

# Daily



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## The natural: Bobby Levin now at a high point in his life

The way Bobby Levin sees it, providence made him a bridge player, and he may be right. Consider some of the evidence.

As a boy of 12, he found himself in Southampton on Long Island one summer with weather so bad he couldn't go outside. His mother was interested in bridge and bought him a book. They started learning together. "It was like nature made me learn bridge," Levin says.

At the age of 13, he won the first tournament event he ever entered -- the Men's Pairs in a tough field at a New York sectional.

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Bobby and Jill Levin

## Shugart maintains Reisinger lead

The four-member team captained by Rita Shugart held onto first place going into the two final sessions of the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams. Shugart, Andy Robson, Geir Helgemo and Tony Forrester had taken a three-board lead after the first day of play Friday.

The final sessions of the Reisinger can be seen on vugraph starting at noon today in the Plaza International Ballroom. See story elsewhere on this page.

All five contenders for ACBL's 1998 *Player of the Year* award are still in the event, each with a chance to win. Paul Soloway, playing on the Nick Nickell team, is leading. The others are Helgemo, Lew Stansby, Richard Schwartz and Geoff Hampson.

While the Shugart squad stayed in front, the team's lead shrank to .53. In second are George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Peter Weichsel and Alan Sontag.

The third-place team -- Jeff Wolfson, Neil Silverman, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Zia Mahmood and Michael Rosenberg -- was only .85 behind the leaders.

In fourth place were Nickell, Richard Freeman, Soloway, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell.

## Southern squad leads in North American Swiss

The team captained by Richard Potter -- all from the South -- held a narrow lead after two days of play in the North American Swiss Teams.

Potter, of Black Mountain NC, is playing with John Potter, Panama City FL; Don Caton, Pensacola FL; Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA; Joe Gottler, Elberta AL, and Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC. They finished play Saturday with 125 Victory Points.

In second with 121.6 VPs were Jack Coleman, Mike Shuman, Mark Molson, Boris Baran and Chris Compton.

In third place were Steve Beatty, John Onstott, Bobby Goldman and Mark Lair.

Teams captained by Nadine Wood, Robert Ryder, Jeff Schuett, Glenn Lublin, Dan Fowler, Bernie Chazen and Michael Huston rounded out the top 10.

## Reisinger final set for vugraph today

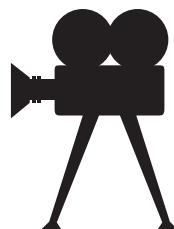
A vugraph presentation of the two final sessions of the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams is scheduled for noon and 7 p.m. today in the Plaza International Ballroom at the Peabody.

Even if you are playing at the Convention Center, you can grab a 50-cent hot dog at the Peabody (served from 2 p.m. until they run out) and sit in on the show, which will feature a panel of commentators and analysts.

ACBL commentators Chris Compton and Barry Rigal will be joined by David Berkowitz, George Jacobs, Chip Martel, Zia Mahmood and other international players.

This year's Reisinger has special interest because of Paul Soloway's shot at an unusual grand slam in bridge -- victories in the Vanderbilt, Spingold, International Team Trials and the Reisinger. If Soloway wins the Reisinger, he will also be ACBL's 1998 *Player of the Year*.

Complete vugraph records of the action will be posted on the ACBL Web site -- [www.acbl.org](http://www.acbl.org) -- within two weeks.



OKbridge Tournament Chairman Roy Green

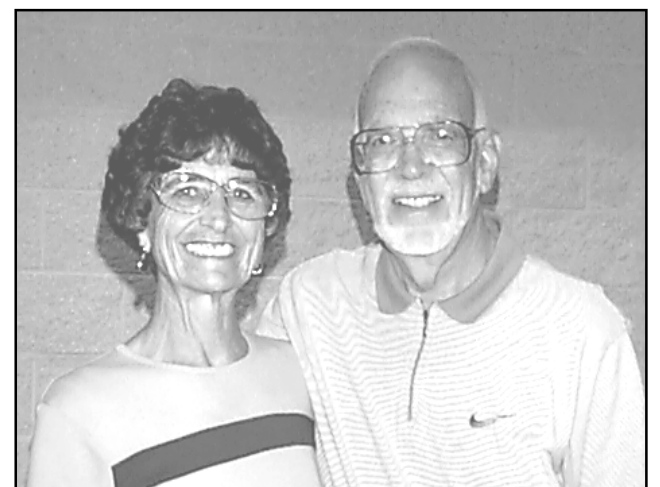
## World Internet Championships set for next year

The first annual World Championships of Internet Bridge will take place over a period of nine months next year. The championships will be conducted by OKbridge, with the ACBL as a co-sponsor. There is a reasonable probability that the World Bridge Federation also be a co-sponsor.

The event, open to all, will get under way on March 1 and will conclude in Boston on Nov. 17 and 18, just before the start of the Fall North American Championships. There will be two championships, one open and one for women. All bridge will be played on computer, but the finals will be vugraphed in Boston. A Junior championship will be held as well, but the final for this will be held on computer -- the participants who reach the final will go to Boston.

An all-star cast will be in charge of the tournament. Gary Blaiss, head of the Tournament Division at ACBL, will be the chief director. The tournament chair-

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Lorraine and Allan Gustafson

## Husband and wife love their new hobby

Remember what Wonjoo Goldstein said the other day? She couldn't understand why anyone would suggest that it's a bad idea for husbands and wives to play together -- she loves playing with her husband Steve.

Well, Allan and Lorraine Gustafson of Carey NC totally agree with Wonjoo. They became Life Masters together in the quarterfinals of the Friday-Saturday Knockout Teams.

"Allan has never played duplicate with anyone but me," said Lorraine, "and I have played only a few times with anyone other than Allan. We love to play with each other. We don't need to play with anyone else."

Both are relatively new to duplicate bridge. Over the years they had played a little social bridge from time to time, but when they retired three years ago, they were looking for some new recreation -- and they found duplicate.

"My sister, Jeanette Kelleher, took us to a recreation part in Venice FL and there was a bridge game being organized," said Lorraine. "Allan and I decided to try it, and it was fun. What was even better -- we won!"

Did they take lessons? How did they learn the ins

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## 2a

Alan Truscott has offered a prize to the person who can identify the most people in this photograph. It was among the papers left by the late Rixi Markus. Truscott believes the photo was taken at an East Coast tournament in 1946 or 1947. You may send your answers to Truscott at 3333 Henry Hudson Parkway, Apt. 20H, Bronx NY 10463.

### Just like magic

By JoAnna Stansby

Here in Orlando, it's not only the basketball players who are "magic". Watch Billy Eisenberg in action on this deal from the second qualifying session at the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams.

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

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

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

West	North	East	South
Stansby	Arnold	Kadayam	Eisenberg
	Pass	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

I led the ♥6, ducked to Srikanth Kadayam's queen. He started to think and I was kicking myself for not having led my highest spot. Reasonably enough, partner returned a low heart Declarer won the jack and crossed to the ♦K to take the spade finesse. I won my king and for lack of anything better to do just exited with a heart to dummy's ace. Declarer now proceeded to draw trumps -- jack from dummy, low from partner -- and now Eisenberg noticed that there was no ace of trumps in his hand! Where could it be???

After a thorough search, it was discovered that he had played the ace to the first round of trumps and that I had thrown my king under it! Avoiding a trump loser and making FIVE! It was like magic!

### Good card reading

Doug Heron drew some conclusions about this hand from the North American Swiss qualifying as a result of the opening lead. Then he acted upon them -- successfully.

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

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

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

West	North	East	South
	Allison		Heron
Pass	2♦ (1)	Pass	1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	2NT

(1) Forcing Stayman.

West's opening spade lead rode to the jack, and Heron was quite sure it was a fourth-best lead. He felt certain West would have led a five-card suit if he had one, so Heron felt it was likely West had a 4-4-4-1 distribution. Since he could see eight clubs, he decided the most likely singleton was in clubs. And he played the deal on that assumption.

At trick two he led a club, and West won with the queen. A spade came back to Heron's ace, and since he needed an extra diamond trick he led a diamond toward the queen. West ducked, so the queen won. Heron called for a club, East winning the king and driving out the ♠K.

But Heron was in good shape. He cashed his high hearts and led the ♣10, forcing out the ace. East led back a diamond, but Heron rose with the ace, crossed to the ♣J and cashed the good heart for nine tricks and his vulnerable game. At the other table North-South stopped in a partial and made 120, so the gain was 11 IMPs.

East of course could refuse to take his ace when Heron led the ♣10. If so, Heron would cash his ♦A and then put East in with his high club. East would be forced to lead a heart to dummy's king for the ninth trick.

### Early endplay

On this deal from the first final session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs, Howard Weinstein and Zia Mahmood didn't get to a sketchy game that just happens to make, but Weinstein managed to get a good result by accurate card reading.

Dlr: East ♠ 10 7  
 Vul: Both ♥ J 10 9 4  
 ♦ J 9 7 4  
 ♣ Q 10 9

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

♠ Q 9 2  
 ♥ 8  
 ♦ K 8  
 ♣ A K J 8 7 4 2

West	North	East	South
Zia		Weinstein	
		1♠	2♣
Pass	Pass	Dbf	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	All Pass

South led the ♣A and continued with the king. Weinstein ruffed and cashed the ♠A. He followed with the ♥K, noting the fall of the 8 from South (North played the jack). Weinstein then cashed the ♦A, noting the fall of another 8 from South. Reading the cards accurately, Weinstein played a low diamond from his hand. South won but was down to all black cards. Rather than give Weinstein a ruff and sluff with the play of a club, South got out with a spade, perhaps hoping partner had the jack.

Weinstein won the ♠J and could have taken the rest of the tricks on a red-suit squeeze against North even if he had not had a finesse position in diamonds.

Plus 200 was good for 26 of 38 matchpoints.

### Section top prizes

Section top prizes will be available at the Peabody on the Convention level today.



# The Wildavsky Quartet

By Adam Wildavsky

Often several sessions go by without a hand worth reporting. During the second session of the Open Pairs final Dan Morse and I found four.

On board 3 North discovered that it's not only honors that need to be covered.

Dlr: South ♠ Q 10 3 2  
 Vul: E-W ♥ 9 8 4  
 ♦ 7 6 3  
 ♣ 10 7 2

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

♠ K 8 7  
 ♥ J 5  
 ♦ A K J 8  
 ♣ A Q 6 3

West Wildavsky	North	East Morse	South
Pass	Pass	1NT	Dbl
2♥	All Pass		

South did well to double, as I'd have been able to transfer into hearts otherwise, and the hand could easily play better from Dan's side. As things were North led a diamond and South cashed three rounds before switching to a trump. I won dummy's 10 and led the ♣4. South did well to duck, playing the 4. Now I ran the ♣8 to South, who again did well by winning with the ace, the card he was known to hold. South exited with another trump and I guessed the club position by leading the ♣J, throwing a spade to make two. Plus 110 was worth 56 on a 77 top. Look what happens, though, if North covers the ♣8 with the 10! Now I'm held to seven tricks for a poor score.

On the second board of the round Dan and I found ourselves defending 2NT.

Dlr: West ♠ K  
 Vul: Both ♥ A 7 6 5  
 ♦ A 10 9 7 3 2  
 ♣ J 3

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

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

West Wildavsky	North	East Morse	South
Pass	1♦	Dbl	Rdbl
1♥	Dbl.	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♦	Pass	2NT
All Pass			

Concerned that dummy would have decent heart spots, I led the ♥J. With eight tricks on view declarer won the ace and cashed ♦K and ♦Q. Playing standard carding Dan pitched the ♣9. Dan's showing out could not have been too much of a surprise, but declarer could not afford to overtake. Declarer now played a club to the jack and king. Dan returned a heart and I saved my king to make sure I won the fourth round, while declarer pitched three spades. Now I played a club to Dan's ace and he switched to a spade.

This caught declarer in a rare defensive winkle (!), and he had to concede down one, worth 51 matchpoints to us. For more on the winkle, see Terence Reese's *Master Play*.

On board 7 we played against Doug Heron and Barry Rigal. You may remember that Doug has been writing about winning tricks with small spots, both in Lille and here in Orlando. Here Doug was in a sense

hoist on his own petard.

Dlr: South ♠ 10 9 8  
 Vul: Both ♥ 8 7 4  
 ♦ A K 8 7 4  
 ♣ 10 9

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

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

Dan and I arrived in 3NT via an auction that may not have been duplicated:

West Wildavsky	North	East Morse	South
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦!	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Dan and I had agreed that 2♦ was New Minor Forcing, and there our agreements ended, so everything afterwards was presumably natural. I expected 2NT to be a 5-3-3-2 11-count or so -- it shows how much I know. Fortunately no one asked, though I expect I'd have answered, truthfully and correctly, that we had no agreement. I bid 3♣ in case partner held three clubs and wanted to play there -- I was concerned about the now marked diamond lead. Once Dan bid 3♦ I bid 3NT since it seemed at least as likely to make as anything else, and carried a higher reward to boot!

Playing "third from even, low from odd" against notrump, a method I've used myself with some success, Doug led the ♦4. I won the trick with the 5 (no, that's not a record for me) and eventually came to nine tricks. Notice, though, that fourth-best leads wouldn't have helped here. The ♦7 lead makes it easier to bring in the suit than the ♦4 did! On this deal, though, I was going to make 3NT on any diamond lead, since spades were 3-3. Plus 600 was worth 63 matchpoints.

On Board 26 Dan showed one reason he's been so successful for so long. He goes out of his way to make things easy for his partner.

Dlr: East ♠ Q J 10 8  
 Vul: Both ♥ 10 4 3  
 ♦ 10 8 5  
 ♣ J 9 7

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

♠ A K 4 3  
 ♥ Q 8 7  
 ♦ K 7 6  
 ♣ A K 6

West Wildavsky	North	East Morse	South
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♣
All Pass		Pass	4♣

Dan led the ♦3 and after winning the ♦Q, I guessed to continue with ace and a diamond. Declarer cashed the ♠A and ♠Q while I pitched a club. Then he tried ace, king and a club. I thought I was going to win with the queen, but Dan, realizing that his trumps were not going to do him any good, ruffed my trick and exited with his last trump. Now down three was easy. Plus 300 was worth 71 matchpoints. Thanks, Dan!



Richard Aronson, left, and Corey Cole of Oakhurst CA won \$514 in the Jackpot Pairs for finishing second in Strat B. Aronson was misidentified as Richard Anderson in yesterday's Daily Bulletin.

## Hal Florea Senior Stratified Pairs

Harold R. "Hal" Florea, who died in December 1996 at the age of 82, will be honored today at the Hal Florea Senior Stratified Pairs.

Florea was a man of many interests, including politics, literature, tennis and bridge. He was a retired engineer who held many patents. He remained active until near the end of his life, continuing to play tennis into his late seventies. He won the World Senior Tennis Olympiad in 1990.

During the Seventies and Eighties Florea was probably the most published writer in *The Orlando Sentinel* letters-to-the-editor section. He expressed himself with wit and clarity on a wide variety of political and social issues.

After the late Seventies Florea was not very active in bridge although he retained a wide circle of friends in the bridge community. He continued to play occasionally, usually at Alice Dixon's Grand Slam DBC in Winter Park FL.

Before then, however, Florea was instrumental in upgrading the ACBL's financial situation. He introduced the popular Swiss Team format of team play to the ACBL in Long Island NY in 1962. The eventual switch from board-a-match to Swiss throughout the ACBL resulted in an enormous increase in attendance -- often as much as 500% -- and helped restore the economic viability of otherwise marginal tournaments.

## Smoking policy

Smoking is prohibited on the Convention Level at the Peabody. You must go outside if you wish to smoke.

At the Convention Center, smoking is prohibited in all areas.



## Goodwill message



As we prepare to leave this wonderful Orlando NABC, let's all take an extra moment to say "thank you" to our hosts. The hospitality and entertainment have been spectacular.

I look forward to seeing you at the Spring NABC in Vancouver for "Bridge under the Sails."

*Aileen Osofsky*  
 Chairman, Goodwill Committee

# Tournament Appeals

## CASE SEVENTEEN

Subject: Misinformation

Event: Blue Ribbon Pairs, 24 Nov 98, First Qualifying Session

Board: 19 *Loise Kavall*

Dealer: South ♠ 10 7 6 5 2

Vul: E/W ♥ J 5 4

♦ 10 3

♣ 10 5 2

*Mary Vickers*

♠ Q J 4 3

♥ 9 6 3

♦ 8 5

♣ J 7 6 4

*Paul Vickers*

♠ A 9 8

♥ A K Q 10

♦ 7

♣ A K 9 8 3

*Frank Scali*

♠ K

♥ 8 7 2

♦ A K Q J 9 6 4 2

♣ Q

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pass	2♦	3♣	2♣
Pass	Pass	3♥	3♦
			All Pass

**The Facts:** 3♥ made five, plus 200 for E/W. The Director was summoned by E/W at the end of the play. Attention was drawn to N/S's convention card (only one of which was filled out), on which an opening 2♣ bid was marked as 20+ HCP and a 2♦ response as waiting; no mention was made that 2♣ could be 8+ playing tricks, which N/S claimed to be playing. North thought 3♦ was non-forcing; South thought it was forcing. The Director explained that the guidelines are being rewritten as to what constitutes a psych of a 2♣ opening. At present, no one knows exactly where the dividing line exists with a single-suited hand between a clear psych (e.g., thirteen deuces) and a valid 2♣ opener (e.g., thirteen solid spades). The present hand is clearly in the huge middle ground. The Director ruled that opening 2♣ with the South hand was not a violation and that the table result would stand.

**The Appeal:** E/W appealed the Director's ruling. Only East and West attended the hearing. E/W repeated the above description of the (sole) N/S convention card, stating that they both looked at it without asking any further questions. West said that she was worried about being doubled after East bid 3♥ and didn't want to give the opponents an extra shot at doubling by bidding a game. N/S's partnership agreement (as determined by the Director) was that 2♣ was strong and game forcing except after a "cheapest-suit double negative" from responder and a suit rebid by opener. North passed 3♦ (even though she thought it was intended as forcing) because the "intonation" of East's 3♣ bid made her think game was unlikely. The Committee determined that N/S were a first-time partnership and that North was a non-LM while the other three players were all LMs.

**The Committee Decision:** The Committee consulted with the Screening Director and discovered that there is a grey area regarding what constitutes an acceptable 2♣ opening based on a long suit. However, while it is difficult to identify an example hand which delineates valid from invalid 2♣ openings, a hand from a previous case heard at this tournament was available to serve as a precedent. In that case a player had opened 2♣ and passed the (negative) 2♦ response, indicating that the decision to open 2♣ was probably a maneuver. In the present case, South's 3♦ rebid suggested that he evaluated his hand as (mostly) game forcing.

The Committee was unanimous that E/W had no case. West had heard North pass 3♦ and South pass over 3♥; hence, N/S were going nowhere. The Committee members believed that West's pass of 3♥ represented a failure to play "normal" bridge, given that East had bid, at vulnerable versus non-vulnerable, twice in the face of a 2♣ opening. Therefore, West had reason to believe that 4♣, if not 5♣, had to have play. The Committee allowed the table result to stand.

In a sense South's unusual valuation had "fixed" E/W, but that valuation was not illegal. E/W had correctly consulted the Director at the end of the hand and had the right to contest the table ruling by pursu-

ing the issue further. But in screening the law was correctly explained to them and they were told that pursuing the matter even further, to an Appeals Committee, would be at their own risk. Here, given the level of the event (the Blue Ribbon Pairs), the Committee decided that an Appeal Without Merit penalty was fully appropriate.

Committee: Barry Rigal (chair), Lowell Andrews, Phil Brady, Abby Heitner, Marlene Passell

## CASE EIGHTEEN

Subject: Tempo

Event: NABC Life Master Open Pairs, 21 Nov 98, First Final Session

Board: 26 *Roger Doughman*

Dealer: East ♠ A K J 5

Vul: Both ♥ A 9 8

♦ K J 9

♣ Q 8 2

*Kay Schulle*

♠ Q 10

♥ K J 6 2

♦ A 8 5 3

♣ K 7 5

*Gerald Sosler*

♠ 8 6 2

♥ 10 4

♦ Q 10 6 4 2

♣ A 4 3

*Michael Crawford*

♠ 9 7 4 3

♥ Q 7 5 3

♦ 7

♣ J 10 9 6

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♦	1NT	2♦	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	Pass (1)
			2♥

All Pass

(1) Break in tempo

**The Facts:** 2♥ made three, plus 140 for N/S. The Director ruled that there had been a break in tempo before South passed 2♦. The Director ruled that pass was a logical alternative for North and imposed that bid. The contract was changed to 2♦ made two, plus 90 for E/W (Law 16A).

**The Appeal:** N/S appealed the Director's ruling and all four players were at the hearing.

N/S stated that a maximum hand of 18 HCP called for a further bid in competition and that the pause had not been an extended one.

E/W stated that they thought that doubling and then bidding notrump was the correct action with the North hand. They believed the break in tempo made doubling on the second round a more attractive suggested alternative.

**The Committee Decision:** The Committee believed once North decided to treat his hand as a vulnerable 1NT overcall, it was dangerous to reopen with a double. A break in tempo would certainly have made pass a viable alternative. All four players agreed that South's pause before passing was more than five seconds. However, North agreed that he had detected a break in tempo. The Committee therefore decided that, although in context a five-second pause did not automatically convey a break, in this case North had identified a break, and so there was one.

The Committee changed the contract to 2♦ made two, plus 90 for E/W.

**Dissenting Opinion (Richard Popper):** I am only disagreeing with the score adjustment. The "most unfavorable result that was at all probable" (Law 12C2) for N/S was minus 110, not minus 90. North may have tried a passive defense of three rounds of spades (instead of shifting to clubs at trick two) and South might fail to cover the ♥10, allowing West to discard a club from dummy on a heart. West would then lose two spades, one heart, and one diamond.

I do not consider this defense likely enough to be the "most favorable result that was likely" and agree with awarding E/W plus 90.

Committee: Bill Passell (chair), Richard Popper, Barry Rigal, Ellen Siebert, Michael White

## CASE NINETEEN

Subject: Misinformation

Event: NABC Life Master Open Pairs, 21 Nov 98, Second Final Session

Board: 8 *Eddie Wold*

Dealer: West ♠ 10 7 3

Vul: None ♥ A Q 9 6 2

♦ A 2

♣ Q 8 6

*Dan Jacob*

♠ A 8 5

♥ K J 7 5

♦ J 10 9 3

♣ J 3

*Cameron Doner*

♠ K J 6 2

♥ 8 4

♦ Q 8 4

♣ A 10 7 2

*George Rosenkranz*

♠ Q 9 4

♥ 10 3

♦ K 7 6 5

♣ K 9 5 4

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1NT (1)	2♦ (2)	Pass	2♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass

(1) Announced; 10-12 HCP

(2) Announced; Transfer

**The Facts:** 2♥ doubled went down two, plus 300 for E/W. The Director was called at the end of the play. East's double, which was not Alerted, showed cards and was not specifically a penalty double. The issues were whether N/S were owed an Alert regarding the nature of the double and if so, whether the misinformation led to N/S's poor result. The Director explained to the Committee that the Alert Procedure pamphlet contained two inconsistent statements, one of which indicated that East's double required an Alert while the other indicated that it did not. Because the guidelines were inconsistent and because the result may not have been causally related to the Alert issue, the Director allowed the table result to stand.

[Editor's note: The two statements in the Alert Procedure referred to by the Director are not inconsistent, as was indicated to the Committee. One statement applies to doubles made opposite a partner who has made no call other than pass while the other applies when partner has made some call other than pass. For a complete explanation of the Alert procedure as it applies to such doubles, see pages 10-11 of the ACBL Alert Procedure.]

**The Appeal:** N/S appealed the Director's ruling. All four players were present at the hearing. The first nine tricks had been played as follows:

W: ♦J, A, 4, 5

N: ♣6, 2, K, 3

S: ♦K, 3, 2, 8

S: ♦5, 9, ♥2, ♦Q

S: ♠3, 2, 9, A

W: ♣J, 8, 7, 5

W: ♦10, ♥Q, ♠6, 7

N: ♥6, 4, 10, K

W: ♥5, A, 8, 3

South believed, due to the failure to Alert, that the heart length and strength were behind dummy (East). He thus played to establish a favorable end position and his efforts fell short of success. South stated that he would not have embarked on this line of play had he been informed that the double was card-showing and did not promise heart values.

East contended that prior to attacking trumps, South's line of play revealed that West's 1NT opening contained 6 HCP outside the heart suit. Accordingly, South's failure to modify his initial impression was clearly erroneous.

**The Committee Decision:** At trick seven, South knew that West likely started with four diamonds, two clubs, and either 4-3 or 3-4 in the major suits. The play of the ♠A and the failure to lead a spade initially suggested that West did not begin with the ace and king of spades. Thus, West's hand must have contained either ♥KJx or ♥KJxx to be within the 10-12 HCP range required for his 1NT opening. South was in a position to reassess his initial impression that West had heart values, but evidently did not do so. His subsequent line of play could not be rationally linked to any clues he may have derived from the auction. The Committee therefore allowed the table result of 2♥ doubled down two, plus 300 for E/W, to stand.

The merit of the appeal was considered next. The Committee, using established NAC guidelines, was unable to reach a consensus that substantial merit was lacking. Thus, the appeal was deemed meritorious.

Committee: Jon Brissman (chair), Lowell Andrews, Harvey Brody, Robb Gordon, Bob Schwartz





# Interesting Play

P.O. Sundelin of Sweden, who has been a regular at North American championships for nearly 20 years, recognizes good Bulletin deals when he sees them. He told us about these when he dropped by the Daily Bulletin office. Both come from the North American Swiss Teams.

♠ 8 7 5  
♥ Q 9 7 5 4  
♦ Q 8 6 4  
♣ 7

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

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

♠ K 10 9 4  
♥ 3 2  
♦ K 10 5 2  
♣ 6 5 4

The club slam looks quite good, but that's not where West was playing the hand -- he was in 6NT! After a spade was led, declarer looked at the dummy longingly -- all those good clubs! How was he going to get to them! He won the ♠J and cashed the ♣A. Then he led the ♥10. Without a flicker Jim Sternberg played low, and the 10 held the trick. But Sternberg rose with the queen on the second lead, completely killing dummy. Nice try by declarer with the ♥10. But hats off to Sternberg for playing low so smoothly.

Richie Reisig was playing 4♥ on the next hand.

♠ 10  
♥ Q 9  
♦ Q 10 9 5  
♣ K Q J 8 7 5

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

♠ 6 2  
♥ A J 8 7 5 4  
♦ 6 4  
♣ 6 4 2

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

West	North	East	South
	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbf	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♥	All Pass

North led the ♣K and Reisig took the ace and led a club right back. South played the jack on the diamond return, and Reisig once again won and led the suit right back. He ruffed the club return and cashed the king of trumps, dropping the 9 from North. Then he ruffed a diamond, dropping the king from South, and took a successful spade finesse. And he was at the crossroads -- should he play North for two spades and one heart, or one spade and two hearts?

He finally decided on two spades and one heart. His plan was to cash the ♠A, ruff a spade and lead a heart. That would endplay South who would have to lead away from the ♥Q-10 into Reisig's ace-jack.

Good plan -- but wrong distribution. North ruffed the ♠A, and a diamond back promoted South's 10 for the setting trick.

They made 3NT at the other table because of that doubleton queen of hearts falling -- six hearts and three aces. But if the distribution had been as Reisig assumed, 4♥ would have made and 3NT would have been down the tube several tricks.

## Gee, Anderson battle for Richmond Trophy

Ken Gee of Regina and Richard Anderson are in a tight fight for the Richmond Trophy, annually presented to the Canadian resident who compiles the most masterpoints. As of the ACBL November cycle, Gee had 1120 points and Anderson 1018. No one else was within 400 points of the leaders.

### 5a

*There was a tie for first in the National 99er Pairs, an event that rewarded the winners with .73 gold points and the rest in red. In the top photo are Carol Robertson, left, and Eileen Schrampf. The other winning pair was Larry Pack, left, and Rick Wollner.*

### 5b

## Fear and trembling!

Diana Holt played this entire deal "in fear and trembling". She was looking at just one queen and her partner, Ed Schulte, had put her in slam!

Dlr: South ♠ 3  
Vul: E-W ♥ K 5 4  
♦ K Q J 10 7 5  
♣ J 7 2

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

♠ A K J 9  
♥ A Q J 7  
♦ A 9 3  
♣ A K

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

West	North	East	South
Holt	Tchamitch	Schulte	Polowan
Pass	3♦	Dbf	4♦
Pass	Pass	Dbf	Pass
4♠	Pass	6♠	All Pass

The opening lead was the ♥4, and Holt didn't like it -- she had to make a major decision at trick one. She realized that this really wasn't a decision after all -- there was no place to put her second heart unless she took the finesse. So she called for the jack and sighed in relief when it won. She cashed the ♦A and ruffed a diamond, then led a second heart. Haig Tchamitch attempted to muddy the waters by playing the king, the card he was known to have, and Holt called for the ace. She ruffed a heart with the 10 and led to the ♣A so she could ruff dummy's last diamond. Then she took the top spades -- and Mike Polowan conceded. Holt's J-9 of trumps was good enough to take a trick against Polowan's Q-8.

# Timing

One of the qualities that makes Zia Mahmood such a dangerous opponent is his sense of timing, particularly when it comes to unusual actions. Zia's decision on this deal from the second final session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs helped Zia and his partner, Howard Weinstein, to a victory in the event by more than two boards.

Dlr: North ♠ A Q  
Vul: None ♥ J 9 6 5  
♦ K 7 6 2  
♣ 6 5 3

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

♠ 5 2  
♥ K Q 10 4 2  
♦ 10 9 4 3  
♣ 10 9

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

West	North	East	South
	Weinstein		Zia
	Pass	Pass	1♠
3♣	Dbf	Pass	?

Mere mortals would probably bid 3♦ with the South cards. Not Zia. He passed!

The defense was deadly accurate.

Weinstein led the ♠A and switched to the ♣6, an important choice of cards. Zia let dummy's ♣9 hold the trick. When declarer continued with a spade from dummy, Zia hopped up with the king, felling Weinstein's queen. When Zia cashed the ♣A, removing dummy's other trump, Weinstein followed with the ♣3. The echo indicated three trumps, so Zia had no problem cashing the ♠J and giving his partner a spade ruff. Zia later collected the ♥A for plus 300 and 34 of 38 matchpoints.

## Easy to go wrong

By Barry Rigal

This deal was a trap for North-South. With an eight-card fit it was easy to reach the wrong spot.

Dlr: West ♠ A 10 5  
Vul: None ♥ A K Q 10 7  
♦ 2  
♣ A J 9 3

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

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

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

Our auction -- 1♥-2♦-3♣-3NT-4NT (quantitative)-6♣ --left us in a poor spot, doomed by the horrific club split.

However, 6NT is a fair spot, with some decent chances if hearts behave. The contract was reached at at least one table, and on a neutral spade lead, declarer (Mayer of New Zealand) started well by winning the ♠Q and passing the ♣6 successfully as East threw a spade. He now had a choice of lines and actually chose to clear the hearts, then to play unsuccessfully for a minor suit squeeze on West. It's better to play a second club, ducking the queen. You can then take the hearts, and when they fail to split, fall back on the diamond finesse. Once West has shown five clubs, the diamond finesse is more likely to succeed than to be offside.

## OKbridge

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man is Roy Green, former CEO for ACBL. Richard Colker is chairman of the appeals committee. There will be worldwide representation on the various committees.

### The opening phase

The tournament will take place in three phases -- the country, the regional and the international.

The first phase will be the country phase. However, within the United States and Canada the divisions will be by state or province since so many are expected to compete. Other countries also may subdivide if there are sufficient entries to justify the division. During this first phase, the majority of each team must reside in the country they represent.

Pairings for the first phase will be on a completely random basis within the various areas.

Champions will be decided in each of the following categories in the first phase:

1. Within the United States, in each of the 50 states.
2. Within Europe, in each of 40 countries.
3. Within South America, in each of eight countries.
4. Within Central America and the Caribbean, in each of 21 countries.
5. Within the Far East, in each of 10 countries.
6. Within Asia and the Middle East, in each of 21 countries.
7. Within the South Pacific, in each of four countries.
8. Within North America: one each from Mexico and Bermuda; one from each province of Canada.

If there is only one entry from any given country, state or province, that one entry will advance to the second phase, but without being declared the champion of that country.

If there are more than 16 teams, the field will be divided into two sections qualifying eight teams in a Swiss type competition on the 20-point Victory Point scale. When the field has been reduced to 16 or fewer teams, the competition will be straight random draw knockout with 24 boards in play. In the event of a tie in the first level of competition, there will be a six-board playoff.

### The World and International phases

The second phase will be the World Regional Competition. A champion will be determined in each of the seven World Bridge Federation zones except North America. North America will qualify two teams for the third phase -- one from the United States and one from a competition among Mexico, Bermuda and Canada.

The regional phase will begin on June 1 and conclude by Aug. 26.

The teams competing in this phase will be the champions of Europe, the United States, South America, Asia and the Middle East, Central America and the Caribbean, the Far East, the South Pacific and the second team from North America (from Mexico, Canada or Bermuda).

Competition in the third phase will see the contestants playing on their home computers, as usual. The two teams that survive then will be give \$5000 to help with their expenses involved in making the trip to Boston for the two-day (64 boards -- 32 each afternoon) final. Earlier matches will consist of 48 boards. In the event of a tie, there will be a six-board playoff.

### Entering the tournament

How does a player go about entering this tournament? Anyone can register for the event by going to the OKbridge home page at <http://www.okbridge.com/>

wcib. There the player can fill out an entry form, naming the members of the team and making payment for the first phase of the competition.

Teams may be made up of four, five or six players. Although there is no minimum of boards required in early phases, any team member must play at least one-third of the total boards played in the three phases to be considered a world champion. Teams that compete in the early phases with four or five members may augment to six, but this must be done no later than the beginning of the Round of Eight in the World Regional phase.

The Chief Tournament Director will seed the events at the World Regional level and the International level. This seeding will be at his personal discretion. The World Regional Competition matches will consist of 36 boards.

OKbridge tournament subscribers play free. The fee for OKbridge Basic subscribers is \$25 per team for each phase. Non-subscribers must pay \$50 per team for each phase. Non-subscribers who enter will receive a guest account with OKbridge that will continue until the team is knocked out. The guest account can be activated up to 30 days prior to the beginning of the competition so that participants may become familiar with play on OKbridge.

Conditions of Contest will be published on the OKbridge home page on Dec. 15.

### Security considerations

When players are competing on computers, there are always security considerations. When a team signs up for the event, they must agree that no other bridge players in the household will be present while they play except with an approved monitor. Tournament officials reserve the right to require monitors at any time. Monitors definitely will be used in the Round of Four in the World phase and in the Round of Eight in the International phase.

Tony Reus of Canada, who has handled many Internet tournaments, will handle routine matters, including matters involving security. He will have final authority on items not covered in the Conditions of Contest or on items that he determines to be ambiguous. His decision will be final.

### Countries involved

Region 1 Europe -- Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and Yugoslavia.

Region 2 -- United States.

Region 3, South America -- Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay.

Region 4, Asia and Middle East -- Bangladesh, Botswana, Egypt, India, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Mauritius, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestine, Reunion, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Syria, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uzbekistan and Zimbabwe.

Region 5, Central America and Caribbean -- Antigua, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Martinique, Netherlands Antilles, Panama, St. Kitts, Surinam, Trinidad and Tobago, Venezuela and the Virgin Islands.

Region 6, Far East -- China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Macao, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Region 7, South Pacific -- Australia, French Polynesia, New Caledonia and New Zealand.

Region 8, North America -- Canada, Mexico and Bermuda. □

## False pretenses

You can never tell what Zia Mahmood is going to do at the bridge table -- and he is one of the most creative players in the world. His falsecard of sorts on this deal from the second final session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs helped Zia and Howard Weinstein win the event going away.

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

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

	♠J 5 2		
	♥K J 6 5 2		
	♦A 8 6 4		
	♣J		
West	North	East	South
	Weinstein		Zia
2♠	Dbf	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

West started with the ♠K, overtaken by East with the ace. Back came a spade, and Zia deviously put up the ♠J. When West continued with the ♠8, Zia saw an opportunity to greatly improve his chances in the heart game.

Zia knew that if he ruffed, reducing dummy to two trumps, East would overruff. Zia might guess hearts, but he would not be able to do so and still have a trump left in dummy to deal with diamonds in case the suit broke 4-2, which was likely.

Zia's solution was to play a diamond from dummy as though the spade card in his hand was going to win the trick. East, of course, was taken in and ruffed his partner's good ♠8. Because the opposing diamonds broke 3-3, Zia was going to make the game even if he ruffed in dummy, but his play could have made a difference.

## Down 1700!

Jane Dillenberg had to find the right lead to exact the maximum penalty on this deal from the Wednesday session of the Bracketed Knockout Teams.

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

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

	♠A J 8 7		
	♥K 9 8		
	♦A Q 4 3		
	♣8 7		
West	North	East	South
Pass	2♣	Dbf	1♦
Pass	Redbl	2♥	Dbf
2♠	Pass	Pass	Dbf
All Pass			

The ♣K looks normal, but declarer would have ruffed, cashed the ♥A, ruffed a heart, ruffed a club and ruffed a heart -- five tricks -- minus 500. That would have been a gain against the opponents' vulnerable game. But Dillenberg led the king of trumps and was happy when she saw dummy. She continued with the ♠Q and led a diamond to Jerry Goldberg's queen. Goldberg pulled the rest of the trumps, then led a club through. North led a heart and declarer went up with the ace -- her only trick! Down seven -- minus 1700.

## Levin

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Ten years later, he became the youngest player ever to win a world championship -- the 1981 Bermuda Bowl.

"He is just a natural," says Jeff Wolfson, with whom Levin won the Life Master Open Pairs at the 1994 Summer NABC in San Diego.

At 41, Levin is at a high point in his life. He and wife Jill -- "the woman of my dreams" -- will celebrate their first wedding anniversary in January. A recently formed partnership with Steve Weinstein has rekindled Levin's hunger to be the best, and he feels content in the bosom of a host of family members who live nearby in the Orlando area.

Now somewhat of a philosopher, Levin says he can appreciate the good times so much because he can remember the low points, "and I've had lots of them." There have been 1-IMP losses in major events, a grand slam disaster in the world championships in Chile and the time in the Bermuda Bowl he went down in a cold slam that he could have claimed at trick one.

Not long ago, Levin felt like sharing some of those character-building moments with a fellow player. At a regional in Daytona, one of Levin's opponents failed to take the setting trick against him, costing the opponent the event, which Levin won.

"He turned white," Levin recalls, "and it looked as if he wanted to kill himself."

Levin knew just how he felt, so after the game, Levin took the fellow to the hotel bar and bought him a drink. "I told him about some of the things that I've been through," Levin says. "He hugged me after we talked because it made him feel better."



Levin's mother, Sheila Kleeman, remembers when her son -- she calls him Robert -- took an interest in bridge. "He was most curious," she remembers, "and very aggressive about my teaching him what I had learned. He was relentless."

It wasn't long after Levin learned the rudiments that he and his mother were going to a bridge club in New York frequented by Abe Goldstein, well known in New York bridge circles at the time.

Goldstein quickly noticed Levin's potential and took the youngster under his wing. One day, Goldstein confided that for 20 years he had been playing in a sectional event named after him. All his partners were experts and Goldstein was at or near the bottom each year. With a twinkle in his eye, Goldstein told Levin, "Maybe if I play with an idiot like you I'll do better."

"Better" turned out to be first place. "It was like God was watching me," Levin recalls. "I played incredibly well for a bad player."

For two years after that, Levin won nothing and played miserably. Still, the victory in his first tournament was enough to get him hooked.

Levin recalls that the allure of bridge in those early days was the process of going from Long Island into New York to play and meeting lots of different people. Then again, he recalls, "the more I did it the more I enjoyed the competitive aspects of bridge."

Hungry for bridge knowledge, Levin would go home after each session and study the hands. Luckily, Levin remembers, "I had a talent to see what happened and learn from my mistakes. I did see the light at times."

Despite his enthusiasm, Levin never harbored a thought of great achievements in bridge, such as world championships or a career in bridge. "I was just having fun and enjoying the mental stimulation."

When Levin was 15, the family moved to Miami. Levin's parents had divorced and the family -- including Levin's brothers, Charles, Fred and Michael -- wanted a new start. Not long after arriving in Florida, Levin became a Life Master at the age of 15 years and four months, the youngest at the time to earn his gold card. Today, he is Grand Life Master with nearly 20,000 masterpoints.

Once in Miami, Levin gravitated to Will Simon's bridge club on 41st Street, where he met two players -- Billy Seamon and Russ Arnold -- who had a profound influence on his bridge career. "They taught me



**Family affair: Bobby Levin with wife Jill, son Andrew and Bobby's mother, Sheila Kleeman.**

a lot about bridge," Levin says. "Billy was a great player -- very disciplined. He was also a great guy with a terrific sense of humor."

By the age of 17, Levin was playing professionally on teams with Arnold, sponsored by Bud Reinhold.

After a year at Miami-Dade Community College, Levin entered the University of Florida in a pre-law curriculum, playing bridge professionally on weekends to earn extra money.

His first North American championship came at the 1978 Spring NABC in Houston, where he and Mike Passell won the Open Pairs. Levin had played most of the tournament with his good friend Ron Smith (San Francisco), but Smith told him playfully, "I'm tired of looking at you." Levin was 18 at the time.

The following year, the bridge world took notice of Levin at the Fall NABC in Cincinnati. He and Smith won the Blue Ribbon Pairs convincingly, then his team -- Reinhold, Arnold, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell -- tied for first in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams. Since the Reisinger was a qualifying event for the team trials to determine ACBL's representative to the world championships, a playoff was necessary.

The two squads -- the opposition was Ira Corn, Ira Rubin, Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman and Bobby Wolff -- settled in for a 12-board playoff in the wee hours of the morning. On one memorable deal, Levin jumped into a strong club auction by Hamman-Wolff with a 2♠ bid. The opening 1♣ bidder held ♠A K Q 10 9 behind Levin and, naturally, doubled. The five trump tricks were all the defenders took, however, as Levin scored it up for a win.

The Reinhold team lost the playoff in Cincinnati, but the team went to Fresno CA the following spring and won the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, qualifying for the team trials. The squad easily won the right later that year to represent the U.S. in the 1981 Bermuda Bowl in Port Chester NY.

The team added John Solodar and defeated Pakistan for the championship.

While the Bermuda Bowl was going on, one of the most interested observers in the New York area was Goldstein, Levin's first mentor, who was hospitalized with terminal cancer. "Every day," recalls Levin's mother, "Abe wanted to know everything that was going on."

The day that the Reinhold team was crowned as Bermuda Bowl champions, Kleeman arranged for Goldstein to be taken to the host hotel. Goldstein was wheeled into the ballroom during the victory celebration. Among the players who spoke to him was Zia Mahmood, a member of the losing Pakistani team. Said Zia to Goldstein: "I wish you had been my teacher."



The day after he won the Bermuda Bowl, Levin returned to the law office run by Janet Reno (now U.S. Attorney) in Miami. He was employed there as part of a work-study project. Levin recalls the pivotal moment in that part of his career: "This woman handed me a big pile of subpoenas that I was supposed to serve in Liberty City -- a really bad part of town. I said to myself, 'This isn't for me. I like the other life better.'"

Within a couple of weeks, Levin had gone to work

for Reinhold, who had a fiberglass factory in Hialeah. Levin did everything from cost studies to sales, playing bridge on weekends "for real money."

Another major turning point in his life occurred during the World Bridge Championships in Biarritz, France. "It rained for 17 days," Levin recalls, "and I was sick as a dog. One day I walked into a restroom, coughing my head off, and there was Ron Rubin. He said, 'When are you going to come to work in the options business?'"

Three months later, Levin was in Chicago, taken in by Wolfson, who offered Levin a place to stay while he got settled. Wolfson also helped Levin learn options trading. "He was like a brother to me," Levin says. "He was there for me in every possible way."

Says Wolfson: "Bobby had the same ability as a trader that he has as a bridge player. He is very talented when it comes to games, and options trading is really just a game."

Despite his talent, Levin had difficulty at first. "I couldn't make a trade," Levin remembers, "because the others were too good and too fast." In fact, the best trader at the exchange appeared to have it in for Levin.

One day, Levin and the top trader were on the floor of the exchange and the man appeared to be nervous. It turned out he was waiting for his mother. When she arrived, she rushed right past her son and went straight to Levin, giving him a big hug and kiss. She then turned to her son to say, "You be nice to him or I'll wallop you."

It turns out that the woman had met Levin at a bridge tournament. She was looking for a partner and didn't know what to do, so she asked Levin, whose photo she had seen in *The Bridge Bulletin*. Levin had taken her by hand and led her to the partnership desk, waiting with her until she found a partner. The woman had not forgotten Levin's kindness.

"The guy took me to lunch that day in a limousine," Levin recalls.

Levin was back in Florida after the market crashed in 1987, entering the real estate business with one of his brothers. He moved to the Orlando area in 1988 and has been here ever since.

The partnership with Peter Weichsel began in 1985 and lasted for 13 years -- and Levin gives Weichsel considerable credit for his growth as a bridge player. "I learned a tremendous amount of bridge from him," Levin says of Weichsel. "I can't say I'll ever be as good a partner as Peter is, but he helped me improve."

Levin is charged up about his new partnership with Weinstein. "Steve is a phenomenal player and partner. He has rejuvenated my hunger for the game and my desire to be the best in the world."

At this stage in his life, Levin feels that everything has come together for him. Last Jan. 31, he married longtime friend Jill Blanchard. "Of all my accomplishments," he says, "marrying her has been the best thing that has ever happened to me."

The Levins now consider themselves the parents of three children -- his son Andrew and her sons, Shane and Justin.

Bridge is Levin's business -- he plays a lot on the Internet, and goes to a handful of regionals each year and is now playing on Richard Schwartz's team with Weinstein -- but he still insists that it be fun. "I want to win as much as the next guy, but bridge is the kind of game where you lose most of the time. I play a lot with Michael Seamon, and the reason we can play together so much is that we have fun." □

## Gustafson

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and out of tournament bridge?

"I taught fourth grade for 30 years," said Lorraine, "and I learned to be totally organized. So I would take the hands we played and we would analyze them for hours. We also got a lot of help from the masters at the Carboro Bridge Club in North Carolina. They really pitched in when they saw how interested we were in improving."

Allan also retired at the same time. He had been a weather forecaster for 30 years. "I have never had to worry about making mistakes when I play bridge. After all, with all that training in mistakes that I got from weather forecasting, I was a master at mistakes." □

## Mini-McKenney leaders

### Rookie of the Year

1.	Brad Campbell, Smyrna GA	158
2.	Beckie Freres, Vancouver WA	136
3.	William Ge, Vancouver BC	130
4.	Jerzy Korfel, Aventura FL	121
5.	Swaminathan Narasimhan, Farmington MI	110
6.	James Quigley, Pittsburgh PA	102
7.	James Di Napoli Jr., Manasquan NJ	99
8.	Ernest Shifflett, Lompoc CA	92
9.	William Weingarden, Santa Monica CA	89
10.	Mel Dartouzos, Jacksonville FL	84

### Junior Master of the Year

1.	Jane Champion, Banner Elk NC	128
2.	John Champion, Banner Elk NC	128
3.	Betty Hoggard, Norfolk VA	125
4.	Michel Cheny, New Milford NJ	102
5.	Mary Boeye, Corpus Christi TX	98
6.	Zhenhua Shao, San Gabriel CA	92
7.	Gary Sikon, Huron OH	86
8.	Dale Soik, Murphy NC	84
9.	William Ervin, Indianapolis IN	83
10.	A. A. Ansari, Round Rock TX	80

### Club Master of the Year

1.	Danny Miles, Waterloo ON	276
2.	Ron Rose, Dayton OH	221
3.	Qing Yang, Pasadena CA	193
4.	Fred Zhang, Cambridge MA	188
5.	Gilbert Fox, Auburn IN	142
6.	Bob Rosenblum, Miami Shores FL	140
7.	Vernell Adams, Jacksonville FL	138
8.	Michael Lucy, Red Lion PA	135
9.	Jean-Marc Gagne, Pierrefonds PQ	127
10.	Gary Moore, Hermosa Beach CA	127

### Sectional Master of the Year

1.	Debashis Ghosh, Houston TX	286
2.	Lev Pinsky, Columbus OH	242
3.	Vincent Demuy, Laval PQ	212
4.	Martin Henneberger, Coquitlam BC	192
5.	Rosemarie Miller, Waverly NY	188
6.	David Grainger, Etobicoke ON	186
7.	Tom Gilpin, Princeton WV	178
8.	Ronald Sykes, Portland OR	169
9.	Mickey Hawrelak, Calgary AB	164
10.	Jamie Schloss, Lexington KY	163

### Regional Master of the Year

1.	W. S. Barker, Walker LA	356
2.	Nicolle Beaugard, St. Lazare PQ	341
3.	Jacob Morgan, Madison WI	304
4.	Jim Saxon, Charlotte NC	256
5.	Daryl Fisher, New Orleans LA	252
6.	Douglas de Montluzin, Metairie LA	250
7.	Charles Halasi, Toronto ON	231
8.	Kelsey Nickerson, Bedford MA	218
9.	H. D. Howe, Lakeland FL	215
10.	Ed Williams, Dearborn MI	206

### NABC Master of the Year

1.	Edwin Hagerman, Las Vegas NV	423
2.	Alan Goldenberg, Oak Ridge TN	283
3.	Chuck Ellison, Madison WI	280
4.	Tom Harbin, Hobe Sound FL	249
5.	Paul Coulter, Jeffersonville IN	239
6.	Pier Westra, Lakeland FL	227
7.	Sarah Haley, Philadelphia PA	226
8.	Kenton Hayes, Louisville KY	224
9.	Thomas Loveday, Sequim WA	223
10.	Corey Krantz, Philadelphia PA	222

### Life Master of the Year

1.	Phil Hook, Atlanta GA	431
2.	Jiun-Ming Chen, West Lafayette IN	398
3.	Florence Upchurch, Banner Elk NC	359
4.	Mita Banerjee, Bethesda MD	350
5.	Nick Bykov, Carmichael CA	336
6.	Dayn Beam, Huntsville AL	315
7.	Albert Wilson, Seattle WA	300
8.	Ellen Cherniavsky, Bethesda MD	298
9.	Carolyn Pinto, Fort Worth TX	297
10.	Sharon Nelson, Brea CA	275

### Door Prize

Robert Hirst was the winner of the last door prize of the tournament last night.

## QUALIFIERS IN REISINGER TEAMS

### 20 Teams

1	Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA; Tony Forrester, Herfordshire; Andrew Robson, Carmel CA; Geir Helgemo, Trondheim, Norway	37.20
2	George Jacobs - Ralph Katz, Hinsdale IL; Alfredo Versace - Lorenzo Lauria, Italy; Peter Weichsel, Los Gatos CA; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD	36.67
3	Jeffrey Wolfson, Boca Raton FL; Neil Silverman, Fort Lauderdale FL; Lew Stansby, Castro Valley CA; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Michael Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY	36.35
4	Nick Nickell, New York NY; Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA; Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	35.38
5	Chris Willenken, New York NY; Dennis McGarry, Lauderhill FL; Hector Camberos, Mexico; Pablo Lambardi, Buenos Aires, Argentina	33.80
6	Robin Klar, Spring TX; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Geoff Hampson, Fenton MI; Eric Greco, Annandale VA; Jim Robison, Las Vegas NV	33.63
7	Bobby Wolff, Dallas TX; Dan Morse, Houston TX; Hugh Ross, Oakland CA; Michael Becker - Barnet Shenkin, Boca Raton FL; Peter Nagy, Las Vegas NV	32.96
8	Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Kingston NY	32.50
9	Richard Schwartz, Flushing NY; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA; Steve Weinstein, Glen Ridge NJ; Robert Levin, Windermere FL	30.96
10	Adam Wildavsky, Flushing NY; Gerald Seixas, Ashland MA; Connie Goldberg - Brian Platnick, Merion Station PA; Ralph Cohen, Memphis TN; Robb Gordon, New York NY	30.24

## QUALIFIERS IN NORTH AMERICAN SWISS TEAMS

### 40 Teams

1	Richard Potter, Black Mtn NC; John Potter, Panama City FL; Don Caton, Pensacola FL; Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA; Joe Gottler, Elberta AL; Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC	125.00
2	Jack Coleman, San Francisco CA; Mike Shuman, Pasadena CA; Markland Molson, Miami FL; Boris Baran, Montreal PQ; Chris Compton, Dallas TX	121.60
3	Steve Beatty, Destrehan LA; John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Bobby Goldman, Lewisville TX; Mark Lair, Canyon TX	109.90
4	Nadine Wood, Silver Spring MD; Robert White, Raleigh NC; Claire Tornay, New York NY; Terry Michaels, Prairie Vlg KS; Douglas Heron, Ottawa ON; Karen Allison, Jersey City NJ	109.80
5	Robert Ryder, Caldwell NJ; William Esberg, Long Branch NJ; Richard Budd, Portland ME; Richard Celler, Madison NJ; Jim Hamilton, Wallingford CT	108.90
6	Jeff Schuett - Ginny Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI; Dick Bruno, Chicago IL; Peggy Kaplan, Minnetonka MN	107.90
7	Glenn Lublin, Silver Spring MD; Frederick Allenspach, Potomac MD; Earl Glickstein, Gaithersburg MD; Richard Holber, Pittsburgh PA	107.30
8	Dan Fowler, Chardon OH; Tom Callahan, Covington VA; Randy Joyce - Kay Joyce, Raleigh NC	99.30
9	Bernie Chazen, Tamarac FL; Jim Sternberg, Jupiter FL; Per Olov Sundelin, Stockholm, Sweden; Richard Reisig, Delray Beach FL; Allan Cokin, Palm Beach FL; Joseph Shay, Ponte Vedra FL	97.40
10	Michael Huston, Joplin MO; George Dawkins, Austin TX; George Pisk, Manchaca TX; David Treadwell, Wilmington DE	93.00
11	Diana Holt, Palm Beach FL; Ed Schulte, Tampa FL; Joseph Godefrin, Sarasota FL; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC; Michael White, Atlanta GA	92.70
12	Jim Liu, Cupertino CA; Xiaodong Zhang, Portland OR; Jiun-Ming Chen, W Lafayette IN; Yifan Yang, Oak Park IL	91.30
13/14	Betty Bloom - Steve Bloom, Duaneburg NY; Mel Colchamiro - Janet Colchamiro, Merrick NY	91.00
13/14	Marc Low - Sandra Low, Centerville OH; David Sachs - Sue Sachs, Baltimore MD	91.00
15	Bert Newman - Kathy Newman, West Bloomfield MI; H Wilton, Cincinnati OH; Norman Coombs, Brookville IN	90.30
16	Larry Washington, Carmichael CA; Ashraf El Sadi, Union City CA; Jean Hume, Livermore CA; Arline Fulton, Golden CO; G S Jade Barrett, Vancouver WA; Jim Hayashi, San Jose CA	90.10

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## 2ND SATURDAY B/C/D PAIRS

96 Pairs	B	C	D		
16.44	1	1		Gina Duggan - Gloria Leash, Melbourne FL	384.50
12.33	2			Joe Phillips, Plantation FL; John Lewis, New York NY	381.00
9.25	3			Jonathan Sundheim, Oviedo FL; Paul Heffington, Casselberry FL	374.00
6.94	4			F M "Wen" Wenger - Barbara O'Neal, Houston TX	373.00
6.98	5	2	1	Billy Chang, Miami FL; Cheng-Pu Huang, Sunrise FL	364.00
3.90	6			Murray Smith, Gibsonton FL; Rahn Smith, Boynton Beach FL	363.00
2.56	7/8			Wilbur Radcliffe - Mary Radcliffe, Orlando FL	361.50
5.24	7/8	3		Thomas Randall, South Orange NJ; Janet Laing, Summit NJ	361.50
3.93	4	2		Andrea Malone, Sunnyvale CA; Rich Regan, Boiling Springs SC	358.00
2.95	5			Carol Stuersel - William Stuersel, Bradenton FL	355.00
2.81	6			Grant Mackinnon, North York ON; Donna Silver, Toronto ON	353.00
3.15		3		Louis Jones, Miami FL; Jacquelyn Caldwell, Clearwater FL	345.00
2.00		4		Charles Meyer - Lee Meyer, Melbourne FL	339.50
1.66		5		Sanford Sisco - Martie Sisco, New Orleans LA	338.00
1.67		6		Jane Davidson - Penn Davidson, Palm Coast FL	328.00

## 2ND SATURDAY FLIGHT A/X PAIRS

86 Pairs	A	X		
33.87	1		Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ; Dorothy Truscott, Bronx NY	1171.34
25.40	2		Grant Baze, La Jolla CA; Michael Whitman, San Francisco CA	1156.65
19.05	3		Spike Lay, Ormond Beach FL; Marilyn Garcia, Daytona Beach FL	1141.48
14.29	4		Robert Blum, Marco Island FL; Mike Cappelletti, Red Bank TN	1140.73
23.84	5	1	Michael Stenglein - Tsing-Hai Wann, Tampa FL	1140.69
17.88	6	2	Linda Rothstein, New York NY; Ellyn Plato, Hastings Hdsn NY	1110.71
6.03	7		Jim Cleary, Bloomfield CT; David Kahane, Evansville IN	1110.56
4.52	8		Nancy Pickering, Penllyn PA; Phil Brady, Philadelphia PA	1109.29
13.41	9	3	Lisa Kow, Concord CA; John Hurd, Charleston SC	1107.09
3.39	10		Ken Bloom, Acton MA; Bill Irvine, Quincy MA	1105.91
10.06	11	4	Richard Laver - Linda Sundbye, Boulder CO	1102.28
3.47	12		Lee Anderson - Dora Anderson, Ft Walton Bch FL	1083.20
7.54	13	5	Donald Riley, Alexandria VA; Richard Zerilli, Springfield VA	1081.63
2.42	14		Janet Miller - Deanna Tomas, Slt St Marie ON	1080.32
4.49	15		Peter Filandro - Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE	1075.85
5.66	16	6	Jim Senter - Gale Senter, Laguna Niguel CA	1071.57
1.99	17		J Baxter Clifford Jr - Carol Clifford, Miami FL	1070.72
4.24		7	John Boyer, Hastings Hdsn NY; Ernest Napier, Brooklyn NY	1067.21
3.18		8	Lois Borok - Eli Borok, Los Angeles CA	1050.38
2.65		9	Christopher Davis, Sparks NV; Toni Bales, Pickerington OH	1050.12

## FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS FINAL

404 Players				
23.10	1/2		Woody Van Court, Memphis TN	132.32%
23.10	1/2		Ernest Stuber Jr, Germantown TN	132.32%
13.00	3/4		Ira Zucker, North Port FL	129.46%
13.00	3/4		Arthur Stone, Sarasota FL	129.46%
7.31	5/6		Betty Fine, Tucson AZ	124.36%
7.31	5/6		Anna Norvelle, Tucson AZ	124.36%
6.53	7/8		Nancy Rassbach, Westminster CO	124.28%
6.53	7/8		Walter Rassbach, Westminster CO	124.28%
6.98	9/10		Carole Frank, Altamonte Spg FL	123.88%
6.98	9/10		Phyllis Spitz, Orlando FL	123.88%
7.86	11/12		Harriett Lake, Longwood FL	123.24%
7.86	11/12		Kay Dennis, Winter Springs FL	123.24%
6.83	13/14		Stephen Levy, Las Vegas NV	123.16%
6.83	13/14		Ted Sterling, Vancouver BC	123.16%
4.05	15/16		Jim Cleary, Bloomfield CT	118.25%
4.05	15/16		William Watson, Windsor Locks CT	118.25%

## 2ND SATURDAY EVENING 299ER TEAMS

12 Teams	A	B	C	
3.08	1			Victor Neugebauer, Clearwater FL; Maggie Hull, Monroe OR; Raymond Gallucci - Sym Gallucci, Rochester NY
2.31	2			Les Jensen, Clinton UT; Eleanor Gendill, Denver CO; Sachi Nakazono, Westminster CO; Mary Frances, Atlanta GA
2.18	3	1	1	Margaret McPherson, Orlando FL; Diane Rozek, Winter Park FL; Kenneth Matheis, Coral Springs FL; Marcelo Camberos, Durham NC
1.64	4	2		Marianne Caldwell, Fernandina FL; Judith Schorner, Vero Beach FL; Michael Byrne - Tom Wilson, Orlando FL
1.23	3			Jerry Newcomb - Carolyn Newcomb, Littleton CO; Billy Catlett, Bronson FL; Raj Narang, Regina SK

## "Our Game" raffle winners

Leo and Pat Perez of Garden Grove CA are the winners of the raffle for the "Our Game" painting that has been on display at the ACBL Product Store. Proceeds of the raffle go to the ACBL Educational Foundation.

Also on sale are limited-edition prints of the painting (\$30 each, \$35 mailed) and postcards (10 for \$8.50).

## Active ethics

Nancy Ferguson of Greenbrae CA reported an active ethics gesture by Mark Cohen of Glen Ridge NJ. In the Life Master Open Pairs, Ferguson and her partner, David Bryant of San Francisco, were in 3NT. The defenders had four diamond tricks and an ace but no more. The contract was scored up as down two, however. During a break, Cohen returned to Ferguson's table to say that he had thought about the deal and realized there was no way the defenders could take more than five tricks, so the score was changed.

## 2ND FRI/SAT KNOCKOUTS

## Bracket 1

16 Teams			
54.76	1		Michael Edwards, Rock Island IL; Sharon Meng, Tampa FL; Ellen Gabriel, Chicago IL; Julie Bradley, Jacksonville FL
41.07	2		Michael Kutska, River Forest IL; Suzanne Dunaway, Oak Park IL; Elaine Said, Nashville TN; Suzanne Trull, Los Angeles CA; Walter Fontaine, North Providenc RI; Michael Yuen, Winnipeg MB
26.95	3/4		Bernard Gorkin - Mary Gorkin, Liverpool NY; John Blubaugh, Indianapolis IN; John Villman, Yorba Linda CA; Frank Mastrola, Swansea MA; James Gordon, S Burlington VT
26.95	3/4		Michael Kovacich, Stone Mtn GA; Liz Swanson, Athens GA; Robert Heller, Decatur GA; Spencer Hurd, Charleston SC
11.85	5/8		Eric Tilton - Jim Mahorner, Tallahassee FL; Richard Kiepfer, Boerne TX; George Acker, Crawfordville FL
11.85	5/8		Robert Carreaux, Fort Wayne IN; Donna Rodwell, Naperville IL; Jeanne Fisher, Clementon NJ; Joan Eaton, Willowdale ON; Bruce Keidan, Pittsburgh PA

## Bracket 2

16 Teams			
36.80	1		Jean Cole, Houston TX; Geoffrey Mallette, Christiansbrg VA; Shannon Lipscomb, Red Bank TN; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA
27.60	2		John Anderson, Baton Rouge LA; Harley Bress, Raleigh NC; Jay Gibson, Plano TX; Annette McCarty, Richardson TX
18.12	3/4		Don Define, Saint Louis MO; Jackie Boisseau, Etobicoke ON; Tarokh Taefi, Atlanta GA; Linda Olbort, Saskatoon SK
18.12	3/4		Pamela Feldhoff - Richard Feldhoff, Louisville KY; Jennifer Christman, Virginia Beach VA; Pat Lang, Virginia Bch VA

## Bracket 3

16 Teams			
25.76	1		Tim Malone - William White - Jeffrey McKee, Arlington TX; Thomas Zinser, Orlando FL
19.32	2		Ronald Zajac, Walled Lake MI; Cecily Larmon, Hobe Sound FL; Mary Juenemann, Bethesda MD; Silvana Bellini, St Petersburg FL
12.68	3/4		Eileen Smith - Jack Rollier - Natalie Rollier, Dallas TX; Judith Lotridge, Plano TX; Gerry McKim - Tina McKim, Garland TX
12.68	3/4		Jay Cohodes, Hollywood FL; Esther Litmanovic - Erez Hendelman, Miami FL; Ronny Dobrin, Montreal PQ

## Bracket 4

16 Teams			
18.40	1		Carl Frank Farley, Madison WI; Judy Felgar, Marion OH; David Miller - Elton Lipnick, Houston TX
13.80	2		Lorraine Jarboe - Daniel Jarboe, Silver Spring MD; Vinay Apte - Ellen Townsend, Atlanta GA
9.06	3/4		Patrick Thompson - Joyce Thompson, Gainesville FL; Harry Thompson - Rosemary Thompson, Leesburg FL
9.06	3/4		Philip Moss, Mattawan MI; Robert Trenary, Mendon MI; Daniel Denison - Mary Lou Denison, Solana Beach CA

## Bracket 5

16 Teams			
12.27	1		William Carlson Jr - Michael Morden, Saint Thomas VI; James Bochsler, Surry SM6.0QQ; Byron Crittenden, Kingswood Surre Y
9.20	2		Sarah Neptune, Massillon OH; Peg Clifford, Canton OH; Janet Peek Clancy, Long Beach NY; Bruce Hutt, Levittown NY
6.04	3/4		Pier Westra - Howard Howe, Lakeland FL; Sue Guldner, Ormond Beach FL; Eugene Joly, Palm Coast FL
6.04	3/4		Susan Heyer, Winter Haven FL; Charles Foster, Jacksonville FL; Phyllis Kaplan, Pt Charlotte FL; John Hoerber, Boca Raton FL

## Bracket 6

16 Teams			
8.10	1		Pat Gunther - Barbara Perkey, Venice FL; Maureen Moriarty - Janet Laudenslager, Nokomis FL
6.08	2		Dolly Harper - Jeannie Braswell, Deland FL; Toby Robinson, Longwood FL; Genie Kaplan, Lake Mary FL
3.99	3/4		Robert Lawrence, New York NY; Thomas Ball, Lakewood OH; Eleanor Gendill, Denver CO; Sachi Nakazono, Westminster CO
3.99	3/4		Allan Gustafson - Lorraine Gustafson, Cary NC; W Lydia Kolsch, Lake Worth FL; Doris Burlington, West Palm Beach FL

## New Life Masters

David and Linda Hall made the grade together by winning a section top in the morning session of the Friday Senior Pairs.

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**2ND FRI/SAT KNOCKOUTS**

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**Bracket 7**

11 Teams  
 5.31 1 Peter Dittner, Oak Ridge TN; Peter Peng, Lake Mary FL; Julie O'Neill, Orlando FL; William Tyrlick, Maitland FL  
 3.98 2 Charles Schulman - Edith Schulman, Casselberry FL; Elinor Saperstein - Rudy Saperstein, Nashville TN  
 2.62 3/4 Fayrene Miller, Palm Bay FL; Nancy Bonney, Vero Beach FL; Lamar Sharp - Janet Sharp, Gainesville FL  
 2.62 3/4 A Goodley - M Goodley - James Tull - Jean Tull, Sacramento CA

**BRACKETED KNOCKOUTS VI****Bracket 1**

16 Teams  
 Ken Gee, Regina SK; Leonard Ernst, Las Vegas NV; Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Jeffrey Blond, Montreal PQ; Steve Gross, Agoura Hills CA; Ellen Anten, Encino CA

vs

Kenji Miyakuni, Chicago IL; Tadashi Imakura, Osaka JP; Yoshiyoki Nakamura - Kazugki Puruta, Tokyo JP

Rich Pavlicek Jr, San Mateo CA; Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Ron Smith - Linda Smith, Hixson TN

vs

George Rosenkranz, Mexico Df 11000; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Cezemy Balicki - Martin Lesnieski - Marrek Szymanoski - Adam Zmudzinski, PO

**Bracket 2**

16 Teams  
 James Parker, Tampa FL; Darcy Parker, Hollywood FL; Betty Parker, Miami FL; Freerk Polling, Aventura FL

vs

Darwin Afdahl, Virginia Bch VA; Margot Hennings - Donald Hennings, Falls Church VA; Vivian Kilstrup, Vail CO; Sheila Pies, Potomac MD

Thomas Carmichael, Iselin NJ; Joel Wooldridge, Buffalo NY; Jeffrey Goldsmith, Pasadena CA; M Ginsberg, Palo Alto CA

vs

Tony Ames - Judy Nassar, Minnetonka MN; Barry Purrington, Saint Paul MN; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL

**Bracket 3**

16 Teams  
 Shawn Samuel, Cambridge MA; Russell Samuel, Locust Valley NY; Jeffrey Rothstein, New York NY; Mike Kirkland, Van Nuys CA

vs

Robert McPhee, Belleville ON; Evelyn Recchia, Cranston RI; Paul Winston, New York City NY; Sheryl McDonald, Las Vegas NV

Nancy Kreps, Lilburn GA; Sharon Kelly, Lawrenceville GA; Nancy Zakim, Greenbrae CA; John Glick, Hope IN

vs

Charles Davis, Dunwoody GA; Michael Strizhevsky, Atlanta GA; Slava Brodski, Millburn NJ; Sviatoslav Dyomin, New York NY

**Bracket 4**

12 Teams  
 Paul Hagerty - Nancy Hagerty, Oviedo FL; Sandra Erickson - Leif Erickson, Longwood FL

vs

Robert Lyon - Raymond Gilbert, Indianapolis IN; Chad Fisher, Pittsburg CA; Cole Powell, Oakland CA

Mike Graham, Ore City TX; Brandon Carpenter - Latoss Carpenter, Whitehouse TX; Doris Bunselmeyer, Lindale TX; Rosemary Dunn, Syracuse NY; Ari Greenberg, Malibu CA

vs

James O'Brien, Rogersville TN; R. Scott Laing, West Palm Beach FL; Alan Goldenberg, Oak Ridge TN; Patricia Riding, HS 01

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**2ND FRIDAY MIDNIGHT ZIP SWISS**

26 Teams

	A	B	
5.46	1		Brenda Montague, Swampscott MA; Walter Fontaine, North Providenc RI; Marjorie Michelin, Venice CA; Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA 4.00
2.25	2/7		Rajan Mehta, Bloomington IN; Charles Skarvan, Indianapolis IN; Silvana Bellini, St Petersburg FL; Mary Juenemann, Bethesda MD 3.00
2.25	2/7		Ken Bloom, Acton MA; Bill Irvine, Quincy MA; Paul Kinney, Jamaica Plain MA; Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA 3.00
2.25	2/7		John Anderson, Baton Rouge LA; Todd Wolford, Aurora OH; Annette McCarty, Richardson TX; Jay Gibson, Plano TX 3.00
2.25	2/7		Frank Aquila, Fairlawn OH; Georgianne Thede, Casselberry FL; Daryl Gahm, Gautier MS; Anne Rockafield, Orlando FL 3.00
2.25	2/7		Robert Kame - Mike Isaacs, ; David Gurvich, New York NY; Rachael Moller, West Harrison NY 3.00
3.03	2/7	1	Raymond Spalding, Atlanta GA; Alan Goldenberg, Oak Ridge TN; Stephen Marcus, Miami FL; Scott Stearns, Clemson SC 3.00
2.27		2	Emerita Hayward, Leonardtown MD; Swapan Sen, Newport News VA; Michael Kavcak - Elizabeth Kavcak, Orlando FL 2.75
1.70		3	Robert Lawrence - Diane Winiger, New York NY; Thomas Ball, Lakewood OH; Donna Anspaugh, Ruskin FL 2.25
1.12		4/5	Kenneth Matheis - Yuri Villanueva, Coral Springs FL; Phil Caille, Tamarac FL; Marcello Camberos, 2.00
1.12		4/5	Lillian Johannessen - Tor Johannessen, N-1360 Nesbru; William Ranagan Jr, Pt Charlotte FL; Frieda Silvert, New York NY 2.00

**FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS**

62 Pairs

	A	B	
6.22	1		Ted Sterling, Vancouver BC; Stephen Levy, Las Vegas NV 215.00
4.67	2		Betty Fine - Anna Norvelle, Tucson AZ 208.00
3.50	3		Walter Rassbach - Nancy Rassbach, Westminster CO 196.50
3.19	4/5	1/2	Joan Casey, Venice FL; Jack Casey, Bondville VT 191.50
3.19	4/5	1/2	Frances Hartman - Terry Shriver, Mechanicsburg PA 191.50
1.52	6		Judi Weiner - Howard Weiner, Bloomfield MI 189.00
2.05		3	Jean Clements - Judy Ladner, Ocala FL 171.00
1.54		4	Frances Allen, Hull MA; George Zimmer, Thornhill ON 166.50
1.39		5	Elaine Cline, Lake Placid FL; Victoria Gregory, Pittsburg KS 164.00
0.92		6	Randy Shaw - Dale Crawford, Oklahoma City OK 155.50

**SATURDAY SENIOR PAIRS**

142 Pairs

	A	B	C	
20.99	1			Freda Engle, Sarasota FL; Paul Robb, Altamonte Spg FL 397.00
15.74	2			Marilyn Le Boy, Longwood FL; Bill Poole, Winter Springs FL 383.00
11.81	3			Michael Kassay, Sarasota FL; Balint Papp, Daytona Beach FL 371.00
8.86	4			Ed Weiss, Chesterfield MO; Jack Armstrong, Falls Church VA 368.00
6.64	5			Gretchen Funk - Marianne Timmons, Safety Harbor FL 367.00
4.98	6			Jo Boyd, Santa Maria CA; Dixie Hsu, San Luis Obispo CA 366.50
3.81	7			Les Roth - Esther Roth, Tampa FL 364.50
2.80	8			Ed Allen, Houston TX; Rose Cleveland, Baytown TX 362.50
3.02	9/10			Vincent Golden, University Park FL; Bud Dean, Belleair FL 360.50
11.57	9/10	1	1	Jay Jones - Gerry Jones, Saratoga CA 360.50
8.68		2	2	Barbara Vann, Longwood FL; Doris Schoenblum, Orlando FL 354.50
6.51		3		Art Stone - Rosemary Dowd, Sarasota FL 352.00
4.88		4		Robert Simon, New Smyrna FL; Helen Goss, Daytona Beach FL 349.50
3.66		5		Wayne Christensen, Houston TX; Gerald Tatz, Delray Beach FL 348.50
2.75		6		Frances Rothenberg - Seymour Rothenberg, Windsor CT 346.00
2.15		7		Jerzy Korfel, Aventura FL; Billie Sanford, Madisonville KY 336.50
2.87			3	Morris Johnson - Gloria Johnson, Brooklyn NY 330.00
2.15			4	Anne Cowan, Winter Spgs FL; Mary Fertig, Maitland FL 321.50
2.17			5	Judith Cocoves - Bonita Baker, Port St Lucie FL 318.00
2.15			6	Edward Koontz, Cocoa FL; Everett Weidner, Cocoa Beach FL 306.50

**2ND SATURDAY AFTERNOON 49ER PAIRS**

20 Pairs

	C	D	E	
2.10	1			Chris Kindt, Middletown CT; Gloria McCain, Orlando FL 108.00
1.58	2	1	1	Elias Lekakos - Evangelie Daskagianni, N Miami FL 102.00
1.18	3			Jean Wheeler, Longwood FL; Billie Barnby, Fern Park FL 100.50
1.05	4	2	2	Donna Harrison, Holliday MO; Kenneth Matheis, Coral Springs FL 99.00
0.66	5			Joyce Howe, Clermont FL; Betty Pride, Wolfeboro NH 95.50
0.53	6			Nina Bentley - William Bentley, Naples FL 94.00
0.79		3		Carol Shemwell, Kissimmee FL; Steve Marcus, 92.50
0.59		4		Judy Frank - John Frank, Day Beach Shore FL 78.50

**2ND SATURDAY AFTERNOON 199ER PAIRS**

28 Pairs

	A	B	
3.08	1		John Parker, St John's NF; Malcolm Coutts, Guelph ON 164.50
2.31	2	1	John Snyder - Marjorie Snyder, Winter Springs FL 156.50
1.73	3	2	Lavon Nelson, Minneapolis MN; Betty Faist, Sacramento CA 154.50
1.30	4		Duane Beisner - Doris Beisner, Las Vegas NV 154.00
1.18	5	3	Donald Smith - Trudy Smith, Barefoot Bay FL 151.50
0.77	6		Dolores Wagner - Karilynn Schutte, Lakeland FL 146.50
0.89		4	Michael Byrne, Orlando FL; Jesse James, Roseville CA 144.50
0.66		5	Carol Cessna - Manon Ross, Fort Myers FL 144.00

**BOSTON MORNING CONTINUOUS PAIRS FINAL**

121 Players

6.87	1/2	Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE 133.01%
6.87	1/2	Peter Filandro, Smyrna DE 133.01%
4.40	3/4	Dale Crawford, Oklahoma City OK 126.57%
4.40	3/4	Randy Shaw, Oklahoma City OK 126.57%
4.10	5/6	Denis Murphy, Colorado Spgs CO 115.77%
4.10	5/6	Toshiko Yingst, Colorado Spgs CO 115.77%

## SATURDAY AM BOSTON CONTINUOUS PAIRS

24 Pairs	A	B		
2.93	1/2		Peter Filandro - Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE	116.00
2.93	1/2		Randy Shaw - Dale Crawford, Oklahoma City OK	116.00
2.58	3	1	William Martzloff, Zephyrhills FL; Sue Fischer, Rochester NY	96.71
1.41	4		Ellen Anten, Encino CA; Steve Gross, Agoura Hills CA	96.43
1.94	5	2	Hugh Metzger, South Bend IN; Cheryl Singer, Hollywood FL	91.57
1.45	6	3	Lynne Baker, Tampa FL; John Farhangui, Lutz FL	87.50
1.80		4	Shoshana Romano, Haifa; Romano Albert,	87.43
1.29		5	Chris Behrens, New York NY; Patrick Shaw, Olean NY	87.08

## 2ND SATURDAY AM 20/50 PAIRS

18 Pairs	C	D		
2.00	1	1	Louis Navin - Sharon Navin, Naples FL	104.00
1.50	2	2	Henny Panell, Clermont FL; Richard Regan, Boiling Springs SC	103.00
1.13	3		Joyce Howe, Clermont FL; Betty Pride, Wolfeboro NH	98.00
0.84	4		Jack Lane - Joan Lane, Naples FL	96.50
0.63	5		William Bentley - Nina Bentley, Naples FL	88.00
0.74		3	Joy Nasso - Art Nasso, Boca Raton FL	87.50

## 2ND SATURDAY AM 100/200 PAIRS

30 Pairs	A	B		
3.21	1	1	Carol Robertson, Orlando FL; Eileen Schrampf, Winter Park FL	166.00
2.41	2		Diana Macaulay, Bainsville ON; Colette Comeau, St Hilaire PQ	154.00
1.81	3		Duane Beisner - Doris Beisner, Las Vegas NV	152.50
1.35	4		John Champion - Jane Champion, Banner Elk NC	151.50
1.67	5	2	Irene Sprinkle - Larry Sprinkle, Dayton OH	150.00
0.76	6		Bill Bauknight - Charlie Bauknight, Anderson SC	149.00
1.25		3	Ray Spalding, Atlanta GA; Stefan Bernhardt, Merritt Island FL	145.00
0.94		4	Frank Koo, Orlando FL; Carol Andreyev, Sanford FL	144.00
0.70		5	Marianne Caldwell, Fernandina FL; Michael Byrne, Orlando FL	140.50

## SAT AM SIDE/ BOSTON CP

24 Pairs	A	B		
2.93	1/2		Peter Filandro - Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE	116.00
2.93	1/2		Randy Shaw - Dale Crawford, Oklahoma City OK	116.00
2.58	3	1	William Martzloff, Zephyrhills FL; Sue Fischer, Rochester NY	96.71
1.41	4		Ellen Anten, Encino CA; Steve Gross, Agoura Hills CA	96.43
1.94	5	2	Hugh Metzger, South Bend IN; Cheryl Singer, Hollywood FL	91.57
1.45	6	3	Lynne Baker, Tampa FL; John Farhangui, Lutz FL	87.50
1.80		4	Shoshana Romano, Haifa; Romano Albert,	87.43
1.29		5	Chris Behrens, New York NY; Patrick Shaw, Olean NY	87.08

## BOSTON MORN CONTINUOUS

121 Players				
6.87	1/2	Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE		133.01%
6.87	1/2	Peter Filandro, Smyrna DE		133.01%
4.40	3/4	Dale Crawford, Oklahoma City OK		126.57%
4.40	3/4	Randy Shaw, Oklahoma City OK		126.57%
4.10	5/6	Denis Murphy, Colorado Spgs CO		115.77%
4.10	5/6	Toshiko Yingst, Colorado Spgs CO		115.77%

## BRACKETED KNOCKOUTS VI

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## Bracket 5

12 Teams  
James Smith - Joan Smith, Jupiter FL; Lorraine Lester-Cohen - George Cohen, Palm City FL

vs

Cromie Wilson, Seattle WA; Jean Monette, Ottawa ON; Donna Rice, Traverse City MI; Harriet Gould, Lake Worth FL

Thomas Kuster, Holiday FL; Nina Lubick-Reich, Fullerton CA; James Mates, Washington DC; Louise Kavall, Halesite NY

vs

Jim High - Arlene High - Roland Van Arsdale - Phyllis Van Arsdale, Melbourne FL

## Communication

By Barry Rigal

This deal from the second qualifying session of the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams does not look like a real problem for East-West. 3NT has nine top tricks, but it may not be so easy to get to the notrump game.

Dlr: North ♠K Q 4

Vul: Both ♥6 3

♦7 2

♣J 10 8 6 4 3

♠6 5

♥8 7

♦A K Q 10 9

♣A K 9 7

♠A 10 9 7

♥A 10 4

♦J 8 6 3

♣5 2

♠J 8 3 2

♥K Q J 9 5 2

♦5 4

♣Q

After an auction in which South opens 2♥ and West bids 3♦, should East bid 3NT or probe with 3♥? If the latter, East-West finish in 5♦, on a heart lead.

The point of the play is that although 11 tricks are lay down when trumps split 2-2, the play is not entirely trivial on a heart lead.

If you take the ♥A and play on clubs at once, you are faced with the dilemma of whether to draw two rounds of trumps at once (in which case you have problem arranging two club ruffs in the East hand) or play two rounds of clubs before drawing trumps. If you do that, you go down, which is what happened to our opponents.

The winning solution is simple: duck the first heart -- there is no danger even if hearts are 7-1. Now you can draw two rounds of trumps, with communications back to level via a heart ruff if necessary, and arrange the two club ruffs.

## 2ND SATURDAY EVE 299ER PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION RR			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1			Fayrene Miller, Palm Bay FL; Nancy Bonney, Vero Beach FL	74.00	1	1	Steve Marcus, Miami FL; Ralph Norton, Tavares FL	74.50
2			Jane Malless, Indianapolis IN; Rhea Harcourt, Sebring FL	66.50	2	2	Krzysztof Jarosz - Dorota Jarosz, Edwardsville IL	71.00
3/4	1/2		Donald Smith - Trudy Smith, Barefoot Bay FL	65.00	3	2	Norma Stegemiller - George Stegemiller, Stuart FL	61.50
3/4	1/2		Irene Sprinkle - Larry Sprinkle, Dayton OH	65.00				
		1	J J Armour, Washington Grove MD; Donia Steele, Arlington TX	53.00				

## 2SATURDAY AM 20/50 PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION OOO			EAST-WEST		
C	D			C	D			
1	1		Henny Panell, Clermont FL; Richard Regan, Boiling Springs SC	103.00	1	1	Louis Navin - Sharon Navin, Naples FL	104.00
2			Jack Lane - Joan Lane, Naples FL	96.50	2		Joyce Howe, Clermont FL; Betty Pride, Wolfeboro NH	98.00
3/4			Geraldine Christensen, Houston TX; Frieda Spinelli, St Pete Beach FL	87.50	3		William Bentley - Nina Bentley, Naples FL	88.00
3/4	2		Joy Nasso - Art Nasso, Boca Raton FL	87.50	4		Ray Dodson, Rockville MD; Bill Saitta, St Petersburg FL	85.50

## 2ND SATURDAY AM 100/200 PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION PPP			EAST-WEST		
A	B			A	B			
1	1		Carol Robertson, Orlando FL; Eileen Schrampf, Winter Park FL	166.00	1		Duane Beisner - Doris Beisner, Las Vegas NV	152.50
2			Diana Macaulay, Bainsville ON; Colette Comeau, St Hilaire PQ	154.00	2		John Champion - Jane Champion, Banner Elk NC	151.50
3	2		Irene Sprinkle - Larry Sprinkle, Dayton OH	150.00	3	1	Ray Spalding, Atlanta GA; Stefan Bernhardt, Merritt Island FL	145.00
4			Bill Bauknight - Charlie Bauknight, Anderson SC	149.00	4	2	Frank Koo, Orlando FL; Carol Andreyev, Sanford FL	144.00
5	3		Manon Ross - Carol Cessna, Fort Myers FL	137.50	5	3	Marianne Caldwell, Fernandina FL; Michael Byrne, Orlando FL	140.50
6	4		Kathy Bregler - Fred Bregler, Tampa FL	137.00	6		William Quinn - Ruth Quinn, Delray Beach FL	138.50
					4		Eugene Wilson, Fort Myers FL; Peggy Limerick, Sacramento CA	131.00

## 2ND SATURDAY AFTERNOON 49ER PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION OOO			EAST-WEST		
C	D	E		C	D	E		
1			Chris Kindt, Middletown CT; Gloria McCain, Orlando FL	108.00	1		Jean Wheeler, Longwood FL; Billie Barnby, Fern Park FL	100.50
2	1	1	Elias Lekakos - Evangelie Daskagianni, N Miami FL	102.00	2	1	Donna Harrison, Holliday MO; Kenneth Matheis, Coral Springs FL	99.00
3			Nina Bentley - William Bentley, Naples FL	94.00	3		Joyce Howe, Clermont FL; Betty Pride, Wolfeboro NH	95.50
4			John Christman, Orlando FL; Le Grand Wheeler, Longwood FL	89.50	4	2	Carol Shemwell, Kissimmee FL; Steve Marcus,	92.50
					3		Judy Frank - John Frank, Day Beach Shore FL	78.50

## 2ND SATURDAY AFTERNOON 199ER PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION QQQ			EAST-WEST		
A	B			A	B			
1			John Parker, St John's NF; Malcolm Coutts, Guelph ON	164.50	1	1	Lavon Nelson, Minneapolis MN; Betty Faist, Sacramento CA	154.50
2	1		John Snyder - Marjorie Snyder, Winter Springs FL	156.50	2		Duane Beisner - Doris Beisner, Las Vegas NV	154.00
3	2		Donald Smith - Trudy Smith, Barefoot Bay FL	151.50	3		Dolores Wagner - Karlynn Schutte, Lakeland FL	146.50
4			James Dace - Adele-Jean Dace, Barefoot Bay FL	145.50	4	2	Michael Byrne, Orlando FL; Jesse James, Roseville CA	144.50
5	3		Carol Cessna - Manon Ross, Fort Myers FL	144.00	5	3	Charles Davis - Sharon Everett, Raleigh NC	142.50
6			Nancy Haase - Harold Haase, Hilton Head SC	132.00	6		John Champion - Jane Champion, Banner Elk NC	135.50
					4		Norma Stegemiller - George Stegemiller, Stuart FL	134.00



## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

*\*Unless otherwise indicated, strat breaks for Stratified Open and Senior events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C (0-500). Strati-Flighted Open events are: A (3000+/0-3000), B (750-1500), C (300-750), D (0-300). For Continuous Pairs and single-session open events, strat breaks are A (750+), B (0-750).*

### Sunday, Nov. 29, 1998, 11:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Event	Session	Entry	Sold
Stratified Fast Open Pairs*	1-2	\$44 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody

### Sunday, Nov. 29, 1998, 11:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Hal Florea Stratified Senior Swiss Teams*	1-2	\$88 team	Florida Room -- Peabody
Strati-Flighted Open Swiss Teams*	1-2	\$88 team	Hall F -- Convention Center
Stratified Open Side Game*	single	\$20 pair	Orlando Room -- Peabody
Bracketed KO Teams VI	3-4	\$44 team	Hall F -- Convention Center
199er, 99er, 49er, 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single	\$20 pair	Orlando Room -- Peabody
Stratified 199er Swiss Teams	single	\$40 team	Orlando Room -- Peabody

### Sunday, Nov. 29, 1998, Noon & 7:00 p.m.

REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1-2 F	\$108 team	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody
NORTH AMERICAN SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F	\$96 team	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody

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