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President's Message

Have I really been doing this for a year? I feel like I started yesterday. Yet come our fall tournament it will be a year.

We've been working on updating our website, and it should be fully functional later this summer. If it is not I will be on a ledge somewhere. With the new site we will be able to get scores uploaded on a daily basis at our regionals, and much faster at our club silver points events. We will have many other advantages, as you will see.

We will be having our membership meeting on the Wednesday evening of our Fall Regional, September 14th, right before the Life Master/ non Life Master game. This will be a very short meeting just to elect our board members. All are welcome. The next full meeting of the board is currently scheduled for Thursday night, October 6, but check our website (www.libridge.com) as we get closer to that date. Please come down. We welcome your suggestions. You can also make suggestions to board members whenever you see them or you can e-mail us. The full list can be found on page 13 of this Islander.

At the regional we are devoting Sunday the 18th to honor Dr. Reza Khatib. The good doctor has been very generous in helping the Long Island Bridge For Youth program, and we would like to show our appreciation.

Also at the regional I will be putting some interesting items in the daily bulletins. Thanks to the efforts of Karen Ewald, we now have copies of some old versions of the Islander. Those of you who have been playing for a long time will have a great time seeing some of these old names. I think even the newer players will find it interesting. See you at the regional.

Joe Byrnes

**NASSAU-SUFFOLK BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
THE LONG ISLAND FALL REGIONAL
SEPTEMBER 14-18, 2016
At the SMITHTOWN UPSKY HOTEL**

DISTRICT 24 NEWSLETTER

By Alvin Levy, District 24 Director

www.allevybridge.com/

Starting with my bridge playing in College to my serving bridge for the past 40 years I have witnessed, and been part of, the enjoyment and expansion of our District's bridge activities. The success of bridge in our area is due, to a great extent, to the hard work and dedication of the many past and present NSBA and GNYBA board members and tournament volunteers as well as the many bridge clubs with a variety of play schedules and teaching programs. ACBL tournament directors in our area also significantly add to the bridge experience at our Regional and Sectional tournaments. TDs also take an active role in Unit affairs, most notably Alan Miller and Anita Goldman, both of whom add their experience and knowledge in helping the Units.

At a recent 'very productive' NSBA board meeting, ably run by president Joe Byrnes, all the board members attended, along with six incoming board members who will take office in September. I'll direct you to the [NSBA](#) and [GNYBA](#) websites. There you will see mention of all those that work behind the scenes, as well as all the bridge activities in our District. Also, see all the bridge club websites for their activities, schedules, results and news. Kudos to Silvana Scotti Zangri and the Sagamore Bridge for raising the most money, for the 4th year in a row in the ACBL's Longest Day event supporting the Alzheimer's Association. Congratulations to Honors Bridge Club, recognized as the #1 bridge club in North America based on attendance.

Thanks to Carol Mathews and many others, along with local funding, bridge is part of the after school programs in many LI school districts. After school programs are in seven elementary schools, two middle schools and one high school. NYC has similar programs, with one charter elementary school, part of the Hunter College Campus Schools, having in-curriculum bridge classes. Judy Feder, the coordinator of the program, reports that as much as the kids loved to learn and play, they have an even more enjoyable experience when playing online. Judy reports that the students learn faster, play more hands, and still socialize as they are all in the same room. School programs from NYC, LI and New Jersey are looking into competing with each other both online, and also face to face at a local bridge club.

School programs are taking place all over North America. The number of programs and volunteers are a tribute to the energies and dedication of so many, and they should all be given the greatest encouragement and support.

On another front, sanctioned online bridge is helping to grow the game as well as increase our revenue. I have chaired the Online Committee for the past 20 years, and report online revenue now at \$600,000 annually, and due to a recent agreement with BridgeBase Online, revenue will be increased by an additional \$500,000 for each of the next four years.

It's hard to believe, but the 20th World Computer-Bridge Championship will be held at this year's WBF world championship. This is a joint ACBL/WBF event that I originated 20 years ago at the suggestion of Alan Truscott. See the official website at www.computerbridge.com

Wishing you success and fun at the bridge table, and please be appreciative of all those who promote bridge in our District.

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Dr. Reza Khatib Sectional, July 8-10, Results

Friday Morning Championship Pairs

Stratum A (63.5 tables)

- 1 Robert Hurley – Barry Nish
- 2 Phyllis Feiner – Gail Friedberg
- 3/4 Carol Mathews – Hope Nierman
- 3/4 Diana Schuld – Sheila Pohly

Stratum B

- 1 Phyllis Feiner – Gail Friedberg
- 2 Phillip Waldman – Marlene Beckenstein
- 3 Eylene Blume – Rick Blume

Stratum C

- 1 Peter Embiricos – Anne Marie Embiricos
- 2 Deena Kaftor – Aida Hanania
- 3 Meryl Mann – Eleanor Liberman

Friday Morning 0-750 Pairs

Stratum A

- 1 Larry Brochin – Fred Goldschmidt
- 2 Patricia Fasciano – Kay Lippman
- 3 Darin Tripp – Robin Healy

Stratum B

- 1 Larry Brochin – Fred Goldschmidt
- 2 Patricia Fasciano – Kay Lippman
- 3 Vivian Ouziel-Siegel – Karen Koppelman

Stratum C

- 1 Patricia Fasciano – Kay Lippman
- 2 Vivian Ouziel-Siegel – Karen Keppelman
- 3 Renee Ritter – Gail Mandelbaum

Friday Afternoon Championship Pairs

Stratum A (18.5 tables)

- 1 Hubert Howe Jr. – Jonathan Howe
- 2 Linda Ferrari – Christine Talbot
- 3 Patricia Gold – Ellen Postrel

Stratum B

- 1 Linda Ferrari – Christine Talbot
- 2 Beverly Daniel – Thomas Harrington
- 3 Mary Woiler – Caroline Terry

Stratum C

- 1 Mary Woiler – Caroline Terry
- 2 Sue Clark – June Sellin
- 3 Cheryl Rush – Candy West

Saturday Morning 0-500 Pairs

Stratum A (7 tables)

- 1 Robin Brendell – Sharon Melville
- 2 M. Brian Bilyk – Vivien Krygier
- 3 Victor Poon – Jeanne Hanrahan

Stratum B

- 1 M. Brian Bilyk – Vivien Krygier
- 2 Fran Peterson – Erika Silver
- 3/4 Martin Block – Ann Block
- 3/4 Douglas Casper – Jerome Butkow

Saturday Afternoon Championship Pairs

Stratum A (51 pairs)

- 1 Betty Kaplan – Lawrence Kaplan
- 2 Lana Putter – Gabriel Tawil
- 3 Jeffrey Colton – Alan Gardner

Stratum B

- 1 Betty Kaplan – Lawrence Kaplan
- 2 Jeffrey Colton – Alan Gardner
- 3 Sheila Cornstein – Lynne Koeppel

Stratum C

- 1 Kay Cha – Dale Peritz
- 2 John Ciangetti Jr. – Mary Thompson
- 3 Helene Schwartz – Richard Holroyd

Saturday Evening Open Swiss Teams

Stratum A (11 tables)

- 1 Dori Cohen – Rob Gordon – Sandra Friedman – David Rosenberg
- 2 Susan Gehn – David Korenstein – Carolyn Carlin – Robert Weinschenk
- 3 Holly Roseman – Eileen Isser – Eppie Mandelbaum – Lucy Shostak

Stratum B

- 1 Holly Roseman – Eileen Isser – Eppie Mandelbaum – Lucy Shostak

2/3 Douglas Casper – Paula Vonuitts – Drew Tarhan – Yalcin Tarhan

2/3 Rhoda Haimson – Marsha Gordon – Natalie Katz – Irving Katz

Sunday Afternoon Championship Pairs

Stratum A (23 tables)

- 1 Steven Conrad – Ruth Stober
- 2/3 Debra Osborn – Charlotte Herdman
- 2/3 Lauren Block – Bonnie Salkind

Stratum B

- 1 Debra Osborn – Charoltte Herdman
- 2 Adele Birnbaum – Fay Nadel
- 3 Elliot Diamond – Bonnie Diamond

Stratum C

- 1 Elliot Diamond – Bonnie Diamond
- 2 Barbara Frank – Shirley Rubinstein
- 3 Irma Marcus – Frances Berg

Sunday Afternoon Open Swiss Teams

Stratum A (16 tables)

1 Jack Lipson – Leslie Sarf – Michael Fishman – Richard Baumer

2/4 Silvana Zangri – Morton Case – Richard Morici – David Schwartz

2/4 John Berry – Jack Price – Marilyn Brescia – Marion Yonke

2/4 David Sloane – John Bell – Jeanne Hanrahan – Alan Kudisch

Stratum B

1/2 John Berry – Jack Price – Marilyn Brescia – Marion Yonke

1/2 David Sloane – John Bell – Jeanne Hanrahan – Alan Kudisch

3 Arthur Goren – Sally Rackson – Louise Merritt – Sunny Oberoi

Stratum C

1 Arthur Goren – Sally Rackson – Louise Merritt – Sunny Oberoi

2 Andree Welsh – Joan Pool – Jessica Shapiro – Jacqueline Wolf

3 Laura Orticelle – Ruth Lessinger – Carol Kamp – Mark Blanchard

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May 11-15, 2016 Regional Results

LM/non-LM Charity Pairs (35 tables)

- 1 Phillip Grella – Edward Niemira
- 2 Lewis Maddock – Michael Viscusi
- 3 Elizabeth Shapiro – Diana Schuld
- 4 Carol Mathews – Nancy Sybil
- 5 Charles Bilich – Marilyn Goldman
- 5 David Schwartz – Malcolm Pettit
- 5 Stephen Lucas – Lawrence Brochin
- 8 Karl De Shrage – Maggie Silver
- 9 Lesley Decker Lucas – Gary Zipper
- 10 Gary Helman – David Millendorf

Thursday Bracketed Round Robin (1)

- 1/2 Abbott Feren – John Berry – Michael Fishman – Bill Dinner
- 1/2 Doris Banks – Rochelle Strauss – James Schneider – Marie Barbeosch
- 3 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin – Susan Denenholz – Matt Rewinski

Thursday Bracketed Round Robin (2)

- 1/2 Alan Hyman – Stephen Solomon – Lester Zabronsky – Marcia Zabronsky
- 1/2 Robert Gordon – Stephen Green – Mark Inhaber – Susan Calabro
- 3 Jan Frey – Carol Reiss – Anne Stuckler – Claire Barron

Thursday Bracketed Round Robin (3)

- 1 George Trost – William Sigward – Ann Murray – Michael McPherson
- 2 Richard Becker – John Abrenica – Victor Poon – Solomon Godelsky
- 3 Marlene Benny – Ruth Edwards – Susan Trumper – Noreen Franklin

Thursday Bracketed Round Robin (4)

- 1 Laura O'Reilly – Lee Dion – Susan Birdsall – Burton Greenhouse

- 2 Herbert Blumenfeld – Peggy Blumenfeld – Gail Johnson – Bill Johnson
- 3 Barry Adelman – Shelley Adelman – Jamie Szoke – Eliza Werner

Thursday Bracketed Round Robin (5)

- 1 Harris Bellovin – Laurence Sussman – Judith Spitz – Fred Schneider
- 2 Michael Nussbaum – Suzanne Nussbaum – Robert Mann – Meryl Mann
- 3 Bonnie Deutsch – Bonnie Semon – Elayne Fastenberg – Carol Leinwand

Thursday Stratified Open Pairs

Stratum A (14 tables)

- 1 Mimi Bieber – Faye Marino
- 2 D Wolkowitz – Michael Polowan
- 3 Jill Fouad – Harold Feldheim

Stratum B

- 1 Norman Trabulus – Charles Bilich
- 2 Dominique Schneider – Ruth Ellen Maddock
- 3 Lawrence Solow – Leah Chodes

Stratum C

- 1 Norman Trabulus – Charles Bilich
- 2 Dominique Schneider – Ruth Ellen Maddock

Thursday Gold Rush Pairs

Stratum A (31 tables)

- 1 Michael Viscusi – Lewis Maddock
- 2 Rufus Cole – Ron Kahan
- 3 Barbara Emmer – Sandra Rogol

Stratum B

- 1 Karen Ruben – Erika Silver

- 2 Toni Macdonald – Elizabeth Butler
- 3 Carol Fishman – Susan Zacherman

Thursday Stratified Newcomer Pairs

Stratum A (6.5 tables)

- 1 Allen Krieger – Roberta Small
- 2 Wendy Marx – Barbara Deturk
- 3 Judy Weitzman – Naomi Abramowitz

Stratum B

- 1 Wendy Marx – Barbara Deturk
- 2 Charles Rose – Evelyn Rose
- 3 Barrie Sue Zicherman – Marge Gogol

Friday RR Teams, Bracket 1

- 1 Gillian Minter – Judi Radin – Iulian Rotaru – Radu Nistor
- 2 Jeffrey Rothstein – Ira Herman – Bill Rosenbaum – Russell Samuel
- 3 Kelley Hwang – David Moss – Michael Radin – Michael Lipkin

Friday RR Teams, Bracket 2

- 1 Debra Katz – Dina Schechter – Barry Wilderman – David Joseph
- 2 Robert Gordon – Stephen Green – Susan Calabro – David Sloane
- 3 Cindi Siegel – Anne Stuckler – Carol Reiss – Hadassah Klein

Friday RR Teams, Bracket 3

- 1 Gerald Berkman – Henry Thomas Kieronski – Peter Tilles – Doris Tilles
- 2 James Knopf – Barbara Emmer – Susan Toporovsky – Mindy Setton
- 3 Herbert Kranzer – Claire Kranzer – Roberta Mendelsohn – Barbara Pincus

Friday RR Teams, Bracket 4

1 Jeffrey Colton – Richard Wettan – Drew Tarhan – Yalcin Tarhan

2 Elisse Weiss – Francine Frischer – Dina Arker – Eppie Eagle

3 Sondra Nachbar – Norman Nachbar – Gail Kugler – Judith Simon

Friday RR Teams, Bracket 5

1 Elliot Diamond – Bonnie Diamond – Lewis Grossman – Risa Grossman

2 Charles Baker – Diana Maniscalco – Patricia Lessard – Catherine Layden

3 Ronald Pinkus – Richard Gardos – Carole Rosten – Nancy Davis

Friday RR Teams, Bracket 6

1 Susan Kipp – Joan Bergen – Ann Piper – Meredith Dunne

2 Mindy White – Linda Walke – Ann Sacher – Anna Decker

3 Arnold Fox – Elizabeth Murphy – Suzanne Nussbaum – Elaine Friedman

Friday Open Pairs

Stratum A (20 tables)

1 Fred Hawa – Paul Lewis

2 Andrew Rosenthal – Aaron Silverstein

3 Hjordis Eythorsdottir – Sharon Goldman

Stratum B

1 Bernice Frucht – Mel Frucht

2 Philip Grella – Bart Cirker

3 Stanley Adelman – Gulu Mahtaney

Stratum C

1 Stanley Adelman – Gulu Mahtaney

2 David Libchaber – Richard Franklin

Friday Gold Rush Pairs

Stratum A (25 tables)

1 Donna Launer – June Blumenthal

2 Robin Healey – Darin Tripp

3 Shelley Kirshenbaum – Leonard Feld

Stratum B

1 Shelley Kirshenbaum – Leonard Feld

2 Sonya Rhodes – David Weil

3 Sheila Terens – Amy Barash

Friday Newcomer Pairs

Stratum A (3 tables)

1 Susan Dunnells – Rudolph Chung

2 Anthony Puglisi – Elda Puglisi

Saturday RR Teams, Bracket 1

1 Bill Begert – Jess Jurkovic – Rachael Moller – David Gurvich

2 Steven Conrad – Carol Pratt – Louis Lessinger – Ruth Stober

3 Simon Erlich – Jeffrey Rothstein – Diana Schuld – Russell Samuel

Saturday RR Teams, Bracket 2

1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin – Eppie Eagle – Dina Schechter

2 Gerald Berkman – Ditzka Katz – Susan Calabro – Stephen Green

3 Anne Stuckler – Carol Reiss – Allen Greenbaum – Mark Inhaber

Saturday RR Teams, Bracket 3

1 Jared Bass – Shawn Drenning – David Bass – Zachary Madden

2 John Klaus – Joanne Klaus – Alan Blake – Phil Waxberg

3 Laura O'Reilly – Matt Rewinski – Hubert Howe Jr. – Tomass Luss

Saturday RR Teams, Bracket 4

1 Brian Freyburger – Jacqueline Chang – Sharon Ainspan – Suresh Nayak

2 Les Toporovsky – Susan Toporovsky – Lee Launer – Donna Launer

3 Iris Cook – Rosemary Gross – Karin Meyers – Burt Meyers

Saturday RR Teams, Bracket 5

1 Douglas Schara – Grace Basile – Douglas Frank – Ruth Ellen Maddock

2 Silvana Zangri – Richard Morici – Karen Ruben – Peter Ruben

3 Gary Zipper – David Kay – Vicki Seltzer – Richard Brach

Saturday Open Pairs

Stratum A (14 tables)

1 Melih Ozdil – Justine Cushing

2 Michael Lipkin – Seth Cohen

3 Lloyd Arvedon – Glenn Robbins

Stratum B

1 Richard Tunick – Marjorie Vogel

2 Susan Grossman – Lawrence Grossman

3 Shelley Fishman – Loring Fenton

Stratum C

1 Christian Hemphill – Scott McDermott

2 Jacqueline Wolf – Marsha Katon

Saturday Gold Rush Pairs

Stratum A (22.5 tables)

1 Michael Viscusi – Lewis Maddock

2 Christine Dugan – Lorna Goodrich

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Claim with Colchamiro

By Mel Colchamiro



LI Player of the Year
2008, 2003, 2001, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996
LI Senior Player of the Year
2008

In Defense of The Lady or The Tiger?

“The Lady or The Tiger?” is a famous short story written by Frank R. Stockton in 1882. It tells the story of a king whose idea of justice was to determine the innocence or guilt of an accused via a public trial where there are two doors. Behind one is a beautiful woman and behind the other is a fierce, hungry tiger. The accused is compelled to choose one of those doors without knowing where the tiger is and where the beautiful woman is. If he chooses the tiger, he is deemed to be guilty and is devoured by the tiger; if he chooses the princess, he is deemed to be innocent and gets the beautiful princess.

Not long ago I had the following unimposing collection, a hand that my friend Mitchell Pollenz would observe: “You can’t get into too much trouble on this one” (he’s not always right!). Here it is: ♠-Q9xx ♥-Jxx ♦-xxx ♣-xxx

I heard the following auction:

<u>Partner</u>	<u>Opp</u>	<u>Me</u>	<u>Opp</u>
1♥	dbl	P	1♠
3♥	3♠	P	P
4♥	4♠	???	

Maybe I shouldn’t have, but I doubled, probably more than a bit greedily. But in my defense, the declarer is not one who always takes all of his tricks, if you know what I mean. Anyway, that’s what I did. Let me show you the entire hand:

Opponent

♠-AKJx
♥-10xx
♦-AKx
♣-KJx

Partner

♠-x
♥-AKQxxxx
♦-Jxx
♣-AQ

Mel

♠-Q9xx
♥-Jxx
♦-xxx
♣-xxx

Opponent

♠-10xxx
♥-void
♦-Q10xx
♣-10xxxx

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Declarer trumped the ace of hearts lead, which was not good news for big-mouth Mel and his penalty double. That left declarer with 3 trumps in his hand. Right or wrong, declarer led a diamond to the dummy's ace and ruffed another heart into his hand, leaving his hand with two trumps. He led a second diamond to dummy's king and trumped another heart in his hand, leaving him with one more trump. He led that last trump—the ten—and when my partner played low, he too played low from the dummy and I won the Q. Here's what the hand looked like now:

<u>Partner</u>	<u>Mel</u>
♠-void	♠-9xx
♥-KQxx	♥-void
♦-J	♦-x
♣-AQ	♣-xxx

Opponent

♠-void
♥-void
♦-Q10
♣-10xxxx

After winning the ♠Q, things looked mighty bleak indeed, but hoping that partner held the-now-high-♦Q, I led my remaining diamond. For whatever reason, the declarer played the 10(!) and partner won the J. Whew! We still had a chance.

With two tricks in the bank for the defense and the ♣A sure to come, partner could have guaranteed 4 tricks by leading a heart, forcing dummy to ruff, leaving me with 3 trumps against the dummy's now two.

I think it's a fair bet that Mel started with 4 cards in spades to justify his rather thin penalty double, so partner should have realized that declarer had no more spades and playing a heart would not be giving declarer a ruff-sluff. But, she didn't play a heart. She played ♣A then ♣Q. The relieved declarer won the ♣K, collected my trump and took the rest. Declarer wound up making 5.

When I told partner in the post mortem that declarer was void in spades and a heart was the clearly indicated defense, she said. "I didn't know that."

That's when I told her about the Lady or the Tiger. Even if she hadn't counted things and had not realized declarer was out of spades, she should have seen that playing ace-and-then-queen of clubs was clearly going to end up with declarer making his doubled contract ---tantamount to going behind the door where the tiger was. In this case, the "Tiger" was that declarer was going to make his doubled contract—we would have been—and in fact wound up—being gobbled up by the 4Sx -690 Tiger. So, I explained, she should have tried the other door and played a heart, hoping that a young princess (prince) was there.

I was.

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Played Card

by Joe Byrnes

One of the more contentious rulings directors have to make is determining when a card is a played card. The one thing the director knows for sure is that at the end of the ruling two people are going to be mad. He does get to decide which two. Forgetting about situations like correcting a revoke, let's examine the possible situations.

Played Card by Declarer

The rule is pretty straightforward. Declarer must play a card if it is "held face up, touching or nearly touching the table" or "maintained in such a position to indicate it has been played." The last part of that is a little shaky, but the key is: did the declarer get the card down near the table. The fact that the defenders can see it is not part of the issue. The other key point to remember is that the director's main responsibility in these situations is to maintain equity for the field when it is unclear what to do. Giving someone an undeserved top is not fair to the rest of the field. If the facts are clear, then you live with what happens. Also note that many players think the declarer can change her play if the next player has not played yet. This is not, and never has been, true.

Played Card by Defender

"A defender's card held so that it is possible for his partner to see its face must be played to the current trick." Notice that it says "is possible for his partner to see its face." It does not say that partner actually has to have seen it. If you put a card on the table, and your partner happens to be looking across the room to see what's for lunch, that is still a played card. Your partner could have seen it if he were paying attention. Inattentiveness does not grant you any rights.

Card Played by Dummy

This is where the real fun starts. Look at these situations:

1. Dummy
 ♠: AQ5

 Declarer
 ♠: 864

Let's say the declarer leads a spade toward the dummy and calls for the queen. Upon calling for the queen he realizes that west played the king. He wants to change the play. Is there a time frame? Can he do it in the same breath?

2. Dummy
♠: AKQ5
Declarer
♠: 7632

Declarer leads a low spade and says "Play a spade." When north plays the 5, can he change it to one of the honors?

3. Dummy
♦: 873
♣: A43
Declarer
♦: J1087
♣: Q4

In a no trump contract declarer is running the diamonds. While discarding from the dummy he says "Play anything." The defense requests that he play the ace of clubs. Can they make him do this?

1. In the first example the declarer may not change his play. When he called for the queen, he fully intended to play the queen to take a finesse. The fact that he was careless enough to not watch what West played gives him no rights. The concept of changing a call in the same breath has never been a rule in bridge, no matter what anyone tells you.
2. The declarer can change the play. The declarer never intended to play the 5 of spades.
3. The declarer cannot be forced to part with the ace of clubs. He clearly did not intend to play that card. The defense can pick from the other cards, though on this hand it won't matter.

I just hope I've cleared up more issues than I've started.

2016 Awards Dinner Results

Stratum A

- 1 Louis Lessinger – Barbara Mendelsohn
- 2 Steven Conrad – Ljudmila Kamenova
- 3 Joan Asheroff – Lucy Shostak

Stratum B

- 1 Philip Grella – Shelley Fishman
- 2 Dina Schechter – Mark Blanchard
- 3 Laura O'Reilly – Matt Rewinski

Stratum C

- 1 Donna Launer – Lee Launer
- 2 Janine Buss – Erika Silver
- 3 Kathy Mullen – Jean Johnson



Celebrating his 105th birthday on July 27, 2016, Arthur Blecker of Great Neck is a year-round Wednesday afternoon player with an amazing mind, memory and attitude. Shown here with BRIDGEExpress owner, Cathy Kirshner, Arthur is an asset to the game in every way. He is always kind to his partner, friendly to his opponents and fun to chat with before the game or between rounds. His son says he's the nicest guy in the whole world and a great chess player too! Everyone at BRIDGEExpress looks forward to celebrating Arthur's birthday for many more years to come....Happy Birthday, Arthur!

Just Pay Attention to the Cards by Phillip Grella

Dummy

- ♠ - Q973
- ♥ - K86
- ♦ - 10852
- ♣ - 106

You

- ♠ - J108
- ♥ - Q953
- ♦ - AJ93
- ♣ - 97

Opener bids 1NT and the auction is passed out. You lead the ♦3, declarer plays the 10 (error), partner puts in the Q, and declarer wins the K. Declarer plays a heart to the K, you playing the 5 and partner the 4. The ♥8 is led from dummy, partner plays the 7, declarer inserts the J, and you win the Q. What now?

If you have been paying attention, as long as partner has another diamond, you should play another heart establishing your fourth heart as a winner. Partner has at least 10 HCP and should have an entry. Partner's hand: ♠ - Axxx ♥ - 1084 ♦ - Qx ♣ - Axxx.

Play a heart and declarer is down one. PS: I was fast asleep and cashed my diamond tricks.

Life Master—Non-LM Charity Pair Game

September 14, 2016 7:00 pm

Smithtown Upsky Hotel

Vanderbilt-Motor Parkway

Smithtown, NY

Each partnership consists of 1 Life Master and 1 non-Life Master (who has fewer than 300 points)

Life Master plays free.

Arrange your own partnership or we will find a partner for you.

No regular partnerships, please.

Pre-registration on the form below is greatly appreciated. Tear off and mail to:

Lesley Decker Lucas

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Woodbury, NY 11797

Please send forms in by September 7, 2016.

Call Lesley at 516-364-2388 for further information.

Name _____

Phone _____

Partner's Name _____

I am a Life Master _____

I am a non-Life Master _____

I need a partner _____

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Long Island Fall Regional ♠ September 14-18, 2016

at the *Upsky Long Island Hotel*

110 Vanderbilt Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, NY 11788 • 631-231-1100

Discounted Room Rate: \$109 Cutoff Date: Sept. 3, 2016

DIRECTIONS: *FROM THE EAST*: Take Veterans Memorial Highway Northwest to I-495 (Long Island Expressway) West and take Exit 53 (Wicks Road). At the end of the exit ramp turn right and the hotel will be on the left. *FROM THE WEST*: Take I-495 (Long Island Expressway) East. Proceed east to Exit 53 (Wicks Road). At Wicks Road turn left and then turn right at the first light which is Motor Parkway. The hotel will be 200 yards up on the left.

Results posted nightly

at www.libridge.com

WEDNESDAY September 14

Non LM / LM Charity Pairs (Red) (Each pair must have a LM and an under 300 player) 7:00 pm

THURSDAY September 15

Stratified Newcomer Single Session Pairs (0-200), (Red) (Guaranteed Partners)..... 10:00 am
Gold Rush Pairs (300-750, 0-300)..... 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Open Pairs A (3000+), B (1500-3000), C (0-1500).....10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Round-Robin Teams10:00 am & TBA

FRIDAY September 16

Stratified Newcomer Single Session Pairs (0-200), (Red) (Guaranteed Partners)..... 10:00 am
Gold Rush Pairs (300-750, 0-300)..... 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Open Pairs A (3000+), B (1500-3000), C (0-1500).....10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Round-Robin Teams10:00 am & TBA

SATURDAY September 17

Gold Rush Pairs (300-750, 0-300)..... 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Open Pairs A (3000+), B (1500-3000), C (0-1500).....10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Round-Robin Teams10:00 am & TBA

SUNDAY September 18

Flighted Swiss / Bracketed Round-Robin Teams

(A/X) A (4000+), X (0-4000) (7 rounds of 7 or 8 boards) (Top Bracket Open to All)

Bracketed Round-Robin Flight B (no player >3000, 7 rounds of 7 boards)..... 10:00 am & TBA

We will have a 1-hour maximum lunch break in order to accommodate our members for the earliest possible departure time.

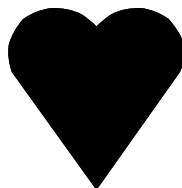
GOLD AWARDED IN BRACKETED EVENTS (In each bracket of 8 teams, 3 receive gold)

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GOLD RUSH PAIRS

This event has 2 strata, 0-300 and 301-750mps. The player with the higher masterpoint holding determines in which stratum the pair plays. All strata play each other. Players are eligible for masterpoint awards in their own or a higher stratum. In this play-through event, the top stratum pays Gold for section tops and overall. The other strata pay red points.

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS

This event usually has three mutually exclusive strata, 0-1500, 1501-3000, 3001 and up. The player with the highest masterpoint holding determines the stratum in which the pair plays. In this event, all strata play against each other. Players are eligible for masterpoint awards in their own or a higher stratum.

BRACKETED EVENTS

In these events, very popular today, teams are grouped by their average masterpoint holdings, not by the masterpoint holding of the highest ranked player (as done in stratified events). This allows the players to compete mainly against their equals, while allowing for a reasonable number of contestants in each bracket.

BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN SWISS TEAMS

In this event, roughly **35% of the players receive gold points!** Teams are grouped by the team's total masterpoint holdings, not by the highest ranked player's holdings (as done in stratified events). Teams are bracketed, where possible, in groups of 8 and play only against other teams in that bracket. In an 8 team bracket each team plays once against every team in its bracket.

NSBA Proposed Board 2016-2017

The yearly election of board members will take place on Wednesday night, September 14, 2016 at the Upsky Hotel right before the start of the Life Master/non-Life Master game which begins at 7pm. All are invited to attend.

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2016 Ace of Clubs Winners



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Co-Players of the Year Rob Gordon and Dori Cohen



New Diamond Life Masters
Joan Asheroff and Ljudmila Kamenova



NSBA President Joe Byrnes (at podium)
and District Director Al Levy



Silvana Scotto-Zangri is presented with the Gordon Duffy Service Award
by Al Levy

Think Along With Me

by Charles Sharf

Even the most routine, non-descript hands can provide some learning points. At a recent common game (thus, many of you may have played this hand), you pick up the following minimum:

♠-AKxx ♥-109xx ♦-X ♣-KQxx

You open 1♣, LHO overcalls 1♥, and it goes pass, pass, to you.

The first question is: should you balance? The second question, if the answer to the first is yes, is: what do you bid?

Partner's pass gives you quite a bit of information if you think about it.

He doesn't have 6+ points and 4 spades or he would have made a negative double. If he has 4 spades, he has very few points. He doesn't have 6+ points and 4 clubs, or he would have eked out a 2♣ bid. He doesn't have 5 clubs and no points or he would have preempted with 3♣. He doesn't have 8 points and a heart honor or he might have bid 1NT.

At first thought, bidding doesn't seem to have much benefit, unless partner has something like:

♠-Qx ♥-Xxx ♦-Xxxx ♣-Jxxx

And you might easily score 8 tricks in clubs. However, this doesn't matter, because, clearly, the opponents will bid again with 25 points if this is the hand partner holds. As it stands, they might be missing a game as it is if LHO has 6 hearts and 16 points, and RHO has 8 points, a doubleton heart and no clear bid. But there is one overriding factor that dictates you should bid: You never get rich in matchpoints defending 1♥!

Full disclosure – most experts would not bid with heart length for many of the above reasons, and far too often, I have the auction go 2♥-3♥-4♥ oops.

So you bid 1♠, knowing partner either doesn't have 4 or doesn't have points; at least you will get him off to a good lead. LHO bids 2♥, and partner (Howard Cohen) comes alive and bids 2♠ – this has more to do with the card fee going up to \$17, so Howard feels obliged to bid whenever he can, regardless of his hand. This surprisingly ends the auction.

The opening lead is the DA and partner proudly puts down close to what you would expect:

♠-862 ♥-7 ♦-J10xxx ♣-Axx

It seems the opponents should make 3♥ – 6 heart tricks and 3 diamond tricks at a minimum, so going down 2 should be ok. After the AD, LHO shifts to the ♠J to cut down the ruffs in dummy. Think for a minute about how to play the hand. If spades are 3-3 and clubs are 3-3, and you can get a heart ruff in dummy, you can score 8 tricks. This doesn't seem likely when LHO has 6 hearts, but could be possible if the ♦A is singleton. But if it was singleton, wouldn't they try to get their partner in for a ruff? So you win the spade, and play a heart, LHO wins and play the ♠9.

Now my friend and mentor, Mel Colchamiro, pounded the mantra “Things are usually what they appear to be” into my head many times over the years. The two missing spades are the Q and 10. If LHO had either one, his play would have been different. From QJ9 he would have led the Q, and from J109 he would have led J and followed with the 10; so you can assume that LHO has only two spades. You win the second spade and ruff a heart, RHO following with the A, confirming that hearts are 6-2, as you would expect.

Can you make 8 tricks with spades 4-2? Well, if LHO is out of spades you can lead diamonds from dummy

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and ruff with your small spades. When you lead a ♦, RHO follows and you ruff, LHO playing the K. It looks like he started with AK doubleton. Back to dummy with the ♣A, and lead another diamond, RHO follows and you ruff with your last spade, LHO discards a heart; he is out of trump as you expected.

You now have scored the AK of spades, 2 small spade ruffs in your hand, and a heart ruff in dummy, for a total of 5 tricks. And the news gets better: since LHO has shown 2 spades, 6 hearts, and 2 diamonds, you confidently play the AKQ of clubs for 8 tricks.

Plus 110 was a top. Perhaps West should have competed to 3♥ with 9 points, or bid 1NT at his first turn, but you can't blame him for deciding to defend spades. As it turns out, making 2 spades was important. While N-S have 8 top tricks, if they tried to cash AK of diamonds and take a pitch on the Q, they would lose 2 spades, 3 clubs and a ruff.

Opponent

♠-Q1073

♥-A8

♦-Q852

♣-J76

Me

♠-AK54

♥-10942

♦-3

♣-KQ85

Partner

♠-862

♥-7

♦-J109764

♣-A42

Opponent

♠-J9

♥-KQJ653

♦-AK

♣-1093

Results for NS:

+140 twice

-50 twice

-100 twice

-110 once

At the end, you say "nice bid partner," but you wait until after you make it and see the results. You need someone to blame if it's not a good score.

Slammin' Sundays at the Regional

by David Schwartz

I've had some positively weird results on slam hands on Sundays at our Regionals. The latest version occurred at the last Regional in May and it featured a first time bid of Hearts by me at the seven level, while my RHO held the ♥AKQ. Here's what happened.

We were playing in the top bracket and my partner was Karen Pollack. Cal Rafuse opened the bidding with 1♣, I passed, Mark Blanchard bid 1♠ and Karen bid a sandwich NT showing the red suits. Cal raised spades; I passed holding 10 red cards but no points, and Mark, with a powerhouse hand bid to 6♠ after a key-card auction and finding their side to be off an ace. Now, knowing our side had a double fit in the red suits, and thinking a sacrifice might be worthwhile, I bid 7♥, not knowing that Cal held the AKQ of that suit. Cal couldn't wait to double, but it wasn't his turn to bid. Mark thought for a while, and with a void in hearts was now confident that the missing ace was in hearts, bid 7♠. Karen doubled and led the ♦A. Down one. Our partners made 6.

A few tournament Sundays prior, again playing in the top bracket, my partner was John Earley and we were playing the first board, red vs. white against a very competent and aggressive pair. John opened 1♦, and RHO passed. Here was my hand:

♠-AJx ♥-KQJxxx ♦-xx ♣-xx

I bid 1♥ and my LHO opponent bid 3♠. John quickly bid 4♥ and now my RHO bid 5♠. I knew I should double, but thinking they were trying to steal from us, and not wanting to miss a vulnerable slam, I bid 6♥ hoping we didn't have 2 fast losers. LHO passed and John, having a spade void, 4 hearts to the A, and 7 solid diamonds bid 7♥, not imagining that I could bid 6 missing, in addition to the ♥H and the ♦A and the ♣A. We both held a worthless doubleton in clubs. The opening lead however was a spade and I was able to claim at the first trick, drawing trump and discarding my two clubs on John's diamonds. The other side stopped in 4♥.

A few Tournament Sundays before that one, we were playing in a stratified Swiss and this time my partner was Jack Sage and our teammates were John Earley and Eileen Isser. We were white against red and here was my hand:

♠-KQJxxx ♥- ♦-xxxx ♣-Axx

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RHO deals and opens 2♣, I bid 4♠, P, P, 6♥ by RHO, P by me and then 6♠ by Jack. All pass. Opening lead is a heart and here is the complete layout:

Jack

♠-XXXX

♥-X

♦-AKQJXX

♣-XX

Opponent

♠-X

♥-XXXX

♦-XX

♣-JXXXXX

Opponent

♠-Ax

♥-AKQJXXXX

♦-

♣-KQx

Me

♠-KQJXXX

♥-

♦-XXXXX

♣-Ax

A club or a diamond lead beats it. We made 6♠ and at the other table John played in 6♥ making 6 for a double slam. I love Sundays at the regional. Can't wait for the next one.

ATTENTION: INTERMEDIATES AND NEWCOMERS FALL REGIONAL EVENTS JUST FOR YOU!

Wednesday, Sept 14	7:00 PM	Non LM/LM Pairs
Thursday, Sept 15	10:00	Single Session Pairs
Thursday, Sept 15	10:00 AM & 2:30 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Thursday, Sept 15	10:00 & TBA	Bracketed RR Swiss
Friday, Sept 16	10:00	Single Session Pairs
Friday, Sept 16	10:00 AM & 2:30 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Friday, Sept 16	10:00 & TBA	Bracketed RR Swiss
Saturday, Sept 17	10:00 AM & 2:30 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Saturday, Sept 17	10:00 AM & TBA	Bracketed RR Swiss
Sunday, Sept 18	10:00 AM & TBA	Bracketed RR Swiss

The I/N player who has won the most masterpoints playing in the newcomer events during the tournament will be the recipient of our I/N trophy. It could be you! And at this tournament newcomers are invited to participate in our popular BRACKETED ROUND-ROBIN SWISS TEAM EVENT. This means that your team will be playing against opponents who have similar masterpoint totals, and that you could even win GOLD points in the event. No kidding!

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday are special chances to earn GOLD Points!

For information and encouragement call:

Susan Scholer, I/N Chairperson at 631-360-8456 or 631-775-7772.

June 13-19, 2016 StaC Results

Monday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (69 tables)

- 1 Jack Lipson – Leslie Sarf
- 2 Mark Blanchard – Frank O’Lear
- 3 Lewis Pfeiffer – Carol Benes

Stratum B

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Frank O’Lear
- 2 Lewis Pfeiffer – Carol Benes
- 3 Joseph Mirman – Jeffrey Blank

Stratum C

- 1 Iris Cook – Irene Newman
- 2 Sandy Friedman – Lucy Dome
- 3 Elisse Weiss – Karen Dorman

Monday AM 0-750 Pairs

Stratum A (18 tables)

- 1 Carol Leinwand – Elayne Fastenberg
- 2 Vicki Seltzer – Richard Brach
- 3 Richard Morici – Silvana Zangri

Stratum B

- 1 Carol Leinwand – Elayne Fastenberg
- 2 Vicki Seltzer – Richard Brach
- 3 Renee Ritter – Gail Mandelbaum

Stratum C

- 1 Vicki Seltzer – Richard Brach
- 2 Renee Ritter – Gail Mandelbaum
- 3 Robert Marcovicci – Lois Lerner

Monday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (82.5 tables)

- 1 Howard Friedman – Loretta Koenig
- 2 Iris Hertzberg – Gail Goldberg
- 3 Robert Hurley – Barry Nish

Stratum B

- 1 Iris Hertzberg – Gail Goldberg
- 2 David Kirschenbaum – Richard Wettan
- 3 Burton Goodman – Jerome Bloom

Stratum C

- 1 David Kirschenbaum – Richard Wettan

- 2 Glenda Kaufman – Barbara Goldstein

- 3 Marion Cohen – Ronald Ronzoni

Monday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (25 tables)

- 1 Robin Brendell – Jeffrey Colton
- 2 Michael Herman – Jocelyn Simon
- 3 Karl De Shrage – Jack Harris

Stratum B

- 1 Robin Brendell – Jeffrey Colton
- 2 Michael Herman – Jocelyn Simon
- 3 George Tawfik – Joseph Santomero

Stratum C

- 1 George Tawfik – Joseph Santomero
- 2 Judith Epstein – Elinor Jaffe
- 3 Michael Slavin – Martin Fox

Tuesday AM Open Pairs

Stratum A (12.5 tables)

- 1 Saul Horowitz – Robert Karlan
- 2 Doris Rodgers – Michael Geisinger
- 3 Eppie Mandelbaum – Edith Kliegman

Stratum B

- 1 Eppie Mandelbaum – Edith Kliegman
- 2 David Schwartz – Marilyn Silverman
- 3 Herbert Kranzer – Claire Kranzer

Stratum C

- 1 Eppie Mandelbaum – Edith Kliegman
- 2 Herbert Kranzer – Claire Kranzer

Tuesday Morning 0-1500

Stratum A (5 tables)

- 1 Grace Basile – Nancy Plant
- 2 Sue Ahn – Dominick Basile
- 3 Bert Moreida – Ina Bellaff

Stratum B

- 1 Sue Ahn – Dominick Basile
- 2 Bert Moreida – Ina Bellaff
- 3 Gabriele Lubitz – Jeanne Ferguson

Stratum C

- 1 Sue Ahn – Dominick Basile
- 2 Bert Moreida – Ina Bellaff

Tuesday Morning 0-750

Stratum A (12 tables)

- 1 Lisa Hadar – Lee Launer
- 2 Roy Goodman – Raymond Elias
- 3 Sidney Dein – Myron Zitt

Stratum B

- 1 Susan Zacherman – Carol Fishman
- 2 Gary Levine – Laura Orticelle
- 3 Vicki Seltzer – Richard Brach

Stratum C

- 1 Susan Zacherman – Carol Fishman
- 2 Vicki Seltzer – Richard Brach
- 3 Susan Panzer – Amy Barash

Tuesday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (80 tables)

- 1 Arthur Brodsky – Janine Buss
- 2 Hadassah Klein – David Joseph
- 3 Manny Kaplan – Thomas Schwartz

Stratum B

- 1 Hadassah Klein – David Joseph
- 2 Manny Kaplan – Thomas Schwartz
- 3 Anne Stuckler – Carol Reiss

Stratum C

- 1 Manny Kaplan – Thomas Schwartz
- 2 Bruce Romboli – Skip Romboli
- 3 Eliza Werner – Harry Hackett

Tuesday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (7 tables)

- 1 Mark Liebowitz – Lewis Grossman
- 2 Michael Fishman – Abbott Feren
- 3/4 Ruth Fox – William Hart
- 3/4 Allen Greenbaum – John Bell

Stratum B

- 1/2 Ruth Fox – William Hart

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- 1/2 Allen Greenbaum – John Bell
3 Andrew Finkelstein – Yalcin Tarhan

Stratum C

- 1 Andrew Finkelstein – Yalcin Tarhan
2 Gisele Katz – Ellie Brook
3 Elliot Diamond – Bonnie Diamond

Tuesday Evening <5 Tables

Stratum A (4.5 tables)

- 1 Ditzka Katz – Gerald Berkman
2 Mark Blanchard – Laura Orticelle
3 Peter Tilles – Doris Tilles

Stratum B

- 1 Ditzka Katz – Gerald Berkman
2 Mark Blanchard – Laura Orticelle

Wednesday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (36.5 tables)

- 1 Anthony Rizzuto – James Schneider
2 Doris Rodgers – Michael Geisinger
3 Diana Maniscalco – Sheila Bieber

Stratum B

- 1 Diana Maniscalco – Sheila Bieber
2 Judy Anthony – Lorna Verdone
3 Donald Amberger – Roger Peabody

Stratum C

- 1 Diana Maniscalco – Sheila Bieber
2 Judy Anthony – Lorna Verdone
3 Sally Pass – Merle Colchamiro

Wednesday 499er Pairs

Stratum A (14 tables)

- 1 Helen Solomon – Ellen Roisman
2 Randy Raubvogel – Alison Thalheim
3 Patricia Fasciano – Kay Lippman

Stratum B

- 1 Patricia Fasciano – Kay Lippman
2 M. Brian Bilyk – Vivien Krygier
3 Betsy Amira – Karen Williams

Stratum C

- 1 Betsy Amira – Karen Williams
2 Joseph Leifer – Carol Leifer

- 3 Fran Lipper – Karen Karlik

Wednesday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (56.5 tables)

- 1 Helen Topkis – Norman Alper
2 Arthur Brodsky – Gulu Mahtaney
3 Ellen Adler – Frank Stoger

Stratum B

- 1 Ellen Adler – Frank Stoger
2 Marilyn Rush – Marilyn Dickstein
3 Phyllis Kazdin – Florence Lewis

Stratum C

- 1 Ellen Adler – Frank Stoger
2 Jean Johnson – Lee Dion
3 Meryl Mann – Lynette Rosenblum

Wednesday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (16.5 tables)

- 1 Jack Lipson – Michael Fishman
2 Stephen Posner – Stephen Hazekorn
3 John Berry – Martin Feldman

Stratum B

- 1 Stephen Posner – Stephen Hazekorn
2 Karen Johnson – Margaret Sherman
3 Paul Gray – Susan Calabro

Stratum C

- 1 Karen Johnson – Margaret Sherman
2 Raymond Elias – Ed Niemira
3 Jonathan Sauer – Paul Sauer

Thursday Morning Open Pairs

Strata A&B (65.5 tables)

- 1 Gail Kugler – Marilyn Bernstein
2 Barry Elberg – Harvey Schachter
3 Beverly Corenthal – Brew Gunther

Stratum C

- 1 Gail Kugler – Marilyn Bernstein
2 Barry Elberg – Harvey Schachter
3 Robert Gordon – John Murabito

Thursday Morning 0-750 Pairs

Strata A&B

- 1 Sharon Weinstein – Holly Jonas

- 2 Anthony Swanwick – William Tarlow

- 3 Iris Baron – Marcia Bateman

Stratum C

- 1 Anthony Swanwick – William Tarlow
2 Iris Baron – Marcia Bateman
3 Michele Tarica – Leslie Hahn

Thursday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (50 tables)

- 1 Mitchell Pollenz – Howard Cohen
2 Toni Somerstein – Kathleen McLaughlen
3 Tony Zeiger – Geoffrey O'Connor

Stratum B

- 1 Alan Hirshman – Arnold Wagner
2 Edna Lauer – Paul Lauer
3 Constance Permut – Betty Meron

Stratum C

- 1 Laura Kopp – Howard Collins
2 Pam Van Zandt – Lynn Ritvo
3 Sandi Sullivan – Joe Irom

Thursday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (9 tables)

- 1 Norman Trabulus – Charles Bilich
2 Rayna Martin – Glenn Martin
3 Allen Greenbaum – Mark Inhaber

Stratum B

- 1 Norman Trabulus – Charles Bilich
2 Allen Greenbaum – Mark Inhaber
3 Barbara Reitz – Clifford Reitz

Stratum C

- 1 Paul Pirro – Abby Frankel
2 Renee Silver – Phyllis Meltzer

Thursday Evening <5 tables

Stratum A (4 tables)

- 1 Elli Zimmerman – William Sampson
2 Donald Amberger – Natalie Treanor
3 John Floto – Susan Ghee

Stratum B

- 1 Donald Amberger – Natalie Treanor
2 John Floto – Susan Ghee

July 13-19 STaC Results (continued from page 21)

Thursday Evening Sagamore Swiss

Stratum A (10 tables)

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin – Dori Cohen – Rob Gordon
- 2 Karl De Shrage – Bella Chiusano – Silvana Zangri – Richard Morici
- 3 John Berry – Martin Feldman – Kent Vandewater – Susan Taub

Stratum B

- 1 Susan Calabro – Ditza Katz – Gulu Mahtaney – Stanley Adelman
- 2 Stephen Candell – Susan Candell – Diane Zaretsky – June Blumenthal
- 3 Sandie Sickie – Susan Eisner – Drew Tarhan – Yalcin Tarhan

Stratum C

- 1 Stephen Candell – Susan Candell – Diane Zaretsky – June Blumenthal
- 2/3 Vicki Seltzer – Richard Brach – David Kay – Gary Zipper
- 2/3 Arnie Obler – Geri Obler – Sharon Melville – Milton Alshuler

Friday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (63.5 pairs)

- 1 Elizabeth Randall – Lynn Romeo
- 2 Karl De Shrage – Joan Asheroff
- 3 Rick Wettan – Jeff Colton

Stratum B

- 1 Rick Wettan – Jeff Colton
- 2 Susan Calabro – David Joseph
- 3 Dorrit Ostberg – Hinda Rosenberg

Stratum C

- 1 Dorrit Ostberg – Hinda Rosenberg
- 2 Michael Schulhof – David Rudnick
- 3 Mark Krinsky – Gary Levine

Friday Morning 0-750 Pairs

Stratum A (9.5 tables)

- 1 Helene Lepselter – Ellen Belsky
- 2 Louise Merritt – Ed Trepper
- 3 Eileen Zonar – Larry Brochin

Stratum B

- 1 Helene Lepselter – Ellen Belsky

- 2 Eileen Zonar – Larry Brochin

- 3 Paul Burket – Harris Bellovin

Stratum C

- 1 Helene Lepselter – Ellen Belsky
- 2 Eileen Zonar – Larry Brochin

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (29.5 pairs)

- 1 Matt Rewinski – Karen Pollack
- 2 Frances Katz – Joan Kestenbaum
- 3 Jane Marks – Penny Redvanly

Stratum B

- 1 Matt Rewinski – Karen Pollack
- 2 Gair Betts – Lenore Widmark
- 3 Patricia Gold – Ellen Postrel

Stratum C

- 1 Jack O'Dwyer – Lucille O'Dwyer
- 2/3 Beverly Daniel – Thomas Harrington
- 2/3 Robin Kerenyi – Thomas Kerenyi

Saturday Morning 499er Pairs

Stratum A (8 tables)

- 1 Robin Brendell – Sharon Melville
- 2 Carol Fishman – Carol Kamp
- 3 Glenda Kaufman – Elizabeth Shapiro

Stratum B

- 1 Susan Panzer – Jill Toshav
- 2/3 Robin Diamond – Janice Windwer
- 2/3 Douglas Casper – Victor Poon

Stratum C

- 1 Robin Diamond – Janice Windwer
- 2 Douglas Casper – Victor Poon

Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (38.5 pairs)

- 1 Diana Schuld – Ruth Stober
- 2 Matt Rewinski – Laura O'Reilly
- 3 Lawrence Kaplan – Betty Kaplan

Stratum B

- 1 Matt Rewinski – Laura O'Reilly
- 2 Lawrence Kaplan – Betty Kaplan
- 3 Howard Sloan – Melissa Stranzl

Stratum C

- 1 Barry Adelman – Shelley Adelman
- 2 Lil Schwarzschild – Valerie Reagan
- 3 Penny Redvanly – Lisa Pomerantz

Saturday Afternoon BC LI Swiss

Stratum A (6 tables)

- 1 Barry Plotkin – Paul Siegelman – Phillip Grella – Loring Felton
- 2 Lisa Yellis – Michael Fishman – Howard Cohen – Charles Sharf

Stratum B

- 1 Frances Fein – Judy Paul – Ellen Davidoff – Kenneth Davidoff

Sunday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (9 tables)

- 1 Steven Conrad – Ruth Stober
- 2/3 Helen Topkis – Teri Lawrence
- 2/3 Arthur Brodsky – Frank Anshen

Stratum B

- 1 Susan Scheinerman – Ira Scheinerman
- 2 Jeff Colton – Barbara Rubin
- 3 Bonnie Salkind – Jan Frey

Stratum C

- 1 Fran Peterson – Lamia Beydoun
- 2 Sylvia Nagin – Evelyne Somekh

Sunday Afternoon Sagamore Swiss

Strata A&B (10 tables)

- 1 Ruth Rockmore – Zehava Secker – David Sloane – John Bell
- 2 Mark Blanchard – Dina Schechter – Dori Cohen – Howard Cohen
- 3 Eileen Isser – Holly Roseman – Carolyn Carlin – Robert Weinschenk

Stratum C

- 1 Ruth Rockmore – Zehava Secker – David Sloane – John Bell

May 11-15 Regional Results (continued from page 5)

3 Janine Buss – Erika Silver

Stratum B

1 Ralph D'Ambrosio – Peggy Gaulin

2 Sandie Sickle – Patricia Fasciano

3 Robin Brendell – Susan Seelig

Sunday Flight A/X Swiss

Stratum A (19 tables)

1 Jerry Goldberg – Jane Dillenberg – Michael Rosen – Alene Friedman

2 Ljudmila Kamenova – Stephen Gladyszak – Alex Perlin – Jiang Gu

3/4 Jess Jurkovic – Bill Begert – Rachael Moller – David Gurvich

3/4 Jill Marshall – Joel Goren – Steven Huhman – Melissa Baker

Stratum X

1 Kari Tetzlaff – Samuel Ehrlichman – Warren Chang – Bruce Neiger

2 Mindy White – Farley Mawyer – Richard Tisch – Bruce Adler

Sunday B RR Teams, Bracket 1

1 Harold Hack – Miriam Hack – Alan Hyman – Sharon Hyman

2/3 Marion Yonke – J C Meyers – Marilyn Brescia – Sydel Chernoff

2/3 Gair Betts – Jane Sitzman – Karen Pollack – David Schwartz

Sunday B RR Teams, Bracket 2

1 Jill Howard – Sharon Ainspan – Sohail Hasan – Suresh Nayak

2 David Bass – Jared Bass – Shawn Drenning – Zachary Madden – Zachary Scherr

3 Alan Kudisch – Jeanne Hanrahan – David Sloane – Alan Hirshman

Sunday B RR Teams, Bracket 3

1 Marlene Benny – Ruth Edwards – Susan Trumper – Noreen Franklin

2 Elliot Diamond – Bonnie Diamond – Henry Thomas Kieronski – Gerald Berkman

3 Silvana Zangri – Richard Morici – Joy McKenzie-Smith – Vijay Datta

Sunday B RR Teams, Bracket 4

1 Douglas Schara – Douglas Frank – Michael Viscusi – Victor Poon

2 Gary Levine – Mark Krinsky – Andree Welsh – Joan Pool

3 Kenneth Gittelsohn – Linda Gittelsohn – Herbert Kranzer – Claire Kranzer

Sunday B RR Teams, Bracket 5

1 Charles Baker – Elaine Friedman – Laura Kopp – Howard Collins

2 Scott McDermott – Stanley Tuhim – Betty Mintz – Christian Hemphill

3 Joanne Henrick – Carol Striker – Raymond Presti – Dorsey Mayer

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See you there!

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Rookie: less than 5 masterpoints (mps). **Junior Master:** 5+ mps.
Club Master: 20+ mps. **Sectional Master:** 50+ mps, of which 5 are silver.
Regional Master: 100+ mps, including 15 silver and 5 red or gold/platinum points. **NABC Master:** 200+ mps, including 50 pigmented points of which 5 must be gold/platinum, 15 must be red or gold/platinum, and 25 must be silver. **Advanced NABC Master:** 300+mps, with at least 50 black, 50 silver, 50 red or gold of which 25 must be gold. **Life Master:** 300+ mps, including 100 pigmented points of which 25 must be gold/platinum, 25 must be red or gold/platinum, and 50 must be silver. **Bronze:** LM w/500+ mps. **Silver:** LM w/1000+ mps. **Ruby:** LM w/1500+mps. **Gold:** LM w/2500+ mps. **Sapphire:** LM w/3500+mps. **Diamond:** LM w/5000+ mps. **Emerald:** LM w/7500 mps. **Platinum:** LM w/10,000 mps w/o a National title. **Grand:** LM with 10,000+ mps with a National title.

*for those who joined the ACBL prior to 1/1/10...otherwise, see ACBL.org



New Diamond Life Masters

Martin Feldman

New Sapphire Life Masters

John Berry

Anthony Rizzuto

Paul Siegelman

New Gold Life Masters

Doris Banks

John Earley

Elizabeth Randall

New Ruby Life Masters

Barry Nish

David Popper

Matt Rewinski

Sandy Teitelbaum

Barry Wilderman

New Silver Life Masters

Susan Birdsall

Eppie Eagle

Risa Grossman

Michael Herman

Debra Katz

Judy Nemes

Cal Rafuse

Jack Resnick

New Bronze Life Masters

Nadia Helou

Andree Welsh

Birgit Wunsch

New Life Masters

Janine Buss

Solomon Godelsky

Burton Greenhouse

Nadia Helou

Jacqueline Horesh

Diana Maniscalco

Carol Striker

Robert Weiner

Birgit Wunsch

New Advanced NABC Masters

Robin Brendell

Robert Gordon

Alan Hirshman

Skip Romboli

New NABC Masters

Young Cha

Morton Feder

Lisa Hadar

Erik Himelein

Carol Leinwand

Raymond Presti

Fred Rees

Bruce Romboli

Erika Silver

Renee Wagenberg

New Regional Masters

Marion Cohen

Howard Collins

Ellen Cooper

Beatrice Croce

Joan Goldstein

Anita Kaminsky

Helene Lepselter

Grace Middlemiss

Charles Rose

Evelyn Rose

Laurence Sussman

New Sectional Masters

John Bell

Rudolph Chung

Robert Goldstein

NSBA ISLANDER

Allen Krieger	Marilyn Hamer	Vida Aziz	Sandra Reisel
Faith Lerner	Gail Mandelbaum	Jeffrey Bennett	Carol Rodler
Carole Lipetz	Linda Moskowitz	Lawrence Brochin	Beverly Safian
Jackie Pierangelo	Malcolm Pettit	Irwin Brumer	Norman Safian
Karen Siris	Theresa Piombo	Carrie Callegari	Savi Sam
Neal Smith	Victor Poon	Greg Callegari	Thomas Scott
Diane Zaretsky	Renee Ritter	Frances Cosentino	Marsha Sherman
	Ivan Rothman	Sheila Davis	Maria Skrokov
New Club Masters	Carol Tiernan	Jack Endee	Howard Spear
Marlene Bloom	Lee Weitzman	Meryl Gassman	Shelly Udasin
Don Ciampa	Gail Wholl	Eloise Halpern	Kathleen Weiss
Gwyneth Cox	Helen Yoon	Leslie Kaplan	Laurie Wells
Roslyn Forst		Ken Lowenstein	Karen Williams
Mary Grant	New Junior Masters	Sandra Matalon	
Barbara Hachmann	Sharon Abraham	Vivian Ouziel-Siegel	

TEACHERS' NEWS

Our Long Island Bridge For Youth program is expanding. Thanks to our many volunteers, we had more schools than ever participating, and we have commitments from even more schools for the fall. Be a part of this rewarding program. Nothing is more fun than watching the kids play and enjoy our wonderful game.

Email Carol Mathews (mathewscj@aol.com), or Jim Schneider (whistle21751@gmail.com), to find out how you can join our teaching teams. You need not be a bridge expert or teacher...you only need to want to work with the kids.

Teachers Meeting (with Special Emphasis on Teaching Kids)

Thursday, September 15, 2016, 7 PM at the Upsky Hotel

If you want to teach or volunteer as a teacher's helper, please attend this meeting. Please register by email. Carol Mathews (mathewscj@aol.com) or Jim Schneider (whistle21751@gmail.com).

BRIDGE SAVES LIVES

By Silvana Scotto-Zangri

US POW, Marty Feldman, played bridge for sixteen continuous hours on The Longest Day this year. Alongside his regular partner, John Berry he and twenty-five other players dedicated themselves to playing bridge from sunrise to sunset to show their support to the Alzheimer's Association and keep their promise to the many people who sponsored all of us with donations that collectively amounted to an astonishing \$117,000.00.

What makes Marty the most interesting all-day player?

Well...he is 91-years old!

When I asked him why he dedicated his whole day to this event, he said, "Bridge saved my life and now I can use bridge to save others". He told me his story and it was so fascinating that I wanted to share it with you.

In July of 1944, during World War II, Army Private Martin Feldman, was taken by the Germans and held captive in the Stalag prisoners camp. In the many months he spent as a prisoner in the overcrowded facility, he watched many soldiers die from starvation, abuse, tuberculosis and typhus. Marty claims that bridge was an important element of his survival as it kept his mind active, facilitated a mental distraction of his surroundings and helped him pass the many long days and frigid nights he and his fellow captives had to endure. Eventually, after eleven months, the Soviets took over the camp and were less attentive to security and Marty was able to escape. He made his way on foot to the American lines, was liberated, repatriated and able to return home to his family.



Upon his return to the US, he continued to play bridge. He has made it a main part of his daily schedule for the last seventy years and I am a witness that it has kept him mentally acute, socially active and remarkably, the youngest nonagenarian world-traveller.

As I write this article, I assume Marty is being lowered by helicopter onto a glacier in Alaska as he and his girlfriend flew out west to meet his newest great-grandchild and planned to visit our most northern state. Last year, he climbed high into the Andes Mountains of Peru to visit Machu Picchu and claims to have seen most of the wonders of the world throughout his life.


We look forward to his return and expect that he will be back at the tables as soon as possible. As the grand-prize winner of The Longest Day's "50 FREE PLAYS" raffle, he has told me he very much is looking forward to playing for free. We can't wait to see him and enjoy his friendly, witty and colorful personality around the club and hear about his latest adventure.

NSBA ISLANDER

LONG ISLAND MASTER CLUB SCHEDULE

	Bridge Center of LI 516-481-4311 3678 W. Oceanside Road Oceanside Lin Fisher	Smithtown 631-360-8456 22 Lawrence Avenue Smithtown Sue Scholer, Carol Mathews	Sagamore 516-558-7799 6901 Jericho Tpk Syosset Silvana Zangri	Water Mill 631-726-6448 631-726-4540 1040 Montauk Hwy Water Mill Kathleen McLaughlen
Monday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am	10:30 am open and 0-750 7:00 pm open and 0-299	1:00 pm open
Tuesday	10:30 am limited 12:30 pm open	10:00 EZ Bridge	10:30 am 7:00 pm open	1:00 pm open
Wednesday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am Handicap 7:00 pm Bridge +	10:30 am open and 0-299 7 pm open, 7:00 pm 0-499	1:00 pm
Thursday	12:30 pm open	3rd Thurs, Swiss 10:30 am 7:00 pm	10:30 am, 7:00 pm individual	1:00 pm open
Friday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am 7:00 pm	10:30 am open	10:00 am open
Saturday	12:45 pm open	12:00 pm Lesson 12:30 pm game	10:30 am 0-299, 1 pm open 1st Sat: 6 pm dinner/Swiss	1:00 pm open
Sunday	12:45pm open	12:30 pm	12:00 pm open	

OTHER SANCTIONED GAMES

<p>Sands' Point BC Shelter Rock Tennis Club 100 LI Expwy, Manhasset 516-558-7799 Drew Tarhan Tues. 7:15 pm</p>	<p>Montauk BC Montauk Library 631-668-2370 Barbara Sullivan Wed. 12:30 pm (winter) 1:00 pm (summer)</p>	<p>South Shore BC 9 Northwood Lane, Patchogue 631-654-5313 Pat Mahoney Thurs. 11:00 am, Sun 12:30 pm</p>	<p>Westhampton Duplicate Club Knights of Columbus Hall 580 Main Street Westhampton Fri. 12 noon 516-770-4650 Donald Bedell</p>	<p>Garden City BC DBC Senior Rec Center Golf Club Lane Garden City 516-781-4651 Ellen Davidoff Thurs. 7:00 pm</p>
<p>Bridge School of LI 123 Merrick Ave East Meadow 516-379-3000 Aaron Silverstein Mon. 10 am & 7:30 pm Thurs. 10:00 am</p>	<p>Temple Judea BC 333 Searingtown Rd Manhasset Mon. 12:30 pm 718-279-1005 Lyn Weiss — Lyn Weiss 718-279-1005 Tues. 12:00 pm</p>	<p>BRIDGEexpress Lake Success Jewish Center 354 Lakeville Road 516-299-6064 Great Neck Cathy Kirshner Fri. 10:00 am Wed. 12:15 pm Sun. 1:00 pm</p>	<p>Atria BC 146 Glen Street Glen Cove 516-671-2095 Mayer Wiesen Tues. 7:15 pm</p>	<p>Riverhead BC Riverhead Com Ctr Jamesport Thurs. 12:00 pm 631-312-3332 Barbara Cuenin</p>
<p>Mattituck Library DBC Knights of Columbus 2050 Depot Lane Cutchogue 631-734-8096 Kathy Fibkins Tues. 12:00 pm Reservations only</p>	<p>Friedberg JCC Duplicate Friedberg JCC 15 Neil Ct, Oceanside 516-766-4341 Eileen Isser & Holly Roseman Fri. 10:00 am</p>	<p>Pride of Judea 243-02 Northern BLVD Douglaston Mon. 12:00 pm 718-423-6200 Louis Lessinger</p>	<p>Shelter Rock JC 272 Shelter Rock Road Roslyn 917-658-5991 Hadassah Klein Wed. 7:00 pm, Thurs. 12:30 pm</p>	
<p>South Shore League Seawanee CC and Woodmere CC, alternating monthly March-December Thurs. 1:00 pm 568-1867 Karen Ewald</p>		<p>East Hampton DBC Hampton Day Care Center Gingerbread Lane Thurs 7 pm, April—Thanksgiving 631-907-2917 George Aman</p>	<p>Gardiner's Bay BC Gardiner's Bay CC Shelter Island 631-749-2021 Lillian Kessler (summers only)</p>	

NSBA 2016 Schedule of Events

Fall Regional	Smithtown Upsky Hotel	September 14-18
STaC	Local Clubs	Oct 26-Nov 1
STaC Weekend	Local Clubs	December 9-11

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