# August 11-17 $86^{\circ} / 62^{\circ}$ Daily Bulletin  



2014 Youth Bridge Campers


## Late Night Hospitality



St. Louis offers serious hospitality for all. Join us for snacks after the Salty evening session. Tonight's Chat \& Snack: Nacho Night featuring tortilla chips, salsa, jalapenos, \& chili con queso with beer and Coke ${ }^{\circledR}$ \& Pepsi® ${ }^{\circledR}$ soda products and a keg of Bud Light ${ }^{\circledR}$.

## Daily Grin



A famous expert, well known for his arrogance and rudeness was partnering a lady in a tournament. She was well known as well, but only by her own bridge club for her good play and politeness. As a result of his wrong play, the expert went down embarrassingly. The lady was explaining gently her idea about the line which was taken. The expert, said smugly, "Do you know who I am?" "No." said the Lady softly and added, "Look, the Director is over there. Go and ask him. He might be able to tell you who you are!"



6-Day Residential Youth Bridge Camp June 22-28, 2014 - Next Year's Dates June 28- July 3, 2015

Chris Shaw, business manager of Youth Bridge Camp, and his wife Mary Beth Lattan, camp coordinator, report "From the Atlantic (SC, $N C, V A, M D$, and $M A$ ) to the Pacific ( $O R$ and $C A$ ) and from right here in the Midwest (AR, IA, IL, LA, MO, TN, TX, and WI) 42 campers from 15 states in all, between the ages of 11 and 15 , came to Lake Williamson Christian Center in Carlinville, IL.

They joined a staff of 23 counselors, teachers, a nurse, and two administrators traveled from IA, IL, MO, NC, MS, VA, and RI to form Youth Bridge Camp 2014. Steve Reiss and Amy Stabenow of our Unit were both registrars and camp counselors. Shaw and Layton are creators and founders of the camp.

Campers were divided in four skill levels upon arriving on Sunday evening; they were called Clubs, Diamonds, Hearts, and Spades. Lectures were tailored to the students' levels and table coaches watched as students practice what they'd just learned in the lecture. Phyllis Siegel taught the Clubs, Kathy Rolfe of KC taught the Diamond group, Brian Delfs, ACBL Education Program Manager, taught the Hearts (it was in his fifth year with the campers), and Chris Moll of Raleigh, NC taught the Spades.

There were at least two 2+hour learning sessions daily with some kind of pairs or team competition most evenings. The week ended Friday evening with two single-session 8 Is Enough team games. The students learned good bridge etiquette and well as bridge. Kaleigh Ishmael received a scholarship to attend from Unit 143.

Every afternoon, campers enjoyed time at an amazing lake or front pool. There are canoes and pedal boats, a zip line over the lake, a giant slide, climbing walls, and all-time favorites - the water trampoline and the "blob." You have to go to bridge camp to experience what that is! For more information, contact Chris Shaw, ccshaw@yahoo.com or 217-854-7331; also 2015 information will be posted www. Unit 143.org.

## Today's Events

## 2-SESSION MORNING SWISS continued 199er Pairs REGIONAL SIDE GAME SERIES 2 Pairs cont. THUSDAY STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY KO 3 continued PRIME TIME STRATIFIED SWISS 1-SESSION EVENING STRATIFIED SWISS TEAM

Session 2 of 2 Single Sessions Sessions 3-4 of 4 2 Sessions Sessions 3 \& 4 of 4 2 Sessions Single Session

9 AM
1 PM, 7 PM
1 PM, 7 PM
1 PM \& 7 PM
1 PM, 7 PM
1 PM \& 7 PM 7 PM
I/N Room
12:15 PM
6:15 PM

Today's Speakers: For the Advancing Player
"Great Mysteriis: Cue Bid of Opponent'sSuit"
"Finessing"

## Karen Walker Mike Huston

Thursday’s Puzzles

## Wednesday's Solutions

## Sudoku 3

| 3 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 7 |
| 7 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 9 | 1 |
| 8 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 9 |
| 2 | 6 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 8 |
| 4 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 3 |
| 9 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 4 |
| 6 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 2 |
| 1 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 6 | 5 |

Sudoku 4

| 1 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 4 |
| 5 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 6 |
| 2 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 5 |
| 8 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 9 |
| 6 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 8 |
| 9 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 1 |

## Sudoku 5 - Light and Easy

| 3 | $\mathbf{4}$ |  |  |  | $\mathbf{1}$ |  | 2 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ |  |  | 8 |
| 5 |  |  |  |  | 6 | 1 |  | 9 |
|  | $\mathbf{3}$ |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 6 |
|  | 8 | 6 |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 9 |  |  | 4 |  | 2 |  |  |
|  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 |
|  |  |  | 9 |  | 5 | 8 | 7 |  |
|  |  | 9 |  |  | 7 |  | 3 |  |

## Sudoku 6 - Moderate

 IN HISTORY
> Admiral David G. Farragut died at Portsmouth, New Hampshire at the age of 69, 1870
> The Social Security Act was passed by Congress, 1935
> Japan agreed to a unconditional surrender, 1945
> United States bombing of Cambodia halted, marking the end to 12 years of United States combat in Indochina, 1973

## Today's Cash Concessions

Where Main playing area
When 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Concourse Ballroom

- Ham and Cheese Half with Condiments @ \$3
- Fried Chicken Sandwich with Condiments @ \$4
- Individual Bags of Potato Chips \& Pretzels @ \$1
- Whole Fresh Fruit/Including Bananas @ \$1
- Assorted Cookies and Cookie Bars @ \$1
- Assorted Pepsi and Coke Soft Drinks @ \$2.75
- Assorted Bottled Juices \& Bottled Water @ \$2.75
- Fresh Fruit Bowl @ \$3


## West's Preempt Throws a Monkey Wrench into the Works

ALDER: BRIDGE

Apre-emptive bid may greatly inconvenience the opponents. Take, for example, this deal. With neither side vulnerable, South opens one diamond, and West throws a monkey wrench into the works by jump. ing to four clubs. What should happen after that?
Perhaps your immediate reaction is that North should make a penalty double. Here, because declarer cannot get into the dummy to play a heart toward his king, the contract would go down three, minus 500 . That is more than a nonvulnerable game, but not as good as a slam.
Also, it is rare that the responder will have a penalty double. It is much more likely that he will have a hand with no long suit and no great diamond support but too many points to pass. That is what a double ought to show - what we call convertible values.
Then, the opener passes with a balanced hand, or bids with an unbal anced collection, confident that some useful cards will appear in the dummy. Here, South might leap to six diamonds. Or, if he settles

| North- K Q 63- 3- 943- A 542 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
| South <br> - A 5 <br> - A Q 10 <br> - AQJ3865 <br> 43 |  |  |
| Dealer: South Vulnerable: Neither |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { South } & \text { West } \\ 1 \& & 4 \& \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { North } \\ & \text { ?? } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Opening lead: * K |  |  |

for five diamonds, North might raise.

Against six diamonds, West leads the club king. How should South plan the play?

Declarer has 12 top tricks: three spades, one heart, seven diamonds and one club. But there is a natural instinct to try to win trick one with dummy's club ace. Unlucky! East ruffs the ace and shifts to a heart, killing the contract.

To ensure those 12 tricks, South should play a low club from the board at trick one. And if West continues with the club queen, declarer ruffs in his hand, draws trumps, and claims.

- Phillip Alder



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## Welcome

The members of Greater St. Louis Unit 143 welcome you to the Gateway to the West Regional.

Your Tournament Team


Mike Carmen, Tournament Chair \& Speakers Chris Patrias, Head Director


## Your Directing Staff



Judy Cotterman Charles McCracken Bob Wallace
Say the magic word, Please! when you call. Try, "Caddy, please, or "Director, please." ... and, we Thank You!


## Registration

## Convention Card Holder

Let us know you're here! The Registration desk opens $45^{\prime}$ before each session mornings, afternoons, and evenings. It's located in the main hallway. It closes 15 minutes before each event to allow volunteers to get to their tables. When you register, pick up your gift of a convention card holder.


## Daily Hospitality



## Complimentary Parking \& Free Coffee

As part of our daily hospitality, we are pleased to offer you Complimentary Coffee Service during each session Morning, Afternoon, and Evening session for $11 / 2$ hours on a daily basis beginning Monday evening. Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee will be provided. Each time you leave the parking lot you will need a ticket to open the gate. Pick up your exit ticket at the Director's table in the Main Playing area.

## Partnership Desk



Looking for a Partner? Or Teammates? The Partnership desk opens 45 minutes before each session mornings, afternoons, and evenings. It is located in the main hallway. It will close 5 minutes before each event to allow volunteers to get to their tables. The same desk is used for ALL players in any event.

## Convention Card Reminder



Each player is required to have a convention card filled out legibly and on the table throughout a session. Both cards of a partnership must be identical and include the first and last names of each partner.

## Photographer

Attention Winners! Unit 143 photographers will snap pictures of all new Life Masters, I/N winners, and all event winners in the main hallway near the Photography poster for 20 ' immediately after each afternoon and evening session starting Monday evening.

## NEW TO USING ELECTRONIC SCORING DEVICES?



Here's Rick Beye explaining how they work. There is one scoring device on each table. After the auction, North enters the contract into a device that looks like an oversized calculator. When play is completed, North enters the result, and then hands the device to one of the opponents to verify that it is accurate. After the opponent OKs the score, it is sent via radio signal to a computer that is compatible with ACBLscore. When the final score of the session is entered, the complete results are available for printout - just as though the data had been entered by hand.


Zero Tolerance Policy
Be cool! Bridge is fun.

We are committed to improving acceptable player behavior at all times. The ultimate purpose of the Zero-Tolerance policy is to create a much more pleasant atmosphere in our game. We are attempting to eradicate unacceptable behavior in order to make the game of bridge more enjoyable for all. If a player at the table behaves in an unacceptable manner, the director should be called immediately. Annoying behavior, embarrassing remarks, or any other conduct which might interfere with the enjoyment of the game is specifically prohibited; the director has the authority to assess disciplinary penalties.

## Reduced Entry Fee\$



Intermediate/Novice pair game fee is $\$ 10 /$ player/session. Student Discounts: Our Regional offers a 50\% discount on each session for full-time students ages 25 and under with ID proof. Be sure to inform the director when purchasing the entry.

## Awards Desk



There are First Overall trophies for ALL Intermediate/Novice event winners awarded in the playing room. Section top awards for all Pairs Events are a BPA-free 24 oz. acrylic cup and straw. Prizes will be available the day after they were earned to allow time for any scoring corrections. You can expedite collecting your Section Top Award by telling us the day, event, section letter and direction. The awards table is located in the main hallway and will be open 30 ' before afternoon and evening sessions Tuesday - Saturday. The awards table will also open 30' before morning sessions on Saturday and Sunday. Sunday, the awards table will be open for 30' following the conclusion of the pairs games. The awards desk will close 15 ' prior to each session to allow our volunteers to get to their games. No prizes will be mailed.

## Players with Non-ACBL Masterpoints

Players with non-ACBL Masterpoints must inform the director before entering any Flighted, Stratified, or Bracketed event. Failure to do so may result in disqualifications and loss of any MPs won.

## Hotel Information

We are less than 1 mile from the airport at the Renaissance St. Louis Hotel Airport 9801 Natural Bridge Rd.
St. Louis, MO, 63134
Phone: 314-429-1100
Fax: 314-429-3625
Toll free: 888-340-2594
Special bridge rate and Marriott Rewards program credit. Highspeed internet is available in all rooms at $\$ 9.95$ or $\$ 14.95 /$ day with flat-screen TV with HBO, Indoor and outdoor swimming pools, fitness center, complimentary in-room coffee/tea, toll-free phone calls, shoeshine, gym and business center. An ATM is on site Airport shuttle. Smoke-free. Pets not allowed. Check in is 3 pm , check out time is Noon.

## Lost and Found



Check with a Director at the head table in the main playing area or with the Front Desk as some items found may be turned in to Hotel Security.

## E:

First Aid/Medical Service
For immediate care in case of an emergency, contact any director, Unit Board Member, or Hotel employee and an EMT will be summoned.

Area Restaurants


Come by the Partnership desk for information on area Restaurants.

## Ground Transportation



Contact front desk or doorman for hotel shuttle or taxis, or call 314-993-TAXI. The region's light rail, MetroLink, connects downtown to the airport; there is a convenient MetroLink stop at the airport. The hotel runs a complimentary shuttle bus to the airport.

## Bookseller

David Porris will be located in the main hallways during the Regional.

## Turn Them OFF! <br> Please and Thank You!!!

Except for health-related equipment or by permission of the Director-In- Charge of the tournament or event,
 cell phones, audible pagers, or any similar communication equipment MAY NOT be operated or operable in the playing area during a session of play. If you are expecting an emergency call, you may leave your phone at the director's station.

ST. LOUIS GATEWAY TO THE WEST REGIONAL For 1 year only: July 13-19, 2015


Summer NABC Aug. 6-12 Chicago, IL

## NO Smoking Policy

This is a NO SMOKING tournament and hotel. You may smoke outside the hotel entrances. Please use provided receptacles. Hospitality breaks will be provided.

## Special Request

As a courtesy to our fellow players with allergies, please refrain from wearing heavy colognes and fragrances. Thanks for your cooperation.


## Area Attractions



Visit the www.unit143.org Homepage for a link for your friends and family to do in St. Louis while you are playing bridge. The top attractions are the Gateway Arch, the Clydesdales \& brewery tour, the MO Botanical Garden, and the newEast building galleries at the St. Louis Art Museum which opened last year. Arch trams to the top every 10 minutes, 8 am to 9pm, ticketed. Free brewery tours: Mon-Sat: $10 \mathrm{am}-5 \mathrm{pm}$, Sun: 11:30 am - 5 pm . The MO Botanical Garden hours are $9 \mathrm{am}-5 \mathrm{pm}$. with admission fee; free walking tours daily at 11am and 1 pm. Art Museum hours are Tu-Sun 10am - 5pm. Fri 10am - 9pm, no admission.

## norah's

crateafooate spmits Crafted Food \& Spirits
Norah's Crafted Food \& Spirits is an American restaurant and bar with local, seasonal recipes. Breakfast M-F 6:30 am - 11 am , Sa/Su 7am 11 am; Lunch $11 \mathrm{am}-2 \mathrm{pm}$ daily; Dinner $5 \mathrm{am}-10 \mathrm{pm}$ daily. Lobby Bar brews Starbuck's coffee daily from 6:30 AM - Noon. Full bar available from $2 \mathrm{pm}-1$ am daily, with food available at the bar.

## Recorder Forms



Recorder forms are available from the Head Director. Milt Zlatic is the District 8 Recorder. The aim of the recorder system is to establish a method of dealing with complaints that: 1) by themselves do not warrant the filing of formal charges; 2) are very serious but there is only the implication of wrongdoing without substantial evidence necessary to bring formal charges or 3) should be addressed by counseling and/or education.

## $\left.{ }^{8}\right]$ Daily Bulletins \& Results

Daily Bulletins will be available in the main hallway each morning. Bulletins and daily results can be found at www.unit143.org. Results will be posted online late, late, late each night. Daily Bulletins will be uploaded each morning.
Contact Daily Bulletin editor and the tournament photographer in the playing area or leave a message in the News In Basket with news for the Bulletin. We love to bring you your news and photos. Winners get your photos taken. New Life Masters, give us your home town \& event that put you over. We also love to recognize birthdays, engagements, and anniversaries you are celebrating here with us this week.

# INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE PLAYERS PAGE 

Splinter Bids
by Larry Cohen
When partner opens $1 \boldsymbol{\sim}$ or $1 \boldsymbol{A}$ and we have four-card or longer support and the partnership is headed for at least game in the major suit. The only consideration is whether the partnership belongs in slam. To help decide, it is often useful to discover how well the hands fit together.

One way we can do this is to use the Jacoby 2NT response (see previous issue). This essentially puts responder in charge. The 2NT response asks for a further description of opener's hand. Based on opener's rebid, responder decides whether to investigate slam or stop in game. Only with considerable extra values does opener overrule responder's decision.

A second approach is for responder to make a splinter rise. Using this convention, responder makes a descriptive bid and leaves opener in charge of deciding whether to pursue a slam contract.

## The Splinter Raise

If the partnership agrees to use splinter raises after an opening bid of $1 \boldsymbol{\imath}$ or $1 \boldsymbol{\wedge}$, then:

| SPLINTER RESPONSE TO 1•/1ヵ <br> A double jump in a new suit shows: • four-card or longer support \& • 13-16 dummy points |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  <br> With this hand, we have four-card support for hearts and a hand worth 14 dummy points -11 HCPs plus 3 for the |  |  |  | -4 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Spade singleton. That's enough to want to be in game opposite partner's $1 \vee$ opening. If we are playing splinter bids, we respond 3at to show the singleton spade. It will now be up to opener to decide whether to stop in $4 \mathbf{v}$ or look for slam. |  |  |  | - AJ73 |
|  |  |  |  | * Q 62 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| We can use 3s as asplinter bid because we have other ways to show spades. With four or more spades, we can simply respond 1 since a new suit response is forcing. If the partnership uses strong or weak jump shifts, we could jump to 2 a to show a strong or weak hand with spades. So, 3 isn't needed to show spades. At one time, a double jump response was used as a preemptive bid, but most partnerships find it more valuable as a splinter bid. |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |

With this hand, we could jump to 4 in response to partner's 1 opening. There are only 10 HCPs , but the club void $Q 975$
is worth 5 dummy points. Some partnerships prefer to avoid making a splinter bid with a void or a singleton Ace, but AQ104
that's a matter of style, and is not recommended with a singleton Ace.

## Hands that Don't Qualify

A splinter bid is useful but is quite specific and should only be used when it is the best description of the hand. It puts partner in charge of the auction, so we don't want to use it if that's not what we want. We'll always have some other option.

Consider the following hands for East after the auction begins: WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH

- J 1086

With this hand, we have a singleton, but we don't have the strength to commit the partnership to game. Instead, we
can make a limit raise to 3 , inviting opener to bid game. A splinter bid to 4 would invite opener to consider slam, not KJ75 game.
-K 107

| This hand is worth 18 points: 15 HCPs plus 3 for the singleton. If we were to make a splinter bid to $4 \star$, we would be uncomfortable if opener signed off in $4 \boldsymbol{4}$. We'd want to bid again, but now we might get too high. It would be better to take a different approach, perhaps starting with Jacoby 2NT to take charge and ask opener to further describe his/her hand. Or we could simply start with a new suit response, $2 \boldsymbol{q}$. | - KQ83 <br> - AQ 73 <br> - 4 <br> -KJ85 |
| :---: | :---: |
| This had is about the right strength, but with all our values concentrated in the diamond suit, it's probably best to start showing our excellent source of tricks and planning to show the spade support next. | - K 1073 <br> - 1086 <br> - AKQ 85 |
|  | - 4 |

If the Opponents Interfere
Responder can make a splinter raise, even if right-hand opponent makes an overcall. For example, suppose the auction begins like this:

| WEST | NORTH | EAST | SOUTH | $?$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

North's $2 \boldsymbol{*}$ overcall doesn't prevent us from making a splinter jump to $4 \boldsymbol{\bullet}$, showing a game-going hand in spades 82 with a singleton heart. With a heart suit, we would simply respond $2 \boldsymbol{\downarrow}$.

With this hand, we would jump to to show the four-card spade fit and club shortage. This is only a single jump, yet the message is clear. We could make a cuebid of with a strong hand (a limit raise or better), but no singleton in clubs.

QJ75

- A 103
-KJ864 * J


## Opener's Rebid after a Splinter Bid

When responder shows support for opener's major and a singleton or void (a splinter bid), opener has the following options:

OPENER'S REBID AFTER a SPLINTER BID<br>With no interest in slam: sign off in $4 \vee$ or 4<br>With interest in slam: Bid 4NT to check for key cards (As and Ks) or Make a cue bid.

## INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE PLAYERS PAGE

Splinter Bids
In deciding the likelihood of a slam, opener considers whether the partnership has wasted values. This is easier to see by looking at how the auction might go on various hands.
WEST
EAST
-KQ975 A 1082

- 1084 - A653
-KQ 7 - 6
$\because \mathrm{A} 4 \quad$ K973
After West opens 1^, East makes a splinter raise to 4 , showing spade support and diamond shortness. That's not good news for West. The $\varangle K$ and $\downarrow Q$ are not likely to be of much use. East-West will have to lose a diamond trick despite Wests 5 HCPs in the suit and East's singleton. So, West simply signs off by bidding 4a, returning to the agreed trump suit. East accepts opener's decision and passes. The partnership doesn't want to be any higher since West will likely lose two heart tricks and a diamond trick.

| Now let's leave the West hand untouched and exchange East's hearts and diamonds. |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| WEST | EAST |
| KQ975 | A 1082 |
| H 1084 | 6 |
| KQ | A653 |
| A 4 | K973 |

The situation is quite different. None of West's Diamond high cards are wasted. Although the partnership has no high cards in hearts, there will only be one loser because West's remaining hearts can be trumped in dummy. West uses Blackwood to check for Aces and bids the excellent spade slam.

| WEST | EAST | WEST | NORT | EAST | SOUTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AKQ10842 | - AJ 93 | 14. | Pass | 4* | Pass |
| -74 | - AK 6 | 4 | Pass | 4 | Pass |
| - A | -106532 | 4NT | Pass | 5* | Pass |
| - A965 | - 4 | 5NT | Pass | 6 | Pass |
|  |  | 7. | Pas | Pas | Pas |

When East shows a singleton club, West can consider a slam since the partnership should have no club losers. West shows interest in slam by making a cuebid of 4 . East cooperates by making a cuebid in hearts. West now uses Blackwood to reach the excellent grand slam on only 25 HCPs .

## Extended Splinters

Once the concept of splinter raises is understood, they can be extended into many other situations. For example, opener can make a splinter raise in support of responder:

| WEST | EAST WEST NORTHEAST SOUTH |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - A 975 | - K Q 1083 | $1 *$ | Pass | 1. | Pass |
| - AQ 4 | - K95 | 4* | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| - AQJ 84 | - K 7 | 5. | Pass | 6. | Pass |
| -7 | -965 | Pass | Pass |  |  |

West opens 1 and East responds 1a. With four-card support for spades, West can value the hand as 20 points -17 HCPs plus 3 dummy points for the singleton club. That's enough to put the partnership in game in spades. West could simply jump to 4a, but a more descriptive raise of 4e, shows the spade support, the strength to take the partnership to game, and a singleton or void in clubs. East can interpret $4 \boldsymbol{e}$ as a splinter raise because West would simply rebid or jump shift to $3 \boldsymbol{*}$ to show a club suit after the 1 a response.
East, knowing the partnership has no wasted values in clubs, checks for Aces and bids $6 \boldsymbol{4}$. Only one club trick is lost since East's other two clubs can be trumped in the West hand.

A splinter raise can occur later in the auction:

|  | WEST | EAST |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| KJ963 | 104 | WEST | NORTH | EAST | SOUTH |
| AJ85 | KQ93 | 1 | Pass | 2 | Pass |
| QJ5 | 6 | 2 | Pass | 4 | Pass |
|  | AK8542 | 4 | Pass | Pass | Pass |

West opens $1 \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ and East responds $2 \boldsymbol{\sim}$. When West rebids $2 \boldsymbol{v}$, East knows the partnership has a heart fit and enough strength for game. East could simply raise to $4 \downarrow$ but a more descriptive bid is a splinter raise to $4 \diamond$ showing heart support, shortness in diamonds, and interest in slam if West has the right cards. With wasted values in diamonds, West has no interest in going beyond game, so the partnership rests safely in the $4 \vee$ game.

In this example, the splinter raise is a single jump, not a double jump. The partnership needs to be clear on the situations in which splinters apply.

Splinter raises can be a useful tool for slam bidding if used appropriately.
A "yarborough" is a bridge hand which contains no card higher than a 9.
It seems as if we get them all the time, but what are the actual odds of being dealt a true Yarborough?
a) $97: 1$
b) $556: 1$
c) $998: 1$
d) $1827: 1$

## SIDE GAME SERIES Pairs 1 FINAL

42 Tables / Based on 21 Tables

| $1 / 2$ | Jackie Schroeder, Maryland Hgts MO | $121.56 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1 / 2$ | Kenneth Bland, Saint Louis MO | $121.56 \%$ |
| $3 / 4$ | Milton Zlatic, St Louis MO | $119.79 \%$ |
| $3 / 4$ | Jack Bryant, Saint Louis MO | $119.79 \%$ |
| $5 / 6$ | Rod Beery, Saint Charles MO | $118.89 \%$ |
| $5 / 6$ | Ted Baldwin, Saint Louis MO | $118.89 \%$ |


| MONDAY-TUESDAY SIDEGAME SERIES Pairs 12 Tables |  | 9 AM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
| A B C |  |  |
| 3.341 | Ted Baldwin, Saint Louis MO; Rod Beery, Saint Charles MO | 61.59\% |
| 2.512 | Jack Bryant, Saint Louis MO; Milton Zlatic, St Louis MO | 59.33\% |
| $2.73{ }^{2} 1$ | Blake Sanders, Jonesboro AR; Byron Southern, Little Rock AR | 58.25\% |
| 1.444 | Jennifer Luner, St Louis MO; John Stern, Apple Valley MN | 55.35\% |
| 1.065 | En Xie - Dianne Glick, Saint Louis MO | 54.83\% |
| 1.036 | Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Michael McGuire, Hernando MS | 54.78\% |
| 2.122 | 1 Mark Ziegelman, Saint Louis MO; Robert Griffin, St Louis MO | 52.92\% |
| 1.543 | Roseann Stice, Bethalto IL; John Robey, Winchester TN | 51.04\% |
| 1.594 | 2 Deepak Dighe, W Bloomfield MI; Latika Mangrulkar, Farmingtn HIs MI | 50.76\% |
| 1.195 | ria | 49.83\% |



IRS WINNERS

## Jerry Premo - Kay Beck, Noblesville IN 59.04\%

## Wednesday's Results

| 199er Pairs |  |  |  | Afternoon |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 15 Tables | A | B | c |  |  |  |
| 3.33 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Mona Powers, St Louis MO; Diana Stoneman, Chesterfield MO | 66.86\% |  |
| 2.50 | 2 | 2 | 2 | Barbara Cook - F Thomas Ott, St Louis MO |  | 61.74\% |
| 1.87 | 3 |  |  | Marianne Witschy, O'Fallon MO; Virginia Bates, Lancaster PA |  | 58.90\% |
| 1.23 | 4/5 |  |  | Sharyn Kessler, Naples FL; Marie Heubel, Chesterfield MO |  | 57.77\% |
| 1.23 | 4/5 |  |  | Margie Horowitz, Boca Raton FL; Charlene Bry, St Louis MO |  | 57.77\% |
| 1.34 | 6 | 3 | 3 | Gail Fischmann, Frontenac MO; Renee Hartstein, St Louis MO |  | 56.63\% |
| 1.00 |  | 4 |  | Caroline Gunter, St Louis MO; Marcia Broddon, Saint Louis MO | 54.73\% |  |
| 0.76 |  | 5 | 4 | Geri Steckel - Joan Banstetter, St Louis MO |  | 51.52\% |
| 0.56 |  | 6 |  | Curtis Wehling - Judy Wehling, Glenview IL |  | 50.00\% |
| 0.62 |  |  | 5 | Bruce Kennenberg, St Louis MO; Louisa Miller, Kirkwood MO |  | 49.62\% |

199er Pairs

| 9.0 Tables | A | B | C |
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| 2.53 | 1 |  |  |
| 1.90 | 2 |  |  |
| 1.42 | 3 |  |  |
| 1.07 | 4 |  |  |
| 2.02 | 5 | 1 |  |
| 1.52 |  | 2 |  |
| 1.14 |  | 3 |  |
| 0.85 |  | 4 |  |
| 1.21 |  | 5 | 1 |
| 0.91 |  |  | 2 |
| 0.68 |  |  | 3 |

## Evening

| Marianne Witschy, O'Fallon MO; Virginia Bates, Lancaster PA | $\mathbf{6 0 . 4 2 \%}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| L Keith Graves - Karen Graves, Saint CCarrles MO | $60.12 \%$ |
| Shirley Adams Lake St Louis MO; Carol Luckey, Augusta MO | $58.93 \%$ |
| Richard Messinger - Toni Messinger, Alton IL | $55.36 \%$ |
| Nancy Labrier, Saint Louis MO; Kathleen Tacony, Clayton MO | $\mathbf{5 4 . 4 6 \%}$ |
| Jim Bowers, St Louis MO; Aloys Faenger, St Louis MO | $54.17 \%$ |
| Curtis Wehling - Judy Wehling, Glenview IL | $53.57 \%$ |
| Thomas Pallardy - Howard Weidinger, Saint Charles MO | $51.19 \%$ |
| Bruce Kennenberg, St Louis MO; Louisa Miller, Kirkwood MO | $49.40 \%$ |
| David Poos, Screstwood MO; Joan Poos, Crestwood MO | $49.11 \%$ |
| Larry Labrier, St Louis MO; Kenneth Tacony, Clayton MO | $48.81 \%$ |

1ST Overall: Marianne \&Virginia


## NORTH-SOUTH

L Keith Graves - Karen Graves, Saint Charles MO Shirley Adams, Lake St Louis MO; Carol Luckey, Augusta MO Richard Messinger - Toni Messinger, Alton IL Nancy Labrier, Saint Louis MO; Kathleen Tacony, Clayton Curtis Wehling - Judy Wehling, Glenview IL
1 Judith Weidinger - Harriet Pallardy, Saint Charles MO
2 Nancy Harris - Beverly Cockrell, Wildwood MO
60.12\%

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55.36\%
54.46\%
53.57\%
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45.24\%

## EAST-WEST

Marianne Witschy, O'Fallon MO; Virginia Bates, Lancaster PA

2 Thomas Pallardy - Howard Weidinger, Saint Charles MO $\quad 51.19 \%$
31 Bruce Kennenberg, St Louis MO; Louisa Miller, Kirkwood MO 49.40\% 2 David Poos, Screstwood MO; Joan Poos, Crestwood MO 49.11\%

# Wednesday's Results 

| TUESDASY-WEDNESDAY KO 2 | Final |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Bracket | 1 | 9 Tables |
| 30.76 | 1 | Tom Kniest, Brentwood MO; Ed Schulte, Tampa FL; Hugh Williams, US; Jack Spear, Shawnee Mission KS |
| 21.53 | 2 | Richard Brummer - Ronald Diehl, Effingham IL; David Stevens - Mark Daily, Charleston IL |
| 12.30 | $3 / 4$ | George Marvin, Maryland Hts MO; George Jones, Maryland Hgts MO; Donna Harrison - Tina Hinds, Columbia MO |
| 12.30 | $3 / 4$ | Mark Zellmer, Creve Coeur MO; Bryan Gerard, Bellevue WA; Chris Benson, Le Roy IL; Sheldon Margulis, Saint Louis MO |


| Bracket 2 | 9 Tables | Winners |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Phyllis Siegel \& Jay Shah |  |  |
| missing from photo: Carol Warner \& Bill Eaton |  |  |

## WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY KO 3 Teams Remaining

## Bracket 110 Tables

Michael Carmen, Saint Louis MO; Kathleen Safranski, Chesterfield MO; Deborah Avery, Champaign IL; Martha Leary, Urbana IL vs
Ellen Coffield, Little Rock AR; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Chris Compton, Dallas TX; Justin Lall, Plano TX; Kevin Bathurst, Palm Beach Gdns FL
Mark Kessler, Springfield IL; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Dick Bruno, des Plaines IL; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL vs
Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL
Bracket 211 Tables
Diane Scott - Tana Holt, Clinton IN; Judith Harris - Sharon Winters, W Terre Haute IN vs
Richard Edwards Jr, Wildwood MO; Linda Leinicke, St Louis MO; Carole Burt, Chesterfield MO; Jerome Shen, Saint Louis MO vs

Patti Disbrow - Susan Wolff - Jonathan Goldberg - Susan Rechter, Saint Louis MO; Mary Rassieur, St Louis MO
Roy Lewis, Saint Peters MO; Laura Scholten, Saint Charles MO; Edward Wang, Chesterfield MO; C Roland Boehm, Florissant MO

## Bracket 311 Tables

Linda Seibert, Olivette MO; Linda Evans, Chesterfield MO; Hope Wood, Clarkson Valley MO; Beverly Dixson, Kirkwood MO vs Marilyn Benjamin - Ann Lazerson, Glen Carbon IL; Joanne Vollmer, St. Libory IL; Robert Cundall, Collinsville IL

Douglas Sutton - Martha Sutton - Nancy Shaver, Springfield IL; Mark Beattie, Sherman IL vs
Roberta Meyer, Puryear TN; Garel Fulks, Springville TN; Carolyn Rogers, Germantown TN; Sarah Pentecost, Dresden TN

| REGIONAL SIDE GAME SERIES 2 Pairs |  |  |  |  |  | 1 PM |
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| 14Tbls | A | B | C |  |  |  |
| 3.64 | 1 |  |  | Rod Beery, Saint Charles MO; Jerry Premo, Noblesville IN | 70.99\% |  |
| 2.73 | 2 |  |  | Dennis Fitton, Mahomet IL; John Seng, Champaign IL |  | 62.98\% |
| 2.24 | 3 |  |  | Beryl Shapiro, Saint Louis MO; Anthony Astrologes, Bridgeton MO | 62.18\% |  |
| 3.03 | 4 | 1 | 1 | Mary Gaines, Saint Louis MO; Fay Wuest, Chesterfield MO | 59.46\% |  |
| 2.27 | 5 | 2 |  | James Nunn, Chesterfield MO; Clay Cuthbertson, Quincy IL | 57.53\% |  |
| 1.12 | 6 |  |  | Kenneth Bland - Nancy Burke, Saint Louis MO | 56.25\% |  |
| 1.82 |  | 3 | 2 | Robert Griffin, St Louis MO; Navin Shah, Maryland Hghts MO |  | 53.21\% |
| 1.28 |  | 4 |  | Elaine Hallum - Barbara Rankin, Jonesboro AR | 52.88\% |  |
| 1.77 |  | 5 |  | Bernard Oetjen - Louise Oetjen, Mc Lean VA |  | 52.24\% |
| 0.72 |  | 6 |  | Becky Hubert, St Louis MO; Suzi Shymanski Moore, Ballwin MO | 51.60\% |  |
| 1.37 |  |  | 3 | Twink Baker, Saint Louis MO; Marda Gatewood, St Louis MO |  | 50.48\% |
| 1.15 |  |  | 4 | Joyce Sass, Chesterfield MO; Ruth Naber, Kansas City MO | 49.84\% |  |

WEDNESDAY NIGHT STRATIFIED CHARITY SWISS TEAM

## 7 PM

| 19 Tables | A | B | C |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 6.77 | 1 |  |  | Sheldon Margulis, Saint Louis MO; Mark Zellmer, Creve Coeur MO; Bryan Gerard, Bellevue WA; Chris Benson, Le Roy IL | 115.00 |
| 5.08 | 2 |  |  | Roger Lord - Jacqueline Sincoff, Saint Louis MO; Nancy Phillips, Angela Reed, Tulsa OK |  |
| 3.94 | 3 | 1 | 1 | Susan Rosenthal - S Rives, Saint Louis MO; Patricia Corich, Creve Coeur MO; Carolyn Kribben, St Charles MO | 89.00 |
| 2.86 | 4 |  |  | Gail Hawkins, Ballwin MO; Patricia Shine - Linda Powers, Chesterfield MO; Helen Stolar, Saint Louis MO | 81.00 |
| 2.96 | 5 | 2 |  | Clay Cuthbertson, Quincy IL; Jane Ettelson - Ann Ruwitch, Saint Louis MO; James Nunn, Chesterfield MO | 78.00 |
| 2.22 | 6 | 3 |  | John Robey, Winchester TN; Helene Siegfrien - Craig Sherwood, St Louis MO; John Sten, Aple Valley MN | 74.00 |
| 1.66 |  | 4 |  | Laura Barnett - Dolores Hill, Chesterfield MO; Brenda Hoffman, St Louis MO; Elizabeth Freeman, Saint Louis MO | 71.00 |



## Request from the Hospitality Ghair...

The candy bowl is there for everyone to enjoy. Please be considerate of others and take a modest amount. If you'd like seconds and thirds, please wait until later in the event when everyone has had a chance.

# Wednesday's Results 

| 2-SESSION STRATI-FLIGHTED A/X OPEN PAIRS |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16.0 Tables / Based on 47 Tables |  |  |  |  |
|  | A | X |  |  |
| 19.95 | 1 |  | Randy Baker, St Louis MO; En Xie, Saint Louis MO | 59.86\% |
| 14.96 | 2 |  | Judy Cardin, Bonita Spgs FL; Bruce Greenspan, Chesterfield MO | 58.25\% |
| 11.22 | 3 | 1 | Ronnie Frank, Saint Louis MO; Judith Inker, Wellesley HIs MA | 56.73\% |
| 8.42 | 4 |  | Mark Boswell, Clarkson Valley MO; Curtis Hastings, St Louis MO | 56.09\% |
| 6.65 | 5 |  | Peggy Wald, Chesterfield MO; Ralph Behrens, Saint Louis MO | 56.01\% |
| 5.70 | 6 |  | Milton Zlatic, St Louis MO; Jack Bryant, Saint Louis MO | 55.61\% |
| 4.99 | 7 |  | Dee Adams - Alvin Stone, Memphis TN | 55.21\% |
| 4.43 | 8 |  | Robert Carstedt, Wichita KS; Ed Howard, Lawrence KS | 55.05\% |
| 3.99 | 9 |  | Lily Chan - Paul Chan, Columbia MO | 54.17\% |
| 3.63 | 10 |  | Nell Schneider, St Louis MO; Mic Weiss, Saint Louis MO | 53.61\% |
| 3.33 | 11 |  | Donald Florida, Indianapolis IN; Rod Van Wyk, Alton IL | 53.29\% |
| 7.99 |  | 2 | Stephen Zenk - Egon Diekhoff, Maryland Hts MO | 52.56\% |
| 5.99 |  | 3 | Allyson Wolfe, Saint Louis MO; Deborah King, Creve Coeur MO | 52.40\% |
| 4.49 |  | 4 | Ben Finegold, Saint Louis MO; Wes Burgar, Ann Arbor MI | 50.88\% |
| 3.55 |  | 5 | $J$ Chen - Lin Chen, Murphysboro IL | 50.00\% |

## 2-SESSION STRATI-FLIGHTED A/X OPEN PAIRS

## 7 PM

| A | X |  |  | A |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 1 | Ronnie Frank, Saint Louis MO; Judith Inker, Wellesley HIs MA | $57.53 \%$ | 1 |
| 2 |  | Nell Schneider, St Louis MO; Mic Weiss, Saint Louis MO | $57.05 \%$ | 2 |
| 3 |  | Judy Cardin, Bonita Spgs FL; Bruce Greenspan, Chesterfield MO | $56.09 \%$ | 3 |
| $4 / 5$ |  | Greg Potter - Linda Hughes, Edmond OK | $55.45 \%$ | 4 |
| $4 / 5$ |  | Robert Carstedt, Wichita KS; Ed Howard, Lawrence KS | $55.45 \%$ | 5 |
| 6 | 2 | Allyson Wolfe, Saint Louis MO; Deborah King, Creve Coeur MO | $52.72 \%$ | 6 |

Lily Chan - Paul Chan, Columbia MO
59.29\% Mark Boswell, Clarkson Valley MO; Curtis Hastings, St Louis MO 59.13\% Milton Zlatic, St Louis MO; Jack Bryant, Saint Louis MO Donald Florida, Indianapolis IN; Rod Van Wyk, Alton IL
55.93\% $52.93 \%$
$52.72 \%$ Randy Baker, St Louis MO; En Xie, Saint Louis MO Peggy Wald, Chesterfield MO; Ralph Behrens, Saint Louis MO 52.56\%
51.92\% 51.60\% 50.64\% J Chen - Lin Chen, Murphysboro IL Stephen Zenk - Egon Diekhoff, Maryland Hts MO Ben Finegold, Saint Louis MO; Wes Burgar, Ann Arbor MI


| 10.14 | 1 | 1 | Michael Kelly, Ballwin MO; David Dierkes, St Louis MO | $60.42 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7.61 | 2 |  | Patricia Sharp - Louis Sharp, Libertyville IL |  |
| 5.70 | 3 |  | David Fricke, St Charles MO; Michael Mitra, Lake St Louis MO | $59.38 \%$ |
| 4.28 | 4 |  | Ted Baldwin, Saint Louis MO; John Levis, St Louis MO | $58.33 \%$ |
| 3.38 | 5 |  | Linda Mize, Florissant MO; Alan Lemley, Saint Louis MO | $57.59 \%$ |
| 2.90 | 6 |  | Doris Holzhauer, Centralia IL; Leona Bullock, Du Quoin IL | $57.44 \%$ |
| 4.61 | 7 | 2 | Barbara Macpeek, Ballwin MO; Kae Williams, Chesterfield MO | $56.85 \%$ |
| 3.46 | 8 | 3 | Grace Fagin - Chris Newman, Chesterfield MO | $56.70 \%$ |
| 2.03 | 9 |  | Mary Butler, Saint Louis MO; Richard Butler, St Louis MO | $56.55 \%$ |
| 2.59 |  | 4 | John Wening - George Schaefer, Jefferson City MO | $55.51 \%$ |
| 2.05 |  | 5 | Karen Pahuski, Saint Louis MO; Mary Smith, Eureka MO | $55.21 \%$ |
| 2.00 |  | $6 / 7$ | Linda Helm - Phillip Helm, Manchester MO | $54.91 \%$ |
| 1.67 |  | $6 / 7$ | Pamela Ames, Maryville IL; Vicki Valley, Edwardsville IL | $53.42 \%$ |

## 2-SESSION GOLD RUSH PAIRS 0-300/750 NORTH-SOUTH

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    1 Grace Fagin - Chris Newman, Chesterfield MO
    Sharon Thomas - Martie Blazis, Springfield IL
    Jackie Schroeder, Maryland Hgts MO; Peggy Stewart, Ballwin MO
    John Welte, Ballwin MO; Delaine Boyd, Manchester MO
        NORTH-SOUTH
    David Fricke, St Charles MO; Michael Mitra, Lake St Louis MO
    Martin Grossman - Audrey Grossman, Indianapolis IN
    Ted Baldwin, Saint Louis MO; John Levis, St Louis MO
    James McClure - Steven Rod, Mt Pleasant IA
    Linda Helm - Phillip Helm, Manchester MO
        NORTH-SOUTH
        73
    Mary Ann Mitchell, Eureka MO; Arthur Stepp, Saint Louis MO
    Elaine Booker, Arnold MO; Katherine Hartenberger, Creve Coeur
    Doris Fairgrieve, St Louis MO; Robert Daniels, Lake St Louis MO
    Raymond Laythe, Waterloo IL; Suzanne Martin, Saint Charles MO
    2 Nathan Higginbotham, Saint Louis ; Sue Higginbotham, Frontenac 50.89\% 55.36\% 53.27\%
 Mary Ann Gerdes, Wildwood MO. Katie Boles, Manchester MO 3 Pamela Ames, Maryville IL; Vicki Valley, Edwardsville IL 52.68\%

## 2-SESSION MORNING SWISS: WED-THU

## LEADERS AFTER 4 MATCHES

| 28 Tables |  |
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| $15 / 16$ |  |
| $15 / 16$ |  |

Dick Bruno, des Plaines IL; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Tod Moses, Saint Louis MO; Nate Ward, Champaign IL; Mark Kessler, Springfield IL Gene Fluri, Saint Louis MO; Becky Hubert - Susan Kilo, St Louis MO; Anne Agovino, Chesterfield MO Beryl Shapiro - Marvin Shapiro, Saint Louis MO; Anthony Astrologes, Bridgeton MO; Debra Romero, Clarkson Vly MO; Peggy Wald, Chesterfield MO Mark Daily - David Stevens, Charleston IL; Ronald Diehl, Effingham IL;Deepak Dighe, W Bloomfield MI.
Deanna Nesbit, Indianapolis IN; Wanda Cole, Greenfield IN; Judy Geralds, Louisville KY; Donna Harrison, Columbia MO Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Susan Perez, Maryland Hts MO; John Samsel, Chesterfield MO Leon McCarty - Chris Buck - Jayna Buck, Hurdland MO; Leo Birmingham, Whitney Point NY,
Ken Schlueter - Regina Schlueter, Ferguson MO; Janet Wintermute - John Mcmullin, St Louis MO
Clay Cuthbertson, Quincy IL; Sanford Becker - Norman Goldman, Chesterfield MO; Dennis Spencer, Saint Louis MO Michael Kelly, Ballwin MO; William Davis - Sally Patton, Chesterfield, MO; Rick Armstrong, St Louis MO
/11 Michael Kelly, Ballwin MO; William Davis - Sally Patton, Chesterfield, MO; Rick Armstrong, St Louis MO
Ronnie Frank, Saint Louis MO; Elaine Hallum - Barbara Rankin, Jonesboro, AR; Judith Inker, Wellesley Hls MA
John Robey, Winchester TN; John Stern, Apple Valley MN; William Bollenberg, Downers Grove IL; John Kinst, Batavia IL Diana Drisko - Carol Layton, Saint Louis MO; Charlene Bry, St Louis MO;, Linda Seibert, Olivette MO Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Jay Shah, St Louis MO; Richard Dixon, Frontenac KS; Roseann Stice, Bethalto IL Edwin Kent - Lois Kent, Chesterfield MO; George Jones, Maryland Hgts MO; George Marvin, Maryland Hts MO William Bunn, Brentwood MO; Doris Schwartz, Chesterfield MO; Helene Siegfried, St Louis MO; Dianne Glick, Saint Louis MO

## This Week's Events <br> zoro Tolerance Pollcy Is in Place/

## ALL PAIRS EVENTS FEATURE PRE-DUPLCATED BOARDS

Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) Pairs Mon-Sat Expert Guest Speakers before I/N Pairs Games

Tuesday thru Saturday: 199er Pairs, Single Sessions
Friday: 2-Session Gold Rush Pairs*

1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM
1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM
*Must play in both sessions of Gold Rush Pairs. Only play vs. other 0-750 players.
Pays Gold for Section Tops (300-750) \& Overalls.
10:30 AM \& 2:30 PM

## Regional Side Game Series (Single sessions)

Series 2: Wednesday \& Thursday 1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM
Series 3: Friday \& Saturday
Can play in 1 or more games of a series.
Must play in at least $\mathbf{2}$ games of same series for gold.

## Knockout Teams (4-Session events)

Wednesday-Thursday Knockout 3
Friday-Saturday Knockout 4
1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM
1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM
Saturday-Sunday Knockout 5
Swiss Teams (Stratified, unless noted)

| Single Session Evening Swiss: Tuesday - Saturday (Wednesday Charity) | 7:00 PM |
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| 2-Session Morning Swiss: Wednesday - Thursday | 9:00 AM |
| 2-Session Morning Swiss: Friday - Saturday | 9:00 AM |
| 2-Session Prime Time Thursday Swiss | 1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM |
| 2-Session Strati-Flighted Sunday Swiss, Play through, finishes by 6:00 PM | 10:30 AM |

Pairs (All 2-Session events, except Saturday Charity)

| Thursday Stratified Open Pairs | 1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM |
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| Friday Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750) | 1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM |
| Friday AIX Pairs (0-2000, 2000+) | 1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM |
| Saturday Stratified Open Pairs (Charity Game) | 9:00 AM |
| Saturday Barometer Pairs (Qualifying) | 1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM |
| Saturday BCD Pairs | 1:00 PM \& 7:00 PM |

Stratified Events: 0-750/750-2000/2000+
I/N Pairs: Stratified 0-20/20-100/100-200
Strati-flighted Swiss: FIt A/X: 0-3000/3000+
Strat B/C/D: 0-300/300-750/750-2000 Barometer Pairs: Flt A Unlimited All Stratifications by Average MP's in all events. Eligibility for flighted events based on highest MP player. Knockouts may be handicapped.


John Crawford playing with a beginner for huge stakes. Partner leads the Spade King and Crawford has the 1098. He doesn't want partner to continue, but knows if he plays the 8 , he will. So Crawford drops the S 8 on the floor and is slow about picking it up. His partner asks what card is it?
"Oh, just a low spade" says Crawford. Partner shifts suits.

