



Jim Zimmerman, left, and Don Moeller, right, of the ACBL Charity Foundation present a \$5000 check for the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute to Bette Cohn and Pat Samuels.

Cancer survivor credits Tampa institute for saving her life

In November of 1995, after years of heavy smoking, Pat Samuels developed a cough that wouldn't go away. The first time she saw a doctor about it, she was told it was bronchitis. Another visit to a doctor produced a second diagnosis: pneumonia. Antibiotics were prescribed.

Two months later, she found out what she really had. It was lung cancer, usually a death sentence.

Thursday night, Samuels stood before the crowd gathered for the charity game at the Fall NABC and said words she might not have imagined three years ago: "I survived. Today, I am cancer-free."

Samuels, who lives in Osprey (near Sarasota), believes she owes her life to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute in Tampa. It was there, she said, that she underwent an operation that wouldn't even be tried at most other hospitals.

"If I had gone anywhere else," she said. "I wouldn't be here now."

Samuels and Bette Cohn were on hand at the start of the Stratified Open Charity Pairs to receive a \$5000 check from the ACBL Charity Foundation on behalf of the Moffitt hospital. Moffitt was chosen to re-

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Dear New Players:

Welcome to the 1998 Orlando NABC!

The Intermediate/Newcomer Program was designed with you in mind. We have special events for players in many categories:

- ♣ New to bridge -- or just want some tips? Come to the free lesson in Bayhill I-III at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Bill and Marlene Passell, master bridge players and teachers, have planned a lesson designed to make you comfortable with the IN Program throughout the tournament.

In addition, there will be a special afternoon session of Bridge Plus just for newcomers.

- ♥ 0-5 Newcomer Pairs play free on Friday, Nov. 20, in either the 1 p.m. or 8 p.m. session.

- ♦ 0-20 Pairs -- you'll find a special strat for you whenever possible.

- ♣ 0-100 Pairs. Wow! There's a special **Gold Point** game for you on Friday, Nov. 27.

- ♠ 0-200 Pairs. These are the limits for our IN players throughout 10 great days of bridge. Strats all during the tournament will be 0-5 (plays separate), 0-20, 20-50 & 50-100. 100-200 will usually be separate too.

- ♥ 0-300 Pairs. Enjoy the Stratified Swiss Teams or Stratified Pairs in a special flight starting Saturday, Nov. 21, at 8 p.m. and continuing every evening through Saturday, Nov. 28. Strats will be 0-50, 50-100, 100-300.

All IN events will be held in the Orlando Room at the Peabody Hotel. Game times are 10 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. except the first Friday. Even that day, however, there will be a 0-200 game at 9 a.m. to accommodate the early birds.

The IN playing area will be the site of special prizes and events -- a wine and cheese party, trophies and pictures, your own datebook for the tournament -- all designed just for you and available to no one else at the tournament.

You must play in the IN events to receive these goodies, so join us. Master teachers and famous bridge players will lecture every morning and evening in the IN playing area. Join us for new ideas and interesting reviews of important bridge concepts.

Look for the bright name badges that say "ASK ME!" Teachers, directors and friends of the IN program will be easy to spot, and they are willing to help with information and advice. Judy Cotterman and I will be there with a team of wonderful, specially trained IN directors to make the games fun and friendly.

Don't have a partner? Don't worry. You'll get to play. Just come an hour early to the partnership desk in the IN area and sign up.

Best of luck,
Lynn Berg
Intermediate/Newcomer Chairman



Larry Cohen and Carol Dalzell

Patron Member, Cohen meet again in Orlando

Last month, Carol Dalzell met and played with Larry Cohen on a celebrity bridge cruise. She found the experience most enjoyable.

An ACBL Patron Member, Dalzell told Cohen she always entered the drawing to play with him in the opening-night Charity Stratified Open Pairs. "I'll never win, though," she lamented.

Dalzell, a Rye NY resident who winters in Sea Island GA, was proved wrong when her name was drawn and the date was made to play with Cohen.

While she was on the cruise with Cohen, she discovered that her first bridge teacher and Cohen's were one and the same -- Kay Bailey at the time, now Kay Samotus, who still lives in Westchester County.

"Look what's happened to Larry since then," Dalzell said good-naturedly, "and what's happened to me."

Their game Thursday night was marked by bad cards and worse luck as the opponents seemed to sniff out and bid makeable slams with regularity.

After the game -- despite the bad luck, they were still above average -- Cohen told Dalzell, "You helped me use up three cold zeroes on those slams. David (Berkowitz, Cohen's regular partner) is delighted."

Said Dalzell: "It was fun, but we certainly didn't have any cards. We had a wonderful time, though."

Record opening night -- 270 tables in play

The attendance record for opening night at an NABC was broken -- no, make that smashed -- last night. The previous Fall NABC mark was set in 1996 when 203 tables turned out in San Francisco. But last night was bigger than ANY previous first night -- 270 tables!

The all-time mark was set in Chicago this year at the Summer NABC -- 244 tables. Washington 1993 (Summer) was 241 and San Diego 1994 (Summer) was 234. The only other Fall NABC to break the 200 mark was 1997 St. Louis (202). No Spring NABC has ever topped the 200 mark on opening night.

Last night's 270 tables was almost 100 tables higher than the pre-tournament estimate.

In the Charity Knockouts, 129 teams turned up, playing in NINE brackets. Then there 125 tables in the Charity Pairs and 16 tables in the 99er Charity Pairs.

Bridge Humor Songs -- 2 shows tomorrow



London's Bridge will offer two performances of Bridge Humor Songs tomorrow - at 6:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Lead vocalists include Cathy Dewitt (keyboards) and Janet Rucker (acoustic guitar) of the recording group Patchwork. Their style ranges from light rock to Broadway to bluegrass.

Life Master Jon Shuster will serve as the "director." The other two members of London's Bridge are Mike Cripe on guitar and John Stephens on bass and vocals. All but Cripe (from Tampa) are from Gainesville.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, Nov. 20

- 9 a.m.-Noon
12:15 p.m. Teacher Accreditation Program with Lynn Berg and Arlette Schutte. Florida I. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Jerry Helms, *Constructive/Obstructive Bidding*. Orlando Room. **Helms**, Charlotte NC, is a full-time bridge professional, club owner, bridge teacher and TAP Teacher/Trainer for the ACBL Education Department. He has trained more than 1200 teachers and has taught thousands of students. Helms is a member of the National Goodwill Committee and a Diamond Life Master with more than 50 regional wins.
- 5-7 p.m. Cooperative Advertising Seminar. Jean Patterson, Director of ACBL's Member Assistance Division. Bayhill IV. Learn about ACBL's *Cooperative Advertising Program* and the funds available to bridge teachers to help subsidize advertising costs for promoting bridge lessons and games. No fee.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Billy Miller, *Dear Billy*, Live. Orlando Room. **Miller**, Las Vegas, is a professional player whose *Dear Billy* columns appear in *The Bridge Bulletin*. He attended the New England Conservatory of Music from ages three to five studying piano. At age 10, he was teaching guitar. Miller was the last person to play bridge with Barry Crane (Bridge Week Master Pairs, 1985) and a member of Crane's knockout team that went on to win the event (after Crane's death) with substitute Kerri Sanborn.
- 11:30 p.m. Ice cream bars, Mezzanine

Saturday, Nov. 21 Junior Day

- 9 a.m.-Noon Seminar: *Bridge Teachers and Bridge Cruises*. Arlette Schutte. \$25 fee. Butler Room. *Program*: Learn how to be successful as a bridge teacher/game director on a cruise ship. Tips on how to get assignments. Certificate to participants.
- 9:15 a.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Harry Lampert, *Focus on the Average Hand*. Orlando Room. **Lampert**, Deerfield Beach FL and Lenox MA, is a bridge teacher and writer whose "Fun Way Bridge Tips" -- featuring his original cartoons -- often appear in *The Bridge Bulletin*. He worked in the motion picture industry as an animation cartoonist from 1933 to 1953. Since 1953 his cartoons have appeared in the *New York Times*, *Time*, *True*, *Esquire*, *Saturday Evening Post* and *Saturday Review*. Lampert served as president of the American Bridge Teachers Association from 1991 to 1993. His books include *The Fun Way to Serious Bridge* and *The Fun Way to Advanced Bridge*.
- 10 a.m.-Noon Seminar: Learn more about the Intermediate/Newcomer program. Betty Starzec. No fee. Orlando 1. *Program*: Learn about a 10-point program for integrating new players successfully into your local activities.
- 10 a.m.-Noon Free bridge lesson with Bill and Marlene Passell. Bayhill I-III. Geared to entertain new-to-duplicate players and make them comfortable with the IN Program during the NABC. Teachers are welcome to help out as well as observe.
- 10 a.m.-Noon *Coffee with Jane* Johnson, manger of the ACBL club-membership department. Challenger Room.
- 1-3 p.m. Bridge Plus+, Bayhill I-III.
- 5-7 p.m. Junior Dinner, Bayhill I-III.
- 6:30 p.m. Patchwork Singers, Coconut Lounge on the Mezzanine.
- 6:30-8 p.m. Newcomer reception, Orlando II & III.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Curtis Cheek, *Top 10 Reasons We Don't Win as Much as We Should*. Orlando Room. **Cheek**, Huntsville AL, is an aerospace engineer and a bridge professional who has been active in bridge teaching and bridge administration. He is a Diamond Life Master with numerous regional wins and more than 12,000 masterpoints. Cheek, a frequent speaker, won the Celebrity Men's Pairs in 1997.
- 11:30 p.m. Patchwork Singers, Coconut Lounge on the Mezzanine.

Sunday, Nov. 22

- 9 a.m.-Noon Seminar: *Getting Bridge into Schools*. Bayhill I & II. No fee. Lynn Berg reports on programs in progress in Florida and Betty Starzec on programs in Houston.
- 9:15 a.m.-Noon Board of Governors, Bayhill III-V.
- 9:15 a.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Bev Nelson, *Is This a Reverse?* Orlando Room. **Nelson**, Fort Myers FL, and husband Brian are the owners/managers of McGregor Point Bridge Club, which ranked #6 in table count among all ACBL clubs in 1997. She is a Gold Life Master and an Accredited Teacher. Nelson is also a One-Star Teacher (a recognition earned by teaching 100 students the *Club*, *Diamond*, *Heart* or *Spade Series*).
- 10:30 a.m.-Noon **Easybridge!** Accreditation course with Edith McMullin. \$25. Butler Room.
- 5-7 p.m. Accredited Teachers' Dinner Meeting, Bayhill I-III. \$10 fee. Dinner meeting for teachers, subsidized by ACBL. Star Teacher pins will be awarded.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Randy Pettit, *Helping Partner on Defense*. Orlando Room. **Pettit**, Marietta GA, piled up more than 2100 masterpoints to win the 1997 *Barry Crane Top 500* contest. Pettit is the first player in more than 25 years to win the annual masterpoint contest without being a professional player or hiring a group of pros to assist. Pettit, father of five and grandfather of 10, has been active in bridge administration at the unit level. He is past-president of Georgia Unit 114 and has won his unit's Life Master Player of the Year award seven times.
- 11:30 p.m. Cookies, Mezzanine.

Section top prizes

Section top prizes will be available at the Peabody on the Convention level each day from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Starting tomorrow, they also will be given out between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Welcome, new players

As a new member of the American Contract Bridge League, you may be confused by the array of terms you hear: masterpoints, rookie, stratified pairs, Swiss teams, knockouts.

Part of the fun of bridge is that there's always more to learn. Here's a guide to the most common terms:

Masterpoints

Masterpoints are your reward for winning or placing at duplicate bridge. Masterpoints, also referred to as points or MPs, come in many sizes and colors.

Black points: awarded at club and unit games. Also referred to as club masterpoints. 100 club masterpoints are the equivalent of one (1) masterpoint.

Silver points: awarded at sectional tournaments, progressive sectionals and StaCs (sectional tournaments at clubs).

Red points: awarded for all events at regional tournaments and the three annual NABCs (North American Bridge Championships).

Gold points: awarded for topping your section and placing overall at regionals and NABCs in events of two or more sessions with an upper masterpoint limit of 750 points or more.

Ranks

As you accumulate points, you'll reach certain milestones -- or ranks -- that indicate your progress. Each rank requires that you have a certain number and type of points. (See the chart below.)

Additional Life Master designations have been established and are available only to players who have achieved Life Master rank.

Contests

ACBL conducts the annual *Mini-McKenney* and *Ace of Clubs* contests for players in each rank.

The Bridge Bulletin recognizes leaders ACBL-wide. At the unit level, winners in each category receive recognition and special medallions.

The *Mini-McKenney* tallies all points won within a calendar year while the *Ace of Clubs* contest is limited to points won in club games within a calendar year.

In addition to the regular ranks, players in other categories -- Youth (age 20 and younger), Junior (age 26 and younger) and Senior (age 55 and older) -- are recognized.

ACBL Ranks

Rank	MPs	Color requirements
Rookie	0-4.99	None
Junior Master	5	None
Club Master	20	None
Sectional Master	50	5 silver
Regional Master	100	5 red/gold, 15 silver
NABC Master	200	5 gold, 15 red/gold, 25 silver
Life Master	300	25 gold, 25 red/gold, 50 silver

Alerts and Announcements

When using bid boxes, ACBL suggests that players tap the Alert strip and say "Alert" at the same time.

When making an announcement, use the announcement word -- such as "transfer" -- and tap the Alert strip at the same time.

A player who Alerts or announces a bid should make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or announcement has been made.

Junior coupons



Junior players (25 and younger) may compete for only \$5 per player per session -- with a Junior coupon for each player and session.

The coupons are available at the ACBL Information Desk, at the Intermediate-Newcomer selling station or from a member of the ACBL Education Department.

Defensive brilliancy revisited

An account of this deal appeared in the Daily Bulletin at the Orlando NABC in 1992.

Bart Bramley tells of a defensive brilliancy engineered by Tony Forrester, a play that earned Forrester's team a win on this board in the Open Board-a-Match Teams.

Bramley was playing with Chris Compton and Forrester was playing with Jim Mahaffey.

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

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

♠ Q 5 3
 ♥ A 10 9 3 2
 ♦ 4
 ♣ A K 9 8

West <i>Compton</i>	North <i>Forrester</i>	East <i>Bramley</i>	South <i>Mahaffey</i>
1♠	Dbl (1)	2♦	3♣
3♦	All Pass		

(1) Negative double.

Mahaffey led the ♣K and continued the suit after receiving an encouraging signal. Bramley ruffed and, planning a crossruff, led the ♥K. Mahaffey won his ace and led a diamond.

Let's assume that Forrester played the 10 like any normal human being. Bramley would win, cash the ♥Q, ruff a club and ruff a heart. Then he would cross to dummy to cash two top spades and ruff a spade.

He would still have his top diamond and that would add up to 10 tricks -- two spades, one heart, two club ruffs, three ruffs in his hand and two top trumps.

Now let's get back to Forrester who did not play the ♦10 like a normal human being. He played the queen. Bramley knows that Forrester is capable of almost anything at the bridge table, but it certainly seemed that South must have the ♦10.

South had shown up with five hearts and should have four clubs (according to the bidding). Chances were strong that the ♦10 was doubleton with South.

Accordingly, Bramley cashed his other high diamond and had to lose four tricks -- two clubs, a heart and a trump.

The defense was "normal" at the other table and declarer made 4♦.

NABC entries

This is the schedule of entry fees per person per session:

*Life Master Open Pairs, Life Master Women's Pairs, Women's Board-a-Match Teams, Blue Ribbon Pairs and Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams \$13.50
 Other North American Championships ... \$12
 Regional Championships \$11
 All other events \$10

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

Masterpoint disclaimer

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

Therefore, the masterpoint awards as shown are also subject to change.

Senior Pair event honors Jack Wachter

Today's two-session Senior Pairs game honors Jack Wachter, who will be present at the game.

Jack was the ranking player in the Midwest for many years. When Tournament Director Max Hardy was asked to describe Jack, he said, "He's the scourge of the Midwest."

Jack celebrated his 79th birthday this month. He is still active at the Deland FL Bridge Club. Friends are invited to join Jack after the first session -- location to be announced at the game.

Celebrity Speakers -- something for everyone

Two former world champions, the 1997 winner of the *Barry Crane Top 500* race and a handful of Florida experts are among the celebrity speakers here at the Orlando NABC.

Speakers are scheduled 45 minutes before most morning and evening sessions in the Orlando Room. The schedule:

Thursday, Nov. 19

7:15 p.m. John Herrmann Weak Two-Bids

Friday, Nov. 20

12:15 p.m. Jerry Helms Constructive/
Obstructive Bidding

7:15 p.m. Billy Miller Dear Billy, Live

Saturday, Nov. 21

9:15 a.m. Harry Lampert Focus on the Average Hand

7:15 p.m. Curtis Cheek Top 10 Reasons We Don't Win as Much as We Should

Sunday, Nov. 22

9:15 a.m. Bev Nelson Is This a Reverse?

7:15 p.m. Randy Pettit Helping Partner on Defense

Monday, Nov. 23

9:15 a.m. Harriette Buckman Takeout Doubles and the Rule of 14

7:15 p.m. Fred Hamilton Building a Partnership and the Psychology of Winning

Tuesday, Nov. 24

9:15 a.m. Ellie Hanlon Evaluation -- Reevaluation

7:15 p.m. Kathie Wei-Sender Championship Bridge

Wednesday, Nov. 25

9:15 a.m. Linda Perlman When Not to Say Double

7:15 p.m. Mike Huston The Clean Game -- Avoiding Brouhahas

Thursday, Nov. 26

9:15 a.m. Lynn Berg Is This a Forcing Bid? How Do I Know It's Forcing?

7:15 p.m. John Blubaugh The Law of Total Tricks

Friday, Nov. 27

9:15 a.m. Candace Fowler Suit Transfers and Super Acceptance

7:15 p.m. Jade Barrett It's All in Your Head

Saturday, Nov. 28

9:15 a.m. Harry Faulk Eight over Eight

7:15 p.m. Max Hardy Overcalls

Junior Day

Tomorrow is Junior Day. Junior players are invited to dinner and a short meeting from 5-7 p.m. in Bayhill I-III.

Serendipity

How often do you land on your feet when you make a terrible mistake with your transfer bids? You know -- such as when you mean to transfer to hearts but instead you actually bid hearts. Zhuang Zejun of China's national team made this mistake in his Marlboro China Cup match against France in October.

Board 15 ♠ 10 9
 Dlr: South ♥ Q 9 6
 Vul: N/S ♦ J 10 9 8 7 5
 ♣ 10 7

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

♠ Q J 7 5 2
 ♥ A 7 5
 ♦ 3 2
 ♣ 8 4 2

West <i>Hongjun</i>	North <i>Multon</i>	East <i>Zejun</i>	South <i>Mari</i>
1NT	Pass	2♥ (1)	Pass
2♠	Pass	3*	Pass
4♣	Pass	4NT	Pass
6♣	Dbl	All Pass	

(1) Transfer.

Yes, Zejun pulled the wrong card from the bidding box, but there was nothing he could do about it once the bidding tray was pushed to the other side of the table. Xu Hongjun obediently bid spades, and when Zejun bid clubs, Hongjun liked his hand well enough to leap to the spade game.

Zejun decided to try Blackwood to see if anything good would happen. And something great happened! Hongjun accepted the slam invitation directly, jumping to ♣6 to give partner a choice between clubs and spades. Naturally Zejun was happy to play in clubs rather than spades, and Mari doubled.

Mari led a spade, won with the ace. Declarer led a trump to the ace and called for the ♥10. Multon covered with the queen, and Mari took the king with his ace. His heart return made things easy. Zejun cashed the trump queen, then ruffed a heart with the king. Next he drew trumps and claimed. Not surprisingly, Paul Chemla and Alain Levy did not bid the slam at the other table, so China gained 10 IMPs.

Zejun called for the director and told Chief Director Bill Schoder what had happened. Zejun thought maybe the double should be withdrawn because it had been made as a result of a bidding error he had made. But Mari and Multon were quick to tell Zejun and Schoder that they wanted no redress -- they had doubled and they were going to live with the double. Sounds like very Active Ethics on both sides of the table.

Visiting Vancouver

Non-Canadian ACBL members planning to attend the 1999 Spring NABC in Vancouver BC are advised to take travel documents such as a valid passport or an original birth certificate (not a copy) and photo identification.

U.S. citizens are not usually required to present these documents when visiting Canada, but ACBL wishes to encourage its members to be prepared.

Please note that items such as a Social Security card, a state driver's license or even an expired passport should not be considered sufficient documentation.

Daily door prizes

Be sure to stop by the Information/Hospitality Desk to sign up for the daily door prize drawings. Winners will be announced daily in the Daily Bulletin.

Life Master Open Pairs compete for Nail Trophy

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

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

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

Nail won four other North American championships and represented North America twice in the Bermuda Bowl. His team was second in 1963.

Past winners:

1961	G. Gard Hays, Max Manchester
1962	Sam Fuoto, Victor Mitchell
1963	Sami Kehela, Eric Murray
1964	Charles Coon, Bobby Goldman
1965	Paul Soloway, Alex Tschekaloff
1966	Carl Hudeck, Ray Zoller
1967	Harlow Lewis, Peter Pender
1968	Henry Bethe, John Solodar
1969	Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne
1970	Ron Andersen, Hugh MacLean
1971	Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel
1972	Leslie Bart, Marc Jacobus
1973	Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay
1974	Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail
1975	Steve Lapidés, Walt Walvick
1976	Roger Bates, John Mohan
1977	David Hoffner, David Schroeder
1978	Norm Coombs, Tom Hodapp
1979	Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
1980	Craig Janitschke, Jan Janitschke
1981	Roger Abelson, Mike Levinson
1982	Robert Lipsitz, Dan Gertsman
1983	Marty Bergen, Larry Cohen
1984	Per Olov Sundelin, Peter Pender
1985	John Mohan, Roger Bates
1986	Jim Krekorian, Paul Kiefer
1987	Bart Bramley, Lou Bluhm
1988	Robert Levin, Larry Cohen
1989	Steve Lapidés, Walt Walvick

In 1990 the event became the Life Master Open Pairs.

1990	Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross
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1992	Michael Kamil, Michael Rosenberg
1993	Brad Moss, Ravindra Murthy
1994	Robert Levin, Richard Katz
1995	John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley
1996	Walter Schafer, Ron Smith
1997	Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett

Shuttle service

Shuttle service will be offered between the Clarion Plaza and Peabody hotels throughout the tournament, beginning daily at 8:30 a.m. and continuing through 1 a.m.

The shuttle pickup point is in the parking lot at the far end of the Clarion. Guests staying at the Quality Inn Plaza should use this pickup point.



Pickups will begin at the lot behind the Clarion, moving to the Peabody and going to the convention center before returning to the Clarion.

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Helen Sobel

Non-Life Master Pairs vie for Miles Trophy

The Non-Life Master Pairs gets under way today with two qualifying sessions, followed by a two-session final tomorrow.

At stake is the trophy named for R. L. "Skinny" Miles Jr. (1907-1984) of Virginia Beach VA, ACBL president in 1950 and 1956. He was named *ACBL Honorary Member* in 1952.

Winners:

1981	Lin Goldstein, Shirlee Shaw
1982	Paul Bratton, Robert Bernhard
1983	Moses Ma, Philips Santosa
1984	Summer Steinfeldt, Nancy Muehter
1985	Hank Hristienko, Zbigniew Radwanski
1986	Lanier Hurdle, Mike Hurdle
1987	Anthony Trafecanty, Michael Trafecanty
1988	Sharon Tuggle, Tom Tuggle
1989	Jay Berke, Thomas Halton
1990	Metin Uz, Jeffrey Naiman
1991	Daryl Hicks, Charles Papp
1992	Cordelia Menges, Audrey Robb
1993	Bob Ehrlick, Clark Millikan
1994	Jean-Cheui Hsung, Edmund Chen
1995	Michael McNamara, David Liss
1996	Adam Barron, Anthony Hurwitz
1997	Alan Carpenter, Michael Levin

Coffee with Jane

You are invited to have coffee with Jane Johnson, manager of ACBL's club-membership department, tomorrow on Saturday.



The coffee is scheduled for 10 a.m. until noon in the Challenger Room.

Section top prizes

Section top prizes will be available at the Peabody on the Convention level each day from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Starting tomorrow, they also will be given out between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Sobel Trophy the prize in Life Master Women's Pairs

The Life Master Women's Pairs begins today, with the Helen Sobel Smith Trophy as the prize.

The event, restricted to Life Masters, is played over four sessions with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions. Prior to 1963 it was restricted to National Masters and players of higher rank.

The trophy recognizes Helen Sobel Smith, the first woman elected to the Bridge Hall of Fame and universally considered the best woman player of all time.

"In my lifetime," Edgar Kaplan, editor and publisher of *The Bridge World*, said in a 1995 interview, "she is the only woman bridge player who was considered the best player in the world. She knew how to play a hand."

Smith's style was frisky and aggressive -- so aggressive that "some of her male partners were intimidated," Kaplan said. "These guys felt they were playing in the Mixed Pairs and they were the girl."

1944 was a banner year for Smith -- she won the Vanderbilt, the Spingold, the Women's Teams and the Master Mixed Teams and placed second in the Reisinger.

In all, she won 35 national titles -- the Vanderbilt twice, the Spingold five times and the Reisinger four times -- and the McKenney Trophy (now the *Barry Crane Top 500*) three times: in 1941, 1942 and 1944.

When Smith died of cancer in 1969, the *Bulletin* remembered her as a player "without a peer among women and very few peers among men. Helen played like a man, it was true. But she also played like a lady."

Past winners:

1961	Dorothy Hayden, Helen Portugal
1962	Barbara Kachmar, Margaret Wagar
1963	Anne Burnstein, Hermine Baron
1964	Margaret Alcorn, Betty Kaplan
1965	Ann Sheaber, Jan Stone
1966	Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden
1967	Nancy Gruver, Sue Sachs
1968	Dorothy Talmage, Rhoda Walsh
1969	Gratian Goldstein, Sylvia Stein
1970	Bette Cohn, Marietta Passell
1971	Ruth Bloomfield, Della Levinson
1972	Amalya Kears, Rhoda Walsh
1973	Frieda Arst, June Deutsch
1974	Bernice Larson, Joan Stein
1975	Dorothy Moore, Marion Weed
1976	Barbara Furbeck, Barbara Herr
1977	Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport
1978	Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott
1979	Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp
1980	Kathie Cappelletti, Claire Tornay
1981	Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp
1982	Dorothy Buchanan, Barbara Morris
1983	Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas
1984	Karen Singer, Sharon Soules
1985	Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
1986	Mickie Kivel, Judi Cody
1987	Jill Meyers, Gaye Herrington
1988	Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn
1989	Rhoda Walsh, Sabine Zenkel
1990	Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy
1991	Sue Weinstein, Tobi Deutsch
1992	Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen
1993	Janice Seamon, Sabine Zenkel
1994	Lynn Deas, Rhoda Kratenstein
1995	Flo Rotman, Susan Miller
1996	Suzy Burger, Barbara Sion
1997	Janice Seamon, Sylvia Moss

Looking back to the 1992 Orlando NABC

The players kept pouring in and the table count kept mounting -- that was the story of Orlando '92, the largest Fall NABC in history.

In fact, Orlando broke the previous record -- 13,948 tables in Anaheim in 1987 -- with a full day to spare and wound up with a total of 14,980 tables, more than any Fall or Spring championship.

Here are highlights:

● New Yorkers whose friendship blossomed after they discovered duplicate scored a

narrow win in the Non-Life Master Pairs. Cordelia Menges and Audrey Robb, both of New York, finished four matchpoints ahead of Millie Huneycutt and Stuart Perlman of Miami

Menges and Robb are here at the Orlando tournament but they can't defend their title: both are now Life Masters. "It was quite a thrill to win that event," remembers Robb.

This was a key deal in their 1992 win:

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

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

♠ Q 8 4 3
 ♥ A 8 6
 ♦ 10 4
 ♣ K 5 4 3

West	North	East	South
	<i>Menges</i>		<i>Robb</i>
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠
Dbl	All Pass		

West's double -- which seems normal enough at matchpoints -- backfired severely.

East led a diamond to West's queen and Declarer's ace. With the knowledge that spades were breaking badly, Menges led the first round from her hand. The marked finesse was revealed when East discarded on the first round of trumps.

West won the ♠A and returned a diamond. Menges won with her king and played a heart to dummy's ace and a spade to her 9. Next came a club to dummy's king and a spade to declarer's 10.

Menges ruffed a diamond in dummy and played a heart to her king. She cashed the ♣A for her ninth trick and still had the ♠K for trick #10. The defense could take a heart trick but West ruffed his partner's winning club at trick 13.

Plus 790 was a cold top for Menges and Robb.

● Hugh Ross had the two major assets for his side -- the ♠A Q. The opponents got to a 4♠ contract but Ross didn't take a trick as the game went set.

His partner, Bart Bramley, took all four defensive tricks -- even though he had only two high-card points: two jacks. The bizarre encounter took place in the first

Check cashing



Check cashing and Bridge Bucks sales will take place from 12 to 1 p.m. outside the Atlantic Room on the Conference floor.

Personal photo identification is required for cash checking. The limit on checks is \$250.

Cash, checks and credit cards may be used to purchase Bridge Bucks.

qualifying session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs

Dlr: West ♠ K 2
 Vul: N-S ♥ K Q 10 9
 ♦ A 10 8
 ♣ K J 8 3

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

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Ross</i>		<i>Bramley</i>	
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥ (1)
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	Pass	4♠

All Pass

(1) Transfer to spades.

Bramley led the ♦3, taken by the ace. Declarer cashed three rounds of trumps and Ross discarded his other diamond. He wanted declarer to know he was short in the suit -- that was part of his long-range plan.

Declarer next cashed his other two diamonds and Ross pitched two clubs -- the 6 and the 7. Now declarer drove out the ♠J as Ross sluffed the ♣2. Bramley returned a heart and declarer, not knowing that he had a sure entry to his hand in clubs, went up with dummy's ace. He cashed dummy's last trump and Ross threw his ♣Q as declarer sluffed the ♣K.

It was now clear to declarer that Ross was doggedly holding onto his hearts -- clearly he must have started with four to the jack. Accordingly, declarer held a heart and finessed the 10.

Bramley pounced on this with the jack and cashed his two long diamonds for down one.

● Ira Herman and R. J. Becker would probably have played this deal in 3NT if the opponents hadn't bid. The result: a slam that produced some interesting play.

Dlr: South ♠ K 9 4
 Vul: E-W ♥ J 10 5
 ♦ Q 4 3 2
 ♣ 10 4 2

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

♠ Q 10 8 7 6 2
 ♥ 9 8 4
 ♦ 7
 ♣ Q 8 5

West	North	East	South
<i>Herman</i>		<i>Becker</i>	
Dbl	3♠	4♣	2♠
4♦	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

The opening spade lead drove out the ace and declarer, realizing that he needed some breaks, set up clubs by cashing the A-K and ruffing the third round. Next he cashed two top diamonds and got the news that North had four.

He also learned that North had three hearts -- seldom does a hand count this easily. North followed to three clubs. He likely had three spades because he led the 4 and his partner had made a weak two-bid.

Herman played three rounds of hearts, ending in

his hand. Next he led the fourth heart and North was fixed.

If North discarded, Herman would pitch dummy's spade and ruff a spade.

If he ruffed high, Herman would pitch dummy's spade and ruff a spade later. If North continued with his last trump, Herman would win dummy's 10 and clubs would take the rest of the tricks.

Finally, if North ruffed low, Herman would overruff and lead a club, pitching his last spade. Any way you look at it, North was going to take only one trick: his ♦Q.

Plus 1370 was worth 24.5 out of 25 matchpoints.

● Adam Wildavsky and Haig Tchamitch won the Blue Ribbon Pairs. This was a key deal in the first semi-final session.

Dlr: North ♠ K 6
 Vul: None ♥ 4 3 2
 ♦ A 8 7 3 2
 ♣ A Q 2

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

♠ A 8
 ♥ A J 10 8 7 6
 ♦ 10 4
 ♣ 10 5 4

West	North	East	South
<i>Tchamitch</i>		<i>Wildavsky</i>	
	1♦	4♠	Dbl

All Pass

South led the ♦10 to dummy's queen and North's ace. Back came the ♦2 and Wildavsky discarded a heart from dummy as his ♦6 held the trick.

He continued at trick three with the ♦9 and South had his first chance to recover from the unfortunate opening lead. If South had ruffed in with the ♠A and played another spade, North could clear the suit and the defenders would eventually come to a heart trick and defeat the contract.

When South pitched a club, Wildavsky discarded another heart from dummy -- he was down to the lone ♥K at that point. Wildavsky played the ♦K and South had his second chance to defeat the contract with ruffing in with the trump ace and playing another spade.

Instead South ruffed with the ♠8. Wildavsky overruffed, returned to his hand with a club ruff and played his last diamond.

It was too late for the defense. South ruffed with the ♠A but had no more spades to lead. Wildavsky ruffed South's club switch and ruffed his ♥Q in dummy. He ruffed another club to hand and drove out the ♠K.

Making 4♠ doubled (with an overtrick awarded later because of a revoke) was a top.

Yoga instruction



Kim Hall of Springfield IL, a bridge teacher and bridge professional, will hold daily yoga lessons starting tomorrow. Meet outside Coconuts on the Recreation Level at 8 a.m.

Kim has been teaching yoga for 20 years and is certified by Swami Vishnudevananda. This style is gentle and begins with stretching and relaxation. The sessions will be brief (probably about half an hour) but Kim will be available for anyone who wants to know more.

CHARITY KNOCKOUT TEAMS**Bracket 1**

16 Teams

Joseph Shay, Ponte Vedra FL; Geoff Hampson, Fenton MI;
Mike Passell, Dallas TX; Michael Seamon, Miami Beach
FL; Eric Greco, Annandale VA

vs

Robin Klar, Spring TX; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Jim Robison,
Las Vegas NV; Curtis Cheek, Huntsville AL

Harold Task - Larry Griffey, Jacksonville FL; Maurice Fried-
man, Boynton Beach FL; Armand Barfus, Port St Lucie FL;
Marilyn Garcia, Daytona Beach FL; Spike Lay, Ormond
Beach FL

vs

David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Jim Barrow, Lake Charles
LA; Syd Levey, Valley Village CA; James Fellows, Omaha
NE; Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; Gene Freed, Los Ange-
les CA

Simon Kantor, Agawam MA; Paul Munafo, Huntsville AL;
David Adams, Kennesaw GA; Murray Melton, Las Vegas
NV; Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; O Allen Childs Jr, Little
Rock AR

vs

James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA;
Richard De Martino, Riverside CT; John Stiefel,
Wethersfield CT; Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA

Daniel Boye, Syracuse NY; Steven Barcus, Sorrento FL;
Jim Linhart, Piscataway NJ; Martin Caley, Montreal PQ;
Rita Ellington, Fairfield CT; Jim Reiman, Mansfield OH

vs

Kathie Wei-Sender, Nashville TN; Benito Garozzo - Lea
Dupont, Palm Beach FL; Juanita Chambers, Schenectady
NY

Bracket 2

16 Teams

Ward Johnson, Madison WI; Lizabeth Kennedy,
Germantown WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI; Glenna
Shannahan, Fitchburg WI

vs

Jayne Thomas, Lutz FL; Douglas Drew, Sarasota FL; Bar-
bara Nudelman, Chicago IL; Joan Gerard, White Plains NY;
Virgil Anderson Jr, Springfield MO; Ellie Hanlon, Lake
Worth FL

R Jay Becker - Ira Herman, New York NY; Lewis Finkel,
Jupiter FL; Frank Mastrola, Swansea MA; Keith Garber,
Pelham NY; Cameron Doner, Richmond BC

vs

Tom Miller - Gay Miller, Centerville OH; Ron Rose, Day-
ton OH; Britain Beezley - Shelba Parmley, Oklahoma City
OK

Terry Riely - Carolyn Teinert, San Antonio TX; Marjorie
Kidd, Plano TX; Steve Shirey, Fort Worth TX

vs

Ulker Mutlu, Springfield OH; George St Pierre, Columbus
OH; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN; Leonard Ernst, Las
Vegas NV; Norman Coombs, Brookville IN; Joseph
Godefrin, Sarasota FL

Douglas Heron, Ottawa ON; Barry Rigal, New York NY;
Haig Tchamitch, Peoria AZ; Henry Bethe - Varis Carey,
Ithaca NY; Sylvia Summers, Pasadena CA

vs

G S Jade Barrett, Vancouver WA; Anne Hoffman, Peru VT;
Ellen Anten, Encino CA; Steve Gross, Agoura Hills CA

Bracket 3

16 Teams

John Ledet - Denis Murphy - Toshiko Yingst - Bonnie
Bagley, Colorado Spgs CO; Virginia Bednar, Hilton Head
SC

vs

James Barry, Twain Harte CA; Bruce Luttrell, Saratoga CA;
William Rock, Brockport NY; Max Limbocker, Louisville
KY

CHARITY STRATIFIED PAIRS

252 Pairs

	A	B	C		
20.93	1			Liga Byrne, Mequon WI; Stanley Littlefield, Titusville FL	219.50
13.74	2/3			Louis Katz, Baltimore MD; Jozeph F J Van Der Leeegte, Urinond Holland	204.50
13.74	2/3			Beth Stuart, Houston TX; Catherine Cox, Dallas TX	204.50
8.83	4			Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA; Andrew Robson, London UK	201.50
12.66	5	1		Alvin Zuckerman, Oceanside NY; Max Brimberg, New York NY	196.50
4.97	6			Judy Schwarz - Phil Schwarz, Burnsville MN	194.00
3.73	7			Howard Miller - Kaye Krebs, Virginia Beach VA	193.50
3.03	8			Diana Holt, Palm Beach FL; Ed Schulte, Tampa FL	192.50
8.31	9/11	2/3	1	Lewis Himelhoch - Hal Crosthwaite, Orlando FL	191.50
2.12	9/11			N Lira - Miguel Reygadas, Mexico	191.50
8.31	9/11	2/3		Al French, N. Vancouver BC; Bernice French, N Vancouver BC	191.50
2.04	12/13			Dean Graham - Elaine Graham, Des Moines IA	190.50
3.03	12/13			Paul Vickers - Mary Vickers, Northborough MA	190.50
5.34		4	2	Nelson Brown Jr - Dana Brown, Houston TX	190.00
4.01		5	3	Louis Epstein, Cincinnati OH; Sidney Kanter, Clifton NJ	186.96
3.03		6		Barbara Seagram, Toronto ON; Anne Marie Crabbe, London ON	185.50
2.18			4	Lance Sibley - Michael Lancashire, Toronto ON	177.50
1.63			5	Phillip Davis - Rhoda Moretsky, Boston MA	171.00
1.22			6	Edith Sagi, Sun City Ctr FL; Marilyn Rosenthal, Bloomfield MI	170.50

CHARITY STRATIFIED 199ER PAIRS

32 Pairs

	A	B	C		
3.34	1	1		Maryln Stewart, Etobicoke ON; Janice Cocleugh, Mississauga ON	175.00
2.51	2	2	1	Jerry Katz - Joann Katz, West Chester OH	173.00
1.88	3	3	2	Laurel Scheinman, Baltimore MD; Janie Moser, Cary NC	167.00
1.41	4			Desmond Kearney, Madison CT; Vince D'Souza, Stratford CT	161.00
1.06	5			Christine Talbot - Stephanie Levy, New York NY	160.50
0.84	6			Robbi Graf - Nancy Lasner, St Thomas VI	156.50
0.89		4	3	Lee Green - Hal Green, Ocala FL	144.00
0.66		5		Jack Davis, Jupiter FL; Alice Senecal, Delray Beach FL	138.00

Muriel Altus, Tampa FL; Nancy Heusted, Safety Harbor FL;
Robert Vollbracht, Clearwater FL; Jack Brawner Jr, Pinellas
Park FL

vs

Duncan Jones - Cheryl Holcomb - Frank Dana, Newark NY;
Susan Yates, Rochester NY

Paul Johnson III, Four Oaks NC; John Kelsey, Charlotte
NC; Bill Robb - Susan Robb, Raleigh NC

vs

Jay Cohodes, Hollywood FL; Susan Fuller, Miami FL;
Nancy Mitchell, Atlantic Beach FL; R Craig Hemphill, Jack-
sonville FL

Don Steele, Springfield OH; Norma Goll - Richard Goll,
Tekamah NE; Patrick Moran, Dayton OH; Daniel Till, Lin-
coln NE

vs

Michael Kitces, Great Falls VA; Kevin Bathurst, Newbury
Park CA; Thomas Carmichael, Iselin NJ; Joel Wooldridge -
Brian Meyer, Buffalo NY

Bracket 4

16 Teams

Bernice Ronske - Barbara Lieberman, Altamonte Spg FL;
Linda Vaiden, Augusta GA; John Long, Casselberry FL; Jill
Lundberg, Longwood FL; Frank Bresnahan, Titusville FL

vs

Phyllis Reed, Palm Beach FL; Rachel Kaufman, Cranston
RI; Stephen Hess, Rehoboth MA; Laurence Dusty, Lake
Worth FL

Shirley Gay - Gerry Kuttas, Ocala FL; Ann Sanders,
Hernando FL; Robert Scarbrough, Crystal River FL

vs

Bernard Gench, Flushing NY; Harvey Schneier, Woodmere
NY; Judy Klein - Herbert Klein, Stuart FL

Samuel Ehrlichman, Flushing NY; Ari Greenberg, Malibu
CA; David Sokolow, Austin TX; Howard Einberg, Los An-
geles CA

vs

Diana Liebgold - Wendell Wylie, Phoenixville PA; Gilbert
Danna, Metairie LA; Judith Neubacher, Howell MI

Jim Alison - Dayn Beam, Huntsville AL; James Satterfield,
Marietta GA; William Burks III, Atlanta GA

vs

Bud Hinckley, Augusta ME; Sharron Hinckley, East
Winthrop ME; Helen Inbar, Oakton VA; Annette Doueck,
Brooklyn NY

Bracket 5

16 Teams

William Fogel - Anne Stein - Edward Babcock, Portland
ME; Lilly Lachter, Culver City CA

vs

Alex Halberstadt - Donna Neal, Orlando FL; Jane Macbean
- Gina O'Donnell, Hilton Head SC

Caroline Gatlin - Harold Schmokel, Myrtle Beach SC; James
Thayer, Sun City Center FL; Carl Zulich, Sun City Ctr FL

vs

Shirley Seals, Ponte Vedra FL; Ruby Hulcher - Barbara
Tucker, Jacksonville FL; Deborah Drury, Buffalo NY

Randall Ekman, Dallas TX; Doris Mandell, Rockford IL;
Laura Chasen, Palm City FL; John Benefield, Panama City
FL; Jimmy Haws - Jeff Edelstein, Tampa FL

vs

Len Rickard, Knoxville TN; Beverly Crnkovic, Mebane NC;
Angelo Agresta, Burlington NC; Madge Pierce, Benson NC

Peg Hern - Elizabeth Gelwicks - Bobbie-Sue Miller, Jack-
sonville FL; Ellen Finney, Fernandina FL

vs

William Carlson Jr - Ira Buchalter, Saint Thomas VI; James
Bochsler, Surry SM6.0QQ; Byron Crittenden, Kingswood
Surre Y

Bracket 6

15 Teams

Betty Duer - Betty Schiffer, St Augustine FL; Marilyn
Parker, Atlantic Bch FL; Aggie Kaye, Jacksonville FL

vs

Geoffrey Cross, Fernandina FL; Adrienne Muslin, Tampa
FL; Judith Schorner - James Schorner, Vero Beach FL

Richard Provinsal, Wantagh NY; Myrtha Wiederkehr,

Geneva; John Vega - Marian Leedy, Naples FL

vs

Sandy Sloan, Ipswich MA; Judith Harrington, Saugus MA; Patricia Anderson, Melrose MA; Nancy Perkins, Lynnfield MA; Sandra Hammer, Dedham MA

John Henry Berg - Joan Berg, Baton Rouge LA; Marilyn Banta - Wilson Banta, Sunshine LA

vs

Hugh Metzger, South Bend IN; Sandra Hlustik, Darien IL; Janice Warren, Minneapolis MN; Janice Nelson, Burnsville MN

Patricia McCully - Sally Crockett, St Petersburg FL; Betty Clark - Robert Clark, Canton NC

vs

Jim Hagan - Suzanne Hagan, St Augustine FL; Thomasina Petrahai, Trumbull CT; Mary Kreger, West Palm Beach FL

Bracket 7

12 Teams

Kent McWherter - Alice Van Hoesen, Marco Island FL; Stanley Isaacks, Fort Smith AR; Nicholas Wagener, Ellenton FL

vs

Tom Gilpin Jr, Princeton WV; Louis Jones, Miami FL; Rodney Severson, Orangeburg SC; Emerita Hayward, Leonardtown MD

Thomas Peterson - Gordon Smith - G June Smith - Ethel Schneider, New Smyrna FL

vs

Charles Cole - Doris Rosenberg, Delray Beach FL; Rita Greenwood - Lewis Greenwood, Sherman Oaks CA

Allan Gustafson - Lorraine Gustafson, Cary NC; Glenna Thomas - Mary Farrell, Panama City FL

vs

Walter Otey III, Roanoke VA; B Kon, Fort Myers FL; Louise Kavall, Halesite NY; Donna Rice, Traverse City MI

Sarah Porter - David Porter, Aurora CO; Don Cooke - Joan Cooke, Birchcliff AB

vs

Oden Smith - Harold McCollum, Marco Island FL; John Rush Jr - N Lally Nooney, Jacksonville FL

Bracket 8

11 Teams

Maurine Wiener - Jules Wiener, Litchfield CT; Hendricus Baaij - Urte Baaij, Savannah GA

vs

Irma Broders - Janet Lipe, Fort Myers FL; Ronald Ratchford, Venice FL; Jane Cangalosi, Staunton VA

vs

William Stuart - Peter Smit - Martha Blaine, Hot Springs AR; Grace Clay, Marietta GA

Montine Japp - William Tyrlick, Maitland FL; Sylvia Slayback, Winter Park FL; Howard Berkowitz, Casselberry FL

vs

Arman Hartung, Marshall MI; Virginia Winters - Susan Kongsvik, Deland FL; Pearl Wegman, Debary FL

vs

Welcome to the Fall NABC

Welcome to the Fall NABC in Orlando. Co-chairs Martha and Jim McGhee and their crew of volunteers have arranged incredible entertainment and hospitality.

As we enjoy the game we all love, let's provide a pleasant climate that makes bridge more fun for everyone.



Aileen Osofsky, Chairman
ACBL Goodwill Committee

Defending champions

Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams -- Bart Bramley, Howard Weinstein, Sidney Lazard, Steve Garner

Blue Ribbon Pairs -- Adam Wildavsky, Allan Falk
Open Board-a-Match Teams -- Jim Krekorian, John Rengstorff, Bob Blanchard, Doug Doub

Women's Board-a-Match Teams -- Sue Picus, Connie Goldberg, Rozanne Pollack, Lisa Berkowitz

Life Master Open Pairs -- Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett

Life Master Women's Pairs -- Janice Seamon, Sylvia Moss

Non-Life Master Pairs -- Alan Carpenter, Michael Levin

North American Swiss Teams -- John Malley, Shome Mukherjee, Bill Hunter, Dan Colatosti

Senior Knockout Teams -- Bob Carteaux, David Adams, Al Childs, Ralph Cohen, Chuck Said

Herman Trophy -- Bart Bramley, Sidney Lazard

John Fosnaught, Indianapolis IN; Linda Salmon, Carmel IN; Lyle Rosenzweig, Bonita Springs FL; Murray Siegel, Naples FL

Bracket 9

11 Teams

Barbara Davis - June Stark, Denver CO; Linda Lloyd, Altamonte Spg FL; James Macdonald, Orlando FL

vs

David A Steel - Martica Clapp-Steel, Nassau, N.P.; Sonja Smith - Sally Kirtley, North Granby CT

vs

Lee Miller, Saint Louis MO; Lois Miller - Joan Woodhouse - Judy Hanna, Vero Beach FL

Helen Dickinson, Indianapolis IN; Lois Scott, Carmel IN; Elizabeth Randolph, Neptune Beach FL; Elizabeth Zimmer, Ponte Vedra FL

vs

Richard Packard, Cambridge MA; Guest Perry, Charlestown MA; Thomas Schneider, Naples FL; Anthony Falotico, Westport CT

vs

Henry Fischer, Palm Bch Gdns FL; Michael Merns, West Palm Beach FL; Wayne Fahie, Saskatoon SK; Rick Grieman, Regina SK

Fifth Chair buys into the future of bridge.

The Fifth Chair Foundation will award a trophy to the winners of the National 49er Pairs, beginning with the Spring NABC in Vancouver.

"We are delighted to be involved in designating a special national event for the novice player, and this will be the only such trophy awarded for a novice event," said Fifth Chair President Bob Bakalish. "By awarding the Fifth Chair Trophy, we hope to spur the competition and encourage more participation among novice players in (NABCs)."

Fifth Chair is an international non-profit organization dedicated to fostering bridge education on the Internet and attracting new players to the game. The foundation was organized in 1996 by four online bridge players in response to a newcomer's plea for help.

Most sessions are conducted on OKbridge but newcomers may also want to contact www.fifthchair.org

"Many of our Fifth Chair novices who are learning the game via our Internet bridge education programs are getting their first taste of face-to-face bridge competition at the ACBL national tournaments," noted Bakalish. "They go to (NABCs) to meet their on-line pals and learn how much fun the tournaments are."

"Many of these novices, who learned to love bridge on the Internet, then venture into local clubs. They are becoming life-long bridge players --- exactly what the Fifth Chair is all about: bringing new players into the bridge world."

Note: About the name -- when a fifth chair is pulled up to a bridge table, it means someone is kibitzing -- watching -- learning. We chose the name "Fifth Chair Foundation" in honor of the kibitzer -- the learner.

Cancer survivor

Continued from page 1

ceive the donation by a committee of Unit 240. Cohn was filling in for Betty Sarlin, chairman of the local committee. Presenting the check were Charity Foundation Board Members Jim Zimmerman and Don Moeller.

The hospital where Samuels underwent her operation has been in existence since 1986 and is named for the former state legislator who founded it. Moffitt is now a lobbyist who donates his time in lobbying for funds for the hospital.

The Moffitt facility, affiliated with the University of South Florida, is internationally acclaimed and is the only cancer center in Florida officially designated as such by the National Cancer Institute.

Samuels said that after she was diagnosed with cancer, she directed her attention to Moffitt very quickly. "I heard they were the best," she said, "and something told me I had to go there. I know it saved my life."

At Moffitt, she said, one of her lungs was removed, along with blood vessels around her heart. "At most places," she said, "if they see the cancer has spread that far, they just sew you up."

The operation that saved her life, she said, took nine hours.

Most lung cancer victims don't make it as far as she has, Samuels said. "It's a great story -- and I'm delighted to be here to tell it." □

CHARITY STRAT 199ER PAIRS. ONLY SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION M	EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C	
1	1	1	Laurel Scheinman, Baltimore MD; Janie Moser, Cary NC	1	1	MaryIn Stewart, Etobicoke ON; Janice Cocleugh, Mississauga ON	175.00
2			Desmond Kearney, Madison CT; Vince D'Souza, Stratford CT	2	2	Jerry Katz - Joann Katz, West Chester OH	173.00
3			Robbi Graf - Nancy Lasner, St Thomas VI	3		Christine Talbot - Stephanie Levy, New York NY	160.50
4			Carol Netchvolodoff, Washington DC; Linda Logan, Thornhill ON	4	3	Jack Davis, Jupiter FL; Alice Senecal, Delray Beach FL	138.00
5			Woodie McLean, Potomac MD; S Bolotin, Evanston IL	5		John Champion Jr - Jane Champion, Banner Elk NC	137.00
6/7	2		Lee Green - Hal Green, Ocala FL	6		Evelyn Schmidt, Gun Barrel City TX; Jeanette McDonald, Greenville TX	134.50
6/7			Jane Davidson - Penn Davidson, Palm Coast FL		2	Cele Borofsky, Coral Springs FL; Viola Vitale, Margate FL	134.00
	3		Claire Seidler - Robert Seidler, Palm City FL				

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

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

Friday, Nov. 20, 1998, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry	Sold
Charity Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	\$44 team	Florida Room -- Peabody
Vancouver Morning Continuous/Side Pairs	1st	\$22 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody
Stratified 199er Pairs	single	\$20 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody

Friday, Nov. 20, 1998, 1:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 Q	\$54 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody
LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS	1-2 Q	\$54 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody
NON-LIFE MASTER PAIRS	1-2 Q	\$48 pair	Hall F -- Convention Center
Stratified Open Pairs*	1-2	\$44 pair	Hall F -- Convention Center
Stratified Senior Pairs*	1-2	\$44 pair	Florida Room -- Peabody
Bracketed KO Teams I (continues Saturday)	1-2	\$44 team	Hall F -- Convention Center
Friday-Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs 99er, 49er & 0-20 Pairs	1-2 single	\$22 pair \$20 pair	Hall F -- Convention Center Orlando Room -- Peabody Orlando Room -- Peabody

Friday, Nov. 20, 1998, 8:00 p.m.

Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single	\$40 team	Hall F -- Convention Center
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Friday, Nov. 20, 1998, Midnight

International Fund Stratified Zip Swiss Teams*	single	\$40 team	Orlando Room -- Peabody
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TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

Junior Day

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

Saturday, Nov. 21, 1998, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry	Sold
Charity Bracketed KO Teams	3rd	\$44 team	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody
Vancouver Morning Continuous/Side Pairs	2nd	\$22 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody

Saturday, Nov. 21, 1998, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Jack Wachter Stratified Senior Pairs*	1-2	\$44 pair	Florida Room -- Peabody
199er, 99er, 49er, 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single	\$20 pair	Orlando Room -- Peabody

Saturday, Nov. 21, 1998, 1 & 8 p.m.

LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 F	\$54 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody
LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS	1-2 F	\$54 pair	Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody
NON-LIFE MASTER PAIRS	1-2 F	\$48 pair	Hall F -- Convention Center
Bracketed KO Teams I	3-4	\$44 team	Hall F -- Convention Center
Bracketed KO Teams II (continues Sunday)	1-2	\$44 team	Hall F -- Convention Center
Strati-Flighted Open Pairs*	1-2	\$44 pair	Flight A, Plaza Ballroom -- Peabody Strat BCD, Hall F -- Convention Center
Friday-Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs	3-4	\$22 pair	Florida Room -- Peabody

Saturday, Nov. 21, 1998, 8 p.m.

Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single	\$44 team	Florida Room -- Peabody
Stratified 99er Pairs	single	\$20 pair	Orlando Room -- Peabody
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	\$40 team	Orlando Room -- Peabody

Saturday, Nov. 21, 1998, Midnight

Zip KO Teams*	single	\$10 match	Orlando Room -- Peabody
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