

# Today's Note to the Players From Jan 

If you have been seeing \& hearing your screenmate and all at once can't any more, the first thing to do is click on the "reload" button to the right of your name. That's the arrow in a circle. It will restart the video feed and sometimes that clears things up. You can also ask your screenmate to click on that button. In fact, that's a good thing to do any time there seems to be a problem. It only takes a moment and often fixes things.

When someone makes an explanation or adds to an explanation after they have bid, the program automatically puts in a time-stamp that looks like [5s] meaning 5 seconds after the bid. In rare instances that may look as if it's part of an explanation and means 5 spades - it isn't \& doesn't.

If you see an explanation that seems to be a bunch of suit symbols with nothing more, you should ask about it - sometimes people click on the suit symbol buttons in error and don't notice that they have put a row of symbols in the explanation box. Also, when you're making a bid, it can't hurt to look at the "explain bid here" box before clicking on the bid to make sure you didn't acci-

## Teams Entered...

Teams in Alphabetical Order within RR Groups:
Indians

| Bjerkan | Cheri Bjerkan, Capt Pam Wittes Janice Seamon-Molson | Rozanne Pollack <br> Ljudmila Kamenova <br> Tobi Sokolow |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Caprera | David Caprera, Capt JoAnn Sprung Steve Beatty | Anne Brenner Danny Sprung Fred Stewart |
| Dinkin | Sam Dinkin, Capt Lynn Baker Jacob Freeman | Michael Shuster Karen McCallum Finn Kolesnik |
| Harris | Marty Harris, Capt Mike Massimilla Emma Kolesnik | Miriam Harris-Botzum Lou Glasthal Amber Lin |
| Hill | Kevin Dwyer, Capt Shan Huang Jenny Wolpert | Joyce Hill <br> Anam Tebha <br> Lukasz Lebioda |
| Lall | Hemant Lall, Capt Reese Milner John Diamond | Bob Hamman Peter Weichsel Brian Platnick |
| Lebowitz | Larry Lebowitz, Capt <br> Zach Grossack <br> David Grainger | Adam Grossack Michael Rosenberg Joel Wooldridge |
| Lewis | Paul Lewis, Capt Mark Itabashi Ifti Baqai | Linda Lewis Disa Eythorsdottir Mitch Dunitz |
| Meyers | Kerri Sanborn, Capt <br> Allan Graves <br> Mike Becker | Jill Meyers Steve Sanborn Michael Kamil |
| Nadel | Julie Nadel, Capt Leo Bell Daniel Korbel | Billy Miller Bruce Ferguson |
| Nickell | Nick Nickell Geoff Hampson Bobby Levin Jill Levin, NPC | Ralph Katz <br> Eric Greco Steve Weinstein |
| Reynolds | Tom Reynolds, Capt Bill Hall Rick Roeder | Lance Kerr John Jones Joe Viola |
| Robinson | Steve Robinson, Capt Kit Woolsey Marty Fleisher | Peter Boyd Bart Bramley Chip Martel |
| Silin | Maxim Silin, Capt Jim Rasmussen Mark Aquino | Carrie Liu <br> Parul Jain <br> Selen Hotamisligil |
| Simson | Doug Simson, Capt Glenn Milgrim <br> Sid Brownstein | Jeff Aker <br> Barry Rigal <br> Ed Davis |
| Stoltz | Eric Stoltz, Capt <br> Jim Johnsen <br> Mike Day | Roger McNay <br> Paul Darin <br> Dorn Bishop |

"trials" and tribulations-pre-bulletin
*Note Kevin Rosenberg is replacing his mother, Debbie Rosenberg, on the Schireson team. Debbie is ill. We wish her a speedy recovery.

## Cowboys

| Bishel | T <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> Bitterman <br> C |
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| Tom Bishel, Capt | John Bishel |
| :--- | :--- | Charley Seelbach

Chris Compton

## Bitterman

Bob Bitterman, Capt Gloria Bart

| Donn | Sh <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> Jo <br> St |
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| Donnelly | C <br> R |
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| Donner | G |


| Sheri Winestock, Capt |
| :--- | :--- |
| Josh Donn |
| Steve Garner |


|  | Jo <br> R |
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| Feldman | Ja |

Joe Gru
Feldman
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| Rosenthal | Andrew Rosenthal, Capt <br> Migry Campanile <br> Chri | A |
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## Spector

Blaine Mullins
Andy Goodman
Bob Cappelli Les Bart Uday Ivatury Christal Henner Jeff Wolfson Marley Cedrone Olivia Schireson Sandra Rimstedt Brad Moss Iulian Rotaru Jerry Stamatov
Adam Wildavsky Frank Merblum
Glenn Eisenstein Geof Brod Greg Woods Vinita Gupta Zia Mahmood Bob Thomson Howard Liu Tom Carmichael Ron Smith Claude Vogel Larry Robbins Bob Gardner Eddie Wold Eric Rodwell Mike Passell Harrison Luba
Franco Baseggio Jiang Gu Sylvia Moss Eldad Ginossar Billy Cohen Aaron Silverstein David Berkowitz Jacob Morgan Cadir Lee Geeske Joel Kevin Rosenberg* Gavin Wolpert John Hurd John Kranyak


## Tournament Schedule

| Round Robin - Stage 1 |  |  |  |
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| DAY | DATE | Time-EST | Boards |
| Friday | Nov 6 | 12:45 PM | CAPTAINS' meEting with DIC (on Zoom) |
| Friday | Nov 6 | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 00-2: 15 \\ & 2: 30-3: 45 \\ & \text { 4:45-6:00 } \\ & \text { 6:15-7:30 } \\ & \text { 7:45-9:00 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Round 1 - Boards 1-10 <br> Round 2 - Boards 11-20 <br> Break <br> Round 3 - Boards 21-30 <br> Round 4 - Boards 31-40 <br> Round 5 - Boards 41-50 |
| SAturday | Nov 7 | $\begin{aligned} & 1: 00-2: 15 \\ & \text { 2:30-3:45 } \\ & \text { 4:45-6:00 } \\ & \text { 6:15-7:30 } \\ & 7: 45-9: 00 \end{aligned}$ | Round 6 - Boards 51-60 <br> Round 7-Boards 61-70 <br> Break <br> Round 8 - Boards 71-80 <br> Round 9 - Boards 81-90 <br> Round 10 - Boards 91-100 |
| Sunday | Nov 8 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1:00-2:15 } \\ & \text { 2:30-3:45 } \\ & \text { 4:45-6:00 } \\ & \text { 6:15-7:30 } \\ & \text { 7:45-9:00 } \end{aligned}$ | Round 11 - Boards 101-110 <br> Round 12 - Boards 111-120 <br> Break <br> Round 13 - Boards 121-130 <br> Round 14 - Boards 131-140 <br> Round 15 - Boards 141-150 |
| Round Robin - Stage 2 |  |  |  |
| Monday | Nov 9 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1:00-2:15 } \\ & \text { 2:30-3:45 } \\ & \text { 4:45-6:00 } \\ & \text { 6:15-7:30 } \\ & \text { 7:45-9:00 } \end{aligned}$ | Round 1 - Boards 1-10 <br> Round 2 - Boards 11-20 <br> Break <br> Round 3 - Boards 21-30 <br> Round 4 - Boards 31-40 <br> Round 5 - Boards 41-50 |


| Round of 16 |  |  |  |
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| Friday | Nov 13 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1:00-2:45 } \\ & \text { 2:55-4:40 } \\ & \text { 5:30-7:15 } \\ & \text { 7:25-9:10 } \end{aligned}$ | Segment 1 Boards 1-14 <br> Segment 2 Boards 15-28 <br> break <br> Segment 3 Boards 29-42 <br> Segment 4 Boards 43-56 |
| Quarterfinal |  |  |  |
| Saturday | Nov 14 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1:00-2:45 } \\ & \text { 2:55-4:40 } \\ & \text { 5:30-7:15 } \\ & \text { 7:25-9:10 } \end{aligned}$ | Segment 1 Boards 1-14 <br> Segment 2 Boards 15-28 <br> break <br> Segment 3 Boards 29-42 <br> Segment 4 Boards 43-56 |
| SEMIFINAL |  |  |  |
| Sunday | Nov 15 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1:00-2:45 } \\ & \text { 2:55-4:40 } \\ & \text { 5:30-7:15 } \\ & \text { 7:25-9:10 } \end{aligned}$ | Segment 1 Boards 1-14 <br> Segment 2 Boards 15-28 <br> BREAK <br> Segment 3 Boards 29-42 <br> Segment 4 Boards 43-56 |


| Final (WILL CHANGE IF TEAMS WANT 60 Or 64 Boards) |  |  |  |
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| Monnday | Nov 16 | 1:00-2:45 | Segment 1 Boards 1-14 |
|  |  | 2:55-4:40 | Segment 2 Boards 15-28 |
|  |  |  | break |
|  |  | 5:30-7:15 | Segment 3 Boards 29-42 |
|  |  | 7:25-9:10 | Segment 4 Boards 43-56 |

Underleading an ace
Is off the charts.
That's why l'm leading
My Ace of Hearts!

# uSBF 10 Board victory Point Scale 

| 10 Boards (Blitz is 48 IMPs) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Margin | Winner | Loser | Margin | Winner | Loser | Margin | Winner | Loser |
| 0 | 10.00 | 10.00 | 17 | 15.29 | 4.71 | 34 | 18.44 | 1.56 |
| 1 | 10.39 | 9.61 | 18 | 15.52 | 4.48 | 35 | 18.58 | 1.42 |
| 2 | 10.77 | 9.23 | 19 | 15.75 | 4.25 | 36 | 18.71 | 1.29 |
| 3 | 11.14 | 8.86 | 20 | 15.97 | 4.03 | 37 | 18.84 | 1.16 |
| 4 | 11.50 | 8.50 | 21 | 16.18 | 3.82 | 38 | 18.97 | 1.03 |
| 5 | 11.85 | 8.15 | 22 | 16.39 | 3.61 | 39 | 19.10 | 0.90 |
| 6 | 12.18 | 7.82 | 23 | 16.59 | 3.41 | 40 | 19.22 | 0.78 |
| 7 | 12.51 | 7.49 | 24 | 16.78 | 3.22 | 41 | 19.33 | 0.67 |
| 8 | 12.83 | 7.17 | 25 | 16.97 | 3.03 | 42 | 19.44 | 0.56 |
| 9 | 13.14 | 6.86 | 26 | 17.16 | 2.84 | 43 | 19.55 | 0.45 |
| 10 | 13.43 | 6.57 | 27 | 17.34 | 2.66 | 44 | 19.66 | 0.34 |
| 11 | 13.72 | 6.28 | 28 | 17.51 | 2.49 | 45 | 19.76 | 0.24 |
| 12 | 14.00 | 6.00 | 29 | 17.68 | 2.32 | 46 | 19.86 | 0.14 |
| 13 | 14.28 | 5.72 | 30 | 17.84 | 2.16 | 47 | 19.96 | 0.04 |
| 14 | 14.54 | 5.46 | 31 | 18.00 | 2.00 | 48 | 20.00 | 0.00 |
| 15 | 14.80 | 5.20 | 32 | 18.15 | 1.85 |  |  |  |
| 16 | 15.05 | 4.95 | 33 | 18.30 | 1.70 |  |  |  |

## Ethics Statement

We're not trying to provide security for this event, as we do when we sometimes have "real" events online. However, the provisions of the USBF General Conditions of Contest regarding ethical obligations and possible penalties still apply to this event. The USBF has appointed an Ethics Investigation Committee that will review any complaints about ethics violations. If the EIC concludes that a player or pair was acting unethically, they will report to the USBF COO, who may refer it to the USBF Recorder. Either the COO or Recorder may bring a Charge against the player to the Board of Directors, who may place a player on probation, suspend, or expel a player for cause.

## System Regulations \& Conditions of Contest

- Normal USBF System regulations apply to this event.
- This event is governed by the USBF General Conditions of Contest and Special Conditions of Contest for this event.
- The ACBL Open+ Convention Chart applies to this event.


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There will be delayed kibitzing for all of the JLall1 event.

To kibitz, go to https://kibitz.realbridge.online/ , enter your name and click on Log In. That will take you to a screen where you can select the event to kibitz (we do not know whether there will be events with delayed kibitzing other than the JLall1 running concurrently).

After you select Kibitz JLall Online Teams \#1, you will be taken to a lobby where you will see a list of tables on the left and a chat box and list of people in the lobby on the right. The table listing shows the team \& player names at each table, as well as the board and trick that table is on (that's in the middle of the table, immediately under the table number). Click on a table to kibitz it.

At the table, you will see a hand diagram, and the bidding and play as it happens. You will not hear or see the players.

There is a chat window on the right of the screen (if your browser window isn't large enough to show it, you can click on the "chat" icon immediately above the UNDO button to open the chat window. For now, anyone can type chat into the chat window. We may have designated commentators for late stages of the event.

Some things you can do to get more information:

If there is an asterisk next to a bid, that means it was Alerted or Explained. Click on the bid to see the explanation if there was one.
-- "Rewind" the play using the slider underneath the "table" with hand diagram. just move the vertical handle on the slider to the left to go to earlier tricks.
-- Click on the "Scores" button to the left of the South player's name, you will get a scorecard for the match so far. You can use this to get lots of information:
----Click on a board number to see the hand record and results at all of the tables.
----You can also click on a number in a yellow box to get to the hand record from some screens.
----In the hand record screen, click on a result to see the bidding and play at a specific table.
--In the upper left corner:
----Click on the yellow box with 4 little boxes to get the match scores for all the matches (that will be IMPs and will not include scores from previous rounds).
----Click on the yellow box with 3 bulleted lines to get CrossIMPs for the pairs (that will be just for this match).

The Scores information is also available in the lobby using the button at the upper right, in case you want to check on scores before deciding which table to watch.


Watching online, Even delayed, Is the best way to see How a hand's bid and played!


It always seems strange when looking at results and noting that five pairs bid to slam in diamonds, while two pairs rested at the level of TWO... one in 2D and one in 2NT!

24 pairs played in 3NT making 4 or 5 .

One pair played in 3CX going -800.

6 D is not a bad contract... also not a good contract. It requires some luck.
If there are no losers in the trump suit, declarer can concede a heart and score 12 tricks.
If the heart finesse works, declarer can afford one trump loser and still bring in the slam by ruffing one heart in dummy.

As the cards lie, all declarers in slam went light one trick with the $D: K J$ over the $A Q$.

It looks like 6D could actually succeed if declarer plays for the strip and endplay... however, that is not realistic without self-kibitzing. For this to work, South would need to be four/triple three. Declarer could then strip the side suits, taking the heart finesse and ruffing one spade and two clubs in hand. Then, with a three card end position, South holding his three trump, declarer could exit a small diamond. Bridge is so easy double dummy!

In reality, most declarers won the opening lead, took the heart finesse either at trick one or trick two, and finessed the diamond queen... down one.

After testing hearts, only Mark Lair tried the safety play in the diamond suit by playing a diamond to the ace and leading toward the queen at a later point in the hand.


Monday, Nov. 9
Monday, Nov. 23 - Midnight (EST)
Wednesday, Nov. 25 - Noon (EST)
Wednesday, Nov. 25 - Midnight (EST)
Saturday, Dec. 5-11:00 AM (EST)
Saturday, Dec 5. 11:10 AM (EST)
Saturday, Dec. 5, 11:20 AM (EST)

Premier KO Team Entries open on BW for all Flights Entries close for Premier KO Team Entries for Open Flight Deadline for convention cards for Premier KO Open Flight Entries close for Team Entries for Premier KO Limited Flights Entries open for Premier Pairs 0-1500 Flight Entries open for Premier Pairs 0-5000 Flight Entries open for Premier Pairs Open Flight

OPEN KNOCKOUT SCHEDULE (FRIDAY, NOV. 27-SUNDAY, DEC. 6) 0-5000 \& 0-1500 KNOCKOUT SCHEDULES (SATURDAY, NOV. 28-SUNDAY, DEC. 6)

## PREMIER PAIR EVENT, 0-5000 \& 0-1500 PAIR EVENT SCHEDULE (SATURDAY, DEC. 5-SUNDAY, DEC. 6)

Open Knockout: \$300 / team for the entire event. NABC Junior discounts apply*
$\mathbf{0 - 5 0 0 0}$ Knockout and 0-1500 Knockout: \$240 / team for the entire event. A team may consist of four, five, or six players.NABC Junior Discounts apply.*
Open Pairs: \$100 / pair / event. Players who qualify for the final play free. NABC Junior discounts apply.** 0-5000 and 0-1500 Pairs: \$80 / pair / event. Players who qualify for the final play free. NABC Junior discounts apply.**
*Discount = \$45 per Junior, maximum four discounts per team
**Discount = \$30 per Junior player
Open Knockout: 1st place 200MP, 100\% Gold.
0-5000 Knockout: 1st place 64MP, 100\% Gold.
0-1500 Knockout: 1st place 36MP, 100\% Gold.

Open Pairs: $80 \%$ of NABC rating per formula. If there are 50 tables, 1st place $=61.70 \mathrm{MP} .100 \%$ Gold
0-5000 Pairs: $80 \%$ of NABC rating per formula. If there are 50 tables, 1 st place $=49.36 \mathrm{MP} .100 \%$ Gold
0-1500 Pairs: 80\% of NABC rating per formula. If there are 50 tables, 1st place $=37.02 \mathrm{MP} .100 \%$ Gold
The NAOBC Knockouts are open to all ACBL members in good standing. The matches will be held according to the schedule. Each full match in the Open Knockout will be 56 boards. Each full match in the 0-5000 and 0-1500 Knockouts will be 48 boards. All matches will be played on Bridge Base Online.

Convention cards: Each partnership on every team in the Open flight of the Premier KO MUST submit a complete convention card to the tournament by Wednesday, November 25th, at noon EST. Instructions for submitting convention cards will be posted soon. Failure to submit Convention Cards in a timely manner may result in loss of seating rights. Convention cards will be made publicly available for inspection.

## NAOBC Premier Flighted Pairs

The NAOBC Premier Flighted Pairs (Open, 5000, 1500) is open to all ACBL members in good standing (and are not playing in the concurrent semifinal / final KO matches). This is a four-session pair event on Dec 52020 and Dec 6 2020, with 24 boards played per session. The top $50 \%$ of the Saturday field qualifies to play in the Sunday final.

## Registration

Pre-registration for the NAOBC Premier Knockouts is mandatory and is limited to the first 256 teams in each knockout (Open, 0-5000, 0-1500). Entries will be sold on BridgeWinners.com starting Monday, Nov. 9. For the Open Flight, entry sales close at midnight Eastern time, Monday Nov 23, 2020. For the other flights, entry sales close at midnight Eastern time, Wednesday Nov 25, 2020.
Entries for the NAOBC Premier Flighted Pairs will be sold on Bridge Base Online. Pre-registration is not needed. Entries go on sale Dec 52020 two hours before game time for each flight.
We will endeavor to start every session of every event on time. All players in every pair/team who are scheduled to play in a given session MUST be online in BBO and ready to play at the scheduled start time of each session. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the event. Be warned that if you are inactive in BBO for an extended period of time, BBO will automatically consider you to be off-line. It is recommended that you do something active in BBO a few minutes before game time.

## Some Suggestions For Dining at Home Between Sessions! Pandemic Pleasures...

## Bacon and Swiss Chicken Sandwiches

## Ingredients

- $1 / 4$ cup reduced-fat mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves (4 ounces each)
- $1 / 2$ teaspoon Montreal steak seasoning
- 4 slices Swiss cheese
- 4 whole wheat hamburger buns, split
- 2 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled
- Lettuce leaves and tomato slices, optional


## Directions



- In a small bowl, mix mayonnaise, mustard and honey. Pound chicken with a meat mallet to 1/2in. thickness. Sprinkle chicken with steak seasoning. Grill chicken, covered, over medium heat or broil 4 in. from heat until a thermometer reads $165^{\circ}, 4-6$ minutes on each side Top with cheese during the last 1 minute of cooking.
- Grill buns over medium heat, cut side down, until toasted, 30-60 seconds. Serve chicken on buns with bacon, mayonnaise mixture and, if desired, lettuce and tomato.


## Nutrition Facts

1 sandwich: 410 calories, 17 g fat ( 6 g saturated fat), 91 mg cholesterol, 667 mg sodium, 29 g carbohydrate (9g sugars, 3 g fiber), 34g protein. Diabetic Exchanges: 4 lean meat, 2 starch, 2 fat.


## Ingredients

- 3 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 4-1/2 teaspoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- $1 / 2$ teaspoon prepared pesto
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon grated lemon zest
- Dash pepper
- 4 slices sourdough bread
- $1 / 4$ pound sliced rotisserie chicken
- 4 slices ready-to-serve fully cooked bacon
- 2 slices smoked part-skim mozzarella cheese
- 2 slices red onion, separated into rings
- 4 slices tomato

Rotisserie Chicken Panini

- 2 tablespoons butter, melted


## Directions

- In a small bowl, combine the first six ingredients; spread half over two bread slices. Layer with chicken, bacon, mozzarella cheese, onion and tomato. Spread remaining mayonnaise mixture over remaining bread slices; place over top. Brush outsides of sandwiches with butter.
- Cook on a panini maker or indoor grill until bread is browned and cheese is melted, 3-4 minutes.

Tips
Go for freshly squeezed lemon juice when preparing this summery sandwich. Bottled lemon juice, which is from concentrate, won't provide the same bright, fresh flavor. Buy some lemons to get the job done.
In Europe, Parmigiano-Reggiano and Parmesan are considered the same cheese. But in the U.S., Parmesan is a generic term that may not come from Italy's Parmigiano-Reggiano region. Using the authentic Italian cheese (in a lesser amount than the original's $1 / 2$ cup) ensures a cheesy richness in the makeover with less fat and calories.

## Nutrition Facts

1 sandwich: 653 calories, 42 g fat ( 16 g saturated fat), 80 mg cholesterol, 996 mg sodium, 40 g carbohydrate (3g sugars, 2 g fiber), 28 g protein.


# Cake Pops 

Ingredients

- 1 package cake mix of your choice (regular size)
- 1 cup prepared frosting of your choice
- 48 lollipop sticks
- 2-1/2 pounds dark chocolate, milk chocolate or white candy coating, coarsely chopped
- Optional toppings: crushed peppermint candies, finely chopped cashews, unsweetened coconut, assorted sprinkles, finely chopped crystallized ginger, crushed gingersnap cookies, melted caramels and coarse sea salt


## Directions

- Prepare and bake cake mix according to package directions, using a greased $13-\mathrm{in} . \times 9$-in. baking pan. Cool completely on a wire rack.
- Crumble cake into a large bowl. Add frosting and mix well. Shape into $1-1 / 2$-in. balls. Place on baking sheets; insert sticks. Freeze for at least 2 hours or refrigerate for at least 3 hours or until cake balls are firm.
- In a microwave, melt candy coating. Dip each cake ball in coating; allow excess to drip off. Roll, sprinkle or drizzle with toppings of your choice. Insert cake pops into a styrofoam block to stand. Let stand until set.


## Nutrition Facts

1 cake pop (calculated without toppings): 213 calories, 11 g fat ( 7 g saturated fat), 13 mg cholesterol,
97 mg sodium, 28 g carbohydrate ( 23 g sugars, 1 g fiber), 1 g protein.


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Sudoku 1


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## Thanksgiving

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"Well, it's either a hernia, or you've been cooked to a delectable, golden perfection."
autumn
BLACK FRIDAY
CELEBRATE
CORN
CRANBERRY SAUCE
CREAMED ONIONS
FALL
FAMILY
FEAST
GRAVY
GREEN PEAS
HARVEST
MASHED POTATOES MAYFLOWER

NOVEMBER
TURKEY


Card Shark!



| Last Name | Task | Day of Week | Time Taken | Money Earned |
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| Mrs. Agnew |  |  |  |  |
| Mr. Compton |  |  |  |  |
| Mrs. Fields |  |  |  |  |
| Mr. Numen |  |  |  |  |
| Mr. Summer |  |  |  |  |
|  | babysitting | Wednesday | 2 hours | \$20 |
|  | garden tilling | Thursday | 2-1/2 hours | \$24 |
|  | hedge pruning | Friday | 3 hours | \$28 |
|  | raking leaves | Saturday | 3-1/2 hours | \$32 |
|  | tree limb removal | Sunday | 4 hours | \$36 |

With spring in the air, everyone's starting to think about spring clean-up so Jeff spent all week after school and all weekend doing odd jobs around the neighborhood to earn some spending money. He tilled gardens, raked leaves, cleaned up tree limbs, pruned hedges, and even spent one afternoon babysitting! Each day he worked for a different neighbor on a different chore. He charged each neighbor a reasonable rate for his work, but sometimes he got tips too. By the end of the week, he was quite pleased with the amount that he'd earned and each of the neighbors was pleased with the quality of work that he'd done. Determine the last name of each neighbor, what chore Jeff completed for each neighbor, what day of the week Jeff worked for each neighbor, how long each task took him (2 to 4 hours), and how much he earned for each task ( $\$ 20$ to $\$ 36$ ).

1. Jeff helped Mrs. Agnew till her garden but it didn't take him 4 hours. Mr. Summer didn't need help on Thursday.
2. He spent an extra hour working on Thursday than he did on Wednesday but he wasn't pruning hedges on either day.
3. On Sunday, he earned $\$ 8$ more than he did when the day he was babysitting, which earned him \$4 more than he earned from Mr. Compton.
4. Jeff made $\$ 20$ from the job he spent 2 hours doing, which wasn't removing tree limbs.
5. Mr. Numen, who didn't ask him to rake leaves, paid him $\$ 32$ but it didn't take him 3 hours. The job on Friday for Mrs. Fields took less time than the garden tilling job.
6. The hedge pruning job took him 3-
$1 / 2$ hours to complete, a half hour longer than the job he did on Thursday. Jeff made $\$ 36$ from the job he spent 4 hours doing, which was on Saturday.


Eugene Hung is the chief editor of Bridge Winners, and takes the lead in moderating the forums. Before his children, he had more time to play bridge (winning two Collegiate Championships) and writing articles.

Some of his articles include: System Win, Wedding Pickup, Second Hand Kill, and Searching for Bobby Hamman.

Debbie Rosenberg: "It's hard for me to believe, but I've been a professional bridge player and teacher for over 30 years. Along with Michael Rosenberg, our then 14-year-old son Kevin, and my mom, Judy Zuckerberg, in 2011 I moved from NY to the Bay Area of California.

While I've always enjoyed seeing young people learn bridge, in 2013 youth bridge become my passion. That year I became a mentor and organizer in the USBF Junior training program, and co-founded a youth bridge organization in the Bay Area, Silicon Valley Youth Bridge."

Bridge Information (from Bridge Winners Profile)

## Favorite Bridge Memory

Kevin at 9 playing duplicate with his great-grandmother, my Grandma Leah. Any memory of discussing or playing bridge with Rev Murthy

## Bridge Accomplishments

World Junior Team Champion 1991; Cavendish Teams 1st place 1993; World Women's Pairs 1st 2002; Venice Cup 1st place 2007; Reisinger 3rd 2008; IBPA awards for Best Bid hand of the year with JoAnna Stansby in both 2006 and 2010 ; IBPA Sportmanship Award in 2012; Grand National Teams 2nd 2016; Grand National Teams 1st 2017; World Mixed Teams 1st place 2018; Teaching some of my students to COUNT

## Member of Bridge Club(s)

Palo Alto Bridge Center in Mountain View, California (ACBL Unit 503); Co-Founder, Silicon Valley Youth Bridge


## Favorite Conventions

Splinters, because they allow you to play the hand in the bidding

## Puzzle Answersi

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## Sudoku

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## USBF Supporting Membership

If you don＇t want to play in the USBF Championships that choose teams
 to represent the USA in the World Bridge Federation Championships，but do want to aid our events，a Supporting Membership can be the perfect way for you to be involved．As a Supporting Member，you are eligible to：
1．Enter the fantasy brackets，run on Bridge Winners，for the USBF trials choosing our Open and Senior teams for the World Championships．The highest－ranking Supporting Member in the fantasy brackets for each of these two events will win the prize of your choice－either an online match against the USBC winners or dinner with them at the next NABC．
2．Receive daily emails during the USBF Championships．These will summarize the previous day＇s results and provide vugraph information and links to daily bulletins containing pictures and commentary on individual hands．
3．Upon advanced request，make arrangements for you to kibitz a USBF member of your choice for a session once each year－either at an NABC or the USBF Championships．
4．Upon advanced request，we will arrange for you to be one of the vugraph commentators for one session of the team trials．

A Supporting Membership is $\$ 25$ for one year（ $\$ 75$ for 3 years）and the ACBL now offers you the chance to become an USBF Supporting Member when you renew your ACBL member－ ship．If you don＇t want to wait that long，you can join by choosing the red Donate Now button on the USBF website．Your donation will be used to cover inevitable expenses：attorney fees， accounting fees，website support services，tournament directors，insurance，WBF dues，and vugraph operators．The USBF is an all－volunteer organization．Our meetings are by confer－ ence call and at NABCS．Board members and the organization＇s officers are not compensated for meetings，travel，or hotel expenses．

We hope you will join us．


This was not the only match where Board 13 generated a lively swing．Two pairs played in 2 HXX N／S for -1000 ．
Two pairs N／S went 1100 at the three level．
Everyone else had scores between－200 and－800．
No one made a contract on this deal！

SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on page 12

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| $\begin{array}{\|l} \mathrm{Bd} 29, \mathrm{Dlr} \mathrm{~N} \\ 4 \mathrm{v}=\mathrm{N} \end{array}$ | \| AK109 |  | the fifteen pairs who played 4 H were successful... despite having four top losers! |
| W | -8 | Debbie Rosenberg E |  |
| $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { A108 } \\ \bullet 8 \\ * \text { J632 } \\ \bullet \text { AKQ65 } \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rounc } \\ 3 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { • } 97652 \\ & \bullet 752 \\ & * A 1087 \\ & * J \end{aligned}$ | CQ. Max and two other defenders made the key play of cashing the spade ace, before playing a second club, leaving nothing to chance. When West plays a second club at trick three, East ruffs and cashes the DA for the setting trick. |
| $\begin{array}{cc} \square & 0 \\ \square & 0 \\ \hline\rangle \end{array}$ <br> John Stiefel S | - QJ643 <br> - K5 <br> +109742 |  | Unfortunately, and somewhat surprisingly, none of the East defenders found this play. Playing standard signals, East can recover by discarding the DT on the second club. This play should steer West to the diamond switch at trick four. Playing upside down signals, the D7 is not as easy to read. |

Joel Wooldridge and David Grainger found an elegant defense to defeat the 4 H contract. Grainger led the CJ, which held the trick. David switched to a spade. Wooldridge won his ace and attempted to cash the CQ. Grainger trumped(!) the club and cashed the diamond ace to defeat the contract and score a 12 IMP gain.

Note that some other East players switched to a low diamond when the CJ held at trick one. This play will work out so long as West wins the spade ace, cashes a club, and plays a diamond later in the hand. Unfortunately, it is not easy for West to judge that East underlead an ace at trick two.

Moral of the story: Playing IMPs, it is best to take the quick the defeat before something goes awry!

| 回 | - QJ62 | N Lou Glasthal |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bd 31, Dir S } \\ & \text { 3NT-1 W } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { QJ84 } \\ & +10852 \end{aligned}$ |  | Also Friday evening, Amber Lin reported this nice defense by her teammates, Mike Massimilla and Lou Glasthal. |
| W sid Brownstein | K | Ed Davis E | Sid Brownstein and Ed Davis playing for the Simson team bid to a rea- |
| - A853 |  | - 104 | sonable, albeit slightly aggressive 3NT contract. 3NT was the contract |
| - K1095 | Rouno | - A3 |  |
| -KJ4 | 4 | - A7 |  |
| *98 |  | *QJ107543 | Glasthal, North, led the HJ showing the queen. |
| $\square 0$ | - K97 | $\boldsymbol{W}$ N E S |  |
| $\square$ $\square$ | - 762 |  | Declarer won the HA and led a club to the nine. Glasthal won his CK |
| < > | - Q963 |  |  |
| Mike Massimilla S | * A62 |  |  |

When declarer played low from dummy, Massimilla made the key play of inserting the S9!! This was allowed to hold the trick and Mike continued with the SK. When this also held the trick, Massimilla switched back to hearts. Brownstein won the HK and played a club. Massimilla won this trick and played a heart for the setting trick. 10 IMPs to Harris

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| 7-1E | - Q74 |  |
| W Jameot fremm | -K962 |  |
| - A96542 |  | -KQJ1087 |
| -AJ5 | Round | - |
| * 6 | 6 | -KJ109 |
| *A105 |  | -874 |
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| - | - Q9742 |  |
| $\square$ | - A8532 |  |
| y Leomemi S | - QJ3 | ${ }^{*}{ }^{*}{ }^{\circ}$ |

Freeman must have been elated to see his poartner open 1S on Board 58.

His 2NT response showed a limit raise plus. 3D promised shortness somewhere and extras?? 3H asked and 3 S showed a non-specific void. 4C showed serious interest and the rest were cues.

It would seem like the disaster of 75 could have been avoided with an ace asking bid at some point. The good news for E/W is that a club lead stops even 65 from making.

Lebowitz led a heart. Finn won the ace in dummy. He pulled one trump and led a diamond to the jack. When that lost to the ace, he was able to ruff out the DQ and pitch both his clubs for down one.

The bad news for E/W was that their counterparts doubled Dinkin and Shuster in 6H and scored +800 .

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| *A105 |  | -874 |
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Shuster overcalled 3D showing 5+ diamonds and 4+ hearts and $10+$ points. (To Shuster's credit, he said "usually" $10+$ in his explanation...).

Rosenberg/Grossack explored for slam. 4NT asked for keycards. Rosenberg's Pass over the 5H interference showed an odd number of keycards.

When Shuster ventured 6H, Grossack doubled.

6H went light three vulnerable tricks. Rosenberg led a club. Zach inserted the ten and Dinkin won the king. Dinkin played a heart to the queen and ace and Zach exited with his singleton diamond. At this point the defense was poised with one club, one heart, and two diamonds for the three trick set.

14 IMPs to Liebowitz

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| Bd 76, Dir W | -KJ10 |  |
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| - A84 |  | - 10653 |
| -A6 | Round | - 985432 |
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| $\square$ | -10984 |  |
| Maty Haris $S$ | -K63 |  |

Mark was forced to play a club from his QJ52 through declarer's AT9 toward dummy's K63. He chose the most deceptive option of the jack but Miriam was up to the play. She won the king in dummy. Finessed against the CQ to get back to her hand and claimed nine tricks! 11 IMPs to Harris

## Alerts \& Explanations

When it is your turn to bid, your bidding box appears above your hand. It looks like this:


To Alert the bid you want to make click on the "ALERT" flag before you bid. To explain the bid you are about to make, type the explanation into the box that says "Explain bid here." The line below the explanation box has suit symbols - click on one of them to include it in the explanation or type ! and the initial letter of the suit. If the explanation you are about to make is one you made previously (for practice "previously" means during this session of play; we hope that for the real event it will include all previous sessions), you do not have to re-type it. Click on that square to the right of the club symbol to get to a library of previous explanations. Click on one to put it in the explanation box. Once you have explained and/or alerted, click on a bidding card to make your bid. You only need to alert if your are not explaining - an explanation without an alert will look the same to your opponents and in the bidding record as an explanation with an alert.


[^0]:    If you're holding a bee, what is in your eye? - Beauty ... Beauty is in the eye of the bee-holder.
    I'm thinking of expanding into glass coffins. Will the business take off? Remains to be seen.

    Our office defibrillator didn't work. Nobody was shocked.

