. Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn; 2. Brenda Keller, Renee Mancuso  
**1989** 1. Rhoda Walsh, Sabine Zenkel; 2. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer  
**1990** 1. Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy; 2. Barbara Sartorius, Marla Chaikin  
**1991** 1. Sue Weinstein, Tobi Deutsch; 2. Janice Seamon, Cheri Bjerkan  
**1992** 1. Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen; 2. Sabine Zenkel, Joan Jackson  
**1993** 1. Janice Seamon, Sabine Zenkel; 2. Sharon David, Trudi Nugit  
**1994** 1. Lynn Deas, Rhoda Kratenstein; 2. Cynthia Balderson, Peg Waller  
**1995** 1. Flo Rotman, Susan Miller; 2. Lila Perlstein, Juanita Chambers  
**1996** 1. Suzy Burger, Barbara Sion; 2. Judy Randel, Linda Lewis  
**1997** 1. Janice Seamon, Sylvia Moss; 2. Linda Perlman, Hjordis Eythorsdottir  
**1998** 1. Sharon Hait, Barbara Sartorius; 2. Shannon Lipscomb, Rhoda Walsh  
**1999** 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Nell Cahn, Ellen Siebert  
**2000** 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar  
**2001** 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Jayne Thomas, Barbara Nudelman  
**2002** 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Jan George, Roni Gitchel  
**2003** 1. Lynn Baker, Kerri Sanborn; 2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar  
**2004** 1. Cynthia Hinckley, Diana Schuld; 2. Pam Granovetter, Migry Zur-Campanile  
**2005** 1. Jill Levin, Malle Andrade; 2. Mildred Breed, Claudette Hartman  
**2006** 1. Sara Sivelind, Cecilia Rimstedt; 2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson  
**2007** 1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum; 2. YouMei Zhou; Jian Wang  
**2008** 1. Betty Ann Kennedy, Lynn Deas; 2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson  
**2009** 1. Sue Picus, Shawn Quinn; 2. Victoria Gromova, Tatiana Ponomareva

## 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.

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

## Notice to players who live outside North America

Participation in the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs and the 0-5000 Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs is limited to those ACBL members who have earned a Blue Ribbon qualification (or for those members on the Lifetime Top 100 masterpoint list).

Participation in the Life Master Open and Women's Pairs is restricted to ACBL members who have achieved the rank of Life Master. Foreign players who do not meet these criteria, but feel they are otherwise eligible, must receive a waiver prior to the commencement of these contests.

Previously granted waivers will be honored.

For waiver information, please see Tournament Director Millard Nachtwey here at the tournament. He may be contacted through the Tournament Headquarters office, and he will also be available at the selling sites.

## Electronic Device Policy

The electronic device policy is revised as follows:

1. For all NABC+ rated events at NABCs: Electronic devices, including but not limited to, phones, cameras, PDAs, and others capable of sending or receiving electronic communication are excluded from the playing areas during any session of play. This does not apply to health-related equipment.

2. For all events at an NABC other than a NABC+ rated event: Except for health-related equipment, or by permission of the Director-in-Charge of the tournament, cell phones, audible pagers or similar equipment may not be operated or operable in any manner in the playing area during a session of play. Any such equipment must not be visible during the session. Sponsoring organizations of other ACBL-sanctioned events are encouraged to adopt a similar policy.

3. These restrictions in numbers 1 and 2 above apply to all pairs, team members, captains, coaches, play recorders (except those designated by ACBL) and kibitzers and are in force throughout any actual playing session or segment of play.

4. A violation of any of the restrictions in numbers 1 and 2 above will result in a disciplinary penalty of one full board (12 IMPs at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense will result in disqualification from the event for the pair/team. Kibitzers violating this policy will be removed from the playing area for the remainder of the session.



# TEACHER ACCREDITATION PROGRAM (TAP)

Players will be shown methods on how to teach the game in a fun, exciting and relevant manner, and will also be exposed to various teaching materials. Marketing your new skills will also be discussed – from doing cruises to the ACBL Cooperative Advertising Program to working in schools. Join Pat Harrington for a fun 10 hours.

**Fee:** \$125 (ACBL Accredited Teachers can retake for no course fee.)  
**Date:** Saturday, Sunday, Monday – Nov. 27, 28, 29 – 8:30 am to noon  
**Location:** Anaheim Room

## Nail LM Pairs begins today



**The 2009 winners of the Nail Life Master Pairs: Tor Helness and Martin Andresen**

Play begins today in this four-session event, restricted to Life Masters and played over two qualifying sessions and two final sessions.

Before 1963 the event was restricted to National Masters and players of higher rank. It was a men's event until 1990 when it became an open event.

At stake is the Bobby Nail Trophy, designated by the ACBL Board of Directors to honor the diminutive Texan (1925-95) who won this event in 1974 with longtime friend and partner Gerald Michaud.

Nail, inducted into the Bridge Hall of Fame at the 2001 Summer NABC in Toronto, won four other North American championships and represented North America twice in the Bermuda Bowl. His team was second in 1963.

### Past winners and runners-up:

- 1961** 1. G. Gard Hays, Max Manchester; 2. Martin J. Cohn, Hampton Hume
- 1962** 1. Sam Fuoto, Victor Mitchell; 2. Hal Kandler, Kelsey Petterson
- 1963** 1. Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray; 2. Harry J. Fishbein, Charles J. Solomon
- 1964** 1. Charles Coon, Bobby Goldman; 2-3. Mervin Key, Harold Rockaway; 2-3. Jack Blair, Col. William Christian
- 1965** 1. Paul Soloway, Alex Tschekaloff; 2. Edgar Kaplan, Victor Mitchell
- 1966** 1. Carl J. Hudecek, Ray Zoller; 2. Gaylor Kasle, Ed Theus
- 1967** 1. Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender; 2. Donald R. Faskow, William L. Flannery
- 1968** 1. Henry Bethe, John Solodar; 2. Don Pearson, John Swanson
- 1969** 1. Chuck F. Burger, James Cayne; 2. Norman H. Fischer, Christopher G. Jeans
- 1970** 1. Ron E. Andersen, Hugh C. MacLean; 2. Curtis K. Smith, E. Lowell Yost
- 1971** 1. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel; 2. Stephen W. Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1972** 1. Leslie C. Bart, Marc S. Jacobus; 2. Stephen W. Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1973** 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay; 2. Roxy Violin, Ed Weiner
- 1974** 1. Gerald L. Michaud, G. Robert Nail; 2. John Gerber, Daniel Kaim
- 1975** 1. Steve Lapidés, Walt Walvick; 2. Marc Culbertson, Robert Visokey
- 1976** 1. Roger Bates, John Mohan; 2. Steve Altman, Thomas M. Smith
- 1977** 1. David Hoffner, David Schroeder; 2. Roger Bates, John Mohan

- 1978** 1. Norm Coombs, Tom Hodapp; 2. Kevin Castner, Michael S. Lawrence
- 1979** 1. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Zeke Jabbour, Dennis McGarry
- 1980** 1. V. Craig Janitschke, Jan Janitschke; 2. Robert D. Hamman, Paul Swanson
- 1981** 1. Roger Abelson, Mike Levinson; 2. Robert D. Hamman, Donald P. Krauss
- 1982** 1. Robert Lipsitz, Dan Gerstman; 2. Lew Mathe, Harold Guiver
- 1983** 1. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen; 2. Mitch Chandler, Cliff Bishop
- 1984** 1. Per Olov Sundelin, Peter Pender; 2. Jim Becker, Howard Chandross
- 1985** 1. John Mohan, Roger Bates; 2. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
- 1986** 1. Jim Krekorian, Paul Kiefer; 2. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen
- 1987** 1. Bart Bramley, Lou Bluhm; 2. Leslie West, David Ashley
- 1988** 1. Robert Levin, Larry Cohen; 2. Glen Lublin, Peter Boyd
- 1989** 1. Steve Lapidés, Walt Walvick; 2. Peter Weichsel, Roger Stern

In 1990, the event became the Life Master Open Pairs.

- 1990** 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross; 2. Tommy Gullberg, Michael Polowan
- 1991** 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross; 2. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz
- 1992** 1. Mike Kamil, Michael Rosenberg; 2. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- 1993** 1. Brad Moss, Ravindra Murthy; 2. Ed Nagy, Jeff Polisner
- 1994** 1. Robert Levin, Richard Katz; 2. Michael Polowan, Steve Robinson
- 1995** 1. John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley; 2. Mark Itabashi, Gene Simpson
- 1996** 1. Walter Schafer, Ron Smith; 2. Michael Schreiber, Curtis Cheek
- 1997** 1. Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett; 2. Dennis Kasle, Garey Hayden
- 1998** 1. JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby; 2. Ron Smith, Richard Schwartz
- 1999** 1. Paul Soloway, Steve Catlett; 2. Lew Stansby, JoAnna Stansby
- 2000** 1. Jill Meyers, Steve Garner; 2. Zia Mahmood, Chuck Burger
- 2001** 1. Piotr Gawrys, Jacek Pszczola; 2. Zia Mahmood, Sidney Lazard
- 2002** 1. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson; 2. Larry Cohen, Steve Weinstein
- 2003** 1. Jo Morse, Kyle Larsen; 2. Fred Gitelman, Jay Borker
- 2004** 1. Richard Pavlicek, Richard Pavlicek Jr.; 2. Jonathan Green, Mark Aquino
- 2005** 1. Zia Mahmood, Jill Meyers; 2. Robert Levin, Louk Verhees
- 2006** 1. Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein; 2. John Armstrong, Paul Hackett
- 2007** 1. Zia Mahmood, Bjorn Fallenius; 2. Michael Prahin, Alex Perlin
- 2008** 1. Nikolay Demirev, Ralph Katz; 2. Eric Rodwell, John Diamond
- 2009** 1. Tor Helness, Martin Andresen; Hemant Lall, Justin Lall

## Bid Box Alerts and Announcements

When using bid boxes, the ACBL requires 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 must make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or Announcement has been made.

## Orlando 2004: A look back

The last time an NABC was held in Orlando was Fall 2004. The tournament finished with 14,641.5 tables. Jeff Meckstroth won the 2004 Player of the Year, the Nick Nickell team won the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams and the Goodwill Committee honored Zeke Jabbour. Fred Gitelman was named the 2005 Honorary Member and two Egyptians, Tarek Sadek and Walid El Ahmady, won the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs. It was announced that Marshall Miles and Percy Sheardown had been chosen for the ACBL Hall of Fame.

There was also lots of bridge played. Here are some of the interesting deals:

### High fives

It's often tough to know what to do when the bidding escalates quickly, and the judgment to do the right thing is what often separates the winners from the losers.

About halfway through the first qualifying session of the Bobby Nail Life Master Open Pairs, Bobby Levin and Steve Weinstein, one of ACBL's top pairs, were having a lackluster game. Then came a string of boards where the bidding ended at the five level. Their good judgment helped turn their game around. It started with board 15:

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

West	North	East	South
Levin		Weinstein	
			1♥
Pass	2♣	3♠	3NT
Pass	4♥	Pass	Pass
4♠	5♥	All Pass	

Levin did very well to bid on to 4♠. The best that North-South could do from that point was plus 100 for 4♠ doubled. North went on, however, suffering down one when Weinstein, after winning the ♠A at trick one, switched accurately to the ♦9, assuring three tricks for the defense. Plus 100 was good for 23 out of 25 matchpoints for Levin and Weinstein. Minus 100 would have been worth 18.5 matchpoints.

There was more action on the next deal.

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

West	North	East	South
Levin		Weinstein	
Pass	1♥	Dbl	3♥
4♥	5♥	Dbl	All Pass

Levin's 4♥ showed a slammish hand of his own, and indeed he took a long time before passing his partner's second double. As you can see, the five level is minus territory for East-West because of the diamond ruff South has coming. Plus 500 for 5♥ doubled was worth 16.5 matchpoints.

There were more high-level decisions to make on the next round.

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# Senior Knockout Teams named for Baze



**Last year's Senior KO champions: (seated) Melih Ozdil, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, (standing) Carolyn Lynch and Garey Hayden.**

Beginning this year, the Senior Knockout Teams will be known as the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in honor of the late Grant Baze, a leading player in the ACBL for decades. A new trophy has been commissioned for the event by a group of Baze's friends and will be presented to the winners of the contest.

The Senior Knockout Teams is limited to players 55 and older. Play begins today with day-long matches scheduled until the event is concluded.

Grant Baze (1943-2009) was one of the all-time top masterpoints earners in the history of the ACBL. At the time of his death, he had accumulated more than 41,000 points, a feat only six others have surpassed.

Baze won seven NABC titles over the course of his career and had seven second-place finishes as well. He was also a three-time winner of the World Senior Teams, and notched one victory in the Transnational Teams.

A three-time winner of the Barry Crane Top 500 masterpoint race, Baze was also the first player to record more than 3000 points in a calendar year.

Baze may be best known, however, for his sartorial style (he was always attired in a suit and tie when he was at the table) and his strong ethical and professional approach to bridge.

The 2009 champs were Carolyn Lynch, Melih Ozdil, Garey Hayden, Mike Passell and Mark Lair.

#### Previous winners:

- 1994** 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Richard Hunt, Dan Morse, Chuck Said, John Sutherlin; 2. Duncan Phillips, Robert Ryder, Howard Hertzberg, Hamish Bennett, Joan Remy Moore, William Esberg
- 1995** 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Mike Levine, Bill Eisenberg, Benito Garozzo, Tommy Sanders; 2. Norm Coombs, Leonard Ernst, Michael Slaven, Richard Hart, Loren Hawkins, Don Brock
- 1996** 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Tommy Sanders, Bill Eisenberg, Mary Chilcote, Fred Hamilton; 2. Howard Hertzberg, Robert Ryder, William Esberg, Simon Kantor, Marty Baff
- 1997** 1. Bob Carteaux, David Adams, Al Childs, Ralph Cohen, Chuck Said; 2. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Jim Linhart, Russ Arnold, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher
- 1998** 1. Mike Levine, Tommy Sanders, Zeke Jabbour, Arnie Fisher, Fred Hamilton, Chuck Said; 2. Gene Freed, Gene Simpson, James Koley, Syd Levey, Simon Kantor

- 1999** 1. Jim Sternberg, Bernie Chazen, Allan Cokin, Billy Eisenberg, Richard Reisig, Robert Lipsitz; 2. Richard Budd, Shome Mukherjee, Robert Ryder, William Hunter
- 2000** 1. Richard Budd, Robert Ryder, William Hunter, Shome Mukherjee, Richard De Martino, Pat McDevitt; 2. Jim Sternberg, Allan Cokin, Chuck Burger, Richard Reisig, Bernie Chazen, Robert Lipsitz
- 2001** 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher; 2. Gene Simpson, Hamish Bennett, Billy Eisenberg, Joe Kivel, Jim Robison, Chris Larsen
- 2002** 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher; 2. Lewis Finkel, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Bernie Miller
- 2003** 1. Dennis Dawson, Clement Jackson, John Sutherlin, Bobby Wolff, John Mohan, Dan Morse; 2. Pat McDevitt, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Richard De Martino
- 2004** 1. Tony Ames, John Koch, Mary Egan, Rod Beery; 2. Hamish Bennett, Frances Dickman, Chris Larsen, Gene Simpson, Michael Shuman, Bruce Noda
- 2005** 1. Morris Chang, Bobby Wolff, Neil Chambers, John Schermer; 2. Don Stack, Alan Stout, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, James Nash, Pierre Flatowicz
- 2006** 1. Amos Kaminski, Melih Ozdil, Pinhas Romik, Yeshayahu Levit, George Mitelman; 2. Gene Freed, Fred Hamilton, Arnold Fisher, Jim Tritt, Paul Ivaska, Tony Kasday
- 2007** 1. Robert Hollman, Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin, Brenda Keller, Bruce Ferguson; 2. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Allan Siebert, Chuck Said
- 2008** 1. Reese Milner, Sam Lev, P.O. Sundelin, Matthew Granovetter, Fred Chang, John Carruthers; 2. Richard DeMartino, Geoffrey Brod, Pat McDevitt and John Stiefel
- 2009** 1. Carolyn Lynch, Melih Ozdil, Garey Hayden, Mike Passell, Mark Lair; 2. Arnold Fisher, Allan Graves, Fred Hamilton, Yeshayahu Levit, Amos Kaminski, George Mittelman

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Dir: South	♠ 5		
Vul: E-W	♥ J 9 8 7 5 2		
	♦ A Q 8 4		
	♣ 4 2		
	♠ 10 9 8 6 4		♠ A K Q 3 2
	♥ K		♥ A
	♦ J 10 9		♦ 7 6 5 2
	♣ Q 10 7 3		♣ A J 9
		♠ J 7	
		♥ Q 10 6 4 3	
		♦ K 3	
		♣ K 8 7 5	
West	North	East	South
Levin		Weinstein	
			Pass
Pass	3♥	Dbf	5♥
Dbf	All Pass		

Levin's hand isn't great, but the five-card spade suit — and an opponent who seemed to be trying to get away with something — might have tempted some players to bid instead of doubling. Turns out East-West can't legitimately make even 10 tricks. Levin and Weinstein could get 5♥ doubled only one trick, but it was good for 19 matchpoints.

The next board produced the fourth straight five-level finish:

Dir: West	♠ —		
Vul: Both	♥ A 6		
	♦ K J 9 8 6 5 4 3 2		
	♣ K 8		
	♠ A K Q J 10 6 4 3		♠ 9 8 5 2
	♥ —		♥ J 8 5 4 3
	♦ 10 7		♦ A
	♣ 10 9 5		♣ J 6 3
		♠ 7	
		♥ K Q 10 9 7 2	
		♦ Q	
		♣ A Q 7 4 2	
West	North	East	South
Levin		Weinstein	
1♠	5♦	Dbf	Pass
5♠	Pass	Pass	Dbf
	All Pass		

There was no way 5♦ was going down — and if West doesn't get a heart ruff, the contract would make with an overtrick. Of course, with an opener based entirely on a seven-card suit, Levin had no thoughts of sitting for the double — and he came within a hair of making his contract. He took the diamond opening lead in dummy, ruffed a heart high, pulled the outstanding trump with a low one to dummy, ruffed another heart high, ruffed his last diamond in dummy, ruffed another heart high and entered dummy with a low trump.

Now he played the ♣J, and if North had been dealt a singleton honor, the contract was going to make with a forced ruff-sluff. North won the ♦K, however, and returned the suit. Minus 200 was worth 13 matchpoints.

### It's a grand slam, but only by North

*By Barry Rigal*

The field played this deal in 6NT, and rightly so. But our opponents had a chance to play the highest scoring contract. They could have declared 7♥ from the North side.

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

North opened 2♣ and South responded 2NT, which showed hearts because 2♥ would have been

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a double negative. Anyone could take the diamond finesse and score all 13 tricks when the finesse succeeds.

The true expert, however, doesn't take the finesse. He wins the trump lead and draws four rounds of trumps, pitching a diamond from dummy. East can afford to discard a diamond and a spade, but then he's caught. A spade lets declarer ruff out the spade suit and then he goes to dummy to cash the 13th spade. A diamond is fatal immediately. A club discard allows declarer to cash four clubs for the spade-diamond ruffing squeeze.

Note that the contract must be played by North. With South as declarer, West can lead a diamond to set up East's king.

Did you note on your hand record that Deep Finesse says you can make 7♥ as North but only 6♥ as South?

## After you bid game, you have to make it

*By Barry Rigal*

Deep Finesse says you can make 10 tricks at notrump on this deal, but that's double dummy. Declarers, in general, had trouble to getting to game in the first place, then found it very difficult to find even nine tricks.

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

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

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

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

(1) Hearts and diamonds.

Tim Crank, a Junior playing with Frank Allison, got to game and made it for 22 out of a possible 25 matchpoints. Here's how he did it.

South led a low heart to North's queen (!), and the heart return went to South's 10. He switched to the ♠2, and Crank went up with dummy's king. He led a diamond and, based on the bidding, successfully finessed the 10. He got out with a heart to South's king, and South continued with a club.

Crank took the king and cashed the ♠A. Next he led a spade to South's queen. South switched to the ♣Q and Crank took dummy's ace.

Now he called the ♠10, and that was the end. North had to keep three diamonds to cover dummy's suit, and he also had to hold onto the ♥Q. Because he can keep only three cards, he had to give up.

## You can be aggressive with some partners

*By Barry Rigal*

I took a somewhat aggressive bid on this deal, but I've seen Ralph Cohen play a hand before:

Dlr: North ♠ A 2  
 Vul: None ♥ A Q 10 2  
 ♦ J 9 2  
 ♣ A 8 5 4

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

♠ K 9 7 6 4  
 ♥ 7 6  
 ♦ K 7  
 ♣ K 7 3 2

North	South
Cohen	Rigal
1NT	2♥ (1)
2♠	3NT
Pass	

(1) Transfer to spades.

### INTERNATIONAL FUND 299ER PAIRS

10.5 Tables	A	B	C		
2.97	1	1		Robert Bartlett - Mary Ellen Bartlett, Oak Grove MO	63.29%
2.23	2	2		Jennifer Huntsman, Moncton NB; Connie Bartlett, Riverview NB	62.59%
1.67	3	3		Sue Lloyd - Carmen Lloyd, Pinehurst NC	57.45%
1.25	4	4		Duane Hinrichs, Clearwater FL; Janet Hinrichs, Marion IA	56.49%
0.94	5			Margaret Pemble - Robert Pemble, Dundee Dd3 6hg United Kingdom	55.71%
0.80	6	5		Douglas Larson - Janet Larson, Olympia WA	53.90%
1.55			1	Terry Sussman - Denise White, Palm City FL	51.60%
1.16			2	Donald Dufour - Bernadina Dufour, Weyburn SK	47.91%

### INTERNATIONAL FUND OPEN PAIRS

34.0 Tables	A	B	C		
10.27	1			Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	65.38%
7.70	2			Erez Hendelman, New York NY; Shirley Matthews, Lindale TX	62.02%
5.78	3			William Coyle, Glasgow United Kingdom; Catherine Teltscher, London United Kingdom	58.49%
5.92	4	1		Raghavendra Rajkumar, Ithaca NY; Rajeswaran Rajkumar, Germantown MD	58.33%
2.85	5/6			Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH	58.01%
3.15	5/6			Matt Granovetter - Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH	58.01%
4.44		2		Robert Tremblay - Alain Dufour, Quebec QC	56.25%
3.33		3		Justin Graver - Leng Hua, Omaha NE	55.93%
2.50		4		Sue Williamson - Robert Williamson, Englewood CO	55.29%
2.64		5	1	Loredana Bosis, Northampton PA; Betty Miller, Akron OH	54.17%
1.40		6		William Thorp, Dana Point CA; Dorothy Conway, Ottawa ON	53.69%
1.98			2	Steve Phelps - Leslie Phelps, Vero Beach FL	50.64%
1.49			3	Douglas Rotchell, Granada Spain; Elizabeth Wilks, Winchester United Kingdom	50.00%
1.11			4	Leanne Lotridge - Brady Lotridge, New Orleans LA	49.52%

### INTERNATIONAL FUND SWISS

19 Tables	A	B	C		
6.77	1			Craig Robinson - Elaine Landow, Lansdale PA; Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON; Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	103.00
5.08	2			Lowell Andrews, Huntington Bch CA; Dan Morse, Houston TX; Alvin Levy - Beverly Levy, Lake Worth FL	86.00
3.81	3			Les Bart - Gloria Bart, Bradenton FL; Ron Smith - Linda Smith, Hixson TN	83.00
4.29	4	1		Glen Harmer - Edward McGowan - Gloria Bortolussi - Judi Loewen, Thunder Bay ON	80.00
3.22	5	2		Harold Wood - Sandra Wood - Beryl Higgs - Linda Howard, Halifax NS	79.00
1.61	6			Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA; Tammy Moll - Chris Moll, Raleigh NC; Nicolas Hammond, Marietta GA	75.00
2.41		3		John Tolson - Lynne Tolson, Bedford NS; Carol Thompson - Peter Ineson, Halifax NS	68.00
2.80		4	1	Francois Falardeau, Repentigny QC; Alain Blaise, Saintemarguerit QC; Michel Doyon, Rosemere QC; Mario Gauvin, Sainte-Agathe QC	64.00
1.84			2/3	Sally Craig, Port Moody BC; Loretta Westler, Philadelphia PA; Henry Harman, North Haven CT; Sunny Koontz, Palm Beach FL	48.00
1.84			2/3	Ivor Philips - Marilyn Philips, Bellevue WA; Pat Monahan - Linda Monahan, Interlochen MI	48.00

### FIRST THURSDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS

9.0 Tables	A	B	C		
2.68	1	1	1	Miodrag Novakovic, Southampton Bermuda; Paul Thompson, Warwick Bermuda	65.77%
1.76	2/3			Robert Ripley - Judy Ripley, lac des Loups QC	62.20%
1.80	2/3	2		Isha Thapa - Mukund Thapa, Palo Alto CA	62.20%
1.13	4			Margaret Gibbons - Janet Parsons, St. John's NL	55.06%
1.35	5	3		Jennifer Huntsman, Moncton NB; Connie Bartlett, Riverview NB	54.76%
1.25		4	2	Darryl Wile - Edith Wile, Wolfville NS	53.87%
0.76		5		Duane Hinrichs, Clearwater FL; Janet Hinrichs, Marion IA	53.27%
0.94			3	Marilyn Ankenmann, Scarborough ON; Betty Lemon, Toronto ON	50.00%

### FIRST THURSDAY EVENING CHARITY PAIRS

60.0 Tables	A	B	C		
16.33	1			Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH	65.22%
12.25	2			Ruth Gold, Pompano Beach FL; Charlene Predmest, Delray Beach FL	65.06%
9.19	3			Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Hixson TN	64.74%
6.89	4			Ed Schulte, Tampa FL; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC	63.62%
4.53	5/6			Migry Zur Campanile - Shelly Dunietz, New York NY	62.82%
4.53	5/6			Sophie Dauvergne, France France; Benedicte Cronier, Paris 75018 France	62.82%
2.91	7			Erez Hendelman, New York NY; Shirley Matthews, Lindale TX	60.58%
6.73		1		Jonathan Shute - L. Anne Posch, Sackville NB	58.33%
5.05		2		Patricia Becker - Allan Becker, Southfield MI	57.37%
3.79		3		Brian Collins - Marilyn Bennett, St. John's NL	56.89%
2.49	4/5			Farley Mawyer - Jill Marshall, Port Chester NY	56.57%
2.97	4/5	1		Betty Miller, Akron OH; Loredana Bosis, Northampton PA	56.57%
2.23		6	2	Leslie Avenor, Jacksonville FL; Rebecca Sharp, Jaxville Bch FL	56.41%
1.67			3	Henry Harman, North Haven CT; Sally Craig, Port Moody BC	52.24%
1.25			4	John Hartigan - Pamela Hartigan, Hamden CT	49.68%
0.99			5	Stewart Rubenstein - Christina Parker, Newton MA	49.36%

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Ralph got a helpful heart lead to the 9 and his 10. He led a club to the king and ducked a club to

East. On the diamond shift West took his queen and ace before switching to hearts. Cohen ducked and later was able to cash his clubs and his diamond winner to put the squeeze on East, who of course was unable to protect both majors.

East was very scathing of West's failure to play a heart before cashing the ♦A. Cohen had an answer to that.

"If West wins the ♦Q and leads a heart to East's 8, East would play another diamond to partner's ace so West can lead a third heart," said Cohen. "I can still win the ♥A and the squeeze still bites. Even if West ducks the second diamond, this would be the

ending:

♠ A 2  
♥ A Q  
♦ J  
♣ A 5

♠ J 3  
♥ 4  
♦ A 9 6  
♣ Q

♠ Q 10 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ 10  
♣ —

♠ K 9 7 6 4  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ 7 3

"I can cash two clubs and force East to discard a spade and a diamond. Then I can endplay East by putting him in with a spade and forcing him to lead a heart into my tenace."

Maybe West has to duck the first diamond?

## EDUCATION FUND KOS BRACKET I

**7 Teams**  
Ken Gee, Regina SK; Bob Carteaux, Fort Wayne IN; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria; Hannah Moon, Prince Albert SK

vs

G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Karen Barrett, Norwalk CT; Anne Dawson, Delhi LA; Jim Looby, Burbank CA; Tom Breed, Kingwood TX; Chris Moll, Raleigh NC

Hans Jacobs, Downsview ON; Debbie Bennett, Scarborough ON; Linda Cobham - Gerald Laflamme, Grnd-Bay-Wfld NB; Bert Newman - Kathy Newman, West Bloomfield MI

vs  
Robert Kent, Marina Del Rey CA; Matthew Mallory, San Diego CA; Marjorie Michelin - Ellis Feigenbaum, Laguna Woods CA; Howard Parker III, Clements CA; John Zilic, Houston TX

## EDUCATION FUND KOS BRACKET II

**6 Teams**  
Judy Chapman - Dora Lee, Edmonton AB; Paul Sorensen - Allan Sorensen, Berwyn AB

vs

Kirk Elyakin - Marilyn Elyakin, Monroe Twp NJ; Melissa Baker, West Harrison NY; Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY

Bea Eisen - Anu Goodman, Toronto ON; Ranald Davidson, North York ON; Pamela Nisbet, Ottawa ON

vs

Fay Teal, Mesa AZ; Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN; Henry Unglik, Ottawa ON

## EDUCATION FUND KOS BRACKET III

**6 Teams**  
Howard Montemurro, Vineland ON; Dieter Stein, Harbourville NS; James Bochsler, Davenport FL; Michael Lunn, Sutton England

vs  
Marc Franklin, Portland OR; Cerona Stevens, Marquette MI; Lily Andre - James Andre, Sugar Land TX

Dennis Bushman - Sharon Bushman, Lexington KY; Wendy Turk, Colorado Spgs CO; Susan Wong, Monument CO

vs

Jeremy Smee - John Mackay, St Catharines ON; Lorna Johnson, Ridgeway ON; Kathy Morrison, Welland ON; Diane K.M. Gordon, St Davids ON

## EDUCATION FUND KOS BRACKET IV

**6 Teams**  
Eileen Matheson - Janice Upenieks - Linda Arthur, Mississauga ON; Sherrill Bain, Oakville ON

vs

Francois Falardeau, Repentigny QC; Alain Blaise, Saintemarguerit QC; Mario Gauvin, Sainte-Agathe QC; Michel Doyon, Rosemere QC

Bobby Patton - Eleanor Patton, Lawrence KS; Thomas Collins, Sedona AZ; Ralph Reinecke Jr, Titusville FL

vs

Ivor Philips - Marilyn Philips, Bellevue WA; Pat Monahan - Linda Monahan, Interlochen MI

### FIRST THURSDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS EVENING - ONLY SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION C			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1	1	1	Miodrag Novakovic, Southampton Bermuda; Paul Thompson, Warwick Bermuda	65.77%	1/2			
2			Margaret Gibbons - Janet Parsons, St. John's NL	55.06%	1/2	1		
3	2		Jennifer Huntsman, Moncton NB; Connie Bartlett, Riverview NB	54.76%	3	2		
4	3		Darryl Wile - Edith Wile, Wolfville NS	53.87%	4	3		
							1	
							2	

### FIRST THURSDAY EVENING CHARITY PAIRS SINGLE (2/4) SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION OO			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1			Migry Zur Campanile - Shelly Dunietz, New York NY	62.82%	1			
2			Mary Vickers, Apex NC; Paul Wright Jr, Mount Pleasant SC	58.81%	2			
3			Thomas Bessis, Issy-Les-Moulin France; Jessica Piafsky, New York NY	56.57%	3			
4			Ronald Sutherland - Wendy Dooley, Mississauga ON	56.25%	4			
5	1		Robert Tremblay - Alain Dufour, Quebec QC	54.01%	5			
6	2		Gerty Grotte - Maxine Oleshansky, Aventura FL	53.37%	6			
		1	Stewart Rubenstein - Christina Parker, Newton MA	49.36%		1	1	
						2		

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION PP			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1			Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Hixson TN	64.74%	1			
2	1		Patricia Becker - Allan Becker, Southfield MI	57.37%	2			
3			Paul Kirby - Nancy Kalow, New York NY	55.29%	3	1		
4	2		Thomas Loveday, Sequim WA; Charles Williams, Palm Desert CA	54.97%	4	2		
5			Sheila Sache - Donald Sache, Delta BC	53.69%	5			
6			Pam Himes - Jerry Himes, Merritt Island FL	53.04%	6/7			
		3	John Macholl - Joan Macholl, Sun City Center FL	50.64%	6/7		1	
		1	Douglas Larson - Janet Larson, Olympia WA	45.19%				

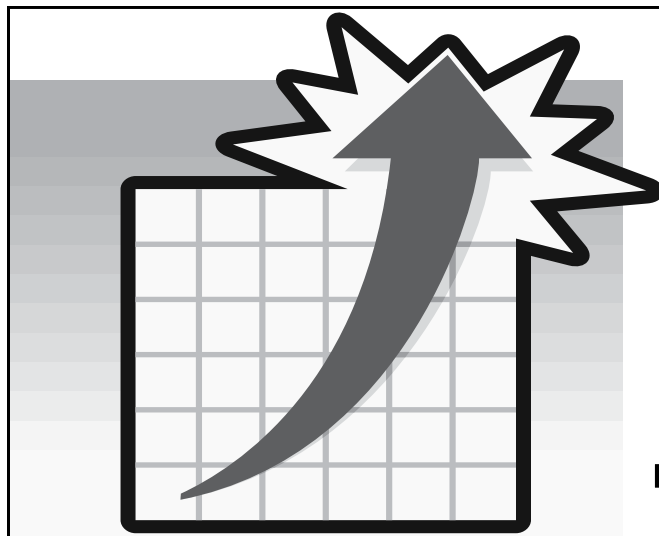
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION QQ			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1			Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH	65.22%	1			
2			Andre Asbury, Warner Robins GA; Frank Asbury, Valdosta GA	59.46%	2	1	1	
3/4			Susi Ross, Winter Spgs FL; Bette Cohn, Sarasota FL	56.41%	3/4	2		
3/4			Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; John Diamond, Boca Raton FL	56.41%	3/4			
5			Michael Cummings, Palm Beach Gdn FL; David Lindop, Toronto ON	54.01%	5			
6			Rebecca Clough - Roger Clough, Culver City CA	50.80%	6			
	1		Marjorie Brititzer - Clem Brititzer, Hampstead NC	47.92%				
	2	1	Ruby Grant - Will Grant, St Peterburg FL	47.12%				

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION RR			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1			Pierre Choquette - Gerard Bouchard, Quebec QC	59.62%	1			
2	1		Jonathan Shute - L. Anne Posch, Sackville NB	58.33%	2			
3			Manny Marks - Jerry Stamatov, Lauderhill FL	57.37%	3			
4	2	1	Betty Miller, Akron OH; Loredana Bosis, Northampton PA	56.57%	4	1		
5			Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA; Barbara Heller, Decatur GA	52.88%	5			
6			Leigh Ives - Elizabeth Leclair, Barrie ON	50.96%	6			

### INTERNATIONAL FUND OPEN PAIRS - SINGLE (1/4) SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION PP			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1			Erez Hendelman, New York NY; Shirley Matthews, Lindale TX	62.02%	1			
2			William Coyle; Catherine Teltcher, London United Kingdom	58.49%	2	1		
3			Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH	58.01%	3			
4			Judy Fiske, Sagamore Beach MA; Kathleen Kenney, South Yarmouth MA	56.73%	4			
5			Nicholas France, Spring Valley NY; Judith Hess, Fairfield CT	55.93%	5	2		
6	1		James Mullen, Oak Island NC; Steven Wallis, Tampa FL	52.88%	6	3	1	
7	2	1	Steve Phelps - Leslie Phelps, Vero Beach FL	50.64%	7	4		
	3		Gladys Hardcastle - Kenneth Hardcastle, Atlanta GA	48.56%	4			

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION QQ			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1/3			Margie Sullivan, Sagamore Beach MA; Stephen Rzewski, South Dennis MA	55.29%	1			
1/3			James Fowlkes - Patricia Fowlkes, Garner NC	55.29%	2			
1/3	1		Sue Williamson - Robert Williamson, Englewood CO	55.29%	3	1		
4			Robert Brady, McLean VA; Alan Kleist, Cheverly MD	55.13%	4			
5	2		Robert Nock - Elizabeth Nock, Ocean City MD	53.37%	5	2		
6	3		John Berry, New Hyde Park NY; Marion Yonke, Manhasset NY	52.40%	6	3		
7	4		Anne Mahoney - Leo Mahoney, Moncton NB	51.44%	7			
		1	Leanne Lotridge - Brady Lotridge, New Orleans LA	49.52%		4	1	



# Marketing Matters - Live!

ACBL's Marketing Director, Vicki Campbell, will host a program for anyone interested in marketing their clubs or bridge lessons. Don't miss this chance to meet Vicki and explore your options.

**Free of charge.**

**Date:** Saturday, November 27 at the Marriott World Center - Boston Room  
**Time:** 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

## Tomorrow's Bridge Events

### Junior Day & Youth Bridge Day

**Saturday, November 27, 9 a.m.**

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Educational Foundation Bracketed Knockout Teams	3rd	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	3-4	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18
Saturday-Sunday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	2nd single session	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18

**Saturday, November 27, 10 a.m.**

Bridge-Plus <i>Free lesson, then 14-board game at 12:30 p.m. No card fee.</i>	single	Grand 1-4	Free	Free
Cardroom Pairs (19 & younger, fewer than 20 masteroints)	single	Crystal G	Free	Free
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$15

**Saturday, November 27, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.**

Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	Crystal H	\$16	\$18
Stratified Senior Pairs	1-2	Crystal H	\$16	\$18

**Saturday, November 27, 1 p.m.**

Saturday-Sunday Side Game Series	1st single session	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18
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**Saturday, November 27, 1 & 7:30 p.m.**

<b>NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	Grand 7-8	\$20	—
<b>SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	Grand 7-8	\$20	—
<b>BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS</b>	Round 2	Grand 9-14	\$20	—
Stratified Open Pairs (2500+/0-2500)	1-2	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18
Kickoff Orange Blossom 750/300 Pairs <i>Gold points for 0-750</i>	1-2	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18
South Florida Bridge Players Golf Tour Bracketed KO Teams <i>Continues Sunday</i>	1-2	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18
Saturday Bracketed Compact KO Teams	1-4	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Bracketed Knockout Teams	3-4	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18

**Saturday, November 27, 3 p.m.**

Colleen M. Wiley 299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
Colleen M. Wiley 0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$15

**Saturday, November 27, 7:30 p.m.**

William Seamon Memorial Strati-Flighted Side Swiss Teams	single	Cypress 2	\$15	\$17
Saturday-Sunday Side Game Series	2nd single session	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$15

**Saturday, November 27, 11:30 p.m.**

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Crystal G	\$12/team/match	
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Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (2500+), B (750-2500), C (0-750). For Strati-Flighted events, A/X are 5000+/0-5000 and play in their own game; B (1500-2500), C (750-1500) and D (0-750) play in their own game.

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

## Saturday Sponsors

### Colleen M. Wiley 0-5, 0-20, 99er, 199er, 299er Pairs

Colleen M. Wiley signed up to take lessons in a beginning bridge class on Sept. 1, 2001, and began promptly the next week. (It was love at first bridge hand!) She received the Goodwill Ambassador Award in May 2007 and made Life Master in August 2007. She then began teaching a beginning bridge class in February 2008. She taught (and loved teaching) through September 2008. On September 2008, Colleen and her husband, Bill, were in a devastating automobile accident — but after two years of surgeries and rehabilitation, she is now back at the bridge tables three times a week. Her passion for bridge continues.

### South Florida Bridge Players Golf Tour Bracketed KO 2

The tour works as follows: Via e-mail, each week, Mike Becker, ("The Commissioner"), finds out the number of times each player wants to play, and on what days (and hours of the day) they are available. "Senior" players take into account their doctor appointments. Mike organizes them into foursomes and sends them to one of the ten private courses the tour plays in the Boca Raton area. In 2009, 667 rounds were played by tour members. Mike also tracks the money won and lost through small stakes betting, and at year end, the player

who won the most money earns the "Tour Leader Award." Players also vote on the Most Improved Golfer Award.. Some years, no one gets the M.I.G.A., because, well, there is no player who actually improved.

The tour members are: Mike Becker, David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Gary Cohler, Richie Coren, Marc Culberson, John Griscom, Marshall Hall, John Lewis, Bob Jones, Joe Machotka, Victor Markowicz, Bernie Miller, Barnet Shenkin and Stan Tulin.

### William Seamon Memorial Stratiflighted A/X and B/C/D Side Teams

Billy Seamon was the patriarch of one of America's greatest bridge dynasties. Billy, his wife, Rita; his sisters, Edith Kemp-Freilich and Ann Burnstein; his daughter, Janice Seamon-Molson, his son, Michael, and his son-in-law, Mark Molson have won a total of 74 NABC+ championships, and finished second 60 times! Billy's five NABC victories included the Vanderbilt, the Grand National Teams and the Spingold (twice), but he was proudest of his win in the Master Mixed Teams with Rita and Edith in 1974. He also had six second-place finishes in NABC events. Billy was a contributing editor to *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*, and a syndicated bridge columnist. Billy passed away in 1992 at the age of 75.

## 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.

## Masterpoint disclaimer

Scores as reported in the Daily Bulletin are subject to change because of score changes or corrections.

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**Today's Bridge Events**

**0-5 Newcomers play free today!**

**Friday, November 26, 9 a.m.**

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Educational Foundation Bracketed Knockout Teams	2nd	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	1st single session	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18

**Friday, November 26, 10 a.m.**

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Crystal G	Free	Free

**Friday, November 26, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.**

Happy Birthday Jayne Thomas Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	Crystal H	\$16	\$18
Gator Jayne Stratified Senior Pairs	1-2	Crystal H	\$16	\$18

**Friday, November 26, 1 p.m.**

Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	3rd single session	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18
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**Friday, November 26, 1 & 7:30 p.m.**

<b>NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS</b>	1-2 Q	Grand 1-8	\$20	—
<b>SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS</b>	1-2 Q	Grand 1-8	\$20	—
<i>Both events: 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions.</i>				
<b>BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS</b>	Round 1	Grand 9-14	\$20	—
<i>Entry required by 11 a.m. One match per day until complete. Continues daily at 1 p.m.</i>				
<b>Manfield Non-Life Master Pairs</b>	1-2	Cypress 1	\$17	—
<i>5% Gold overall</i>				
Florida Unit 128 Salutes Jayne Thomas Stratified Open Pairs 1-2		Cypress 1	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Bracketed Knockout Teams	1-2	Cypress 2	\$16	\$18

**Friday, November 26, 3 p.m.**

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Crystal G	Free	Free

**Friday, November 26, 7:30 p.m.**

Strati-Flighted Side Swiss Teams	single	Cypress 2	\$15	\$17
Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	4th single session	Cypress 1	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Crystal G	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Crystal G	Free	Free

**Friday, November 26, 11:30 p.m.**

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Crystal G	\$12/team/match	
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Unless otherwise noted, the strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (2500+), B (750-2500), C (0-750).

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

**Friday Sponsors**

**The Gator Jayne Stratified Senior Pairs**

When the NABC committee considered the gator logo for this year's Fall NABC, some members of the committee were less than enchanted with it. When one of them said, "That's Gator Jayne," the rest of us laughed and agreed it's a great logo. That's how Jayne looks sometimes when she's ready to make an overtrick — or when she realizes she didn't defrost anything for dinner that night. Jayne also happens to be the other kind of Gator, having graduated from the University of Florida as one of only four women graduating with a degree in mathematics that year. The things you didn't know about your 2010 Fall NABC chair!

**Happy Birthday Jayne Thomas Stratified Daylight Open Pairs**

Jayne Thomas served as District Director from District 9 for many years. Because of this, she was always at the Fall NABC for her birthday. This year is no exception. Three days ago was Jayne's birthday. Happy birthday, Jayne, and many happy returns.

**Florida Unit 128 Salutes Jayne Thomas Stratified Open Pairs**

For more than 25 years, Jayne Thomas has been Executive Manager of Florida Unit 128 (by far the largest unit in all ACBL). She continues to run tournaments that offer free coffee and orange juice, an open hospitality suite and complimentary pizza, desserts, make your own sundaes and a Thursday buffet dinner at Unit 128 regional tournaments, as well as subsidized Sunday lunch items at no additional entry fee. Jayne will be missed by Unit 128 when she retires at the end of 2010. Thank you, Jayne, for all you have done for Unit 128 during your tenure.



**GET ONLINE WITH BRIDGE BASE**

Don't miss this opportunity to meet with Fred Gitelman, the creator of the ACBL's Learn to Play Bridge program. Get a guided tour of the Bridge Base site and its outstanding teaching features.

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**Date:** Monday, November 29

**Time:** 11 a.m. – noon • **Location:** Crystal B