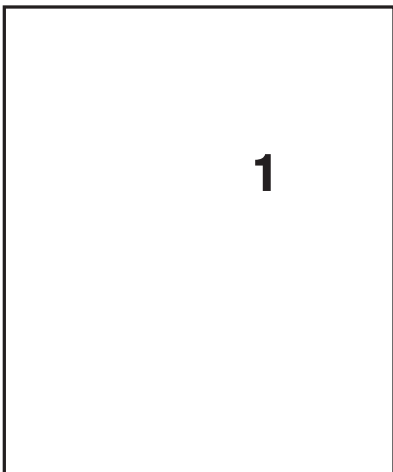


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Patty Johnson, left, shows Donna Manley the revised scores, after corrections, of one of the pairs events.

Got a question? Patty has the answer

Bridge players ask lots of questions at an NABC.

"How many points do I get for my section top?"

"How many points do I have?"

"What's my player number?"

"Am I eligible for such-and-such an event?"

"Where's the ladies room?"

"Where are the hand records?"

"Where are they going to hear my appeal?"

"Where's the coffee?"

"What color points did I win?"

"Am I a Life Master yet?"

"Can you give me a summary of the points I've won at this tournament?"

"Where can I get today's Daily Bulletin?"

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Sosler sextet holds narrow Reisinger lead

The team captained by Gerald Sosler took a narrow lead after the first qualifying session of the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams on a day noteworthy for two teams that did not make the first cut.

Out of the event on day two is the all-star team that includes two of last year's Reisinger winners -- and the powerful squad led by Jimmy Cayne.

Sosler's squad, meanwhile, led the field with a score of 34, half a board ahead of the team captained by Jerry Goldfein.

Sosler is playing with Jim Backstrom, John Mohan, Kay Schulle, Sjurdur Sverrisson and Adalsteinn Jorensen. Goldfein's teammates are Larry Robbins, Dan Rotman and Gary Cohler.

Now on the sidelines are Zia and Michael Rosenberg, two members of the winning team last year in San Francisco. Their teammates were Rita Shugart, Andy Robson, Geir Helgemo and Tony Forrester. The team posted a score of 14 in the afternoon session -- average was 13 -- but could manage only 11.5 in the evening. Their score of 25.5 was well out of qualifying range.

Cayne's powerhouse squad -- Chuck Burger,

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Board of Directors Meeting highlights

The ACBL fully supports the use of Tournament Assistants to help sponsoring organizations to keep their tournaments affordable. Management is directed, whenever feasible, to reduce its tournament director staffing requirements when the sponsoring organization commits to hire a Tournament Assistant. Management will provide a financial impact report at the Fall 1998 meeting.

The Board of Directors will meet three times per year. Each meeting shall be prior to each NABC at the site of the NABC.

A Junior Bridge Camp for approximately 100 Juniors will be sponsored by the ACBL and held in the Chicago area following the 1998 Summer NABC (August 3-9). The Camp is anticipated to cost approximately \$30,000. \$15,000 will come from the Junior Fund and \$15,000 from the budget. Every subsequent two years the ACBL will sponsor a Junior Camp to be held in conjunction with the Summer NABC. There will be a minimum \$15,000 commitment from the General Fund for this purpose.

The following sites of future NABCs were accepted by the Board: 2002 Spring, Houston; 2002 Fall, Phoenix; 2003 Summer, Long Beach; 2005

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Coleman leads NA Swiss

The team captained by Jack Coleman, winners of the North American Swiss Teams two of the last three years, held a slim lead in the event after two qualifying sessions.

Coleman won in 1994 and 1995 playing with Mark Molson, Drew Cannell, Boris Baran and Mark Stein. This year, Coleman added Matt Granovetter, now a resident of Israel.

The team scored 120 Victory Points, one more than Luella Slaner, Joel Friedberg, Ethan Stein, Marty Bergen and Dutch stars Enri Leufkens and Berry Westra.

Reisinger on vugraph

The Reisinger Teams final will be featured on vugraph tomorrow in St. Louis Ballroom ABCD on the fourth level of the Adam's Mark. The organizer and chief commentator is Karen Allison, and George Jacobs also will be a featured commentator.

Chairman's measure of success: happy players

Mike Carmen has been running bridge tournaments in the St. Louis area for about 10 years, and he uses one criterion to determine whether he has been successful: did the players have fun?

The chairman of the Fall NABC in St. Louis believes he can answer positively to that question regarding the largest tournament he has ever run.

"I've had a lot of unsolicited comments from people who have told me they had a great

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Beth Thalhammer, a caddy, reaches into the drum to determine the winner of the free trip to the World Championships in Lille next year. Looking on are Roy G. Green, CEO, and Rena Hetzer, ACBL International Events coordinator.

Gunnell wins drawing for tickets to Lille

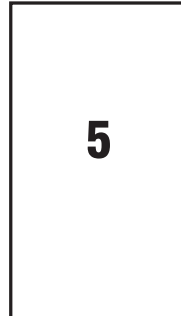
Suddenly Brian Gunnell of Jacksonville FL is looking forward to the world championships in Lille, France, next year. Last night he won the special raffle good for two round-trip tickets plus hotel accommodations (two rooms for four nights).

The drawing took place just before the start of the game last night. Beth Thalhammer of the caddy staff made the drawing.

When we went to congratulate Brian, we asked him if he was going to use the tickets. "You bet," he said. "I'm already dreaming about it. I'm looking forward to playing in some world events."



Brian Gunnell of Jacksonville FL smiles happily after learning he was the winner of the free trip to Lille next year.



Mike Carmen

SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, Nov. 28

9:00 a.m. Special regionally-rated two-session International Fund Pairs (first session was Thursday morning).
 10:30 a.m. - Noon ITT Meeting, Director's Row 48
 11:45 a.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Dorothy Truscott: *Bid Better, Play Better*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 6:45 p.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- John Blubaugh: *Losing Trick Count*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 11:30 p.m. Player Hospitality, Rose Garden

Saturday, Nov. 29

11:45 a.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Jerry Helms: *Understanding the Language*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 6:45 p.m. Intermediate/Novice Speakers Program -- Fred Hamilton: *Hand Evaluation*, St. Louis Ballroom F-G-H
 11:30 p.m. Player Hospitality, Rose Garden

Sunday, Nov. 30

Noon - 5 p.m. &
 7:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Reisinger final on vugraph, St. Louis Ballroom ABCD

A pair of sevens

By Ray Lee

Any expert knows the value of spot cards. Probably, he has been involved many times in contracts that make or go down depending on which side possesses the critical 9s and 10s. Lower spot cards can be just as important, as you can see on this deal from the first final session of the Open Board-a-Match Teams.

Dir: West ♠7 6 4
 Vul: None ♥Q J 5
 ♦5 2
 ♣Q 9 7 6 2

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

♠J 5
 ♥A 6 4 3
 ♦10 9 8 7 4
 ♣J 5

West	North	East	South
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	All Pass

Against East's normal 4♣ contract, South led the ♦10, and declarer probably wished as he saw the dummy that his contract had been 3NT. Nevertheless, he set about maximizing his chances for overtricks. Winning the ♦A, he drew trumps ending in the dummy, and called for the innocent-looking ♥7. North played low, and East let the 7 ride to South's ace. North had not actually given up anything by failing to split his heart honors, but he had begun to create the possibility of future difficulties.

South exited with another diamond to declarer's queen. East cashed the ♥K and the last high diamond, and now played the third round of hearts, putting North on lead. Knowing that a heart would present East with a ruff-sluff, North had no choice but to break clubs. East played low, South inserted the jack, and dummy's ace won the trick. Now declarer could finesse the 10 coming back for a vital overtrick.

Well played by East, of course, who had used his ♥7 to good effect in persuading North to let him set up the endplay. But not well defended by North, who failed to notice that his own ♣7 was a vital card that could enable him to escape

the trap. Instead of exiting with a low club, he should have played the ♣9. Now if East plays low, South does not have to waste his jack, and there is no finessing position created. If East plays the ♣10, South covers, and the ace wins. However, North's ♣Q7 now "surrounds" dummy's ♣8, and squirm as he might, East has one more club loser. Now, how many points was it that Goren recommended counting for a 7?

No escape from endplay

Here's a hand that has caused a good deal of discussion.

♠A 10 4
 ♥K Q 6
 ♦A K 10 2
 ♣Q 7 6

♠Q 8
 ♥A J 7 5 4
 ♦Q 4 3
 ♣K 10 2

♠J 9 7 5 3 2
 ♥9 8
 ♦9
 ♣J 8 5 3

West	North	East	South
2♥	Dbl	1♥	Pass
All Pass		3♥	3♠

South's problem comes down to avoiding three club losers, and consequently the defense's problem is to avoid being endplayed in clubs.

West opened the ♥10, covered by the queen and won with the ace, and the heart return went to the king. Declarer immediately set about stripping the hand for a trump endplay -- he ruffed a heart. Next he took his two diamond tricks and led a third diamond to ruff.

He crossed to the ♠A, and East saw what was happening -- he ditched his trump king. If he didn't he would be thrown in with the king and be forced to break clubs or offer a sluff-ruff. Good play, but it wasn't good enough. Now declarer was able to ruff dummy's last diamond and put West, rather than East, in for the endplay. Making three.

Shuttle service

A free shuttle will operate today from the Adam's Mark to the Marriott and to the 8th and Pine Metrolink station. The shuttle operates between 6:30 pm and 12:30 am. The last train eastbound on Saturday is at 12:32 am and on Sunday at 11:38 pm. The last train westbound is at 12:08 am on Saturday and at 11:42 pm on Sunday.

Check cashing

The check cashing booth is open daily from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm on the second floor of the Adam's Mark. The maximum amount for a check is \$250. Photo identification is necessary.

Entry sellers are allowed to accept only Travelers Checks and personal checks for the exact amount of the entry fee.

Like father . . .

By Barry Rigal

Marty Hirschman might be better known as the father of Sam and Dan, both of whom at one time or another were the youngest Life Masters in the ACBL.

But Marty is no mean player himself. In his losing Bracketed Knockout match (they had beaten Meckwell in the previous round), he had two neat hands.

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

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

♠ A 9 8
 ♥ A Q 10 9 4 2
 ♦ Q 8 5
 ♣ J

West	North	East	South
3♠	4♥	1♣	1♥
		All Pass	

Marty was declarer in 4♥ on a club lead and a spade shift. He ducked this and won the next spade. He noted at once that he could endplay his opponents for a diamond play -- but that would not be enough. He actually needed a singleton diamond honor in one defender's hand. Since West had made a preemptive raise, he decided to play East for the bare king.

Therefore he drew trumps, cashed the ♦A and exited with the third spade. The defense was helpless now -- a diamond would give up the defense's trick in that suit, and anything else would give a ruff and discard.

Later on in the same set Marty reached 3NT after opening an eccentric INT on the South cards.

♠ A K Q
 ♥ Q 10 6
 ♦ 6 4 2
 ♣ 9 6 4 3

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

♠ J 9 8 5
 ♥ A K 7 4 3
 ♦ Q 7
 ♣ K 5

West	North	East	South
Pass	3NT	Pass	1NT (!)
		All Pass	

Of course West could have cashed the diamond suit off the top, but not unnaturally he led a low diamond, so Marty scored the queen. Many of us would simply try to cash out the hearts and throw up our hands in disgust when the suit failed to split.

Marty carefully led a heart toward the queen, and when he saw the 8 appear, he called for the queen and then the 10. When East hesitated he was sunk. He finally covered with the jack, and now Marty could run the suit and make 10 tricks for a game swing since 4♥ was beaten in the other room.

Polish poser

Marcin Lesniewski and Cezary Balicki, two Polish stars, dropped by the *Daily Bulletin* office with a bridge problem.

You are North in this auction, which occurs during a pair game.

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

- (1) Game forcing.
 - (2) Negative.
 - (3) Second negative.
- What is your lead?
 (Answer on page 4)

Two fine saves

En route to their victory in the Senior Knock-out Teams, Al Childs and Dave Adams of the Richard Carteaux team found fine saves on consecutive boards in the third quarter of the final against the team captained by Mike Levine.

Board 37	♠ A 9 3		
Dlr North	♥ Q 2		
Vul N-S	♦ Q J 7 5 3		
	♣ 10 7 5		
	♠ Q 7 5 4	♠ K J 8 2	
	♥ 10 8 7	♥ A	
	♦ 6 4 2	♦ K	
	♣ Q 6 4	♣ A K J 9 8 3 2	
	♠ 10 6		
	♥ K J 9 6 5 4 3		
	♦ A 10 9 8		
	♣ --		

West	North	East	South
Childs	Fisher	Adams	Sundelin
	Pass	1♣	2♥ (1)
Pass	3♥	4♣	4♥
5♣	5♥	Pass	Pass
6♣	Pass	Pass	Dbf

All Pass

(1) Intermediate.

Arnie Fisher and P.O. Sundelin climbed to 5♥, but Childs carried on to 6♣. As the cards lie, North-South can make 6♥, getting rid of the losing spade on declarer's long diamond. But this was far from clear, so Sundelin doubled. The defense got their two aces, but that was all -- down one. At the other table, the Carteaux team bought the hand for 4♠ making five for an 8-IMP pickup.

Board 38	♠ 5		
Dlr East	♥ 10 9 8 4		
Vul E-W	♦ 9 7 3 2		
	♣ A J 9 2		
	♠ K Q 10 8 3	♠ J 9 6 4	
	♥ --	♥ J 6 5 2	
	♦ 8	♦ K J 10 6 4	
	♣ K Q 10 7 5 4 3	♣ --	
	♠ A 7 2		
	♥ A K Q 7 3		
	♦ A Q 5		
	♣ 8 6		

West	North	East	South
Childs	Fisher	Adams	Sundelin
	Pass	Pass	1♣
1♠	Pass	4♠	Dbf

All Pass

Sundelin and Fisher were playing a forcing club system, so naturally Sundelin did not open with 1♥ -- far too strong. But on his second turn he was faced with making a decision that could carry him to the five level. With all those honors he decided that a double was called for -- a decision that most of us would agree with under the circumstances. He didn't know the opponents had a void in each hand. He also didn't know the seven-card club suit that was buried in Childs' 1♠ overcall.

Childs played the hand in crossruff style, winding up with nine tricks for minus 200.

This is one time an opening heart bid would have worked better than a forcing club. Fisher would have realized that his hand was valuable opposite an opening heart bid, and the auction no doubt would have been much more competitive.

That's the way it was at the other table, where Ralph Cohen and Chuck Said climbed all the way to 6♥. For a report on the play in the other room, see page 4. Another 13 IMPs to Carteaux.

New Life Master

RICHARD HAGENLOCKER of Fredericksburg VA became a Life Master after winning the necessary points in the Monday Midnight Swiss Teams. He found his partner, Charles Hays of Lawrenceville GA, at the partnership desk. Then they came across two English players, James Bochsler and Byron Crittendon, in the hallway -- and a team was born.

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Marinesa Letizia not only was a member of the winning Venice Cup team at the world championships in Tunisia -- she also had the chance to get this close to Omar Sharif.

The obvious game

By Barry Rigal

Look at Board 21 from the second semifinal session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs. North has an eight-card spade suit he wants to get into the action, and East-West have a heart-club fit that plays well. But which is the making game?

Board 21	♠ J 10 8 7 6 5 4 2		
Dlr North	♥ 8 3 2		
Vul N-S	♦ 2		
	♣ 4		
	♠ Q	♠ 9 3	
	♥ K 9	♥ A J 10 6 4	
	♦ K Q 9 6 5	♦ J 8	
	♣ A Q J 10 3	♣ K 9 7 2	

4♠ has four top losers, and 4♥ goes down after two rounds of diamonds, then two spades. And 5♣ goes off on a diamond lead.

Ah, but what about 3NT by East-West? With the miraculous spade blockage AND the ♦A with South, you can't beat it!

But nobody bid it, right? WRONG!! At least two pairs managed the feat. When Dave Treadwell opened a Multi 2♦ in second seat, Darwin Afdahl jumped to 3NT ("knowing my partner had spades") and brought home 10 tricks.

And Chris Willenken received a diamond lead and continuation against 3NT after South had bid the suit. When he guessed hearts he registered 490!

Easy game, bridge!

Grace under fire

By Ray Lee

To say that Geir Helgemo and Tony Forrester did not get off to a good start in the second final session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs is like saying that Tiger Woods is a promising young golfer. Their first six boards included minus 1100, minus 670, minus 380 and minus 500, and in the middle of all this they conservatively stayed out of a 50% slam that was there as the cards lay.

Many partnerships would be barely on speaking terms after this kind of beginning, but Helgemo merely looked across the table, gave Forrester a big grin, and said "Well, at least we're not going to come second this year!" Events were to prove him wrong.

It was instructive, too, to watch a world-class pair set about moving back up the standings to where they had started the evening, trailing Allan Falk and Adam Wildavsky by a handful of matchpoints. There were no wild swings, no psychs, no crazy preempts -- just solid bridge, good judgment and excellent card play. The following two hands are typical:

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

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

	♠ Q 10 4 2		
	♥ J 9 2		
	♦ A 9 4		
	♣ A Q 9		
West	North	East	South
	Helgemo	INT	Forrester
	Pass	INT	Pass
Pass	Dbf	All Pass	

Helgemo made a well-judged balancing double of East's weak INT opener, and Forrester was happy to leave it in. After a spade lead, declarer ducked a heart, and the defenders continued spades. With careful discarding on the hearts and avoiding playing diamonds until it was time to cash out their top tricks, the defenders held declarer to three heart tricks, the two spades for plus 300 and 21.5 out of 25 matchpoints.

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

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

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

West	North	East	South
	Helgemo		Forrester
Pass	1♣	1♦	1♠
2♥	Dbf (1)	3♥	3♠
4♥	Pass	Pass	Dbf

All Pass

(1) Three-card spade support.

Perhaps applying the law of total tricks, Forrester judged that 4♠ was not going to be a success and that his diamond cards were well placed for defensive purposes. His decision was rewarded when Helgemo found the killing trump lead.

Declarer had little choice now but to try to establish diamonds, a plan doomed to failure. The defenders could have had plus 500 as it turned out, but the position of the spade spots was not clear to Helgemo, and in the end he elected to take a sure down one instead of a risky play for two down.

Another good decision, since plus 200 was worth 24 matchpoints.

After the first six boards, second place must have seemed a triumph, not a disappointment, but once again Helgemo and Forrester find themselves ending a national championship saying to themselves, "Wait till next year."

Jackpot Pairs

One of the highlights of the Reno

NABC next March will be the Jackpot Pairs on Wednesday, March 25.

What's so different?

You'll be playing for masterpoints and

CASH!!! in a Stratified Open Pairs event.

Listen to this -- 100% of the money in the prize pool will be distributed. Ten percent of the pool will go to the Lotto pair. Lotto pairs are those who entered the event but didn't finish in the overall. The Lotto winner will be drawn.

Cash awards will be given to ALL overall places in ALL strats.

How much is all this going to cost?

Only \$80 a pair. (You can pay the regular entry fee and play only for masterpoints if you so wish.)



Comeback crew

In all but one of their matches in the Senior Knockout Teams, the squad captained by Robert Carteaux trailed at some point. In the semifinal and final, the team had to overcome deficits of 26 and 22 IMPs in the final quarter to win.

Significantly, only Carteaux and David Adams have anything resembling a regular partnership. The other pairings -- Chuck Said-Ralph Cohen and Adams-Al Childs -- were relatively unfamiliar.

These three deals from the second half of the final helped the Carteaux team come back. The first is from the third quarter and featured Said and Cohen against Russ Arnold and Jim Linhart. (The play in the other room is featured on page 3.)

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

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

West <i>Arnold</i>	North <i>Said</i>	East <i>Linhart</i>	South <i>Cohen</i>
2♣	4♥	Pass	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	5♥
Pass	Pass	5♠	Pass
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

Arnold could have defeated the slam by leading the ♣K, but he chose the ♠K for his opening shot. Cohen won the ♠A and cashed his ♥A, unblocking the ♥10 from dummy when West showed out.

Next came a spade ruff with the ♥9, a diamond to the queen, a spade ruff with the ♥8 and a finesse of the ♥7 to pick up trumps.

Cohen then led the ♠6 from his hand, playing low from dummy when Arnold played the ♣Q. Cohen could then finesse the ♠J and cash the ♣A to pitch his losing diamond. At the other table, North-South collected only plus 200, so the Carteaux team gained 13 IMPs.

Going into the fourth quarter, the Carteaux team was down 22 IMPs and needed some action. Cohen and Said produced two outstanding results with fine card play and excellent bidding judgment on consecutive boards early in the quarter. They were playing against P.O. Sundelin and Arnie Fisher.

Dlr: South ♠8 5
Vul: E-W ♥A 7
♦Q 6 2
♣A K 10 7 6 5

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

West <i>Sundelin</i>	North <i>Said</i>	East <i>Fisher</i>	South <i>Cohen</i>
2♦	3♣	Pass	4♠
5♦	5♥	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

Said's 5♥ cuebid was all Cohen needed, and he played the slam letter perfect.

Sundelin led the ♦K and switched to the ♣Q, threatening a ruff. Cohen won the ♣A, cashed one round of trumps then played the ♥A, a heart to the king and ruffed a heart. The ♣K provided the parking place for Cohen's other heart loser as Sundelin followed helplessly with a diamond. Cohen ruffed a diamond back to hand to pull trumps and claim for plus 980, a 10-IMP gain since Adams and Childs were minus 500 in the other room in a doubled diamond contract.

The next board produced 13 IMPs for the

Carteaux team.

Dlr: West ♠Q 8 7 2
Vul: Both ♥Q 7
♦A 9 5 4
♣10 9 6

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

West <i>Sundelin</i>	North <i>Said</i>	East <i>Fisher</i>	South <i>Cohen</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

Cohen considered his hand too good for a 1NT opener, and he didn't want to rebid 2NT over his partner's 1♠ response, so he opted for the jump raise to 3♠. The resulting 4♠ contract was unbeatable and Said quickly scored up plus 620. That was good for a 13-IMP gain because 3NT failed by two tricks at the other table after a heart lead.

Patty

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Who answers all these questions? None other than Patty Johnson in Tournament Operations, the director who always has a smile -- and an answer -- for you no matter how busy she is. This is her 10th anniversary in this job -- she took over from Ernie Clinton in 1987.

"Up to 50 players a day drop into the office with questions like these," said Patty. "And that doesn't count all the tournament directors who all have questions of their own.

"I enjoy it. I love this job. I love the people and I love the detail. I love it when all sorts of things are going on all at once. It's like being an executive secretary."

Fifty players a day? That's 500 a tournament, 1500 a year. That means she has answered about 15,000 questions since she's been handling this job.

Tournament Operations -- what's that all about? Patty prepares all the masterpoint reports for Headquarters, makes all the necessary corrections in results, prepares section and overall reports for the Daily Bulletin, smiles and answers all questions. "I work closely with the directing staff. We work together to make things go easier and more smoothly. It's a team effort."

Patty, who is an associate national director, does an excellent job of handling Florida tournaments when she's not answering questions at an NABC. "It's totally different at our Florida tournaments," she said. "There I'm out with the players and I help make policy. It's great working with Jayne Thomas, who is chairman for most Florida regionals.

"It's a hands-on experience in Florida. I try to be out with the players as much as I possibly can."

Patty started her directing career at the Lightman Club in Memphis 22 years ago. A year and a half later she became a full-fledged ACBL tournament director, and she's been climbing the ladder ever since, reaching her present status in 1995. She's a busy director -- she works about 320 sessions a year.

Patty's husband Karl, a top-flight National Director for many years, is doing well in retirement at their home in Sebring. "He's healthy -- he plays golf five or six times a week and carries a 10 handicap. He had some problems with arrhythmia some years ago -- once we thought we lost him. But now he has a defibrillator inside him that jolts his heart back into action any time the rhythm fails.

"We play golf and mah jongg quite often with two more former ACBL people -- Tournament Director Harry Clark and his wife Sandy, who worked in the Education Department. We see Johnny Wiser, another retired TD, and his wife Daniela once in a while."

"It's great being with Karl. We've been married 15 years now, and it's wonderful. I used to work with him in Midwest tournaments and at NABCs, and I decided he was the man I wanted. I went after him and he caught me."

That's our Patty!

How they finish 2nd

Tony Forrester and Geir Helgemo are making a habit of finishing second in major pair events at NABCs. They've been the runners-up twice in the Blue Ribbons (including here), twice in the Life Master Pairs and once in the Open Pairs. How do they do it, we asked Forrester.

"It's really very simple," he said. "If it's a really good field, we play our very best so that we can be second best. But if the field is not so strong, we have to take a little off our game to make sure we finish second."

Happy players

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time," Carmen said.

Such reactions, he added, make the two and a half years of preparation for the St. Louis NABC worthwhile.

Carmen said his primary goal in the planning stages of his chairmanship was to find good people to work on the tournament committee.

"If you get the right people, that makes your job a lot easier," he said.

Carmen said all the volunteers have been stellar, but he felt he should single out two -- Mary Lu Weyerich, volunteer chairman, and Susan Rosenthal, partnership chairman. "She is Ms. Partnership in St. Louis," Carmen said.

He also had high praise for Nancy Foy, ACBL's head of meeting services, and her assistant, Jeff Johnston. "They have done a great job to make this a good tournament," Carmen said.

He added that Foy and Johnston were also helpful in the planning stages. "We had a lot of help from Memphis," he said.

Carmen, who works in data processing for Laclede Gas Co. in St. Louis, is president of the host District 8 and is a former president of St. Louis Unit 143.

He has been impressed with the numbers of people who have come a long way to St. Louis to play bridge. "Some people from Los Angeles told me this has been the best tournament they've ever attended," Carmen said.

He has also met players from Finland and Japan. "I've met people from around the world," he said.

Carmen said many other units in District 8 have sent volunteers to work the tournament. "We appreciate that."

Believe it or not, Carmen won't be taking any time off after the 11-day tournament. He'll be back at his regular job early Monday morning.

Was all the work and worry worth it? Yes, said Carmen. "It's fun to do these things. We get a lot of satisfaction out of doing a good job and knowing the players had a good time."

Polish answer

(Question on page 2)

The Polish stars, who were members of the winning squad in the Spingold Knockout Teams in Albuquerque, said that if you asked what your hand is, "That's the wrong answer." You lead a trump, they cried, "and anything else if you don't have one." The complete deal:

Dlr: East ♠6 4 3
Vul: Both ♥J 9 2
♦Q J 8 5
♣8 7 4

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

♠10 7 5
♥Q 8 6 4
♦4
♣K Q J 6 3

If you lead anything but a trump, as you can see, declarer will easily take 13 tricks with two heart ruffs. At pairs, the overtrick would be worth a lot of matchpoints.

TOURNAMENT APPEALS

CASE FOURTEEN

Subject: Tempo
 Event: Stratified Pairs, 21 Nov 97, First Session
 Board: 20 ♠ A Q 8 3
 Dealer: West ♥ Q 4 3 2
 Vul: Both ♦ K 9 5
 ♣ 9 8

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

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

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♥	Pass	1NT (1)	2♠
3♣ (2)	3♠	4♥	Pass (3)
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	All Pass		

- (1) Announced; forcing
- (2) Alerted
- (3) Break in tempo

The Facts: 5♥ went down two, plus 200 for N/S. 3♣ was Alerted after the 3♠ bid and explained at length that it hadn't been discussed recently, but that it showed extra values. North reconfirmed his 3♠ bid and East bid 4♥, after which South broke tempo briefly before passing. The Director ruled that there had been a break in tempo and that the 4♠ bid would not be allowed. The contract was changed to 4♥ down one, plus 100 for N/S.

The Appeal: N/S appealed the Director's ruling. E/W did not attend the hearing. N/S were a married couple who play together a fair amount. They were in stratum B of the event. South stated she had broken tempo to digest the explanation of the 3♠ bid. She considered, but rejected, bidding diamonds next since her partner had already supported spades. North said he thought he couldn't beat 4♥ and that 4♠ would be cheaper at down one or two. He said he was pretty sure his partner was void in hearts. North thought bidding 4♠ was a normal, good bridge decision.

The Committee Decision: The Committee-of-one found: (1) there was a break in tempo based on South's description of her thought process and statement that she needed some time to digest the explanation of the 3♠ bid; (2) the break in tempo suggested South might be considering bidding because North's hand made it clear that South could not have been considering doubling; (3) North's bid was successful; and (4) there were logical alternatives to bidding 4♠.

With regard to (4): North's statements that he thought South was void in hearts, that N/S couldn't beat 4♥, and that 4♠ would likely go down one or two was used as the basis to define his peer group. North's 4♠ bid was a good bid but the standard for determining logical alternative is high, in part for its deterrent effect.

The Committee tried to consider the 4♠ bid in the context of a group of stratum B players facing the decision, all of whom believe that 4♠ is likely to fail, 4♥ is likely to make, and who only bid 3♠ at their previous turn. A group so composed would have some members who might think that if 4♥ is a make, then N/S is going to get a bad result whether defending or going down one or two in 4♠. Therefore, they might reason that it might be better not to assume 4♥ is a make. If they make that assumption, then passing and doubling are

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logical alternatives. For that reason, and based on the actual result at the table, the Committee chose to change the contract to 4♥ down one, plus 100 for N/S.

Committee: Michael Huston

CASE FIFTEEN

Subject: Tempo
 Event: Women's BAM Teams, 23 Nov 97, First Session

Board: 27 Jan Martel
 Dealer: South ♠ ---
 Vul: None ♥ J 10 8 5 2
 ♦ Q 9 4
 ♣ 8 7 6 5 4

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

Liz Kalb ♠ Q 8 7 4
 ♥ 9 6 3
 ♦ 8 6 3 2
 ♣ 9 2

Georgiana Gates
 ♠ K 10 5 3
 ♥ K Q 7
 ♦ A J 10 7
 ♣ J 3

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1NT(1)
Dbl	2♣ (2)	Pass	2♦
Dbl (3)	2♥	Pass	Pass
Dbl (3)	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♠	All Pass		

- (1) Announced; 12-14
- (2) Alerted -- clubs and another suit
- (3) Break in tempo

The Facts: 3♠ made three, plus 140 for E/W. West broke tempo on her second and third doubles. The Director ruled that pass was a logical alternative to 2♠ and changed the contract to 2♥ doubled made four, plus 470 for N/S.

The Appeal: N/S play a 12-14 HCP notrump. When doubled, North's options were: pass (to play); redouble to show a single suiter; and bid a suit to show a two-suiter (four-four at least) in that suit and a higher ranking suit. When asked, South said that North could also be five-four, but if the

five-card suit was a major North might treat that hand as a single-suiter. The 2♦ bid simply showed a dislike for clubs and did not guarantee diamonds.

E/W were playing Cappelletti, so the double was for penalty. West did not think that her first double was slow, but it could have been slow because she was considering bidding 2♠ (to show spades and a minor) or doubling. When asked whether 2♠ would have been an underbid, she decided that it would have been; hence the double.

The doubles of 2♦ and 2♥ were also for penalty. East stated that with her hand being as weak as it was, she would not have sat for any penalty double and that the tempos of West's doubles were irrelevant. It was determined that East had 2,000 masterpoints and West 9,400. East played a lot of bridge ten years ago. E/W used to play a lot together but not for the past two years.

The opening lead was the ♥K to the ♥A. Declarer played the ♠J and South won the ♠K. Declarer used her entry to hand to play diamonds.

The Committee Decision: The Committee had varying degrees of sympathy for East's action. Some Committee members thought that they might have removed an in-tempo double of 2♥ to 2♠; however, E/W were playing the doubles as penalty. West, who knew her hand to be unsuitable for the action, could not bring herself to double 2♥ in tempo. The Committee thought that West had a normal 2♠ bid and had simply made a series of dubious calls.

West has an obligation in such situations to make her calls in tempo. Where, as here, West failed to honor her obligations, she deprived East of the chance to exercise bridge judgment. When East bid 2♠ she would have expected N/S to have a seven-or eight-card fit. (North had not shown five hearts, so there was no strong indication that N/S really had a good fit.) West's slow double was a "bad" break in tempo.

On that basis East could not be allowed to bid after her partner's hesitations. The contract was changed to 2♥ doubled. Since normal play leads to at least eight tricks, a score of plus 470 for N/S was assigned to both pairs.

The Committee discussed the merits of the appeal. In a split decision the deposit was returned. Two dissenters believed that East's argument was substantially without merit; three others believed that the infraction was mild enough, and the argument raised by E/W good enough, that the deposit should be returned.

Chairman: Barry Rigal
 Committee Members: Doug Heron, Michael Rahtjen, Judy Randel, Michael Rosenberg

Reward for lost bracelet

Barbara Hellmers of Birmingham AL lost a diamond tennis bracelet with an enhancer. Hellmers, in Room 758 at the Adam's Mark, is offering a \$1000 reward for the bracelet's return. No questions asked.

ITT Committee agenda

The International Team Trials Committee will hold its second meeting this morning at 10:30 in Director's Room 48, fourth floor, Adam's Mark.



En route to victory in the Blue Ribbon

By Allan Falk

The secret to winning the Blue Ribbon Pairs is one I'm happy to share; actually, it's not much of a secret. What you need is a partner who plays very well indeed, opponents who make mistakes, and you to smile graciously and follow suit. As I heard Chip Martel remark between sessions of the semifinal, "Yesterday we played almost perfectly and barely qualified; today we're slopping tricks and have a huge game. It's better to be lucky than good." For example, this was our first board of the first final:

Board 1	♠ Q 7 6		
Dir: North	♥ K J 10 5		
Vul: None	♦ J 9 3		
	♣ A 4 3		
♠ 10 5		♠ A K J 8 3 2	
♥ Q 9 3		♥ A 4 2	
♦ A Q 8 7 6		♦ K 5	
♣ Q 9 2		♣ 6 5	
	♠ 9 4		
	♥ 8 7 6		
	♦ 10 4 2		
	♣ K J 10 8 7		

West	North	East	South
	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Notice that if the North and South hands were reversed, the opening lead would be a club and the defense would take the first five tricks. It was reasonably normal for North to lead a heart, and with the spades friendly that was +520.

If your opponents get to the right contract when the gremlins have dealt the cards, you're in trouble. On the other hand, when it's your day, this sort of thing happens.

Board 4	♠ A 8 7		
Dir: West	♥ --		
Vul: Both	♦ K J 10 7 5 4		
	♣ Q J 10 4		
♠ K J 10 4		♠ Q 9 6 3 2	
♥ A 8		♥ Q 10 9 3 2	
♦ A 9 5 2		♦ Q 8	
♣ 8 7 2		♣ 3	

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

North-South can take 10 tricks in clubs even after a trump lead; East-West can be held to nine or fewer tricks in spades. As East-West, we never found spades, but went plus on this magical mystery tour auction:

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

All Pass

(1) 12-14 HCP.
(2) Unspecified one-suiter.

Board 11	♠ A K J 10 8 5		
Dir: South	♥ K 10 7 3		
Vul: None	♦ A 8		
	♣ 2		
♠ Q 9 6 4 3 2		♠ --	
♥ Q 9		♥ A 8 6 4 2	
♦ Q		♦ J 9 6 3	
♣ Q J 8 4		♣ A K 9 3	

	♠ 7		
	♥ J 5		
	♦ K 10 7 5 4 2		
	♣ 10 7 6 5		

Here, with South dealer, North is destined to open 1♠ in third seat, East will make a takeout double, South will bid a non-forcing 2♦, and no one else has anything to say. South has a fighting chance for plus 90 or at worst minus 50. But at our table South got busy:

West	North	East	South
	Pass	2♦	DbI
Pass	2♠	DbI	All Pass

(1) Weak two-bid
Here, East's double is either a takeout double of diamonds or spades; West judges based on the holdings in the pointed suits. West had no problem guessing here (but would have had a difficult

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44 Teams

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decision to make if North had retreated to 3♦ -- then 2♠ might have been a psych). However, North had to guess whether he had been doubled for penalties by East or West; he misguessed early and had to pay us 100 points, a very good score for E-W on this deal.

Board 15	♠ A J 9		
Dir: South	♥ K 9 8 6 5		
Vul: N-S	♦ K 8 3		
	♣ 2		

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

	♠ K Q 8 7 2		
	♥ J 2		
	♦ 7		
	♣ Q J 6 4 2		

North-South can probably make 3♠ without breathing hard, but they are vulnerable, and South had to make the decision whether to get into the auction and possibly risk the three-level to find a fit.

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1NT (1)	Pass	Pass	Pass

(1) 12-14 HCP
Again, if the North and South hands had been reversed, the opening lead would have been a spade and the defense would take the first five tricks (still a bad score). North had no reason not to lead a heart into the mashed potatoes, however, and +150 was a near top, since diamonds won't score better than +130.

Board 21	♠ K Q 5 4		
Dir: North	♥ Q 6 3 2		
Vul: N-S	♦ 3		
	♣ 10 5 3 2		

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

	♠ J 2		
	♥ K 10 9 8 7		
	♦ A J 10 9 4		
	♣ J		

West	North	East	South
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	Pass	Pass	1♥
2♣	3♣	DbI	Pass
4♣	4♥	DbI	All Pass

This is a very tough hand double dummy to play or defend 4♥. It is even more challenging at the table. West, Adam Wildavsky, led the ♠K and another club, ruffed by South. Declarer now erred by playing a heart to the queen and ace, and he could no longer recover (even though, after a long trance by LHO, I pulled the wrong trump and underruffed late in the play!) However, if declarer (who happened to be the only non-life Master in the final) had led ♠J at trick two, ducked, and a second spade, I would have to play the ♠A and a second heart upon winning the ♠A to beat 4♥! We might still be sitting there had declarer chosen that line.

Board 25	♠ Q J 8 7 5		
Dir: North	♥ Q 3		
Vul: E-W	♦ J 7 5 2		
	♣ 10 8		

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

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

West	North	East	South
	Pass	1NT (1)	All Pass

(1) 12-14 HCP
Sometimes the weak notrump hurts opener's side -- they cannot find their fits or define accurately how high to compete. Here, the weak notrump got us to the right contract immediately, and although the proper line is unclear, declarer was spared a guess after a heart lead to the queen and ace, the ♠J, covered and ducked, hearts cashed, setting up declarer's second heart winner. Then South hopped up with the ♠A to play the 13th heart. That left declarer with the remainder in top cards, +120 for a very good score.

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34/39	Betty Bloom - Steve Bloom, Duanesburg NY; Eunice Portnoy - Paul Portnoy, Chesterfield MO; Shelba Parmley, Oklahoma City OK; Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK	82.00
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FRIDAY EVENING 1999 TROPHY PAIRS

16 Pairs			
3.47	1	Craig Schallert, Kansas City MO; Herbert Lee, Pittsburgh PA	146.50
2.60	2	Jim Caldwell, Highland Village TX; Michael Lombardi, Shamong NJ	141.00
1.95	3	Daniel Wong - Lucille Wong, Honolulu HI	135.50
1.46	4	Roger Leslie - Thea Leslie, Cedar Rapids IA	131.50
1.16	5	Allen Groh - Jerry Groh, Maineville OH	130.50

Blue Ribbon

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OK, so we were lucky. As I said, my partner played extremely well, but I made many errors. Here was one against Bob Blanchard and Jim Krekorian.

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

West	North	East	South
1♦	Dbl	1♠	2♥
3♠ (1)	Pass	4♠	All Pass

(1) 17-19 in support of spades

Blanchard got off to the thoughtful lead of the ♣10, proving immediately that we had wrong-sided the contract (in Standard, West would open 1NT and after a possible Stayman sequence would play a spade contract). The ♣K was covered by the ace and the ♠J was returned, taken in dummy. North grabbed the ♠K with the ace to play a club to South's 9, and now a heart was led to dummy's ace. Trumps were drawn ending in dummy and it was time to tackle the diamonds.

As East, I knew South had six hearts (North had to have exactly four for the takeout double to make any sense), two spades, and three or four clubs. North was likewise known to have three spades, four hearts, and three or four clubs. If North had three clubs then diamonds were 3-1 and the only play would be to drop the singleton ♦K with South (since the ♦109 are missing and will inevitably score a trick on any 3-1 break).

But if North had only three clubs he had made a takeout double with 3-4-3-3. That seemed less likely than 3-4-2-4 with ♦Kx (and no singleton would seem to explain why South did not bid more than 2♥ with a six-bagger), so I led ♦Q from dummy and went down like a dog.

Let me take this opportunity to thank Blanchard-Krekorian and Ron Smith - Ralph Katz for the fact we only had to play two boards against them each day (usually zeros or nearly so for us!), and the real heroes, Bobby Levin and Chip Martel, who took the second-place pair for 49.5 out of 50 the first round of the final session (while Richard Pavlicek Sr. & Jr. were nailing our hides once again over the mantle). We appreciate your support!

Casino Queen shuttle

A free shuttle to the Casino Queen across the river will operate during the tournament. Pickups will be outside the Adam's Mark on the following schedule:

Friday, Saturday and Sunday
Pickup at 8:45 a.m., return at 11:30 a.m.
Pickup at 4:45 p.m., return at 7:15 p.m.
Pickup at 12:30 a.m., return at 3:30 a.m.

Mention the bridge tournament and you will receive a free pass into the Casino Queen.

Reisinger

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David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Mike Passell and Michael Seamon -- were three boards above average in the afternoon but scored only 11.5 in the evening session to miss the cut by half a board.

Also failing to qualify was the team led by George Rapee, who has won the event seven times.

The team that has won three of the last four Reisinger championships -- Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Bob Hamman and Bobby Wolff -- qualified comfortably, in fifth after two sessions of play.

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Fall, Denver. None of these will be firm choices until acceptable contract arrangements have been made.

A complete revised masterpoint plan will be presented at the 1998 Spring meeting in Reno.

The following change was made in the General Chart — over natural notrump opening bids and overcalls, direct calls other than double and 2♣ must have at least one known suit.

Management is authorized to grant the right to award masterpoints for duplicate bridge games held via computers. Management is instructed to establish criteria for granting these games.

Management's report on computer networks is approved for implementation. Masterpoints will be issued starting Dec. 4, 1997. Fees from computer networks will be \$10 per session per year, \$1 per game and 20 cents per table.

A former member who has not paid dues for more than 90 days and has become a non-member is entitled to pay dues that were due and owing for whatever period of time he or she had non-member status, and all masterpoints earned during the non-member period for which payment is received shall be recorded to the extent possible.

Special Conditions of Contest have been approved for the 49er National event to be scheduled for the 1998 Spring NABC. The masterpoint awards will include 5% gold. The game will be played on Wednesday, March 25. The Conditions of Contest for a 199er event in the Summer and a 99er in the Fall will be presented at the 1998 Spring Board meeting.

The Zero Tolerance policy will go into effect at North American Championships starting with the 1998 Spring NABC in Reno. Details of this policy were printed in the Daily Bulletin on Monday, Nov. 24.

An experimental 65+ two-session play-through Stratified Open Pairs will be scheduled for the 1998 Spring NABC in Reno. The game will take place on Friday, March 27.

Effective with the 1998-1999 North American Pairs, the Non-Life Master qualifying games will be sub-stratified -- 0-20, 20-100 and 100-Non LM.

Bridge Ventures is authorized to run a two-session cash prize event on Wednesday, March 25, 1998, as part of the regular two-session Regional Open Pairs event. Two entries will be sold -- the regular ACBL entry for those wishing to play only for matchpoints, and another to win prizes out of the cash entry.

In 1998 the ACBL will appoint a Strategic Planning Committee to prepare long-range plans that will meet ACBL goals and objectives. This may require the services of outside consultants. It should not be conducted until the new CEO is on board.

The present surcharge of \$1 per session per player is increased to \$1.50 starting with the Spring NABC in Reno. Persons with free entries or reduced entry fees will pay the same surcharge.

Management, with input from the Board of Governors, will develop and administer an annual membership competition among districts with appropriate categories and awards. The Board of Governors will present these annually.

Saturday Mass

Mass will be celebrated at the close of the second session of the Senior Pairs today in the San Carlos Room at the Marriott (approximately 6:30 p.m.)

58th anniversary

Nick Gregorio and his wife, who hail from Wakefield MA, are celebrating their 58th wedding anniversary by attending this NABC.

MORNING KNOCKOUT TEAMS II

16 Teams	Bracket 1	G S Jade Barrett - Karen Barrett, Vancouver WA; Charles Coon, Marshfield MA; Thomas Carmichael, Middletown NJ; Joel Wooldridge, Williamsville NY; David Wiegand, Portland OR	
		vs	
Jean Cole, Richards TX; Ron Woodsum, Houston TX; Alexander Kolesnik, Austin TX; Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA			
10.27	3/4	D Howard - Robert Carstedt, Wichita KS; Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK; Shelba Parmley, Oklahoma Cty OK	
10.27	3/4	Kenneth Marcroft - Carole Marcroft, Dayton OH; Jerry Strack - Pam Strack, Indianapolis IN	
4.51	5/8	John Blubaugh, Indianapolis IN; Art Ardy Bakshian, Plymouth MN; Steven Gaynor, St. Louis Park MN; Glenn Smith, Creve Coeur MO; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN	
4.51	5/8	Floyd Derkat, Edmonton AB; Kendall Keely, Palm Beach FL; William Hugenberg Jr, Grand Junction CO; Geoffrey Mallette, Christiansbrg VA	

16 Teams	Bracket 2	Nathaniel Reid - Barbara Boswell, Cincinnati OH; Frank Aquila, Akron OH; Patrick Shaw, Olean NY	
		vs	
Daniel Levin - Matt Johnson, Wheaton IL; Samuel Hirschman, Southfield MI; Roman Shapiro, Fair Lawn NJ; Diana Tenery, Fairfax VA			
5.10	3/4	Paul Chan - Lily Chan - Marcus Rodhouse, Columbia MO; Marilyn Keating, Fulton MO	
5.10	3/4	Philip Moss, Mattawan MI; Robert Trenary, Mendon MI; Robert McGill - Carol McGill, Orange TX	
2.24	5/8	Jan Garber, West Chester PA; Cetin Okcuoglu, Riverton NJ; Brendan Doyle, Bala Cynwyd PA; Louise Kavall, Halesite NY	

THURSDAY ZIP KNOCKOUT TEAMS —BLUE FLIGHT

10 Teams			
3.03	1	Hans Jacobs, Aurora ON; Debbie Bennett, Scarborough ON; Roman Smolski, Warwick Bermuda; Sheree-Lynn Katz, Willowdale ON	
2.27	2	Marjorie Michelin, Venice CA; Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA; Janet Dunlap - Perry Van Hook, Santa Monica CA	
1.49	3/4	Lori Birnbaum, Mt Prospect IL; Don Lussky, Elmhurst IL; Rowen Bell, Evanston IL; Alex Balestrieri, Carol Stream IL	
1.49	3/4	Howard Weber, Las Vegas NV; Michael Weber, San Diego CA; Robert Rinehart, Northumberland PA; Sam Graham, Oakland CA	

THURSDAY ZIP KNOCKOUT TEAMS — GOLD FLIGHT

10 Teams			
3.03	1	Pete Cressy, San Jose CA; Sarah Cressy, Cataumet MA; Andrea Hayman - Jessica Hayman, New York NY; Varis Carey, Ithica NY	
2.27	2	Nathan Banker, Woodhaven MI; Peter Petruzzellis, Scarborough ON; Carolyn Feldman, Downsview ON; Arlene Jones, Denver CO	
1.49	3/4	Kenton Hayes Jr - Leonard Schmidt Jr - Betty Mattison, Louisville KY; Mike Sloan, Marengo IN	
1.49	3/4	Ross Spiro, Cherry Hill NJ; Luis Remis, Saint Charles MO; Roberto Verthelyi, New York NY; Jason Rotenberg, Hanover NH	

FRIDAY MORNING 199ER PAIRS

8 Pairs	A	B	C		
1.80	1			Donald Nies, Saint Louis MO; Charles Ries, St Louis MO	43.33
1.52	2	1		Mark Zeitler, Davenport IA; Rene Amon, Chicago IL	31.83
1.01	3			Elizabeth Percich - Michael Pierce, St Louis MO	31.67
1.14	2			David Nagler, La Pointe WI; Joe Sharp, Noblesville IN	30.67

CONTINUOUS PAIRS V (2ND OF 3)

26 Pairs	A	B			
3.49	1			Janet Colchamiro - Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY	171.36
2.73	2	1		Mark Bullimore - Randall Dougherty, Columbus OH	168.95
2.05	3	2		Jason Rotenberg, Hanover NH; Marcelo Cambenos, Buenos Aires	165.18
1.54	4	3		R Murat Tabanlı - Mustafa Tabanlı, Coral Gables FL	161.36
1.88	5	4		Andrea Malone, Sunnyvale CA; Sigis Keras, Toronto ON	158.64
0.94	6			Ken Gee, Regina SK; David Jeffries, Manzanita OR	158.05
0.86	5			Jason Smith, Brooklyn NY; Paul Theroff, Kansas City KS	138.82

FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS

36 Pairs	A	B			
4.25	1			Marcia Greenstein - Amelia Fraser, Miami FL	201.83
3.27	2			Linda Leinicke, St Louis MO; Ron Combs, Saint Louis MO	199.40
2.88	3	1		Joan Webb - Keith Harrison, Clearwater FL	189.40
2.29	4			Sondra Caplin - Donald Caplin, Waltham MA	188.34
1.64	5			Bob Bratcher, Vista CA; Jerry Pietscher, Albuquerque NM	187.40
1.14	6			Andrea Hayman - Alan Hayman, New York NY	183.45
2.16	2			Roger Buck - James Zimmer, Bloomington IN	173.49
1.62	3			Louise Edgell, St Augustine FL; Sally Helble, Jacksonville FL	165.50
1.22	4			Marcello Camberos, Argentina; Jason Rotenberg, Hanover NH	162.91
0.91	5			Andrew Petrick, Winnipeg MB; Bob Waite, Ile Des Chennes MB	160.01

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 5/50/200 PAIRS

30 Pairs	D	E	F		
3.21	1	1		Anne Ingersoll, East Alton IL; David Velloff, Chicago IL	170.86
2.41	2	2		Jay Ponder, Clayton MO; Lois DeLine, St Louis MO	169.14
1.81	3			Sherry Carroll, Inverness IL; Marjeta Heald, Moline IL	152.00
1.35	4			Thelma Schrier, Saint Louis MO; Arnie Schrier, St Louis MO	148.00
1.24	5	3		Arthur Stepp - Alan Gill, St Louis MO	147.14
1.12	6	4	1	Carol Keasler, West Frankfort IL; Carolyn Koch, Carbondale IL	146.86
0.70	5			David Nagler, La Pointe WI; Joe Sharp, Noblesville IN	145.50
0.80	6			Duane Beisner - Doris Beisner, Las Vegas NV	137.50
0.62	2			Charles Ettelson, Clayton MO; Jane Ettelson, St Louis MO	136.45
0.46	3			Sally Luecking - Paul Johnson, St Louis MO	135.18

2ND FRIDAY STRATIFIED SENIOR PAIRS

55 Pairs		A	B	C		
10.64	1				Bill McCallon, St Augustine FL; Richard Holmes, Wichita KS	854.92
7.98	2				Jacque Tucker - Ziggy Tucker, San Antonio TX	758.15
5.99	3				Ken Lindsay, Laie HI; Tom Lum, Honolulu HI	756.74
5.25	4	1			Arline Sands - Bob Deters, Chicago IL	736.69
3.37	5				Jack Meyer - Wanda Meyer, Houston TX	726.59
3.94	6	2			Frances Rothenberg - Seymour Rothenberg, Windsor CT	725.54
2.95	3				Frances Fredman, Boca Raton FL; Don Gowans, Snow Lake MB	723.70
2.21	4				Myron Siegel - Judy Siegel, Boca Raton FL	678.62
1.66	5				Harold Winecuff - Carol Winecuff, China Grove NC	675.20
1.25	6				John Williams - Olga Williams, Okatie SC	638.44
2.35		1			Jean Walsh - Lois Sieron, Belleville IL	634.85
1.76		2			Charlotte Ure - Wayne Ure, Sudbury ON	634.36
1.32		3			Betty Bender, Spokane WA; Ruth Bender, Little Rock AR	599.44

2ND FRIDAY EVENING BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS

18 Teams		A	B	C		
4.67	1				Cetin Okcuoglu, Riverton NJ; Jan Garber, West Chester PA;	
					Brendan Doyle, Bala Cynwyd PA; Melitia Bagge, Hot Springs AR	21.50
3.07	2/3				Krishnanand Maillacheruvu, Peoria IL; Julie Bradley, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Edwards, Rock Island IL; Goutam Chakraborty, Stillwater OK	15.00
3.07	2/3				Michael Kuhnle - Robert Lyon - Peter Aldenderfer, Indianapolis IN; Jerry Fairfax, Carmel IN	15.00
1.97	4				Julie Horton - Steve Horton, West Point NY; Jim Hoffmann, Covington GA; Max Limbocker, Louisville KY	14.50
2.70	5/7	1/3	1		Nancy Ferguson, Greenbrae CA; David Bryant - Anne Cohler - Charles Cohler, San Francisco CA	13.00
2.70	5/7	1/3			Kenton Hayes Jr - Leonard Schmidt Jr - Betty Mattison, Louisville KY; Mike Sloan, Marengo IN	13.00
2.70	5/7	1/3			Kathleen Burt, Darien IL; Ruth Goodpasture, Bourbonnais IL; Judith Gidden, Chicago IL; Ivor McGloughlin, Pittsburgh PA	13.00
1.48	4				Joan Tinch - Phillip Tinch - Joseph McAdam - Mildred McAdam, Decatur IL	12.50

2ND FRIDAY DAVID CARTER PAIRS

162 Pairs		A	B	C		
30.79	1				Rob Crawford, Ft Lauderdale FL; Ellen Crawford, Lauderhill FL	410.00
23.09	2				Mike Eakes - Linda Hager, Overland Park KS	388.50
17.32	3				Chris Compton, Oklahoma City OK; James Kraft, Tulsa OK	388.00
12.99	4				Lynn Johannesen - Dale Johannesen, Sunnyvale CA	381.75
9.74	5				Philip Altus - Muriel Altus, Tampa FL	374.75
7.31	6				Jane Teel - Robert Teel Jr, Rockford AL	373.00
5.48	7				Patrick Dunn - Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA	371.25
5.24	8				Spike Lay, Ormond Beach FL; Marilyn Garcia, Daytona Beach FL	370.50
3.42	9				Miho Sekizawa, Itabashi-Ku, To KY; Ayako Amano, Tokyo 167	369.00
3.64	10				Alexander Clague, Brooklyn NY; Ross Spiro, Cherry Hill NJ	365.50
3.03	11				Art Ardy Bakshian, Plymouth MN; Steven Gaynor, St. Louis Park MN	365.00
4.09	12/13				Buz Zeman - Maureen Zeman, St Louis MO	364.00
4.24	12/13				Jeanne Stenger - Charles Stenger, Bethesda MD	364.00
12.60	1				Hiroko Janssen, Minato-Ku Tokyo 1; Yasuko Shrenzel, Kihei HI	361.50
9.45	2				Kimmerley Clare - Joan Vanderslice, San Diego CA	344.00
7.09	3				Robert Marcus - Kathy Redelaar, Toronto ON	341.00
4.20	4/6	1			R Cramer - Nell Jane Cramer, Davenport IA	340.50
4.10	4/6				Jeanie Pearson - J Ann Bouchard, Columbia MO	340.50
4.10	4/6				Donald Weber, St Louis MO; R Forchee, Kansas City MO	340.50
2.24	7				Jason Smith, Brooklyn NY; Paul Theroff, Kansas City KS	335.46
3.15	2				Mark Bullimore - Randall Dougherty, Columbus OH	319.50
2.36	3				Tim Cull, Springfield IL; Leah Newell, Ashland IL	311.00
1.77	4				Jurgen Rennenkampff - Barbara Stevenson, Portland ME	308.00
1.33	5				E Burns - G Burns, Memphis TN	306.00
1.68	6/7				Mary Hawk, Lima OH; Marie Mittel, Louisville KY	305.00
1.52	6/7				James Brune, Chapin IL; Keith Lawson, Jacksonville IL	305.00

FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS

64 Pairs		A	B			
6.37	1				Bobbie Carrick - Wayne Carrick, Long Grove IL	199.50
4.78	2				Michael Weber, San Diego CA; Howard Weber, Las Vegas NV	197.50
3.32	3/4	1/2			Marcelo Camberos, Argentina; Jason Rotenberg, Hanover NH	197.00
3.32	3/4	1/2			Joan Webb - Keith Harrison, Clearwater FL	197.00
2.02	5				Joan Cohen, Memphis TN; Beryl Shapiro, St Louis MO	188.50
3.03	6				Donna Marshall, Reading MA; Stephanie Hamilton, Medford MA	187.50
2.13	3				Sandi Park, Madison WI; Don Lussky, Elmhurst IL	178.50
1.82	4				Richard Edwards Jr, Chesterfield MO; Carole Burt, Saint Louis MO	177.50
1.20	5				Bob Stienen, Locust Grove VA; Louise Edgell, St Augustine FL	176.50
1.06	6				Karen Kaluzsa, Chicago IL; Charles McDonough, Carol Stream IL	174.50

FRIDAY EVENING 20/50/200 PAIRS

31 Pairs		D	E	F		
3.34	1	1	1		Cookie Apichiruk, ; Jonathan Rivet, Lombard IL	183.50
2.51	2	2	2		David Larkins - Mary Larkins, Des Moines IA	171.27
1.88	3	3	3		Sherry Carroll, Inverness IL; Dan Denise, Palatine IL	162.00
1.67	4				Yi-Der Chen - Martha Chen, Potomac MD	161.00
1.17	5	4			Ruth Gurwell - Allen Gurwell, Leawood KS	156.50
0.84	6	5			Brian Baresch, Lawrence KS; Linda Huxtable, Shawnee Mission KS	156.00
0.58		6			Arthur Stepp - Alan Gill, St Louis MO	152.00
0.67			4		Stan Davis - Brian Rodewald, St Louis MO	149.45
0.84			5		Charles Ettelson, Clayton MO; Jane Ettelson, St Louis MO	145.50

FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS

15 Teams		Bracket 1
Mary Green - Thomas Turgeon - Roy Green, Memphis TN; Alan Oaks, Germantown TN		
vs		
John Blubaugh, Indianapolis IN; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA; Russ Holtzclaw, Somerset KY; Merrilee McKenna, Madison WI; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN		
Glenn Lublin - William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; Barbara Benbow - Mark Shaw, Laurel MD; Ron Sukoneck, Annandale VA		
vs		
Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Bert Eccles, Montreal PQ; Joe Rickman, Louisville TN; Suzanne Trull, Los Angeles CA; Elaine Said, Nashville TN		

16 Teams		Bracket 2
Robert Rinehart, Northumberland PA; Ronald Schacht, Bayside NY; Sam Graham, Oakland CA; Don Riethmiller, Lancaster CA		
vs		
Nick Rogers - Jill Kostick, Harrod OH; Evan Kostick, Rock Rapids IA; Sheila Lu - Richard O'Bara, Huber Heights OH		

16 Teams		Bracket 3
David Will - Brad Carmichael - John Carmichael - Daniel Till, Lincoln NE; Pamela Wild, Daytona Beach FL		
vs		
Jerome Hurley, Mansfield OH; Christine Renner, Ashland OH; Jim Dick, Alexandria VA; Nicholas France, Spring Valley NY		

16 Teams		Bracket 3
James Chiszar, Naperville IL; Jackie Price, Chicago IL; Marcin Szumowski - Monika Szumowska, Urbana IL		
vs		
Don Define - John Fitzgerald, St Louis MO; Carol Koterba, Florissant MO; Arbha Vongsivut, Godfrey IL		

16 Teams		Bracket 4
Bernice Gee, Regina SK; David Jeffries, Manzanita OR; Lawrence Diamond, Barbican London E; Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN		
vs		
Russ Jones - Bob Cohen, Jonesboro AR; Alan Goldenberg, Oak Ridge TN; Thomas Strand, Newport TN		

16 Teams		Bracket 4
Robert Trenary, Mendon MI; Philip Moss, Mattawan MI; Robert McGill - Carol McGill, Orange TX		
vs		
Kenneth Baher, Calgary AB; Joe Riccardo, Burbank IL; Virginia Murman, Connellsville PA; Rose Harrison, New York NY		

15 Teams		Bracket 5
Claudia Beaty, Hazelwood MO; Eve Goodknight, Ballwin MO; Helen Thalhammer - Jeannine Owen, St Louis MO		
vs		
Robert Sievers - John Brandeberry - Carroll Drablos - Arlene Drablos, Champaign IL		

15 Teams		Bracket 5
Monica Heseaman - Cal Heseaman - E Jean Voice - Ed Voice, Decatur IL		
vs		
James Bochsler, London UK; Byron Crittenden, Surrey UK; Richard Hagenlocker, Fredericksburg VA; Charles Hays, Lawrenceville GA		

15 Teams		Bracket 5
Cameron Barbian - Donna Barbian, Sherman IL; James Bruner - Ann Bruner, Springfield IL		
vs		
Mark Gilje - Sasanka Ramanadham, St Louis MO; Charles Gilje, Jamestown ND; Gregory Barnes, Jefferson City MO		

Dinner menu at Marriott

Beef stroganoff
Pork loin with marsala sauce
Vegetable medley
Egg noodles
Oven brown potatoes
Chef's selection of desserts

Goodwill message

Today's opponent will be tomorrow's partner -- a good reason to treat everyone with respect and courtesy: exactly as you'd expect to be treated.

Aileen Osofsky
Chairman, Goodwill Committee

FRIDAY MORNING 199ER PAIR SECTION GG

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Donald Nies, Saint Louis MO; Rebecca Swenson, Troy IL; etc.

CONTINUOUS PAIRS V

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION HH

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Janet Colchamiro - Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY; Jason Rotenberg, Hanover NH; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Mark Bullimore - Randall Dougherty, Columbus OH; Andrea Malone, Sunnyvale CA; etc.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION FF

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Marcia Greenstein - Amelia Fraser, Miami FL; Sondra Caplin - Donald Caplin, Waltham MA; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Linda Leinicke, St Louis MO; Ron Combs, Saint Louis MO; Joan Webb - Keith Harrison, Clearwater FL; etc.

DAVID CARTER PAIRS FIRST SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION AA

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Mike Eakes - Linda Hager, Overland Park KS; Hans Wandel - Naomi Wandel, Lake Oswego OR; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Trudi Nugit, Bel-Air CA; Lowell Andrews, Huntingtn Beach CA; Bobbie Holmes, Saint Louis MO; etc.

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION BB

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Adele Verkamp, Phoenix AZ; Nancy Wittwer, Falls City NE; Lee Esworthy - Kay Esworthy, Naperville IL; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Patrick Dunn - Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA; Jane Dillenberg, New York NY; Jerry Goldberg, Yonkers NY; etc.

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION EE

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Lynn Johannesen - Dale Johannesen, Sunnyvale CA; Spike Lay, Ormond Beach FL; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Philip Altus - Muriel Altus, Tampa FL; Kimberley Clare - Joan Vanderslice, San Diego CA; etc.

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION DD

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Arne Maki - Gene Maki, Albany OR; Jeanne Stenger - Charles Stenger, Bethesda MD; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Jane Teel - Robert Teel Jr, Rockford AL; Michael Carmen, St Louis MO; John Dicks, St Charles MO; etc.

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION CC

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Chris Compton, Oklahoma City OK; James Kraft, Tulsa OK; Merrell Anderson, Littleton CO; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Buz Zeman - Maureen Zeman, St Louis MO; Jeanie Pearson - J Ann Bouchard, Columbia MO; etc.

REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH FIRST QUALIFYING SESSION

SECTIONS W, A

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Michael Moss - Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY; Alexander Kolesnik - George Dawkins, Austin TX; etc.

SECTIONS X, B

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Gerald Sosler, Purchase NY; Jim Backstrom, San Diego CA; John Mohan - Kay Schulle, Santa Monica CA; etc.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 5/50/200 PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION O

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Jay Ponder, Clayton MO; Lois DeLine, St Louis MO; Sherry Carroll, Inverness IL; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Anne Ingersoll, East Alton IL; David Velloff, Chicago IL; Carol Keasler, West Frankfort IL; etc.

199ER TROPHY PAIRS 1ST SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH SECTION Q

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Craig Schallert, Kansas City MO; Herbert Lee, Pittsburgh PA; Donald Bladow, Anchorage AK; etc.

EAST-WEST

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for pairs like Jim Caldwell, Highland Village TX; Michael Lombardi, Shamong NJ; Daniel Wong - Lucille Wong, Honolulu HI; etc.

Table with columns for North-South, Stratified Senior Pairs 1st Session, and East-West. Rows include names like Jacques Tucker, Arline Sands, and Frances Fredman with scores and session numbers.

Table with columns for North-South, Stratified Senior Pairs 2nd Session, and East-West. Rows include names like Bill McCallon, Ken Lindsay, and Larry Kolkner with scores and session numbers.

Table with columns for North-South, 2nd Friday Evening Board-A-Match Teams, and East-West. Rows include names like Cetin Okcuoglu, Krishnanand Maillacheruvu, and Michael Kuhnie with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, 2nd Fri David Carter Pairs Second Session, and East-West. Rows include names like Glenda Lewis, Tandi Nugli, and Jack Leach with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, SECTION CC, and East-West. Rows include names like Miho Sakizawa, Robert Marcus, and Marcus Feldman with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, SECTION DD, and East-West. Rows include names like Hiroko Janssen, Mike Donaldson, and Marvin King with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, SECTION EE, and East-West. Rows include names like Nicholas Gregorio, Patrick Dunn, and Martin Lacroix with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, SECTION AA, and East-West. Rows include names like Spike Lay, Philip Altus, and Jim Cleary with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, Friday-Saturday Continuo Pairs, SECTION FF, and East-West. Rows include names like Jack Smith, Richard Edwards Jr, and Mary Weyerich with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, Friday-Saturday Continuo Pairs, SECTION LL, and East-West. Rows include names like Michael Weber, Marcelo Camberos, and Joan Cohen with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, Friday Evening 20/50/200 Pairs, SECTION O, and East-West. Rows include names like Cookie Apichiruk, David Larkins, and Sherry Carroll with scores.

Table with columns for North-South, Friday Evening 199er Trophy Pairs, and East-West. Rows include names like Craig Schallert, Eugenia Fleisher, and Roger Leslie with scores.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 29, 1997, 8:45 a.m.

Event	MP Limit	Session	Entry Fee	Sold
Daybreak Bracketed KO Teams		4th	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Orlando Continuous/Side Pairs*		3rd	\$20 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Stratified 99er Pairs, A	50-100	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat B	20-50	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat C	0-20	single	\$18 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams, A	100-300	single	\$36 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat B	50-100	single	\$36 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Strat C	0-50	single	\$36 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark

Saturday, November 29, 1997, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Larry Kolker Stratified Senior Pairs*	1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Marriott Pavilion Ballroom
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Saturday, November 29, 1997, 12:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1,2 SF	\$96 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark	Rose Garden
NORTH AMERICAN SWISS TEAMS		1,2 SF	\$88 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon D
Laverne Magee Memorial Stratiflighted Open Pairs*		1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	
Flight A 0-3000, 3000+				Level 4 Adam's Mark
Strats BCD				Level 2 Adam's Mark
Bracketed KO Teams IV		3rd & 4th	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Mike Shannon's Restaurant Bracketed KO Teams V (4 sessions, continues Sunday)		1st & 2nd	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
99er Trophy Pairs	0-100	1st & 2nd	\$36 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Fri.-Sat. Continuous/Side Pairs*		5th & 6th	\$20 pair	Level 2 Adam's Mark
199er Pairs	0-200	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
99er Pairs	0-100	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
49er Pairs	0-50	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Non Master Pairs	0-20	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Newcomer Pairs	0-5	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F

Saturday, November 29, 1997, 7:30 p.m.

Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single	\$36 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
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Saturday, November 29, 1997, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	\$9tm/match	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
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TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 30, 1997, 11:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Event	MP Limit	Session	Entry Fee	Sold
St. Louis Cardinals Stratified Fast Open Pairs*		1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark

Sunday, November 30, 1997, 11:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Dick Edwards Memorial				
Stratiflighted Open Swiss Teams* (20 VP)		1st & 2nd	\$80 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Jerry Levitt Stratified Senior Swiss Teams* (20 VP)		1st & 2nd	\$80 team	Marriott Pavilion Ballroom
Mike Shannon's Restaurant Bracketed KO Teams V		3rd & 4th	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Stratified Open Side Game*		single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
199er Pairs	0-200	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
99er Pairs	0-100	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
49er Pairs	0-50	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Non Master Pairs	0-20	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Newcomer Pairs	0-5	single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Stratified 99er Swiss Teams (100/50/20)		single	\$36 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F

Sunday, November 30, 1997, 12:00 Noon & 7:00 p.m.

REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1st & 2nd F	\$96 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark	Rose Garden
NORTH AMERICAN SWISS TEAMS	1st & 2nd F	\$88 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark	Salon B

***Unless otherwise indicated, Stratiflighted Open events are divided: A (unlimited and separate); B, C & D stratified – B (750-1500), C (300-750), D (0-300). Strat breaks for Open and Senior Stratified Pairs and Teams are: A (1000+), B (300-1000), C (0-300). Strat breaks for Continuous/Side Pairs and Zip Swiss teams are: A (750+), B (0-750).**

REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH 2ND SEMIFINAL SESSION

	SECTIONS X, A	
1	Jerry Goldfein, Lincolnwood IL; Larry Robbins, Deerfield IL; Daniel Rotman, Aventura FL; Gary Cohler, Highland Park IL	19.50
2	Jim Krekorian - Robert Blanchard, New York NY; Bob Richman - Paul Marston, Australia	18.50
3/4	Nick Nickell, New York NY; Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA; Eric Rodwell, Naperville IL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Bob Hamman - Bobby Wolff, Dallas TX	17.50
3/4	Bart Bramley - Howard Weinstein, Chicago IL; Sidney Lazard Sr, New Orleans LA; Steve Garner, Northfield IL	17.50
5	George Rapee - John Solodard, New York NY; Bill Eisenberg, Boca Raton FL; Russell Arnold, Miami FL; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Gary Hayden, Tucson AZ	15.50
6/7	Earl Glickstein, Gaithersburg MD; Don Probst, Fairfax VA; Bob Gwartzman, Brooklyn NY; Franklin Silver, Las Vegas NV	15.00
6/7	Hill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Janice Seamon, Miami FL; Shawn Quinn, Katy TX; Renee Mancuso, Redondo Beach CA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX; Dan Morse, Houston TX	15.00
8	Richard Pavlicek, Ft Lauderdale FL; Rich Pavlicek Jr, Chicago IL; Ralph Cohen, Memphis TN; Mike Cappelletti, Red Bank TN	14.50
9	Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD; Ed Manfield, Hyattsville MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	14.00
	SECTIONS W, B	
1	Chris Willenken, New York NY; Marc Umeno, Alexandria VA; Darren Wolpert, Thornhill ON; Jurek Czyzowicz, Aylmer PQ; Paolo Lambardi, Hector Camberos, Mexico	18.50
2	George Rosenkranz, Mexico DF 11000; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Adam Zmudzinski - Merek Szymonowski - Marcin Lesniewski - Cezary Balicki, Poland	18.00
3	Richard Schwartz, E Elmhurst NY; Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Lew Stansby, Castro Valley CA; Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA; Bobby Goldman, Highland Vlg TX	17.50
4/5	G S Jade Barrett - Karen Barrett, Vancouver WA; Kenji Miyakuni, Chicago IL; Joel Woolldridge, Williamsville NY; David Wisegand, Portland OR; Thomas Carmichael, Middletown NJ	16.50
4/5	Paul Hackett, U.K.; Jason Hackett, Manchester; Justin Hackett, Manchester M20 6E; Brigitte Mavromichalis, Marigny VS 1 92; John Armstrong - John Holland, England	16.50
6/7	Henry Bethel, Ithaca NY; Stephen Landen, W Bloomfield MI; Larry Mori, Charlton NY; Haig Tchamitch, Peoria AZ; Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Adam Wildavsky, Jackson Heights NY	16.00
6/7	Gerald Sosler, Purchase NY; Jim Backstrom, San Diego CA; John Mohan - Kay Schulle, Santa Monica CA; Sigurdur Sverrisson, Tulsa OK; Adalstein Jorgensen, 107 Reykjavik	16.00
8	Ralph Katz - George Jacobs, Burr Ridge IL; Peter Weichsel, Encinitas CA; Robert Levin, Orlando FL; Fred Stewart, West Hurley NY; Steve Weinstein, Glen Ridge NJ	15.50
9	Steve Zolotow - Harold Lilie - Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Ronald Smith, San Francisco CA; Bob Crossley, Greenbrae CA	14.50