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We Remember:



♦ K76 N Roger McNay ♥A962 Bd 42, Dlr E ◆ AK98 3NT-1 N *QJ W Kerry Smith Dick Bruno E 1043 ♦ 9852 KQ1083 **♥** J5 **♦**76 ◆ J42 *****1096 *AK84 AQJ 0 1NT P **7**4 0 3NT > Q1053 **♣**7532 Eric Stoltz

The Road to the Round of 16

Dunitz	Vogel	Itabashi	Jacobs
W	N	Е	S
		Р	Р
Р	1NT	Р	2♠*
Р	3♦*	Р	3NT
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On Board 42 from the final round of RR2 on Monday, Vogel and Jacobs had the auction to themselves.

1NT showed 15-17. 2S was a size ask, a diamond bust or MSS. 3D showed a max with 4 diamonds. Jacobs bid the NT game.

Itabashi, having no reason not to lead 4th from his longest and strongest, led the C4. Not a good time to uphold the tradition... Claude won the CJ from his QJ tight and claimed one club, four diamonds, one heart and three spades for NINE!

At the other table, after a long day of struggling to Q, Kerry Smith decided to create some action by opening the West hand 1H. His five to the KQ and out was light even for third seat!

Stoltz and McNay, having no respect for Kerry's opener, bid to 3NT but Bruno, unlike Itabashi, had a reason NOT to lead his 4th best club. Bruno led the H5 from J5 doubleton in partner's suit. Smith inserted the queen and McNay ducked. Smith returned another heart and McNay ducked to Buno's jack. Bruno shifted to spades. McNay won in dummy and played four rounds of diamonds. He cashed the two high spades and the HA to come to this position:

N: S Void H9 D Void CQJ

W: S Void HK D Void CT9

E:S9 H Void D Void CQJ

S:S Void H Void D Void C753

The defense had the last three tricks for 12 IMPs and a 5 IMP match win! The were the last qualifier by 3 VPs!

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Alert!

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James Holzhauer
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is commenting on RealBridge
at 12:15 Pacific time
Quarter 2 of the J Lall Event

Tournament Schedule

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ROUND OF 16									
FRIDAY	APRIL 16	1:00 - 2:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14						
		3:00 - 4:45	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28						
			BREAK						
		5:30 - 7:15	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42						
		7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56						
QUARTERFINAL									
SATURDAY	APRIL 17	1:00 - 2:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14						
		3:00 - 4:45	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28						
			BREAK						
		5:30 - 7:15	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42						
		7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56						
SEMIFINAL									
SUNDAY	APRIL 18	1:00 - 2:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14						
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			BREAK						
		5:30 - 7:15	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42						
		7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56						
FINAL (WILL CHANGE IF TEAMS WANT 60 OR 64 BOARDS)									
MONDAY	APRIL 19	1:00 - 2:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14						
	23	3:00 - 4:45	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28						
			BREAK						
		5:30 - 7:15	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42						
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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.

Ethics Statement

Ethics - We're not trying to provide the same security for this event as we have for online events to select USBF International teams. However, the provisions of the USBF General Conditions of Contest regarding ethical obligations and possible penalties 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 Board of Directors, who may place a player on probation, suspend, or expel a player for cause.

2021 Committee is: Dana Berkowitz, Eugene Hung, Roger Lee, Chip Martel, Steve Weinstein, Jenny Wolpert

Teams Remaining

Dawson	Dennis Dawson, Capt	Charlie Wilkins
	Mark Itabashi	Mitch Dunitz
	Roger McNay	Eric Stoltz
Donner	Gary Donner, Capt	Sandra Rimstedt
20	Jacob Freeman	Finn Kolesnik
	Radu Nistor	Iulian Rotaru
Goodman	Andy Goodman	Steve Zolotow
Goodinan	Anam Tebha, Capt	Kevin Dwyer
	Shan Huang	Reviii Divyei
Jacobs	George Jacobs, Capt	Claude Vogel
Jacobs	Dick Bruno	Kerry Smith
	Steve Beatty	Fred Stewart
W-1!	•	
Kolesnik	Alex Kolesnik, Capt	Michael Xu
	Bob Etter	Bill Harker
	Andrew Gumperz	Phil Clayton
Lall	Hemant Lall	Reese Milner
	Naren Gupta	Zia Mahmood
	Bob Hamman	Peter Weichsel
	Petra Hamman, NPC	
Levine	Mike Levine	Eddie Wold
	Jeff Meckstroth	Eric Rodwell
	Mark Lair	Mike Passell
	Bob Morris, NPC	
Martel	Chip Martel, Capt	Marty Fleisher
	Bart Bramley	Kit Woolsey
	Brian Platnick	John Diamond
Merblum	Frank Merblum, Capt	Walter Lee
	John Lusky	Allan Falk
	Doug Simson	Jeff Aker
Moss	Sylvia Moss, Capt	Roger Lee
	Joe Grue	Brad Moss
	Daniel Korbel	Ish DelMonte
Nickell	Nick Nickell	Ralph Katz
	Bobby Levin	Steve Weinstein
	Geoff Hampson	Eric Greco
	Jill Levin, NPC	
Onstott	John Onstott, Capt	Jacob Morgan
	Drew Casen	Jim Krekorian
	Chris Compton	Venkatrao Koner
Parker	Stewart Rubenstein, Capt	Christina Parker
runci	Joel Wooldridge	David Grainger
	Adam Grossack	Zach Grossack
Rasmussen	Jim Rasmussen, Capt	Anton Tsypkin
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Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt	Aaron Silverstein
kosentnai	Chris Willenken	
		Eldad Ginossar
	Migry Campanile	David Berkowitz
Smith	Ron Smith	Billy Cohen
	Linda Lewis, Capt	Disa Eythorsdott
l	Doug Doub	Paul Lewis

1 Merblum/Rasmussen

2 Levine/Jacobs

3 Nickell/Dawson

4 Donner/Kolesnik

5 Martel/Onstott

6 Rosenthal/Goodman

7 Moss/Parker

8 Lall/Smith

Today's Matchups Top 8 Seeds Numbered

Kibitzing on VuGraph...

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE KO (EDT)

Quarter 1: 1:15 pm Quarter 2: 3:15 pm

BREAK

Quarter 3: 7:15 Quarter 4: 9:15



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

To kibitz, go to **kibitzrealbridge.online**, enter your name and click on Log In. That will take you to a screen where you can select the event to kibitz.

After you select Kibitz JLall Online Teams #3, 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 playing (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 do not get to hear or see the players yet (that's coming).

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.

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 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 for the Round Robin will not include scores from previous rounds).
- ----Click on the yellow box with 3 bulleted lines to get Cross-IMPs 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.

TIMING OF DELAY

The Round Robin matches will be delayed until each round is completed.

The first half KO matches will be delayed until each board has been played at all tables, so there may sometimes be a period when nothing new is being shown because one or two tables are slow to play the board. For the second half of the KO matches, the delay will be until the quarter has been completed. That means that the 3rd quarter kibitzing will start at 7:15 EDT.

ALERT: We want to welcome Chris Wiegand to the USBF Tournament Team. Chris is taking over VuGraph Organization for this event and for future USBF Online Events. Starting today, Chris's plans include voice commentary on the VuGraph broadcast. There will be 2 voice commentators at each of 1 or 2 tables (or even more depending on the response to this message). Look for Chris's article on Bridge Winners explaining her plans in detail.

Anyone who would like to participate in the Voice Commentary is requested to contact Chris at mrsbing2005 at gmail.com.

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[1B] Wellbeing & Bridge

16:30 (BST UK) / 11:30 (EDT)
Keynote: Prof Martin Seligman (USA)
Bridge at the Top (Jill Levin & Chip Martel)

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[3B] Gender, Sexism & Bridge 15:00 (BST UK) / 10:00 (EDT)

Panel 1 Women's Bridge: Pros & Cons Panel 2 Sexism within the Game: Solutions?

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[2A] Covid Impacts on Bridge 11:30 (BST UK) / 06:30 (EDT)

[2B] Digital Bridge & Cheating 19:30 (BST UK) / 14:30 (EDT)

Panel: Jan Kamras (EBL), Eric Laurant (WBF) Boye Brogeland & Steve Weinstein [4A] New Approaches to Recruitment

13:00 (BST UK) / 08:00 (EDT)

Panel 1 Teaching & Retaining Learners
Panel 2 How to get more Bridge into Schools

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[4B] Marketing Bridge 16:30 (BST UK)/11:30 (EDT)

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round the World of Bridge News..

Limey Jack...

Cheerio Colonials:

The round of 16 is upon us and Limey Jack is dedicated to helping you relieve your punter of a few shillings. Howie Dung will choose all the favourites but Limey Jack actually knows the outs and ins and will keep your as warm as the Yorkshire Pudding on the Parson's mantle.

Merblum-Rasmussen: Rasmussen is quite the unknown with no household names, yet have comported themselves well. Alas, they are no Maid Marion and fall to the solid Merblum squad.

Lall-Smith: In the first upset of the knockouts Smith knocks Limey Jack's beloved Zia off the bridge as Friar Tuck did to Robin of Locksley.

Donner-Kolesnik: In the second upset Kolesnik shows why a lorry does not always run over a hare.

Martel-Onstott: This match shows true to form as Onstott falls behind and cannot make up enough ground,

Nickell-Dawson: Nickell with the whip in the air. A withdrawal is in the offing.

Moss-Parker: In the 3rd match to go topsy turvy, Parker upends the heavily favoured Moss Squad,

Levine-Jacobs: This tilt should go as per their standings. Levine has extra wood but best keep their eyes peeled.

Howie Dung will lead you astray and hurt your ears to boot. Limey Jack is the best and shows it,

Cheers.

Howie Doing ...

Merblum be drillin' Tsypkin and Silin.

Jacobs will whine,
When he falls to Levine!

Dawson is fickle...

No match for Frank Nickell!

Leaving with honor Will be Gary Donner...

Clayton and Etter
Need play a bit better!

Compton and crew Are totally through!

Onstott's no fit
For Bramley and Kit!

Say good-bye Huang. The fat lady sang!

A Moss-Loss is due, Good night Mr. Grue!

If it is right
To bid very light...

The team coming back Will be Adam and Zack.

Smith wants a piece
Of Hemant and Reese.

They will be jamming'
To oust Mr. Hamman.

Be cheering... not booing... For ME: Howie Doing!

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

CRISPY ASIAN RIBS Servings: 4-6

Ribs:

3 racks of baby back ribs

8 peeled and smashed garlic cloves

1/2 cup sliced fresh ginger plus

6 scallions, thinly sliced white and green parts separated

4 star anise pods

1 1/2 cups soy sauce

1/2 cup dry white wine

Zest and juice from 1 navel orange

1 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup cilantro stems

1/4 cup coarsely chopped cilantro

Sauce:

2 tablespoons canola oil

6 minced garlic cloves

1/4 cup minced ginger

2 cups lightly packed brown sugar

1 cup ketchup

1 cup hoisin sauce

Crispy Coating:

Canola oil

1/2 cup All-purpose flour

1/2 cup cornstarch

Directions:

Prepare ribs: Remove the membrane from the back of the ribs with a butter knife and a paper towel. Slice ribs into sections of two.

Arrange the ribs standing up along the outer edge of the Instant Pot or pressure cooker, making a wall (ring) with the meat side of the ribs facing out. Continue with the remaining ribs, arranging them to make circles. Add the remaining 10 ingredients to the center of the pot and add enough water to fill up pot. Close lid and cook for 30 minutes. Allow the pressure to release naturally.

Let ribs cool in fridge or in the pot for a few hours. I usually let mine cool overnight. This helps the ribs firm up.

Meanwhile, in a large saucepan, heat canola oil to medium-high. Add the minced garlic and ginger and cook over moderately high heat, stirring, until fragrant, about 1 minute.

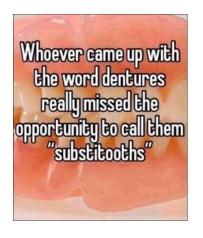
Add the brown sugar, ketchup and hoisin sauce and bring to a boil. Cook over medium heat for 10 minutes, be sure to stir frequently, so sauce doesn't stick to the bottom of the pan. Remove from heat. Taste for seasoning.

Heat a shallow frying pan with oil to 375 F.

Whisk the flour with the cornstarch. Working in batches, remove ribs from pot and dry and slice into individual ribs. Toss the ribs in the flour mixture and shake off the excess. Shallow fry ribs, turning until each side until golden. Transfer the ribs to paper towels to drain briefly, then brush them with sauce and serve.

Note: If you prefer not to deep fry, you can always remove the ribs, dry them and brush with sauce and cook under broiler to crisp up. If you don't have a pressure cooker, you can braise the ribs in a covered roasting pan at 400 F for 2 hours. Be sure to cover the ribs with extra water to stop them from drying out.







Ed. Note:

With the delayed broadcasting and the use of the Round Robin, it will be especially challenging to write up the hands. If anyone has a hand of interest, please submit it to me at stansubeck@prodigy.net. I also welcome any human interest stories, news or gossip!!

Thanks.

Suzi



LEMON AND BLUEBERRY CAKE WITH VANILLA GLAZE

3 cup All Purpose flour

1 (3.4 oz) package instant vanilla pudding

½ tsp salt

14 tsp baking soda

1½ cup butter softened

2¾ cup granulated sugar

1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract

6 large eggs

1 (8 oz.) package sour cream

2 Tbsp fresh lemon zest

1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries

Glaze:

- 1 ½ cups powdered sugar
- 2 Tbsp fresh lemon juice, more if needed to thin
- 1 Tbsp butter melted
- 1 tsp vanilla extract or paste

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 325°F. Butter and flour a bundt or cake pan. Set aside.

Place two tablespoons flour in a separate bowl for blueberries.

Sift together the rest of the flour, vanilla pudding mix, salt and baking soda.

Cream together the softened butter, granulated sugar and vanilla. Beat for 2-3 minutes until light and pale yellow in color.

Add the eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Stop and scrape the sides of the bowl as needed.

Lower the speed of the mixer and add the sifted dry ingredients alternately with the sour cream. Mix until fully combined.

Toss blueberries with the reserved 2 tablespoons flour. Add blueberries and fresh lemon zest to batter by hand and fold until evenly mixed.

Pour into the prepared cake pan and place into the oven.

Bake for 1 hour 20 minutes to 1 hour 30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes back clean.

Cool in the pan on a wire rack for 15 minutes. Remove cake from pan.

To prepare the glaze: Mix together the powdered sugar, lemon juice, melted butter and vanilla extract. Drizzle over the cooled cake.



VEGETABLE FRIED RICE WITH SUNNY SIDE-UP EGG

Servings: 4-6

8 tablespoons peanut oil or canola oil

3 tablespoons minced garlic

3 tablespoons minced ginger

1 tablespoon salt

2 cups thinly sliced leeks, white and light green parts only

1 small bag of frozen pea and carrots mix

4 cups cooked rice

2 tablespoon oyster sauce

2 tablespoons light soy sauce

1/2 teaspoon white pepper

4 large eggs

2 teaspoons sesame oil



Directions:

In a large skillet heat 1/4 cup oil over medium-high heat. Add garlic and ginger, stirring regularly as to not burn. Look for a golden, crisp texture. With a slotted spoon, transfer to paper towels and salt lightly.

Reduce the heat in the pan to medium and add 2 tablespoons oil, leeks. Cook about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally until vegetables are very tender. You are not looking to brown them. Season lightly with salt.

Raise heat to medium and add cooked rice and frozen peas/carrots. Cook, stirring well, until heated through. Season with oyster sauce, soy sauce and white pepper. Take a taste and check the seasoning and feel free to add more soy sauce or salt and pepper.

In a nonstick skillet over a medium-high heat, fry eggs in remaining oil sunny-side-up until edges are set but yolk is soft.

Divide rice among four dishes. Top each with one egg and 1/2 teaspoon sesame oil. Garnish with crispy garlic and ginger to serve.

The machine at the coin factory just suddenly stopped working, with no explanation. It doesn't make any cents.

Sleeping comes so naturally to me, I could do it with my eyes closed



In the actual situation where East holds Qxx of clubs, the hand is still cold if the HK falls in four rounds or the diamond finesse is working. Declarer gets to test both... hearts first, then diamonds if necessary.

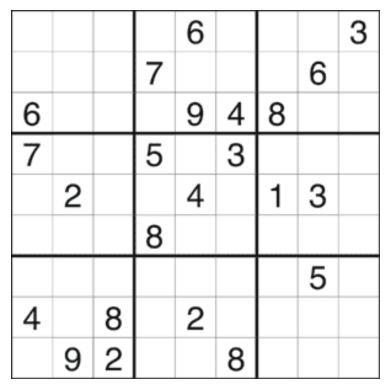
On the spade lead made at Hemant's table, declarer wins the SA, played a club to the ace, ruffed a heart and played a club to the nine. Declarer ruffed another heart and played a club to the king. The HA was cashed and when the king fell, declarer had his 13 tricks.

If the king does not fall on the third round, declarer will ruff another round of hearts. If hearts do not break 4-3, declarer will cash the DA, trump a spade in dummy and take the diamond finesse.

Hemant and Reese bid the grand, missed by their North/South counterparts at the other table, winning 13 IMPs in the process!

At the other table, West stuck in a 2S preempt which East raised to three. This gave South a problem. He took a stab at 6C. North was worried about a trump loser and did not raise to the grand.

Lall's team put on maximum pressure and it paid off nicely.



Sudoku 2

Sudoku

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Sudoku 1

Sudoku Answers on Page 13

Riddle: What English word has three consecutive double letters?

Answer: Bookkeeper

either month?

Answer: The letter "R"

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SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on page 12

Fun and Games Page

Dance Crazes - Word Search

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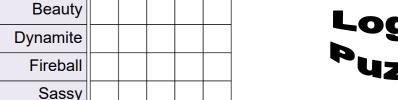
JUMP UP LINDY HOP LOCKING MOONWALK **NEON STYLE** ROBOT THE HUSTLE

THE JERK THE TWIST **THRILLER VOGUE WATUSI YMCA ZUMBA**

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Answers on page 10





Sunny

Cindy had horseback riding lessons twice a week and she loved them. Her riding instructor told her that she had a natural talent for riding. She'd been riding for several years now and had graduated to a smaller, more advanced class. The students in her class all had their own horses and by some strange coincidence, all of the horses had different coloring. Determine the first name and age of each student in Cindy's class (the students were between 17 and 22 years old), and the name and coloring of each student's horse.

- 1. Cindy didn't ride a white horse but she was 17 years old. Tracy didn't ride Fireball.
- 2. Tony was older than the student riding Fireball but he was also two years younger than the student riding the pinto.
- 3. Sunny was a white horse but he wasn't ridden by Tracy. The 19-year-old student rode Dynamite, who wasn't a palomino.
- 4. Linda didn't ride Sassy, whose coloring wasn't sorrel.
- 5. The palomino was ridden by Tom, who was two years older than the student riding Beauty.
- 6. The student, who wasn't Linda, riding the black horse was two years older than Fireball's rider.

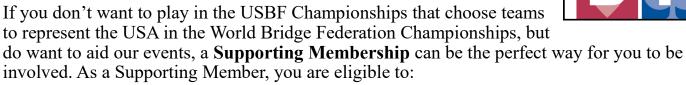
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USBF Supporting Membership



- 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 membership. 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 conference 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.



Paul Lewis, of Sioux Falls, S.D., is a successful businessman and a long-time contributor to USD athletics.

Initially attending Washington University in St. Louis where he played golf, Lewis transferred to USD and earned a B.S. in political science in 1973 and a J.D. in law in 1976.

Lewis was an associate with Davenport, Evans, Hurwitz & Smith, in Sioux Falls where he drafted documents for the Dakota Dome Development Corporation under the direction of Richard Cutler.

From 1978-84, he was a professional bridge player.

Since 1984, he has served as vice-chairman/chairman of the First State Bank of Armour, S.D., and has been president of PAL, Inc., of Sioux Falls (property management and development company).

He was president of the Bank of the Desert in LaQuinta, Calif., from 1988-91.

His association with The U includes serving as the chair-elect of the USD Foundation. A member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, he has been a USD Foundation Trustee since the 1980s.

Lewis has served as chair of the USD Investment Committee since the early 1990s and a member of the USD Foundation's Executive Committee since 2005. His father, H. Lauren Lewis, is one of the founding partners for the DakotaDome. The USD football field (in the Dakota Dome) is named for Paul's father. Lewis, who has competed in several Ironman triathlon competitions, has also participated in four marathons.



Meet the Players



Paul served for several years as Chairman of the ACBL Hall of Fame Committee. He took a sabbatical from the HOF group and is returning this year.

Paul and wife, Linda, an excellent player in her own right, won the Mixed Board A Match Teams with Sheila Gabay and Victor King a few years ago.

In this event, Paul and Linda are members of the Smith team.