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7 new members enter Bridge Hall of Fame



Bob Hamman (right) displays his Hall of Fame plaque as presenter Don Krauss looks on

In a ceremony packed with emotion, the bridge world paid another tribute to Bobby Goldman, one of seven luminaries inducted into the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame. "He is in our hearts," said Bettianne Goldman, the late superstar's widow, "and he will live on forever."

Goldman, who died unexpectedly in May, joined Bob Hamman, Ted Lightner, Al Sobel and Margaret Wagar as electees to the Hall of Fame. Kathie Weisender and Michael Gottlieb enter the Hall by virtue of their selection as recipients, respectively, of the Blackwood and von Zedtwitz awards.

The evening began with a moment of silence for Goldman. Larry Cohen, chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee, noted that the induction ceremony was the first gathering of the bridge world since Goldman's

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Kathie Wei-Sender, inducted into the Hall of Fame last night, is congratulated by presenter Jose Damiani (left), and her husband, Henry Sender.

2 local charity grants (see photos on page 2)

Both the San Antonio Arthritis Foundation and Boysville received \$2500 grants from the ACBL Charity Foundation during last night's Charity games.

On hand to accept the arthritis grant was Dr. Jay Mabrey, chairman of the San Antonio branch of the Arthritis Foundation. Mabrey, an orthopedic surgeon at the Health Science Center, accepted the check from James Zimmerman, president of the Charity Foundation.

Mabrey was amazed at the bridge scene. "My wife wants me to take up golf -- yes, I'm one of the few doctors who doesn't play golf. But after seeing what's happening here, I certainly will be thinking of taking up bridge."

Ed Baxter, executive director of Boysville, also received a \$2500 check from Zimmerman. Boysville started out for boys only, but now takes care of equal numbers of boys and girls. Boysville takes care of children who can't live at home because their families have failed them in one way or another.

"I was raised in a home for children," Baxter said. "They took good care of me and I was able to go on to a successful career in accounting and investment counseling. Now I'm happy to be able to give back a little of what I was given. At present we are caring for 108 long-term children plus 16 emergency cases. In addition, we're supporting nine of our former Boysville children through college."

Children from the age of 5 through high school age are handled by Boysville. Some are there for fairly short times -- maybe a year or two -- but many who come in at age 5 stay right through high school and then are supported through college. Sometimes Boysville takes care of as many or five or six siblings.



The late Bobby Goldman was elevated to the Hall of Fame last night. Here his presenter, frequent partner Paul Soloway, congratulates Quinn, Goldman's son, and Goldman's wife Bettianne.

Oregon, California, Florida, DC in GNT-A semifinals

Teams from Oregon, California, Florida and the Washington DC area were set to do battle today in the semifinal round of the Grand National Teams, Flight A.

The matchups: District 6 (Washington DC), Jeff Roman, Marc Umeno, Lou Reich, Peter Boyd, William Cole, versus District 9 (Florida), Joseph Shay, Michael Seamon, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell. District 20 (Oregon), John Ashton, Eric Stoltz, Dennis Metcalf, Tony Glynne, Jon Bartlett versus District 23, Iftikhar Baqai, Jill Meyers, Mitch Dunitz, Ed Davis.

In Wednesday's quarterfinal matches, District 23 knocked off District 7 (North and South Carolina), 137-109; District 20 defeated District 21 (California), 113-103; District 4 (Pennsylvania, Delaware, Illinois) withdrew, trailing District 9, 134-18, and District 6 topped District 12 (Michigan), 125-93.

ABTA book awards

The following awards for outstanding books, software and columns were made at the annual dinner of the American Bridge Teachers Association last night:

Best student book: "25 Bridge Conventions," by Barbara Seagram, Canada, and Marc Smith, Great Britain.

Best advanced books: "Advanced Bridge Defense" and "Modern Bridge Defense" by Eddie Kantar. This marks the fourth time Kantar has won the book award.

'Father Mulcahy' accepts \$100,000 Autism check

To his family he is William Christopher, but to millions of television buffs he is Father Mulcahy, the genial priest who ministered to the M.A.S.H. characters throughout the 11 years of one of the most popular series in the history of TV.

Last night he was William Christopher, a representative of the Autism Society of America, and he was here to accept a check for \$100,000 from the ACBL Charity Foundation. Jim Zimmerman, president of the foundation, presented the check to Autism, the ACBL Charity of the Year.

Autism is major in the life of the Christopher household -- Christopher's son Ned is a victim. The family was able to cope with Ned's problems until he was 13, "but at that point he turned our house into a prison," said Christopher. "He became very aggressive and difficult. My wife Barbara, our other son John and I had to live our lives, so we had to place Ned in a group home."

Ned, now 31, "is never going to fly on his own," says his father. "He knows us, he knows people's names, and he talks about coming home, but there has been no visible improvement."

The Autism Society, a parent-driven organization, attempts to educate people about autism -- what it is and what it does. Autism victims range in intelligence from the brilliant to the dull-witted. Christopher feels

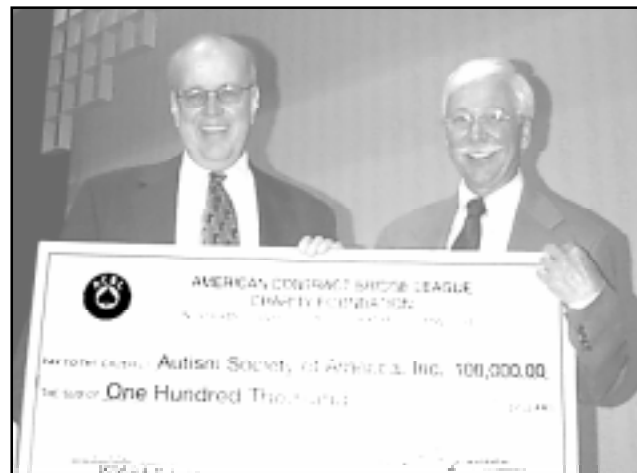
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Want to save money?

Beginning with this tournament, non-members and Life Members who have not paid their service fee will have to pay a \$1 surcharge on their entry fee for each session they play. This is true at regionals as well. There will be a 50-cent surcharge per session at sectionals.

Since dues are now \$30 and the Life Member fee is \$27, clearly it won't take long for the surcharges to mount up higher than the cost of the dues or the service fee.

But there's an easy answer -- join if you're a non-member; pay your service fee if you're a Life Member. You'll save money in the long run.



William Christopher (right), better known as Father Mulcahy of M.A.S.H. fame, accepts a check for \$100,000 for the Autism Society of America, the ACBL Charity of the Year. Making the presentation is Jim Zimmerman, president of the ACBL Charity Foundation.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thursday, July 22

- 9:00 a.m. - Noon
12:15 p.m. TAP I, Conference Rooms 17 & 18, Rivercenter
Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Billy Miller, *Dear Billy, Live!*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Miller**, who lives in Las Vegas, is a professional bridge player, columnist and teacher. He has won more than 10,000 masterpoints and more than 100 regional events. Miller is the author of the "Dear Billy" columns in *The Bridge Bulletin*.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Rhoda Walsh, *Tools and Tricks of the Experts*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Walsh**, a Los Angeles attorney, has won more than 15,000 masterpoints and 12 North American championships. In 1968 she won all three national women's events.
- 11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Alamo Ballroom, Marriott Riverwalk Hotel. Be a winner at the Midnight Jitterbug contest with the Deuce Group DJ -- two free plays for the winning couple. This evening's treats: hot dogs with all the fixings and chips. Cash bar.

Friday, July 23

- 9:30 a.m. - Noon Easybridge! Accreditation Course with Easybridge! creator Edith McMullin, Conference Room 17, Rivercenter. No fee (\$20 for the material). If you are interested in running an Easybridge! Game, this course is a prerequisite. (Note: this course will be offered again on Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings.)
- 10:30 a.m. - Noon Unit Officers Meeting with Jane Johnson, manager of the ACBL Club-Membership Department. Conference Room 2, Rivercenter.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Harriette Buckman, *The Co-existence of Stayman and Jacoby*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Buckman**, Lincolnwood IL, is District 13's representative on the ACBL Board of Directors. She is a past president of the Chicago Contract Bridge Association and the ACBL Educational Foundation.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Audrey Grant, *Three Tips to Improve Your Judgment*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Grant**, Toronto, is a regular columnist for *The Bridge Bulletin* and the author of ACBL's teaching books — the *Club, Diamond, Heart and Spade Series*. She is the editor of ACBL's magazine for newer players, *Better Bridge*.
- 11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Alamo Ballroom, Marriott Riverwalk Hotel. Tune up your vocal cords and sing-along with Peter Gloria at the baby grand while enjoying a ham and cheese croissant with potato salad. Cash bar.

Saturday, July 24

- 9:30 a.m. - Noon Easybridge! Accreditation Course with Easybridge! creator Edith McMullin and Marti Ronemus, Conference Room 3, Rivercenter. No fee (\$20 for the material). If you are interested in running an Easybridge! Game, this course is a pre-requisite. (Note: this course will be offered again on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.)
- 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Coffee and pastry (for players attending the 10:00 a.m. free bridge lesson), Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter.
- 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. *Coffee with Jane* Johnson, manager of the ACBL Club-Membership Department. Conference Room 17, Rivercenter.
- 10:00 a.m. - Noon Free Bridge Lesson -- *Let's Play Bridge* -- with Audrey Grant, Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. This duplicate experience is for new players who want to know more about tournament bridge and plan to participate in the I/N program during the week.
- 11:00 a.m. - Noon ACBLscore seminar with Jim Lopushinsky, creator of ACBL's scoring program. Conference Room 4, Rivercenter.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Ken Monzingo, *Counting at Bridge*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Monzingo**, San Diego CA, is the managing editor of the *Contract Bridge Forum*, the monthly publication of Districts 17, 20, 21 and 22. He is a Diamond Life Master with many regional wins and a member of the National Goodwill Committee.
- 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Bridge Plus+ Card Play with Audrey Grant, Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter.
- 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Easybridge! Stage 2 Advanced Accreditation with Easybridge! Creator Edith McMullin. Conference Room 3, Rivercenter.
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Reception, Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter.
- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Junior Dinner Meeting, Conference Rooms 17 & 18, Rivercenter.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Howard Piltch, *Balance, Baby, Balance*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Piltch**, Andover MA, represents District 25 (New England) on the ACBL Board of Directors. He was ACBL president in 1997 and chairman of the board in 1998.
- 11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Alamo Ballroom, Marriott Riverwalk. Enjoy a sparkling revue by Liza Minnelli, Barbra Streisand and Patsy Cline, performed by Judy Cotten. Crab rangoon and a spring roll with honey mustard sauce is the special treat. Cash Bar.



Dr. Jay Mabrey (right), chair of the San Antonio branch of the Arthritis Foundation, accepts a check for \$2,500 from ACBL Charity Foundation President Jim Zimmerman. Looking on is Cindy Snider, District 16 president.



President Jim Zimmerman of the ACBL Charity Foundation (left), joined by District 16 President Cindy Snider, gives a check for \$2,500 to Ed Baxter of Boysville.

Autism

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that Dustin Hoffman's performance in "Rain Man" gave a realistic view of autism. Hoffman played a savant, of course, but his actions mirrored those of autism victims very realistically, Christopher added.

The major problem for Ned at the group home is the constant change of personnel. "We have to educate each new staff member about Ned's condition and what he needs."

Christopher and his wife Barbara collaborated on "Mixed Blessings," a book about autism, in 1988. "I did the front work and Barbara took over from there. Barbara has been very much a part of my career."

In real life "Fr. Mulcahy" is not a Catholic. "Barbara came through again here -- she gave me ideas and she corrected me when I was on the wrong track. I also talked to a lot of priests."

What did he think of all the bridge players that crowded the room as he accepted the grant? "I've never played cards very much, even though Fr. Mulcahy played some poker on the show. But it's clear that bridge is a passion for these people. There must be something special about the game."

Goodwill Message

Welcome to San Antonio and the Summer NABC where organizers say, "Come River Walk With Us."

The translation is: You'll have a blast in Texas. Good luck to all.

Aileen Osofsky
Chairman, Goodwill Committee



Hall of Fame

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death May 16. "All of us have a sadness hanging over us," Cohen said. "The bridge community lost a very special person when Bobby died."

Paul Soloway, Goldman's partner for many years, described Goldman's record as a bridge player as "phenomenal." Goldman was an original member of the Aces, won three world championships, many North American titles and was among the first players to make use of the computer to advance bridge.

"But what he really enjoyed was teaching," Soloway said. "A la Henry Higgins, Bobby would often say, 'I think she's got it!'"

Not long before Goldman died, he and Soloway attended the regional in Las Vegas. At a function that was semi-formal, Goldman demonstrated that he was attempting to become more conventional -- by wearing a sports jacket with his shorts. "Bobby was buried in shorts and a tee shirt," Soloway said. "That was the way he would have wanted it."

Quinn Goldman, Bobby's 15-year-old son, accepted the plaque on behalf of his father. "He was proud of his nomination to the Hall of Fame," Quinn said. "He showed it to a couple of my baseball coaches."

Addressing the gathering of several hundred bridge players, Bettianne acknowledged her husband's devotion to the game, noting, "I still can't believe he was married longer to you. My husband lives on in his son, in his work and in his bridge. He had written two new books, and I vow that I will see them published."

Hamman's presenter was his former partner Don Krauss, with whom Hamman had much of his early success. Krauss brought down the house with anecdotes about Hamman. On one occasion, Krauss recalled, Hamman had maneuvered the bidding so that the opponents were about to go for a number, but Krauss fouled things up by bidding again. Hamman took Krauss aside and said, "Some people are made to be geniuses. I am. You're not."

Hamman, in accepting the honor, presented "my top 11 reasons for being here."

Among them were his father, "for teaching me chess and allowing me to join his poker games"; his mother, for letting that activity go on; his college buddies for "conning me into a bridge game when I had never played before"; Al Okenuff, owner of the L.A. Bridge Club, "for extending me credit, which kept me out of the job market"; Ira Corn and the Aces, and Bobby Wolff, Hamman's partner for more than a quarter of a century and "as good a clutch player as there ever was."

Wei-Sender's presenter was José Damiani, president of the World Bridge Federation, who traveled from France to take part in the ceremonies.

Damiani praised Wei-Sender for the contributions to the game which have led to her official status as Ambassador of Bridge, and he acknowledged her accomplishments as a player (three world championships and many North American titles). He also noted that she has had a successful career in business, taking over the shipping business her late husband, C.C. Wei, left on his death.

The Blackwood Award is presented for service to bridge outside of contributions as a player. "No one," said Damiani, "deserves this award more than Kathie." Damiani said Wei-Sender's autobiography might be entitled *Second Daughter*, "but she is definitely the first lady of bridge."

Wei-Sender said working for bridge has been a natural action. Her bridge friends came to her rescue when she was despondent after the death of C.C. Wei, and it was through bridge that she met Henry Sender, whom she married in 1992. "I owe bridge a lot," she



Honoring Michael Gottlieb on his entry into the Hall of Fame are (left to right) daughter Bonnie Vistica, granddaughter Allyson Vistica, daughter Patricia Oygar, and friend Leland McGraw, the presenter.

said. "I could never work hard enough to pay back what bridge has given me."

Wei-Sender was joined at the banquet by more than a two dozen family members, some of them from China.

Alan Truscott, bridge editor of *The New York Times*, was the presenter for Lightner. Seventy years ago, Truscott recounted, there were two clever young men in New York City who were excited about bridge. One of them was Ely Culbertson, whose time in the bridge world was limited. Lightner was the one who stayed with the game, making significant contributions to bridge theory.

The best known is the Lightner slam double requesting an unusual lead. Lightner introduced Culbertson to this idea, but the first time it came up it was a disaster and Culbertson refused to play it again. Lightner also wrote about forcing passes, "psychic suicide" and preemptive bidding.

Lightner won the Bermuda Bowl at the age of 60 and was still playing rubber bridge daily at the Regency Whist Club in New York at the age of 80. Lightner died in 1981 at the age of 88. "He is fully qualified to be in the Hall of Fame," Truscott said. "I'm delighted he was elected, and you should be too."

Stan Tench, associate national director from Ottawa, was presenter for the legendary Al Sobel, ACBL's national tournament manager from 1942 until his retirement in 1969.

Tench recalled that Sobel had a "wonderful sense of crowd control. He had a whistle he used to call the rounds and to get the players' attention."

Sobel, Tench said, "loved to come to Canada with a \$100 bill, buy a bottle of Scotch and get a \$100 bill in Canadian in change."

Said Tench: "We all enjoyed working for him. He was one of the best directors I have ever worked with."

Wagar's presenter was to have been Richard Freeman, recruited to fill in for Carol Sanders when it appeared that illness would keep her from attending the tournament. Sanders recovered sufficiently to make it to San Antonio, so Freeman graciously yielded the podium to Wagar's former protégé.

Wagar's record as a player was stellar -- in open as well as women's competition -- and she was one of the players Sanders looked up to as an up-and-coming player. "I admired her so much and, together with so many others, hoped I could emulate her, not just in her play but in her handsome dress, her sense of humor, her politeness to her partners and her smile."

Wagar also distinguished herself as an administrator, serving on the ACBL Board of Directors for 12 years. "She acted with absolute honesty and fairness in her life, at and away from the bridge table, and she received the respect of everyone who knew her. She was a world-class lady who happened to be a world-class bridge player."

Leland McGraw talked fondly of coaxing Gottlieb

out of retirement. The two played together regularly for about five years until Gottlieb died in 1980. Gottlieb is this year's recipient of the Von Zedtwitz Award for service through bridge-playing expertise.

"Michael was absolutely brilliant," McGraw said, "and he had an absolute killer instinct. He was daring, cunning, imaginative and a hair-trigger doubler. I used to go home at night after the games and look at the card. Usually, a third of the contracts we played were doubled."

Gottlieb, Life Master No. 9, won 13 national championships between 1929 and 1935 and was one of Culbertson's former partners. He was also a member of the Four Aces bridge team.

McGraw presented Gottlieb's plaque to Gottlieb's daughters, Bonnie Vistica and Patricia Oygar, and his granddaughter, Allyson Vistica.

Entertaining Ezekiel keeps Hall of Fame show going

By Brent Manley

Roy G. Green made many good moves as the chief executive officer at the ACBL before his retirement last year. One of the best may have been recruiting David Ezekiel as emcee for the first ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame induction ceremonies in 1995.

The funny, irreverent Bermudian has been the only emcee for the show in its five-year history, and he usually manages to keep the tightly scripted program on schedule while entertaining the audience with rapid-fire jokes and stories about the people of the bridge world.



He warned presenters Wednesday night that in previous ceremonies it was necessary to forcibly remove some who were especially long winded. "That will probably happen tonight," he said, adding jokingly, "I had a gun up here once."

As he introduced Richard Freeman, Ezekiel noted that Freeman was once the ACBL's youngest Life Master, earning his gold card at 18 "at a time when 18 was young. Now, by 18 they're Life Masters and have been in and out of rehab twice."

Ezekiel and the induction ceremonies are a good fit. He knows bridge and bridge players, he likes people and he knows how to make people laugh. "When you're up there the most important thing is not to let yourself go too far," he says. "It's a very fine line."

Ezekiel, 50, was exposed to bridge as a youngster but he didn't play until he went off to school in England. If his name doesn't sound Indian, it's because his ancestors — Sephardic Jews — made their way to India from Spain via Iraq, fleeing the Spanish Inquisition.

Ezekiel recalls watching his father play bridge every evening at the tennis club, "and I found the whole sequence fascinating. Even though I didn't play, in the back of my mind I knew I always wanted to learn."

At City University in London, Ezekiel was working toward a post-graduate degree in accounting — he is a chartered accountant -- when he discovered bridge. "Once I took it up, I made up for lost time," he says. "I had the bug really bad."

Recalling his first foray into serious tournament play, Ezekiel relates that he and another student at City University led a field of 408 pairs in the first session of a major championship at the Evening Standard Bridge Congress. In the final session, they scored 32%. "We didn't know what we were doing in either session," he says.

Early on, Ezekiel learned to play Precision, and he fashioned his system after the one played by Peter

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Competitors in Grand National events

GNT-A competitors by district

3. Michael Rosenberg — Marty Bergen — Michael Kamil — Ethan Stein — Joel Friedberg — Steve Weinstein
4. Stephen Goldstein — Rich Rothwarf — Dave Smith — Raymond Raskin
5. Jim Zimmerman — Paul Swanson — Phillip Becker — Kumar Bhatia
6. Jeff Roman — Marc Umeno — Lou Reich — Bill Cole — Peter Boyd — Steve Robinson
7. Randy Joyce — Kay Joyce — Bill Wisdom — Tom Rutledge
8. Ed Schultz — Mark Kessler — Karen Walker — Tom Kniest
9. Joseph Shay — Robert Levin — Michael Seamon — Jeff Meckstroth — Eric Rodwell
10. Al Childs — Gordon Maroney — David Siebert — Bill Cook
11. Gregory Potts — Charles Kopp — Harry Stratton — Carl Edwards — Kenneth Eichenbaum — Alan Haas
12. Perry Johnson — Geoff Hampson — Allan Falk — Chuck Burger
13. Steve Garner — Jerry Goldfein — Ralph Katz — Gerald Caravelli — Larry Robbins
14. Audrey Weikle — Peg Waller — Judy Schwarz — Phil Schwarz
15. James Biggins — Paul Pressly — Ron Ashbacher — Bradley Furnish
16. Malcolm Brachman — Mike Passell — John Sutherlin — Eddie Wold — Chris Compton
17. Leonard Ernest — John Jeffrey — Richard Helperin — Linda Lewis — Paul Lewis — Jeffrey Gargrave
18. Ken Gee — Jerry Mamer — Gary Johannsson — Don Campbell — Earl Knipfel
19. Ray Loftis — Steve Sidell — Pat Dunn — Jim Aitken
20. John Ashton — Eric Stoltz — Dennis Metcalf — Tony Glynne — Jon Bartlett
21. Ron Smith — Chip Martel — Lew Stansby — Kyle Larsen — Peter Weichsel — Rose Johnson-Meltzer
22. Evan Bailey — Joe Kivel — Chris Larsen — John Strauch — Jon Wittes — Ross Grabel
23. Iftikhar Baqai — Jill Meyers — Mitch Dunitz — Ed Davis
24. Robert Blanchard — Jim Krekorian — Glenn Milgraim — Jared Lilienstein — James Samson — Jonathan Greenspan
25. Russ Ekeblad — Harold Stengel — Barbara Stone — Robert Barr — Sheila Ekeblad

GNT-B competitors by district

3. Dennis Thompson — Steve Albin — David Liss — Jack Brauner
4. Peter Kyper — Daniel Levi — Steven Blomstedt — Michael Perri
5. Joseph Harbert — Donald Rop — Richard Van Bergen — Neil Di Geronimo
6. Sven Pride — David Genne — Hal Hindman — Mark Chen
7. James Satterfield — Phil Hook — Bob Jones — Laurence Rivkin — Brad Campbell
8. Deborah Avery — Edward Horton — Martha Owen — William Langendorf
9. John Mincher — Gerty Grotte — Paul Sorren — Bella Adler
10. Ernest Gordon — Karen Wilder — Thomas Schmidt — Peggy Rogers
11. Paul Sojka — Sheng Hung Wang — Tzung Fang Guo — Jiun Ming Chen — Yudaya Sivathanu
12. Kenneth Smith — Fred Bristol — Deborah De Witt — David Grabiner — Frank Sensoli
13. Betsy Downs — Mike Jones — Daniel Zagorin — Nancy Schafer
14. Jack Falat — Diane Roush — James Boardman — Mary Ann Boardman
15. David Zapatka — Joann Zapatka — Beverly Zerkel — Kenneth Meistad
16. Eric Taylor — Neil Cohen — David Hankins — John Pendergrass
17. Donald Boyarsky — Arlene Jones — Carl Steinhauser — Bob Martin
18. Lloyd Jones — Carol McManus — Dave Horton — Ian Boyd
19. Wentao Chen — Tom Theisen — Ying Yuan — Yaqi Zhu — Elaine DeShaw — Mac Kowalczyk
20. Charles West — Ward Schaumberg — Edward Lee — Kent Huang
21. Mark Robichek — Franklin Smoot — Rick Jasper — Thomas Snouse — Franz Lanzinger
22. John Boakle — Diane Miller — Deborah Vier — David Vier
23. James Glickman — Ari Greenberg — Howard Einberg — Bruce Altshuler
24. Philip Lentz — Bruce Gardner — Alexander Alberts — Elaine Weiss — Anne Mittman — Shira Jacobson
25. Arnold Malasky — Paul Proulx — Peter Sugerma — Jay Borker — David Richheimer

GNT-C competitors by district

1. Claude Garneau — Louis Fortin — Jean Francois Guillmet — Eric Blouin
3. Bruce Bedient — Israel Raphaelli — Rohit Dubey — Shalini Dubey
4. Ellyn Metzgar — Edwina Harrison — Jo McNally — Joann Mauger
5. Fred Weening — Anne Jedlicka — Richard Freitag — Leonard Alecci
6. Josh Sher — Devin Avery — Andrew Brecher — Arthur Weiss
7. Christopher Webb — Lee Webb — Elizabeth Beckwith — Andrew Hurd
8. David Wetzel — Michelle Wetzel — Peter Ashbrook — Alvan Bregman
9. Norlin Lust — Donald Lynch — C. Bufford — M. Bufford
10. Billy McCool — Wesley Clements — Lee Kirk — Lee Davis
11. Belen Saurez — Betty Hurst — Harriet Spiegel — Marlene Catino
12. Ed Williams — Kurt Dasher — Charles Callam — Steven Vandenbrook
13. David Hemmer — Jonathan Kurasch — Robert Alps — Roger Solomon
14. Bruce Scott — Thomas Allen — aul Hazzard — Jim Boardman Jr.
15. Brian Baresch — Bill Schutzel — Terry Tolar — Vince Russo
16. Sanford Lobliner — Jeff Nuttall — Chris Curran — Marsha Bernstein
18. Gary Priestman — Eli Fluter — Peter Lysak — Gordon Neill
19. Daniel Groves — Sharon Erwin — Rich Atwater — Iskender Khan
20. Isolde Knapp — Atul Khare — Kenney Wu — Alex Lo
21. Henry Sigal — Kerry Abbott — Judy Koplan — Julie Burnet
22. Marty Bloomberg — Leila Bloomberg — Jerry Woodworth — Marcia Handelman
23. Phillip Mendelsohn — Michael Doll — Betty Mednick — Tom Codey
24. Aviv Shahaf — David Libchaber — Igor Savchenko — Kirsten Deutsche
25. Chiu Dah Ming — Gautam Nandi — Lon Sunshine — Ivanie Yeo

GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS

Flight A

23 Teams

Jeff Roman - Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Marc Umeno, Alexandria VA; Lou Reich, Wheaton MD; Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD; William Cole, Beltsville MD

vs

Joseph Shay, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Seamon, Miami Beach FL; Robert Levin, Windermere FL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL

John Ashton - Eric Stoltz - Dennis Metcalf - Tony Glynne - Jon Bartlett, Portland OR

vs

Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Ed Davis, Seal Beach CA

22.50 5/8 Ron Smith — Chip Martel — Lew Stansby — Kyle Larsen — Peter Weichsel — Rose Johnson-meltzer

22.50 5/8 Stephen Goldstein, Elkins Park PA; Rich Rothwarf, Philadelphia PA; Dave Smith, Newark DE; Harold Mouser Jr, Glenview IL

22.50 5/8 Randy Joyce - Kay Joyce, Raleigh NC; Bill Wisdom, Salisbury NC; Tom Rutledge, Charleston SC

22.50 5/8 Perry Johnson, Southfield MI; Geoff Hampson, Fenton MI; Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Chuck Burger, West Bloomfield MI

Flight B

24 Teams

Mark Robichek - Franz Lanzinger, Sunnyvale CA; Rick Jasper, San Jose CA; Thomas Snouse, Loma Mar CA

vs

John Boakle, ; Diane Miller, Ridgecrest CA; David Vier - Deborah Vier, San Diego CA

Eric Taylor, Leander TX; Neil Cohen, Austin TX; David Hankins, Sugar Land TX; John Pendergrass, Santa Fe NM

vs

Kenneth Smith, Southfield MI; Fred Bristol - Deborah De Witt - David Grabiner, Ann Arbor MI; Frank Sensoli, Macomb MI

Dennis Thompson, Lake Hiawatha NJ; Steve Albin, Princeton NJ; David Liss, Morristown NJ; Jack Brauner, Maplewood NJ

vs

Charles West, Salem OR; Ward Schaumberg - Edward Lee - Gerald Black, Portland OR

Henry Caspar, Toronto ON; Tom Buttle - Claude King - Ringo P Chung, Mississauga ON; Helen De Wild, Willowdale ON; Vinay Sarin, Thornhill ON

vs

James Glickman, Woodland Hills CA; Ari Greenberg, Malibu CA; Howard Einberg - Bruce Altshuler, Los Angeles CA

Flight C

22 Teams

Henry Sigal, Berkeley CA; Kerry Abbott - Julie Burnet, Oakland CA; Judy Koplan, San Rafael CA

vs

Fred Weening - Anne Jedlicka, Edinboro PA; Richard Freitag, Mc Kean PA; Leonard Alecci, Erie PA

Christopher Webb - Lee Webb - Elizabeth Beckwith, Blythewood SC; Andrew Hurd, Charleston SC

vs

David Hemmer, Chicago IL; Jonathan Kurasch, Northbrook IL; Robert Alps, Evanston IL; Roger Solomon, Riverwoods IL

Daniel Groves, Everett WA; Sharon Erwin - Iskender Khan - Rich Atwater, Seattle WA

vs

Chiu Dah-Ming, ; Gautam Nandi, Woburn MA; Lon Sunshine, Framingham MA; Ivanie Yeo, Brighton MA

Bruce Scott - Thomas Allen, Iowa City IA; Paul Hazzard - Jim Boardman Jr, Cedar Rapids IA

vs

Josh Sher - Andrew Brecher - Arthur Weiss, Washington DC; Kevin Avery, Arnold MD

Looking back to San Antonio 1984 and 1974

San Antonio's last NABC was Spring 1984 when 8829 tables were in play., surpassing San Antonio's previous record of 8419 tables at the 1974 Fall NABC.

Here are highlights:

Jacqui Mitchell and the late Judy Tucker won the Women's Pairs. Their partnership was a last-minute arrangement when Mitchell's regular partner, Gail Greenberg, was unable to leave New York because of a snowstorm.

Mitchell-Tucker gained all the matchpoints on this deal:

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

West <i>Mitchell</i>	North	East <i>Tucker</i>	South
	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♦ (1)	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♣	All Pass		

(1) Splinter: short diamonds and club support.

North apparently decided the only way to beat the slam was to find her partner with the ♠Q and have Mitchell misguess at trick one. Accordingly, she led the ♠3 to dummy's 8, South's 9 and Mitchell's 10.

"Jacqui sat there for half an hour," Tucker said in a 1984 interview. "She figured if she never played a card she couldn't go down, right?"

Mitchell took the heart finesse at trick two. When that lost, a diamond came back. Mitchell won her ace, drew trumps and claimed plus 1370.

How many times has it happened to you — a player gives away his holding in a suit by hesitating before playing? This did not happen when Joey Silver and Dan Gerstman played against Peggy Sutherlin and Barbara Hamman in the first round of the Vanderbilt.

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

West <i>Hamman</i>	North <i>Gerstman</i>	East <i>Sutherlin</i>	South <i>Silver</i>
			1♥
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Hamman led the ♣8 -- 10 from dummy and jack from Sutherlin, completely in tempo: not even a hint she held the ace. Silver won the ♣Q and led the ♥A and another heart. Hamman took her king, led her second club to Sutherlin's ace and ruffed the club return. Later Silver misguessed spades and went down one trick.

Sutherlin's teammates were plus 650 for a 13-IMP gain. "That doesn't matter," said Silver. "I really appreciate the way Peggy played. If they can beat me on straight play, more power to them. That's the way I like to see our game played."

George Rosenkranz-Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth-Eric Rodwell and Marty Bergen-Larry Cohen won the Men's Board-a-Match Teams (it would become the Open Board-a-Match Teams in 1990) by a margin of almost four boards.

This deal produced a clear win for the team:

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

West <i>Meckstroth</i>	North	East	South <i>Rodwell</i>
		1♥	2NT
Pass	5♦	5♥	6♦
Dbl	All Pass		

Only one opening lead -- a heart -- allows this contract to make. That's the lead Meckstroth got. He pitched a spade from dummy and ruffed in his hand. He pulled trumps and claimed plus 1090.

At the other table:

West <i>Bergen</i>	North	East <i>Cohen</i>	South
		4♣ (1)	4NT
5♥	5NT	6♥	7♣
Dbl	All Pass		

(1) Namyats: a good 4♥ opener.

Bergen led the ♠A and shifted to a diamond. Cohen ruffed and cashed his ♠K. That was plus 500.

Heartfelt appreciation

Bettianne Goldman, widow of the late Bobby Goldman, and her son Quinn have expressed their heartfelt appreciation for the friendship and support they have received. "It is nice to know that Bobby touched so many lives," said Bettianne.

Ezekiel

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Weichsel and Alan Sontag and described in the book *Power Precision*. "I followed everything they did," Ezekiel says.

In 1975, Ezekiel and his wife Judith moved to Bermuda on a two-year contract. "We were just looking for two years of sunshine." Twenty-four years later, they are still on the island and not looking to move. Ezekiel, formerly a partner with a major accounting firm, now runs his own corporate insurance business. Their children, Daniel, 13, and Rebecca, 12, are in school in England.

The emceeding gigs started with banquets at the annual Bermuda regional, which is where Green encountered Ezekiel and was impressed enough to invite him to run the show at the Hall of Fame ceremonies.

Ezekiel says he doesn't play as much bridge as he once did. The business and his family take up a lot of his time, although he hopes to return to serious competition soon. He has represented Bermuda in world championships on six occasions, and he still writes a weekly bridge column for the *Mid-Ocean News*, Bermuda's daily newspaper.

Is there anything Ezekiel is serious about? Well, golf -- his latest passion -- might qualify. In the Hall of Fame program, his handicap was listed as eight. With suitable gravity, Ezekiel makes note: "That's a six."

Appeals process

Once again the directing staff will handle appeals except for those involving NABC+ (nationally rated) events, which will be heard and ruled upon by the Appeals Committee. This process was tested for the first time at the Vancouver NABC last spring.

Child care

Child care will be available in Conference Room 12 at the Marriott River Center twice daily -- from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and from 7:45 p.m. to 12:45 a.m. A limited number of walk-ins will be accommodated. Cost will vary according to the turnout. The best estimate of cost is in the \$15 to \$20 per session area. The child care program is an independent operation.

Smoking rules

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the third floor at the Marriott Rivercenter. If you wish to smoke, you must go to the second floor.

At the Convention Center, you must go outside to smoke.

Cash prize event

There will be a Jackpot Pairs stratiflighted event on Saturday. See tomorrow's Daily Bulletin for full details.

Tournament entry fees

Entry fees are shown **per player per session**. ACBL members whose payment of dues is current and Life Members whose service fee is current will pay a lesser entry fee than "others" -- non-members, members whose payment of dues is not current or Life Members whose service fee is not current.

	ACBL Members**	Others
*Life Master Pairs, Spingold and Wagar Women's KO Teams, IMP Pairs and Flight A of the GNT	\$13.50	\$14.50
Other North American Championships	\$12.00	\$13.00
Regional Championships	\$11.00	\$12.00
All other events	\$10.00	\$11.00

* \$1.50 per person per session to benefit the International Fund.

** **Members whose payment of dues in current and Life Members whose service fee payment is current.**

Bridge timers

Attention Club Owners and Tournament Managers! Tired of fighting the uphill battle against slow play? A solution is in sight. The new intempo2 bridge timer is on display in the concessions area. Designed and priced for club and small tournament use, it is very easy to use and has a wealth of features. Please stop by for a personal demonstration.

The clocks will be displayed Friday through Sunday.

How to find your room

By Alan Truscott

The first player I met on arriving in San Antonio was Gladys Collier, from Long Island N.Y., who has attended more North American Championships than almost anyone else here. She complained that she was having trouble remembering her room number. "But I do know that digits add up to 13".

"Think of it as a hand distribution," I advised her, "and work out how you would bid it."

Since then, she tells me, she can find her room with no trouble at all.

Life Master Pairs: 69 years of challenge

The Life Master Pairs is generally considered one of two toughest pair events on the ACBL calendar (the other is the blue ribbon). The six-session event with two qualifying, two semifinal and two final rounds is restricted to Life Masters and is contested for the von Zedtwitz Gold Cup.

Last year's winners, Eric Greco and Geoff Hampson, got off to an enormous start in the first final session, scoring a monstrous 68.9% against the star-studded field. They cooled off somewhat in the second session but hung on for the win.

The pair were among the leaders throughout the event. They led after the first two rounds and were fourth after the semifinals. They were never worse than fourth for the remainder of the contest.

Greco and Hampson's victory was made possible by results such as this deal from the first qualifying session:

Dir: South ♠ A 4			
Vul: None ♥ K Q J 6			
♦ 4 3 2			
♣ K 9 3 2			
♠ 2		♠ K Q J 6 3	
♥ 10 5 4 3 2		♥ A 9 7	
♦ A K J 6 5		♦ 10 8	
♣ A J		♣ 8 5 4	
	♠ 10 9 8 7 5		
	♥ 8		
	♦ Q 9 7		
	♣ Q 10 7 6		
West	North	East	South
Hampson		Greco	
			Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♥ (1)	Pass
4♥	Dbl	All Pass	

(1) Invitational raise with three trumps

North led the ♠A and was no doubt disappointed to discover the trump ace in dummy. He shifted to a low club which went to the queen and ace.

When Hampson tried a low heart toward dummy, North put in the jack which was taken by dummy's ace. Declarer cashed the ♠K, discarding the ♣J, and continued with the ♦10. Hampson won the ♦A K and ruffed a diamond, establishing the suit.

A low club was ruffed and Hampson played a diamond. North had to concede.

Plus 590 was a good score but not a top since this result, with almost identical play, was reported by several other pairs.

Attention: women competitors

Women's pairs will have an added incentive to play well: the pair of women who finish highest here in San Antonio (providing the pair has played in the final session) will be invited to join a women's team in the 1999 International Olympic Committee Grand Prix Tournament, scheduled for early September in Lausanne, Switzerland.

This year's competition will feature two events: a contest among six of the best open teams in the world and a women's competition between four North American pairs and four European pairs.

The first three pairs will be the winners of the 1999 Wagar Women's Knockout Teams (if they are eligible). If the team has only two pairs, they will be permitted to choose their third pair.

Final approval of both the open and women's teams will be made by the ACBL Board of Directors.

The Gold Cup

The Gold Cup was donated for the LM Open Pairs by Waldemar von Zedtwitz in 1930 and won by von Zedtwitz and P. Hal Sims that same year.

Until Life Masters became numerous, the trophy was contested by master players who had qualified by winning a national championship. It was then a four-session event, and the field was limited to 64 players so that a complete movement could be played.

The trophy was originally presented on the basis that three wins by one player would secure him outright possession of the trophy. This feat was achieved by Howard Schenken in 1934. (Schenken won in 1931 and 1933 with David Burnstine and in 1934 with Richard Frey. He also won in 1941 with Merwyn Maier and in 1943 with John Crawford.)

The cup, put back into competition by the donor, was stolen in 1954 while in the possession of John Hubbell, who held the LM Pairs title. The theft followed a television appearance during which Hubbell had exhibited the trophy and given the address of his bridge club where the cup was normally displayed.

The trophy was never recovered and the present cup is an exact replica.

Women have been occasional winners in the LM Pairs -- Helen Sobel, playing with Charles Goren, won in 1942 and 1958; Ruth Gilbert and Leo Roet, 1949; Helen and Morris Portugal, 1960; Dorothy Truscott and B. Jay Becker, 1964; Hermine Baron and Meyer Schleifer, 1966, and Barbara Rappaport and Al Roth, 1971 and 1972.

Mary Jane Farrell and Marilyn Johnson made history in 1978 when they became the first women's partnership to win the event.

The record score for the event belongs to S. Garton Churchill and Cecil Head, who won in 1948 -- scoring 65% as an average for four sessions and 77.4% in a single session.

Winners and runners-up:

1930	1. P. Hal Sims, Waldemar von Zedtwitz; 2. Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson
1931	1. David Burnstine, Howard Schenken; 2. Michael Gottlieb, Theodore Lightner
1932	1. Michael Gottlieb, Theodore Lightner; 2. David Burnstine, Howard Schenken
1933	1. David Burnstine, Howard Schenken; 2. P. Hal Sims, Waldemar von Zedtwitz
1934	1. Richard Frey, Howard Schenken; 2. Walter Malowan, Sydney Rusinow
1935	1. B. Jay Becker, Theodore Lightner; 2. Louis Haddad, Charles Hall
1936	1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby; 2. Robert Appleyard, Isadore Epstein
1937	1. S. Garton Churchill, Charles Lochridge; 2. Doris Fuller, Henry Vogel
1938	1. Morrie Elis, Sherman Stearns; 2. John Crawford, Charles Solomon
1939	1. Robert Appleyard, Harry Fishbein; 2. Oswald Jacoby, Waldemar von Zedtwitz
1940	1. Harry Fishbein, Morrie Elis; 2. Sam Fry, Myron Fuchs
1941	1. Merwyn Maier, Howard Schenken; 2. John Crawford, Oswald Jacoby
1942	1. Charles Goren, Helen Sobel; 2. Philip Abramsohn, Tobias Stone
1943	1. John Crawford, Howard Schenken; 2. Sidney Silodor, Margaret Wagar
1944	1. Samuel Katz, Peter Leventritt; 2. Ambrose Casner, Ralph Hirschberg
1945	1. Robert Appleyard, M. A. Lightman; 2. Bertram Lebar, Simon Rossant
1946	1. Sidney Silodor, Charles Solomon; 2. Lee Hazen, Ruth Sherman
1947	1. Allen Harvey, Frank Weisbach; 2. John Crawford, Theodore Lightner
1948	1. S. Garton Churchill, Cecil Head; 2. Erik Coon, Vincent Remy
1949	1. Ruth Gilbert, Leo Roet; 2. Arthur Glatt, Albert Weiss
1950	1. Manuel Sherwin, C. W. Yorke; Edward Marcus, Sam Stayman
1951	1. Richard Kahn, Peter Leventritt; 2. Ned Drucker, Edgar Kaplan
1952	1. William Jackson, William Joseph; 2-3. Arthur Glatt, Albert Weiss; 2-3. John Crawford, Howard Schenken
1953	1. Milton Ellenby, William Rosen; 2. Charles Goren, Helen Sobel
1954	1. David Carter, John Hubbell; 2. Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin
1955	1. Ben Fain, Paul Hodge; 2. Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin
1956	1. Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone; 2. John Crawford, Sidney Silodor
1957	1. H. Sanborn Brown, Martin Cohn; 2. Francis Begley, Louis Kelner
1958	1-2. Charles Goren, Helen Sobel; 1-2. Wilson Landley, Louis Levy
1959	1. Ed Rosen, Dan Rotman; 2. Sidney Aronson, Larry Weiss
1960	1. Helen Portugal, Morris Portugal; 2. Curtis Smith, Bobby Wolff
1961	1. Philip Feldsman, Marshall Miles; 2. Paul Kibler, Robert Reynolds
1962	1. Philip Feldsman, Ira Rubin; 2. Edith Kemp, Albert Weiss
1963	1. Lew Mathe, Edward Taylor; 2. Ira Rubin, Curtis Smith
1964	1. B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden; 2. Bruce Elliott, Percy Sheardown
1965	1. Victor Mitchell, Samuel Stayman; 2. Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone
1966	1. Hermine Baron, Meyer Schleifer; 2. Morrie Freier, Robert Reynolds
1967	1. Philip Feldsman, Lew Mathe; 2. Diana Schuld, Frank Schuld
1968	1. Bill Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman; 2. James Jacoby, Bobby Wolff
1969	1. Sami Kehela, Eric Murray; 2. Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne
1970	1. Paul Heitner, Michael Moss; 2. Robert Freedman, James Mathis
1971	1. Alvin Roth, Barbara Rappaport; 2. James Jacoby, Minda Brachman
1972	1. Alvin Roth, Barbara Rappaport; 2. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel
1973	1. Jack Blair, Paul Swanson; 2. Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne
1974	1. Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail; 2. Walter Walvick, Thomas Weik
1975	1. Roy Fox, Eugene O'Neill; 2. Michael Becker, Ahmed Hussein
1976	1. Robert Lipsitz, Neil Silverman; 2. Garey Hayden, Mike Passell
1977	1. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel; 2. Ken Cohen, Robert Lipsitz
1978	1. Mary Jane Farrell, Marilyn Johnson; 2. Ron Feldman, David Sacks
1979	1. Ralph Katz, Ken Schutze; 2. Dan Morse, Bobby Nail
1980	1. Bob Hamman, Eric Rodwell; 2. Don Caton, Homer Shoop
1981	1. Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein; 2. Paul Lavings, Bob Richman
1982	1. Tommy Sanders, Ron Andersen; 2. Robert Lipsitz, Ron Sukoneck
1983	1. Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar; 2. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
1984	1. Mike Lawrence, Peter Weichsel; 2. Alan Sontag, Steve Sion
1985	1. George Steiner, Darryl Pedersen; 2. David Siebert, Allan Siebert
1986	1. Eric Rodwell, Douglas Simson; 2. Tom Kniest, Karen Walker
1987	1. Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz; 2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd
1988	1. Marty Bergen, Larry Cohen; 2. Howard Weinstein, John Carruthers
1989	1. Richard Katz, Robert Levin; 2. Howard Weinstein, Ralph Katz
1990	1. Ron Rubin, Michael Becker; 2. John Mohan, Kay Schulle
1991	1. Doug Simson, Eric Rodwell; 2. Steve Sion, Clint Morrell
1992	1. Bob Hamman, Hemant Lall; 2. Hugh Ross, Zia Mahmood
1993	1. Dan Morse, John Sutherland; 2. Tom Clarke, Alan LeBendig
1994	1. Robert Levin, Jeff Wolfson; 2. Eddie Wold, Steve Sion
1995	1. Joe Knivel, Allan Siebert; 2. William Root, Richard Pavlicek
1996	1. David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen; 2. Tony Forrester, Geir Helgemo
1997	1. Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein; 2. Tony Forrester, Geir Helgemo
1998	1. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson; 2. Richard Pavlicek, Rich Pavlicek Jr.

Defending champions

Spingold Knockout Teams -- Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell

Wagar Women's Knockout Teams -- Kitty Munson, Carol Simon, Margie Gwozdziński, Susan Wexler, Linda Lewis, Karen Barrett

Life Master Pairs -- Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson

IMP Pairs -- Gene Freed, Jim Robison

Grand National Teams, Flight A -- Mark Itabashi, Jon Wittes, Ross Grabel, Gene Simpson, Fred Hamilton

GNT, B -- Robert Latulippe, Jocelyn Bernier, Richard Wildi, Jacques Carel, Rene Pelletier, Herve Chatagnier

GNT, C -- Jerzy Jelen, Marek Dalecki, Ted Ryll, Zbigniew Muszynski, Romuald Mindak, Wieslaw Kalita

Mixed Board-a-Match Teams -- Jim and Cheri Bjerkan, David and Lisa Berkowitz

Senior Swiss Teams -- Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Rich Reisig, P.O. Sundelin, Arnie Fisher, Fred Hamilton

Red Ribbon Pairs -- Paul Spear, Jim Johnsen

National 199er Pairs -- Madelyn Bachman, John Javella

Fishbein Trophy -- Paul Soloway

CHARITY KNOCKOUTS**Bracket 1**

16 Teams
Joan Stein - Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI; Dick Benson - Chris Benson, Le Roy IL
vs
Daniel Colatosti, Waltham MA; John Malley, Pascoag RI; Eric Lee Shukan, Somerville MA; Paul Kinney, Jamaica Plain MA
James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA; Richard De Martino, Riverside CT; Charles Coon, Marshfield MA; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA
vs
John Shufelt, W Bloomfield MI; Allan Cokin, Palm Beach FL; Sheila Ekeblad - Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI; Barbara Stone - Robert Stone, Framingham MA
Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA; Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; Peter Friedland, Los Altos CA; Michael White, Atlanta GA; David Siebert, Little Rock AR; David Adams, Kennesaw GA

vs

Veronica McMurdie - John McMurdie, Sacramento CA; Mike Bandler - Arthur Ferman, Alamo CA

Richard Anderson - Janice Anderson, Regina SK; George Retek, Montreal PQ; Richard Budd, Portland ME; Howard Piltch, Andover MA; Jerry Fleming, Los Alamos NM

vs

Jack Coleman, San Francisco CA; Grant Baze, La Jolla CA; Mike Shuman, Pasadena CA; Nell Cahn, Shreveport LA; Henry Bethe - Varis Carey, Ithaca NY

Bracket 2

16 Teams
Paul Pressly, Shawnee Mission KS; Ron Ashbacher, Topeka KS; Bradley Furnish, Kansas City MO; John Uhlmann, Shawnee Msn KS; James Biggins, Leawood KS

vs

G S Jade Barrett, Vancouver WA; Anne Hoffman, Peru VT; Brian Meyer, Buffalo NY; Michael Kitces, Great Falls VA; John Hurd, Charleston SC

John Glick, Hope IN; Nancy Zakim, Greenbrae CA; Jean Hume, Livermore CA; Richard Bender, Springfield MO

vs

Daniel Boye - Larry Sunser, Syracuse NY; Steven Barcus, Sorrento FL; Samuel Marks, Dunwoody GA; Barrett Raff, Johnson City NY

Barry Turner, Richardson TX; John Schwartz, Plano TX; Jan Assini, Aurora OH; Laurie Kranyak - John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON

vs

John Solodar - William Kronthal - Ellin Kronthal, New York NY; Jill Levin, Bronx NY

Roy Falck, Tucson AZ; Mary Anne O'Connor, Port Huron MI; Sandra Wirtz, Clyde MI; Sarah Wiener, Fort Lee NJ

vs

Kenneth McBride - Donna McBride, Kerrville TX; Sharon Mann - George Mann, Boerne TX

Bracket 3

15 Teams
N Paasch, Moorhead MN; Betsy Downs - Mike Jones, Chicago IL; Daniel Zagorin, Skokie IL

vs

Jim Haws - Jerry Keeran, Tampa FL; Sandy Ventura - Deana Gratke, Bakersfield CA

Jay Gibson, Ft Worth TX; Annette McCarty, Richardson TX; Melody Gann - William White, Arlington TX

vs

Erin Anderson, Regina SK; Jerry Mamer, Stoughton SK; Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA; Charles Halasi, Toronto ON

Ross Robbins, Port Isabel TX; John Johnson - Janet Fisher, Harlingen TX; Walter Lauckner, Mission TX

vs

Ronnie Ferestien, Waban MA; Marina Polestra, Boston MA; Roberto Verthelyi, New York NY; Saeed Shah, Lahore

Paul Lenhart - Kerr Godfrey, Houston TX; Burton Stuart Jr, Durham NC; John Markey II, Raleigh NC

STRATIFIED CHARITY PAIRS

208 Pairs

A B C

19.81 1
14.86 2
11.14 3
8.36 4
6.27 5
8.44 6/8 1/2 1
3.62 6/8
8.44 6/8 1/2
5.42 9 3
2.04 10
1.80 11
4.07
3.05
2.29
2.56
1.92
1.44
1.61
1.19

Ross Grabel, Huntington Beach CA; Jon Wittes, Claremont CA 176.00
Joseph Kivel, Newport Coast CA; Chris Larsen, Costa Mesa CA 171.00
Nancy Popkin, Saint Louis MO; Donald Stack, Shawnee Mission KS 167.05
Norman Coombs, Brookville IN; Carl Edwards, Westerville OH 167.00
Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; James Tucker Jr, Alexander City AL 165.00
Richard Aronson - Corey Cole, Oakhurst CA 164.50
Lanette Moore, Dunwoody GA; Gerald Popkin, Atlanta GA 164.50
Mary Santini-Ritt, Newton MA; K Scott Kimball, Newton Center MA 164.50
Natalie Bassil, Boston MA; Roger Johnson, Canton MA 163.00
Jerry Clerkin, North Vernon IN; Virginia Noelke, San Angelo TX 160.95
Joergen Molberg, Norway; Ole Toesse, Trondheim N-704 5 160.36
Xiaodong Qiao, Calgary AB; Lu Qiao, Beijing, China 156.50
J Bagwell, Paris TX; Neal Perlman, San Angelo TX 156.00
Rene McFall - William McFall, New Berlin WI 154.00
Barbara Phillips, Houston TX; Sara Stewart, Kemah TX 145.00
Peter Ashbrook - Alvan Bregman, Champaign IL 141.00
Keith Estep - M. Louise Wissler, San Antonio TX 137.00
Patrick Hambrick, New Orleans LA; William Moore, Madison MS 136.00
John Johnson - Jeannie Johnson, Houston TX 136.00

STRATIFIED 199ER PAIRS

30 Pairs

D E F

3.21 1 1
2.41 2

1.81 3
1.35 4
1.67 5 2 1
1.25 6 3
1.12 4
0.70 5
1.19
0.89
0.67

Barbara Harberg - Robin Ladin, Houston TX 174.50
Josephine Schreckengaust, Avalon NJ; Alfred Fischer Sr, Shreveport LA 161.00
Bela Borsos, San Antonio TX; Celeste Godfrey, Austin TX 158.50
Jan Siem - Annette Kraft Van Ermel, Curacao NA 156.50
Roland McWhorter, Lawton OK; Leland Kerby, Uvalde TX 155.00
Joan Slaughter - Gloria Stroud, Dallas TX 153.50
Louis Navin - Sharon Navin, Naples FL 151.00
Mary Craig - Josephine Carter, San Antonio TX 142.00
Gary Martin, Spring Hill FL; Dennis Martin, Omaha NE 139.00
Frances Finkel, Lambertville NJ; Leo Naeger, Lake Kiowa TX 136.50
Robert Kleinman - Madelaine Kleinman, Chicago IL 132.00

vs

Charles Jefferson, San Antonio TX; Geoff Booth - Robert Sandfield, Houston TX; Paul Spellman, Dallas TX

Bracket 4

16 Teams
Rene Wallace, Mission TX; Lorraine Barkey, Pharr TX; Helen Worsham, Dallas TX; Chris Kindt, Middletown CT

vs

Annette Bergstrom, Burbank CA; Francine Bard, Bayside NY; Jacqueline Kimball, Somerset NJ; Myrna Smith, Flemington NJ

Laurence Rivkin, Dunwoody GA; Bob Jones, Marietta GA; Nick White, Woodstock GA; Kenneth King, Raleigh NC

vs

Lynn Rattinger, Roanoke VA; Pamela Schicketanz, Show Low AZ; Fanchon Iglehart, Mesa AZ; William Mannschreck, Virginia Bch VA

Harlan Barnard, New York NY; Henry Griffin, South Salem NY; Barbara Hanby, Katy TX; Barbara Courtright, Houston TX

vs

Carol Schwartz, Farmington MI; Ronnie Robinson, Palm Desert CA; George Alderton III, Hills MI; Jack Blumenthal, Pearland TX

Judy Hummel - Jerry Curtright - Bonnie Bagley - John Ledet - Denis Murphy, Colorado Spgs CO

vs

Margaret Higgins - Edward Higgins, Center Point TX; Paula Craven, Peabody MA; Kathleen Centorino, Chestnut Hill MA

Bracket 5

12 Teams
Richard Jackson - Sandra Jackson, Bellaire TX; Sharon Beck, Pearland TX; Daniel Jackson, Houston TX

vs

Michael Lynch - Charles Markowitz - Shih-Liang Hsu - Rose Calvin, Houston TX

Roxana Tom, Campbellton TX; Katherine Gary - Dorothy Rippstein, Karnes City TX; Anne Hinton, George West TX

vs

Sheila Dippel, Florence KY; Gary Fan, Monroe NY; Betty Hurst, Ft Mitchell KY; Belen Suarez, Cincinnati OH; Evan Markowitz, New York NY; Glenda Stieber, Houston TX

Sanford Lobliner - Jeff Nuttall - Chris Curran, Houston TX; Marsha Bernstein, Sugar Land TX

vs

Gene Thompson, Austin TX; Wonjoo Goldstein, Elkins Park PA; Micheline Heiche, Silver Spring MD; John Schaus, Evansville IN

Glenda Simmons - Joyce Mitchell - Debbie Kemp - Jimmie Branch, Midland TX

vs

Wentao Chen - Ying Yuan - Yaqi Zhu, Bellevue WA; Mac Kowalczyk, Newcastle WA

Bracket 6

11 Teams
Bobbie Beverung, Fort Worth TX; Michael Lombardi, Norman OK; Olive Wood, Aledo TX; J Caldwell, Lewisville TX

vs

Jerry Newcomb - Carolyn Newcomb - Ilene Matteson - Maxine Divine, Littleton CO

vs

Robert Bergbower - Joe Howard - Keith Marks, Lake Kiowa TX; Richard Carroll, Gainesville TX

Susan Griffin, Wallis TX; Jill Hendricks, Tomball TX; Mary Lou Fowler - Mary Ann Polk, Houston TX

vs

Greg Bruce, Santa Barbara CA; Roger Holyer Black, Tempe AZ; Mary Bushmaier, Nashville TN; Mildred Klarfield, Houston TX

vs

J Richards - Charmaine Mitchell - Irene Faletto, Rockwall TX; Mary Kever, Grayslake IL

Appeals meeting

There will be a meeting of the National Appeals Committee after the evening session tonight in Conference Room 15 on the third floor at the Marriott Rivercenter.

STRATIFIED 199ER PAIRS WEDNESDAY EVENING

NORTH-SOUTH				SECTION F			EAST-WEST		
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1			Josephine Schreckengaust, Avalon NJ; Alfred Fischer Sr, Shreveport LA	1	1		Barbara Harberg - Robin Ladin, Houston TX	174.50	
2	1		Louis Navin - Sharon Navin, Naples FL	2			Bela Borsos, San Antonio TX; Celeste Godfrey, Austin TX	158.50	
3			Eugene Wilson - Ellie Fox, Fort Myers FL	3			Jan Siem - Annette Kraft Van Ermel, Curacao NA	156.50	
4			Linda Besnette - Christine Marincovich, Phoenix AZ	4	2	1	Roland McWhorter, Lawton OK; Leland Kerby, Uvalde TX	155.00	
5	2		Mary Craig - Josephine Carter, San Antonio TX	5	3		Joan Slaughter - Gloria Stroud, Dallas TX	153.50	
6			Alice Odenwald, Fort Myers FL; Mary Ellen Lemieux, Ft Myers Bch FL	6	4		Marsha Postar - Will Anthony, Lubbock TX	136.00	
	3	1	Gary Martin, Spring Hill FL; Dennis Martin, Omaha NE			2	Robert Kleinman - Madelaine Kleinman, Chicago IL	132.00	
		2	Frances Finkel, Lambertville NJ; Leo Naeger, Lake Kiowa TX						

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

San Antonio Day

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

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

Thursday, July 22, 1999, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry/player/session		Sold
		ACBL members**	Others	
Charity Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon E
Boston Morning Continuous/Side Pairs I*	1st single session	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon F
New Braunfels Bridge Clubs Stratified 199er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon F
Thursday, July 22, 1999, 1:00 p.m.				
LIFE MASTER PAIRS (2 qualifying, 2 semifinal & 2 final sessions)	1-2 Qual	\$13.50	\$14.50	Marriott Salon I
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS-A	Round of 4	\$13.50	N/A	Marriott Conference Rm 1
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS-B&C	Rounds of 8 & 4	\$12	N/A	Marriott Conference Rm 17
Bill Campbell Stratified Open Pairs*	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
William Davis Jr. Stratified Senior Pairs*	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon E
Bracketed KO Teams I (Continues Friday)	sessions 1-2	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Thursday-Friday Continuous/Side Pairs*	1st single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Marie Bailey 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Marie Bailey 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs 0-5 Pairs play free today!	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A

Thursday, July 22, 1999, 8:00 p.m.

Thursday-Friday Continuous/Side Pairs*	2nd single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
E. McLean & H. Goldstucker Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
299er Stratified Swiss Teams	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Marie Bailey 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Marie Bailey 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs 0-5 Pairs play free today!	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A

Thursday, July 22, 1999, midnight

Biig Al's Zip KO Teams	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
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TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

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

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Friday, July 23, 1999, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry/player/session		Sold
		ACBL members**	Others	
Charity Bracketed KO Teams	3rd	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Boston Morning Continuous/Side Pairs I*	2nd single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Stratified 199er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall

Friday, July 23, 1999, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Magic Valley Unit 237 Stratified Senior Pairs*	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon E
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Friday, July 23, 1999, 1:00 p.m.

LIFE MASTER PAIRS	2 semi-final sessions	\$13.50	\$14.50	Marriott Salon I
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS-A	2 final sessions	\$13.50	N/A	Marriott Conference Rm 1
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS-B&C	2 final sessions	\$12	N/A	Marriott Conference Rm 1
Strati-Flighted Open Pairs*				
Flight A/X	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon I Foyer
Flight B/C/D	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Bracketed KO Teams I	sessions 3-4	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Bracketed KO Teams II (Continues Saturday)	sessions 1-2	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Charity Pairs (Continuous pairs)*	3rd single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Boston 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Boston 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A

Friday, July 23, 1999, 8:00 p.m.

Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
International Fund Pairs (Continuous Pairs)*	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
299er Stratified Swiss Teams	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Boston 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Boston 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A

Friday, July 23, 1999, midnight

International Fund Zip Swiss Teams*	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
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