



We Remember:



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	W Allan Falk ♠ 765 ♥ J4 ♦ AJ86 ♣ KJ94	E hyang ♠ J43 ♥ Q10862 ♦ 32 ♣ A72
	S Anthonyf ♠ KQ1082 ♥ A53 ♦ 94 ♣ 1053	3NT N NS: 0 EW: 0

Playing in an OCBL match on Wednesday afternoon against Peter Crouch and Tony Forrester, one of Britain's finest pairs, Allan Falk made a stellar defensive play to defeat 3NT on Board 5 of the first match.

Yang led the H6. Crouch ducked in dummy and won the king in his hand. Crouch played five rounds of spades on which Yang discarded the H2 followed by the D3 (UDCA). Declarer discarded the D7,D5 and H7. Falk discarded the D6 and D8 to produce this position:

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When the D4 was led from dummy, Falk rose with the DA and played the CJ!! Declarer was surrounded! Crouch ducked the CJ and Falk continued with the C4. Crouch ducked again. Yang astutely won the CA and played a club to Falk's CK and C9. +100 E/W

At the other table Falk's teammate, K.F. Mak, rose with the HA at trick one, concealing his king. Mak played the D9 to his king and ran the spades. When West discarded a club on the fourth round of spades, the contract could no longer be defeated. After running the spades, declarer led the D4. West won the DA and continued hearts. Mak took nine tricks for +600 N/S and 12 IMPs to the Falk team.

Falk is playing in the JLall5 on the Lusky team.

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Teams Entered...

J LALLS

There are 32 teams entered and listed in alphabetic order.

Bacon	John Bacon, Capt Fred Schenker Stelian Hritcu	Bernie Greenspan Ken Kranyak
Baseggio	Franco Baseggio, Capt Jeff Roman Alex Kolesnik	Andy Stark Ralph Buchalter Steve Price
Bauer	Tracey Bauer, Capt John McAllister	Nicolas Hammond Lilly Justman
Beatty	Steve Beatty, Capt Doug Doub Bob Blanchard	Fred Stewart Yiji Starr Bill Pollack
Bishel	Tom Bishel, Capt John Hinton	John Bishel Jerry Clerkin
Bramley	Bart Bramley, Capt Peter Boyd Chip Martel	Kit Woolsey Steve Robinson Mark Feldman
Brines	Tracy Brines, Capt Ethan Wood Peter Boyd-Bowman	Joyce Goldstein Jane McLaughlin Alix Taylor
Cappelli	Bob Cappelli, Capt Gloria Bart	Mark Aquino Les Bart
Carmichael	Tom Carmichael, Capt Jenni Carmichael	Nathan Gong Arthur Gong
Dawson	Dennis Dawson, Capt Mark Itabashi Ifti Baqai	Charlie Wilkins Disa Eythorsdottir Mitch Dunitz
Donnelly	Chris Donnelly, Capt Eric Genheimer Kyle Rockoff	Sarik Goyal Joe Veal Daniel Weiss
Donner	Gary Donner, Capt Joe Grue	Sandra Rimstedt Brad Moss Janice Molson
Fox	Jim Fox, Capt Allan Graves Wayne Stuart	Jerry Helms Neil Chambers Jon Rice
Greenspan	Jon Greenspan, Capt Glenn Eisenstein Geof Brod	Phil Benner John Rengstorff Pat McDevitt
Hill	Joyce Hill, Capt Shan Huang John Hurd	Kevin Dwyer Kevin Bathurst
Lall	Hemant Lall, Capt Brian Platnick Jim Krekorian	Reese Milner John Diamond Drew Casen
Levine	Mike Levine Jeff Meckstroth Mike Passell Bob Morris, NPC	Eddie Wold David Berkowitz Mark Lair
Lewis	Paul Lewis, Capt Ron Smith	Linda Lewis Josh Donn
Lo	Ai-Tai Lo, Capt David Yang JoAnna Stansby	David Chechelashvili Jonathan Weinstein Li-Chung Chen
Lusky	John Lusky, Capt Frank Merblum Doug Simson	Allan Falk Walter Lee Jeff Aker



Naren Gupta Team	Vinita Gupta Daniel Korbel Michael Rosenberg Ash Gupta, NPC	Zia Mahmood Roger Lee Zach Grossack
Nickell	Nick Nickell Bobby Levin Eric Greco Jill Levin, NPC	Ralph Katz Steve Weinstein Geoff Hampson
Parker	Stewart Rubenstein, Capt Adam Grossack Joel Wooldridge	Chris Parker David Grainger
Rasmussen	Jim Rasmussen, Capt Melody Bi Maxim Silin	Anton Tsyarkin Alan Watson Carrie Liu
Reynolds	Tom Reynolds, Capt Bill Hall Randy Howard	Lance Kerr Joe Viola Hank Youngerman
Rosenberg	Kevin Rosenberg, Capt Finn Kolesnik Brent Xiao	Cynthia Huang Ish DelMonte Cornelius Duffie
Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt Chris Willenken Eldad Ginossar	Debbie Rosenberg Migry Campanile Dana Berkowitz
Stokes	Cheri Bjerkan, Capt Amber Lin Shawn Quinn	Emma Kolesnik Rozanne Pollack Pam Wittes
Tebha	Anam Tebha, Capt Andy Goodman Christal Henner	Steve Zolotow Craig Ganzer Uday Ivatury
Vance	Grant Vance, Capt Farid Assemi Edward Wojewoda	Jessica Lai Jim Slinger Leszek Rabięga
Xiao	Victor Xiao, Capt Jeff Xiao Yaning Zhou	Eric Xiao Dawei Qi Meiyan Duan
Zhang	Qiang Zhang, Capt Jun Shi Serena Guo	Brian Zhang Steve Chen Ethan Liu

Brackets:

CEOS	MAYORS
Bacon	Baseggio
Bauer	Bramley
Beatty	Brines
Bishel	Cappelli
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Hill	Donner
Lo	Greenspan
Lusky	Lall
Naren Gupta Team	Levine
Nickell	Lewis
Parker	Reynolds
Rasmussen	Rosenberg
Rosenthal	Stokes
Xiao	Tebha
Zhang	Vance



Tournament Schedule

ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 1			
DAY	DATE	TIME - EDT	BOARDS
FRIDAY	JAN 14	11:45 AM	CAPTAINS' MEETING WITH DIC (ON ZOOM)
FRIDAY	JAN 14	12:00 - 1:15	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10
		1:35 - 2:50	ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20
		3:10 - 4:25	ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 50 MINUTE BREAK
		5:15 - 6:30	ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40
		6:50 - 8:05	ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
SATURDAY	JAN 15	12:00 - 1:15	ROUND 6 - BOARDS 51-60
		1:35 - 2:50	ROUND 7 - BOARDS 61-70
		3:10 - 4:25	ROUND 8 - BOARDS 71-80 50 MINUTE BREAK
		5:15 - 6:30	ROUND 9 - BOARDS 1-10
		6:50 - 8:05	ROUND 10 - BOARDS 11-20
SUNDAY	JAN 16	12:00 - 1:15	ROUND 11 - BOARDS 21-30
		1:35 - 2:50	ROUND 12 - BOARDS 31-40
		3:10 - 4:25	ROUND 13 - BOARDS 41-50 50 MINUTE BREAK
		5:15 - 6:30	ROUND 14 - BOARDS 51-60
		6:50 - 8:05	ROUND 15 - BOARDS 61-70
ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 2			
MONDAY	JAN 17	12:00 - 1:15	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10
		1:35 - 2:50	ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20
		3:10 - 4:25	ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 50 MINUTE BREAK
		5:15 - 6:30	ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40
		6:50 - 8:05	ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
KO CAPTAINS' MEETING ON ZOOM			
TUESDAY	JAN 18	12:00 NOON	
ROUND OF 16			
FRIDAY	JAN 21	12:00 - 1:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14
		2:05 - 3:50	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 50 MINUTE BREAK
		4:40 - 6:25	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42
		6:45 - 8:30	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
QUARTERFINAL			
SATURDAY	JAN 22	12:00 - 1:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14
		2:05 - 3:50	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 50 MINUTE BREAK
		4:40 - 6:25	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42
		6:45 - 8:30	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
SEMIFINAL			
SUNDAY	JAN 23	12:00 - 1:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14
		2:05 - 3:50	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 50 MINUTE BREAK
		4:40 - 6:25	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42
		6:45 - 8:30	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
FINAL			
MONDAY	JAN 24	12:00 - 1:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14
		2:05 - 3:50	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 50 MINUTE BREAK
		4:40 - 6:25	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42
		6:45 - 8:30	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56

USBF 10 Board victory Point Scale

10 Boards (Blitz is 48 IMPs)								
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

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.

2022 Committee is: **Dana Berkowitz, Eugene Hung, Roger Lee, Chip Martel, Steve Weinstein, Jenny Wolpert**

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.



Kibitzing on VuGraph...

THERE WILL BE DEFERRED KIBITZING FOR ALL OF THE JLALL5 EVENT.

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE ROUND ROBIN (EST)

The schedule will be the same each day:

Round 1: 1:15pm

Round 2: 2:50 pm

Round 3: 4:25 pm

Round 4: 6:30 pm

Round 5: 8:05 pm

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE KO (EST)

Quarter 1: 12:30 pm

Quarter 2: 2:35 pm

BREAK

Quarter 3: 6:25 pm

Quarter 4: 8:30 pm



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

To kibitz, go to [the RealBridge kibitzing website](#), 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 #5, you will be taken to a lobby with a list of tables on the left and a chat box and list of people on the right. The table listing shows the team & player names at each table, as well as the board being played. There will be information about the number of kibitzers and whether there is audio/video commentary (a picture of a TV means there is). Click on a table to kibitz it.

At the table, you will see a hand diagram, and the bidding and play as it happened.

There is a chat window on the right of the screen. You 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/Explained. Click on the bid to see the explanation.

-- "Rewind" using the slider underneath the "table." Move the handle to the left to go to earlier tricks.

-- Click on the "Scores" button to the left of the South player's name to get a scorecard for the match.

----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 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 should you want to check on scores before deciding which table to watch.

TIMING OF DEFERRAL

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

The first half KO matches will be deferred for half an hour or 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 very slow to play the board. **For the second half of the KO matches, the delay will be until the quarter is scheduled to be completed, so players will not be able to get useful state of match information. That means that the 3rd quarter kibitzing will start at 6:25 EST.**



USBF News...

The USBF held its first meeting of 2022 Wednesday afternoon. The new officers were elected (see page 5 of the PreBulletin). The 2022 General Conditions of Contest and the 2022 Open USBC Conditions of Contest were approved. USBF Committees were formed and tentative committee assignments were suggested. Much discussion of the format for USBCs ensued. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting.

WBF News... Latest Security and Covid Protocols for the March Event

The following protocols will be in place for the entirety of the Championships. All participants should check back regularly for any updates to these WBF protocols. Updates will be clearly shown with the date of publication. NBOs, players and officials are responsible for informing themselves of all relevant WBF, national and international regulations and requirements.

As at 23 December 2021 the information is as follows:

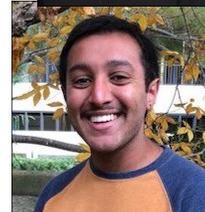
Entry regulations (including vaccinations) in force in Italy at the time will obviously be respected. The website for this information is

: <https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/dettaglioContenutiNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english&id=5412&area=nuovoCoronavirus&menu=vuoto>

This link is provided for convenience. The WBF makes no representations as to the accuracy or completeness of the contents.

1. Face masks properly covering both nose and mouth must be worn at all times by all persons in the playing area.
2. Only players lined up for the match, NPCs, operating staff and authorized officers will be able to access the venue. No spectators will be permitted at any time.
3. All those entering the playing area (see item 3 above) will have their temperature checked. If this indicates an elevated temperature they will not be permitted to enter the area, and must isolate and submit to the required controls in force in Italy.
4. If during playing time anyone displays any symptoms of malaise, potentially attributable to Covid, they must isolate and submit to the required controls in force in Italy.
5. At the end of each session everyone must leave the venue to allow the necessary cleansing operations by the operations staff (time required expected to be no more than ten minutes).
6. Special playing-tables of 1.50 sq meters with special screens and lower dividers will be used.
7. Full sets of boards at each table, so cards are only touched by one player.
8. Bidding boxes and Bridgemates (also only touched by one player) will be changed every session through the event.
9. Increased space between tables, expected to allow 25 sq meters per table.
10. No Opening Ceremony, Vu-graph or other such gatherings. Welcome at the Captains meeting (accessible only to Captains and authorised personnel). Prize-giving with the medallists and authorized persons to be conducted online.

Concerning security, for the first time all tables will be monitored by cameras and recorded.



Wins

- North American Bridge Championships
 - Smith Life Master Women's Pairs 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2009
 - Machlin Women's Swiss Teams 1997, 1999, 2003, 2006, 2010
 - Wagar Women's Knockout Teams 1996, 1997, 2006, 2012
 - Keohane North American Swiss Teams 2005
 - Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams 1998, 2000, 2002

Runners-up

- North American Bridge Championships
 - Whitehead Women's Pairs 1999
 - Machlin Women's Swiss Teams 2004, 2012
 - Wagar Women's Knockout Teams 2000, 2009, 2011
 - Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams 1997, 2003
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Meet the Players: Shawn Quinn

Excerpted and summarized from an article by **MARY ANN FERGUS, 2001 Houston Chronicle Feb. 15, 2001:**

...**Shawn Quinn's** mother loved bridge... As a child, Quinn had known a bridge game was imminent by the aroma wafting from her mother's kitchen. She and her two brothers were not allowed to watch as her parents entertained a half-dozen couples or more with dinner and bridge games in the family's Southern California home. They were considered "too distracting."

During her teens, Quinn became a bridge caddy, picking up score cards and cleaning ashtrays at bridge club meetings and tournaments to earn "good money" -- but ignoring the card game itself in favor of her own hobbies: softball, soccer and field hockey. When Quinn took up bridge, she wasn't sure it would work, or that she'd even like the game.

At her very first lesson, she got hooked!. She became obsessed with practicing and testing her skills, visiting the local bridge club five or six nights a week to play with anyone willing to take on a novice. Eventually, Quinn traveled to tournaments throughout California. She read bridge books and magazines. She even dreamed about bridge -- sometimes having nightmares about a hand that she could have played differently.

Quinn began making career decisions based on her bridge game. She always made it clear that she needed several weeks off each year to travel to bridge tournaments.

In 1989 Shawn met Joe Quinn at a home bridge game. He played a few matches and asked Shawn out on a date.

"She had keen intellect and a good personality, and I didn't think I'd get bored at the dinner table -- and I haven't, actually," said Joe, who courted Shawn through bridge games for several years. They married in 1996, just before the couple moved from Irvine, Calif., to Katy, TX.

Joe Quinn, a high-ranked bridge player himself, saw that Shawn had the talent and the discipline needed to become a top-level competitor. He encouraged her to start playing at national tournaments, and since 1991 she has won 13 titles. She has also played on two world championship teams, earned a world pairs championship title and was named the No. 1 women's world bridge player in the 2000 Olympiad in the Netherlands.

One Sunday, Quinn played some of the best bridge players in the country at a regional tournament at the Adam's Mark Hotel in Houston. It was the last day of a tournament that drew more than 1,200 people from across the country. Quinn and partner Mildred Breed's success in the bridge world means they're often paid to play in tournaments like this one.

Speaking of Quinn, Robin Klar, one of Quinn's teammates from the USA team that won the World Women's Team Bridge 2000 Olympiad in the Netherlands, said, "You can just look at her and know you're in trouble..."

Ira Hessel, a chemistry professor at the University of Texas in San Antonio, has known Quinn for many years and has played bridge with her husband, Joe, for more. Hessel recalls playing as Shawn Quinn's partner against two of the world's top players in a 1993 tournament in San Antonio.

Shawn had to make difficult decisions on several hands that would earn her and her team many points. "What I noticed in those hands was how alive Shawn became," recalled Hessel. "She was so intense, it was almost like a muted exuberance. She knew she had a chance of beating these guys. Her eyes kind of glowed, she was calculating, you just knew she could make it." And she did.

If Quinn is known for being astute and intense at the table, she is also known as someone who boosts her partners and teammates, as she did in the Netherlands.

Before the world championship, Quinn passed out several pages of notes with supportive mottos and tips on getting the best out of your partner.

"Shawn doesn't let people give up," comments teammate Joan Jackson of Dallas. "You can always turn things around and go for it -- she helps you think that way. It's a mental game."

Bridge partners often compare their relationship to a marriage because they must work peacefully together to solve a series of challenges. Breed, a player for more than 25 years, says her then two-year partnership with Quinn was an especially healthy relationship.

The two have more than 50 pages of system notes they study for several hours before each tournament. "When something bad happens at the table, it doesn't affect Shawn," Breed said. "She's right there at the next hand -- 100 percent."

"There's nothing you can do to repair the situation, you know -- you can't put the toothpaste back in the tube so it's just a matter of damage control," Quinn explains.

As Quinn talks about game strategy, about being prepared for games, accepting failure and moving on, and encouraging her partner -- she espouses the same theories touted by motivational speakers.

Take, for example, her thoughts on losing: "You have to handle not winning because you lose a lot more at bridge than you win. Be 100 percent ready, give 100 percent of yourself and then you won't feel bad." Here's her recall of a sports motto: "You have to practice like you play on game day."

"Bridge is life," Quinn says, emphasizing the "is." "Bridge is life -- magnified." Today Shawn and Joe have an adorable daughter. Will she play bridge? We hope so!



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

Ingredient Checklist

- 8 small, round brioche or buttery dinner rolls, split crosswise
- 6 tablespoons truffle butter or unsalted butter, softened (see Note)
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup minced red onion
- 1/4 cup chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 1/4 cup chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice
- 1/2 Granny Smith apple—quartered lengthwise, cored and thinly sliced crosswise
- Several dashes of hot sauce
- Salt and freshly ground pepper
- 1 pound lump crabmeat, picked over
- 1 1/2 cups shredded Gruyère cheese

Instructions Checklist

- **Step 1**
Preheat the broiler. Spread the cut sides of the brioche with the truffle butter and set on a baking sheet, cut sides up. Broil the rolls 6 inches from the heat, until toasted. Reduce the oven temperature to 400°.
- **Step 2**
In a large bowl, mix the mayonnaise, red onion, parsley, lime juice, apple and hot sauce and season with salt and pepper. Fold in the crabmeat.
- **Step 3**
Set the top halves of the rolls aside. Top the bottoms with the crab salad and sprinkle with the Gruyère. Bake in the upper third of the oven until the cheese is melted. Close the crab melts and serve.

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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.

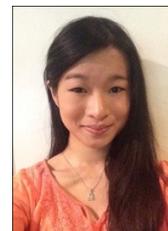


The definition of a perfectionist: someone who wants to go from point A to point A+.

When my local barista handed me my change, one coin stood out. "Look at that. You rarely get one of these old wheat pennies nowadays," I said, tapping the sheaf-of-wheat design. I handed her the penny. Turning it over and over in her hand, she said, "You know, I always thought they were made of copper."

During a job interview at the 99 Cents store, my son was asked, "Where do you see yourself in five years?" My son's reply: "At the Dollar Store." He got the job.

Two guys stole a calendar. They got six months each.



Brioche Crab Melts



Ingredient Checklist

- 10 slices of bacon, 2 slices coarsely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves
- 3 tablespoons dry bread crumbs
- 3 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 3 tablespoons milk
- 1 large egg
- 1/2 teaspoon thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon finely chopped rosemary
- 1/2 teaspoon hot sauce
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- 3/4 pound lean ground sirloin
- 12 slices white or sourdough bread
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 chipotle chile in adobo sauce, stemmed and chopped
- 2 beefsteak tomatoes, thinly sliced
- 4 Bibb or romaine lettuce leaves
- Cornichons and mustard, for serving

Instructions Checklist

- Step 1** Preheat the oven to 375°. Line a baking sheet with a wire rack. In a food processor, pulse the chopped bacon with the garlic cloves until minced. Add the bread crumbs, Parmesan, milk, egg, thyme, rosemary and hot sauce, season generously with salt and pepper and process to a paste. Transfer the paste to a medium bowl and knead in the ground sirloin.
- Step 2** Preheat a griddle or grill pan. Spread the meat mixture evenly on 4 slices of the white bread. Top with another 4 slices of bread and brush both sides of the sandwiches with olive oil. Brush the remaining 4 slices of white bread lightly with olive oil and set aside. Place the sandwiches on the griddle and top with a heavy skillet. Cook over moderate heat, turning the sandwiches once, until they are golden, about 6 minutes total. Transfer the sandwiches to the rack and bake until the meat is cooked through, about 8 minutes longer.
- Step 3** Meanwhile, in a medium skillet, cook the remaining 8 slices of bacon until crisp, about 6 minutes. Drain on paper towels. Toast the remaining 4 slices of white bread on the griddle until golden, about 2 minutes per side.
- Step 4** In a small bowl, blend the mayonnaise with the chopped chipotle chile. Spread the mayonnaise on the meatloaf sandwiches and top with the bacon, tomatoes, lettuce and toasted bread. Cut each sandwich in half. Secure each half with a toothpick and serve with cornichons and mustard.

(Recipes, Continued on page 10)



Meatloaf Club Sandwiches

Ingredients

Ingredient Checklist

- 1 pound 80% lean ground beef
- 1 bunch scallions (6 to 8 scallions), root ends trimmed
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon plus a pinch of kosher salt, divided
- 1 teaspoon plus a pinch of black pepper, divided
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise, divided
- 2 teaspoons minced canned chipotle chiles plus 3 teaspoon adobo sauce from can
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 (12-ounce) bakery white or rye sandwich bread loaf, cut into 8 (1/2-inch) slices
- 8 ounces Oaxaca cheese (quesillo) or Monterey Jack cheese, cut into 8 slices

Patty Melt

Chipolte-style...

Directions

Instructions Checklist

- **Step 1**
Shape ground beef into 4 thin patties to match the size and shape of bread slices. Set aside.
- **Step 2**
Toss together scallions, oil, a pinch of salt, and a pinch of black pepper in a bowl. Heat a large skillet over medium-high. Add scallions; cook, turning occasionally, until charred in spots and tender, about 4 minutes. Transfer scallions to a cutting board, and coarsely chop. Stir together chopped scallions, 1/4 cup mayonnaise, chipotle chiles, and adobo sauce in a small bowl; set aside. Wipe skillet clean.
- **Step 3**
Add butter to skillet; melt over medium-high. Add beef patties, and sprinkle evenly with 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon black pepper. Cook patties, pressing tops occasionally using a spatula to keep patties thin and flat, until bottoms are well browned, about 2 minutes. Flip patties; sprinkle evenly with remaining 1/2 teaspoon salt and remaining 1/2 teaspoon black pepper. Cook patties, pressing tops occasionally, until a crust forms on bottoms and beef is cooked to desired degree of doneness, 2 to 3 minutes for medium-rare (about 145°F). Transfer patties to a plate lined with paper towels. Wipe skillet clean.
- **Step 4**
Spread about 1 tablespoon scallion-chipotle mayonnaise on 4 bread slices. Top each with 1 cheese slice, 1 patty, and 1 additional cheese slice. Cover with remaining bread slices.
- **Step 5**
Return skillet to heat over medium. Spread 1 outer side of each sandwich with 1/2 tablespoon mayonnaise; place sandwiches, mayonnaise side down, in skillet. Cook sandwiches, pressing tops with a spatula, until bottoms are golden, 1 minute and 30 seconds to 3 minutes. Spread top of each sandwich with 1/2 tablespoon mayonnaise; flip sandwiches. Cook sandwiches, pressing tops occasionally with spatula, until bottoms of sandwiches are toasty and cheese is melted, 2 to 3 minutes. Cut sandwiches in half, and serve.

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Sudoku

Answers on Page 16

Sudoku 2

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I stay home and my locks grow down!

SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on page 14



12	Tracey	Indigo	Motochi!
10	Michelle	Aquamarine	Velusha
8	Harriet	Red	Zhale
6	Wanda	Silver	Kinucia
4	Sharon	Crimson	Danus
2	Virginia	Brown	Essburn

Pun-tification!

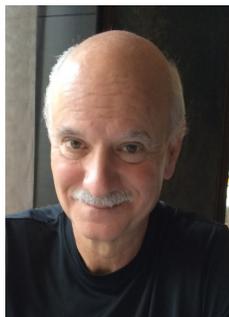
What do you say to a Llama that loves picnicking? Alpaca lunch.
Why did the poor dog chase his own tail? He was trying to make both ends meet.
A wife says to her husband that a moose is falling from the sky. The husband looks and says, it's just reindeer.
What animal is at a baseball game? A bat.
I asked the lion in my wardrobe what he was doing there. He said it was narnia business.
What did the teacher say when the horse walked into the class? Why the long face?
What do you get when two dinosaur crash their cars? A T-wrecks.
What do you call two birds in love? Tweethearts.
What sound does a sleeping T-Rex make? A dino-snore.
Who stole the soap out of the bathtub? The robber ducky.
What dog keeps the best time? A watch dog.
Why did the giraffe get bad grades? Because he had his head in the clouds.
What do you call a sleeping bull? A bull-dozer.
A friend of mine annoyed me with bird puns. But toucan play that game.
What do you call a horse that lives next door? A neigh-bor.
What do you get if you cross fireworks with a duck? A firequacker.
What did the dalmatian say after lunch? That hit the spot.
Which dinosaur has the best vocabulary? The thesaurus.
What noise do you hear when a cow breaks the sound barrier? Cowboom.
Learning to sleep upside down is hard for bats, but eventually they get the hang of it.
What did the dog say when he sat on sandpaper? Ruff!
What do you get when you cross a centipede with a parrot? A walkie talkie.
What sound does a nut make when it sneezes? Cashew!
Why did the cookie go to hospital? Because he felt crummy.
What did one plate say to the other? Lunch is on me.
"Do you want to taco 'bout it?" "It's nacho problem."
Why was the baby strawberry crying? Because its parents were in a jam.
What was the reporter doing in the ice cream shop? Getting the scoop.
What is a computer's favorite snack? Computer chips.
What did the baby corn say to the mama corn? Where is pop corn?
What type of candy is never on time? Choco-late.
What did the waiter say when he dropped a hotdog? It could have been wurst.
Why did the butcher do overtime last week? To make ends meat.
Why was the cookie sad? Because his mum was a wafer so long.
What did the pizza say to the beautiful topping? I never SAUsage a beautiful face.
How do you make a good egg roll? You push it down a hill.
What is every soccer players favorite drink? Penal-tea.
Did you hear about the antiques collector who found an old Coca Cola lamp? She was soda lighted.
Why did the student eat his homework? Because the teacher told him it was a piece of cake.
I went to a restaurant last night and had the Wookiee steak. It was a little chewy.
Why are teddy bears never hungry? They are always stuffed.
How do pickles enjoy a day out? They relish it.
Why didn't the orange win the race? He ran out of juice.
How much room should you give fungi to grow? As mushroom as possible.
What do you call an upset brownie? A frownie.
What does a pizza say when it introduces itself to you? Slice to meet you.



Fun and Games Page

Fantasy World 1

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining 17 letters spell the name of a popular fantasy book series.



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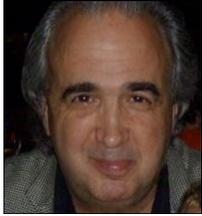
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| CENTAUR | GIANTS | MINSTREL | SPRITE |
| CHALICE | GNOMES | MOAT | STEW |
| CROSSBOW | GOLD | OGRE | TOWER |
| CROWN | GUARDS | PEASANT | WARLOCK |
| DAGGER | HERO | PEDDLER | WEAPONS |
| DRAWBRIDGE | HORSE | POISON | WINE |
| DUNGEON | INN | PRINCE | WITCH |



Two handy cards:
The ace of spades and the proof of Vaccination!

Why was Cinderella dropped from the soccer team? She kept running away from the ball.
 I wanted my kids to watch the orchestra, but I had to turn it off. Too much sax and violins.
 How does a computer get drunk? It takes screen shots.
 Dogs can't see your bones. But CAT scan.
 My friend Jack says he can communicate with vegetables. Jack and the beans talk.
 Why are art collectors such big fans of gasoline? Because it makes their Van Gogh.
 What do you call a funny jar of mayonnaise? LMAYO.
 If you commit a first degree murder in Canada, is it a 34 degree murder in the US?
 What do you call a noodle that doesn't drink? Soba.
 A century ago, two brothers decided it was possible to fly. And as you can see, they were Wright.
 I had an appointment to see my psychic next week, but she just called to cancel. She said I won't be able to make it.
 You do realize that vampires aren't real. Unless you Count Dracula.
 If prisoners could take their own mugshots... they'd be called cellfies.





		Customers					Colors					Designers							
		Harriet	Michelle	Sharon	Tracey	Virginia	Wanda	aquamarine	brown	crimson	indigo	red	silver	Danus	Essburn	Kinucia	Motochi	Velusha	Zhale
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Answer on page 11

Sizes	Customers	Colors	Designers
2			
4			
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8			
10			
12			

- Neither the size 10 dress nor the Motochi dress is Wanda's garment.
- The Essburn garment is 2 sizes smaller than the crimson garment.
- Harriet's dress is 2 sizes larger than the silver dress.
- The Velusha dress is either the size 10 garment or the size 12 dress.
- Michelle's dress isn't the size 12.
- Of the aquamarine garment and the silver garment, one is the size 10 and the other is by Kinucia.
- The indigo garment is 8 sizes larger than Sharon's garment.
- Virginia's dress is either the Zhale dress or the size 2 garment.
- The Danus garment is smaller than the red dress.
- Harriet's garment is 4 sizes smaller than the Motochi dress.

Logic Puzzle

Online Bridge...

	N baseggio ♠ KJ ♥ K654 ♦ Q98 ♣ K1093	W N E S P 2♣ P 1♠ P 3NT P 3♣ P P
	W HWarlenius ♠ Q8654 ♥ J3 ♦ J102 ♣ Q82	E Ivarlicht ♠ 7 ♥ Q9872 ♦ AK743 ♣ 64
	S jiang_gu ♠ A10932 ♥ A10 ♦ 65 ♣ AJ75	3NT N NS: 0 EW: 0

Allan Falk and David Yang, as teammates of Franco Baseggio and Jiang Gu, faced this deal in an OCBL Cup match on January 12th on BBO. Both tables reached 3NT from North.



Where Franco Baseggio was declarer, there was no opponent bidding. Baseggio was left to navigate the play absent any information about the opponents' hands. Ivar Lichtenstein of Sweden led the D3. Baseggio won the queen in hand. He had two certain heart tricks, two certain spade tricks and two certain club tricks. He needed to bring home one of the black suits for four winners before giving up the lead. He was at the crossroads with the diamond suit out there looming.

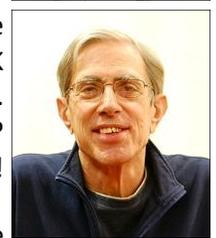


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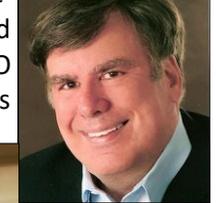
Franco played the SJ to dummy's ace and a small spade to his king in hand. Had the SQ fallen, he'd have enough tricks. When the SQ did not appear, he was forced to get the club suit right. Unfortunately for him, he guessed wrong and played the CK followed by the CT, finessing East. Harry Warlenius won the CQ and E? W cashed their diamonds. Down one!



At the other table where Filip Sivelind of Sweden was declarer, Allan Falk, East, looking at a 5-5 in the reds made a passed hand T/O double over his opponent's GF 2C bid. Allan led the DA and when David Yang played the DJ, Allan played the D4 to Yang's ten and declarer's queen. Filip was ready. Allan's T/O double gave him the information his counterpart lacked. He knew East was short in the black suits. This made finesses for the black suit queens favorably placed through West. At trick two, Filip played the CT to dummy's ace and finessed the CQ through West successfully. When clubs split, he no longer needed the spade hook. He had nine tricks and 13 IMPs in the bag!



Filip did err on the hand, not playing the two high spades first as Baseggio did. Had the club finesse lost, he would have been down even when the SQ was falling singleton or doubleton!



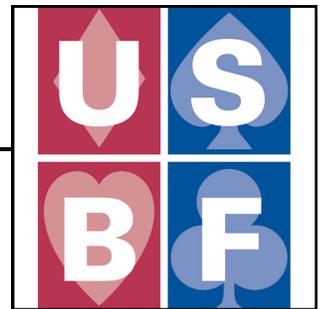
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Sudoku
on page 11
Puzzle 1 on left
Puzzle 2 on right

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