



# INTRODUCTION

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This CD and its contents represent a departure from the way the top players in the bridge world receive acknowledgement for their achievements.

In the past, the printed pages of the *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* contained a section for the names of noteworthy figures in bridge. The early criterion for inclusion was primarily tournament success.

At one time, a minimum number of regional wins was the requisite. Then along came bracketed knockout teams, and the tournament landscape changed forever.

The editors of this book discussed new criteria at length and finally settled on an objective benchmark that, in the end, is still based on masterpoints.

It was decided that all Life Masters with Diamond rank or higher will be listed in the biographies section. The amount of information presented for each entry is largely the product of the individual's motivation to contribute.

In the five years since work on this edition of this *Encyclopedia* began, there have been numerous notices in a variety of venues about the editors' desire to flesh out biographies with interesting – and not necessarily bridge-related – data. Some have responded laudably. Others ignored the entreaties.

All Diamond, Emerald, Platinum and Grand Life Masters are listed on this CD. Those who provided no information will be listed by their names only.

For those who are disappointed not to be in the main part of the *Encyclopedia*, consider that the list would be a fraction of the current length if an effort was made to squeeze the names onto the printed pages.

Finally, using this format makes it easier to update all the lists on this CD, including the results of major tournaments.

As for the biographies, if you neglected to send suitable information for the 2011 version, you may have another chance two years hence.

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# ACBL HALL OF FAME

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## **Russ Arnold (b. 1912)**

Taught by his mother, Arnold took up bridge at the tender age of five. Decades and many championships later, the cigar-chomping Grand Life Master is affectionately known as “the Godfather” to players in the Miami FL area, where he lives (Sunny Isles Beach).

Although not well known to contemporary players – he rarely plays at big tournaments these days – Arnold’s achievements in high-level competition speak for themselves: He is a world champion and winner of nine North American titles.

Arnold captured his first North American Championship in 1963, the Spingold Knockout Teams, but his favorite memory of playing in the event was in 1955, when it was known as the Master Knockout Teams and scored by total points.

Arnold played with Herschel Wolpert, Morris Freier, M.M. Goldman and Harold Harvey, and the underdog team defeated the defending champions – Lew Mathe, John Moran, Milton Ellenby, Meyer Schleifer and Manny Hochfield – by 540 points to make it to the round of eight.

With his favorite partner and protégé, Bobby Levin, Arnold won the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams (1979), the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams (1980) and the Bermuda Bowl (1981). Levin says of Arnold, “He always put ethical behavior first. He is a tremendous competitor, great declarer, fantastic player and a great guy. He has been like a brother and a father to me.”

Unlike many other Hall of Fame members, Arnold didn’t play bridge often. His winning record was achieved during the time of his life when he was running a successful major appliance business. Arnold’s aptitude for numbers and cards made him successful in both ventures. In addition to an encyclopedic knowledge of many subjects, Arnold also had instant and total recall for his store’s inventory and for phone numbers. He didn’t have much need of hand records as those are all stored in his head, too.

A longtime friend said of Arnold, “Russ won so many championships, he certainly had nothing to prove. Considering that he was running a business while most bridge pros were just playing cards, his winning record is phenomenal. He didn’t play often. But the most remarkable thing was the way this shy man earned the respect and admiration of all his peers.”

## **Hermine Baron (1912-1996)**

Paul Ivaska described Hermine Baron as “a truly remarkable woman. She was a fierce competitor, but at the same time she brought out the best in her partners.”

For four decades, tournament players knew that Hermine Baron was their next opponent if they spotted her trademark white table cloth and a lamp. And what an opponent she was – at the time of her death in 1996, Baron had won more than 22,600 masterpoints – the most of any woman in the U.S. She won the McKenney Trophy (now the *Barry Crane Top 500*) in 1964 and 1970.

Baron won six North American championships and more than 100 regional events. Most of her major titles were in women’s events, but in 1966 she and Meyer Schleifer won the Life Master Pairs, the six-session event contested for the von Zedtwitz Gold Cup.

Baron also represented the United States in world competition in 1968 and 1978. She accomplished all this while playing from a wheelchair in the days before handicap-access restrooms and ramps.

Longtime friend Paul Soloway said the wheelchair didn’t slow Baron down. “She was very upbeat about bridge. She enjoyed the game. There is no doubt that bridge was an upper for Hermine.”

Baron, a native of Omaha, contracted polio at the age of 11. She underwent lengthy rehabilitation in Warm Springs GA but had to use crutches or a wheelchair for the rest of her life.

Baron moved to Southern California in the mid-Forties and took up duplicate at the urging of Arthur Baron, to whom she was married from 1954 to 1958. Once she discovered duplicate, she was hooked. She became an inveterate player and a perennial winner.

Among her partners through the years were Paul Soloway, Mike Lawrence, Mike Passell and Mike Shuman.

Baron also played with and was a close friend of Barry Crane. Baron’s win in the 1964 McKenney race cost her her friendship with Crane who wanted to win the race himself. Crane had been second to Oswald Jacoby each of the three previous years and had asked her not to try for it. She did anyway and won. Crane was second and never spoke to her again.

Her total of 1370 masterpoints in 1964 was a record and stood until 1969.

## **B. Jay Becker (1904-1987)**

B. Jay Becker was named ACBL Life Master #6 in 1936 when the rank of Life Master was instituted. The first 10 players were selected because of their record in tournament play.

A World Bridge Federation Grand Master, Becker represented the U.S. seven times in international play over four decades and won two Bermuda Bowls. In a career that spanned 55 years, Becker won seven Spingolds, eight Reisingers, eight Vanderbilts and the three major ACBL pair events – Life Master Pairs, Blue Ribbon Pairs and NABC Open Pairs.

He won the Fishbein Trophy for best performance at the Summer NABC in 1972. During the years when the Master Invitational Individual was a prestigious major championship, Becker had the best record of any player, winning it in 1937 and 1948 and placing second in 1934, 1941, 1949 and 1955.

Becker won a major NABC title – the Fall Board-a-Match Teams, now the Reisinger – in his first year of tournament play in 1932. In that year he was also runner-up in the Challenge Teams of Four (now the Spingold) and the National Mixed Pairs. He won his first Spingold in 1936. He won his first Vanderbilt in 1944 and his last Vanderbilt in 1981 at the age of 76.

Becker's performance in the 1981 Vanderbilt was one of the highlights of the Detroit Spring NABC. In leading his team to victory in one of the world's toughest events, he earned high praise from a teammate who does not praise lightly. "He has an effect on the whole table," said Edgar Kaplan. "It's as if he has a muting effect on everyone. He conveys the air of a man who knows he's going to make what he bids. Opponents don't double him even when he's sacrificing."

In the bidding Becker was the Great Conservative, grinding out good results with a sound and careful style.

He avoided complex conventions, relying instead on impeccable judgment. His remorseless accuracy at the bridge table made him a singular legend of the game – one who was admired and respected for his quiet demeanor and immaculate behavior as well as for his monumental technical skills.

Becker was born in Philadelphia. He trained as a lawyer and took his law degree from Temple Law School in 1929. In 1937 he abandoned law and took up bridge as a full-time career. He never regretted giving up the law career he might have had. "Bridge was my life," he said a few months before his death. "I never wanted to do anything else."

Over the years he managed three New York clubs – the Cavendish, the Bridge Whist and the Regency. He was associated with the Card School of New York and directed bridge activities on cruises.

For more than 30, years Becker was a nationally syndicated columnist, having been invited by King Features Syndicate to take over Josephine Culbertson's column when she died in 1956.

Four years before his death, the column began to carry the joint byline of him and his older son, Steve, NABC championship and former Bulletin editor.

Becker was a contributor to *The Bridge World* and the Bridge Bulletin and was a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*. He also became a member of the ACBL Laws Commission in 1954.

## Michael Becker (b. 1943)

When Michael Becker graduated from high school in 1961, his father, B. Jay Becker, wrote in Mike's autograph book: "To my son, who will become a Life Master long before he masters life." Whether that was an accurate prediction only Mike Becker knows for sure, but one thing is certain – he is at his high point in bridge as an elected member of the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame. With his election Becker joined his father, who was inducted into this illustrious group in 1995.

Becker's bridge career encompasses many stellar achievements, including the 1983 Bermuda Bowl title he won playing with Ron Rubin in Stockholm, Sweden, as a member of the last "Aces" team. The final match against Italy will long be remembered as a thriller, where the lead changed hands 25 times. Becker has won 14 North American championships, almost all of them played at IMPs and most of them in partnership with Ron Rubin. As an administrator, he has served as the International Team Trials chair for the past 15 years. As Chair of the ACBL Hall of Fame Committee, he led an effort to update the voting rules and committee procedures. He helped to start the United States Bridge Federation, serving as its first president. He was on the Greater New York Bridge Association board for 20 years and served as its President in 1980.

Becker is also the co-author of a book, *The Ultimate Club*, describing the relay system he and Rubin played throughout their 20-year partnership. He recently joined the staff of *The Bridge World* as Problem Editor.

Becker learned bridge in 1957 at age 13, studying the game with his older brother, Steve. One of his early triumphs was winning the Teenyear Pairs in 1961 (with Augie Boehm), the first Junior event ever held in the United States. In the same year, Mike and Steve entered the Reisinger Knockout Teams, an event that continues to attract the top teams in the New York area. B. Jay Becker frowned on the idea. According to Steve Becker, "Mike was 17 and I was 23, our father thought we were wasting our time going to New York and would get clobbered." The Becker brothers and their teammates, none of whom had more than 100 masterpoints, defeated some top seeded teams before losing in the quarterfinal to Sam Fry, Dick Frey, Lee Hazen and Johnny Rau – all giants in the game. Since then, no one has been surprised by Becker's continuing success.

Now and then, the family put together an all-Becker team – B. Jay, Steve, Mike and B. Jay's older brother Simon (Skippy) and his two sons, Murray and Bobby – all Life Masters. B. Jay and Mike Becker are the only father and son to have teamed up to win the Spingold, in 1972, and to have played on the same Bermuda Bowl Team, in 1973.

Success at bridge continues to be a family affair for Becker. His wife, Judy, is also an NABC champion, having won the six-session Fall Open Swiss Teams in the same year that she won the Harter Cup, a New York City event for non-Life Masters.

Until 1979, Becker made his living playing bridge, mostly in money games. Then his bridge partner, Ron Rubin, talked him into trying options trading. Becker was so good at it he soon formed his own company. He trained 50 ACBL members, including 15 NABC champions, to be options traders (and in so doing helped make some bridge experts into wealthy entrepreneurs).

Becker retired from the options business in 1994 and moved a few years later to Boca Raton, Florida, where he now lives. His business card reads: Professional Retiree: Tennis \* Golf \* Bridge \* Dinner.

## David Berkowitz (b. 1949)

David Berkowitz has been one of the ACBL's top players for over three decades. His election to the Hall of Fame puts him proudly in the company of his idols and, he is pleased to say, friends.

David's father, Harold, taught him to play bridge when he was a teenager. Harold soon regretted introducing him to the game because David then took a mere seven years to earn a bachelor's degree from Long Island University.

After graduating from college Berkowitz began working and became a Certified Public Accountant. During that career, he began competing in high level bridge with the help of Kathie Wei-Sender, using the Precision system developed by her late husband, C. C. Wei. Anyone who knows Berkowitz will realize that he has too much personality to remain a CPA, so under the guidance of Hall of Fame member Michael Becker, he became an options trader. Berkowitz retired from Wall Street in 2005 and is currently a full-time professional bridge player.

Berkowitz is an ACBL Grand Life Master with more than 30,000 masterpoints. He has won 25 North American championships, partnered by Ron Andersen, Harold Lilie, Larry Cohen and Berkowitz's wife, Lisa. With Cohen he also won the Pan-Am games and the prestigious Cap Gemini pairs. While this honor recognizes his past successes, Berkowitz's bridge career is far from over – or so he tells himself. He looks forward to winning many more championships with his new partner, Alan Sontag.

In addition to his playing prowess, Berkowitz shares his love of the game by lecturing and writing about bridge. Despite his subpar SAT scores, he co-authored the book *Precision Today* with Brent Manley. He also contributes to *The Bridge World* where he is a Master Solvers Club director.

Berkowitz loves to share his bridge knowledge - just try to stop him from sharing! He brings his humorous and insightful take on the game to vugraph commentary at National and International tournaments and now online as well. He also has contributed to the game by serving as president of the Greater New York Bridge Association and sitting on many ACBL National committees past and present and the International Team Trials Committee.

Berkowitz is happily married (at least his wife Lisa tells him so) and has two wonderful bridge-playing children, Dana and Michael.

## **Easley Blackwood (1903-1992)**

Easley Blackwood was a power in contract bridge and the American Contract Bridge League for more than 60 years. His fertile 30-year-old mind spawned ideas and innovations about the game and, as a respected elder statesman in his 70s and 80s, he was still collecting the many honors and accolades the game has to bestow.

As a writer, teacher, lecturer, administrator and innovator, Blackwood has name recognition throughout the world. His name became a household word because one of his early inventions, an ace-asking bid that became known as the Blackwood convention, caught on like wildfire with the rank and file players while confounding the experts.

He played bridge, he wrote about bridge, he taught bridge, and he directed bridge games in his own studio and aboard many cruise ships. A legendary storyteller, he was one of the game's most popular lecturers.

One of his greatest contributions came in 1967 when he was persuaded to take the job of executive secretary and general manager of ACBL. His long experience in the business world was put to work to save a declining ACBL during the three years he served in this position.

Blackwood put the ACBL on a sound financial basis and worked out a revision of the masterpoint plan for tournaments and clubs, correcting inequities that had existed for years. He gained the admiration, respect and gratitude of the headquarters staff, of the Board of Directors and of ACBL members everywhere.

He is still best known, however, for his "little ace-asking convention." Six decades after Blackwood submitted his brainchild to Ely Culbertson's magazine, *The Bridge World* – and was turned down – it is still the game's best-known convention. *The Bridge World* responded, "While the suggestion is a good one, the 4NT bid will remain informative rather than interrogative . . ."

The convention, however, caught on from player to player and was soon widespread throughout the bridge-playing world. In 1949 Culbertson gave up and said that when a pair announced it was playing the Culbertson System, it should be assumed the Blackwood convention was being played.

The voice of the people had prevailed over the voice of the experts. The Blackwood convention appeared in 17 different languages and 57 books by the time Blackwood published the convention in his own *Bridge Humanics* in 1949.

Blackwood was born in Birmingham AL in 1903 and went to work as a clerk with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at the age of 17. At 26 he was made manager of the Decatur IL office. In 1930 he was transferred to Indianapolis, where he managed the Metropolitan office for 34 years.

After his early retirement in 1964, Blackwood established a plush bridge club in Indianapolis and enjoyed a gratifying career as lecturer, teacher and bridge cruise conductor.

He had already found time to write several bridge books, a lot of magazine articles and a syndicated daily newspaper column. His monthly column on basic bridge appeared in the Bulletin for almost two decades and formed the basis for his 1978 tome, *Play of the Hand with Blackwood*.

In 1980 he was elected ACBL Honorary Member of the Year. He was a longtime member of the National Goodwill Committee and the National Laws Commission. He was Honorary Member of the American Bridge Teachers' Association in 1978. In 1984 he received the International Bridge Press Association's Personality of the Year Award.

## **Lou Bluhm (1940-1990)**

Lou Bluhm of Atlanta was a bridge professional and an expert at poker and gin rummy. Bluhm won nine NABC titles; two Vanderbilts, two Spingolds, the Reisinger, the Open BAM, the Blue Ribbon Pairs, the Silodor Open Pairs, and the Nail Life Master Pairs. He finished third in the 1978 World Mixed pairs and also took the 1981 Cavendish Invitational.

In 1989, he was first recipient of the ACBL Distinguished Player Award – an award originated for him.

Frank Stewart wrote: "Lou Bluhm has always been the perfect embodiment of expert excellence: the quiet aura of competence; the pride and determination that never let him be content with second place; the constant tinkering to improve his system; the high standards of ethics and deportment.

"Nobody commanded more respect than The Bloomer. When you came to his table, it was a little like being in a church – you tried a little harder to play the game as it was meant to be played, to observe decorum, to apply Lou's Olympian standards of ethics.

"Lou was a player's player. He was everybody's favorite partner, and all his partnerships were winners. Lou had a player's most valuable attribute: he inspired his partners to play above their best. He was the rock of any team he played on.

"Lou will always be a model for those who cherish the noble elements of bridge and strive to master this difficult game."

## David Bruce (1900-1965)

David Bruce, Life Master #1, was one of the preeminent tournament players of the '30s.

Born in New York City, David Burnstine (the name he went by during his playing career), had won 26 national titles by 1936, the year the rank of Life Master was established.

Everybody who was anybody in the world of bridge in the 1930s played at the Contract Bridge Club in New York. It was here that Burnstine and other experts of the day regularly engaged in competitive play.

Burnstine's earliest tournament victories came as a member of the famous Four Horsemen team, captained by P. Hal Sims. The other members of the team were Willard Karn and Oswald Jacoby.

In 1932, Burnstine left the Four Horsemen and established his own squad, the Bid-Rite team, featuring Richard Frey, Howard Schenken and Charles Lochridge.

The Bid-Rite team was defeated, however, by the Sims team in the 1932 Vanderbilt.

Burnstine made some roster changes, replacing Lochridge with Jacoby, whom he recruited from Sims, and adding Michael T. Gottlieb.

This team, named the Four Aces, won seven national team championships during the next two years. With Burnstine at the helm, the Four Aces, with additional changes in the line-up but always with the great players of that time, would dominate tournament team play for the remainder of the decade.

Burnstine's tournament victories include a first-place finish in the first official World Championship in 1935. He also won the American Whist League All-American Open Teams four times (three of which were auction bridge), the USBA Open Teams twice, the Open Pairs once and the American Bridge League's Challenge Teams three times.

To this impressive collection of titles won in the early days of tournament bridge, Burnstine added five wins in the Vanderbilt and three in the Spingold. When Burnstine was named the first Life Master, no one argued the point.

Burnstine had a well-deserved reputation as an excellent bidder. His contributions to early bidding literature include two books. The first, Four Horsemen's *One Over One*, outlining the bidding structure of the Sims' team, was published in 1932.

Burnstine's other book, *Four Aces System of Contract Bridge* (1935), was co-written with other members of that team. The latter book is significant for the manner in which it revolutionized quantitative auctions.

The principal legacy of David Burnstine in the world of bidding theory is his invention of the strong artificial 2♣ opening, still used by the majority of tournament players.

Burnstine also created intermediate two-bids in the other suits, a prominent feature of modern-day Acol.

Burnstine was a supremely self-confident player, a supportive partner and an unsettling opponent. He especially enjoyed sparring with Ely Culbertson and frequently bested him, despite the fact that Culbertson was more of a household-name.

After moving to Los Angeles in 1939, where he lived until his death in 1965 at the age of 65, Burnstine made very few tournament appearances. After his illustrious career in the 1930s, he changed his name to David Bruce.

## S. Garton Churchill (1900-1992)

When S. Garton "Church" Churchill published his bidding system in 1979 in a 600-page book, Edgar Kaplan wrote in the introduction that he was certain none of the top pairs of the day could match Churchill's efficiency in slam bidding. The statement is remarkable because the Churchill system used no conventions – not even Stayman, transfers or Blackwood.

Churchill devised his system in 1929, and although he did not play much bridge after 1944, the system was employed with considerable success for 50 years. It took some time for his bidding concepts to gain acceptance, and no doubt his record in high-level competition helped in that regard.

Churchill certainly employed his system to maximum effect, winning the Life Master Pairs in 1937 and 1948, setting two records in partnership with Cecil Head. As a partnership they scored 65% as an average for four sessions and scored 77.4% in a single session, a stunning achievement.

S. Garton Churchill was born in Bellefontaine OH in 1900. He graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University and Harvard Law School. Despite his success in tournament bridge, he curtailed bridge activities because of commitments to his law firm, Loeb, Churchill & Lawther in Manhattan, and to his family.

His tournament record was impressive. Besides the two wins in the LM Pairs, he was on the winning team in the 1932 Chicago (now Reisinger) Board-a-Match Teams. He placed second in that event four times, and he was second in the Master Mixed Teams (now the Mixed BAM).

His regional wins included the Eastern States Knockout Teams in 1937, 1938 and 1939, the New Jersey State Master Pairs in 1947 and 1959 and the Secondary Senior Pairs in 1959.

Churchill died in 1992 in Fairview NC.

## **Ira G. Corn Jr. (1921-1982)**

Texas businessman Ira Corn is no doubt best remembered as the driving force in the creation of the famous Aces team in 1968. Corn had grown weary of the domination of the Italian Blue Team in world championship events, so he gathered a squad of players from the U.S. who would train together. Their goal was to win world championships.

Corn contacted Bobby Wolff, Bobby Goldman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Billy Eisenberg and Bob Hamman to be a part of the squad. All agreed except Hamman, who later changed his mind and joined the team. The Aces succeeded in their quest for gold medals beginning with a victory in the Bermuda Bowl in 1970.

As the founder or co-founder of 24 companies, Corn was a successful businessman. In addition, Corn was an expert on World War II, according to Bobby Wolff. “Just before his death, Ira completed a book on the Normandy invasion. That book is something special in that it tells the story both from the Allied and the German sides.”

Corn also wrote and had published *The Story of the Declaration of Independence*. This was shortly after he paid \$407,000 for an original copy of the document, prompting this headline in an English newspaper: “Wealthy Texan buys rebel document.”

Wolff’s favorite story, however, concerns Corn and backgammon. “Ira wanted me to write the definitive book on backgammon by Ira Corn. ‘Why would you write a book of backgammon when you don’t even know how to set up the pieces?’ I asked. ‘Bobby,’ Corn replied, ‘you don’t understand. That’s what makes it so great.’ “

Corn served as president of the Dallas Bridge Association in 1968 and was elected to the ACBL Board of Directors in 1971. He served as ACBL president in 1980 and as chairman of the Board in 1981. Corn died in 1982.

## **Barry Crane (1927-1985)**

Barry Crane, widely recognized as the top matchpoint player of all time, was a successful director/producer of film and television. He is one of a small group of world champion bridge players whose presence enhanced many tournaments while they maintained active and highly respected careers outside of bridge.

Crane became ACBL’s top masterpoint holder in 1968, a position previously held only by Oswald Jacoby and Charles Goren. Crane amassed points at an astounding rate until, at the time of his death, he had 35,138, more than 11,000 ahead of any other players. On July 5, 1985, Crane was the victim of a brutal murder that remains unsolved .

Crane’s bridge career spanned almost four decades, beginning in the late Forties when he won his first regional. In 1951 when he was 23, his team finished second in the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams and he became ACBL Life Master #325.

He subsequently won 16 NABC titles – the first in 1953 and the last in 1983. He won the Open Pairs seven times, the Master Mixed Teams three times, the Mixed Pairs three times and the North American Swiss Teams, the NABC Men’s Pairs and the NABC Men’s Swiss Teams once each. Records indicate the Crane won more than 1000 tournament championships, some 700 of which were pairs titles at the regional or higher level.

Crane won the McKenney Trophy six times, and was runner-up six times. He exerted so much influence on the race that after his death it was renamed the “Barry Crane Top 500.”

World-wide recognition came to Crane when, at the 1978 World Championships, he and Kerri Shuman (now Sanborn) ran away with the World Mixed Pairs in a field loaded with international stars. This stunning victory, by more than five boards, further enhanced Crane’s claim to the title of world’s best matchpoint player.

Despite his bridge addiction, Crane had an abiding passion for his work. It never bothered him when he couldn’t go to a tournament, because his job was his prime interest.

He could usually arrange his TV production schedule so he could attend most tournaments for a few days.

A habitual weekend commuter, he said he would travel anywhere within flying distance for a regional and anywhere within driving distance for a sectional.

Many of the personal and professional attributes that led to Crane’s success in television carried over to his remarkable mastery in the world of tournament bridge.

In his TV classic, *Mission Impossible*, Crane’s contributions were many and varied. He produced the show, directed it, wrote it and advanced many innovative ideas to both the script and the remarkable technology.

Crane was once asked why he didn’t write up his bidding style and publish it. He never bothered, he said, because the financial rewards from such a book wouldn’t have been worth his time. He could bat out a script for a show that would make more money in less time.

In many respects Crane was an A-1 ambassador and publicist for bridge all over North America . No one gave as many interviews to the media in as many different cities and towns.

One Crane obituary recalled the words of S. J. Simon, who said that there are two kinds of bridge players – the Parrots and the Naturals. “Barry Crane,” the story said, “was a Natural. We shall not see his like again.”



## John Crawford (1915-1976)

When he first rose to bridge prominence, John Crawford was known as a boy wonder. His tournament record – three world titles and 37 North American championships – proved he was no flash in the pan.

When he died of a heart attack on Valentine's Day in 1976, the 60-year-old Crawford was eulogized as one of the brightest stars of bridge.

Handsome and debonair, the irrepressible Crawford first attracted attention in 1934 when he and a teenage partner nearly broke up a tournament with their daring psychic bidding and imaginative play.

Three years later he was consorting with the likes of Charles Goren, B. Jay Becker and Sidney Silodor.

Crawford was known for his table presence, epitomized by the following story of his exploits in a high-stakes rubber bridge game. Late in the evening, Crawford reached a grand slam in clubs holding seven clubs to the A-K-Q-10 opposite a singleton. If he made the contract, that deal would be the last of the night, so when Crawford noticed that the kibitzers had not stirred, he drew the inference that the slam was not a lay down. Backing his judgment, Crawford played the singleton trump from dummy and finessed the 10, the only play to make the slam since his right-hand opponent held four clubs to the jack.

Crawford became Life Master #19 in 1939, the youngest of the select group of early Life Masters. In 1950, 1951 and 1953, he was on the winning team in the Bermuda Bowl. He and his teammates so dominated bridge in the Fifties that they won the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams five times in six years, a feat that has never been approached.

Crawford won the Chicago Trophy (since 1965 the Reisinger) 10 times. The first of those wins, in 1937, came when he was only 22. At the time, he was the youngest player ever to win a North American championship.

He won the title the following year, then flew to Pittsburgh from a Florida honeymoon to defend it successfully again in 1939. Crawford's last victory in the prestigious event came in 1961.

In 1957, Crawford held all five national team titles at once: the Vanderbilt, the Spingold, the Chicago (now Reisinger), the Men's and the Mixed.

Never at a loss for words, Crawford brimmed with confidence and hubris. He was once approached at a tournament by a player who wanted his opinion on a hand.

"Before you give me the hand, who's my partner supposed to be?" Crawford asked.

"It's unimportant," answered the player.

"I have to know," said Crawford. "It might make a difference."

"Okay then – another good player. Make it yourself or your twin brother."

"Who are my opponents?"

"If you insist on that, too, make it two more Johnny Crawfords."

Said Crawford: "I'm sorry, I wouldn't play in that game, it's too tough."

An expert in many card games and forms of gambling, Crawford lectured extensively during his wartime Army service in an attempt to help servicemen avoid being cheated.

Crawford helped found the New York Card School in 1950. He moved to New York City from Philadelphia in 1959.

His writings include *Crawford's Contract Bridge*, *How to be a Consistent Winner in the Most Popular Card Games* and books on canasta and samba.

## Ely Culbertson (1891-1955)

Perhaps the most colorful and flamboyant figure in the history of bridge was Ely Culbertson. His career was so varied that it defies a brief synopsis, but in the world of bridge Culbertson is remembered as an extraordinary organizer, player and – above all – showman.

His success in all of these endeavors made Culbertson fabulously wealthy even at the height of the Great Depression.

A self-educated man, Culbertson was also an author and lecturer on mass psychology and political science. He was born in Romania but was an American citizen from birth by registration with the U.S. consul, being the son of Almon Culbertson, an American mining engineer who had been retained by the Russian government to develop the Caucasian oil fields and who had married a Russian woman, Xenia Rogoznaya, daughter of a Cossack ataman or chief.

Culbertson belonged to a pioneer American family who settled about Titusville PA and Oil City PA. Later, he joined the Sons of the American Revolution to refute rumors that he had changed his name or falsified his ancestry.

He attended gymnasias in Russia and matriculated at Yale (1908) and Cornell (1910), but in each case remained only a few months.

Later (1913-1914) he studied political science at l'Ecole des Sciences Economiques et Politiques at the University of Paris (Sorbonne) and in 1915 at the University of Geneva in Switzerland, but he was largely self-educated, and the erudition for which he was admired can principally be attributed to a self-imposed and invariable regimen of reading a book designed to improve his knowledge at least one hour before going to sleep each night. In this he was aided by an aptitude for languages.

He conversed fluently in Russian, English, French, German, Czech, Spanish and Italian, had a reading knowledge of Slavonic, Polish, Swedish, and Danish-Norwegian, and had knowledge of classical Latin and Greek.

In 1907 Culbertson participated as a student in one of the abortive Russian revolutions. He pursued his revolutionary ideas in labor disputes in the American Northwest and in Mexico and Spain (1911-1912), serving as an agitator for the union and syndicalist sides.

After the Russian Revolution of 1917 wiped out his family's large fortune there, Culbertson lived for four years in Paris and other European cities by exploiting his skill as a card player.

In 1921 he returned to the U.S., almost penniless, and continued to derive his chief living from winnings in card games. In 1923, having acquired some reputation as a bridge player, he married Josephine Murphy Dillon, one of the highly reputed bridge teachers in New York City.

Together they became a successful pair as tournament players and bridge authorities. Between 1926 and 1929, the then new game of contract bridge began to replace auction bridge, and Culbertson saw in this development an opportunity to overtake the firmly entrenched authorities on auction bridge.

Culbertson planned a long-range campaign that included the construction of a dogmatic system, the publication of a magazine to appeal to group leaders in bridge, the authorship of a bridge textbook to serve as a "bible", an organization of professional bridge teachers, a dramatization of himself and his wife as largely fictitious personalities and the expansion of the appeal of bridge by breaking down religious opposition to card playing. The plan proved conspicuously successful.

Culbertson founded his magazine, *The Bridge World*, in 1929. Through the same corporation he published his earliest bridge books, all of which were best sellers. He manufactured and sold bridge players' supplies, including the introduction of Kem playing cards, maintained an organization of bridge teachers (Culbertson National Studios), which at its peak had 6000 members, and conducted bridge competitions through the United States Bridge Association and the World Bridge Olympics and American Bridge Olympics.

In its best year, 1937, *The Bridge World*, Inc, grossed more than \$1 million of which \$220,000 was royalties payable to Culbertson before profits were calculated.

As a regular tournament competitor, Culbertson had the best record in the earliest years of contract bridge. In 1930 he won the Vanderbilt and American Bridge League Knockout Team events, also the ABL B-A-M Team event, and finished second in the Master Pairs. That year he led a team that played the first international match, in England, and defeated several teams there. In 1933 and 1934 his teams won the Schwab Cup.

Culbertson seldom played tournament bridge after 1934, but he was second in the ABL's 1935 matchpoint team contest and in the International Bridge League's first intercontinental tournament in 1937. Culbertson continued to play high-stakes rubber bridge until about two years before his death.

The success of Culbertson's *Blue Book* in 1930 caused the established auction bridge authorities to join forces to combat his threatened domination of contract bridge. Culbertson countered by challenging the leading player among his opposition, Sidney Lenz, to a test match, offering 5-1 odds.

Culbertson's victory in this match, played in the winter of 1931-32, fortified his leading position. The great publicity accorded the match enriched Culbertson; he and his wife both acquired contracts for widely syndicated newspaper articles, he made a series

of movie shorts for \$360,000 and he received \$10,000 a week for network radio broadcasts. In 1935 Culbertson tried to recapture the magic of his match against Lenz by playing a similar match against P. Hal and Dorothy Sims, but although the Culbertsons won this match also, there was no publicity advantage akin to that which accrued from the Lenz match.

The publicity accorded Culbertson throughout his professional career can be attributed equally to his unquestioned abilities, his colorful personality and his grandiose way of life. Culbertson lived in the grand manner, with total disregard of expense whether at the moment he happened to be rich or penniless.

Once he strolled into Sulka's (then) on Fifth Avenue in New York and bought \$5000 worth of shirts. He smoked a private blend of cigarettes that cost him \$7 a day. When he decided to buy a Duesenberg automobile in 1934, he did not sell his Rolls Royce but gave it away.

His home for years was an estate in Ridgefield CT, with a 45-room house, several miles of paved and lighted roads, greenhouses, cottages, lakes and an enclosed swimming pool with orchids growing along its periphery.

He always had caviar with his tea and made special trips to Italy to buy his neckties. When he died in 1955, he owned five houses for his own use – four of them with swimming pools. But Culbertson rationalized these extravagances as publicity devices. He actually lived in one small room with a cot and a table, and he spent most of his time pacing the floor and thinking.

In 1933, when a newspaper reporter asked him, "Mr. Culbertson, how did you get ahead of those other bridge authorities?" he answered, "I got up in the morning and went to work."

Culbertson's contributions to the science of contract bridge, both practical and theoretical, were basic and timeless. He devised the markings on duplicate boards for vulnerability and the bonuses for games and partscores.

He was the first authority to treat distribution as equal or superior to high cards in formulating the requirements for bids. Forcing bids, including the one-over-one, were original Culbertson concepts, as were four-card suit bids, limited notrump bids, the strong two-bid and wholesale ace-showing including the 4NT slam try.

These were presented in the historic *Lesson Sheets on the Approach-Forcing System* (1927) and in numerous magazine articles written by Culbertson in the Twenties and early Thirties. Specific bridge principles attributable to Culbertson, separately described, include among others Asking Bids, the Grand Slam Force, Jump Bids, and the New-Suit Forcing principle, which Culbertson first introduced and later repudiated.

In 1938, with war imminent in Europe, Culbertson lost interest in bridge and thereafter devoted his time to seeking some grand achievement in political science.

To effect world peace he proposed international control of decisive weapons and a quota for each major nation in tactical forces. After formation of the United Nations, to which Culbertson's ideas made a discernible contribution, he persisted in a campaign to give it adequate police power.

At one time 17 U.S. Senators and 42 U.S. Congressmen subscribed to a proposed joint resolution of Congress advocating Culbertson's proposals. But in the course of these activities Culbertson lost his position as the leading bridge authority; by 1950 or earlier, Charles Goren had surpassed him in the sale of books and other bridge writings and in the adherence of bridge teachers and players. When a bridge Hall of Fame was inaugurated in 1964, nine years after his death, however, Culbertson was the first person elected.

Though never an ACBL Life Master, he was named Honorary Member in 1938. Ely and Josephine Culbertson were divorced in 1938. In 1947, Culbertson married Dorothy Renata Baehne, who was 35 years younger than he.

There were two children by each of his marriages. Culbertson suffered in later years from lung congestion (emphysema) and died at his last home in Brattleboro VT of a common cold that proved fatal because of the lung condition.

Minor works by Ely Culbertson, such as paperbound books and pamphlets, are literally too numerous to mention, and all or nearly all were written by members of Culbertson's staff, as also were most of the newspaper and magazine articles published under Culbertson's name from 1932 on.

Earlier articles in bridge periodicals were written by Culbertson, as were the following of his major books, each of which was published in many editions: *Contract Bridge Blue Book*, 1930; *Culbertson's Self-Teacher*, 1933; *Red Book on Play*, 1934; *The Gold Book or Contract Bridge Complete*, 1936; and *Point-Count Bidding*, 1952. Culbertson's autobiography, *The Strange Lives of One Man*, was published in 1940. His principal works on political science were *Total Peace*, 1943, and *Must We Fight Russia?* 1947.

## Josephine Culbertson (1898-1956)

“The modern miracle – the woman who can play on even terms with the best men” was the second woman elected to the Bridge Hall of Fame.

Josephine Culbertson was the first woman to achieve championship caliber and, as such, helped to pave the way for Helen Sobel, Sally Young and others.

As a member of *The Bridge World* team, with Waldemar von Zedtwitz as her partner (later Michael Gottlieb and Albert Morehead), she won national and international championships, including the Schwab Cup in 1933 and 1934.

With husband Ely, she played many high-stakes set games, won international matches in England and France, and achieved national fame in the Culbertson-Lenz match.

She was co-founder of *The Bridge World*, 1929, and inaugurated its “Pro et Contra” department, which appeared under her name until her death. She was often on radio bridge shows, including two long series with her husband. She participated briefly in motion pictures made by her husband. Jo, as she insisted she be called by her close friends, was as glamorous as a movie star - the world of bridge was at her feet as was the world of fashion. Every paper, every smart magazine sang her praises and quoted not only her success at the bridge table, but also her beautiful clothes and the chic with which she wore them.

Ely Culbertson, in his autobiography *The Strange Lives of One Man*, described his meeting Jo at the Knickerbocker Whist club in New York. “I couldn’t help noticing,” he wrote, “that she stood out among the many attractive women present as if she were alone.

“Not that there was anything immediately arresting about her. But the ensemble of her gestures, speech and features, like the ensemble of her clothes, indefinably suggested a distinct and yet restrained personality.

“She was extraordinarily young for a bridge teacher and for her reputation as America’s greatest woman player – not over 22. She was decidedly attractive, at times beautiful; tall, slender, with large Irish eyes, a slightly retroussé nose and a most winning smile.

“I was particularly impressed with her hands – long, narrow, alive with suppressed feeling. Her gestures were smoothly slow, controlled by thought rather than impulse.”

After the two had played bridge together for the first time, Ely Culbertson wrote that Jo had “a man’s mind – and something else more precious; something so rare that only one in a thousand women is endowed with it: charm. It emanated in tranquil waves from the attitudes of her heart, that angle of her thoughts, her pregnant silences, the dignity of her movements, the shyness of her voice, the structure of her smile.”

Culbertson, in a later chapter quotes an old Western gambler who had just played the couple. “Mrs. Culbertson,” the gambler said, “I apologize for thinking that women are not as good players as men. You and your husband have not only given me the licking of my life, but you yourself are the finest bridge player I have ever seen.”

Josephine and Ely Culbertson were divorced in an uncontested action brought by Culbertson in Reno NV in 1938, though they continued as business partners and co-editors.

Jo died March 23, 1956, of a cerebral stroke, 87 days after Ely’s death.

Alphonse Moyse Jr., who succeeded Ely Culbertson as editor and publisher of *The Bridge World*, wrote Jo’s obituary and recalled her early years in bridge:

“Jo Culbertson carved a unique niche for herself among men who theretofore had not taken kindly to the idea of playing with women . . .

“She endeared herself by neither demanding nor expecting gallantry: she met these men on even terms, fought them fiercely at the card table and won her full share of victories.

“It was like that throughout her bridge career. And, of course, since she despised coyness and all feminine subterfuges, she gained the deep respect and affection of every partner and every opponent.”

Moyse concluded: “I knew Jo Culbertson for 23 years. I was with her through good times and sad times.

“Not once in those 23 years did I see or hear of any act of hers that was mean or small or unkind.

“I can still hear her lovely laughter.”

## **William (Billy) Eisenberg (b.1937)**

In the 40 years since he moved from New York to Dallas to join the Aces, Billy Eisenberg has accomplished much in competitive bridge, including five world championships. He has also thought a lot about how the game fits into his life.

“One of the great things about bridge,” the Boca Raton FL resident says, “is that at various times in your life you can reinvent your feelings about the game. It was a passion for me, then it was a job. Lately I’ve experienced a rebirth of passion for bridge.”

When he arrived in Dallas in 1968 to joined the fabled Aces – the world’s first full-time professional bridge team – Eisenberg was somewhat of a maverick, a New Yorker suddenly thrust into a world of cowboys and guns.

His bridge expertise was all that counted, however, and he fit into the program well, becoming known for his partnership skills.

By the time he left the Aces in 1971 to head for California, Eisenberg had two Bermuda Bowl titles to his credit (1970 and 1971) and he would win three more (1976, 1977 and 1979).

Significantly, his five world championships were earned with four different partners.

In all, he has represented the U.S. in 10 world championships. He has won numerous European tournaments, including the prestigious London Sunday Times Invitational.

His North American championships include the Spingold KO Teams (1969 and 1973), the Vanderbilt KO Teams (1971 and 1978), the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams (1970, 1974 and 1976), the Grand National Teams (1974 and 1976), the Life Master Pairs and Men’s B-A-M Teams (both 1968), the Baze Senior KO Teams (1995, 1996, 1999), and the Keohane NA Swiss (2001).

Eisenberg is not only a former world champion, he has also been a coach, teacher and vugraph commentator.

He is one of the official vugraph commentators for the World Bridge Federation. He was coach to the first ACBL Junior team to attend Junior Camp in Poland in 1987 and he has coached and been teacher to many national teams around the world, including Israel, Panama, Venezuela and the Netherlands.

In addition to his prowess at bridge, Eisenberg is an expert backgammon player. He won a world title in backgammon in 1974 and has been a professional player in the game. He is a WBF Grand Master and an ACBL Grand Life Master.

For years, one of Eisenberg’s regular partners was Benito Garozzo, formerly of the famed Italian Blue Team, bitter rival of the Aces. Eisenberg still plays occasionally with Garozzo, now a U.S. citizen living in Boca Raton.

Eisenberg considers his days with the Aces as pivotal in his bridge career. “All of us got to be recognized as good players,” he says, “and the Aces had an enormous impact on bridge as far as coaching and practicing.”

Eisenberg acknowledges that the game has been good to him. “Bridge has been enriching to me,” he says, “and I’ve tried to give something back.”

## **Mary Jane Farell (b. 1920)**

Mary Jane Farell, building on a childhood fascination with bridge, has crafted an all-star career that includes four world championships and election to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame.

“I saw bridge at home and was fascinated by the time I was nine,” says Farell, who joined former teammate Dorothy Truscott as 1998 inductees. They were the first two American women to earn the rank of World Grand Master, the World Bridge Federation’s highest ranking.

Farell earned the rank by winning the 1966 World Mixed Pairs with Ivan Erdos, the 1970 World Women’s Pairs with Marilyn Johnson and the 1978 Venice Cup with Johnson and teammates Truscott, Emma Jean Hawes, Jacqui Mitchell and Gail Greenberg. She added the World Women’s Team Olympiad crown in 1980 with the same team.

Those victories were highlights, she agrees, but election to the Bridge Hall of Fame was “the apex of my bridge career.”

It’s a career that began in Cincinnati, where Farell grew up. “I couldn’t wait to get home from school to kibitz whenever my mother had the game at our house.”

She was introduced to duplicate at age 17 when the family moved to Los Angeles.

“The local rubber bridge club had twice-monthly duplicate sessions and I began playing duplicate in those games with the young men I dated. Once I began playing duplicate, I couldn’t play often enough.”

One of those young men, Arnold Kauder, became her mentor and her husband. They were later divorced but Farell remembers Kauder as “a marvelous bridge player. It was he who put the polish on my game.”

Farell began teaching after World War II. “Women used to call me up and ask for advice on bidding, play of the hand, defense – whatever. Then groups of women would get together at one home and hire me to teach them.”

Her professional playing began in much the same way. “People made me a pro. They offered to pay for babysitters and card fees, and they would pick me up and transport me to the tournaments.

“It’s really nice to have a hobby that turned into a living. I feel very fortunate. Bridge has been good for me and to me.”

She's also given back to bridge, serving on appeals committees at regionals and NABCs and hosting "Coffee with Mary Jane" seminars. In 1964, the Los Angeles Times named Farell "Woman of the Year" in recognition of her gaining first place among women in the all-time masterpoint rankings.

In 1978 she and Johnson became the first women to win the six-session Life Master Pairs – they remain the only women's pair to have their names engraved on the von Zedtwitz Gold Cup.

Farell remembers that she and Johnson served on a committee after the final session. "Then we came back to see if we were in the top 10. We had had a soft last session, but we were still leading and we were ecstatic."

Farell, who describes herself as "a crusader (and) a champion of the less experienced player," now plays mostly at the club level with longtime pupils. "My friends are the little people in the bridge world."

She met her husband Jules Farell through bridge. Before Jules's death in 2005, Farell said proudly, "It's been a great marriage. We are a very good husband-and-wife partnership – we play together without bickering. Jules is still my favorite partner – I wish we could play together more frequently."

## **Harry Fishbein (1898-1976)**

Harry Fishbein of New York City, was a pro basketball player and president of the famous Mayfair Bridge Club, proprietor from 1940-70. Fishbein had a tournament career that spanned four decades. Harry won 17 national championships and was runner up in 22. In team events, he won the Vanderbilt five times and was second in the Spingold and Reisinger four times. He won the National Men's Teams and the Master Mixed teams. His most prestigious pair championships were two consecutive wins in the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs. He represented the U.S. in the Bermuda Bowl in 1959 and served as the non-playing captain of the 1960 U.S. World Olympiad Team.

Fishbein served as ACBL treasurer from 1952 to 1966 and was a board member and then honorary member of the Greater New York Bridge Association for almost 30 years. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1966.

He was an inventive and original bridge mind. He devised and published the Fishbein Convention, a system where a double of an opening three-bid is for penalties and an overcall in the cheapest available suit is a conventional and forcing takeout bid.

Although basically conservative, Fishbein had one asset that helped him stand head and shoulders above most players – he was adjustable. He had a knack of making his bidding conform to that of his partner for maximum effectiveness.

"Fishy" and his berets were standard entertainment at the national and regional tournaments he attended during his heyday. When he wore a beret to an early tournament, the headgear made such a hit that tams and berets became his signature. He acquired an extensive collection and was ever changing the various colors and designs according to his mood.

Anecdotes about Fishbein are legion. Lee Hazen liked to tell this one: Fishy was playing against two pretty young girls and opened 1♥ and passed the 1NT response. The girl on his left thought for a long time, gave Fishy a funny look and bid 2♥. When this came back to Fishy he tweaked her cheek and said, "You're very pretty, but you've got a big mouth! Double!!"

Fishbein brought a lot of flair and ingenuity to the bridge table with help and advice for new player, *e.g.* "If you're fixed, stay fixed ... don't try to mastermind your way out of it into a bigger beating."

... "You can't be a top player without the right temperament ... not in a game that is a partnership proposition. Losing your temper only adds points to your blood pressure and never to your score."

## Henry Francis (b. 1926)

One of the most popular and capable personages to ever grace the ACBL family is Bulletin Editor Emeritus Henry Francis. As a teenager in the early Forties living in Massachusetts, he embarked upon two careers that for six decades would enrich his own life as well as others with whom he came into contact.

One endeavor was bridge (as a player, tournament reporter, club director and owner, and ACBL associate national tournament director). The other was as a journalist.

According to his dear friend and well-loved Co-Editor Emeritus, Sue Emery, “It was pure serendipity when these two careers came together in 1972. The Boston Herald was folding, and the ACBL was moving to Memphis and needed an editor for the Bulletin. Henry brought his considerable knowledge, great experience, talent and boundless enthusiasm to the job.”

During his years in Memphis, he edited the monthly ACBL magazine, three editions of *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*, many editions of the World Championship Book, World Championship Bulletins and Daily Bulletins at the North American Bridge Championships for more than 30 years. His association with the World Championships attracted the attention of the world bridge press. Soon thereafter, he was invited to serve in several capacities by both the International Bridge Press Association and the World Bridge Federation.

Francis still can be seen playing in the local and nearby tournaments, an occasional ACBL event and in the weekly Memphis duplicates where he ran his own Thursday night game for many years. Despite the passage of much time, his interest in the game has not diminished, and the mutual love affair between Henry Francis and the world of bridge continues to flourish.

## Richard Freeman (1933-2009)

Richard Freeman, a “Quiz Kid” of radio fame in the Forties, became ACBL’s youngest Life Master in the Fifties and at the time of his death had claimed 22 North American championships and three world championships.

Freeman graduated from high school at the age of 12 and enrolled at the University of Chicago, earning a bachelor’s degree in liberal arts by the age of 15. At the age of 21, he had earned another bachelor’s degree (in business administration) and a law degree from George Washington University in DC.

Freeman became the ACBL’s youngest Life Master in 1952 at the age of 18. In the mid-Fifties, he began directing and became legendary for his speed with a pencil in the days when games were posted and scored by hand.

He won his first North American championship in 1955 – the Men’s (now Open) B-A-M Teams – playing with Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Ralph Hirschberg and Al Roth.

Freeman is best known, however, for his partnership with Nick Nickell and for the success their team – Bob Hamman–Bobby Wolff, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth–Eric Rodwell – enjoyed for many years. The Nickell partnership dates back to their days at the University of North Carolina. During the early Eighties, they played serious bridge “semi-regularly” while Nickell lived in Atlanta. Nickell said he was continually impressed with Freeman’s approach to bridge. “He had a lot of energy and an infinite capacity to think and analyze things, and he saw stuff in the cards that mere mortals don’t see. He went to the table with one objective: to win.” Playing on the Nickell team, Freeman won eight Spingolds, six Reisingers, two Vanderbilts, and three Bermuda Bowls.

Freeman’s victories in the Bermuda Bowl came in 1995, 2000, and 2003. Freeman was very proud of the fact that he was the oldest person to ever win the Bermuda Bowl.

Freeman said he considered bridge to be more than a game, more than a sport – “it broadens your perspective.” He credited his wife, Louise, with teaching him how to win.

## Edith Freilich (d. 2011)

Edith Kemp Freilich came from a bridge playing family. She grew up in South Orange NJ and later moved to New York and Miami Beach. Freilich was an ACBL Grand Life Master and a WBF World Master. She became Life Master #70 in 1947.

In 1997, Freilich was the third woman elected to the ACBL Hall of Fame. She joined Josephine Culbertson and Helen Sobel Smith in the then select group of 22 bridge greats.

Freilich and Smith are the only two women who have won the Vanderbilt, the Spingold and the Reisinger (formerly the Chicago). As of 2011, only 64 players have accomplished this feat.

Freilich won her first major championship – the NABC Women’s Pairs – with Mae Rosen in 1941. They repeated their victory in 1942 and 1943. Subsequently she acquired an additional 26 NABC titles and represented the US in three World Championships.

A frequent partner and teammate in open and women’s events was her sister, the late Anne Burnstein. The pair accomplished a rare double when they won two national titles at the Spring NABC in 1979.

“It’s wonderful to have a sport you love,” she said. “I’m going to be playing bridge as long as I can walk and talk.”

## Richard Frey (1905-1988)

Dick Frey, Life Master #8, was a multi-talented writer, editor and champion player.

Frey (1905-1988) was a public relations chief and editor of the Bridge Bulletin from 1958 to 1970. He was editor-in-chief of the first three editions of *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* and 12 world championship books. After his retirement in 1970, he served as president of the International Bridge Press Association for 11 years.

Frey was a freelance writer on diverse non-fiction subjects for major magazines. His books on canasta, published in 1950 and 1951, sold more than a million copies and his *According to Hoyle*, published in 1956, sold nearly three million copies.

He was the author of *How to Win at Contract Bridge in Ten Easy Lessons* and several other books.

The generation of bridge players who knew Frey as an editor and a writer did not link him with personalities such as Ely Culbertson, P. Hal Sims, Harold S. Vanderbilt, Oswald Jacoby and Howard Schenken, but Frey was right there at the beginning of the heyday of contract bridge.

At age 25, he won his first major tournament victory – the Goldman Pairs. He was an original member of the Bid-Rite team and the Four Aces. In 1932, when Vanderbilt won the Vanderbilt Trophy for the first time, he had to defeat Frey’s Bid-Rite team (David Burnstine, Charles Lochridge and Howard Schenken) in the final.

The Bid-Rite team was the forerunner of the original Four Aces, formed in 1933 when Jacoby broke free from a Culbertson commitment and replaced Lochridge.

In 1934 the Aces (Frey, Burnstine, Jacoby, Schenken and Michael Gottlieb) won the Vanderbilt and the Spingold. Frey had the best tournament record of any player that year – he also won the Master Pairs and the Grand National Teams.

Frey had another great year in 1942 when he again achieved the rare double distinction of winning the Vanderbilt and the Spingold.

In a relatively short playing career, he won four other national events and was runner-up in seven.

In 1935 Frey went to work for Culbertson as sales manager for Kem Cards and later served as editor of *The Bridge World* magazine, technical consultant on the Culbertson system and a player on Culbertson teams, often as Ely’s partner.

In 1937 he began to write a daily newspaper column. He took over writing the Four Aces column in 1944 and in 1954 merged the two in collaboration with Schenken.

When he turned the column over to Schenken in 1970, Frey’s was the longest continuously published syndicated bridge feature in the United States.

From Culbertson to Charles Goren, Frey’s writing frequently appeared under the by-line of the bridge greats. He had the chameleon-like ability to change the style and flavor of his writing to fit that of the original.

Frey was boss and mentor to a number of bridge personalities he brought to the ACBL – Alan Truscott, Albert Dormer, Tannah Hirsch, Tom Smith, Steve Becker, Richard Oshlag and Sue Emery.

The late Sue Emery, Editor Emeritus of the Bridge Bulletin, remembered Frey as “such a great writer. He was a tough boss but he could take a pencil and your copy and make a story out of a mess.

“The man had a delightful sense of humor. He was very funny, a great storyteller and a stimulus to be around.”



## Sam Fry Jr. (1909-1991)

Sam Fry became Life Master #10 when the category was created in 1936. Selection of the early Life Masters was based on their successes in national events. Fry, who had already won seven national titles, was 26 at the time.

Fry won four more national championships (the Spingold in 1937, 1941 and 1945 and the Vanderbilt in 1958) and represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1959.

Fry, who lived in New York City, was the longtime secretary of the Regency Whist Club. His writings on bridge and other games include *How to Win at Bridge with Any Partner* and a modern edition of *Watson's Play of the Hand at Bridge*. He was a contributing editor of *The Bridge World* from 1932 until 1966.

Ivar Stakgold called Fry “one of the top bridge personalities of the 20th century.” Boris Koytchou of New York, a longtime friend, recalls this story:

“Sam Fry Jr., Eddie Hymes Jr. and Louis Watson – all fantastic bridge players and really bright guys, their IQs between 150 and 170 – traveled together to a tournament in Atlantic City in the 1930s.

“When they got to Atlantic City, they found that most of the hotel rooms were sold out. There were only two rooms for the three of them.

“Naturally, they drew lots to see who would get a single room and who would share.

“The next day, the guy who was bunking with Hymes said to the other: ‘I can’t stand it. Eddie snores. I can’t get any sleep. I can’t concentrate. We’ll have to swap up.’

“The other agreed and so it went for the remainder of their stay. At the end of the tournament,” says Koytchou, chuckling, “it never occurred to them that they could have let Eddie sleep alone.”

## John Gerber (1906-1981)

John Gerber won fame as a player, as a strong team captain and as the inventor of the ace-asking 4♣ bid that bears his name. A more important legacy to bridge may be found in the lives he influenced and continues to influence.

“Chances are that I wouldn’t be playing bridge today if it hadn’t been for Gerber,” says Sidney Lazard, considered one of the all-time greats of the game.

Bobby Wolff, another legendary bridge figure, calls Gerber “a father figure.” Gerber, Wolff says, “may have had the most influence on me when I first started to play.”

Gerber (1906-1981) was a strong captain of North American teams and a fine player in his own right. He won four NABC titles, was nine times a runner-up and won many regional events. He represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1961.

In recognition of these achievements, Gerber was elected to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame, the fourth Texan to be so honored (Wolff, Oswald Jacoby and Jim Jacoby are the others).

Lazard recalls playing with Gerber early in his own career. “I had about five mentors and he was certainly one of the main ones. The two strengths of my game – defense and tactics – I learned from Gerber. “His offensive bidding might have left something to be desired, but he was a fine defensive player and a fine tactical player.”

Gerber was one of the first to realize that if an opponent discarded a suit and there were four of that suit in dummy, the opponent likely had five or more. “And that was more than 30 years ago,” adds Lazard, “long before anyone else even thought about it.”

Wolff recalls kibitzing Gerber. “He had a tremendous feel for the game. I remember kibitzing once when the bidding went 1♥-Pass-2♥-Pass; Pass and he balanced with 3♦. He was vulnerable and if the opponents had stopped to double him, he would have gone down a bunch.

“Instead, they went to 3♥ and went down themselves. I asked him later why he had taken such a risk and his reply was, ‘Did you check to see what our matchpoint score would have been for minus 110?’ ” Wolff says Gerber was “a dynamic matchpoint player. It seemed his score was always 200-plus with 156 average.”

Gerber was no slouch at board-a-match play either. His team (Mervyn Key, Harold Rockaway and Paul Hodge) won the 1964 Reisinger, averaging 71% over four sessions.

His regular Texas team – Hodge, Ben Fain and George Heath – was “a very fine team in the Fifties and early Sixties,” recalls Dan Morse, a fellow Texan who now represents District 16 on the ACBL Board of Directors. He also remembers Gerber, an early riser, sitting in the hotel lobby at NABCs “willing to give advice. He was better at giving advice than taking it.”

Morse, who has enjoyed considerable success as a non-playing captain, notes that Gerber was the non-playing captain of North American teams in Bermuda Bowl competition in 1962, 1963 and 1965.

In New York in 1962, he split the partnerships of Bobby Nail – Mervyn Key and Lew Mathe – Ron Von der Porten, putting Mathe and Nail together as partners in an unusual move that worked well and almost captured the title from Italy. “Gerber,” says Morse, “believed in good card play rather than long-established partnerships.”

The next year in St. Vincent, Italy, he again broke up a long-established partnership, pairing Nail with Howard Schenken and benching Peter Leventritt and Jim Jacoby. This move was not successful and may have cost the Americans the championship.

It followed a little known incident that occurred at the time Gerber arrived at the Grand Hotel Bilia. An anonymous letter written in Italian was delivered to him. He secured a translator, but after the first paragraph was read to him, he asked the translator to stop; to deliver the letter to Italy's captain, Carl' Alberto Perroux and to explain that Gerber had listened only to the first paragraph.

The writer had accused the Blue Team of cheating. Perroux, after reading the letter to his team, suggested that the match be played with screens running across the tables (this was 12 years before present-day screens were employed) – but Gerber would have none of it.

The goodwill engendered by this exchange inspired Perroux and his team to present their championship trophies to Gerber and the American team in what was described as the greatest act of sportsmanship in bridge history.

When Gerber's daring move to pair Schenken with Nail backfired, he faced a lot of flak, but the ACBL Board of Directors nevertheless appointed him captain of the next Bermuda Bowl team in 1965. That was the time when two members of his team brought cheating charges against a British partnership.

Gerber spent 10 minutes in the grandstand watching the famous British pair who were accused of using finger signals to tell each other how many hearts were held. The 10 minutes were enough to convince him and he became one of the strongest witnesses against the pair when the World Bridge Federation suspended them.

A very strong captain, Gerber was a great player in his own right. He represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in Buenos Aires 1961 and won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1964, the Master Mixed Teams in 1964, the Men's Pairs in 1959 and the Men's Teams 1953. He placed second in the Spingold in 1954 and 1967; the Chicago in 1957 and 1959; the Men's Pairs 1957, the Master Mixed Teams in 1967, the Mixed Pairs in 1953 and 1968 and the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1974.

## **Richard Goldberg (1923-1999)**

Richard L. Goldberg, who died in 1999 at age 76, was a major figure in North American and world bridge for many years. At the world level, he was a member of the Committee of Honor of the World Bridge Federation (WBF). He served the WBF as treasurer and finance officer from 1981 to 1990. He was elected a member of the WBF Executive Committee in 1972 and served on that board until 1984.

At the North American level, Goldberg began his career as a tournament director in 1959, rising to national tournament director in 1961. The ACBL drafted him for work as tournament division head in the New York City office in 1963, and he switched to Greenwich, Connecticut, when the ACBL moved there. In 1965 he became assistant to Alvin Landy, the executive secretary. He served in this post under Landy and later under Easley Blackwood until he took over as chief executive officer in 1971.

Goldberg faced a monumental task during his first year as CEO. The board of directors voted to move ACBL headquarters from Greenwich to Memphis, Tennessee. The task was accomplished in December 1972, when the ACBL headquarters building was completed.

Goldberg was named the ACBL's Honorary Member in 1994. He was a member of the ACBL Laws Commission and the ACBL Goodwill Committee. He was also a good bridge player, achieving the rank of Life Master with several regional championships to his credit.

He retired as CEO in 1984 and moved shortly thereafter to Nashville, where he was born and where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering at Vanderbilt University. He worked as a civil engineer for 15 years before turning to bridge as a player and then as a director.

After announcing his retirement, Goldberg said his most satisfying moments in bridge came during his time as a tournament director. "Then I was working directly with the members," Goldberg said, "and there is no substitute for being around people, understanding them, talking to them."

On Goldberg's death, Roy G. Green, former ACBL CEO, recalled Goldberg as "a wonderful human being who left his mark on the American Contract Bridge League. The people who worked with him loved him and respected him as an outstanding leader and a friend."

Tommy Sanders of Nashville, former ACBL President and former District Director for District 10, remembered Goldberg as "my friend for 50 years – we were always close. He always gave me encouragement when I was on the Board of Directors. I loved him like a brother."

Henry Francis, whom Goldberg hired as editor of the Bridge Bulletin in 1972, also called Goldberg one of his closest friends. "I never worked for Dick – we always worked together. He was one of the kindest men I ever knew. His son said it best at the funeral services: 'He was a gentleman and a gentle man.'"

## **Bobby Goldman (1938-1999)**

It should certainly come as no surprise that Bobby Goldman was selected for induction to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility. A stellar career, Goldman had many accolades and made even more contributions to the game along with multiple victories.

Goldman's tournament record is impressive. He earned four world titles (the Bermuda Bowl in 1970, 1971 and 1979 and the World Mixed Teams in 1972) and 19 North American championships: the Life Master Men's Pairs (1964); the Life Master Pairs (1968); the Open B-A-M Teams (1993); the Men's Teams (1968, 1989 and 1991); the Spingold Knockout Teams (1969, 1978, 1983, 1986 and 1988); the Reisinger B-A-M Teams (1970, 1976 and 1980); the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams (1971, 1973, 1978, 1997 and 1998). Goldman also had 13 second-place finishes in NABC events. He won both the pair and the team events at the 1977 Pan-American Invitational Championships.

At the time of his induction into the Hall of Fame, Goldman was an ACBL Grand Life Master with more than 25,700 masterpoints, and ranked ninth on the all-time list of masterpoint holders. He was also a WBF World Grand Master.

Goldman authored several books on the game, including *Aces Scientific* and *Winners and Losers at the Bridge Table*. His contributions to bidding theory include Super Gerber, Kickback, Exclusion Blackwood and Goldman after Stayman. He was one of the principal architects of the Aces Scientific System.

Goldman served as ACBL recorder from 1986–1988 and was a longtime member of the Competitions and Conventions Committee. His views on the game helped shape the modern-day Alert procedure, the ACBL convention chart, ethics and the appeals process.

Goldman was honored by the ACBL by being named the 1999 Honorary Member, presented for long and meritorious service to bridge.

Goldman's early career was distinguished by his association with the now-famous Aces, the professional, Texas-based team created by businessman Ira Corn for the purpose of winning world bridge championships. Goldman was a member of the successful squad until 1974.

## **Agnes Gordon (1906-1967)**

Agnes Gordon, the 2009 von Zedtwitz honoree, was one of the ACBL's top players for three decades.

Born in Ridgetown ON, she moved to Buffalo NY but remained a Canadian citizen. Agnes learned to play bridge while in college. She began playing tournaments in the Thirties and had her first tournament success in York PA in the 1940s.

Gordon represented the U.S. in two world championships, placing second in the 1964 World Women's Teams. She won six North American Championships, including the Chicago (now the Reisinger), the Mixed Board-a-Match Teams twice, the Whitehead Women's Pairs, the Women's Teams, and the Mixed Pairs.

Eric Murray, who played with Gordon frequently wrote, "There was no better female bridge player in North America (including Helen Sobel) and very few male players her equal. She achieved remarkable success frequently playing with mediocre partners."

Gordon and Murray had a record 78% game in the final session of the Rockwell Mixed Pairs, which they won in 1963. Wrote Murray: "Agnes never came close to touching a wrong card or making a questionable bid. Everyone who played with Agnes marveled at her perfection. She unquestionably ranks with the all-time very best."

At the time of her death, Gordon was 20<sup>th</sup> on the list of masterpoint winners and sixth among the women. She served as the representative for District 2 on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1963 to 1966.

Of all of her accomplishments, Gordon was proudest her 35 years of happy marriage to Ralph – a partnership that produced five children and numerous grandchildren.

## Charles Goren (1901-1991)

No name is more closely associated with the game of bridge than that of Charles Goren. Indeed, Goren earned and proudly bore the nickname of “Mr. Bridge.”

Born in Philadelphia, Goren earned a law degree as a young man but practiced only briefly before bridge became first in his life.

As a protégé of fellow Hall-of-Famer Milton Work, Goren adapted Work’s point-count evaluation method and published the now-familiar 4-3-2-1 system. The idea caught on quickly and was used by millions of players. Goren – a tireless worker – promoted his ideas through books, tours and lectures. Overnight, point-count displaced Ely Culbertson’s honor-trick approach to hand evaluation.

Goren’s hugely successful books, *Contract Bridge Complete* and *Point Count Bidding*, made his methods – dubbed “Standard American” – the most widely played system in the history of the game.

Goren’s talents were not limited to writing and lecturing. He also hosted the popular television program *Championship Bridge with Charles Goren* from 1959 to 1964.

The record for the most number of wins in the annual McKenney contest (now the Barry Crane Top 500 masterpoint race) was held by Goren, who won it eight times, until 2009 when it was broken by Jeff Meckstroth. He and Meckstroth share the record for the most number of consecutive victories.

His tournament career was outstanding. Goren won 34 national championships (now NABCs) and earned a world championship title when the U.S. squad won the inaugural Bermuda Bowl in 1950.

The name of Goren became synonymous with bridge to millions. His importance as a world figure was recognized when he was on the front cover of Time magazine. His classic *Contract Bridge Complete* ran to 12 editions.

It is estimated that Goren books have sold more than 10 million copies. His writings have been translated into a dozen languages. His books include: *Better Bridge for Better Players*, *Standard Book of Bidding*, *Contract Bridge Made Easy*, *A Self-Teacher*, *Point-Count Bidding in Contract Bridge*, *Goren Presents the Italian Bridge System*, *New Contract Bridge in a Nutshell*, *Sports Illustrated Book of Bridge*, *Goren’s Winning Partnership Bridge*, *Charles Goren’s Bridge Complete*, and *Goren on Play and Defense*.

Goren became a world champion in Bermuda in 1950 when the first Bermuda Bowl World Championship was staged. He placed second in the 1956 and 1957 Bermuda Bowls, was a member of the U.S. team that finished fourth in the first World Team Olympiad in Turin in 1960.

His television show, *Championship Bridge with Charles Goren*, ran from 1959 to 1964. It was called the first successful bridge program on television and won an award as one of the best new television features.

A lifelong bachelor, Goren may genuinely have been married to the game. In spite of his work as writer, lecturer, promoter, TV personality (unlike Culbertson, who grew bored with the game when he became successful), Goren was devoted to tournament play.

He seldom played rubber bridge, and never for high stakes. He considered his playing status amateur and once turned over to the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund the full amount of a \$1,500 purse which he won in a charity tournament played in Las Vegas.

Before his retirement from active competition in 1966, he captured virtually every major bridge trophy in U.S. tournament play.

He was elected the ACBL Honorary Member of 1959, one of the first three elected to the ACBL Hall of Fame (then of *The Bridge World*) in 1963. He was a member of the ACBL Laws Commission from 1956, contributing editor of *The Bridge World*, member of Editorial Advisory Board of *The Bridge Encyclopedia*. Goren was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by McGill University in 1963.

After retiring from the tournament scene in the late Sixties, Goren lived quietly at his home in Miami Beach. For the last 19 years of his life he lived with his nephew, Marvin Goren, in Southern California. Because of poor eyesight and failing health, he was seldom seen in the Seventies.

There were rare appearances on the *According to Goren* panel shows at North American Bridge Championships and in 1972 he hosted a party for the press at his Miami Beach home during the Fourth World Bridge Olympiad.

## **Michael Gottlieb (1902-1980)**

Michael T. Gottlieb (Life Master #9), whose six-year bridge career established him as one of the world's top players in the Thirties, was the 1999 recipient of the von Zedtwitz Award, recognizing contributions to the game of bridge through bridge-playing expertise.

Gottlieb (1902-1980) quickly established his reputation as a champion, winning 13 United States Bridge Association titles in the years 1929 to 1935: the USBA Grand National Open Teams in 1933 and 1934; Grand National Pairs, 1933; Asbury Challenge Teams, 1934; Master Pairs, 1931; Eastern Open Teams 1931, 1933 and 1934; Spingold, 1934; Vanderbilt, 1929, 1934 and 1935, and the Eastern Knockout Teams, 1934.

Gottlieb was one of Ely Culbertson's partners in the celebrated Culbertson-Lenz match, played December 1931 to January 1932. He also played on Culbertson's team against England and France in 1933.

He was a key member of the Four Aces team. His teammates were Howard Schenken, Oswald Jacoby, David Burnstine and Richard Frey. They dominated the tournament scene in the mid-Thirties.

In 1935 Gottlieb and Schenken toured Europe, taking on all comers, including a number of British players who were willing to back their bridge skill with pounds sterling. The results left a deep impression on British pocketbooks and in bridge circles.

Upon their return to America, Gottlieb and Schenken joined their teammates in a match against a French foursome representing themselves as the European champion team. Thus, the Americans won the first official world bridge team title.

The following year, when the bridge league designated its first 10 Life Masters, Gottlieb was #9 on the list.

At the end of 1936, he retired from competition to devote his time to business interests in California and Arizona.

During the last five years of his life, Gottlieb returned to the tournament scene on a part-time basis and was a frequent winner.

## **Fred Hamilton (b. 1936)**

Fred Hamilton was born and raised in East Lansing MI, where his father was an English professor at Michigan State University. "My parents played some bridge, so I had an early introduction to the game," Hamilton remembers.

At the age of 17, he joined the U.S. Army as a paratrooper. Though he played no bridge for three years, he says, "I had my trusty Goren book with me." After his discharge, he enrolled at MSU on the G.I. Bill and talked his mom into going to the local duplicate club. "We finished third – and I was hooked! I learned as much as possible from those I played with until eventually they were learning from me."

Mike Passell, whose illustrious bridge career Hamilton helped to launch, reminisces, "I played with Freddie in my first World Championship in Manila in the Seventies leading from beginning to almost the end before losing to Hamman - Wolff, etc."

Reflecting upon his long and distinguished career, Hamilton considers his most treasured bridge accomplishment to be winning the Bermuda Bowl (World Championship), defeating the fabled Italian Blue Team in 1976. He names Billy Eisenberg, Mark Lair, Mike Passell and Paul Soloway as "my favorite partners and good friends."

Besides the overwhelming successes he has achieved as a professional bridge player and teacher, few major NABC events have eluded him. Fred has captured multiple victories in the Reisinger, Vanderbilt and Spingold. Other notable triumphs include the 1982 Cavendish Invitational, 1994 Senior Pairs, 1996 and 1998 Senior Knockouts, the 1998, 2003, and 2008 Senior Swiss Teams and the 2001 Silver Ribbon Pairs. He holds the prestigious titles of WBF World Grand Master and ACBL Grand Life Master and is also the inventor of the popular Hamilton convention over the opponent's 1NT opening bid.

## Bob Hamman (b. 1938)

In a career that spans more than 40 years, Bob Hamman has collected nearly every accolade available. He was the No. 1 player in World Bridge Federation rankings for 20 years starting in 1985, has won 12 world championships, dozens of North American titles, and he was the first person to earn ACBL Player of the Year honors twice.

The only gap in his resume was that he had not been elected to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame. The reason: he wasn't old enough. When the Hall of Fame was resurrected by the ACBL Board of Directors in 1994, the ground rules for election were that living members had to be at least 60. Hamman reached that milestone in 1998 and was an automatic choice for the Hall in his first year of eligibility.

One of the qualities that secured Hamman's place among the legends of the game is a relentless drive to be the best. Former partner Bobby Wolff still regards Hamman as possibly the best analyst in the history of the game.

Even top experts marvel at Hamman's mental toughness, manifested most prominently in his unparalleled ability to leave hands already played completely in the past. Even Hamman, generally loath to toot his own horn, is proud of that quality.

In his book, Michael Rosenberg talks about playing with Hamman in the Open Pairs at the World Bridge Championship in Albuquerque in 1994. Rosenberg recounts how he misplayed a 5♠ contract and went down, costing the pair first place. Rosenberg marvels at how, after the game, Hamman eschewed recriminations, focusing instead on a deep analytical point in the play involving the spade spots.

Hamman did the same thing in an article he wrote for the now-defunct BOLS Bridge Tips competition. In the piece, Hamman rakes himself over the coals for something that never happened. The occasion was the 1991 team trials. Hamman and Wolff opposed Richard Pavlicek and Bill Root late in the final.

Against a 4♥ contract, Hamman led the ♦10 from a doubleton. He got in at trick two and led his other diamond. Wolff came in at trick four but did not immediately return a diamond for Hamman to ruff. After the deal was over (Hamman did get his ruff), Hamman discussed his state of mind while waiting for Wolff to play. He criticized himself for not thinking about another way to defeat the contract – there was one – had Wolff not returned the diamond. Hamman looked at the deal as a great lesson hand in keeping one's eye on the ball.

Today, Hamman is the very busy owner of a prize promotion business in Dallas.

It has been a long time since a young Bob Hamman made the rounds of the rubber-bridge clubs of the Los Angeles area, knocking heads with the best players of his day.

Along the way to the pinnacle, Hamman has been a member of the fabled Aces, the first full-time professional bridge team in the world; has won more than 50 North American championships and 12 world titles; has been second many more times than he cares to think about; has been named ACBL Honorary Member of the Year (1991) and has become a WBF Grand Master and an ACBL Grand Life Master.

When Nick Nickell and his regular partner, Richard Freeman, put together a bridge team in the early Nineties, Hamman and Wolff were selected along with Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell. They won their first Spingold Knockout Teams in 1993 and have added seven more as of 2011. The team has also won the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, arguably the toughest event on the ACBL calendar, seven times. With Hamman as one of the anchors, the Nickell team has won four Bermuda Bowls and finished second in three world championships.

The Nickell team has undergone changes through the years. When Wolff left the team in 1998, Paul Soloway was recruited as Hamman's partner. Soloway died in 2007 and was replaced by Zia Mahmood, Hamman's partner in the Nickell team's Bermuda Bowl victory in 2009. Freeman died earlier that year and was replaced by Ralph Katz. In 2011, it was announced that Hamman and Zia would leave the team in mid-2012.

## Harry Harkavy (1915-1965)

Harry Harkavy of Miami Beach was a native New Yorker and bridge club manager who gained national renown as a player. He was considered one of the world's greatest at declarer play and a brilliant, though unorthodox, bidder.

"I never saw Harry Harkavy make a mistake," said Richard Freeman about his old friend. "I remember the time everyone in the North-South field was playing 1NT and making either 90 or 120. But Harry made plus 600. What's so unusual about that? Harold was sitting East-West."

Eddie Kantar promises that "since he played so much professionally, Harry declared more 3NT contracts than any man alive."

Bobby Wolff claims that "Harry set a record opening the bidding 1 ♦ (often disregarding diamond length). This allowed his partner to respond with a major, enabling him to rebid notrump and apply his magic."

Harkavy was recognized as one of the world's most proficient declarers. Perhaps his greatest accomplishment was winning the Spingold and the Vanderbilt in the same year, 1963.

Harkavy won the Master Mixed Teams in 1952, 1953, 1955 and 1957; the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1952; the Vanderbilt in 1963; the Spingold in 1956 and 1963. He was a member of the great Florida teams in the 1960s – the teams of Al Roth, Edith Freilich and Billy Seamon.

They won the Vanderbilt and the Spingold in 1963. The Vanderbilt team was Harkavy, Roth, Freilich, Cliff Russell, Seamon and Albert Weiss. The Spingold team was Harkavy, Roth, Freilich, Russell, Seamon and Russ Arnold.

Harkavy died in San Francisco on his 50th birthday. He had gone there to compete in the Fall NABC and succumbed to a pancreatic attack.

## Emma Jean Hawes (1912-1987)

Emma Jean Hawes, the seventh woman to earn the World Bridge Federation's highest rank, World Grand Master, was a force in bridge for more than three decades.

Hawes, who lived in Fort Worth TX, graduated from Cornell at age 18. Dorothy Truscott, writing about Hawes in 1987, said her longtime partner "had one of the brightest minds in the bridge world. But she belonged to an age where men preferred to think of brains as a masculine attribute, and intelligent women did best not to disillusion them. Emma Jean radiated charm and good manners as she clobbered her opponents.

Longtime friend Betty Ann Kennedy remembers playing with Hawes at a San Antonio regional in the Sixties. "We were leading the field after the first session. I went to dinner with some other friends and we got back 10 minutes late for the evening session. "Al Sobel, who was the chief tournament director, got on the microphone and announced that in view of my tardiness, we were being penalized three-fourths of a board." Emma Jean leaned across the table and said, 'Don't worry about that, honey; we won't need those points.' "She was right," remembers Kennedy. "We won by a wide margin. That (the penalty) was no hill to a climber."

Hawes made her first mark in national bridge tournaments when she finished second in the Mixed Board-a-Match Teams in 1952. Her team: Sidney Silodor, Johnny Crawford, George Rapée and Olive Peterson.

In a 1979 Bridge Bulletin interview, Hawes recalled playing two sessions with Silodor and one with Crawford. "Sidney and I got along just fine, but the third session I had to play with Crawford (East-West).

"At the first table I bid something and ended up in a contract of something or other. As we were leaving the table, I said, 'What would you have bid?' and he smiled and said, 'Just what you bid.' Next table I'm on opening lead and as we move on, I ask, 'What would you have led?' and he smiled and said, 'Just what you led.' The third time I asked, 'What would you do?' and he said, 'Just what you did.' I said to him, 'Look, I'm inexperienced, but I'm not stupid. I'm able to learn.' And he said, 'I'm not stupid, either. Every Texan here has told me if a smile ever leaves my face, they will throw me out the window – and we're on the 17th floor.' "

Hawes won her first North American title – the Open Pairs, a four-session forerunner of the Blue Ribbon Pairs – in 1958 with John Fisher. She won 10 more North American and four world titles before she retired in 1981.

## Lee Hazen (1905-1991)

There exists a small group of individuals who can combine successful professional careers with stellar bridge talent, evidenced by a long line of tournament victories, while maintaining a sense of humor and dignity.

Lee Hazen was one of that group.

Hazen, who died in 1991 at the age of 85, earned degrees from Columbia University and New York University Law School and practiced law for nearly 50 years. He learned to play bridge in the early Thirties when he was a young attorney.

His impressive tournament record leaves no doubt as to his ability.

Hazen had four wins in the Vanderbilt, three in the Spingold and two in the Chicago (now the Reisinger). In addition to those outstanding team victories, he won the Master's Individual in 1941 and the national Men's Pairs in 1945. He was runner-up in eight North American championships.

Hazen represented the United States in the Bermuda Bowl twice (1956 and 1959), finishing second on both occasions.

He was the non-playing captain of the first-place North American team in the 1971 Bermuda Bowl in Taipei, and of the silver-medalist team of the 1972 World Team Olympiad in Miami Beach.

Hazen's contributions as a bridge administrator are equally impressive. He served as an ACBL director in 1949 and vice-president 1945-1947, was a member of the ACBL Laws Commission for more than 30 years and was ACBL legal counsel for more than 40 years.

Hazen is widely credited with helping the ACBL modernize during this tenure in the late Forties.

In addition, Hazen was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1958, served as trustee for the ACBL Charity Foundation and was also the founder of the Greater New York Bridge Association.

Hazen's reputation as a bridge raconteur and humorist separated him from other experts.

He explained his bidding philosophy as follows: "If I like my hand, I bid. If at the next round I still like it, I bid again. As soon as I stop liking it, I quit bidding."

Another example of Hazen's humor: "I remember getting up from one table, still thinking hard about the hand I had just struggled through. A pretty lady with dark eyes asked how I was doing. I mumbled some perfunctory reply and moved on to the next table.

"Suddenly, as I took my cards from the first board, it hit me. That lady was my wife (Sylvia)! Being a bridge player herself – and a good one, too – she understood and forgave me."

Hazen liked to tell the following story, as told to him by an acquaintance, Charles Duffy. "Duffy and his wife were playing against a pair of long-pause bidders. The opponents stopped on one hand in three hearts, making four, after an agonizingly long auction. They then began to bemoan their failure to bid game. 'You never could have bid it,' Duffy assured them. 'You just didn't have the time.'"

Recounting the stories of other players was a favorite pastime of Hazen's. This now-classic George S. Kaufman talk was part of his repertoire.

"After one hand, Kaufman asked a rather inexperienced person playing as his partner, 'By the way, when did you learn to play, partner?' And before she could reply, he continued, 'I know it was today, but what time today?'"

This may summarize Hazen best. "I've had two great romances in my life. More than 50 years ago I was able to persuade a perfectly beautiful, charming, bright girl to throw in her lot with me." His second romance was bridge.



## **Paul Hodge (1910-1976)**

Paul Hodge was born in 1910 and was an attorney by profession. A popular bridge player, teacher and expert in the 1950s and 1960s, he has been selected to receive the von Zedtwitz Award in the Bridge Hall of Fame Class of 2010.

During the height of his career Hodge won 11 major national titles and was runner-up for nine others. He became Life Master #282 in 1950 and – as a key member of a team with interchangeable partnerships that included bridge greats John Gerber, George Heath and Ben Fain – he cut a large swath through Texas and Southwestern regionals in the Fifties and Sixties.

Hodge won his first national championship in the Men's Teams in 1953 with Heath-Fain-Gerber and Harold Rockaway. Three days later he won his second national championship when he captured the Mixed Pair title. In all, Hodge won the Men's Team four times, the Open Pairs twice, the Open Teams twice, the Life Master Pairs and the Marcus Cup.

Hodge represented North American in 1961 in Argentina, defeating France and Argentina to finish second to Italy in the World Team Championships. He was selected as non-playing captain for the U.S. Women's team in the 1964 World Bridge Olympiad.

He was an eminent lecturer, coach and teacher. Well dressed, soft spoken but an eloquent and polished public speaker, Hodge was also a skilled analyst and was a prized addition to many panel shows and vugraph presentations.

In the mid-Sixties Hodge moved from Abilene TX to Houston where he remained active as a teacher and as proprietor of the highly successful Bridge Studio of Houston.

## **James (Jim) Jacoby (1933-1991)**

Jim Jacoby and his father, the legendary Oswald Jacoby, were the first father-son combination to win a national championship. Fittingly, they were the first father-son combination elected to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame.

The two co-authored the Jacoby transfer bid and the Jacoby 2NT convention, both widely used in tournament play. They wrote several books and a syndicated newspaper column, Jacoby on Bridge.

Jacoby (1933-1991) teamed up with his father and three other Texas greats – Ben Fain, George Heath and Paul Hodge – to win the NABC Open Teams championship for the Chicago Trophy (now the Reisinger) in 1955. He was 22 years old.

Over the next three decades, he won 15 more North American championships, four world championships and four silver medals in international competition. Jacoby was one of the first American players to become a Grand Master in the rankings of the World Bridge Federation.

In 1968 Jacoby became a charter member of the Aces, a professional team put together by the late Ira Corn for the express purpose of returning the team championship to the United States.

During the years Jacoby was with the Aces, the team won the Bermuda Bowl in 1970 and 1971 and was second in the World Team Olympiad in 1972 and the Bermuda Bowl in 1973.

“Jacoby was one of the most underrated players around,” said teammate and partner Bobby Wolff. “He was much stronger analytically than people gave him credit for and he was a very good partner.”

Jacoby, Wolff added, “loved to play bridge. He loved the tournament scene. He would play at sectionals just to play bridge.”

Mike Lawrence, another of the original Aces, remembered Jacoby as “very good with tough hands. He was capable of some plays that were really impressive.”

Jacoby won the Grand National Teams championship in 1981 and again in 1986. The latter team went on to win the 1988 U.S. Bridge Championship (team trials) and in October 1988 became the first-ever U.S. team to win the World Team Olympiad.

Bob Hamman, who played with Jacoby on that team, said his friend was always a tough competitor. “When you were in a game with Jimmy, either with him or against him, there would be some bruises inflicted,” said Hamman.

He recalled that their Texas team was down by 38 IMPs with 16 boards to go in the GNT semifinal in Toronto when he and Jacoby turned it up a notch. “We had a crusher at our table.” Said Hamman, “and we won by 1 IMP.”

Dan Morse, non-playing captain of the 1988 Olympic championships, commented, “There never was a person more dedicated to bridge than Jim Jacoby. He was an excellent ambassador for bridge. He loved the game.”

At the time of his death, Jacoby was the fifth-ranked ACBL Life Master with a career total of 25, 226 points. He won the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1988, one of only three players to win the contest and a world title the same year.

Jacoby was a graduate of Notre Dame. His outside interests included backgammon, sports and opera.

Wolff said Jacoby was an accomplished backgammon player, whose propensity for last-minute, game-winning rolls of the dice earned him the nickname “Hero.”

The nickname stuck through the years. In fact, said Wolff, “my daughter still refers to him as Uncle Hero.”

## Oswald Jacoby (1902-1984)

One of the great players of all time, Oswald Jacoby, first achieved international preeminence as the partner of Sidney Lenz in the famous Culbertson-Lenz Match of the early 1930s. Having already established himself as a champion at both auction and contract bridge, Jacoby next became a member of the famed Four Horsemen and Four Aces teams. His selection by Lenz over players of greater experience and with whom Lenz had practiced partnerships was early recognition of the brilliance and skill that were later to bring Jacoby to the top of the ACBL's list of all-time masterpoint winners.

During a career that spanned seven decades, Jacoby won 27 North American Championships, including seven Spingolds, seven Vanderbilts, and two Reisingers. Between 1929 and 1937 he won 11 National Championships of ACBL forerunners – the USBA, the ABL, and the AWL. The first time he played matchpoints, Jacoby won his first pair tournament – the Eastern Championship Goldman Pairs.

With the outbreak of World War II, Jacoby placed his bridge career on hold for four years. He played infrequently in the late Forties, and returned to active duty during the Korean War. During this time, fellow great Charles Goren had amassed a huge lead as the all-time masterpoint holder. After two years in Korea, Jacoby returned to active play with the goal of overtaking Goren on the masterpoint list.

By 1962, he had done so. He won the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500), a contest for amassing the most masterpoints in a year, four times in five years (1959 through 1963) at ages 57, 59, 60 and 61. In 1963 he became the first to acquire more than 1000 masterpoints in a single year (1034). He surpassed the 10,000-point mark in 1967, at which time he retired from active competition for the McKenney Trophy.

Dick Frey said, “Oswald Jacoby was a mercurial individual who had to be the best at everything and was the most intense person I have ever known. His mind was so lightning-fast that his tongue could never catch up, but his swift and accurate thinking gave him a tremendous advantage in all the games at which he was a great champion. Lots of folks thought he was cocky, and for sure he was. He wasn't modest. He had nothing to be modest about, yet he was content to let the record speak for itself. And what a record it was! Outwardly he was tough, but he had a marvelous sense of humor and he was essentially warm and tender.”

In a 1978 *Sports Illustrated* article, Roger Dionne wrote: “Now at 75, Oswald Jacoby will bet you on backgammon, bridge and poker, or who can multiply 647,992 by 435,638 fastest in his head, and the odds are he'll take your money. Bridge players respect him, admire him, even love him. Everyone has learned something from Jacoby, has kibitzed his masterful play, has read one of his dozen-odd books, has studied his syndicated columns, has used his numerous bidding innovations. Few have not been beaten by him at something – bridge, backgammon, gin rummy or pinochle – or even at tennis, or who would win the World Series. But there was no one, absolutely no one, who could keep up with the man, with his 100-mph speech, his dizzying leaps of logic, his enthusiasm, his ebullience.”

Jacoby's last major title came just a few days before his 81<sup>st</sup> birthday. There wasn't a dry eye in the house when his team (Bill Root, Norman Kay, Edgar Kaplan, and Richard Pavlicek) pulled off a stunning victory in the Reisinger.

Jacoby pioneered many bidding ideas, including Jacoby 2NT (game-forcing raise of a major), Jacoby transfers and weak jump overcalls. He invented the use of 2♥ as a double negative response to 2♣ with 2NT a positive heart response and 2♦ as the usual waiting bid.

In 1984, Boyce Hollerman concluded Jacoby's eulogy with, “Somewhere, right this minute, some little ladies are leaning over a card table and one of them has just said ‘Alert!’ and has answered, ‘that's the Jacoby Transfer’. And Jake, looking down on the opposite cards, is shaking his head and saying, ‘She hasn't got the hand for it.’ ”

## Edwin (Eddie) Kantar (b. 1932)

When Eddie Kantar first learned bridge as a youngster in Minneapolis, he had no notion of turning that new-found knowledge into a job.

Today, the Californian is one of the best-known bridge writers in the world. He has more than 20 bridge books in print and is a regular contributor to the Bridge Bulletin, *The Bridge World*, *Bridge Today* and many foreign publications.

Although he doesn't play as often as he used to, the two-time former world champion is still highly regarded as a player and is a regular at major tournaments. He is also known as a great ambassador for bridge. Matthew Granovetter, in a letter to the editor published in the Bridge Bulletin in 1992, said, "Eddie may genuinely be the nicest guy in bridge."

Kantar learned bridge at 11. By the age of 17, he was teaching the game to his friends. Kantar was so enthusiastic about bridge that he often took his bridge books to school with him, hiding them behind his textbooks.

At the University of Minnesota, where Kantar studied foreign languages – he is still conversant in Spanish and French – he taught bridge to earn spending money. When he played, he sought out tough games and honed his skills.

Somewhere between the first bridge book he read and the first one he wrote (in 1965), Kantar developed his literary signature – the ability to inject humor into just about everything he writes or talks about.

Relating his experiences as a bridge teacher in Germany during a stint in the U.S. Army, Kantar recalled that he taught in German. "Even though the people spoke only German, by the end of the class they were begging me to teach in English."

This kind of self-deprecating humor has made Kantar popular with readers around the world. Never afraid to laugh at himself, Kantar personalizes all his writing, transforming the dullest of lessons into lively, interesting reading.

"I never thought of myself as a bridge writer," Kantar says, "but now I don't think I could write about anything else."

He gained stature as a player by winning 13 North American championships and two world titles – the Bermuda Bowl in 1977 and 1979. He was second in the 1975 Bermuda Bowl, the championship that erupted in controversy when two members of the winning Italian team were caught giving foot signals. On one crucial deal, Kantar held the ♣K 10 and heard the opponents bid to 7♣. With declarer to his right, Kantar envisioned a huge swing. When dummy hit with the ♣A Q, he recalls, "it was as close to shock as I've ever been."

There was speculation that the contract might have been defeated had Kantar played the ♣K – feigning a singleton – when declarer first played trumps. "I never thought about playing the king," Kantar recalls. "I wasn't thinking about anything."

Kantar is a Grand Master in World Bridge Federation rankings and an ACBL Grand Life Master. His North American titles include wins in the Spingold Knockout Teams (three times), the Reisinger B-A-M Teams (four), the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams (two) and the Grand National Teams (two).

Kantar today is best known as a writer – his favorite games to play are tennis and racquetball – and many of his books are considered classics. In a survey of bridge writers and players, Kantar's *Complete Defensive Play* was listed in the top 10 of all-time favorite bridge books.

## Edgar Kaplan (1925-1997)

Edgar Kaplan did virtually everything in bridge. The New Yorker established himself as a player, writer, analyst, commentator and administrator. He won NABC titles in each of the last five decades of his life. Even with those shining credentials, he considered bridge a great leveler.

"Bridge is one of my pleasures," commented Kaplan, former editor and publisher of *The Bridge World*, "but bridge teaches you how to endure misery."

Kaplan won his first Vanderbilt title in 1953. "I started to get up, but my knees were weak. I realized then that I had been under pressure after all."

His greatest thrill was the 1983 Reisinger victory with Oswald Jacoby – plus regular teammates Norman Kay, Bill Root and Richard Pavlicek.

Kaplan, Kay, Root and Pavlicek had played always as a foursome, but they invited Jacoby, a man they admired for his past feats and for his strength and courage in battling cancer, to join their team.

"When I was a young man he played a lot with me. Jake was very good to me when I was a kid. We'd been friends a long time and I'd played on teams with him before, but I hadn't played as a partner with Ozzie in 30 years."

Kaplan and Jacoby, along with Root and Pavlicek, played the first final session and led the field with 23 wins out of a possible 33. Jacoby sat out the second final session and his teammates scored 18 wins – and claimed the victory. Jacoby died the following year.

Kaplan served as chief commentator for World Bridge Federation championships for more than a decade and was well-known for his wit. Here are some samples of his sometimes-biting commentary as a vugraph panelist.

“4♥ is a very good bid – but on some other hand.

“North doubled 4♥ to tell himself what to lead.

“Mahmood gave himself some very good advice when he said STOP, but he paid no attention.

“He may bid and he may not. I believe that covers all possibilities.”

Kaplan was perhaps the world’s greatest authority on the laws of duplicate and rubber bridge. He served as co-chairman of the ACBL Laws Commission for many years and was a member of the WBF Laws Commission.

In 1979 Kaplan was named Bridge Personality of the Year, a worldwide honor presented by the International Bridge Press Association. He was selected the ACBL Honorary Member for 1993.

He represented District 24 (the New York City area) on the ACBL Board of Directors for many years.

He was a former partner of the Card School of New York and the co-inventor of the Kaplan-Sheinwold system – Kaplan and frequent partner Norman Kay listed “Timid K-S” as their general approach on their convention cards.

Their results belied the “timid” designation - they won six Vanderbilts, two Spingolds and eight Reisingers. In addition, Kaplan and Kay won the Life Master Men’s Pairs in 1973 and the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1974.

Kaplan was a Grand Life Master with more than 13,500 masterpoints. He won the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) in 1957.

## **Norman Kay (1927-2002)**

As a high school senior, Norman Kay was invited to play bridge with a friend and his family.

“I’d love to,” was his reply, “but I don’t play bridge.”

“Oh, that’s no problem,” said the friend. “Come over a half-hour early and I’ll teach you.”

That 30-minute lesson paid dividends as Kay – one of ACBL’s top players for more than four decades – was inducted into the Bridge Hall of Fame in 1996.

Kay was named ACBL’s top performance player for the double decade 1957-1977.

Partnered by Sidney Silodor before his death in 1963 and later by Edgar Kaplan, Kay had 13 major wins in those 20 years: two Spingolds, four Vanderbilts, four Reisingers, one Blue Ribbon and two Open Pairs.

He was a World Bridge Federation Life Master who placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1961 and 1967 and second in the World Olympiad Teams in 1968 and third in 1960.

He also placed fifth in the World Open Pairs in 1982 and sixth in the Rosenblum Teams in 1986 and tenth in 1982.

An ACBL Grand Life Master with more than 12,500 masterpoints, Kay won the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) in 1955. His other North American championships are four additional wins in the Vanderbilt and the Reisinger.

He was also second in the Vanderbilt three times and the Spingold five times.

“I have been very fortunate,” said Kay. “My two regular partners were Sidney and Edgar, both super players.”

Super player Kaplan characterized Kay as “a very sensitive and caring partner. He is not only thinking about his own problems but about the problems partner may face – he’s taking care of partner.

“And if things go wrong – no matter how stupid I am, I feel this vast beam of love from the other side of the table and Norman says, ‘How could you do anything else?’ “

“Kay,” said Kaplan “has a very sweet nature – unusual in a bridge player. In fact, it sometimes seems that the opponents think Kay has made a defensive mistake or has decided to help declarer make the hand. It’s not true – Norman is very competitive – but because of his sweet nature, they think he just may be on their side.”

As a player, said Kaplan, Kay “is among the best I’ve ever seen.”

Kay may have sometimes been slow, Kaplan allowed, “but what soothes my stomach is that when Norman goes into a huddle, we’re usually about to win 10 IMPs.”

The two were partners for more than 40 years. “I chose Norman as a partner,” says Kaplan, “and I never let go. I don’t intend to.”

Kay was a retired stock broker who owned harness horses from 1970 to 1987. After his retirement he was in the baseball card business with wife Judy and son Larry.

Larry, Kay noted, “never took to bridge” while daughter Robin, who lives in New York, has been very active.

Kay was the author – with Silodor and Fred Karpin – of *The Complete Book of Duplicate Bridge*, published in 1965 and reprinted in 1993.

## **Amalya Kears (b. 1937)**

This popular co-winner of the Blackwood Award is weighted down by the numerous hats she has donned in the course of an exciting dual career, encompassing the judicial system and her love for bridge. The Honorable Amalya Kears, a New Jersey native and Wellesley graduate, earned her law degree at the University of Michigan, where she served as editor of *The Law Review*. Now a senior judge on the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, she was the first woman to sit on the Federal Appeals Court in Manhattan.

Her bridge credentials include: WBF World Life Master; winner of World Women's Pairs 1986; counsel to the GNYBA and Conduct and Ethics Committee 1970-1979; ACBL Board of Governors 1970-1976; member of the ACBL Appeals Committee 1971-1975; and ACBL Laws Commission from 1975-2002.

Amalya served as editor of the third Edition of *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* and wrote *Bridge Conventions Complete* and *Bridge at Your Fingertips*. She was honored in 1980 by the International Bridge Press Association as "Bridge Personality of the Year" and has won seven American Bridge Association Championships and five North American Bridge Championships. For years, she juggled her time at the NABCs, bringing along court homework, working out at the gym and playing bridge.

## **Sami Kehela (b. 1934)**

Sami Kehela is a semi-retired bridge writer and teacher whose greatest loves are his granddaughter, Carly, films and fine wines.

Kehela is the former editor of the Ontario Kibitzer, bridge columnist for Toronto Life, contributor to the Bridge Bulletin and contributing editor to *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*. In addition, Kehela has had considerable success in North American and international competition.

In 1966, the *Bulletin* did a series of articles introducing readers to the members of the Bermuda Bowl team. These articles were written by the player's partner. As noted by the Bulletin, "for literal-minded readers, the Murray-Kehela style of humor and cigars is used with equal devastation on their opponents." This is how Eric Murray introduced Sami:

"Sami Kehela began his battle with the world in Baghdad in 1935. India was blessed from 1941 until 1951 when California was selected, that state yielding to Jamaica and England in 1955 and subsequently Canada in 1957. It is noteworthy that Kehela has never stayed in a country for more than 10 years and Canada may have additional cause for celebrating its centennial in 1967.

"A dearth of talent permitted Kehela to play for Canada in the 1960 Team Olympiad in Turin, Italy – we lost.

"An inability to understand Kehela's bidding persuaded ACBL authorities that he was an authority on peculiar and complex systems and he was accordingly appointed coach of the 1963 North American Team for the Bermuda Bowl in Italy – they lost.

"A deterioration of conditions in Canada permitted Kehela to participate on the 1964 Olympiad Team in New York – we lost again.

"Unchastened, for 1965 the ACBL reappointed Kehela coach (presumably not on his record) and another defeat swiftly followed.

"In the 1965 Trials in San Francisco, Robert Jordan and Arthur Robinson found themselves on the horns of a dilemma in the final round. They faced Kehela and partner and if they won, they would qualify for the 1966 Team and Kehela would undoubtedly be reappointed coach. If they lost, then Kehela would be on the team and the inevitable loss would be suffered without them. Their sensible decision reflected their appreciation of their 1963 coach.

"Kehela's indifferent success as a coach and player turned him to the pen, but his contributions to the Bulletin have not noticeably improved the standard of that publication. It is as the editor of the Kibitzer, the Ontario Unit Publication, that Kehela has enjoyed some measure of achievement which might best be termed mediocrity. Unfortunately, he has a facility for "switching places" and one of may invariably conclude that in any of his writings dealing with our own misfortunes, our positions have been reversed to his benefit."

In an interview prior to his Hall of Fame induction, Kehela said, "It became apparent very early in my life that I was not ready for honest toil." He learned to play bridge aboard a cargo ship – "first I learned that you needed 2 1/2 (quick tricks) and later I discovered you needed 13 (high-card points)." He also learned by kibitzing Adam Meredith, one of the great British players.

In true Kehela style, he told of his pride in learning how to handle partner Eric Murray's bidding. "I listened to the opponents' bidding and I believed them, not my partner. It worked during the 30 years of our partnership."

His other successes include second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1974, third in the Olympiad Teams in 1968 and 1972; the Rosenblum Teams in 1982; fourth in the World Olympiad Teams in 1964; fifth in the World Open Pairs in 1970, the Rosenblum Cup Teams in 1978. Kehela represented Canada in other world championships in 1960, 1966, 1967, 1972, 1976, 1980, 1986, 1988 and 1990.

Kehela was coach for the North American team in the Bermuda Bowl in 1962, 1963 and 1965. He won the Team Trials in 1966 and 1973; the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1963, the Spingold 1964, 1965 and 1968; the Vanderbilt in 1966 and 1970; the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1967, the Life Master Pairs in 1969, the Canadian National Teams Championship in 1980 and 1981. He was second in the Spingold in 1963, the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1969 and the Reisinger in 1969 and 1972.

In 2010, The Canadian Bridge Federation started its own Hall of Fame. Sami Kehela was one of the first five inductees.

## **Betty Ann Kennedy (b. 1930)**

Glamorous, daring, skillful, aggressive – Betty Ann Kennedy announced her arrival on the national bridge scene in 1960 with a victory in the National Mixed Teams and a second-place finish in the Women’s Pairs. Taking time from her bridge activities over the next decade to marry and raise children, she returned to championship play in 1971, with the specific intent of winning a world championship.

Her partnership with Carol Sanders, formed in 1971 was among the longest and most successful partnerships in bridge history. Over the course of their 26-year reign, they stood in the forefront of women’s bridge, winning 13 NABC titles and four world championships. Kennedy attempted a retirement from top-level competition in 1995, but she was lured back in 1999 by Kathie Wei-Sender, with whom she had a successful second career – winning four additional NABC titles and the 2003 Venice Cup.

Evaluating her performance in the final of the Venice Cup, Eric Kokish wrote in 2003 World Bridge Championships – Monte Carlo, “Kennedy was a standout, doing virtually nothing wrong.” In 2000, she made a successful debut as a non-playing captain, piloting the U.S. Senior Team, to victory at the inaugural World Senior Championship in Maastricht, the Netherlands.

A resident of Shreveport LA, Betty Ann is a recipient of the Louisiana Hall of Fame Award in 1993 (the second woman to be chosen). Kennedy and her late husband, Jack, also are members of the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Hall of Fame. Jack was a leading player in his own right. They have four children and a grandson.

When not traveling the bridge world, Kennedy teaches bridge at her church, First United Methodist Church in Downtown Shreveport. She also plays weekly at the Shreveport Bridge Association.

Whether at a world championship or during a weekly game at the Shreveport Bridge Association, Kennedy has retained the glamour and daring and skill that have been her hallmark. She is equally well known for her unfailing graciousness and charm at the table – to partners and opponents alike.

## **Eric Kokish (b. 1947)**

Although better known as the coach of the Nickell team, Eric Kokish has many accomplishments as a player. He won two North American championships – the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams in 1974 with a young four-man pickup team, and the Men’s Board-a-Match Teams (now the Mitchell Open BAM), and finished second at least once in each of the major North American team events. He won the Canadian National Team Championships (CNTC) five times, earned two silver medals for Canada in international play and finished third three times in the Rosenblum Cup. In 1980 Kokish won both the Bols Brilliancy Prize and the Romex Best Bid Hand Award. He has authored several conventions including “Birthright” (commonly known as Kokish), “Reject” game tries, “Flags and Scrambles,” and Inverted Minor Raise schemes, the Singleton Rule, a variety of specialized doubles, and the Montreal Relay.

Away from the table and his coaching duties, Kokish manages to stay busy with other projects. For years, he was editor and writer of the world championship books produced by the World Bridge Federation. As a Contributing Editor of *The Bridge World*, he has been a director of the Master Solvers Club since 1981 and Challenge the Champs since 2000. Since 1994 he has been the Editor of World Bridge News. For 20 years, he authored the Bridge Bulletin’s “Our Readers Ask” column, covered bridge for the Montreal Gazette and later developed a feature for the Toronto Star Syndicate. He has served in different capacities for the Canadian Bridge Federation, ACBL, European Bridge League, Pacific Asia Bridge Federation, and WBF. Kokish currently provides consulting services and develops special projects with his wife Beverly Kraft through their company, International Bridge Services Inc.

Kokish got his first coaching gig in 1985, traveling to Brazil to try to mold a loose group of emotional Brazilians into a tight-knit bridge team. His efforts paid off when the underdog Brazilian team came within a hair of defeating the powerful American squad in the semifinal round of the Bermuda Bowl. The Brazilian adventure was the springboard for a series of exciting projects with foreign teams including: Australia, China, Chinese Taipei, Egypt, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Japan, the Netherlands, Russia, and Turkey.

In 1997, Kokish moved from Montreal to Jakarta on a two-year contract to further a coaching initiative with Indonesia that had begun in 1995. Six months into the job, the deteriorating political and economic situation had segued into a full-blown revolution and the Kokish family was forced to return to Canada, landing in Toronto, where they have lived since.

Kokish is a stickler for getting partnerships to concentrate on what’s important. “The way they react and how they use their time is more important than what system they play,” he says.

While developing partnerships is an aspect of his work that keeps Kokish excited about the game, he confesses under duress that, “sometimes I really miss playing in the major events.”

## **Mark Lair (b. 1947)**

Mark Lair started playing bridge in San Angelo TX after his senior year in high school. As a talented high school basketball player, he walked on to the Angelo State basketball team. A knee injury cut his basketball career short, however, and he went back to bridge.

He quickly earned 296 masterpoints before being drafted and sent to Vietnam. He returned to Fort Sill in Lawton OK and after his discharge and decided he wanted to play bridge for money. His father staked him for three months and he began playing at Booger Red's in Oklahoma City. That is where he met Mike Passell.

The two became fast friends and bridge partners. As Passell was already established as a bridge pro he opened the door for Lair. Lair says without Mike Passell and Eddie Wold, "I might have been forced to find a real job."

"Mark was the best natural card player I had ever met. Mark expects a lot from his partners and a lot more from himself." Passell said Lair is a great player, "but he's even better as a human being."

Fellow Hall of Fame member David Berkowitz recalls playing against Lair and Passell, "You knew when you were playing them, not only were they great, but they could take you into the gutter and beat you up. They'd just make you do the wrong things."

Lair's accomplishments are many. With over 56,000 masterpoints, he stands No. 5 on the all-time list of masterpoint winners. He has won 21 North American championships, which include three Vanderbilts, two Spingolds, and a Reisinger. He won the Fishbein Trophy in 1986 and the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1990. He has competed internationally since 1980 and was a member of both the 1995 USA1 Bermuda Bowl Team and the 2009 USA2 Senior Bowl Team.

A devoted family man, Lair lives in Canyon TX, a suburb of Amarillo. When speaking of his twin sons Michael and Matt, Lair said, "The immense joy they have given our family cannot be overstated." As for his wife, Lair said, "Sally is the love of my life and my very best friend."

## **Alvin Landy (1905 – 1967)**

Alvin Landy was Life Master #24 and a longtime ACBL chief executive. A Cleveland native, Landy was a graduate of Western Reserve University. He also earned a law degree from the school in 1927. He practiced law in Cleveland until 1943, when he served in the Army Transport Command during World War II.

Landy joined the ACBL as a tournament director in 1948. He had previously worked as a free-lance director for years and was referred to as a "national director" long before the position of a salaried national TD actually existed.

In 1951, Landy was named acting business manager of ACBL, when his predecessor, Russell Baldwin, was called for active duty during the Korean War. Landy, who was in charge of the day-to-day business of ACBL, worked with the legendary Al Sobel, who was named tournament manager in the same year. An article that appeared in a 1951 Bulletin noted that, "These top-flight national directors will continue to conduct tournaments despite their added responsibilities."

In December 1952, Landy was named executive manager of the ACBL. He remained in that capacity until his unexpected death from a heart attack in 1967 at the age of 62.

Landy's 16-year tenure as the top executive for the ACBL was marked by rapid growth in the membership and a stable administration. Landy was named ACBL Honorary Member of the Year in 1957.

In addition to these contributions, Landy served as secretary of the ACBL Charity Foundation from the time of its inception and was also a principal figure in its creation. Through his efforts, the Foundation grew to a \$250,000 annual project by 1967.

Landy served as Secretary of the ACBL Laws Commission from 1956 until his death. He was also active in the World Bridge Federation. Landy was one of its founders and first officers, serving as secretary-treasurer from 1958 to 1966.

As a player, Landy was widely recognized for his skill and expert play. He won several major events. His first was the American Bridge League's Knockout Team Challenge in 1936. He later scored four wins in the Fall NABC Men's Teams, a record.

Landy was a member of the winning Spingold Knockout Team in 1949, playing with teammates Jeff Glick, Arthur Goldsmith, Bruce Gowdy and Sol Mogal. He was second in the event twice.

Landy was also the originator of the convention that bears his name: a 2♣ overcall of an opposing 1NT bid to request that partner bid a major. In fact, many bridge players are most familiar with the name of Landy because of this simple and effective two-suited overcall.

## Sidney Lazard (b. 1930)

Sidney Lazard is one of the all-time bridge greats. He has won at least one North American championship in each of the past six decades. He has been playing bridge since 1945 – duplicate since 1948. Over the years he has regularly partnered newcomer players at club games in New Orleans and Dallas. In 2004 he was honored by the International Bridge Press Association for Best Bidding Sequence of the Year (Romex Award) as well as being named the ACBL Honorary Member and in 2001 he established a major award for sportsmanship in the name of his late son.

At the world level, he has captained the United States to Bermuda Bowl championships twice – 2000 in Bermuda and in Monte Carlo in 2004. He was a member of the U.S. team that finished second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1959. He had world championship thirds in the 1969 Bermuda Bowl and the 1998 Rosenblum Teams.

In ACBL tournaments he has wins in two Spingolds, two Reisingers and one Vanderbilt. The Reisingers came 38 years apart – 1960 and 1998. He also has taken the gold medal five times in the Mixed Teams. Other victories include the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 2002 with Bart Bramley, the Grand National Pairs with Jack LaNoue and the Pair Trials with George Rapée.

What got Sidney started in bridge? His cousin, Betty Goldstein, was teaching bridge at a U.S. Air Force base, and she thought Lazard would like the game, so she got him going. Cards are in Lazard's family tree – "My grandfather Joe was a great card player. My father, Jules, was a good card player, too."

"I really enjoy bridge," said Lazard. "I like the pure reasoning. I like coming up with the answers. I like to test myself. I like the competition." He's had some interesting experiences over the years. He remembers what a tough time he had playing against Al Roth and Tobias Stone back in 1963. He got wiped out the first two times he played against them. He was determined to do better the third time – but it was even worse. He came up against them a fourth time, and it was the same old story. At one point, Roth asked what the requirements were for one of Lazard's partner's bids. Stone said, "He doesn't know. He's quite stupid." Lazard "accidentally" swept a full ashtray into Stone's lap. "I'm also very sloppy," he said.

"After the story got out, I got fan mail from all over the country congratulating me on finding such a fine response to Stone's comment," said Lazard. He was playing against John Crawford in a Vanderbilt final, and his team was very much the underdog. Crawford asked him to bet on the match. Lazard didn't want to, but he feared his partner would think he had a negative outlook if he refused, so he said OK. Crawford reached into his pocket and pulled out a wad of bills totaling in the thousands. "There's my bet," said Crawford. No happy ending – Lazard lost.

Lazard also recalls the time he was a member of a seven-man team that won an NABC Men's Team event. Seven? You can't have more than six on a team! What happened is that Lazard passed out during the first of four sessions and was able to return only briefly in the second session. Three different substitutes took his place in the last three sessions and the combination won the event.

## Sidney Lenz (1873-1960)

History can be unkind. A talented individual in any given field of human endeavor is often remembered for generations for one well-publicized failure rather than an entire lifetime of achievement. Such is the fate of bridge great Sidney Lenz (1873 – 1960).

An author and champion player of whist and all forms of bridge, Lenz was also expert in many other games and sports. Wealthy as a young man, Lenz devoted his life to competition, writing, reading and travel.

He was skilled at bowling, chess, tennis, golf and table tennis, often competing in each of these contests with the stars of his day. In 1909 he became engrossed in whist and the next year he won the American Whist League's principal national team championship. Altogether he won more than 600 whist and bridge competitions. Lenz had remarkable versatility in intellectual, coordinative and athletic competitions. Professional magicians considered him the best amateur ever elected Honorary Member of the American Society of Magicians. His special skill at dealing seconds impelled him to refuse to play card games for stakes.

Whist and bridge were his greatest loves, however, and he thought of himself primarily as a bridge player. Lenz wrote several books on auction and contract bridge. *Lenz on Bridge* (1926) is ranked as a classic.

Lenz joined the advisory council of Bridge Headquarters in 1931 and contributed to the bidding method called the Official System. When the legendary Ely Culbertson announced his plans later that year for a challenge contest to demonstrate the superiority of his system versus the Official System, Lenz represented this group in the world-famous Culbertson-Lenz match. Lenz acquired lasting fame from this match despite his loss.

The technical contributions of Sidney Lenz to contract bridge are hard to define. His effort to introduce a new call, the "challenge," to replace the takeout double, was unsuccessful. His bidding system at contract bridge, the "1-2-3," gave way to the artificial 2♣ bid with intermediate (strong) two-bids in other suits.

The Lenz echo, a distribution-showing high-low from a four-card holding, remains standard among experts. Lenz disclaimed credit for this, saying it was standard among whist experts and he merely taught auction players to use it. In 1965 he was elected to the Bridge Hall of Fame.



## **Peter Leventritt (1916-1998)**

Peter Leventritt was an outstanding American player in the Fifties and Sixties. He became Life Master #38 in 1943 and won major tournament titles in three decades. He represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl three times - 1961, 1963 and 1965 - and finished second to Italy's Blue Team each time. He also served as ACBL President in 1954.

After Leventritt's graduation from Princeton in 1937, he played semi-pro hockey and baseball for several years. His first foray into tournament bridge was playing in the 1939 Vanderbilt. He later became a member of the Goren team. The Goren team is where his partnership with Howard Schenken began.

Leventritt pioneered the use of the Schenken System - "The Big Club". This system was built from the foundation of the Vanderbilt Club. Like Schenken, Leventritt was a long-time bachelor. He married in 1961 just a few days before he was to play in his first Bermuda Bowl. He took his new bride along. Prior to the 1963 Bermuda Bowl, Leventritt said, "Perhaps honeymoons and bridge aren't the ideal combination, but I don't think that is why we didn't beat Italy in '61, or why we're going to win this year. It's the system."

In 1951, Leventritt founded the Card School of New York and later served as its President. He and Edgar Kaplan were the principal authors of the original edition of *The Biggest Little Bridge Book in the World*.

August Boehm of New York recalls this story about Leventritt as a teacher and a competitor: "The Card School teachers would often go into homes to teach and play. It was sit down, shuffle and play. Peter Leventritt, as was the custom, would be neatly dressed in a jacket and tie.

"By the third or fourth deal, however, off came the jacket, off came the tie. The sleeves were rolled up, and he was playing as hard in those games as if he were playing against the Italians in the Bermuda Bowl."

## **Theodore Lightner (1893-1981)**

Theodore A. "Ted" Lightner, Life Master #7, was a player who won major championships in three decades. He was a leading figure in bridge from the earliest days of contract. He played with Ely Culbertson during a part of the Culbertson-Lenz match and was a member of the Culbertson team (Josephine Culbertson, Waldemar von Zedtwitz, Michael Gottlieb and Albert Morehead were other team members) that won challenge matches over British teams in 1930, 1933 and 1934.

Lightner captured all the major American titles. He won the Spingold in 1937, 1939 and 1945; the Chicago (now the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams) in 1947, the Vanderbilt in 1930, the Life Master Pairs in 1932 and 1935 and the Open Pairs in 1928.

He became a world champion when his team won the Bermuda Bowl in 1953.

Lightner was remembered by *The Bridge World* magazine as "a brilliant theoretician and writer. He shared his insights and innovations, including the lead-directing double that bears his name, through his books and many articles in *The Bridge World*."

"It is hard to believe that Teddy is not still settled at the rubber-bridge table, shaking his great head sadly as yet another dummy comes down with disappointing values, a doleful expression on his face as he prepares to bring home yet another contract. We shall keep him there in our memory."

## **Jerome S. (Jerry) Machlin (1913-1997)**

One of the all-time great tournament directors, Jerry Machlin was selected to receive the Blackwood Award for 2008, but because of his ties to the Washington DC area, his induction was held to the Summer NABC in 2009.

When Machlin died in 1997 – he had been retired for nearly 20 years – former Bridge Bulletin Editor Henry Francis wrote: "Machlin was one of the grandest of the grand old-time tournament directors. He followed in the steps of his Uncle Al – Al Sobel – and eventually became ACBL's chief director, just as Sobel had been for many years. He began working at tournaments in the Forties at the insistence of Sobel and became a full-time director in 1950."

Machlin was a gifted story teller who penned numerous articles for the Washington Bridge League Bulletin. A collection of his best stories are contained in a book hailed as one of the best of all time, *Tournament Bridge: An Uncensored Memoir*.

The legendary TD helped lead an American bridge team in the first international bridge contest ever staged in China, in 1981. He directed special matches between Congress and Corporate America.

Upon retirement, Machlin started a new career as a player, which provided more material for his humorous writings. He delighted in telling of his misadventures.

Wrote Francis, a former TD: "I can say that working with Jerry was interesting and exciting. I had some of my best times when working two-man tournaments with him."

## Zia Mahmood

Zia is one of the most colorful and recognizable personalities in the bridge world. He is a 23-time North American champion and four-time ACBL Player of the Year.

Zia's introduction to bridge was somewhat accidental. He was interested in a girl who wasn't allowed out except to attend bridge parties. She asked if he played. Zia lied and said yes. He quickly read a book and attended the party. Zia ended the evening in love with bridge.

Zia first came to the attention of the bridge world when he led his team from Pakistan to a silver medal in the most prestigious bridge event on the schedule – the Bermuda Bowl. The lightly regarded team came from nowhere to make the championship round of the tournament in Port Chester NY. Zia's flair attracted immediate attention, and he was back in the limelight five years later in the Rosenblum Cup in Miami Beach. Playing four-handed and led again by Zia, the Pakistani team earned another silver medal in a world championship. As a member of the Nickell Team, Zia won the Bermuda Bowl in 2009.

His reputation solidified, Zia started winning championships in North America. Playing with a wide variety of partners, he has earned an unprecedented four ACBL Player of the Year awards. The title is given to the ACBL member who earns the most masterpoints in national championships during a calendar year. Zia earned the accolade in 1991, 1996, 2000 and 2005. He has more than a dozen North American championships to his credit, including two victories in the Spingold Knockout Teams and the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams. He is a five-time winner of the Reisinger B-A-M Teams, one of the toughest events on the bridge calendar.

The ACBL Board of Directors selected Zia as Honorary Member of the Year in 2005. This top award is given to recognize a player's long and meritorious service to the organization.

He is the author of *Bridge My Way*, an autobiography written in 1999. He has also hosted many television shows.

In recent years, Zia has settled down as a family man. He and his wife, Emma, have two sons. It doesn't take much prodding to get Zia to talk at length about the pleasures of fatherhood and his life at home in London.

In late 2005, Zia turned his attention to his native Pakistan, which was devastated by an earthquake in October of that year. He spent much of the next 18 months or so in a fund-raising effort aimed at producing enough cash to build a school in one of the hardest-hit areas. He announced at the 2007 Spring NABC in St. Louis that sufficient funds had been raised to build that school.

## Merwyn (Jimmy) Maier (1909-1942)

Recipient of the von Zedtwitz Award, New Yorker Merwyn D. Maier, affectionately known as "Jimmy," is undoubtedly the least-recognized bridge aficionado to be enshrined in the Hall of Fame. However, he definitely deserves his place among the bridge greats.

Sadly, Maier's bridge career was cut short in 1942 when a mysterious virus claimed his life at the age of 32.

Despite its brief length, his career is amazing. Seven major titles in four years: Vanderbilt 1937 and 1938; Spingold 1938 and 1939; Master Individual 1939; Men's Pairs 1940; Life Master Pairs 1941. Maier won several of his championships as a member of the famed Four Aces. Maier also won the McKenney Trophy in 1939.

The personal tributes and accolades of his peers on the occasion of his untimely death suggest that Maier had embarked on a career that might well have turned out to be unparalleled. In March-April 1942 ACBL Bulletin editor Geoffrey Mott-Smith called him "one of the foremost players in the country." According to Howard Schenken, "Jimmy was far and away the best partner I ever had." In his publication, *The Education of a Bridge Player*, Schenken stated, "Had he lived, he might have become the greatest bridge player of all time." Sidney Lazard recalls his good friend, the legendary Ozzie Jacoby, singling out Maier as the best bridge player he had ever seen. Edith Kemp Freilich related vivid memories of playing against Maier while still in her teens and confirmed Jacoby's assessment of his incredible prowess at a very tender age.

## Edward Manfield (1943-1999)

The news of Eddie Manfield's unexpected death in 1999, in the prime of life at age 56, was received with great shock and much sadness. Eddie wore many challenging hats both in the world of bridge and in the professional arena.

According to Harvard classmate Ron Gerard, "We lived in the same residence for three years, played on the university bridge team in inter-collegiate competition and shared a regular rubber bridge game, sometimes to the exclusion of what our parents thought their tuition dollars were going toward."

Manfield appeared in his first NABC in 1965 and soon emerged as a dominant force in Washington-area bridge. In the '70s and '80s he captured hosts of events, soaring to national and international prominence with partner Kit Woolsey and teammates Peter Boyd and Steve Robinson.

Manfield's "I've Got a Secret" earned for him the 1982-83 International Bridge Press Association Best Article award, adding to the acclaim he had received as a theoretician and writer when he shared the award in 1979-80 for "High Level Bridge," his ground-breaking series in *The Bridge World*. He may be best remembered for his 1987 BOLS Tip, "The Five Level Belongs to the Opponents."

In 1986, he won the Rosenblum Teams, perhaps somewhat easing the pain and disappointment of losing the final in 1982. Receiving his master's degree at UVA, Manfield worked for the Federal Trade Commission and then pursued an exciting and volatile career as an options trader where he enjoyed an extraordinarily successful track record both for himself personally and for those friends and bridge players whom he sponsored on The Philadelphia Exchange. However, despite his enormous all-around success, his true pride and joy were his children, Karen, Sabrina and Seth.

## Lew Mathe (1915-1986)

Among the many stars of the game of bridge, one of the greatest competitors was Lewis L. Mathe. The intensity of his play, his commanding table presence and his superb card playing skill ensured his place among the giants of the game.

Mathe enjoyed a successful bridge career – as a player and as an administrator – that spanned more than three decades. He was a real estate appraiser and broker in his other life.

Mathe's victories at the national level attest to his talent. He won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) four times, the Vanderbilt three times and the Spingold once. In addition, Mathe posted first-place finishes in a host of pair and team events during the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s.

Mathe demonstrated his ability in the international arena by becoming a Bermuda Bowl champion in 1954. He went on to represent North America in four more Bermuda Bowls.

Mathe also represented the United States in the World Team Olympiad in 1960. Mathe and his wife, Eugenie (who died in 1991), won the European Open Teams in Hungary in 1975. Mathe was a WBF Grand Master.

His accomplishments as a player also include contributions to bidding theory. The Mathe Asking Bid, used after responder has made a jump limit raise, is employed to discover if responder has a singleton.

In addition, Mathe created a defense to a strong 1♣ opener, wherein double shows a major two-suiter, while 1NT shows the minors (with all other bids being natural).

Mathe's general approach to bidding was a natural, descriptive one. This style was prevalent on the West Coast, and Mathe was one of its chief exponents. Although Mathe's star faded with the advent of more scientific approaches to the auction, his success with those methods is remarkable.

Mathe's love for the game led him to become a leading player in its organizational structure. He served as ACBL president in 1975, chairman of the ACBL Board in 1976, and chairman of the ACBL Board of Governors in 1968. Mathe was the WBF representative from ACBL and WBF treasurer from 1977-1982. He was president of the Western Conference on three occasions and the ACBL Board Member from District 23 from 1958-1961 and from 1970-1982.

Mathe served as mentor to the rising stars from California during his career. Eddie Kantar, Bob Hamman and Don Krauss were among those who played with Mathe early in their careers.

Known for his intensity and energy at the table, Mathe was a self-proclaimed perfectionist who expected much from his partners. He was a firm believer that bridge expertise is innate, not acquired, and that a healthy sense of self-confidence and ego is an integral part of being a top-notch player.

Jerry Machlin recalled this story about Lew's healthy ego in his book *Tournament Bridge: an Uncensored Memoir*, "Lew was a witness in a court case where ACBL was being sued. He was put on the stand as a bridge expert and the attorney for the plaintiff was attempting to discredit him. Mathe reeled off his incredible list of wins in regional, national, and international competition, and the attorney continued, 'From your remarks, Mr. Mathe, you sound as if you consider yourself the greatest player in North America.' Mathe answered with his usual modesty, 'I do.' The attorney persisted, 'And do you consider yourself the greatest player

in the world?’ and Lew replied, ‘Yes.’

“After he stepped down from the stand, Lew’s wife tore into him. ‘Lew how could you get up on the stand in front of all these people and say you were the greatest player in the world?’ ‘What could I do?’ answered Lew, ‘After all, I was under oath.’ ”

While Mathe acknowledged that he could be a challenging partner at times, he felt that inculcating a strong sense of competitive spirit in his protégés was necessary for their development.

No one would suggest, however, that Mathe himself was anything less than professional and sporting at the table.

Mathe once noted that “(experts) will beat you because . . . they’ve got good judgment. If you have ability, if you have the gift . . . you’re going to be a good bridge player.”

Lew Mathe certainly had that gift.

## **Marshall Miles (b. 1926)**

Marshall Miles was born in Loma Linda CA in 1926. He received a B.A. in economics from Claremont Men’s College (now Claremont McKenna College) in 1948 and a law degree from UCLA in 1954. He practiced law from 1955 until 1992. He was married to Betty Barnett from 1972 until her death in 2000.

Ever since a friend of his mother’s taught Marshall the game when he was 15, bridge has been his major hobby. At first he had no one to play with, so he read newspaper columns and books. Today, his favorite part of the game is bidding, and he thinks the biggest challenge is to visualize everyone’s hands and plan the best way to describe his own.

Miles has won five North American events, most of them in partnership with Eddie Kantar: the Spingold in 1961 and 1962, the Reisinger in 1962 and 1965 and the Life Master Pairs in 1961. He also won the World Senior Teams in 2004 playing with Leo Bell.

Miles has been an important, if sometimes idiosyncratic, theorist of the game. He was one of the first experts to espouse overcalls on four-card suits – “Our most likely game is in spades,” he often would comment in the Master Solvers’ Club – choosing to bid 2 over an opponent’s 2 opening on, say, A-Q-10-x. At one time, he was famous for bidding 3NT holding tenuous stoppers in an opponent’s suit.

His approach to the play also was occasionally outside the mainstream. Years ago, an up-and-coming young expert was playing with his wife in her first real North American event. Before they sat down against Miles, he told her: “That’s Marshall Miles. He likes to underlead aces.” Sure enough, on the first board, dummy bid spades, but the young wife ended up in 4. The opening lead from Marshall was the ♠2, dummy held ♠K-J-9-x, and third hand held ♠Q-10-8 – perfect! Only the young wife played the ♠K, drew trumps, and pitched her second spade on another suit. Miles looked puzzled, and the up-and-coming expert said, “Sorry, Marshall. Your reputation has begun to precede you.”

But Miles will always be remembered as a bridge writer. One of his earliest books, *All Fifty-two Cards*, is still required reading to move up from the intermediate level. He is the author of 10 other books, many written while he was still practicing law. The most recent, *Modern Constructive Bidding*, was published in 2005.

## **Jacqui Mitchell (b. 1936)**

If Mitchell was seen at the bridge table minus her needlepoint, knitting or a mystery book on her lap, one would suspect she was an impostor. Despite the combination of her signature jeans and tee shirt appearance and nonchalant table demeanor, she is an intensely serious, competitive, brilliant, analytical and calculating player – the antithesis of what meets the eye!

According to close friend and partner Amalya Kears, “She is not only a terrific player, but she also has such a love for the game that she never treats a hand casually, even if it is near the end of an event she no longer has a chance of winning or placing well. Every hand gets the attention it deserves.”

For many years, Mitchell was ranked as the leading WBF woman player and has captured several World Championships (Venice Cup in 1976 and 1978; World Olympiad Women’s Teams in 1980 and 1984; World Women’s Pairs in 1986) as well as NABCs, sectionals and regionals. In her second year of tournament play in 1958, she earned the title of New York Player of the Year, which marked the beginning of more than four decades of impressive triumphs.

Although her active professional involvement in teaching bridge and playing keeps her busy, this soft-spoken human dynamo is a fanatic exerciser, finds time to follow her favorite sports teams and tennis icons, excels in the kitchen and is an inveterate animal lover of all kinds.

Demonstrating the latter two, when a dinner guest arrived at her home one evening drooling from the wonderful smells emanating from the kitchen in anticipation of a delectable feast, Mitchell admonished her not to get too excited. “That’s not our dinner,” she said. “I’m cooking chicken for the Central Park cats.” Oh, yes, she has a sense of humor, too!

## **Victor Mitchell (Vic) (1923-1995)**

Victor Mitchell learned bridge as a teenager growing up in Brooklyn. By the age of 20, he was running a 24-hour-a-day money bridge club. In his prime, he was flamboyant and cocky when he needed to be – and he knew all the tricks of the trade.

When Mitchell died at the age of 71 in January of 1995, bridge lost one of its most colorful characters – a champion player, bridge philosopher, and mentor to the stars.

“For more than 30 years,” said bridge star Ron Andersen in 1994, “Vic has been the expert’s mentor from coast to coast. His unknown contributions to the world of tournament bridge are far greater than those of better known people.”

Mitchell grew up in a rough and tumble neighborhood. His friendship with a policeman led him to discover bridge – the beginning of a love affair that lasted his whole life.

A Grand Life Master with more than 10,000 masterpoints, Mitchell won five North American championships and represented the United States in international competition several times. His major titles include the Spingold Knockout Teams (1956 and 1959), the Life Master Men’s Pairs (1962) and the Men’s Teams (1962 and 1963).

He finished second in the 1964 World team Olympiad and was runner-up in the World Mixed Teams, playing with his wife Jacqui, Sam and Tubby Stayman and Jimmy Cayne.

Mitchell’s expertise at the table was sometimes overshadowed by the stories told by him and about him. Jacqui, Victor’s wife of 35 years, figures that if she had written down the various tales, “I could easily fill a book.”

Mitchell’s second win in the Spingold Knockout Teams (1959) was especially significant because the win guaranteed his team an appearance in the World Bridge Olympiad the following year.

On the last deal of the Spingold, Mitchell found himself in 3NT redoubled. The critical suit was clubs, and at one point Mitchell played the queen from dummy, covered by his right-hand opponent with the king.

Mitchell, who felt sure of the layout of the cards, followed low and said, as his LHO played the singleton ace, “My first Olympiad.” Mitchell’s team won by 1 IMP.

Another story involved the legendary Ira Rubin, sometimes referred to as “The Beast.” Mitchell and Rubin were opponents in a rubber-bridge game when Rubin blasted into 6NT, which Mitchell doubled.

“Redouble!” said Rubin with typical force.

“Ira,” said Mitchell, “you can’t do that.”

“I said, ‘Redouble.’ ” was Rubin’s reply. “I have my bids.”

“Ira,” said Mitchell, who was on lead, “I’ve got three aces.”

Mitchell was included as a real character in three bridge mystery books written by Matthew Granovetter, one of Mitchell’s protégés and a lifelong admirer. “If I had to play for my life,” Granovetter said, “I would choose Vic as my partner. It’s not even close.”

Mitchell didn’t play much in his later years, but he was usually on hand at NABCs to see his friends and give advice.

Mitchell claimed that he never played bridge for glory or prestige. “The people,” he said, “are more important than the bridge. I’ve met some of the most fantastic people playing bridge. I’ve had a ball.”

## Albert Morehead (1909-1966)

Many of today's generation know little about Albert Morehead except, perhaps, that there is a bridge library in Memphis named for him.

Morehead was a lad of 23 when Ely Culbertson hired him because of his talent as a player and an expert analyst. In a short time Morehead was technical analyst for *The Bridge World* magazine and technical manager of all Culbertson enterprises. He was only 25 when he played on the Culbertson team that defeated the English in the second international match for the Schwab Trophy in 1934.

Morehead not only published and edited the magazine, he was responsible for much of the writing of Culbertson's books and radio scripts. He managed details pertaining to the Crockfords Clubs in New York and Chicago. He negotiated endorsements and was executive director of Kem Playing Cards, Inc. – which he sold within a few years for a profit of more than half a million dollars.

A tireless worker, he was the first bridge editor of *The New York Times*. He wrote and edited bridge books. He ran a plastics business and did free-lance writing on a multitude of non-bridge subjects for leading American magazines.

After he resigned from the *Times* late in 1963, he devoted full time to the writing, editing and publishing of dictionaries, encyclopedias and a thesaurus which made him one of the foremost American lexicographers. His works also included many "Hoyle" books, giving the rules of cards games, on which he was the leading American authority.

Meanwhile, he found time for tremendous service to organized bridge. He was an officer of the United States Bridge Association when that organization amalgamated with the American Bridge League in 1937. He became a governor of the newly formed ACBL, which he later served as president and chairman of the Board. He was named Honorary Member in 1946. He was a member of the National Laws Commission and was in charge of production of the International Laws of Contract Bridge.

He not only served ACBL as adviser and laws consultant, he made enormous contributions to *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* – far beyond the scope of duties suggested by his title of chairman of the Editorial Advisory Board.

Early in 1966, while suffering from his then undiagnosed mortal illness, Morehead rose from a sick bed to travel to Amsterdam to present the constitution he had prepared for the World Bridge Federation – the first formal definition of the scope, structure, powers and duties of that organization.

Some insight into the man behind all this talent can be found in his obituary in the November issue of the 1966 Bulletin. Then editor Dick Frey wrote,

"Dwarfing these magnificent achievements were personal traits rare among men. No one ever saw him lose his temper at the bridge table or heard him speak an unkind word to a partner. He smiled often, but the only player he ever laughed at was himself.

Rarely if ever did he turn down a plea for help. Writing this, I am proud to acknowledge the debt I owe him and to claim that he was my best friend. The secret of his greatness was that there are scores of others who will truly say exactly this of Albert Hodges Morehead."

Morehead left his large and valuable collection of books to the ACBL, and they formed the heart of what has been for more than four decades the Albert H. Morehead Memorial Library.

## Alphonse Moyse (1898-1973)

Alphonse “Sonny” Moyse was publisher and editor of *The Bridge World* from 1955-1966, spanning the era between Ely Culbertson, the founder of the magazine, and Edgar Kaplan.

An experienced and talented author, Moyse was the ghostwriter for two of Culbertson’s columns for more than 20 years. Moyse also wrote the humorous “Bridge with Jackie” stories, the fictional accounts of his and his wife’s bridge misadventures.

Moyse was an expert player, winning the Men’s Teams (1949) and the Men’s Pairs (1963), but generations of players will remember him best for his tenure as editor of *The Bridge World*.

Moyse joined the staff of the magazine in 1934 as assistant editor, and was the de facto editor from 1939 until Culbertson’s death in 1955. Moyse then purchased *The Bridge World* from the Culbertson estate. In 1963, he sold the publication to McCall Corporation, though he remained as editor.

Moyse was a champion of the natural school of bidding, and his views in this matter were unapologetically arch-traditionalist. Armed with an acerbic wit and an unfailing ability to analyze cleanly and clearly, Moyse took on decades of scientific-bidding advocates in the pages of his magazine.

He was a proponent of four-card major openings and 4-3 “Moysian” trump fits. Moyse recognized, however, that the advent of more scientific approaches to the auction was a regrettable (in his view) inevitability.

As editor of *The Bridge World*, therefore, he published the ideas and theories of expert players of the day. Moyse provided a necessary forum for the evolution of bridge theory.

As director of the ongoing bidding-panel series of the magazine, the Master Solvers’ Club, Moyse would increasingly find himself in support of minority opinions, but he accepted it all with a keen, acidic sense of humor and an unflappable faith in clear, sensible bidding.

In fact, Moyse enjoyed playing the role of the curmudgeon, criticizing in indignant tones the views of other experts.

The following excerpt from a 1960 issue of *The Bridge World* is pure Moyse:

“Not out of modesty but from awareness of fact we must observe that last month’s Master Solvers’ problems were not as good as we could have wished – no drama, no ‘cuteness,’ and not controversial enough to warrant high indignation on our part, a state to which we’re accustomed and which therefore is healthful for us.”

Moyse died in June 1973 at the age of 75, weeks after being selected as an International Bridge Press Association Honorary Member, the first American to receive the honor.

*The Bridge World*, in an obituary and tribute to Moyse, praised the former editor and reminisced over his choleric disposition:

“After retiring, he kept his eagle eye on us. Only recently he called up in high dudgeon (and his was the highest dudgeon of any man we knew): ‘You’re letting the magazine go to the dogs!’ – he had detected a fused participle, a grammatical form he detested.

“Sonny had a hot temper, and his rages were magnificent. But it was like a violent tropical storm – over in an instant with bright sunshine to follow. He roared at everyone and no one ever minded, for he was all bark and no bite – there was not a drop of malice in him.”

## Eric Murray (b. 1928)

Eric Murray, as well as being one of the all-time greats, is one of the true characters of the bridge world. A leading civil litigation attorney in Toronto, Murray won one of the first \$1 million-plus civil-court judgments in Canada and is legendary as a raconteur and orator.

Murray is the most successful Canadian player ever. He started his career playing with Douglas Drury, he qualified for his first international team with Charles Coon, had mixed event successes with Hall of Fame member Agnes Gordon, but became legend with Sami Kehela.

As a pair, Murray and Kehela first represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1966. The *Bulletin* did a series introducing the North American Team that year. Known for their humor, this was how Kehela introduced Murray to the world:

“The world’s greatest bridge player was born 37 years ago in Hamilton, Ontario, a small village on the outskirts of Toronto. He discovered bridge in his second year as a freshman when he happened upon four people seated at a table holding cards and screaming at each other at the top of their lungs. Eric Murray was – and is – the possessor of a stout pair of lungs and he was soon the outstanding player in his circle. As such he came to the attention of one Harry Bork, a patient man and the leading player in Hamilton, who attempted without any success whatsoever, to teach Eric some of the finer points of the game. (He did, however, cultivate in him a taste for cheap cigars.) Nevertheless, bolstering his modest ability by a fierce will to win, Eric was soon holding his own at the weekly duplicates, and by the time he accumulated his first masterpoint he felt that he was ready for the big city.

“Murray’s early stay in Toronto marked a period of unprecedented prosperity for that city’s rubber bridge players. Penniless and desperate, our hero threw himself at the feet of Douglas Drury. Drury who was then – and remained until 1957, the year I came to Canada - the best bidder in the country, consented to make a disciple of the callow youth, and I can pay him no greater tribute than to point out that he and Murray won the National Men’s Pair Championship in 1954 and 1955. When the burden of carrying Murray alone eventually proved too great, Drury craftily conscripted Percy Sheardown and Bruce Elliott to help. As a team they developed a formidable reputation, and, beginning to believe that he was not such a dreadful player after all, Murray demanded that he be permitted to bid notrump once in a while. This was too much for Drury who fled to San Francisco.

“Assuming a grand manner, Eric let it be known that he was available to form a partnership and would entertain applications from likely candidates. This elicited offers from three Roth-Stoners and an invitation to the Salvation Army Whist Drive. In the meantime his agents in the field suggested that a certain newcomer from England might be persuaded to fill the bill since he was probably unaware of the discrepancy between Murray’s reputation and his ability. Acting on the advice of his P.R. man, Mr. Murray commenced to hold forth on the deficiencies of a certain Mr. Kehela as a bridge player, suggesting that though the latter’s card-play was not completely intolerable, his bidding was that of a raving lunatic.

“Privately I was besieged by phone calls, letters and delegations – now cajoling, now threatening – until my resistance wore down and I agreed to take him in hand. Surprisingly, my new pupil had no difficulty adapting to my bidding theories, and after some formal financial negotiations had been completed, we were ready to launch our partnership. It was 1959.

“Brain-washed and exhilarated (“Colonial Acol” is heady stuff) Murray began making significant dents in ACBL silverware. Though together we have won our share of national titles (including the Spingold in 1964 and 1965), my proudest moment came when I let Eric out on his own for the first time in 1961 and he justified my confidence by winning the Vanderbilt in partnership with Charles Coon and a pick-up pair from Philadelphia (Arthur Robinson and Robert Jordan), and then going on to represent North American in the 1962 Bermuda Bowl.

“Determined to achieve immortality, Murray decided to invent a convention. After giving the matter a little thought I presented him with some ideas for which he immediately took credit, dubbing it the “Murray Two Diamond” (it had to outrank Drury). Though the convention has a great deal of theoretical merit, its only effect thus far has been to lead to some uncomfortable part-score contracts in diamonds with inadequate trump suits (he invariably forgets his “own” convention).”

Murray represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1962, 1966, 1967 and 1974; Canada in other world competitions in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1970, 1972, 1978, 1980 and 1982. He placed third in the Rosenblum Teams in 1982.

Murray’s successes include achieving the rank of ACBL Grand Life Master, winning 14 national championships, the Team Trials in 1966, and the Lou Herman Trophy in 1963. He won the Canadian National Teams Championships in 1980, 1981 and 1987 and placed second in 1986 and 1988. In 2010 he won the Canadian Senior Team Trials.

Murray also won the Canadian Invitational Pairs (Calcutta) in 1993. He devised the Murray 2♦ convention. Murray co-authored the Drury convention and was the contributing editor to *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*.



## **G. Robert (Bobby) Nail (1925-1995)**

A force in bridge for more than four decades, Nail was one of the game's most colorful characters. Nail won four North American championships and had 11 seconds. He represented the United States twice in the Bermuda Bowl, finishing second in 1963. He was a Life Master in World Bridge Federation rankings and an ACBL Grand Life Master with more than 10,000 masterpoints.

A victim of a rare bone disease (osteogenesis imperfecta), Nail spent much of his youth in hospitals. Most people with his disease, he once said, didn't live much past their 20s. The diminutive Nail – he was about five feet tall – made the most of his time.

Nail learned the game at 14 from his Kansas City neighbors, the Gunn brothers. He was hooked from then on. He played his first tournament in 1944, had considerable success as a rubber bridge player traveling the states, and at the urging of John Gerber, Nail eventually made his home in Houston in the mid-Sixties where he owned and operated a bridge club with his wife, Betty, until his death.

Gerald Michaud, a frequent Nail partner, remembered the Texan as “my friend always, my partner often. He was exceptional in many respects,” said Michaud. “He had unerring accuracy on defense.” Michaud called Nail, “a Gentleman of Bridge. He practiced Active Ethics long before the ACBL adopted that program.”

There are probably more stories about Nail than almost any other player. Some of the tales are actually true.

During the pair trials for the 1964 World Bridge Olympiad, Nail and Jim Jacoby were playing against upstarts Bob Hamman and Don Krauss (the eventual winners) and were performing particularly poorly. At one point in the match, Nail took Jacoby away from the table for a talk.

“Are you betting on these boys?” Nail inquired of Jacoby, who was appalled that his partner would even ask such a question. Before Jacoby could sputter out an answer, Nail said, “Relax, Jim. If you are, I just want half the action.”

Once in a rubber bridge game, Nail held 10 solid clubs and singletons in the other three suits. In second seat, after the dealer passed, Nail coyly passed – “I don't know why.”

LHO also passed. Now Nail's partner, Cleo Allen, began to study her hand. “Come on, Cleo,” Nail was thinking, wishing he knew how to send mental messages. “Come on, Cleo.”

Finally she threw the hand in. “Sorry, partner,” Allen said to Nail. “Just three bare aces.”

Nail and partner David Carter used to devise ways to get unsuspecting players into bridge games. Carter would often show up at a hotel bar, pretending to be drunk, and tell everyone how he was the greatest fisherman in the world. Before long he would be tossed out of the bar, only to return a few minutes later swearing that he was the world's greatest bridge player.

“I'll take on anyone in the house,” Carter would say. “And I'll play with the bellman as my partner.”

When two suckers agreed to the challenge, Carter would take them to his hotel room. Shortly thereafter, Nail would arrive – in his bellhop's outfit.

As for advice, Nail once offered this tidbit to Brent Manley during a 1995 interview, “Never redouble a cue bid, especially if your partner has just ordered a sandwich.” As for regrets, Nail said, “If I had it to do all over again, I'd have drunk a little more whiskey.”

## **Frank (Nick) Nickell**

Since the early Nineties, Frank (Nick) Nickell has been captain of one of the most successful and dominating teams in organized bridge. Nickell and company have won four Bermuda Bowls and earned the silver medal in two others.

The Nickell team practically owns the Spingold Knockout Teams, having won the event nine times since the squad was assembled. His regular partner on the team was Richard Freeman.

Nickell has won other major championships, including the Cavendish Invitational Pairs and the Blue Ribbon Pairs, but he has also distinguished himself as a businessman and a behind-the-scenes supporter of the game he loves.

In nominating Nickell for the ACBL Honorary Member of the Year award for 2003, former ACBL President Joan Gerard said much of what Nickell does for bridge goes unnoticed because he doesn't seek publicity. “He gives and gives,” Gerard said. “There isn't anything he won't do.”

Nickell is president and chief executive officer of Kelso & Company, a private equity investment firm. He lives in New York City. Nickell and his wife, Carol, have two sons – Joey and Thomas.

## **Aileen Osofsky (1926-2010)**

The Blackwood Award is given to an individual who has contributed greatly to the game of bridge. Aileen Osofsky did just that. As the chair of the Goodwill Committee for more than two decades, Aileen made the bridge world a better place.

Osofsky was asked to chair the ACBL Goodwill Committee in 1985 even though she was not a member of the committee. She had made a name for herself with the Greater New York Bridge Association and is one of only three life members of that organization. Aileen quickly took to the job and expanded the organization's goodwill efforts by extolling the use of bidding boxes to facilitate play for the hard of hearing, working to include youth players, and promoting "active ethics" to improve the quality of player conduct.

Fittingly, the surprise announcement that Osofsky had received the Blackwood Award came during the Goodwill Committee meeting at the 2009 Spring NABC in Houston. The normally loquacious Osofsky was left almost speechless when Steve Robinson told the assembly of the award. She may not qualify as a world-class competitor, but those who knew her agree she has no peer as a Goodwill ambassador for bridge.

Osofsky presided over 75 consecutive Goodwill Committee meetings and tirelessly campaigned for friendly behavior at the bridge table. A few days prior to her death, in a letter to the ACBL, Osofsky reflected on her long association with the organization:

"When I got a call twenty-five years ago asking me to become the chair of the National Goodwill Committee, I had no idea how profound and positive an impact the organization and its members would have on my life.

"As I transition now to a less involved role in the activities of the ACBL, I must acknowledge the paramount part that the organization has played in filling my life with joy, passion, and meaning – and I must thank you all from the bottom of my heart for giving me the opportunity to participate in the group's work, and for doing that work with me."

At the Summer NABC in New Orleans, the newly named Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee hosted a tribute to their longtime chair. In a fitting tribute to a person with a great sense of humor, Alan Osofsky told stories of his mother's occasional struggles at the bridge table.

In the early days, she had difficulty as declarer and one of her partners, the late Judy Tucker, laid down the law during one game they were playing – if Tucker opened one of a suit, Aileen was not to bid 1NT. On the very next board, Aileen picked up a hand with 10 high card points, three cards in each major, two diamonds and five clubs. Tucker opened 1♦, and Aileen was in a quandary. She didn't want to bid a three card major, she couldn't raise diamonds with only a doubleton, and she couldn't bid 2♣ because it was forcing to game. After pondering the dilemma for a time, she hit on a solution to keep from bidding the verboten 1NT – she bid 2NT.

Alan said he once asked his mother about the secret to her success with the Goodwill Committee meetings. In her typical humble fashion, she said, "It must be the free food."

## **Mike Passell (b.1947)**

Mike Passell has been one of North America's leading players for more than three decades. More than just a masterpoint machine, Passell has forged a reputation as one of top professionals in the world.

From childhood Passell was good at games. Once when he was 10 and living in Florida, he attended a summer camp and became interested in chess when he watched a tournament. He spent the next two weeks studying the game, and then talked his father into taking him to a local chess club.

"I beat everyone in the club, Passell recalled. "It was bizarre, and I sort of picked up bridge the same way."

Passell was visiting his older brother, Bill, in New York during the summer of 1963. Bill taught bridge and Mike sat in on one of the classes. His interest piqued, Mike insisted on playing. Bill fixed him up with a partner in a tough game at a club in Hartsville. Mike and his partner won both times they played.

Mike didn't play again until the summer before his senior year in high school. His boss at his summer job was a player and liked to take the afternoons off to attend tournaments. He picked Mike as his partner. Once exposed to the tournament scene, Passell was hooked. He began haunting the local duplicate clubs and driving to any sectional within reach on weekends.

During what Passell describes as his "Motel 6 zone" in the early Seventies, Passell and partners drove 100,000 miles a year traveling from tournament to tournament. It was also during this time he met Mark Lair. The two hit it off instantly.

From there Passell and Lair formed what became one of the most formidable partnerships in the ACBL and Lair – a family man – became a stabilizing influence on Passell.

1979 was the year of two of Passell's greatest achievements. First he won the Bermuda Bowl and then he met and married his wife, Nancy. Mike and Nancy are among the few married couples who are both world champions.

In addition to his international wins, the Bermuda Bowl (1979) and the Transnational Teams (2001), Passell has won more than 20 North American Bridge Championship titles that include three Reisingers, three Spingolds, and two Vanderbilts.

Passell says he owes all of his success to Nancy and their daughter Jennifer.

## **Peter Pender (1936-1990)**

There are those rare individuals who are talented at all that they do, whose every endeavor seems to meet with success. Peter Pender was such an individual. Bridge was just one of the many facets of Pender's career, whose brilliance was undiminished by his untimely end.

Pender, of Forestville CA attended Harvard and was an accomplished pianist. He was also a highly skilled figure skater who qualified to compete in national singles events four times and national pairs twice.

He was a gold medalist for both the United States and Canadian Figure Skating Associations.

Skating competitions took him frequently to Montreal, where he encountered the Canadian bridge elite of the late Fifties. It was there that Pender would meet future bridge partner Hugh Ross.

In 1960, Pender moved to San Francisco. He successfully owned and operated an exclusive resort, Fifes, located on the Russian River in the Bay area.

Pender's talents also, of course, encompassed bridge. He became Life Master #1795 at the age of 22. He won the 1966 McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) and in the same year helped England's Jeremy Flint become an ACBL Life Master in 11 weeks, a record at the time.

Pender tallied 13 NABC wins: five in the Reisinger B-A-M Teams (1968, 1970, 1981, 1985 and 1986); two in the Life Master Men's Pairs (1967 and 1984); four in the Grand National Teams (1982, 1983, 1985 and 1987) and two in the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams (1984 and 1987).

Pender was a member of the victorious U.S. squad in the 1985 NEC Bermuda Bowl in São Paulo, Brazil, and second in the 1989 Bermuda Bowl in Perth, Australia.

Pender was second in the 1982 Rosenblum Teams and won the Pan-American Invitational Pairs in 1974 and 1975.

Pender and Ross formed their now-famous partnership in 1981. The pair, playing with teammates Lew Stansby and Chip Martel, was arguably the most powerful squad in the world during the Eighties.

After winning the 1981 Reisinger, Pender offered this comment about the success of the foursome: "I think one of the reasons why our whole team did so well was because there is no rancor within the pairs or the team."

Pender continued to perform well in high-level competition through the late Eighties, despite battling the effects of HIV infection, the virus that causes AIDS.

Ross, in a posthumous tribute to his partner in 1990, said, "In the last four years, when he was constantly enduring pain, nausea and fatigue, he never gave up." Pender was so ill during part of 1987, that he was unable to attend the Bermuda Bowl in Ocho Rios, Jamaica. Mike Lawrence filled in for the ailing Pender.

Pender recovered and succeeded in qualifying for the 1989 Bermuda Bowl held in Perth, Australia. His planned trip to Perth became controversial, however, when the Australian government initially refused to grant Pender a visa because of his HIV status. The decision was later rescinded following public outcry over the policy.

Pender finally succumbed to effects of the illness in November of 1990. In early 1991, it was announced that Pender had bequeathed \$2.26 million to the American Foundation for AIDS Research, the largest donation ever received by the organization. Pender also donated the trophy that is awarded to the winners of the Junior Team Championships along with a fund that provides each team member with a replica trophy.

## George Rapée (1915-1999)

In the fall of 1996, when the Bridge Bulletin published a list of the top 25 bridge players of all time based on their performances in major events, some readers may have been surprised to see the name of George Rapée in the No. 5 spot, ahead of such luminaries as Oswald Jacoby, Sam Stayman and Charles Goren.

Rapée, after all, is not well known to many of today's tournament players. In later years he played bridge only three times a year in the NABCs – and did not seek publicity.

Those in the know considered Rapée – owner of three world championships and 25 North American titles – a natural choice for any list featuring all-time greats.

Rapée's record of success in major tournaments went beyond outstanding. In addition to three Bermuda Bowl victories, Rapée fashioned an amazing record in the three major ACBL team championships – the Vanderbilt, Spingold and Reisinger. Between 1942 and 1971, Rapée was on the winning team 21 times and placed second 15 times.

Hall of Famer Bobby Wolff said Rapée was the best of a strong group of players in the 1940s.

“George was by far the most consistent,” Wolff said. “He made very few mistakes, and he was usually playing with a partner who was hard to play with.”

In an analysis of the U.S. team's performance in the 1958 Bermuda Bowl, Rapée was judged to be the best, ahead of teammates B. Jay Becker and Tobias Stone. Edgar Kaplan wrote in *The Bridge World*: Rapée's performance was most impressive. He was the only American to play up to his potential, and his potential is considerable.”

Rapée was born in New York City, the son of Hungarian immigrants. His father, Erno, was a concert pianist and orchestra conductor.

Although he earned a law degree, Rapée never practiced. Instead, he became a real estate investor.

One of Rapée's most important contributions to bridge is known by another person's name.

Rapée and Sam Stayman were regular partners when Rapée came up with the idea of using 2♣ responses to a 1NT opener as an artificial bid to try to uncover a four-four major fit. Prior to that, players had extreme difficulty finding the right contracts after 1NT openers.

Rapée's creation was named for Stayman because Stayman wrote about it in *The Bridge World*.

Today, Stayman and Blackwood are the two most popular bridge conventions in the world.

John Solodar, Rapée's regular partner during the latter part of his life, admired his diminutive friend – for his bridge acumen and as a human being. Said Solodar: “George was one of the all-time gentlemen of the game. His word and his handshake were better than any contract.”

In 1990, Rapée and his team finished third in the Rosenblum Knockout Teams at the World Bridge Championships in Geneva, Switzerland. In 1998, his squad made it to the round of 16 in the Vanderbilt.

Former partner Sidney Lazard was around when Rapée was making his mark.

Said Lazard: “In my opinion, George Rapée was the best of the bunch, including John Crawford and Howard Schenken. If you listen to him, you can learn a lot.”

## Steve Robinson (b. 1941)

Though our nation's capital boasts of many heroes, Steve Robinson has the distinction of being the first living player to be elected to the ACBL Hall of Fame from District 6 (which includes Washington, Virginia and most of Maryland).

Growing up and living in the D.C. area all of his life, he enjoyed the challenge of chess before learning bridge at the Student Union at the University of Maryland, where he matriculated in 1958. He became a Junior Master (the proud owner of one masterpoint) in April of 1963, and longtime friend Peter Boyd good-naturedly adds, "and he still has the certificate to prove it!"

"Stevie," as he is referred to affectionately by all who know this bridge giant, was drafted into the U.S. Army in December 1963. While stationed at Fort Jackson SC for basic training, he occasionally traveled by bus to local sectional tournaments. Steve worked for the Army at the Pentagon as a computer programmer specialist until 1965, and he remained on the job in a civilian capacity until he retired in 1996.

His early bridge pursuits were intrepid, as witnessed by an incident cited in a recent Washington Bridge League publication. The article quoted the wit and candor of Steve's partner during the final of a star-studded Blue Ribbon Pairs some years ago when Walt Walvick remarked, "We're the only pair in this event I have never heard of."

Extremely active in both the WBL and District 6 since the 1970s, he selflessly has devoted much time, energy and talents to these executive bodies, serving in multiple capacities through the years. Steve's wins encompass many NABC major titles as well as the 1974 World Mixed Teams and the 2000 World Senior Teams.

Early and frequent favorite partners in the 1960s and 1970s included Jo Morse, Kenny Rhodes, Alan Wilhide and Kit Woolsey. Besides devoting time to professional bridge playing, Steve is a celebrated writer, authoring *Washington Standard*. He is also the inventor of the CRASH convention used against the strong 1♣.

## Root, William (Bill) Root (1923-2002)

You wouldn't expect to see many 70-year-olds in the final of one of the toughest events on the ACBL calendar. Yet in the spring of 1995, the final of the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams was where you could find 71-year-old Bill Root – part of a four-man team.

After his squad had won the championships in a walk after more than a week of play and 448 deals, Root was ready for more. "I never got tired," he said.

That spirit, plus lots of talent and hard work, put Root among the top players of his time.

Bill Root was a bridge champion for five decades and one of the best known bridge teachers in the world.

Born in New York and reared in Miami, Root was introduced to bridge in 1947. Prior to that, bowling was his main hobby. It was a bowling friend, ironically, who introduced Root to bridge. Root played and won his first duplicate and dropped bowling overnight.

By 1952, Root was Life Master #400. He realized he could earn more money playing bridge than working. He quit his job in the concession business and became a bridge bum. A year later, Root and Harold Harkavy won the national Men's Pairs (now the Wernher Open Pairs) edging out bridge superstars John Crawford and Waldemar von Zedtwitz by .08 matchpoints. Von Zedtwitz complained so bitterly that the rules were changed to require a margin of at least one half matchpoint for a clear victory. That rule stayed in effect until 1993, when it was decreed that a margin of .01 or higher was sufficient for a clear win.

Root married Vera Froitzheim in 1958. Prior to his marriage he was earning his living playing in clubs in New York and Miami. Once married, he decided to settle down and find a steady job. He chose teaching bridge as his profession.

Root was one of the first bridge teachers to break with the four-card majors tradition and give lessons on five-card majors. His position was vindicated when five-card majors became the standard in North America.

Root broke into the cruise business in 1956 when Goren asked him to fill in on a 98-day worldwide cruise.

In 1966, Root formed a partnership with Al Roth, a great player but one known for being rough on his partners. The partnership clicked and Root and Roth won four of the seven major team events they played in, including three straight at one point – the 1967 Spingold, the 1967 Reisinger, and the 1968 Vanderbilt. They represented the US in the 1967 Bermuda Bowl and the 1968 World Team Olympiad placing second in both.

Root's favorite and longest partnership was formed in 1976 with Richard Pavlicek. The pair won seven NABC team titles, including the enormously popular 1983 Reisinger win when the team was augmented with the ailing 80-year-old Oswald Jacoby.

Root branched into bridge writing in 1981 when he and Pavlicek wrote *Modern Bridge Conventions*. He wrote four more books including *Commonsense Bidding*. Much of Root's writing was inspired by his experiences as a teacher. In fact, *Commonsense Bidding* came about as a result of notes he took when students asked questions.

"It's the best book I ever wrote or ever will write," Root said in 1997.

"Bridge has been my life since I took it up," said Root. "It's been a labor of love. I don't enjoy rubber bridge as I did when I needed the money. And I don't have a lot of masterpoints because I don't play in many sectionals or regionals. What I love to do is play with a good partner against the best."

## George Rosenkranz (b. 1916)

“Bridge is a hobby for me,” says George Rosenkranz, causing one to wonder what heights he would have attained had he taken the game seriously.

Such an understatement seems unjustified from someone whose list of accomplishments in the game is staggering. An ACBL Grand Life Master with more than 17,000 masterpoints, Rosenkranz has 11 NABC titles: Vanderbilt Knockout Teams (1975 and 1976); Spingold Knockout Teams (1976 and 1984); Grand National Teams (1981); Men’s B-A-M Teams (1984 and 1987); Reisinger B-A-M Teams (1985); Master Mixed Teams (1990); North American Swiss Teams (1990); Men’s Swiss Teams (1991).

Born in Hungary in 1916, Rosenkranz earned his Ph.D. in organic chemistry in Zurich, Switzerland. His plans of accepting a teaching position in Ecuador in 1941 were changed by the outbreak of World War II, stranding him en route in Havana, Cuba. There he worked as a research chemist and later as a scientific director of a large pharmaceutical company until 1945.

After the war, Rosenkranz accepted a position in Mexico City, where he founded Syntex Corporation. He led the company’s research team to important discoveries, namely the synthesis of cortisone and the development of birth control pills.

Rosenkranz remained in Mexico and became the leading Mexican player and theorist. He has represented his adopted country in dozens of world championship events since the early Sixties. He represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1983, and reached the semifinals. Rosenkranz was Mexico’s first Life Master and is a WBF World Master.

The story of Rosenkranz’s career is not complete without mentioning his wife, Edith. Edith is originally from Vienna. She and George met in Havana in 1942 and were married in 1945, a short time before leaving for Mexico.

“My favorite partner is my wife,” says George. “We have been married 54 years. She is the most wonderful thing that happened in my life.”

The couple has three children and seven grandchildren. Edith Rosenkranz has been Mexico’s top woman player for years and has represented Mexico in many world championship events.

Rosenkranz learned to play bridge from Culbertson’s *Blue Book*. “I’d beat my parents for allowance money,” he says mischievously.

Rosenkranz took a break from bridge during the early years in Mexico, but returned to the game at a regional in Fort Worth in the mid-Fifties. “There I found my mentor, John Gerber.”

Rosenkranz developed the Romex system in response to the success of the Italian Blue Team in world-level events. “Our bidding methods were inferior to theirs, so I decided to develop a system that would put us on more equal footing. At first, the pros in the U.S. didn’t want to invest the time to learn it, so I had to prove to myself that it was workable.”

Rosenkranz’s record speaks for the success of his methods. Along the way he managed to attract some of the best and brightest players to his cause. His best-known partnerships include those with Eddie Wold, Mike Passell, Roger Bates and Miguel Reygadas.

Rosenkranz was the non-playing captain of both Mexican teams in 1964 and of a team in the USBC in 1984. He placed third in the Bermuda Bowl 1983. He’s an ACBL Honorary Member 1990.

He established the Rosenkranz Award for the International Bridge Press Association in 1975, won the Precision Award 1976. Rosenkranz’s writings include contributions to the Bridge Bulletin and other bridge periodicals. He has written 10 bridge books including *The Romex System of Bidding*, *Win with Romex*, *Bid Your Way to the Top*, *Trump Leads*, *Tips for Tops*, *More Tips for Tops*, *Bridge: The Bidders Game*, also *Modern Ideas in Bidding*, *Bidding on Target* with Alan Truscott and *Bid to Win*, *Play for Pleasure* with Phillip Alder. He invented dynamic notrump, Mexican 2♦ and Rosenkranz doubles.

## Hugh Ross (b. 1937)

During four decades of top-level bridge play, Hugh Ross has won three world titles – the Bermuda Bowl in 1976, 1985 and 1987 – and 18 North American championships.

His Bermuda Bowl wins came with three different partners. The 1976 squad was Ross playing with Erik Paulsen, Billy Eisenberg – Fred Hamilton and Ira Rubin – Paul Soloway. The 1985 squad was Ross – Peter Pender, Bob Hamman – Bobby Wolff and Chip Martel – Lew Stansby. The 1987 team was the same except that Ross played with Mike Lawrence.

Ross grew up in Montreal and honed his bridge in clubs run by Johnny Wiser and Sam Gold. He moved to California in 1962 and won his first North American championship – the Reisinger B-A-M Teams – in 1968. His team: Paulsen, Pender, Kyle Larsen and Howard Schenken.

Other wins – all team victories – followed until Ross claimed his first pairs title, playing with Zia in the Life Master Open Pairs in 1990. The irrepressible Zia commented, “It was a great night. We went to dinner and drank as much wine as we could, and we came back to have as good a time as possible in the evening. And we had a very good time. It’s much easier to have a good time when you win.”

The pair won again the following year. Ross enjoyed those games. “I like keeping things fairly simple,” he says. “I don’t like having to remember systems.”

Then it was back to the team games. Jeff Ferro was a member of the winning Grand National Teams in 1993 – Ross and “the three kids” – Ferro, Brad Moss and Rev Murthy – with Chip Martel and Lew Stansby augmented.

“I remember we won that event rather easily,” says Ferro. “I was slightly annoyed because I thought Hugh and I had the worst results of the three pairs and I wanted to play more. I wasn’t nervous. The only thing I was nervous about was playing his system – Kaplan-Sheinwold – which I didn’t really like and wasn’t comfortable with.

“I remember Hugh was a ‘seat of your pants’ player – a great declarer. We had some bidding misunderstandings and he landed in some dicey contracts but always seemed to find a way to make them. Apparently he was also known for that when he played with Peter Pender.”

Mike Lawrence echoes the thought. “Hugh plays by the seat of his pants more than any other top player I know.”

And Bob Hamman sent Ross a copy of his book, *At the Table*, with this note: “To a great teammate who always knew how to stir the pot.”

## Alvin (Al) Roth (1914-2007)

Alvin Roth, known to everyone as Al, was one of the most influential bridge players of all time.

Al Roth was a player who fell in love with “the beauty of bidding.” Roth was an innovative theoretician who wrote numerous books about the game and invented many concepts and conventions that are standard fare today, including Five-Card Majors, Negative Doubles, Weak Two Bids, and the Unusual Notrump.

Roth was born in 1914 in the Bronx. He discovered bridge while studying mathematics at City College, New York. There, his family remembered that “he became a great bridge player and a bad college student”.

Roth became a sound bidder because poor results bothered him. Besides, he was “a poor boy from the Bronx” who couldn’t afford to lose at rubber bridge.

There’s a story that Roth once misbid a hand. He endured the teasing of fellow experts and finally retorted, “Well, Babe Ruth struck out, too.” Afterwards, he was known as Babe Roth.

“The Babe” with great friend and bridge partner, Tobias Stone, co-authored *Bridge is a Partnership Game* (1958). They served in the US Army together during the Second World War – on one occasion they even had a game with General Dwight Eisenhower. During the war – in which, according to the pair, they “fought a little and played bridge a lot” – they formulated and later wrote an entirely fresh approach to bidding, *The Roth-Stone System* (1953).

Roth, Stone said, was “just tremendous in every department of the game. There was no player like him. He lived the game and he loved the game.”

After the war Roth managed bridge clubs in Miami, Washington and, most notably, the Mayfair Club in New York.

These days there is Zero Tolerance of bad behavior at the bridge table but it was different in Roth’s day. At the Mayfair there was 100 percent tolerance; anything could be said to anyone, by anyone – and Roth, being famously intolerant of poor play, led by example.

Beneath the quixotic mix of conservatism, pessimism, intolerance and conceit was a man who was entirely genuine. He always spoke the truth as he saw it, without political correctness (he always asked his first wife to bid the minor suits, leaving him to bid major suits and no-trumps), and without worrying about what people thought of him. This genuineness, which endeared him to many, was apparent when he saw an answer to a bridge problem: his face would light up like a ten-year-old boy receiving a new toy.

Roth, an ACBL Grand Life Master and WBF Life Master, won 26 national titles - including the Spingold five times, the Vanderbilt three times and the Reisinger twice. He represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1955, 1958 and 1967 winning the silver medal each time. He also won silver in the World Team Olympiad in 1968.

During his first world championship appearance, Roth was declaring a 2♠ contract and felt he played the hand before – but as a defender.

The director, Al Sobel, did not believe him since the hands had been dealt at the table. Sobel, made Roth call out all the cards in each hand – including the spots – before he threw out the board.

No one ever discovered how this happened.

Roth was well known for his one-man panel shows at tournaments. At a mid-Atlantic tournament in the Sixties, moderator Jerry Machlin told him to talk about an hour.

Roth claimed he couldn’t fill the hour unless he was asked a lot of questions. A member of the audience yelled, “Why did we lose to the Italians?”

That was the one and only question. If an afternoon session hadn’t been scheduled, Roth might be talking yet.

Roth retired from active bridge competition in the Seventies but remained active as a staff member of *Bridge Today* and on panels of *The Bridge World*, *Bridge Today* and *Australian Bridge*.



## Jeff Rubens (b. 1941)

Jeff Rubens' current claim to fame is as the editor and owner of the bridge experts' bible, *The Bridge World*, on which he worked side by side with Edgar Kaplan for over four decades until Kaplan's death in 1997.

Rubens' other far-reaching contributions to the game were his advocacy of the popular Swiss teams, a major force on the tournament scene today; his fastidious dedication to defining *Bridge World* Standard and Standard American; his brilliant *Bridge World* magazine editorials, enabling a more understandable presentation of the laws; opening the doors and educating the public to the inner workings of the appeals system; and perfecting the already-established Master Solvers' Club by guiding the panelists and stressing the importance of a simple network – resulting in more meaningful comments by the experts.

Although Rubens' comprehensive contributions to the game were brought to the public primarily via his prolific pen, as a player he enjoyed respected partnerships with Ronnie Blau, Bob Mosher and B. Jay Becker, winning seven North American championships in the 1960s and 1970s and participating in the Bermuda Bowl in 1973.

Since retiring as a professor of mathematics and computer science at Pace University, he has directed his focus toward writing and editing. His competitive spirit, extraordinary talent and zest for challenges are exhibited through crosswords and puzzle-solving.

Rubens' rare leisure moments are enjoyed as a devoted husband to Beth and their two sons.

## Ira Rubin (b. 1930)

Ira Rubin is one of the great theorists of the game. Rubin invented two-way two-bids, gladiator responses to notrump, gladiator and extended Landy.

Rubin began achieving tournament prominence in 1954 and accumulating a number of national titles, including a victory on a Spingold team that went to Turin for the 1960 World Team Olympiad.

From 1961-1962, Rubin partnered Phil Feldesman and their results were remarkable. They won the Men's Pairs (now the Wernher Open Pairs) twice, the von Zedtwitz Life Master's Pairs, and the Open Pairs for the Cavendish trophy. Yet it was not long after these successes that the word was out: the Rubin-Feldesman partnership was through – a victim of its own explosive tensions.

This may have contributed to Rubin earning the nickname "The Beast." In *The Bridge Bum*, Alan Sontag wrote, "... The Beast, a title he knew, appreciated, and lived up to. He was a terror to play against: when his partner made a mistake, he rattled the windows with his screams, yet he was most generous when a hand was played well."

Rubin and Feldesman found themselves playing together again in 1966 as part of the North American Bermuda Bowl Team. The Bridge Bulletin noted, "Tough as they are, even at their most successful they have not always been able to sustain sufficient tolerance of one another to preserve their partnership. If they can do this in Italy this spring, we are going to field a team that will be extremely hard to beat." They came in second.

Rubin did go on to win the Bermuda Bowl in 1976 playing with Paul Soloway. It was the first American team to defeat the famous Italian Blue Team in 20 years.

Rubin represented the US in three Bermuda Bowls and three Olympiads earning three silver medals and one gold. He has won 19 NABC titles including five Spingolds, five Reisingers, and two Vanderbilts.

## **Kerri Sanborn (b. 1946)**

Sanborn, of Stony Point NY, is a retired stock trader who is involved in thoroughbred breeding and racing. One of the leading women players in the world, she is a six-time world champion with 19 North American titles.

She is the last woman to win the Barry Crane Top 500, having done so in 1974 with a then-record 1619 masterpoints. At the time, she was the youngest woman to have her name engraved on the McKenney Trophy, as it was known until 1981, when it was changed to the Top 500. It was renamed after Crane in 1986.

Sanborn's career was influenced significantly by Crane, with whom she won the World Mixed Pairs in 1978. Sanborn, then Kerri Shuman, flew to the World Championships in New Orleans only for that one event. It was the first world championship either had ever played in. The two devastated a tough field and won the championship by more than five boards.

Sanborn told this anecdote about the experience, "It was the last session, we had been leading, and it was half-way through. We sat down against Benito Garozzo and Lea Dupont. Lea turned to me and said 'Congratulations' and Garozzo said, 'Don't ever do that. Don't ever say congratulations to somebody before an event is over and they have won it.' We proceeded to get two tops from him. On the first hand Benito went down in 3NT and the field was making five. Barry made a super lead. On the companion board Benito went for 500 in 3♠ against our part score. I doubled them off, having no idea if I was going to beat them or whether Barry had his hand values or not. There were 99 kibitzers all around that table. So I got up to leave for the next one – I felt pretty high now – and Lea turned to me and said 'Congratulations' or maybe it was Benito who said it. He was very gentlemanly about the whole thing."

Since then, Sanborn has won five additional gold medals in World Championship events. She won the Venice Cup twice, the World Women's Pairs twice, and the McConnell Cup. Sanborn narrowly missed the World Mixed Pairs title for a second time playing with Bob Hamman in 1986.

In 1990 at the World Bridge Championships in Geneva, Switzerland, the World Bridge Federation organized a par contest to test the bridge acumen of the world's top players. Sanborn was the only woman asked to take part in the contest.

## **Carol Sanders (b. 1932)**

In 2002, Carol Sanders and her husband, Tommy, were co-recipients of the von Zedtwitz Award, which recognizes contributions to bridge through bridge-playing expertise or contributions to the game outside their area of bridge expertise.

Carol is a longtime ACBL Grand Life Master and World Bridge Federation Grand Master.

Her partner for more than 25 years was Betty Ann Kennedy. One of the longest and most successful partnerships in bridge annals, it was formed with the goal of winning a world championship. They met their goal – four times. Sanders and Kennedy won the Venice Cup in 1974 and 1976, the World Women’s Pairs in 1982 and the Women’s Team Olympiad in 1984. Sanders celebrated an additional victory as the non-playing captain of the winning Venice Cup team in 1987.

Sanders and Kennedy were successful at home, too. They won 13 North American championships and were second in three others. Kennedy praised Sanders as being a very supportive partner and said, “In the 26 years we played together, not one harsh word was spoken between us.”

Carol and Tommy, as a bridge partnership, have won two NABC titles – the Hilliard Mixed Pairs in 1961 and the Mixed Board-a-Match Teams in 1982. They also finished in a tie for second in the 1961 Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams. While travelling extensively for bridge, they have even captured a few titles abroad. They won the Israeli Swiss Team Championship in 1986, the Taipei Bridge Week Championship in 1979, the Beijing International Friendship Cup in 1986 and the Beijing Ambassador’s Cup in 1987.

Carol was a trustee of the ACBL Charity Foundation from 1989 to 1997 and was a vice chairman of the ACBL Goodwill Committee for more than twenty years.

## **Tommy Sanders (b. 1932)**

Tommy Sanders and his wife, Carol, were co-recipients of the von Zedtwitz Award in 2002. The Sanders, affectionately known by their friends as Mama and Papa Bear, were married in 1956. They have six children and 15 grandchildren.

Tommy is a longtime ACBL Grand Life Master. He was non-playing captain of the 1981 Bermuda Bowl champions and has several high finishes in international competition. He was second in the 1994 World Senior Teams. He won the 1981 Cavendish Invitational Pairs (with longtime partner Lou Bluhm). He and Bill Pollack won the Romex Award, presented by the International Bridge Press Association, for the Best Bid Hand of 1992-1993.

Tommy has also collected a dozen North American titles. He is the only graduate of Vanderbilt University to have won the Vanderbilt Cup, a feat he accomplished three times. He has won titles in mixed, pair, team and senior events.

He is a traditional jazz buff and has co-produced Dixieland jazz albums as a labor of love.

Tommy and Carol were co-panelists for *The Bridge World’s* “Master Solvers’ Forum” for more than 30 years.

Sanders represented District 10 on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1980 to 1989. He served as ACBL president in 1986 and as chairman of the Board in 1987.

Sanders was instrumental in establishing the ACBL Educational Foundation – he was president for the first five years of its existence. He is often given credit for the idea of the foundation but he set the record straight. “Buddy Spiegel, who was then working at ACBL Headquarters, told me about his idea back in January of 1986. I had enough sense to listen to him and I became the moving force to get the foundation going.”

Sanders is now President Emeritus of the Foundation.

## Howard Schenken (1904-1979)

In a poll taken among leading Life Masters in the early Forties, the question was asked: “If you were playing for money or your life, whom would you choose as your partner?”

The vote was overwhelming: Howard Schenken.

Howard Schenken, the bridge player’s bridge player and one of the all-time greats, was an original member of the Bridge Hall of Fame and a major player for more than five decades.

When the rank of Life Master was created in 1936, selection was based solely on success in national events. Schenken was named Life Master #3.

He was a formidably difficult opponent but a remarkably easy partner. On the Four Aces, for example, he was the only one who could and did play with every other member of the team (David Bruce, Michael Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby and Dick Frey). Schenken was also a member of the Raymond Club team, the Bid-Rite team, and the Four Horsemen.

As a bridge author and long time columnist, Schenken only produced a few books but his writings included some important ideas. He is credited with the discovery and introduction to the tournament world of several play techniques and examples of deceptive play which are now considered standard.

He standardized and popularized the weak two-bid and was the first American expert to realize the enormous advantage the Italian teams enjoyed with their strong opening bid of 1♣. He incorporated it into his Schenken Club System.

Schenken’s international and domestic tournament records are outstanding. He won the first “official” World Team Championship, defeating the French champions of Europe in 1935. He won three Bermuda Bowls (1950, 1951, 1953) and placed second in three others (1961, 1963, 1965).

At the gala banquet for the 1961 Bermuda Bowl, the Italians made one of the greatest gestures in the history of bridge. They gave their first place trophies to the American team and took the runner-up trophies. The members of the Blue Team said, “If your team had had another Schenken, we never could have won.” Schenken said that he treasured that trophy above all others.

Domestically, Schenken claimed 34 national titles. He still holds the record for the most Vanderbilt wins (10) and the most Master’s Pairs (now von Zedtwitz LM Pairs) wins (5).

When the Master’s Pairs were first inaugurated in 1930, Waldemar von Zedtwitz donated a 14 karat gold trophy for the event. The conditions of contest stated that any player to win the event three times would secure ownership of the trophy.

Schenken won the event in 1931 and 1933 with David Bruce. In 1934, Schenken and Bruce decided to split up so one of them could win the trophy outright. Schenken contracted with von Zedtwitz to sell the trophy back to him for the value of the gold it contained should he win. Schenken also agreed to split that amount with Bruce.

Schenken and Dick Frey won the event, Schenken and Bruce each walked away \$750 to the good, and von Zedtwitz put the trophy back into to play with amended conditions of contest.

Schenken called the 1951 Vanderbilt his “easiest victory.” Busy with his job in New York, he had intended to skip the preliminary rounds and fly to Chicago for the semifinals. The Friday before the semis were to start, teammates John Crawford, B. Jay Becker, George Rapée, and Sam Stayman phoned Schenken to say that all the good teams had already been beaten and he wasn’t really needed. In his book, *The Education of a Bridge Player*, Schenken wrote, “Quite properly, the record does not list me as being a member of the winning team. However, I do believe that had I played I could claim eleven Vanderbilt wins instead of ten.”

Schenken finally gave up his bachelorhood at the age of 55 when he married Bee Gale. He also gave up playing in the Master’s Pairs. He decided that his record was not in jeopardy and began playing only the major team events primarily with Peter Leventritt and mixed events with Bee. Howard and Bee won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1957 and placed second in the Master Mixed Teams twice.

## **Meyer Schleifer (1908-1994)**

Meyer Schleifer is considered by Bob Hamman and Eddie Kantar as one of the all-time bridge greats. “Meyer was probably the greatest card player who ever lived,” says Hamman. “He was an extraordinary defender but he was absolutely incredible at dummy play – a true artist and a wizard when he got his mitts on the dummy.”

Kantar agrees. “He played rubber bridge all his life and he was always the best player at the table. He played effortlessly. Meyer was the player.”

Hamman remembers the 1983 Summer NABC in New Orleans. He and Kantar were playing in the six-session Life Master Pairs. “Eddie and I had 10 kibitzers when Meyer came to our table. When the round was over, the kibitzers followed Meyer. We even won the event but we lost our kibitzers.”

Hamman continues, “There have been three players in my career that I’d call really intimidating – if you could see some obscure way declarer could work it out (to make his contract), you had to be afraid he would work it out.” The three: Schleifer, Harry Harkavy and Billy Rosen.

Schleifer (1908-1994) was profiled by Kantar in the December 1972 issue of *Popular Bridge*. The headline read: “Is this man American’s greatest bridge player?” Kantar’s answer: a resounding yes.

The Brooklyn-born Schleifer’s first love, he wrote, was chess “and although he knew all the moves at the age of 12, he didn’t start playing in the clubs until he was 15. He was captain of his high school chess team and at the age of 16 drew with the then world champion, Capablanca, when the latter was playing a simultaneous exhibition.”

He enrolled at Columbia Law School, but when stricken with tuberculosis he moved to Denver to recuperate. In the early Thirties he moved to Los Angeles – where he twice won the Southern California Chess Championship. Exit chess – enter bridge.

Schleifer, who had been taught bridge by some fellows at his hotel, began working for Tom Stoddard at the old Beacon Club. “Soon he was playing in the big game,” wrote Kantar. “That was the ‘tenth’ game with Johnny Gerber. It was the best game in the house and Meyer wanted to play in fast company as soon as he could.”

Schleifer took time off during World War II to work at the Columbia Steel defense plant. Later he had a falling out with the management of the bridge club and switched – successfully – to poker for a couple of years.

“Then it was back to bridge – rubber bridge. Year in and year out Schleifer supported himself from his own incredible skill at the game.” This was his most remarkable accomplishment, according to Kantar. “The number of players who have been able to do it can be counted on the fingers of one hand, excluding the thumb, forefinger, baby finger and ring finger.”

Schleifer had a long list of bridge clients and might have become a rich man, says Kantar, “if it weren’t for the track. Meyer was not a gambler. He knew the odds and played to win. Except when it came to horses. Then he just played and played and played.”

## **Percy Sheardown (1911-1993)**

Percy (Shorty) Sheardown was a graduate in classics from the University of Toronto with a natural affinity for languages. He served overseas in World War II and, declining a commission, became one of the top interrogators of prisoners of war.

Stationed in London, he continued his bridge partnership with the late Brigadier Donald Farquharson at Crockfords. It was an odd spectacle for the English to see a lowly NCO explain to the brigadier how the superior officer had erred.

In fact, the Sheardown – Farquharson partnership was so effective that complaints of cheating at Crockfords’ rained down upon them. The complaints eventually died a natural death when other players realized that the pair had an extremely effective partnership and was honest beyond reproach.

Sheardown was a superb declarer and defender and unquestionably one of the greatest matchpoint and board-a-match players of his generation. Being a rubber bridge player, he was hesitant to bid slams; the predilection encouraged his partners to overbid, which in turn was justified by Sheardown’s card play.

Sheardown’s longtime partnership with Bruce Elliott was exceedingly successful, and his masterful abilities were recognized by the experts of the day, including occasional partners Ely Culbertson and Waldemar von Zedtwitz.

Sheardown became Canada’s first Life Master in 1948 and represented Canada at the World Team Olympiads in Turin and Deauville during the 1960s. His first major victory was the 1936 Chicago Trophy, originally donated by the Auction Bridge Club of Chicago in 1929 for the North American Open Team BAM Championship. He twice won the Spingold and was second in the Life Master Pairs.

## Alfred Sheinwold (1912-1997)

One of the world's foremost bridge columnists, authors and analysts, Alfred (Freddy) Sheinwold is best known for a writing career that spanned nearly seven decades. But the champion player and famed international team captain had many other credits inside and outside the world of bridge.

Sheinwold was a Laws expert who served as chairman of the ACBL Laws Commission and of the Appeals Committee at North American Championships.

He was chairman of the ACBL Board of Governors in the early Seventies and was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1983.

Sheinwold wrote more than a dozen books as well as a series of *Pocket Book of Bridge Quizzes*.

He achieved fame as a lecturer and speaker with acclaim from many groups, including bridge teachers' associations and the ACBL Intermediate/Novice program.

He was a story teller and raconteur without peer. A real audience pleaser, he had an amazing memory and an endless file of entertaining talks and anecdotes.

Of Sheinwold's many popular books, the most successful, *5 Weeks to Winning Bridge*, has gone through many editions and sold more than a million copies.

During World War II, he was chief code and cipher expert of the Office of Strategic Services. For a decade in the Forties and Fifties he was a singer with the Cantata Singers.

His writing and editing background is awesome, dating back to the Culbertson era, when he was technical editor, managing editor and senior editor of *The Bridge World* magazine. He was editor-in-chief of *Autobridge* since 1938.

He was editor of the ACBL Bulletin and edited the NABC Daily Bulletins.

He was the longtime bridge editor of the *Los Angeles Times*, was a contributing editor of *Popular Bridge*, and was the syndicated bridge and backgammon columnist for the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

Sheinwold was a top-ranked player until he retired from competition. He won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1958 and the Men's Teams in 1964. He was second in the Vanderbilt in 1958 and the Chicago in 1959. He also won numerous regional championships.

Sheinwold's partnership, friendship and collaboration with Edgar Kaplan is legendary. The two co-invented the Kaplan-Sheinwold system, which features the weak notrump and other features still widely played in tournament bridge.

Sheinwold was non-playing captain of the 1975 Bermuda Bowl team when two Italian players were caught sending foot signals during play.

Sheinwold strongly felt that his American team should not continue in the tournament unless the offenders were ejected, but he was overruled by ACBL officials.

The Americans lost to the Italians. Ten years later, after the rift with ACBL brass was repaired, Sheinwold captained another American team in the Bermuda Bowl world championships in São Paulo, Brazil – this time they won.

Born in London England in 1912, Sheinwold lived in New York and graduated from City College of New York in 1933. He became associated with the Culbertson organization about that time – and that's when one of the most remarkable careers in American bridge got under way.

## Sidney Silodor (1906-1963)

An explosion of bridge talent came from the Philadelphia area in the Thirties and Forties: Charles Goren, Sally Young, Norman Kay and Charles Solomon just to name a few. Another member of this impressive class was Sidney Silodor of nearby Havertown PA.

Silodor trained as a lawyer, but happily for the game of bridge he was also a lecturer, writer and instructor in addition to being one of the world's top players in that era.

Silodor was a member of the North American team that won the world championship in the first Bermuda Bowl in 1950. He got three more shots at the world championship by representing North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1958 and 1961 and in the Olympiad in 1960.

Silodor wrote a newspaper column and many articles for *The Bridge World* magazine. His books included *Silodor Says*, *Contract Bridge According to Silodor and Tierney* and *The Complete Book of Duplicate Bridge*.

At the time of his death in 1963, Silodor (who was also a member of the ACBL Board of Directors) was the holder of the Open Pairs title. The current NABC contest Open Pairs I is named in Silodor's honor.

Silodor's talent as a player was well established by his victories in 31 national-level contests, including six Reisinger wins, three in the Spingold and eight in the Vanderbilt. A winner of the McKenney (now the Barry Crane Top 500) race, Silodor was one of the early lifetime leaders in number of masterpoints earned.

## P. Hal Sims (1886-1949)

P(hillip). Hal Sims – the “Shaggy Giant” whose system had the greatest expert following prior to 1935 – was the first recipient of the von Zedtwitz Award.

Sims (1886-1949), who stood six-foot-four and weighed more than 300 pounds, was born in Selma AL and represented U.S. banks in foreign countries from 1906 to 1916. While serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1917, he met and married Dorothy Rice, one of the first U.S. aviatrixes and a noted sculptor and painter.

After World War I, Sims devoted himself chiefly to competitive sports – including bridge. He held a national trapshooting record and won the Artists' and Writers' Golf tournament in 1937.

In auction bridge, he was a member of the highest-ranked team – the Knickerbocker Whist Club team – which included Sydney Lenz, Winfield Liggett, George Reith and Ralph Leibenderfer.

Sims and Ely Culbertson, who “fought relentlessly at the bridge table and outside,” according to Culbertson, teamed up to record the largest score in the history of the pairs championship of the Auction Bridge League. They also played their first contract bridge together.

“Secretly we admired each other” Culbertson wrote in his autobiography, *The Strange Lives of One Man*.

“Hal was my greatest rival and dearest friend,” Culbertson wrote in Sims' obituary in *The Bridge World*. “For years we fought each other tooth and nail . . . he would come to the top, and now I. And never in all these years was there the slightest drop of personal bitterness in his big heart.”

Sims was captain of the contract bridge team called the Four Horsemen. Other members were Willard Karn, Oswald Jacoby and David Burnstine (Bruce). They won most of the principal American tournaments – the American Bridge League's contract Challenge Trophy, the Vanderbilt Cup and the American Whist League and Eastern States' auction championships – from 1931 to 1933.

When Jacoby and Burnstine formed the Four Aces with Howard Schenken and Michael Gottlieb, Sims began to play more bridge with his wife. The two challenged Ely and Josephine Culbertson to a 150-rubber match in 1935.

The match ended with victory for the Culbertson's by a margin of 16,310 points. The biggest rubber, however, went to the Sims side when Dorothy took time off to help Jo celebrate the sixth birthday of Bruce Culbertson. Strongly supported by the rising B. Jay Becker, still living in Philadelphia at the time, Sims defeated his arch rival by 2610 points.

Albert Morehead, who wrote Culbertson's obituary in the January 1956 issue of *The Bridge World*, recalled that the two men “used to pursue their bitter enmity all day and then stroll off, arm in arm, to see a midnight movie together.”

Sims died in 1949 while bidding a hand at his winter home in Cuba. His epilogue to bridge players had been stated earlier:

“Sound underlying principles of bidding are sound for all time. But the tactics for applying them may change and a flexible-minded player recognizes this.

“The last word has not been said on contract bidding. I hope it will never be. If the time comes when the game ceases to grow, contract will no longer hold our interest.”

## Alexander (Al) Sobel (1901-1972)

Alexander M. Sobel (the bridge world knew him fondly as Al - even as Uncle Al, but never Alexander the Great) was remembered by *The Bridge World* as “. . . a towering figure in the world of tournament bridge (for forty years). . . . a key associate of Culbertson, he was one of the first tournament directors and for some 25 years was the ACBL's National Tournament Manager. He was an editor of *The Bridge World*, an editor and a regular columnist (“30 Days” and “60 Days”) for the Bridge Bulletin and a member of the Laws Commission. He set the pattern for directors everywhere.”

Sobel, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, turned to directing during the Great Depression. His other choice: selling apples. He began directing in 1934 and was named National Tournament Manager in 1942. He held that position until his retirement in 1969. During that time, he directed tournaments around the world and in every state – ending with Alaska in 1968.

Throughout his years of travel for bridge, Sobel was given many honors. He was the first Honorary Member of the Japan Contract Bridge League and ACBL Honorary Member in 1949. He was also an Honorary Canadian Mounted Policeman, an Honorary Texas Ranger, a Kentucky Colonel, an Honorary Sheriff of St. Paul MN, and the owner of a solid gold key to the city of New Orleans. In South Dakota, he was made a full blood brother of the Sioux tribe. His Indian name was Chief Alikoal-ooah-mona-pou-hi, which translated simply means Chief Buttermilk-on-the-Rocks.

Sobel was the model for many of the tournament directors he helped to train, imbuing to his entire staff that the highest essential of tournament directing was the ability to command respect. Above that, Sobel was the entertainer, the quizmaster, the MC, and the life of countless parties.

Upon his retirement in 1968, Sobel wrote, “In all honesty and sincerity – I enjoyed it. Enjoyed writing the column, enjoyed directing the tournaments, enjoyed the insults heaped upon the chief director, and, more than anything else, enjoyed being among bridge players. Now that that's off my chest let me start telling the truth; if I had it to do all over again – I'd be an idiot if I did.”

His greatest thrills, he wrote in the Bridge Bulletin, included “the night I escorted President Eisenhower around the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington to show him what a National tournament looked like.

“As we went down the grand staircase, he held my arm. I still preserve that spot on my elbow and never rest it on a bar.”

A second thrill, he added, was in 1935 when General Alfred M. Gruenther introduced him as his successor as chief director of the Eastern States Championships, then a national tournament.

The headline for Sobel's last column: “Bridge Will Survive – Sobel.” Sobel's comment: “Thank God for the dash.”



## Helen Sobel Smith (1910-1969)

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

“In my lifetime – said Edgar Kaplan, former editor and publisher of *The Bridge World*, “she is the only woman bridge player who was considered the best player in the world. She knows how to play a hand.”

Smith learned to play bridge while a chorus girl in the Marx Brothers’ *Animal Crackers* and won her first national title, the Women’s Pairs, in 1934. She became Life Master #25 in 1941.

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

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

By 1948, she had amassed the greatest number of masterpoints of any woman, taking over the top spot from Sally Young, and holding it until 1964.

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

Smith was invited to play on Ely Culbertson’s team in the World Championship conducted by the International Bridge League in 1937 in Vienna. This was tacit recognition that Culbertson, like many other experts, considered her the equal of any male player. The team, which included Josephine Culbertson and Charles Vogelhofer, finished second to Austria.

Smith and frequent partner Charles Goren won the De La Rue International Invitational Pairs Tournament in London in 1956 – billed as a world championship - and represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1957 and the United States in the World Team Olympiad in 1960.

Goren was the bridge writer/promoter and Smith “was the player. She was a marvel,” Kaplan said.

Smith “had a unique quality as a card player,” Kaplan said. “Every deal was fresh to her and her results were beyond the reach of her fellow experts. She was incapable of making a learned play that was wrong on a given hand. Helen was not learned. She was brilliant.”

Smith had a poker face, Kaplan said, “and nobody ever knew what she was doing. Her judgment was extremely good and she would always feel perfectly free to deviate from her so-called system.”

Smith was a good partner – “very tolerant of success” – who was “lovely and humorous and frisky and magnificent,” Kaplan said. “There’ll never be another one like her.”

Smith won her last NABC title in 1968, the Master Mixed Teams, playing with Oswald Jacoby, Jim Jacoby and Minda Brachman. It was her sixth win in the event, tying her for the record with former partner Goren.

The Smith team’s margin of victory was 1½ boards and the senior Jacoby summed up the victory: “Helen was so sensational. She won it. We were just her teammates.”

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

## Charles Solomon (1906-1975)

Charles Solomon's bridge career spanned four decades. Not only was Solomon in the top rank as a player, administrator, writer, and teacher but was widely known as a cheerful and kindly man, a friend to bridge and bridge players.

As a player and competitor, Solomon had few peers. He became life master #16 in 1939 and amassed a lifetime total of 6594 masterpoints. His favorite partners were his wife Peggy and Harry Fishbein, both of whom aided him in winning some of his 13 national titles. These titles include four Reisingers, three Master Mixed Teams (now the Freeman Mixed BAM), one Spingold, and the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs.

In 1956 Solomon was a member of the U.S. International team. He served as non-playing captain of the open team in 1959 and the U.S. women's team in 1960. He donated the Charles J. Solomon Trophy to the World Bridge Federation. This trophy is awarded every four years to the country with the best overall performance at the World Pair Olympiad.

Solomon was ACBL President in 1958 and chairman of its board in 1944, 1955, and 1957. On the International level, he was on the organizing committee and helped to found the WBF. He served WBF as the vice-president 1958-1964, president 1964-1968, chairman of the board 1968-1972, and as honorary chairman from 1972 until his death. He also served with distinction on the National Laws Commission from 1940 to 1960 and was on the editorial advisory board of the *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*.

Solomon was the author of two bridge books, *Slam Bidding and Point Count* and *No Trump Bidding*, and was the bridge editor of the *Philadelphia Enquirer* for thirty years. He sponsored the Solomon Award of the International Bridge Press Association, given annually to the best description of a bridge deal in the world press.

## Paul Soloway (1941-2007)

Paul Soloway began playing duplicate bridge in 1962. He kept his ACBL Junior Master card – which he earned for winning his first masterpoint – as a reminder of where he started.

Soloway had just graduated from San Fernando Valley State College when he made his first big splash in the tournament world. He and Gerald Hallee won the four-session Senior/Advanced Senior Master Pairs at the Los Angeles NABCs in 1963. Paul went on to become a Life Master at that tournament. He was 21 at the time.

In 1964 Soloway set a personal goal – to make the U.S. team that would compete for the world championship. By 1971 he had achieved that goal and in 1976 he won his first world title. 1976 was the year that the U.S. finally defeated the famous Italian Blue Team in Monte Carlo.

Soloway found himself atop the all-time ACBL masterpoint winners list in 1985 and held that position until three years after his death. His lifetime total of 65,511 masterpoints was surpassed by Jeff Meckstroth in 2010.

Paul Soloway was probably the only bridge player who wasn't impressed with his masterpoint total.

"I wouldn't say that masterpoints are meaningless," he said in a 1998 interview, "but for me, they're just a by-product of doing my job. They're part of how I make my living. For me personally, masterpoints have become an attendance award."

"Masterpoints have been a wonderful marketing tool for the ACBL," he said. "Giving the average player an attainable goal is what masterpoints are all about."

"But for me, winning a national event or a world championship is a meaningful goal, so that's where my focus is, not masterpoints."

Soloway won five world championships and 31 North American titles which include 9 Spingolds, 6 Vanderbilts, and 4 Reisingers. He captured the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) three times (1968, 1969, 1998), the Fishbein Trophy in 1998, the Mott-Smith Trophy in 2002, and was ACBL Player of the year in 1998.

Soloway was also the first winner of the Sidney H. Lazard Jr. Award for Sportsmanship. The award was established in 2001 by Sidney Lazard in honor of his son, who died in 1999.

Since 2008, the winner of the annual race to collect the most masterpoints in nationally rated events (ACBL Player of the Year) is awarded the Paul Soloway Trophy (formerly the Lou Herman Trophy).

Away from the bridge table, Soloway was an avid reader and stamp collector. He also enjoyed tennis, fishing, and his dogs.

## Alan Sontag (b. 1946)

In his book, *The Bridge Bum*, Alan Sontag wrote the following: “Thirty million people play the game in this country alone, but few of them have any idea what life – and bridge – is for the ‘internationalists,’ those rare few who have achieved world-class status in a sport that is one of the most intellectually demanding and rewarding on earth. The champion’s way of life, and especially his expertise, is vastly different from that of the suburbanite who plays social bridge with friends on Saturday night. It can be exciting and lucrative, but there is no security.”

That book was published 30 years ago, and Sontag must have made a lot of right moves over the years because he is still one of the top bridge players in the world and successful, full-time player.

Now a resident of Gaithersburg MD, Sontag has a trophy chest filled with honors and championships, most recently the Rosenblum Cup, which he earned as part of the Rose Meltzer team at the World Bridge Championships in Verona, Italy.

His bridge accomplishments are the stuff of legend.

In 1973, he and Steve Altman became the first Americans to win the *Sunday Times* Invitational Pairs, at the time the toughest and most esteemed invitational tournament in the world. Two years later, Sontag returned to London and won the tournament again, this time with Peter Weichsel, with whom he would have a long and successful run of bridge achievements.

The two were partners in 1983 in Stockholm, Sweden, when the USA defeated the vaunted Italian team in one of the most exciting Bermuda Bowls in the history of the event. He returned to the final of the Bermuda Bowl in 2001 in Paris to help Rose Meltzer become the first woman ever to win that championship.

Known for his lightning-fast play, Sontag seems brimming over with energy nearly all the time. Still in his prime as a player, Sontag has an impressive list of victories and achievements in high-level bridge competition, including two victories in the Cavendish Invitational Pairs.

He is an ACBL Grand Life Master with more than 28,000 masterpoints to his credit. He is a World Bridge Open Grand Life Master and is ranked 23<sup>rd</sup> by the WBF among the top players in the world. Besides the Bermuda Bowl victories, Sontag has won the World Transnational Open Teams (2000) and the World Senior Team Championship (2005).

He has won the Vanderbilt Cup three times (1972, 1988 and 1999), the Reisinger Trophy in 1973 and the Spingold Trophy in 1980, 1982 and 2000.

Other victories in the NABC + category include winning the Men’s Teams in 1971 and 1979; the Life Master Men’s Pairs in 1971; the Life Master Pairs in 1977; the Men’s Swiss Teams in 1985 and 1987; the Master Mixed Teams in 1989; the Grand National Open Teams in 1994 and the Open B-A-M Teams in 2001.

Besides his aforementioned highly acclaimed book, Sontag has written *Power Precision* and is co-author of *Improve Your Bridge Fast*.

## Lew Stansby (b. 1940)

Lew Stansby, former commodities trader and current professional bridge player, lives in Castro Valley CA with wife and fellow national champion, JoAnna.

Stansby won his first national championship in 1965, the Reisinger, with teammates Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, and Mike Lawrence. Stansby’s next two titles came in 1967 (the Vanderbilt) and 1975 (the Spingold). These wins made Stansby a member of an elite group of players who have won all three major North American team events.

Clearly North American domination wasn’t enough for him. Stansby and his longtime partner Chip Martel have also left their mark on many of the major world championships winning the World Open Pairs in 1982, the Bermuda Bowl in 1985, 1987 and 2001, the Rosenblum Teams in 1994 and the World Senior Teams in 2005 and 2007.

Stansby has also been successful in his bridge ventures with his wife. They have claimed three victories in the Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match and a bronze medal in the World Mixed Pairs.

Stansby is a World Bridge Federation Grand Master and an ACBL Grand Life Master who has won 32 national championships and accumulated more than 25,000 masterpoints.

At Stansby’s Hall of Fame induction, Chip Martel noted, “My partner has won either a Vanderbilt or a Spingold – or both – in each of the past five decades. He has won the International Team Trials five times and he has represented his district 28 times in Grand National events. I’ve been lucky to have him as a partner.”

Tall and soft-spoken, Lew is known for his love of games of almost all kinds and his incredible memory for bridge hands, even those from long-ago events he neglected to win.

## Samuel Stayman (1909-1993)

Sam Stayman was a leading bridge administrator, an innovator, an author and a successful business man.

Stayman's name became a household word in bridge circles when he described a convention developed by his partner, George Rapée, in *The Bridge World*, June 1945. In response to a 1NT opening bid, 2♣ asks for a major suit. This became known as the Stayman Convention – familiar to bridge players throughout the world.

He contributed to the *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* and wrote three books: *Expert Bidding*, *The Complete Stayman System of Contract Bridge* and *Do You Play Stayman?*

His contributions to bridge theory include Namyats (Stayman spelled backwards), which used an opening 4♣ bid to show a strong hand with a long hearts suit and 4♦ to show a strong hand with a long spade suit.

Stayman won his first major NABC titles in 1942 when he took both the Vanderbilt and the Spingold, and his last (the Reisinger) more than four decades later in 1984. In all he captured 20 North American championships and was runner-up 14 times.

A World Bridge Federation Grand Master, he and George Rapée, Charles Goren, Howard Schenken, John Crawford and Sidney Silodor won the inaugural Bermuda Bowl in 1950. The January-February 1951 Bulletin reported:

At the close of the eighth and final session of the grueling battle of brains the Americans led England by 3660 points and were ahead of the Europeans by 4720 points.

Dr. Einar Werner, captain of the European team, said: "The Americans made few mistakes and had the advantage of a team composed of six good players, familiar with each other's play."

The following year, Stayman and Crawford, Schenken, Rapée and B. Jay Becker represented America in the World Team Championship in Rome.

They defeated Italy, winner of a European round-robin tournament, in a 320-board match played over a period of one week. Julius Rosenblum, 1951 ACBL president and non-playing captain of the team, reported in the January-February 1952 Bulletin:

It gives me great happiness to say that the members of the American team distinguished themselves by their courtesy as well as by their bridge skill. It was a friendly, enjoyable match, and it will build for future international goodwill in bridge.

The same team – with Theodore Lightner as a sixth member – defended their title successfully in 1953. In all, Stayman represented the ACBL six times in international competition. He won the silver in the 1964 World Team Olympiad.

As a bridge administrator, Stayman served several years as ACBL treasurer and was a trustee of the ACBL Charity Foundation. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1969 and American Bridge Teachers' Association Honorary Member in 1979. He was president of the Cavendish Club in Manhattan from 1958 to 1972.

Born in Worcester MA in 1909, he took his A.B. degree from Dartmouth College in 1930 and his M.B.A. from Tuck Business College in 1931.

He was president of Stayman & Stayman until the mid-Sixties when he sold the business and became a portfolio and investments manager.

## Tom Stoddard (1896-1976)

Tom Stoddard of Laguna Hills, California, was known as the "Father of Bridge on the West Coast" and for good reason.

He was one of the outstanding personalities of American bridge, a pioneer in bridge teaching and bridge-club management, founder of the Pacific Bridge League (PBL) and former ACBL executive.

In 1931, at age 35, Stoddard owned a Los Angeles hotel at a time when most hotels were going bankrupt. He conceived the idea of making his hostelry a center for bridge lessons and duplicate games. The project was a sensational success, at its peak employing 11 teachers and conducting games daily from 9:30 a.m. to midnight.

Stoddard founded the PBL in 1933 and was responsible for the wildfire growth of bridge on the West Coast. The PBL included the 11 far western states, the territories of Hawaii and Alaska and the Canadian provinces of British Columbia and Alberta. Stoddard also founded the *Contract Bridge Forum* in the early Thirties and during more than 75 years of publication it has been the voice of the PBL and the Western Conference.

Collaboration between the ACBL and the PBL began in 1940 when they agreed upon a uniform masterpoint system. In 1946 Stoddard turned his bridge business over to his associates and in 1948 he agreed to a merger of the PBL and national organizations, an arrangement that was consummated in 1956. It was at that time he was elected President Emeritus of the ACBL, Western Division and ACBL Board member.

Named the ACBL Honorary Member in 1960, he was also a member of the Goodwill Committee. In May 1976 he was awarded the rare "Certificate of Service" citation by the ACBL's Board of Directors for his long and devoted service to bridge and to the ACBL.

## **Tobias Stone (b. 1921)**

Tobias Stone, known to the bridge world for almost six decades as the one-and-only “Stoney,” departed his native Manhattan and retired to Las Vegas in 1986, leaving behind a wealth of bridge victories, brilliant bidding theories, humorous stories and tales of famous Broadway friends from his late-night sessions at P. J. Clarke’s.

Stoney attended City College in 1935 where he met the late, great Harry Harkavy and his legendary longtime bridge partner, Alvin Roth, with whom he collaborated to create the world-famous Roth-Stone System, which enjoyed great popularity upon its publication in the 1950s.

He recalls winning his first event, the Metropolitan Pairs, at the Park Central Hotel in New York with the late Hall-of-Famer George Rapée nearly 65 years ago. His sheepish grin, incorrigible sense of humor and astonishing capacity for accurate and total recall of names, dates, places and incidents delight both old and new friends who never miss an opportunity to pay homage to him and savor his entertaining repartee while passing through Vegas.

Stoney’s accomplishments fill the bridge annals as an extraordinary player, theorist and author. With Alvin Roth, he scored a record-breaking 82% game, becoming the first American Pair to win the Deauville Invitational. Other victories include the prestigious Spingold, Vanderbilt, Reisinger, Life Master Pairs, Life Master Individual, B-A-M Teams, Mixed Teams, Men’s Pairs, Open Pairs and the McKenney and Fishbein Trophies. His realm of expertise far transcends the world of bridge, as he is also an international backgammon champion and a respected poker aficionado.

## **Dave Treadwell (1912-2010)**

When you saw Dave Treadwell at a tournament, it was wise to prepare yourself to suffer through – or enjoy, depending on your taste – a bad joke.

The tournament veteran was notorious for his seemingly endless store of puns and gags that he managed to relate in perfectly deadpan fashion. Despite Treadwell’s reputation, you often don’t know you’ve been had until you hear the punch line.

There are, however, a couple of serious sides to Treadwell, a retired chemical engineer.

First, as an expert bridge player, the Wilmington DE resident maintained the solemn view that it was his obligation to take as many tricks as possible when at the bridge table. In so doing, he earned the rank of Grand Life Master (with more than 20,000 masterpoints) and represented the U.S. in international competition on several occasions.

Second, Treadwell was quite serious when it came to serving the bridge community. His dedication earned him accolades as ACBL Honorary Member of the Year in 1985. He also has a place in the Hall of Fame as the 1998 winner of the Blackwood Award as an ACBL member who has contributed to bridge outside of bridge-playing expertise.

Treadwell served as chairman of the ACBL Board of Governors from 1979 through 1981 and was co-chairman of the ACBL Appeals Committee from 1975 to 1991. He is a past-president of Unit 190 (Delaware) and of District 4.

When Treadwell first started playing, few had even heard of contract bridge. The game he played as a youngster growing up in New Jersey was known as auction bridge.

It all started when, at the age of 15, Treadwell was recruited as a fourth. He was immediately smitten. By the time he enrolled at MIT in Cambridge MA in 1929, contract bridge had taken off, and Treadwell liked it even better than auction.

“I avidly read the Culbertson Blue Book on bidding,” Treadwell said. “I knew it by heart.”

As he became better and better at bridge, Treadwell found himself at the same bridge clubs as some of the future stars of the game, including Billy Seamon, Billy’s sister, Edith (now Freilich), and Sidney Silodor.

One of Treadwell’s biggest thrills came in a game against the legendary Oswald Jacoby. Early on in one deal, Treadwell bared a king behind Jacoby, who didn’t believe the unknown Treadwell was good enough to do it. When Jacoby took the finesse and went down, he was furious.

“I was just a squirt,” recalls Treadwell, “but that’s the thrill of bridge. Any player can get a good board against an expert.”

Naturally competitive, Treadwell always played in the top event for which he was eligible. He liked the mental stimulation.

When he wasn’t playing bridge, Treadwell spent his time playing blackjack and working on the “magic rectangle” – a figure composed entirely of squares of different sizes. The minimum number of squares is nine, with only one possibility. With 10 squares, there are more possibilities, and so on. Treadwell developed magic rectangles with up to 15 squares – about 2500 – using a computer and a mathematical formula.

Treadwell won hundreds of regional championships to go with two major titles – the North American Swiss Teams in 1982 and the Master Mixed Teams in 1985.

## Alan Truscott (1925-2005)

Alan Truscott was for many decades one of the most influential personalities in the world of bridge. Columnist of *The New York Times* for 41 years, Truscott was most famous for his involvement in the famous cheating scandal in the world championships in Buenos Aires in 1965.

The British players Terence Reese and Boris Schapiro were accused by the American pair, B. Jay Becker and Dorothy Hayden, of signifying how many hearts they held by how many fingers they used to hold their cards. As a close friend – and husband-to-be – of Mrs. Hayden, Truscott, present in a *New York Times* capacity, was soon drawn into the affair.

After watching Reese/Schapiro in action, he too became convinced of their guilt, and outlined his case in his book *The Great Bridge Scandal*, a book that was not published in Britain (for fear of legal action) until 2003, after the death of Schapiro (Reese died in 1996). Although Reese and Schapiro were found not guilty in 1966, after a year-long British investigation led by Sir John Foster, QC, the World Bridge Federation (WBF) never accepted this verdict, and Reese/Schapiro never again played together competitively. The WBF was of the mind that Truscott's arguments held more weight than Reese's counter-arguments (as outlined in his book, *Story of an Accusation*), and that it was inappropriate for a non-bridge player (and one with a perceived British bias) such as Foster to lead the inquiry.

The WBF standpoint was vindicated. David Rex Taylor, a confidant of Reese, issued a statement (Reese requested this after 40 years had elapsed) that Reese/Schapiro had indeed been indicating their heart length in the manner alleged. In this statement, Reese made it clear that they were only doing so in order to demonstrate that even the most seemingly blatant of codes – in the most public of arenas – could escape detection, and that (Schapiro's condition for participating) they would not use the signals to their advantage. Truscott was unimpressed.

Alan Truscott was born in Brixton in 1925. He was a childhood chess prodigy, adding bridge to his repertoire at 15. It was at Oxford University that Truscott broke through to the international bridge stage (he also represented Oxford at chess), in partnership with Robert D'Unienville.

He was only 26 when he won the British trials, which led to his selection for the 1951 European championships. The British team (of six players) won the bronze medal (two of the team being Reese and Schapiro). Truscott was to win the gold medal 10 years later in Torquay, his finest playing achievement.

At this time, the leading US player Richard Frey persuaded Truscott to move to New York to ghostwrite his bridge column and co-edit an edition of the *Official Encyclopedia*. Truscott stayed in the U.S.

He divorced his first (British) wife, Gloria, in 1970, proposing (on the steps of the Taj Mahal) to the mathematician and US women's international, Dorothy Hayden, a year later. They married in 1972.

Truscott may be remembered primarily for the "great bridge scandal" and for his daily *New York Times* column. But his list of accomplishments is long and impressive. Truscott represented Great Britain in one world championship and three European championships, and the USA in eight world championships. He also coached Brazil and Bermuda in world championships.

He also wrote 13 books and edited the first three editions of the *Encyclopedia of Bridge*. In addition he invented several conventions: the Truscott defense to a Strong Club, and the Truscott relay two-way Stayman, among others.

Truscott always kept fit, playing tennis almost until the end of his life, and completing the New York marathon at 61. He loved witticisms and humorous songs, and could rattle off countless such rhymes – amid much laughter – in his dry but endearing manner.

## **Dorothy Truscott (d. 2006)**

As a five-year-old kibitzing the family bridge game, Dorothy Hayden Truscott never dreamed that bridge would lead her to world travel, four international championships and election to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame.

The election “pleases me no end,” said Truscott. “I’m very grateful to bridge in general. I’d like to give back to bridge what it has given to me.” For Truscott, bridge has been a life-long love affair. “I can’t remember when I didn’t know the game,” she said. “My parents played bridge and when I was little, there were always bridge games going.” Truscott was permitted to kibitz “if I would stay very quiet.”

She played her first bridge hand at about age seven. A guest was late, “so I was allowed to play for one hour. From then on, I was hooked. I couldn’t wait for the next guest to be late.”

More than six decades later, Truscott was one of the world’s leading players and the only person who has competed in all four forms of major world championship competition.

She won the Venice Cup three times and the World Olympiad Women’s Teams. One of her teammates was Mary Jane Farrell, also a 1998 inductee into the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame).

Truscott placed second in the 1965 Bermuda Bowl – the only American woman other than Helen Sobel Smith to represent the ACBL in world open team competition – and third in the Open Pairs at the 1966 World Championships in Amsterdam, the highest finish ever by a woman in open competition.

She won more than 30 NABC titles – nine with Emma Jean Hawes, three with B. Jay Becker, three with husband Alan, three with Gail Greenberg and the remainder with “nine or 10 various partners.”

She won her first two NABC titles – the Mixed Pairs with John Crawford and the Women’s Pairs with Betty Goldberg, both in 1959 – before she became a Life Master. In fact, “I had never played a session of bridge with either one of them.”

Truscott described herself as a good partner. “I’m adaptable. I’m pleasant to play with and I’m lucky. Luck is a very big part. When you win any event, you have to be lucky. I must say I’ve been very lucky with partners.”

She remembered a passed-out board from years ago. “We got 25 out of 25. When that happens, you know you’re lucky.”

Truscott was lucky, concedes former world champion and former teammate Betty Ann Kennedy, but she was also a tenacious competitor and a very supportive teammate and partner. She was a real student of the game. She was open to new ideas and she uses them.

Among the new ideas attributed to Truscott are an unusual jump to show a singleton or void along with support for partner’s suit (a splinter bid) and responses to Blackwood after interference (DOPI).

Truscott also receives credit as the author of two bridge books which are considered classics: *Bid Better, Play Better* and *Winning Declarer Play*.

## Harold Vanderbilt (1884-1970)

The modern version of contract bridge occurred as a refinement to the rules by Harold S. Vanderbilt of Newport RI is the person responsible for this improvement.

How did Vanderbilt come to be the father of the game we enjoy today? Aboard the cruise ship Finland in late October of 1925, Vanderbilt – who was traveling with three friends, all of whom were auction bridge enthusiasts – tested an idea he had for making the auction bridge version of the game more interesting.

In auction bridge, players scored points for taking a certain number of tricks as in the modern game. The problem, however, was that players received game and slam bonuses even if they didn't actually bid a game or slam. For example, if you were in 1NT making three, you got the game bonus anyway.

Vanderbilt decided to make contract bridge more challenging by requiring a partnership to actually bid to the game or slam level in order to receive the bonus. Since this refinement made slams too risky to attempt, he also increased the slam bonuses.

Finally, he developed a scheme for doubles and redoubles so that penalties for sacrificing were equitable. Vanderbilt dubbed this new version of the game contract bridge.

The rapid spread of contract bridge from 1926 to 1929 is largely attributable to Vanderbilt's espousal of it; his social standing made the game fashionable. Vanderbilt's technical contribution was even greater. He devised the first unified system of bidding, and was solely responsible for the artificial 1♣ bid to show a strong hand, the negative 1♦ response, the strong (16-to-18 point) notrump on balanced hands only, and the weak two-bid opening.

These and his other principles were presented in his books, *Contract Bridge Bidding* and the *Club Convention*; *The New Contract Bridge*; *Contract by Hand Analysis*; and *The Club Convention Modernized*. Vanderbilt was a member of the Laws Committee of the Whist Club of New York that made the American laws of contract bridge (1927, 1931) and the first international code (1932). He then became chairman of that committee and largely drafted the international code of 1935, the American code of 1943, and the international codes of 1948 and 1949. He remained co-chairman of the National Laws Commission of the ACBL for the 1963 laws.

In 1928, Vanderbilt presented the Harold S. Vanderbilt cup for the national team-of-four championship. This prestigious contest has been held annually to the present day. The Vanderbilt Knockout Teams is played at the Spring North American Bridge Championships. This became and remained for many years the most coveted American team trophy, mainly because the replicas were donated personally by Vanderbilt to the winners.

In 1960 Vanderbilt supplied the permanent trophy for the World Bridge Federation's Olympiad Team tournaments, again adopting the policy of giving replicas to the winners. As a player, Vanderbilt always ranked high. In 1932 and 1940 he won his own Vanderbilt Cup. He played by choice only in the strongest money games and was a consistent winner. His regular partnership with Waldemar von Zedtwitz was among the strongest and most successful in the U.S.

In 1941 he retired from tournament bridge, but he continued to play in the most expert rubber bridge games, in clubs and at home. In 1968, Vanderbilt spent more than \$50,000 to recreate the lost molds for the replicas of the American trophy and to provide a quantity of replicas of both trophies sufficient to last from 20 to 40 years.

To perpetuate this practice of awarding individual replicas, Vanderbilt further bequeathed to the ACBL a trust fund of \$100,000, a gift that wisely foresaw the possibility of inflation, but provided that excess funds, if any, can be donated in Vanderbilt's name to a charity of ACBL's choice. In 1969, the World Bridge Federation made Vanderbilt its first honorary member. When a Bridge Hall of Fame was inaugurated in 1964, Vanderbilt was one of the first three persons elected.



## Waldemar von Zedtwitz (1896-1984)

A bridge champion in six consecutive decades, Waldemar von Zedtwitz capped his career by winning the World Mixed Pairs in 1970 when he was 74 years old and legally blind.

Von Zedtwitz, linguist and lexicographer, was one of the great players and personalities of all time. He was president of the ACBL in 1948 and of its parent organization, the American Bridge League, in 1932. When dissension threatened to break up the ACBL in 1948, the contesting factions agreed to von Zedtwitz as president and chairman with carte blanche authority. In these positions, he was credited with saving the League. In 1949, upon the League's rehabilitation, he immediately returned power to the ACBL Board of Directors.

He was a charter member of the ACBL Laws Commission and helped found the World Bridge Federation. He also played a major role in the formation of the ACBL Charity Foundation.

As a player of auction and contract bridge, von Zedtwitz was noted for his versatility in playing with exponents of different bidding systems. He was an early contributor to the Culbertson system and is credited with invention of the forcing two-bid and also of the negative 2NT response to a forcing two-bid. He was also a contributor and consultant in connection with the Four Aces System. Von Zedtwitz was a member of *The Bridge World* team that won the first international matches in 1930 in England and France.

He also had a successful partnership with Harold S. Vanderbilt. The two men were well suited, since both were among the most deliberate of players, apt to plumb the psychological and technical depths of a problem interminably before proceeding.

He was one of the first 10 players to be designated a Life Master (#4) when that category was created by the ACBL in 1936. Von Zedtwitz began his tournament bridge career in 1923, won many national auction bridge championships and won nearly all the contract bridge championships. In 1930 he donated the Gold Cup for the Master Pairs (now the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs) and won it the first year. His other tournament successes are USBA Grand National Teams and Mixed Pairs in 1936; Spingold in 1937, 1941 and 1947; Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1932 and 1945; Vanderbilt in 1930, 1932 and 1940; Master Mixed Teams in 1940, 1942, 1945 and 1965; Life Master Pairs in 1930; Open Pairs in 1928 and 1937; Men's Pairs in 1946; Master Individual in 1936. He placed second USBA Mixed Teams in 1936; Spingold in 1936, 1940, 1949, 1953 and 1963; Chicago in 1930, 1933, 1936, 1941 and 1942; Vanderbilt in 1937, 1938, 1943, 1945 and 1960; Reisinger in 1964, Master Mixed Teams in 1933, 1935 and 1956; Life Master Pairs in 1933 and 1939; Open Pairs in 1935, Men's Pairs in 1938 and 1953. Von Zedtwitz won a major backgammon tournament in Hawaii at age 82. His other interests included Bridgette, travel, tennis and golf.

## **Margaret Wagar (1902-1990)**

Margaret Wagar, a woman who distinguished herself as a player and as an administrator, was one of the all-time great players. She became Life Master #37 in 1943, the fifth woman to earn the ranking. She and Kay Rhodes share one of the most remarkable achievements in ACBL history – they won the Women’s Pairs four consecutive years: 1955 through 1958.

Wagar and Rhodes share another record, one of frustration. They were second in the Women’s Teams for seven consecutive years, 1952 through 1958.

Wagar’s impressive record spans three decades and includes wins in women’s and open competition: Women’s Teams in 1940, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1964 and 1965; Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1941; Spingold in 1946 and 1948; Women’s Pairs in 1944, 1955, 1956, 1957 and 1958; Master Mixed Teams in 1942, 1945, 1948, 1954 and 1964; Open Pairs in 1947 and 1948; Mixed Pairs in 1948 and 1949, and Life Master Women’s Pairs in 1962.

Wagar served on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1960 to 1972 and was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1979. She was non-playing captain of the U.S. World Women’s Teams in 1968 and 1972.

Former world champion Carol Sanders considers Wagar one of her role models. “She gave me such opportunities when I first started playing bridge. She was so dear to me.”

Sanders tells this story about Wagar’s table presence and sense of humor:

“Margaret was playing at an NABC against someone who was known to try to get a look at your hand. Margaret was having none of this, so while declarer was studying the hand, she pretended to have a coughing fit.

“She opened her purse and took out her handkerchief. Then she detached the card – a queen – that declarer was looking for and folded it into the handkerchief and put it in her purse.

“If he could get a look at her hand, he wouldn’t find the queen there.

“Sure enough, declarer took the finesse into Margaret. She opened her purse, produced the queen and won the trick.

“She wasn’t going to let him read her.”

Former world champion Dorothy Hayden Truscott remembered Wagar as “a very gracious lady always – a very ladylike manner but with a twinkle in her eye.”

Truscott recalled playing with Wagar in a Women’s Teams:

“A woman – a young girl, actually – came to our table and she wasn’t wearing very much. Her outfit appeared to be two little straps.

“I would have been all right, but I caught Margaret’s eye and I began to giggle. I pretended to be coughing, but I kept giggling.

“Finally, I had to excuse myself and leave the table. As I left, I heard the girl say to Margaret, ‘Is your partner all right?’

“Margaret’s reply: ‘I don’t know – I’ve never played with her before.’ “

## **Peter Weichsel (b. 1943)**

Peter Weichsel first appeared on the tournament scene in the mid-Sixties. Few conjectured then that this young renegade, sporting pony tail, beads and bell-bottoms, would soar to prominence as one of America’s brightest stars and attain overwhelming popularity.

Peter’s early fame in the bridge community came as an original member of the Precision Team, the brainchild of the late C. C. Wei, the team started in Manhattan in the early Seventies. Wei’s unheralded team captured three National Knockout titles from the summer of 1970 through the spring of 1972, propelling Peter and his partner, Alan Sontag, into full-time professional careers.

After the Precision Team disbanded in 1973, Weichsel – Sontag continued their stellar career, becoming a dominant pair on the national and international bridge scene. They had a string of successes during the late Seventies and early Eighties, culminating with their first Bermuda Bowl win in 1983. After a 15-year break, Weichsel and Sontag re-formed their partnership in 1998 and again became a dominant pair, winning a string of North American and world championships, including their second Bermuda Bowl in 2001.

Besides being a WBF Grand Master, Peter has captured 22 North American championship titles.

## Kathie Wei-Sender

Kathie Wei-Sender, a four-time world champion and a tireless promoter of bridge, was the 1999 recipient of the Blackwood Award for service to the game outside of contributions as a player. The award was made on the vote of the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame committee.

Born in Beijing (then Peking), China, Wei-Sender is a graduate of the Shanghai University School of Nursing. She arrived in the U.S. in 1949 and worked as a medical facility administrator for 15 years before retiring in 1972.

Although a U.S. citizen, Wei-Sender still visits China regularly and is the only American to hold minister rank in China. She is the official adviser to the Chinese Bridge League. She often leads trips to China for tournaments.

Wei-Sender took up bridge while she was married to the late C.C. Wei, a shipping magnate who invented the Precision bidding system. In 1971, she was co-captain and manager of the bridge team from Taiwan that surprised the bridge world by making it to the final of the Bermuda Bowl. She assumed the same role for Taiwan's team in the 1972 Olympiad. C.C. Wei died in 1987. Kathie married Henry Sender of Nashville in 1992.

The official Ambassador of Bridge for the World Bridge Federation, Wei-Sender was named ACBL's Honorary Member in 1987. She was named Bridge Personality of the Year by the International Bridge Press Association in 1986.

Although the Blackwood honor is for contributions outside of bridge play, Wei-Sender has accomplished much as a player. The Grand Life Master (with more than 16,000 masterpoints) has won four major world women's titles – the world Women's Pairs in 1978, the Women's Olympiad Teams in 1984 and the Venice Cup in 1987 and 2003. She was on the second-place team in the Venice Cup in 1981 and 1985 and was runner-up in the world Women's Pairs in 1990. She and Juanita Chambers were seventh in the world Women's Pairs in Lille, France, in 1998.

Along with her world championships, Wei-Sender has won numerous North American titles, including the Women's Knockout Teams, the Women's Board-a-Match Teams and the North American Women's Swiss Teams. In open competition, she has three seconds in the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

In between tournaments, Wei-Sender has served as a member of the ACBL National Charity Committee (former trustee and president), and an adviser to the ACBL Educational Foundation. She also served as member of the National Goodwill committee.

Wei-Sender has written for the Bridge Bulletin, contributing a series of articles on business leaders who play bridge, among other articles. She has also co-authored two bridge books – *Action for the Defense* and *One Club Complete* – and served as editor of *Precision Today*. Her autobiography is entitled *Second Daughter*. Her latest book is about Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping, who was a bridge enthusiast.

## Robert (Bobby) Wolff (b. 1932)

At the age of 12, Bobby Wolff watched his parents playing bridge on a four-day train trip to Chicago from their home in San Antonio TX. He was fascinated. Soon the youngster was an avid player himself. At the time, he had no aspirations in bridge beyond the next game.

More than 60 years later, Wolff can look back on a career in which he has reached the top as a player and as an administrator.

Wolff, who now lives in Las Vegas, has won numerous North American Championships and 11 world titles – including six Bermuda Bowls. He is the only player to have won world championships at five different levels – Open Pairs, Bermuda Bowl, Team Olympiad, Mixed Teams and Senior Teams.

An original member of the Aces – the first professional team to win a world championship – Wolff is a Grand Life Master with both the ACBL and the World Bridge Federation. He is the author of a syndicated bridge column, *The Aces on Bridge*, carried by hundreds of newspapers and *The Lone Wolff*, a tell-all book chronicling 60 years on the bridge scene.

His record as an administrator has been just as spectacular. Wolff, intimately involved in bridge politics for more than 25 years, has served as an ACBL Board member, as president of the ACBL and as president of the World Bridge Federation.

Wolff is the creator of the ACBL's Active Ethics program, and he originated the idea of the recorder system in bridge.

His other contributions to bridge include development of the Wolff Signoff convention.

Wolff credits Ira Corn Jr., the founder of the Aces bridge team, with getting him into politics. Corn had served on the ACBL Board of Directors for three terms. He had decided to step down and wanted Wolff, an original member of the Aces, to succeed him.

At first Wolff was reluctant, but he finally gave in to Corn's urging, viewing the political arena as "a new challenge." Wolff represented District 16 on the Board until 1992, when he became president of the WBF.

Wolff reflects that his presidency of the WBF came about as a compromise appointment when former WBF President Denis Howard resigned. "Timing," say Wolff, "is so important."

Wolff considers his election to the Hall of Fame with Edgar Kaplan and Alvin Roth somewhat ironic. As a 19-year old attending the 1953 Fall NABC in Dallas, young Wolff was in awe of Roth, who was already a star in the bridge world.

After the NABC, Roth visited San Antonio to coach a married couple, and Wolff remembers Roth declaring that one could not become a top player "without the experience of playing in tough rubber bridge games in New York for stakes you can't afford" – as was the case with Roth and Kaplan.

Wolff never got the rubber bridge experience, but his tournament record speaks for itself, he was on the winning team in the Spingold and Reisinger two straight years.

His Hall of Fame election, Wolff says, "is very very gratifying. My heart goes out to a lot of people who are every bit as talented as I am." Wolff and his regular partner at the time of Wolff's induction into the Hall of Fame, Bob Hamman, formed one of the world's best and most enduring partnerships.

## Kit Woolsey (b. 1943)

Kit Woolsey was born in 1943 in Washington DC. He earned a B.A. in mathematics from Oberlin College in 1964 and a master's degree from the University of Illinois in 1965. Woolsey lives in Kensington CA with his wife Sally, a leading player in her own right, and their two cats.

His parents taught Woolsey the rules of bridge when he was 9 or 10, but he had no other formal training. His first victory at the national level came in 1967, when he won the Mixed Pairs with Trudy Machlin, wife of tournament director, Jerry Machlin.

He has since formed long-term partnerships with three experts, presumably chosen in part for maximum contrast with Woolsey's own thick head of hair. From the late 1960s until 1978, Woolsey played mainly with Steve Robinson, with whom he won the Blue Ribbon Pairs and the Men's Pairs. Woolsey and Robinson invented several conventions in common use today, including Puppet Stayman and Crash over strong club openings. The two recently revived their partnership to win the World Senior Teams in 2000 and 2003. Kit's second long-term partner was Ed Manfield, with whom he played from 1978 until Manfield's death in 1999. Their major championships included the Blue Ribbon Pairs, Rosenblum Teams, Vanderbilt Teams, Grand National Teams, multiple Men's Pairs and B-A-Ms and Open Swiss Teams. Woolsey has been playing with his current partner, Fred Stewart, since 1999. Fred persuaded Kit to play a forcing club system for the first time, and Kit has become an enthusiastic convert.

In the late 1970s, Woolsey began a successful career as a bridge writer, producing Partnership Defense at Bridge, Matchpoints and Modern Defensive Signals. He was co-author of Clobber Their Artificial Club and won the IBPA award in 1977 for the best article or series on a system or convention.

If you watch Woolsey at the bridge table, hunched over, rocking back and forth in his chair, and frowning, you might wonder whether he is enjoying himself. At some point, though, someone will make a play Woolsey doesn't expect. He will sit up straight, open his eyes very wide and say, "Now that is interesting." Then his pleasure in the game is written on his face.

## Milton Work (1864-1934)

In the world of whist and auction bridge, which were predecessors to contract bridge, the game we enjoy today, Milton Work was a giant. These games were in their heyday at the turn of the 20th century, and Work was recognized as the outstanding American authority on them.

Work's best known contribution to the modern game was the popularization of the Work point-count method of hand evaluation in which aces are worth 4 points each, kings 3, queens 2 and jacks 1. This method, first proposed by Bryant McCampbell in 1915, became widely known through Work's lectures and writings.

Although Ely Culbertson's honor-trick method of evaluation dominated the bridge world for much of the Thirties and early Forties, Work's point-count method became the rage when Charles Goren made it the cornerstone of his Standard American system. This method, with some modifications, is still used today by players everywhere.

After a 30-year career as an attorney in Philadelphia, Work took a leave of absence in 1917 to tour the U.S. with Wilbur C. Whitehead, organizing bridge competitions and lecturing on bridge, to promote the sale of Liberty bonds. The success of the tour induced him to quit the practice of law and adopt bridge as a career.

Work was founder and chief editor of the earliest auction bridge magazines, the *Work – Whitehead Auction Bridge Bulletin* (1924 – 1926) and its successor, the *Auction Bridge Magazine* (1927-1929). Assisted by Whitehead, he served as the chief authority on the first series of bridge games broadcast on radio (1926-1929). In 1928 he was paid \$7000 per week to give brief lectures on bridge in the course of vaudeville presentations.

Work's considerable fortune was substantially lost in the stock market crashes of 1929 – 30, and he resumed some bridge activities from which he had retired. In 1933 – 34 he resumed tournament play in contract bridge and won five consecutive sectional tournaments as a member of a team that included Goren, Olive Peterson and Fred French.

## Young, Sally (1906-1970)

Sally Young was Life Master #17, the first woman to earn Life Master status and a top competitor in open and women's events. She is the only woman to win the Reisinger B-A-M Teams three consecutive years. Young teamed with John Crawford, Charles Goren and Charles Solomon to win the event in 1937 and 1938. The quartet added B. Jay Becker and won again in 1939.

Young also won the Reisinger in 1947 with teammates Jane Jaeger, Kay Rhodes and Paula Ribner – they remain the only all-women's team ever to win a major open team championship.

Young – short, freckle-faced, her blue eyes usually hidden by her trademark sunglasses – and Helen Sobel Smith won the Women's Pairs in 1938 and 1939. The two led the 1938 field by such a large margin that Oswald Jacoby commented they had nearly come over into the Men's Pairs section and walked off with that, too.

Young set a record between 1937 and 1958 by winning the Women's Teams seven times – including four consecutive years: 1943, 1944, 1945 and 1946 with teammates Emily Folline, Smith and Margaret Wagar – and finishing second three times.

Young's biggest fan was her son, Ralph C. Young Jr., and her favorite bridge story featured the youngster.

When he was 12, the junior Young was visiting a chum and stayed for dinner. The woman of the household had a reputation as a superlative cook, and the young guest listened to eulogies of her culinary art throughout dinner.

Finally, unable to contain himself, he turned to his chum and blurted out, "Yes but, Dickie, how many masterpoints has your mother got?"



# CANADIAN HALL OF FAME

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## **Ralph Cohen (1926-2006)**

Ralph Cohen was one of Sam Gold's protégés in his early days of bridge in Montréal. He partnered Gold in the 1964 Olympiad. Sami Kehela says, "Gold and Cohen played at least as well as did Murray and Kehela."

Cohen also won two Inter-City Challenges for Montréal (1967 and 1968) playing with Gold. He was already one of Canada's top players when the opportunity arose to make bridge his career, with the ACBL. When the ACBL moved its headquarters from Greenwich CT to Memphis TN in 1971, Cohen moved with them, where he lived until he died in 2006, serving the ACBL in various capacities.

In 1971, with the move to the USA, Cohen became assistant executive secretary to Richard Goldberg when the position of Executive Secretary was the highest administrative position in the League. He succeeded Goldberg in 1984 and the position was renamed executive director. Cohen held that position for 2½ years until 1986, when he was named consultant to the League, a position he held until his retirement in 1991.

During his time in Memphis, Cohen was also a member of the ACBL Laws Commission, eventually becoming Co-Chairman. From 1996, Cohen was also Vice-Chairman of the World Bridge Federation's Laws Committee. Cohen was awarded the Sidney H. Lazard Jr. Sportsmanship Award in 2006.

On the occasion of his winning the Sportsmanship Award, former ACBL President Joan Gerard told a story about Cohen when he was in Memphis and in charge of the Grand National Teams. She was her district's GNT Coordinator and called Cohen to ask his advice about a request from a player to be added to a GNT squad even though he had not played in qualifying rounds because of illness. "Do what you want," Cohen told Gerard, "but consider what you will say when another player wants in despite not playing because of a sick pet or a hurt child." That wisdom, Gerard said, served her well from that point on.

As a player, in addition to placing fourth in the 1964 Olympiad for Canada, Cohen represented the USA on numerous occasions in world championships. He came fifth in the 1990 Rosenblum, fourth in the 1994 Senior Teams and fifth in the 2005 Transnational Teams. He won four North American bridge titles: the IMP Pairs (1990), the Open Swiss Teams (1995, 1998) and the Senior Knockout Teams (1997). He also served as Non-Playing Captain of both Canadian (2001) and American (2003) Venice Cup teams, earning a bronze medal with the Americans.

Jordan Cohen, one of three sons of Ralph and Joan Cohen, said his father loved bridge and believes that his father's love of bridge kept him going through a long battle with cancer. Only three days before his death, Ralph made his way to the bridge club in Memphis, where Jordan and his brother, Billy, were playing. During the game, Ralph took a fall and, unbeknownst to anyone at the time, suffered a broken shoulder and hip. Despite the injuries, he finished the game and came in first. "He went out a winner," said Jordan.

## **Doug Drew**

Doug Drew and Canadian bridge administration were synonymous for 30 years. It was because of Drew that there is a Canadian Bridge Federation; he was one of the six founding members in the Sixties. From 1969 until 1993 Drew continuously held elected office, serving as the District 2 representative (with a three-year hiatus) on the ACBL's Board of Directors, always watching out for Canadian interests. Drew was the driving force behind the creation of two all-Canadian districts (1 & 2) in the ACBL. He served as ACBL President in 1984 and Chairman of the Board of Directors in 1985. He also served as Unit and District President during many of those years.

Drew has superb organizational and problem-solving abilities, evidenced in the tournaments he chaired and co-chaired over the years, including the Canadian Nationals Regional Tournament in Toronto, the Niagara Falls Regional and the 1997 World Junior Bridge Team Championships in Hamilton, Ontario. The Regionals he ran for District 2 in Toronto and Niagara Falls always made a profit and it was mostly because of Drew that the World Junior Championship came in under budget. Drew initiated the action required to create the ACBL Educational Foundation, the non-profit teaching arm of the League.

Drew has always taken an eager interest in our international teams and the World Bridge Federation. While Director of ACBL District 2, he was one of the ACBL's representatives on the WBF's Board, serving on their Executive Council, the Appeals Committee, the Corporate Development Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Master Points Committee.

While Drew's accomplishments as a bridge administrator overshadowed his success as a player, he has won numerous titles. He also created his own bidding system, "Five-Card Minors", intended to be a fun-to-play method for the amusement of its devotees and opponents alike. The key to the system is that playing five-card minors dictates that you open three-card majors.

## **Bruce Elliott**

Bruce Elliott has won four major North American titles and came very close to winning a fifth. Elliott won the 1948 and 1951 Chicago Trophy (which is now the Reisinger) and the 1964 and 1965 Spingold. He came second in the Life Master Pairs in 1964 in the Summer Nationals held in Toronto. Elliott twice represented Canada in the World Team Olympiad, in Torino, Italy in 1960, coming seventh, and in Deauville, France in 1968, bringing home the bronze medal.

Bruce Elliott was born in 1922 and has lived all his life in the Toronto area. His partnership with Percy Sheardown was one of the best in North America in the 1950s and 1960s and most of his major successes, with the exception of the 1948 Chicago, came in partnership with Shorty.

## **Sam Gold (1908-1982)**

Sam Gold of Montréal was "Mr. Bridge" to generations of Québécois. He was a superb player, representing Canada in the 1964 World Team Olympiad, where Canada came fourth, losing in the semifinals to the USA. Gold was the second Canadian player to achieve the status of Life Master and was LM#132 overall. He was twice a member of Montréal's Intercity Team which won the Congress Trophy in 1967 and 1968.

Sam Gold was a top tournament director and a member of the National Laws Commission. He was a charter member of the Montréal Bridge League and was instrumental in affiliating the MBL with the ACBL in 1946. Gold contributed many new duplicate movements, including the Three-Quarter Howell.

Sam Gold was also a talented writer on bridge, contributing articles to, among others, *The Bridge World*.

## **Diana Gordon**

Diana Gordon, Canada's only World Grand Master, was the premier female player in Canada for about 30 years. Her record of playing in seven straight Olympiad Women's Teams may never be broken. Gordon has a complete set of medals from World Championship play: gold from the 1982 World Mixed Pairs; silver from the 2000 Olympiad Women's Teams; and bronze from the 1989 Venice Cup and 1996 Olympiad Women's Teams. With regular partner Sharyn Reus, Gordon also won the Canadian Open Pairs Championship in 1982 – they remain the only women's pair to have done so. For about 30 years, Gordon never lost a knockout match in the Canadian Women's Team Championship (not to mention winning it 15 times!) – she almost performed the same feat in the CNTC, but lost in the final in 1994 – the best result ever by a women's team in the event. Other top tens in World Championships came in the Women's Pairs, Mixed Pairs and Women's Teams. Gordon also won the North American Women's Swiss Teams in 1985.

## **Sami Kehela**

Sami Kehela is one of the best players ever to play bridge. Kehela has won eight major North American titles: Men's Pairs 1963 (with Eric Murray), Spingold 1964, 1965, 1968 (all with Murray), Vanderbilt 1966, 1970 (one without Murray, one with Murray), Blue Ribbon Pairs 1967 (with Willy Lebovic) and Life Master Pairs 1970 (with Murray); he has four second-place finishes. In partnership with Murray, Kehela won the CNTC in 1980 and 1981, the Canadian Olympiad Team Trials in 1968, and the International Pairs Trials for the North American Bermuda Bowl team in 1963 and 1966. Kehela also won the Lou Herman Trophy for best performance at the 1967 Fall Nationals.

Internationally, Kehela was coach of the North American team in the Bermuda Bowl in 1962, 1963, and 1965 and played with Murray on the team in 1966, 1967 and 1974, finishing second to the Italian Blue Team on all six occasions. Kehela won bronze medals in the 1968 and 1972 Olympiads and the 1982 Rosenblum. He came fifth in the World Open Pairs in 1970. Kehela played on every Canadian Olympiad team from 1960 to 1988 except 1984.

Kehela has also made significant contributions as a journalist, serving as editor of the Ontario Kibitzer, bridge columnist for Toronto Life and contributing editor to the *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*. Kehela was born in Baghdad in 1934 and spent his early years in London, England and Berkeley CA before settling in Toronto.

## **Eric Kokish**

In 1978, Eric Kokish and Peter Nagy came second in the World Open Pairs; the winners were Marcelo Branco and Gabino Cintra of Brazil. The Canadians and the Brazilians became very good friends. A few years later, the Brazilians remembered the friendly Canadians and invited them to come to Brazil and Argentina on a bridge tour. The tour was a success and in 1985, when Brazil was hosting the Bermuda Bowl, they again invited Kokish to come and coach them in the weeks preceding the championship. Brazil lost in the semifinal to the USA when Bob Hamman bid and made a tricky 3NT contract on the last board. However, a career was born.

In the 26 years since then, Kokish has become the top bridge coach in the world. His teams have won gold, silver and bronze medals in World Championship play – the list of winners includes Brazil, the Netherlands and the USA. His main gig these days is with the Nickell team, current holders of the Bermuda Bowl. In Women's World Championships, his clients have included the USA and Russia, both recent winners. This year, he will also be inducted into the ACBL Hall of Fame.

Kokish is no slouch as a player either. In addition to the second in the World Open Pairs, he came second in the 1995 Bermuda Bowl to none other than Nickell (for the USA). He was part of a group of young Montréal players who burst upon the scene in the early 1970s “with partner Joey Silver and teammates the Crossley brothers,” Kokish won the 1974 Vanderbilt on home soil, in Vancouver.

There is a third prong to Kokish's bridge pitchfork: writing and editing. For years he was the chief editor of the World Championship books, transforming them from mere fact reportage to detailed analysis. He is currently editor of *WBF News*, the official news organ of the World Bridge Federation. Before moving to Toronto some ten years ago, while still in Montréal, Kokish edited *Mélange de Bridge*, the Montréal Bridge League's annual publication. He has been the bridge columnist for both the Montréal Gazette and the Toronto Star and has edited Daily Bulletins all over the world.

Kokish is also well-known as a top bidding theorist. He won the 1978 Romex Award for Best Bid Hand of the Year from the International Bridge Press Association.

## **George Mittelman**

George Mittelman has won two World Championships, the 1982 Mixed Pairs and the 2002 Senior Teams. Along with a silver medal in the 1995 Bermuda Bowl, Mittelman has also won two bronze medals in the Rosenblum Cup (1982 and 1990). On one of those occasions, in the now-infamous Geneva Incident, the team was robbed of the chance to play for gold by a scoring error. He has won more CNTCs than any other player (eight) and has won four North American bridge titles: two Open Swiss Teams (1986, 1995), a Board-a-Match Teams (1998) and a Senior Teams (2006). George has also been Non-Playing Captain of Canada's Olympiad, Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup Teams on numerous occasions.



## **Eric Murray**

Eric Rutherford Murray, as well as being one of the all-time greats, is one of the true characters of the bridge world. A leading civil litigation lawyer in Toronto, Murray won one of the first \$1Million-plus civil-court judgments in Canada and is legendary as a raconteur and orator. He was born in 1928 and lived his early life in Hamilton, ON before leaving for Toronto to practice law and play bridge. Murray was president of the Ontario Bridge League in its early days, engineering its union with the ACBL, and was one of the founders of the Canadian Bridge Federation.

Eric Murray is the most successful Canadian player ever. In addition to all his successes with Sami Kehela, Murray also won the Vanderbilt in 1961 with Charles Coon, the Men's Pairs in 1954 and 1955 with Doug Drury, and the Master Mixed Teams (1962) and Mixed Pairs (1963) with Agnes Gordon. He also won the Pairs Trials with Charles Coon for the 1962 North American Bermuda Bowl team, where they finished second to Italy. "I know the Italian national anthem by heart," says Murray. Murray won the Lou Herman Trophy for best performance at the 1963 Fall Nationals. He won CNTCs in 1980, 1981 and 1987 and the CSTC in 2007.

Eric Murray authored one convention, which bears his name, the Murray Two Diamonds, and co-authored another, Drury, with Doug Drury. He and Kehela were paid the ultimate compliment by having a book written about them, *Canada's Bridge Warriors*, by Roy Hughes, which won the International Bridge Press Association's Book of the Year award in 2007.

## **Percy Sheardown**

Percy (Shorty) Sheardown was the first great Canadian bridge player, the greatest ever according to Ralph Cohen. Shorty was a brilliant card player and won many titles in the Thirties and Forties, including the 1936 Chicago. Most of his wins in the Fifties and Sixties were in partnership with Bruce Elliott, including another win in the Chicago in 1951. Their team with Murray and Kehela ranks as the best Canadian foursome of all time; in addition to their two Spingold wins, the foursome also came third in the 1968 Olympiad Teams with Gerry Charney and Bill Crissey. Sheardown won the Fishbein Trophy as the top performer in the 1964 Summer Nationals, winning the Spingold with Elliott, Murray, and Kehela and finishing second in the Life Master Pairs with Elliott. They successfully defended their title the next year.

Percy Sheardown (1911-1993) spent most of his life in Toronto as proprietor of the St. Clair Bridge Club, which was presented to him by its members upon his return from combat in World War II. Shorty was the first Canadian Life Master.

# GRAND LIFE MASTERS

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Grand Life Master is the highest rank in the ACBL. It requires 10,000 masterpoints and one victory in one of the following: NABC+ event with no upper masterpoint limit, Open or Women's Team Trials or its equivalent, or any of the following WBF events: Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup, Rosenblum Cup, McConnell Cup, Open Pairs, Women's Pairs, Team Olympiad or Women's Team Olympiad.

A complete list of Grand Life Masters can be found at:

<http://web2.acbl.org/as400/mpraces/mpAwards/lifetime/grandlms.htm>

**ADAMS, David L.** (d. 2004) of Kennesaw GA. Adams won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 1997 and placed second in the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss in 1999 and 2004.

**ALBERT, Michael L.** (Mike) (b. 1938) of Omaha NE is a consultant and former owner/CEO of Michael Albert Inc. He has served in local politics. Albert has won four North American championships.

**ALLEGAERT, Winthrop S.** of New York City NY is a two time North American champion. He won the Keohane North American Swiss in 2002 and the Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match in 2011.

**ANDERSEN, Ronald E.** (Ron) (1941-1997) of Chicago IL, options trader and professional bridge writer, player and teacher. Andersen was leading bridge personality for three decades. He won 10 NABC titles that included three Spingold wins and one Reisinger and placed second in a dozen other NABC events. He represented the ACBL in WBF competition seven times. He won the Barry Crane Top 500 five times and secured the Mott-Smith Trophy in 1974 setting a record that held until 1990. Andersen was a talented author, his last work *Pre-empts from A to Z* (co-authored with Sabine Zenkel) was well received by the bridge playing population. Andersen also wrote several advanced works on the Precision Club bidding system. Andersen is probably most remembered as a commentator of vugraph shows. He was the chief commentator for the ACBL, WBF and the EBU. Andersen was serving as the commentator for the European Team Championships in Montecatini, Italy when he became ill and slipped in to a coma from which he never recovered.

**ANDERSON, John C.** (Big John) (1942-1998) of Sixes River OR was a bridge professional and former school teacher. He was one of the leading bridge personalities of the Northwest. Anderson won the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1971.

**ARVEDON, Lloyd B.** (b. 1953) of Bedford MA is a school fund-raising representative. He has won three North American championships.

**ASHLEY, David D.** (1941-2003) of Las Vegas NV was an expert bridge, backgammon and poker player, and a backgammon champion. He was a longtime member of the ACBL Conduct and Ethics Committee. Ashley won the Mitchell Open BAM Teams in 1976 and the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1982.

**BAILEY, Evan** (d. 2008) of San Diego CA was a retired physicist who did contract research for the U.S. government. He earned a bachelor's degree from Stanford University and a doctorate from the University of California at Berkeley. The inventor of Bailey two-bids, a specialized type of weak two-bid popular on the West Coast, Evan won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1995 and the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss in 2003. He placed second in three other NABC events.

**BALLANTYNE, Aidan** (b. 1951) of Vancouver BC, born in Switzerland, is a consultant in environmental planning and private bridge teacher. He was a member Canadian World Cup Ski Team (Alpine) from 1969-1973. He is a past president Canadian Bridge Federation and has been member of CBF Board of Directors since 1985. Ballantyne is also a member of the Unit 430 Conduct and Ethics Committee and co-chaired the 1999 Vancouver NABC. He won Calgary Calcutta and was npc of Canadian Bermuda Bowl team in Yokohama, Japan in 1991. He does hand analyses for CBF-sponsored events and is a contributor to several bridge magazines. One of Aidan's favorite bridge moments was at the 1996 NABC in San Francisco during the Blue Ribbon Final. He played a two board round against Helgemo-Forrester who had been leading the event. They got a bottom on the first board when Aidan decided not to rescue partner from his doubled 1♠ overcall and they went for a number. The second board Aidan doubled them in two of a major in a competitive auction (they were vulnerable). Helgemo was playing the hand. He had an eight-card side suit fit and had to find the side suit queen to make the contract. After cashing the Ace from hand, he led to dummy's KJ. Partner followed low and he had to decide whether to hook Aidan's partner (Dan Jacob from Vancouver BC) or try to drop a now singleton queen offside. After an interminable huddle during which he tried to get a read, he hooked into Aidan's now stiff queen. They had hung tough under intense scrutiny from one of the best in the world. Ballantyne won the Baldwin NAP Flight A in 1997.

**BARAN, Boris** (b. 1945) teaches computer information systems at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada. A WBF World International Master and ACBL Grand Life Master, he won the World Senior Teams in 2002, was a silver medalist in the 1995 Bermuda Bowl, a bronze medalist in the 1990 Rosenblum Cup World KO Teams, and a silver medalist in the 1992 Pan American Open Teams. Baran has represented Canada in the World Team Olympiad in 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, the Bermuda Bowl 1995, the Rosenblum Cup Teams 1978, 1986, 1990, and the World Open Pairs 1986, 1990. Baran has also won eight Canadian national championships, five North American championships, the 1997 Marlboro China Cup, the 1991 Icelandair Invitational Pairs, and the 1990 Epson World Towers competition. Baran played organized softball until he was 50.

**BARE, Gerald W.** (b. 1933) of Pacific Palisades CA, civil engineer, owner of travel agency. He was the District 23 Chairman of the Conduct, Ethics and Deportment Committee from 1973-1977. He won the Freeman Mixed BAM Teams 1970 and the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss in 2005. Bare also placed second in the Reisinger in 1966 and the Senior Swiss Teams 2000.

**BARRETT, (formerly Singer) Karen Lee** (b. 1949) of Elk Point SD is a two- time North American champion. She has served on the National and District 20 Appeals Committees, as District 20 GNT coordinator, and as the secretary for the North American Youth Bridge Foundation, a non-profit that has supported the development of players under the age of 25 since 1997. She is also the vice president of Tournament Bridge Services LLC, a limited liability corporation representing players from eight countries performing in a professional capacity worldwide. Karen collects rare antique Pyrex glassware from the 1920s and 1930s including hand-blown tea and coffee pots from the Frederick Carder division.

**BART, Gloria (formerly Silverman)** (b. 1948) of Bradenton FL, formerly of Toronto ON and born in Germany is semi-retired. She teaches bridge and plays professionally part-time. Most of her career was spent in the non-profit sector; specifically in education, addictions research and management of cancer charities. A WBF World Life Master, Gloria placed third in the Venice Cup in 1989, fourth in the Women's Team Olympiad in 1988 and represented Canada in international competition on five other occasions. She won Canadian Women's Team Championship five times and the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2010.

**BART, Leslie C. (Les)** (b. 1947) of Bradenton FL, accountant for Marriott Corp. He won Nail Life Master Men's Pairs in 1972 and invented Bart convention.

**BATHURST, Kevin** (b. 1978) of New York NY is a full-time bridge professional. A WBF World Master, Bathurst earned a bronze medal in the 2003 World Junior Team Championships. Bathurst won the 2011 USBF Team Trials and will represent the USA in the Bermuda Bowl in Veldhoven, The Netherlands.

**BATES, Roger W.** (b. 1947) of Mesa AZ is a professional player. Bates is a WBF World Life Master and Senior Grand Master. He won the Rosenblum Teams twice and the World Senior Teams three times. Bates placed third in the World Open Pairs in 1978. His other successes include the Cavendish Invitational Pairs in 1980 and 12 NABC titles which include four Vanderbilts and the Spingold. He also earned the Mott-Smith Trophy three times.

**BAZE, Grant S.** (1943-2009) of San Diego CA. Baze was one of ACBL's top players and a man who set standards for

comportment and ethics. Baze always dressed in a suit and tie when plying his trade –he was one of the most successful pros on the tournament circuit. He earned a reputation as a dogged, tireless competitor who was nevertheless a friendly opponent and the model of what a partner should be. Baze was born in San Diego, the son of a U.S. Marine Corp officer. The family traveled a lot, and Baze spent time in Virginia, Ohio and Georgia before graduating High School in 1961. At his first opportunity he returned to California.

At Stanford University, a familiarity with bridge became an obsession to the near exclusion of classes. Four years after he entered Stanford, he left one quarter short of a degree. Nearly two decades later, mostly to please his mother, Baze earned a bachelor's degree in political science and then returned to full-time bridge play.

Baze did his fastest learning playing rubber bridge, playing for days on end. In the early Eighties, he started playing professionally and had a brief partnership with Barry Crane. In his career, Baze amassed more than 41,000 masterpoints, won four world championships, including three Senior Teams, and seven North American titles. He won the Barry Crane Top 500 three times and was the first player to record more than 3000 masterpoints in a calendar year.

In 2009, the ACBL Board of Directors renamed the Senior Knockout Teams in honor of Baze and a group of his friends provided a trophy for the event.

**BEATTY, R. Stephen** (Steve) (b. 1949) of Mill Creek WA is president and CEO of Helix Biomedix, Inc., a publicly traded biotech company that is controlled by bridge players. Beatty is the Chair of ACBL Conventions and Competition Committee, vice president of the USBF Board of Directors, a founding board member of the Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge, and assistant to the ACBL National Recorder.

Beatty has been a member of the Master Solvers panel more than ten years. He and Curtis Cheek were named bidders of the decade (2000-2010) by *Bridge World* magazine. Beatty has won two North American titles and placed second in seven NABC events.

**BECKER, James W. (Jim)** (1937-1994) of New York City. Becker was owner and manager of the Beverly Bridge Club. Born in Gloversville NY, Becker was educated at Columbia where he earned his BA in 1959 and his BS in electrical engineering in 1960. For eight years he was an electrical engineer for RCA. Becker was a leading masterpoint winner at the time of his death. In 1991 he devoted himself to full-time tournament play and won the Barry Crane Top 500 contest. He made substantial contributions to the administrative side of the game as well. He served on the Goodwill Committee and was vice-president of the NABC Appeals Committee. He also served on the GNYBA for more than a decade. His *Biggest Little Bridge Book in the World* sold more than 80,000 copies and has been reprinted many times since it was first published in 1970.

**BENNETT, Hamish** (b. 1932) of Menlo Park CA, born in Scotland, is a retired financial executive. Although Bennett wasn't really "into" bridge at the time, he was the captain of the Oxford bridge team coached by Alan Truscott that beat Cambridge in 1955. Because the event was so well orchestrated it made bridge an important part of his future. Bennett is a WBF World Senior Master and has won the World Senior Pairs (1994) and the Transnational Senior Teams (2000). He has also won the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss twice (2000 and 2004). Bennett has served on his unit board as recorder and chairman ethics committee. He has written columns for *The Forum* (Western Conference) and the *San Mateo Times*.

**BERGEN, Marty A.** (b. 1948) is an American bridge player and writer. A 10-time national champion, Grand Life Master, and WBF World International Master, he retired from active competition in 1993 to pursue his dream of becoming a bridge author.

Bergen is well-known for his innovative development of bidding conventions and treatments, including DONT and Bergen Raises. Together with his long-time bridge partner Larry Cohen, he popularized the Law of Total Tricks, Support Double, and 1NT Semi-forcing.

Marty has authored 22 bridge books, two of which won the American Bridge Teachers' Association's prestigious Bridge Book of the Year award, namely *Points Schmoints!: Bergen's Winning Bridge Secrets* in 1996 and *Declarer Play the Bergen Way* in 2005. He has had a column in the Master Pointers section of the Bridge Bulletin since 1976. Marty is also a panel member for *The Bridge World's* Master Solvers Club.

Prior to becoming a full-time bridge professional in 1976, Marty earned his B.A. and M.A. in Education at the State University of New York. He taught for four years in public and private school systems in New York and Florida.

In addition to conducting bridge cruises, Marty now teaches and writes in Florida, where he lives with his wife Cheryl and dogs. In his leisure time, he is an avid sports fan (he played competitive tennis in high school/college) and loves watching his favorite teams compete.

**BERNSTEIN, Andrew J.** (Andy) (b. 1942) of Memphis TN. Bernstein is an attorney, former clinical psychologist and was publisher and editor of bridge books with Devyn Press from 1979-1987. He has worked with Pando Publications since 1988. He has served as District 7 Judiciary Committee chairman and on ACBL Appeals Committee, developed 2-way Exclusion Bid overcall convention, and co-authored *Do You Know Your Partner*. Bernstein represented the ACBL in Guarujá, Brazil in the Bermuda Bowl in 1973 placing fourth. He won the Spingold in 1972.

**BETHE, Henry** (b. 1944) of Ithaca, NY is a retired bank officer and member of the ACBL since 1960. Bethé has three NABC titles: (Nail) LM Men's Pairs with John Solodar, 1968; Keohane NA Swiss, 1987, with Kitty Munson (Bethé), Alan and Dorothy Truscott; and Silodor Open Pairs 1991 with Larry Mori. Bethé also won the Herman Trophy in 1968. Bridge writings include contributions to *The Bridge World*, *Bridge Today*, the Bridge Bulletin, and *International Popular Bridge Monthly*. He is active in bridge governance including Board of Governors, President of GNYBA (1989-1991) and Unit 112 (1995-1996). He was a contributor to the ACBL masterpoint plan, including creation of Silver Points as member of McConnell Committee, changing overall award structure in multi-session events, and original suggestion of ranks beyond Life Master (e.g, Bronze, Silver, etc.). He made the initial suggestion leading to "Mini-Spingolds" and additional flights of LM pairs. He established conditions for Cavendish Pairs and wrote an early program for scoring IMP-pair events. He redesigned the IMP-to-victory-point conversion for use in the U.S. team trials. He is a frequent commentator on BBO vugraph. His other interests include philately and mathematical recreation including baseball statistics.

**BISHOP, Clifford W.** (1921-1986) of Detroit MI, was a former school teacher for the Detroit public school system, an advertising executive, and a bridge lecturer. Bishop learned to play bridge in the army and won the city championship of Paris in 1945 to start his tournament career. He was one of the leading players of the Midwest. By winning the Spingold in 1953, he and his teammates earned a trip to Europe to represent the U.S. in the 1954 Bermuda Bowl. They won. Bishop won the Spingold again in 1954 and went on to represent the U.S. in the Bermuda Bowl for a second time in 1955.

**BJERKAN, Cheri** (b.1947) of Elmhurst IL, former pension consultant and owner of folk art gallery. Her very active outside life, including antiquing, spectator sports and her children's activities combined with her job led her to restrict her bridge life to NABCs and WBF events. Bjerkan is a WBF World Life Master and a world champion. She won the Venice Cup in 1987 and has 13 North American titles.

**BLAIR, Jack** (b. 1933) of Las Vegas, NV is an oil executive. In 1961 at the Fall NABC in Houston, Blair and Robert Stucker formed an impromptu partnership in order to complete a section in the Open Pairs and oblige the tournament director. They finished second in the event and subsequently represented the U.S. in the World Open Pairs in Cannes as a consequence of their success. Blair has won three NABC titles and placed second in five other NABC events.

**BLOOM, Betty** of Duanesburg NY won the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1979 and the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 2000.

**BLOOM, Steven H.** of Duanesburg NY is a professor of math. He won the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1979 and Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 2000.

**BLUMENTHAL, Mark E.** (b. 1942) of Chicago, one of the leading American players until 1977 when complications arising from open heart surgery caused his retirement from active participation in tournament bridge. He was a member Aces Team from 1972 until 1974. A WBF Life Master, he placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1973 and 1974. Blumenthal also won the Vanderbilt twice (1973 and 1977), the Mott-Smith Trophy in 1977 and placed second in the Spingold in 1976.

**BOIVIN, Anna K.** (1932-2009) of Victoria BC was an ACBL director, teacher, and club owner for more than 25 years. Anna was Canada's first female Grand Life Master. She was a member of the winning CWTC squad in 1985. She and her teammates represented Canada in the Rosenblum Cup at the World Bridge Championships the following year. She also played for Canada in the Olympiad Teams.

**BOYD, Peter** (b. 1950) of Darnestown MD is a former systems analyst/programmer and bridge professional. Boyd learned bridge when he was in junior high. He joined the ACBL during his sophomore year in high school, and after graduating from Harvard in 1972, became a Life Master. Boyd's professional career as a computer programmer lasted 25 years. In 1980 he

began a long-term partnership with Steve Robinson. The duo has won a dozen NABC titles and a world championship, the 1986 Rosenblum Cup in Miami Beach. Boyd has served many terms on the boards of Unit 147 and District 6. In addition to having served on the National Appeals, Ethical Oversight and Team Trials committees, Boyd also serves on the ACBL Laws Commission and is the historian for the Washington Bridge League. Boyd was the 2009 recipient of the Lazard Sportsmanship Award.

**BRACHMAN, Malcolm** (1926-2005) of Dallas TX, was a wealthy oil and insurance executive who was at one time a nuclear physicist and a long-time bridge enthusiast. He graduated from Yale University in two years with a degree in physics. After earning a doctorate at Harvard University, he taught physics at Southern Methodist University and later as an adjunct professor at the University of Chicago. He left physics in 1954 to lead his family business. Brachman won the 1979 Bermuda Bowl and seven NABC titles - three Spingolds, three Reisingers and the Vanderbilt.

**BRAMLEY, Bart** (b. 1948) of Dallas TX is an MIT graduate. Bramley grew up in Connecticut. He learned bridge at a young age (both parents played) and got serious in college. Bramley has 13 NABC titles. Among his wins are the Vanderbilt, the Reisinger, Kapan Blue Ribbon Pairs, and the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs. In WBF events, Bramley won the 2007 World Senior Bowl, placed second in the 2005 Transnational Teams, was third in the 1998 Rosenblum, fifth in the 1991 Bermuda Bowl, and second in the 1998 World Par Contest. He was also captain of the U.S. team in the Olympiad in 1996. Bramley has served on several ACBL committees and writes frequent bridge articles, mostly for the popular magazine, *The Bridge World*.

**BREED, Mildred** (b. 1947) of Austin TX, is a Texan born and bred. She began playing bridge at the young age of 15, taught by her father, James Boyce. She became a Life Master in less than three years, and continued to enjoy playing competitively in the ensuing years. In between having two daughters and four grandchildren, she has won 16 national championships, and has won two gold, one silver, and two bronze medals in world championship play. Breed says, "I feel like my most satisfying contribution to bridge is the teaching I did. To bring in new players into this great game is rewarding, but to see the light go off when they grasp new ideas is the best."

**BRODY, Harvey D.** (b. 1939) of San Francisco CA is a bridge professional, retired accountant, and collector of paperback books. He served as treasurer (1988-1990) and disciplinary chairman (since 1999) of District 21. He was treasurer of 1990 and 1996 NABCs. Brody won the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 1992.

**BUDD, Richard** (The Bear) (b. 1937) of Portland ME is a retired physicist and computer system designer. He is a member of the ACBL Board of Governors. Budd won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2000 and placed second Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1998.

**BURGER, Chuck** (b. 1936) of West Bloomfield MI is an attorney. Burger is a WBF World Master. He represented the U.S. in international play in 1970 and 1986 and placed ninth in the Rosenblum Teams in 1990. Burger has 11 NABC titles which include three Spingolds. He has finished second in 19 NABC events. He and Ira Rubin were co-winners of the Lou Herman Trophy in 1970.

**CAHN, Nell Bridge** (b. 1935) of Shreveport LA is bridge teacher and an accomplished oil painter. She had no middle name and loved the game of bridge so much that she kept her maiden name, Bridge, as her middle name. She says, "What could be better than to have something around you all the time that you loved so much. I tell everyone that bridge is my insurance against old age." Cahn attended Stephens College and the University of Alabama. Married for 53 years to husband Abry, they have two children, daughter Susan and son Tab, and grandson Chandler. An artist for many years, Cahn served as president of Meadows Art Museum at Centenary College in Shreveport LA and worked as a docent there.

Cahn has served on the Board of Governors, the National Appeals Committee, and as the president and ice-president of Unit 170. Cahn's favorite moment was winning the Venice Cup in 1991. She is also a two-time North American champion.

**CAPPELLETTI, Michael** (b. 1942) of Alexandria VA is a lawyer, a bridge player and poker authority. Amongst poker players, he is known as the author of the books *Cappelletti on Omaha*, *The Best of Cappelletti on Omaha*, *Poker at the Millennium* and *How to Win at Omaha High-Low Poker*, and also as columnist for the poker magazine, *CardPlayer*. He is known amongst bridge players as the inventor of the Cappelletti convention (also called Hamilton and Pottage). Cappelletti won a bronze medal in the 1974 World Mixed Teams and holds one NABC title, the Freeman Mixed BAM Teams in 1968. Cappelletti also authored the book *100 Bridge Problems: Using Poker Tactics in Contract Bridge*.

**CAPPELLETTI, Michael D.** (Mike Jr.) (b. 1965) of Winter Park FL is a professional bridge player. Cappelletti has been active in Junior Bridge, as a player and later a mentor, for many years. Cappelletti represented the U.S. in the World Junior Teams in 1989 and 1991 and was the npc of the USA1 Junior team in 2003 and the USA2 Junior team in 2006. Cappelletti has won three NABC titles and has placed second in the Reisinger twice.

**CAPPELLETTI, Shannon** (nee Lipscomb) (b. 1971) of Delray Beach FL is a professional bridge player. She was a member of the USA II Junior Team in 1996/1997 and has three NABC titles to her credit.

**CARAVELLI, Gerald A.** (Gerry) (b. 1943) of Des Plaines IL is a retired accountant and financial analyst. He was a regular partner of Barry Crane for many years. He has served as tournament chairman, president and vice president of Chicago CBA. He was a long-time panelist on *The Bridge World* Master Solvers Club. Caravelli has seven NABC titles and won the International Team Trials in 1996. He has also placed second in a dozen other NABC events.

**CARTEAUX, Robert W.** (Bob) (b. 1934) of Fort Wayne IN, president and CEO of CTD Inc. Carteaux bowled the first left-handed 800 series (823) in the nation in 1955. He won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 1997. He has served as Unit 154 Area Director from 1991-1998 and vice president in 1999. He was on the District 8 Board of Directors 1995-1999 and the ACBL Board of Governors 1995-1999.

**CASEN, Drew** (b.1950) of Las Vegas NV is a bridge professional. His former occupations include accountant, budget director, finance analyst, and options trader. He is a six handicap golfer, a 200 average bowler, and an expert Texas Hold 'em poker player. His national titles include the 1983 Freeman Mixed BAM Teams, 1992 Jacoby Open Swiss Teams, 2001 Keohane North American Swiss Teams, and the 2010 Baze Senior Knockout Teams. Casen also won the 1987 Cavendish Pairs, the 1997 Cavendish Teams and the Lou Herman Trophy in 2006. A WBF World Master, Casen won a silver medal in 1990 Rosenblum Teams. Second place finishes include 14 national events in addition to the USBF Team Trails and the Cavendish Pairs.

**CAYNE, James** (b. 1934) of New York City is the former CEO of Bear Sterns and a bridge player. Cayne got his start in business in 1969 when fellow bridge player Alan Greenberg hired him as a stockbroker. Cayne is a WBF World Master with two silver medals in world competition (World Mixed Pairs and World Mixed Teams 1974). He has won 14 North American championships which include the Reisinger five times and the Spingold twice. He has placed second 15 times in other NABC events. Cayne has been on the winning team in all Corporate America vs. Congress matches as well as a participant in Corporate America vs. Hollywood Celebrities match.

**CHAMBERS, Juanita** of Boca Raton FL is a retired bridge professional. A WBF Women's Grand Life Master, Chambers has won three world championships and 18 North American championships.

**CHAMBERS, Neil J.** (b. 1946) of Schenectady NY, born in Regina SK is a tax accountant and bridge professional. Chambers created the Chico 2♦ bid, an early form of Multi. Chambers won the World Seniors Teams in 2004 and is a WBF Seniors Life Master. He has five NABC titles including the Vanderbilt in 1992. In 2011 Chambers will represent the U.S. as part of the USA 2 squad in the D'Orsi Senior Bowl in Veldhoven, Netherlands.

**CHAZEN, Bernard** (Bernie) (1942-2009) A native New Yorker, Chazen was a math teacher before turning to bridge to make a living. He was the chairman of the District 9 Appeals Committee, chairman of Unit 243 Conduct and Ethics Committee. Chazen was also the head writer and publisher of Club Letter Standard, Avoiding the Traps, 2/1 Series Parts I, II, III, Bid-Em-Ups and a regular contributor to Bridge Sense, Aces' Bridge Monthly. Chazen won five North American Championships.

**CHEEK, Curtis** (b. 1958) of Huntsville AL is a bridge professional, formerly an aerospace engineer, and is active in bridge teaching and administration in Unit 232, serving as president in 1988 and 1994. Cheek and Steve Beatty were named bidders of the decade (2000-2010) by *Bridge World* magazine. Cheek has three North American titles including the Reisinger in 2006. He has finished second in eight NABC events.

**CHILCOTE, Mary J.** (b. 1926) of Cleveland OH has been a happily married housewife for 60 years. Her mother was a survivor of the Titanic. She has served on the ACBL Board of Governors (1970-1978) and Unit 125 Board (1975-1980). Chilcote won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 1996. Her favorite bridge memory is from that event – she set a hand in 3NT that was made at the other table. The hand has been written up several times and she has it framed on her wall. She doesn't take all the credit though, she says, "It was just as important that Billy Eisenberg, our partner at the other table stole the ninth trick at trick two."

**CHILDS, Allen Jr. (Al)** (b. 1934) of Little Rock AR is a bridge professional and glass shop owner. He lives in a converted 100-year-old livery stable. Childs is a national champion dairy cattle judge. He has served Unit 161 and District 10 in various executive positions and as member of the Board of Governors and has edited *Mid-South Bridge Forum* since its inception. Childs won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams 1997.

**CHILDS, Derrell W.** (b. 1934) of Garland TX. A CPA, Childs has served the Dallas BA as president, treasurer and board member. Childs won the 2002 Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams.

**CLERKIN, Dennis** (b. 1950) of Bloomington IN is a professional bridge player and instructor. He has won six North American Championships.

**CLERKIN, Jerry** (b. 1952) of North Vernon IN is professional bridge teacher and player. He has won three North American Championships.

**COHEN, Ken** (b.1948) of Philadelphia PA is a bridge professional. Ken has five NABC titles. He also won the Fishbein Trophy in 1977. Ken's favorite bridge moment was winning the Wernher Open Pairs with Bob Thomas. Bob was approaching 80 years old and needed help sorting his hand due to severe vision problems. The thought of winning seemed impossible and was thrilled when they qualified for the final of the event. Ken has written several articles for the Bridge Bulletin and hosts his own website (Kenny's Korner) where he answers bridge-related questions.

**COHEN, Larry N.** (b. 1959) of Boca Raton FL is a bridge lecturer and author. He has authored 6 books and six CDs including best sellers *To Bid or Not to Bid* and *The Law of Total Tricks*. He is also a regular contributor to *The Bridge World* magazine and the Bridge Bulletin. In 1980 his career was launched when at 20 years old, he was written up in the *New York Times* for opening 5♠ holding 8-5 distribution with QJ1098xxx - - AKQxx - -. Since then he has won 25 North American Championships and placed second in nearly as many. In 1998 Larry and David Berkowitz came as close as it is possible to come to a World Championship without actually winning. In the World Open Pairs, they led throughout the five-session final, only to be overtaken on the last two boards. They also won a Bronze Medal in the World Team Olympiad. Cohen is a member of the National Appeals Committee, the Conduct and Ethics Committee, and Chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. He was ACBL Player of the Year in 2002, ACBL Sportsman of the Year in 2003 and the ACBL Honorary Member in 2011. To this day, he is still mistaken for the "other Larry Cohen." Cohen is an 11-handicap golfer.

**COHEN, Lawrence T. (Larry)** (b. 1943) of Las Vegas NV is a pharmacist and co-author of *Breakthrough in Bridge*. Cohen has won 10 North American Championships.

**COHEN, Ralph** – SEE CANADIAN HALL OF FAME.

**COHLER, Gary** (b.1960) of Miami FL has won five North American Championships.

**COKIN, Allan J.** (b. 1942) of West Palm Beach FL. Cokin was suspended from ACBL from 1979-1984 for suspected cheating. Since that time Cokin has devoted himself to overcoming this blemish on his record by helping others to become better bridge players and by playing the game strictly according to the rules. He has won three North American Championships.

**COLATOSTI, Daniel** (b. 1936) of Waltham MA is a printing executive. He won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1997.



**COLCHAMIRO, Mel** (b. 1945) of Merrick NY is a bridge teacher, writer, professional player and director, and a former Wall Street economist and stock options trader. Colchamiro was president of District 24, 1980-1982, Member, Board of Directors, District 24, 1971-1984, and a member of the national Hall of Fame Committee 2004-2009. He is the author of *How to Play Like an Expert (Without Having To Be One)* (2007) and the “Claim with Colchamiro” column in the Bridge Bulletin. Colchamiro won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 2000.

**COLE, William P.** (Bill) (b. 1950) of Silver Spring MD is an engineer for Bell Atlantic. Cole developed Cole 2♣ Bid and Deas Over Notrump with Lynn Deas. Cole has won two North American Championships.

**COLEMAN, Jack** (1933-2005) of San Francisco was a real estate investor. Coleman was a three-time North American champion. He was Rookie of the Year in 1985 and a contributor to *The Bridge World*, Bridge Bulletin and *Bridge Today*. Coleman loved Cardinal baseball.

**COMPTON, Chris** (b. 1961). Chris began playing bridge professionally at age 17. After practicing law for 10 years, Chris returned to professional bridge full time in 2007. While representing the United States, Chris placed fourth in the 1986 World Open Pairs in Miami, Florida and again placed fourth in the 1998 World Open Pairs in Lille, France. In the U.S., Chris won the Jacoby Open Swiss Teams in 2003. Chris has also won the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams and finished second in both the 1986 and 2005 Vanderbilt Knockout Teams. In a series of Bridge Pro Tour individuals during the year 2003, Chris won \$16,400. Chris enjoys playing high stakes rubber-bridge at TGR’s Bridge Club in London and the Cavendish Bridge Club in New York. He has authored the teacher manual for 2/1 Texas Style and offers this class periodically at the Bridge Academy of North Dallas. Chris often serves as a volunteer lecturer at ACBL regionals and nationals. Chris served as President of the United States Bridge Federation in 2004 and is presently first alternate to District 16 of the American Contract Bridge League. Chris has been married to his wife, Donna, for 23 years and they are the parents of two daughters. When not playing bridge, Chris enjoys bike riding, reading mystery novels and going to the lake with his family.

**COOMBS, Norman** (Norm, Stormin Norman) (b. 1934) of Brookville IN. Coombs is a financial agent, bridge professional, writer and teacher. He Invented Coombs Gambit – a defense to artificial club and diamond opening bids – and Nebulous Diamond Openings. He won the Nail Life Master Men’s Pairs 1978.

**COON, Charles** (1931-2003) of Staten Island NY was a bridge director and teacher, real estate broker, and taxi driver. A WBF World Master, Coon placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1962 and the Rosenblum Teams in 1990. In addition to winning the International Team Trials in 1961, Coon won six North American Championships.

**COOPER, Kitty** (formerly Bethe and Munson) (b. 1950) of Albuquerque NM is a programmer, web designer, mother, artist, dog lover, and world champion bridge player. Cooper learned to play when she was 12, but didn’t begin competing until after she graduated cum laude from Harvard in 1972. She won the Venice Cup in 1989. She has also won six North American Championships. Although American by birth, Cooper competed internationally for the UK while living in London in the mid-1980s. Playing with Liza Shaw, Barry Rigal, and Peter Czierniewski, Cooper won the Common Market Mixed Teams in 1987. She and Liza playing on the British Ladies team, finished third in the European Championships.

**CRANE, Barry** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**CROSSLEY, Bob** (b. 1951) of Corte Madera CA. Crossley is a bridge professional, juggler, and film maker. In the Seventies he traveled extensively for “Travel with Goren”, teaching and directing bridge cruises. He started playing at age 7, became a Life Master at age 16, and won the Vanderbilt at age 23 in 1974. He has written two books, *Learn and Enjoy Bridge*, *Advanced Concepts in Bridge*. He developed Crossley 2NT, which was in use in the early ‘70s before Jacoby 2NT became popular, IDAK and Wonder Bids. Crossley has been a certified director and co-owner of the Crossley Bridge Center for over 40 years. He has taught at resorts throughout the western U.S. and held an annual Crossley Bridge Camp for the past 20 years. His favorite bridge moment was winning the 1974 Vanderbilt in Vancouver. He went to Canada on spring break from University of California with his brother Dave (primarily to go skiing) and picked up a Canadian pair, Eric Kokish and Joey Silver. They beat the Aces and Precision teams and were the youngest team ever to win a national knockout event (all in their twenties).

**DAVIS, Ed** (b. 1942) of Seal Beach CA is a systems analyst. He is the author of various ideas and methods including Octopus preempts and a contributor to Southern California Bridge News Problem Solvers Panel. Davis won the GNT Championship Flight in 2001.

**DAWKINS, George** (Dr. Doom) (1931-2000) of Austin TX, professor of business, bridge professional. Dawkins and his wife Carole were killed in an automobile accident while traveling in Spain. He had two books of poetry published. He served on Houston and Austin Boards and directed on bridge cruises. He won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs 1970.

**DAWSON, Dennis** (b. 1946) of Santa Fe, NM won a Bronze medal in the Senior Teams at the World Championship in Monaco in 2003, and also won the NABC Senior Knockout Teams that year. He is a graduate of the University of Texas and has a master's degree in mathematics from the University of Michigan. After many years in New England, where he was well known both as a teacher and organizer of bridge vacations, Dennis moved to Santa Fe NM in 2002. He enjoys reading mysteries when not playing bridge.

**DEAS, Lynn** (b. 1953) of Schenectady NY, professional bridge player and teacher. A six-time world champion, Lynn learned to play bridge in high school so that she could play in college. But when she got to college, she found that almost no one played. Her computer science teacher took Lynn and her partner to the local duplicate club, where Lynn got much of her early bridge experience. After college, Lynn entered medical school, but eventually dropped out in order to pursue her dream of being a full-time bridge player and teacher. Lynn has won four World Championship titles with Beth Palmer, her bridge partner of 30 years. They won the World Women's Pairs in 2010, the Venice Cup twice (1987 and 1989), and the McConnell Cup in 2002. Lynn also earned world championship titles playing with Stasha Cohen in 1991 and Juanita Chambers in 1996.

Lynn has a remarkable record on the national level as well. She has won 22 NABC titles including the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs four times, the (Freeman) Mixed BAM three times, and the Wagar Women's Teams six times. Besides playing in tournaments and at her local duplicate club, Lynn enjoys teaching bridge online and doing partnership coaching. Her hobbies include painting, coin collecting, and breeding dogs. Although Lynn terms herself a "small time" breeder, she has periodically found herself tending to as many as 13 dogs.

**DeMARTINO, Richard (Rich)** is an accomplished player with one world championship title, five North American championships titles and three Senior Player of the Year titles. DeMartino has been treasurer of District 25 since 1997 after holding several other positions, including president and vice president. He was elected as the District 25 representative to the ACBL Board for the 2001 term and was recently re-elected for a fourth three-year term. He served as ACBL President in 2010.

DeMartino has been passionate about bridge for over 50 years and has taught the game for nearly as long. Since his retirement as an executive with Equitable Life and Cigna, teaching bridge has been his main focus.

**DEUTSCH, June** (b.1926) of Aventura FL represented ACBL internationally in New Orleans in 1978 and Miami in 1986. She placed second in the Pan American Championships Women's Pairs in 1992. Deutsch has won six North American Championships.

**DOUB, Doug** (b.1955) West Hartford CT is a bridge teacher. Doub has a Bachelors degree in Mathematics and a Master's degree in Statistics from the University of Connecticut. He is an expert backgammon player as well as an accomplished bridge player. Doub took home the bronze medal in the Bermuda Bowl in 2003. He has six NABC titles - the Mitchell Open BAM in 1997, the Baldwin NAP Flt. A in 2001 and 2010, the Reisinger in 2002, the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 2008, and the Fast Pairs in 2008. Doub has served on National Appeals committee and the National Conventions and Competition committee. He also wrote the article "For Rusinow Players" for *The Bridge World* and is an expert backgammon player.

**DUNITZ, Mitch** (b. 1956) of Sherman Oaks CA is the owner of a real estate investment company. He won the GNT Championship Flt in 2001 and placed second in the GNT Championship Flt (1999, 2010), the Baldwin NAP Flt A (1993), and the Lebhar IMP Pairs (2003).

**EISENBERG, Billy** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**EKEBLAD, Russell** (b. 1946). In his youth, Ekeblad was interested in and pursued the play of various sports, but never played bridge. He attended Brown University, graduating in 1968 and then went on to Graduate School at Columbia. Ekeblad also went to Coast Guard Officer Candidate School and served 3 years of active duty, stationed at headquarters in DC. He started to get interested in bridge at that time – learning with the likes of Woolsey, Manfield and Cappelletti (Sr.) Ekeblad met his wife Sheila through bridge, and the two were married in 1974. Ekeblad started his own company, Kennilworth Creations in 1976, and it became very successful. Ekeblad is now semi-retired, spending his winters in FL, summers in RI. Besides bridge, Ekeblad's passions are boating and golf. Ekeblad has won two national pair titles, two Spingolds, and two USBCs. He won bronze medals in the 1990 Rosenblum and 2005 Bermuda Bowl. He and Michael Seamon won the World IMP Pairs in Lille, France in 2002.

**ESBERG, William** (b. 1935) of Long Branch NJ is a retired English teacher and a current bridge teacher. Esberg learned to play bridge at age 9. He won the Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2005 and placed second in the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 1994 and 1996.

**ETTER, Bob G.** (b. 1954) of Sacramento CA is an assistant math professor at California State University. He was placekicker for the Atlanta Falcons 1968-1969 and All-SEC football and baseball 1964-1967. Etter has won two North American Championships.

**EYTHORSDDOTTIR, Hjordis** (Disa) (b. 1965) of Huntsville AL, born in Iceland, is a bridge professional. A WBF World Master, Eythorsdottir represented Iceland in two World Championships, one European Championship and two other Nordic Championships. Eythorsdottir has won eight North American Championships.

**FALLENIOUS, Björn** (b. 1957) of Manhattan NY, formerly of Malmo, Sweden, bridge professional and former controller. A WBF World Life Master, Fallenius, representing Sweden, was third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1987 and 1991; the Rosenblum Teams in 1986 and 1998 and the World Team Olympiad in 1988. Fallenius has won 11 North American Championships and the 1988 Cavendish Invitational.

**FARELL, Mary Jane.** SEE HALL OF FAME

**FELDMAN, Mark D.** (b. 1951) of New York City is a former professor. In 1971 he devised defenses to strong club and 1NT openings (SCREW) which later became known as CRASH. In 1975 he invented the treatment of a jump to 4 of a minor over an opposing major suit weak 2-bid to show the bid minor and the other major. A WBF World International Master, Feldman placed second in the World Transnational Mixed Teams in 1996 and the World Transnational Open Teams in 2005. Feldman won the Mitchell Open BAM in 1974 and has finished second in 10 other North American Championship events.

**FISHER, Arnold H.** (Arnie) (b. 1938) of Clementon NJ is a university instructor in German and Russian, owner of a foreign language typesetting company and bridge professional. He served as vice-chairman of the ACBL Appeals Committee 1985-1990. He wrote *Solobridge* and *Bridge for Four*. A WBF World Senior Master, Fisher won the bronze in the World Senior Bowl in 2003. Fisher also competed internationally in Bal Harbour in 1986 and Geneva in 1990. Fisher has seven NABC titles. In 2011 Fisher won the USBF Senior Teams trials and will represent the U.S. as part of the USA 1 squad in the D'Orsi Senior Bowl in Veldhoven, The Netherlands.

**FISHER, Dr. John W.** (1925-2009) of Dallas TX was one of ACBL's top players in the Sixties and Seventies. Fisher won eight North American Championships in a long career that included the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) in 1972. Fisher won the Silodor Open Pairs with Barry Crane four times. Fisher was also an innovator, creating the Fisher Double, asking for a club lead against 3NT and 6NT. A graduate of the Louisiana State University School of Medicine in 1948, Fisher set up a medical practice in Dallas in 1954 after serving in the U.S. Air Force. Fisher started his own practice in 1966 and retired in 1993.

**FRASER, A. A. Douglas** (b. 1940) of Mount Royal PQ is a retired bridge professional and bridge club owner. He has served on the Canadian Bridge Federation Board. A WBF World Master, Fraser represented Canada in Rosenblum Teams 1978, 1982, 1986 and 1990. Fraser won CNTC three times and has two other North American championship titles to his credit.

**FREED, Gene** (1930-2009) of Los Angeles CA was born in Somerville NJ to David and Mildred Freed. He lived there until about age 15, when the family moved to San Diego. The family lived near San Diego State University, which he attended as an undergraduate, followed by UCLA and USC Medical School.

An ear, nose and throat physician in private practice, Freed worked out of the same office on Wilshire Boulevard near Carthay Circle in Los Angeles for more than 50 years. He did plastic and reconstructive surgery in the early years, was a pioneer in performing tonsillectomies on hemophiliacs, and in his later years specialized in Workers Compensation evaluations.

He had some celebrity friends and patients, including Don Adams (Get Smart, backgammon player at the Cavendish), Jim Nabors (Gomer Pyle) and Al Lewis (Grandfather in The Munsters). He served as a physician for the Los Angeles Civic Light Opera Company in the Sixties and Seventies, treating their performers in his office and occasionally backstage.

He played bridge as a boy and in college, and played money bridge and backgammon regularly at the Cavendish Club in Los Angeles. Freed won the World Senior Teams in 2001 and five North American Championships.

**FREEMAN, Richard A.** (Dick)- SEE HALL OF FAME

**FREILICH, Edith** -SEE HALL OF FAME

**GAER, Gerald W.** (Jerry) (b. 1934) of Scottsdale AZ is a bridge teacher and professional player. He served on the Unit 354 Board and was president of the District 17 Board of Directors. He has been a local and unit tournament chairman and was co-chair of the Phoenix NABC in 1995. Gaer was appointed to ACBL Appeals Committee in 1991 and is a regular contributor to unit newsletter *Shuffle, Deal and Play*. He won the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams in 1997.

**GARNER, Steve** (b. 1955) of Chicago IL is a professional bridge player and by all accounts is one of the most affable too. A WBF World Life Master, Garner won a silver medal in the 2007 Bermuda Bowl and bronze in both the World Team Olympiad in 2000 and the Rosenblum Teams in 1998. He has eight North American titles to his credit and was the winner of the Goren Trophy in 2010.

**GERSTMAN, Daniel M.** (Dan) (b. 1948) of Buffalo NY is a financial planner. A WBF Senior Master, Gerstman won a bronze medal in the World Senior Teams in 2007. He has also won two North American championships - the Silodor Open Pairs in 1981 and the Nail Life Master Men's Pairs in 1982.

**GITELMAN, Fred** (b. 1965) was born in Toronto ON. He is a leading bridge player, as well as the founder and manager of Bridge Base Online, one of the most popular bridge playing sites. Gitelman was a member of the Canadian youth and later the open international teams before moving to Las Vegas NV. He resides there with his wife, Sheri, also a well-known bridge player. A WBF World Grand Master and ACBL Grand Life Master, Gitelman has won the Rosenblum Teams (2010), seven North American Bridge Championships, a gold medal in the 2002 IOC Grand Prix, and was runner-up in the 1995 Bermuda Bowl. In 2005, he was elected as the International Bridge Press Association's Personality of the Year and as the ACBL Honorary Member.

**GLASSON, Joann** (b. 1946) of Pennington NJ is a retired credit union president. She placed second in the first McConnell Cup in 1994 and has won four North American championships. She is president of Unit 141 and a past president of District 4. She is co-chair of the 2012 Philadelphia NABC and was the entertainment chair of the 1996 Philadelphia NABC.

**GLUBOK, Brian** (Gluby) (b. 1959) of New York City is a bridge professional, novelist, and rubber bridge player. He once divided his time between New York and Sydney, Australia and in 1989 was granted residency status in Australia (in recognition of his bridge achievements) through the category "Special Talents – Sporting". He became a Life Master at age 15 and his first "major" win was the prestigious Eastern States Knockout Teams in 1980. At 20 years old, he was the youngest to win this event. At 17 he was a finalist in the Reisinger partnered by Oswald Jacoby. At 18 again partnered with Oswald Jacoby he competed in the fifth annual Goldman Pairs. Jacoby who had won the first one in 1927 advised Glubok to "quit bridge and go back to college." Glubok won the International Bridge Press Association Romex Award (for the best bid hand of 1990-1991) with Edgar Kaplan. A WBF World Master, Glubok placed second in the World Mixed Pairs in 2010, fourth in the World Open Pairs in 1990, and 17<sup>th</sup> in the Rosenblum Teams in 1990. Glubok has won five North American championships including the Spingold in 1987. He has placed high in international money tournaments including being a four-time winner of the Cavendish Teams. He has been a contributor to *The Bridge World*, the Bridge Bulletin, *Popular Bridge*, *Australian Bridge* and *New Zealand Bridge*. He also writes on non-bridge subjects.

**GOLDSTEIN, Stephen D.** (Steve) (b. 1947) of Anaheim CA wrote a daily bridge column for Washington Times 1982-1996; served on the Boards of the WBL 1994-1995 and GNYBA 1974-1976. Goldstein won the Men's Teams (now Mitchell Open BAM) and placed second in the Vanderbilt and Reisinger in 1974. In 2007, Goldstein was third-fourth in the Championship Flight of the Grand National Teams, and was second in the Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams. Goldstein is a full-time player and teacher whose hobbies include singing and dancing.

**GOLIAS, Tipton** (b. 1941) of Beaumont TX is the president of Helena Labs. He won the Spingold in 1997.

**GRANOVETTER, Matthew** (Matt) was born in Jersey City NJ, in 1950. He learned bridge while crawling under the kitchen table at his grandmother's house. He started to play bridge seriously at the age of 12 and at 20 became a professional player and writer. He's also a composer, with a Bachelor's degree in creative writing, from Hunter College, in New York City, and a Master's degree in Children's Theatre. He has authored and produced two children's plays, published by Samuel French and the Dramatic Publishing Co, has worked for the budget department of New York City, as a professor at Hunter College, and as an options trader on the American Stock Exchange.

Author of more than a dozen bridge books, including *Murder At The Bridge Table*, *I Shot My Bridge Partner* and *The Bridge Team Murders*. Co-author, with wife Pamela, *Tops & Bottoms*, *Conventions At a Glance* and *For Experts Only*.

In addition to their "Partnership Bridge" column in the Bridge Bulletin, the Granovetters were founders and editors of the magazine, *Bridge Today*, for 20 years. Matthew is bridge editor for the Jerusalem Post and also writes a monthly Tales of Mystery and Imagination for the online OKbridge Spectator. In 2005, the Granovetters moved to Cincinnati after residing 12 years in Israel.

The Granovetters have edited and published many bridge books by other authors. Matthew has lectured at regional and national tournaments in the U.S. and has worked as a coach for players, bridge teams and as a promoter of prize-money events. Together they've won several events, including the Cavendish Teams (twice) and the U.S. Professional \$10,000 Pairs in New Orleans. Matthew won the \$4000 Bridge Today All-Star Individual (1991) and the Cavendish Invitational Pairs (1986, with Michael Rosenberg). He has won six North American championships, most recently the 2009 Spingold.

At the world championship level, he has two silver medals, the Mixed Teams (1974 Tenerife) and Senior Teams (2008 Beijing), and one gold medal (2006 Mixed Pairs in Verona, Italy, with Karen McCallum).

**GRAVES, Allan** (b. 1949) of Barnet, VT is a bridge professional and former child counselor. He has been a member of the *Bridge World* Master Solvers panel since 1978. A WBF World Master, Graves represented Canada in Las Palmas 1974, New Orleans 1978, Valkenburg 1980, Biarritz 1982, Seattle 1984, Bal Harbour 1986. He placed third in the Rosenblum Teams 1982. Graves has won the CNTC five times and has two other North American championship wins to his credit – the Keohane North American Swiss Teams 1986 and the Truscott /USPC Senior Swiss 2008.

**GRECO, Eric** (b. 1975) was born in Florida. He graduated from the University of Virginia with a degree in Finance and Accounting and now lives in Philadelphia and works as an equity options trader on the Philadelphia Options Exchange. In 1991, Greco won the Manfield Non-Life Master Pairs playing with his father, Philip Greco. Two years later, they won the Flight 'B' Grand National Teams. Since then he has won 10 North American Championships. Greco first represented the USA at the 1993 World Junior Teams in Denmark, aged just 18. He collected a Bronze medal there and, six years later, added a Silver medal from the same event. In January 2000, while still technically a Junior, he finished fifth in the World Transnational Teams in Bermuda. In 2005, he added a bronze in the Bermuda Bowl to his medal collection. In 2010, he finally added gold by winning the Rosenblum Cup in Philadelphia.

**GREENBERG, Gail** (b. 1938) of New York City is a bridge teacher and professional player. She is one of the leading women players of the world. A WBF World Grand Master, Greenberg has won five world championships. She has also won 17 North American championships and is active in bridge administration. She has served as vice-chairman of ACBL Appeals Committee and as a member of both the ACBL Goodwill Committee and the ACBL Charity Committee. She is a past president of Greater New York B.A. and former District 24 member of the ACBL Board of Governors.

**GRIFFEY, Candace** (Candy) (formerly Fowler) of Palm Beach Gardens FL is the bridge manager of the 800+ member Vero Beach Bridge Center, a professional bridge player and teacher. Griffey won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 2003. She is currently a member of ACBL Goodwill Committee and Unit 240 Board.

**GRISCOM, Dr. John H.** (b. 1929) of Nashville TN is a physician. He was the Tennessee state junior golf champion in 1947 and captain of collegiate golf team. Griscom won the GNOP (now the NAP) in 1983 and competed internationally in Bal Harbour in 1986.

**GRUE, Joe** (b. 1981) of New York City NY is a professional bridge player. Joe grew up in Minnesota and, like many players, he learned bridge at home growing up with a bridge-playing grandmother and bridge parents. At age 20, he moved to New York with the intention of joining what was a growing list of bridge players who were making their fortunes by trading options, but it wasn't for him. Instead, he played a lot of high-stakes rubber bridge. He credits the daily 100+ rubber hands for his solid bridge training. In the 10 years Grue has been on the bridge scene, he has won three World Junior Championships and three North American championships.

**GUIVER, Harold B.** (Squeezer) (1925-2005) of Long Beach CA made his mark as a student athlete at the University of Southern California, where he was a member of the NCAA-champion tennis team. Later, as an agent for several of the Los Angeles Rams of the NFL, he pioneered the use of contracts with deferred payments. He subsequently became vice president of the Rams and served as assistant general manager of the New Orleans Saints. In the world of tennis, he recognized the enormous talent of a young player named Billie Jean Moffett (later King), paying her way to Wimbledon when she was 17 years old. When she and Karen Hantze won the women's doubles in London, she gave the trophy to Guiver. He was also an expert handicapper at racetracks in the Los Angeles area. In bridge, Guiver was a three time North American champion.

**GUSTAFSON, Helen R.** (Mrs. John) (1923-2011) of Des Moines IA chaired numerous tournaments since 1973. Gustafson has won two North American championships.

**GUSTAFSON, John E.** (b.1924) of Des Moines IA is a retired pediatric cardiologist and medical consultant to life insurance companies. He served Unit 116 and District 14 as president. He is a past member of the ACBL Board of Governors and a former vice-chairman of the ACBL Education Foundation. Gustafson won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1983 and the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams in 1997.

**HAMILTON, Fred** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**HAMMAN, Petra** (Pete) (b. 1946) of Dallas TX was born in Germany. She is a bridge teacher, former teacher and manufacturer's representative. She has served as a member of the ACBL Board of Governors and president of Unit 176. Petra won the World Women's Team Olympiad in 2000. She has won nine North American championships.

**HAMMAN, Robert D.** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**HAMPSON, Geoff** (b. 1968) was born in Toronto ON and currently resides in Las Vegas NV. Hampson learned to count points at the kitchen table on his father's knee at around 6 years old, but he left the game alone until high school. He attended undergraduate classes at the University of Western Ontario, and York University in Toronto. When it became a viable career option, Geoff started playing bridge professionally. A WBF Grand Life Master, Geoff won the Transnational Teams in 2001 and the Rosenblum Cup in 2010. He has won 14 North American championships which include two Spingold, the Reisinger and the CNTC. Away from the table, Geoff is a serious movie buff and an avid golfer. He can usually be found either on the course or in a theatre. He also studies the stock market and enjoys running.

**HARPER, Barry C.** (b. April 25, 1955) is an expert bridge player and accredited ACBL teacher, with 35 years teaching experience. He is a member of the IBPA (International Bridge Press Association). He is a Grand Life Master with more than 18,000 masterpoints placing him third on the Canadian Lifetime list and highest ranked Canadian Grand Life Master. He is in the top 100 Lifetime ACBL wide. He won the 1990 Silodor Open Pairs.

He was the first Saskatchewan resident to be on the McKenney Trophy list in 1978. He has been a regular contender in the Barry Crane Top 500 race for several years. In 2005 he was the first ACBL Emerald Life Master of the Year and winner of the Richmond Trophy with almost 1600 points for the year. In 2006, he repeated as Richmond Trophy winner with almost 1500 points. In 2007 he led for most of the year, ending up second with over 1100 points. He won again in 2009. He was third in 2010, while the winner, a student and partner of his, Hannah Moon, was the first woman to win the Richmond Trophy in its 37 year existence. (She also won the 2010 ACBL Gold Life Master of the Year). In 2002, another student of Harper's, Jay Mann, placed in the top 10 of the Barry Crane Top 500 race, and was that year's ACBL Gold Life Master of the Year.

A resident of Regina SK, Harper holds degrees in both Mathematics and Law from the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon. Gregarious and witty, he is a well-liked player and frequent lecturer at scores of Regional tournaments. In addition he has been a Celebrity Speaker at more than a dozen NABCs. He has also been a guest commentator at the annual St. Louis - Kansas City challenge match, an occasional contributor to Daily bulletins at NABCs and a frequent bidding panel host and/or participant. In the late '70s he briefly wrote a newspaper column in Saskatoon and has been published in the CBF (Canadian Bridge Federation) Digest. In 2007, an article of his, "A Little Nudge", about American junior star John Kranyak, was short-listed by the IBPA for an award in the "Brazilian Junior Award" category.

Even though he only started playing in 1975, he has been a Certified Bridge Club Director since 1976, and briefly was a tournament director. He served on the Saskatoon Bridge Club executive and the North Saskatchewan Unit board. In 2005, he became one of the District 18 representatives on the ACBL Board of Governors. Starting in 2007 he has been a Board of Governors' representative on the ACBL Competitions and Conventions Committee. In 2008 he became a member of the ACBL Conventions Approval Committee.

**HAYDEN, Garey** (b. 1944) of Tucson AZ is a professional bridge instructor and player. A WBF Seniors Grand Master, Hayden has won four world senior teams titles. Hayden has also won nine North American Championships.

**HAYS, G. Gard** (b.1933) of Veradale WA is a salesman and former district board member. He has won two North American championships.

**HENKE, Chuck** (b. 1934) of Aurora CO, safety coordinator with the National Child Safety Council. He was a bridge professional, teacher and cruise director in the Sixties. He won the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1965.

**HOADLEY, Frank M.** (1923-2010) of New Orleans LA was a well-known player in the Southeast for several decades. Hoadley and Julius Rosenblum won the Spring Men's Pairs in 1960. Hoadley loved the city of New Orleans, especially the French Quarter, where he was a frequent patron at Fritzel's Jazz Pub on Bourbon Street. A native of Vermont, Hoadley earned a doctorate in literature from the University of Oklahoma and taught at the University of Maryland before moving to New Orleans in 1960. He also taught at the University of New Orleans, Loyola University and Southern University. A veteran of WW II, he earned a Purple Heart and Combat Infantry Badge.

**HODAPP, Thomas** (b. 1942) of Cincinnati OH, advertising executive. He won the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1978 and placed second in the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1969.

**HURD, John** (b. 1979) of New York City is a professional bridge player. A WBF World International Master, Hurd won two World Junior Team Championships (2001 and 2005). In 2011, as a member of the Bathurst squad, he won the USBF Team Trials. As USA2, Hurd and his teammates will represent the U.S. in the Bermuda Bowl in Veldhoven, The Netherlands. Hurd has won four NABC titles, and in 2009, he also claimed the Fishbein Trophy which is awarded to the player with the best overall performance at the Summer NABC.

**ITABASHI, Mark M.** (b. 1954) of Murrieta CA is a full-time professional player. He is a graduate of UC Berkeley. Itabashi contributes to local bridge publications and is a frequent lecturer at tournaments. His hobbies include tennis, skiing, fishing and travel. He is a multi-year winner of ACBL sectional masterpoint races and a two-time North American champion.

**IVASKA, J. Paul, Jr.** (b. 1941) of Las Vegas NV is an office manager and a former control systems engineer, designing and analyzing control and guidance systems for missiles and spacecraft. He has served Culver City and Las Vegas Units as president and was a District 17 Board member in the early Eighties. Ivaska is a two-time North American champion.

**JABBOUR, Zeke** of Boca Raton FL is professional player, writer, cruise director and lecturer. Jabbour's column "Winsome & Loathsome" appears monthly in the Bridge Bulletin, he is an "It's Your Call" panelist, and a hand consultant for "Tall Tales and Short Stories". In addition to his eight North American championships, Jabbour won the Barry Crane Top 500 and the Fishbein Trophy in 1989 and was the Senior Player of the Year in 1995.

**JABON, Joseph A.** (Joe) (1925-2002) of Seattle WA was the owner of a transportation company. In the Sixties, he introduced musical entertainment to regionals using talent furnished by bridge players. He served two terms as president of the Seattle Unit and was a columnist for the *Seattle Times*. Jabon was also a member of the “Whiz Kids” team that included Sidney Lazard, Ron Dreyfus and Noel Duvic. He won the National Open Individual in 1959 (Baird Trophy) and placed second in the Open Individual in 1950, Open Pairs in 1965, and GNOP in 1992.

**JACOB, Dan R.** (b. 1951) of Burnaby BC and born in Romania is an engineer. He was National Master of the Year in 1979. Jacob won the Canadian National Teams Championship (CNTC) four times and the Silodor Open Pairs in 2008.

**JACOBS, George** (b.1947) of Burr Ridge IL is an executive and former compulsive gambler. He joined Gamblers Anonymous more than thirty years ago and hasn’t gambled since. He has been very vocal about gambling addiction and because of that he has helped many others. In 1992 he was named “Entrepreneur of the Year” for Illinois. In 1993 he was inducted in the “Entrepreneurial Hall of Fame” in Illinois. Jacobs has won 11 North American Championships which include three Vanderbilts, two Spingolds and one Reisinger and won silver in the 2007 Bermuda Bowl. He is the author of the popular Bridge Bulletin column “George’s World”, the auctioneer for the Cavendish, and a viewgraph commentator at both live and online Vugraphs.

**JACOBUS, Marc S.** (b.1951) of Las Vegas NV is a professional player. A WBF World Life Master, Jacobus placed second in the World Transnational Teams in 2000 and the Rosenblum Teams in 2006. He has won seven North American championships.

**JACOBY, James O.** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**JACOBY, Oswald** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**JANITSCHKE, Craig** (1951-2001) of Olympia WA was a computer information technology applications specialist for the Washington Department of Revenue. Janitschke was the youngest Life Master in Colorado in 1971 and went on to play professionally from 1977 to 1984. A WBF World Master, Janitschke placed fourth in the World Open Pairs in Biarritz in 1982. He played frequently with his brother, Jan, and was known for his partnership with Barry Crane. Janitschke was a four-time North American champion.

**JANITSCHKE, Jan P.** (b.1947) of Littleton CO is a bridge professional. An excellent pianist and violinist, he performed as a soloist with several orchestras as a teenager. He co-authored *Bridge Mini Series* which was ABTA’s “Book of the Year” in 1992. Janitschke, a WBF World Master, placed fourth in World Open Pairs in Biarritz in 1982. He has won four North American championships including the Nail Life Master Pairs in 1980.

**KAMIL, Michael S.** (b. 1960) of Holmdel NJ has been a New Jerseyite all his life, Mike credits his love of the game to his first bridge partner, his mother, who professed to him as a young lad that every hand is an adventure. Together they won several New York area regionals and their capturing of the 1980 Las Vegas NABC Flight B Mixed Pair (besting over 1300 pairs) was his biggest thrill. However, the high point thus far in his bridge career was winning the 1990 Vanderbilt with Gerard, Morse, Sutherland, Pollack and Sanders. From 1985-2003, Mike was a stock options trader. Presently he is a “sometimes” professional player but devotes his energy toward building a philatelic business on Ebay. Most of his leisure time is spent with his wife and their twin daughters. Mike modestly confessed to a ‘modicum of success with each of his partners’ (including Mike Moss, Mike Becker, Christal Henner-Welland and Marty Fleisher) but only a deep-rooted love of bridge could have evoked the words ‘I love playing regardless of partner’s or teammates’ abilities.’

**KANTAR, Edwin B.** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**KAPLAN, Edgar** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**KAPLAN, Peggy** (b.1951) of Minnetonka MN is a realtor, the ACBL “Roaming Reporter,” a bridge writer and MNBridge.com editor. She has won four North American championships including the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2004, the Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams twice and the NABC+ Fast Pairs in 2009.



**KASDAY, Tony** (1936-2011) of Las Vegas, was in the direct mail business for 45 years. From 1967-1972 he owned and operated the highly successful Edinburgh Bridge Club in Los Angeles. He was a three time North American champion. Kasday was also a collector of old movies and had more than 16,000 tapes.

**KASLE, Gaylor** (b. 1941) of Boca Raton FL, retired bridge professional. He was greatly responsible for professional bridge getting bigger and better in the middle Sixties and early Seventies. Kasle is a two-time world champion winning the Rosenblum Cup in 1994 and the World Senior Teams in 2003 and an eight-time North American champion. Kasle will represent the U.S. in Veldhoven, The Netherlands in 2011 as a member of the USA 2 Senior squad.

**KATZ, Ralph** (b. 1957) of Burr Ridge IL is an options trader. A WBF World Life Master, Katz won the Bermuda Bowl in 2009 and placed second in 2007. Katz has 20 NABC titles to his credit including three Spingolds, three Vanderbilts, and two Reisingers. He also won the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs (1979), Silodor Open Pairs (1996), Nail Life Master Pairs (2008), and the Lebhar IMP Pairs (1999) and claimed the Fishbein Trophy twice (1981 and 2001).

**KATZ, Dr. Richard** (Dick) (b. 1942) of Rancho Mirage CA is a physician. He co-authored *Breakthrough in Bridge* and won 12 North American championships.

**KAY, Norman** – SEE HALL of FAME

**KELLER, Brenda** (b. 1943) of Boise ID is a professional player. She won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2007.

**KENNEDY, Betty Ann** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**KENT, Bill** of Iowa City IA is a bridge club manager. Bill has served as a member of the Unit 163 board since 1991 serving as president for three years and as secretary-treasurer for the last five years. He has also been on the District 14 board many years. Kent won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2004, but his favorite moment was going over 10,000 masterpoints at the 2006 Council Bluffs Regional. Kent's mood is often determined by how the St. Louis Cardinals play.

**KEOHANE, Ethel** (Mrs. William H.) (1901-1995) of Wellesley Hills MA. Keohane served as the secretary of the Eastern MA Bridge Association for 18 years, as assistant chairman of the Goodwill Committee for many years, and was on the executive board of the New England B.C. Keohane got her start in bridge because her husband Bill played duplicate regularly and she decided to find out why he found it so enchanting. She bought a Culbertson book, studied it and ventured forth into duplicate in 1939. Keohane was Life Master #151 and the leading masterpoint holder in the New England states at the time of her death. In 1981, at the age of 80, Keohane survived a brutal car accident that killed her partner, Ida Bennett. Although practically every bone in her body was broken and she was not expected to live, she somehow managed to pull through. She was told she would never walk again, but after months of exercise and going through physical rehabilitation she regained the use of her legs. In 1982 she was named the ACBL Honorary Member. Keohane won two North American championships.

**KIRKHAM, Corinne** (b. 1936) of Leawood KS is a four-time North American champion. Corinne is a graduate of University of Maryland and for many years a computer programmer and/or project manager for various companies and government agencies, mostly in the Baltimore/Washington area. From 1990 until 2008, Corinne ran bridge clubs, taught bridge and played professionally. Her daughter, Adair Gellman, was the youngest female Life Master and Queen of Bridge.

**KIRKHAM, Jim** (b. 1936) joined the Marine Corps upon graduation from the University of Missouri, he was a combat Marine artillery battery commander and infantry battalion commander during the Vietnam War and retired from the Marines in 1978 as a Lieutenant Colonel.

With a master of science in computer science, Jim spent the first 12 years after his Marine Corps career in senior management and later in management consulting with systems development businesses. From 1990 to 2008 he taught and played bridge professionally.

A three-time North American champion, he won the Silver Ribbon Pairs and the Senior Swiss Teams (1999), and Mixed Pairs (2003) (all with wife Corinne). As a bridge theorist, he developed a three-way Drury (to immediately show four-card support with any range); a modification to Jacoby 2NT to show keycards with minimum balanced hands; and Suction (nee Kirkham Over Big Bids, or KOB), a very versatile and effective defense to 1NT and 2NT openings and strong 1♣ and 2♣ openings.

Jim was a bridge volunteer with more than 20 years service on the District 22 (Southern California) Board of Directors, fifteen years on the Western Conference Board of Directors, twelve years on the ACBL Board of Directors (ACBL President in 2001) , and six years on the World Bridge Federation Executive Council. Kirkham was site coordinator and negotiator for many Southern California Regional Tournaments: he was also an innovative tournament manager who ran the first four-session one-day “play ‘til you drop” KO regional events (San Bernardino) and ran the first on-site computer-based regional events (San Diego). He negotiated and started the very successful regional in Palm Springs where he succeeded in establishing the presidential gavel turnover.

He is retired in the Kansas City area.

**KIVEL, Joseph** (Joe) (b. 1934) of Newport Coast CA is a former nuclear scientist. A WBF Senior Life Master, Kivel won the World Senior Teams in 2001. He has one North American title – the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1995. Kivel has placed second in five NABC events.

**KONERU, Venkatrao** (b.1959) of San Antonio TX, born in India, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force. He won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 2004.

**KREKORIAN, James E.** (Jim) (b. 1952) formerly of New York City now living in Pensacola FL graduated from Duke engineering school in 1974 and served as a U.S. Air Force pilot from 1974 to 1981, achieving the rank of Captain, C-130 aircraft commander. Jim traded options on the American Stock Exchange from 1986 to 2003, was a floor official for five years, and formed Blue Hercules LLC in 1999. At Duke he was a three-year letterman in track and is still an avid runner and racer. Kirkham is now a full-time bridge professional and consultant and part-time artist with oils being his favorite medium for his paintings. He won the Life Master Men’s Pairs in 1986, the North American Open Pairs in 1992 and 2009, the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1996, the Mitchell Open BAM Teams in 1997, and in his renewed partnership with Drew Casen the Cavendish double (pairs in 1987, teams in 2007) and the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2010.

**LAIR, Mark** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**LALL, Hemant** (b. 1951) moved to Dallas from India in 1973. After that, Lall went to graduate school at SMU and earned two master’s degrees (industrial engineering and operations research). He spent most of his working life at Perot Systems, but is currently working at SCA – a company owned by Bob Hamman. Lall has won six North American Championships. The most thrilling of his victories was playing with his son, Justin, in the Grand National Teams in Chicago in 2006.

**LANDEN, Stephen W.** (b. 1952) of West Bloomfield MI is a computer consultant and bridge professional. Landen graduated cum laude from the University of Michigan in 1979. He has served on Unit 137 Board of Directors and member of the Ethical Oversight committee. A WBF World International Master, Landen won bronze in the 2003 Bermuda Bowl. Landen has won six North American championships and was the IBPA Sportsman of the Year in 1979.

**LANOUE, Jack** (1940-2006) won the North American Pairs with Sidney Lazard in 1990 and was one of the most successful players in the Southeast. The longtime resident of the New Orleans area lived in Houston for about a year, leaving just ahead of Hurricane Katrina, but returned to his home in Metairie not long before his death. He was well known for his sense of humor and his singing voice.

**LAPIDES, Steven R.** (b. 1943) of Towson MD, data processing sales and consultant. He won the Nail Life Master Men’s Pairs in 1975 and 1989.

**LARSEN, Karl Christain** (Chris) (b. 1941) of Costa Mesa CA, born in Norway, is an accountant, bridge teacher and club director. He graduated from college in Norway with three degrees. He won the World Senior Teams in 2001 and is an eight-time North American champion.

**LARSEN, Kyle** (b. 1950) of San Francisco CA, professional player. Larsen won the Bermuda Bowl (2001) as well as the Rosenblum Cup (2006). In 2007, Kyle was the npc of the winning Senior Bowl Team. At the age of 18, he was the youngest player ever to win a major North American Championship team title – the Reisinger 1968. Larsen has won 11 North American Championships.

**LAWRENCE, Mike** (b. 1940) of Brentwood TN started playing bridge while he was a chemistry student at the University of California; as result of a self-inflicted hand injury, he had to postpone the final exams and started playing bridge as a pastime. Bridge became his major interest and he devoted his subsequent life to it.

In 1968, he was invited by Ira Corn to join the newly-formed Dallas Aces team. He formed a partnership with Bobby Goldman, with whom he played a 2/1 game forcing system. They started by winning several North American Bridge Championships and, after a long Italian Blue Team reign, returned the world crown to America by winning the Bermuda Bowls in 1970 and 1971. Lawrence left the Aces in 1973. Under Ira Corn's mentorship, Lawrence started teaching bridge and subsequently writing books. He has written more than 20 books since. He received numerous book-of-the-year awards starting with his first book, *How to Read Your Opponents' Cards*. He contributed to the theory of 2/1 game forcing systems, and his "2/1 semi-forcing" approach competes with Max Hardy's "unconditional forcing" approach. Together, they wrote the book *Standard Bridge Bidding for the 21st Century* in 2000. He also helped develop educational bridge software with Fred Gitelman.

In addition to his world championships with the Aces, Lawrence won another Bermuda Bowl in 1987 in partnership with Hugh Ross along with teammates Hamman, Wolff, Martel, and Stansby. He has won 16 North American Championships.

**LAZARD, Sidney H.** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**LAZARUS, Edmond P.** (Ed) (b. 1937) of Baltimore MD is an engineering design manager and patent attorney. He has served as a local tournament chairman and as a member of the ACBL Appeals Committee. He won the Men's Pairs in 1968.

**LEARY, James Bolton (Jim)** (1936-2003) of Irvine CA was a player with the Buffalo Bills and later an estate planning attorney. Leary won the inaugural Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1992.

**LeBENDIG, Alan P.** (1948-2009) represented District 23 on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1998-2006. Before his death, LeBendig had been battling multiple sclerosis and was living in an assisted facility, but managed to play bridge nearly everyday. He usually played at the Barrington Bridge Club which he co-owned for many years. Active in Zero Tolerance programs, LeBendig once approached Edgar Kaplan and persuaded him that adjusting people's scores for bad behavior was within the letter of the law. LeBendig won one North American championship - the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1993.

**LETIZIA, Marinesa** (b. 1954) of Kingston NY is a critical care nursing supervisor. She is a three-time world champion having won the McConnell Cup in 1994 and 2006 and the Venice Cup in 1997. She has four North American titles to her credit.

**LEVIN, Jillian S.** (b. 1961) (formerly Blanchard, nee Shane) of Henderson NV has won four world championships and 10 North American Championships. Jill is a non-practicing attorney and has written a novel, *Bet Raise or Fold*. Her hobbies include skiing, tennis, and her beloved Mets. As Jill Blanchard, she instituted a highly publicized lawsuit in an attempt to force ACBL to allow women to play in high-level men's pairs events. ACBL now runs women's events opposite some open events and there are no men's events at the North American Championship level.

**LEVIN, Robert (Bobby)** (b. 1957) is a professional bridge player. Levin was born in Southampton, Long Island, New York. As a 13-year-old, he won the first tournament event he ever entered – the Men's Pairs at a New York sectional – making him the youngest winner in the history of the event.

When Levin was 15, the family moved to Miami. In March 1973, not long after arriving in Florida, Levin became the youngest Life Master at the age of 15 years and 4 months old and held this record until 1975. Once in Miami, Levin met two players – Billy Seamon and Russ Arnold – who had a profound influence on his bridge career. By the age of 17, Levin was playing professionally on teams with Arnold, sponsored by Bud Reinhold.

In 1979, his team (Reinhold, Arnold, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell) tied for first in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams. Since the Reisinger was a qualifying event for the team trials to determine ACBL's representative for the world championships, a playoff was necessary. The team lost the playoff in the wee hours of the morning to Ira Corn's Dallas Aces (Ira Rubin, Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman and Bobby Wolff).

The following spring, Reinhold team won the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams in Fresno CA qualifying for the team trials. The squad easily won the right later that year to represent the United States in the 1981 Bermuda Bowl in Port Chester NY. The team added John Solodar and defeated Zia Mahmood-led Pakistan for the championship. The win made Levin, at 23 years old, the youngest world champion at the time.

In his career, Levin has won two world championships and 26 North American championships.

**LEVY, Michael (Mike)** (b. 1941) of Tucson AZ, born in Kobe, Japan, is a retired systems engineer and Lt. Col. USAF. Levy won the Amateur Swiss Teams in 1977.

**LEWIS, Linda Marie** (b. 1952) of Sioux Falls SD is a professional bridge player. In 1983 she placed second in the Barry Crane Top 500 with most masterpoints ever in a year by a woman, 2746. Linda has won five North American championships.

**LEWIS, Paul J.** (b. 1952) of Sioux Falls SD is a former professional bridge player and attorney. Lewis has won two North American championships.

**LILIE, Harold J.** of Chicago IL. A WBF World Master, Lilie placed sixth in the Rosenblum Teams in 1986. In the early Eighties, Lilie and David Berkowitz formed a successful partnership winning both the Men's Teams (Now Mitchell Open BAM) and the Men's Pairs (now the Wernher Open Pairs) in 1982. Lilie also won the Mott-Smith Trophy in 1982. In addition to his wins with Berkowitz, Lilie has won the Mixed BAM twice and the Lebhar IMP pairs.

**LINHART, William James** (Jim) (1936-2009) was raised in the Bay Area, studied philosophy and history at St. Mary's College in Moraga CA. He paid part of his college tuition by being a croupier in Lake Tahoe and playing blackjack through the night. After graduating, he went to law school in San Francisco. He moved to Los Angeles to work for Systems Development Corporation then relocated to New York, taking a job as a budget analyst for the New York Department of Social Services. However, his passions were his wife, June, and their children, Robin and Mary Alice, and bridge. He had been introduced to the game by Doug Drury, which greatly upset Linhart's grandmother, who was an ardent Baptist. His mother, though, was happy and expressed her support by opening a canasta club. Linhart held one national championship, the 1975 Master Mixed Teams with Nancy Gruver, Helen Utegaard and Gerald Caravelli, and won innumerable regional and sectional titles.

**LIPSITZ, Robert** (Lipper) (b. 1942) of Palm Harbor FL is a computer analyst. A WBF World Life Master, Lipsitz won the World Mixed Teams in 1974 and the Rosenblum Teams in 1986. Lipsitz has won six North American Championships.

**LOW, Marc E.** (b. 1935) of Centerville OH. Dean of the College of Science and Mathematics at Wright State University. With John Hamilton, he adapted chess pairings to create the Swiss Movement in 1967. Low has won two North American Championships.

**LOW, Sandra** (Sandy) (1932-2011) of Centerville OH won two North American championships, the Freeman Mixed BAM Teams in 1997 and the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams in 1999.

**MacLEAN, Hugh C.** (1938-2008) was a fixture in Minnesota bridge for most of his life. He was a full-time player, bridge club owner and the District 14 tournament coordinator. He moved to Texas for family reasons in 1997. MacLean has been described as a colorful and larger-than-life character. MacLean won two North American championships, the Men's Pairs (now the Nail LM Pairs) in 1970 and the Men's Board-a-Match Teams (now the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match) in 1974.

**MAHMOOD, Zia** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**MANFIELD, Edward A.** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**MARTEL, Chip** is a professor of Computer Science at the University of California, Davis. A World Grand Master, Martel has won five world championships and placed second three times. He has also won more than 25 North American championships and U.S. Bridge Championships ("Trials"), most of them in partnership with Lew Stansby. In January 2007, Martel and Stansby marked the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their partnership, one of the longest running in bridge history. Chip also has an outstanding record with other partners, including wife Jan, USBF president. Chip and Jan teamed with Lew and JoAnna Stansby and Kit and Sally Woolsey to finish second in the North American Open Teams in Chicago in 2006. Martel is currently chair of the ACBL Laws Commission. A favorite hobby is revising his bidding system ("Chip abhors a bid without a meaning," friends say) and devising defenses to methods played most commonly outside the United States.

**MATHIS, James L.** (b. 1927) of Buffalo NY is a retired bank executive. He served on his local board and on the ACBL Board of Governors from 1987-1990. He was president of his unit in early Fifties. Mathis represented the U.S. in Stockholm in 1970. Mathis has one North American title – the 1969 Silodor Open Pairs.

**McCALLUM, Karen** is a five-time world champion. McCallum is perhaps best known for her aggressive and complex “light initial action” bidding system. Although the five-card (non-vul) “McCallum weak 2-bids” (with no restrictions on suit quality or side holdings) are no longer an oddity among experts, Karen saw their promise in the 1970s. Respected around the world as a bidding theorist as well as a player, McCallum has served as a coach of several Turkish national bridge teams (open, women, and junior), and of the Australian open national bridge team. She was the npc for the Turkish juniors in the 2000 Junior World Championships in Antalya. McCallum has been an invited participant in bidding panels in numerous bridge publications in England, Australia, Turkey, New Zealand, France and the US. She has also edited several bridge books, including the best-selling bridge book of all time, Larry Cohen’s *To Bid or Not to Bid*. In addition to her great success in women’s bridge, McCallum has had some memorable experiences in open bridge. She was invited (with partner, Kerri Sanborn) to play in the 1990 Rosenblum Teams with Peter Pender, Ralph Cohen, Bob Jones, and Mike Smolen, and the team faced a formidable opponent in the round of 16: Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Jimmy Cayne, and Chuck Burger. At the half, Pender’s team was down 15 IMPs, and one team member suggested that perhaps “the four guys” should play the rest of the way. But Pender sent in McCallum and Sanborn for the second half and won the match. Pender’s team eventually lost in the round of 8 to the German open team that won the event.

**McDEVITT, Patrick J.** of Brookline MA is an industrial engineer and world champion bridge player. McDevitt won the World Senior Pairs in 2010. He has also won three North American bridge championships. McDevitt represented Ireland in the first World Mind Sports Games in Beijing in 2009. He has contributed to Irish Bridge Journal and donated bidding boxes to the Donegal congress in Ireland. In addition to his bridge successes, he also won three North American Gaelic football championships.

**McGARRY, Dennis J.** (b. 1947) of Lauderhill FL is a small business owner and part-time bridge professional. Having acquired over 10,000 masterpoints many years earlier, McGarry only needed a NABC title to become a Grand Life Master. He accomplished this in 2010 when he won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams.

**MECKSTROTH, Jeff** (b.1956) was born in Springfield OH and now lives in Tampa FL. He has been a star of the bridge world for more than 30 years.

Although Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell are two of the world’s leading players, it is as a partnership (known universally as “Meckwell”) that they have built their widespread reputation as one of the greatest partnerships of all time. Together, they have won virtually every major title in the game, most of them more than once. They are renowned not only as great players, but also as brilliant theorists. Their bidding system (starting from a Precision base) is complex, their agreements extensive, and their trademark style ultra-aggressive.

Meckstroth played in his first world championship at the age of 26. All of his major international successes have come in partnership with Rodwell. They have won the Bermuda Bowl five times but had to settle for silver medals in 1997 and 2005. At World Team Olympiads, they won gold in 1988 and silver in 1992. They also won the World Open Pairs in 1982.

In 1974, at the age of 18, Meckstroth was one of the first recipients of the ACBL King of Bridge scholarship. Five years later, he broke onto the tournament scene with a vengeance, winning three North American titles that year, including the Reisinger, and reaching the final of the Vanderbilt. Meckstroth has been ACBL Player of the Year three times (1992, 2004 and 2009). Meckstroth has won the Barry Crane Top 500 10 times, beating Charles Goren’s record of eight. He and Goren share the record for the most number of consecutive victories. In 1998 he was awarded the IBPA’s Charles J. Solomon Award for the year’s best-played hand.

**MEFFLEY, Richard** (b. 1950) of Fresno CA is a corporate tax technician. He is President of Fresno Unit 522, editor *Aces, Places and Faces*, and a member of the ACBL Board of Governors and the Goodwill Committee. Meffley won the Silodor Open Pairs in 2001.

**MELTZER, Rose** grew up in New York and received her bachelor's and master's degrees in chemistry from Columbia University. Rose and her husband, Cliff, along with their four dogs and four cats live in California. Her passion for bridge began in high school but really blossomed in the late 1990s. Since then she is the first woman to win four open world titles and a Senior world title. She was the first female World Grand Master. In addition to her international success, Meltzer has also won six North American Championships. While in New York, she served as unit president and tournament chairman, as well as a member of District 3's board. In California, she served on the unit and district board. She is currently a member of the USBF Board and Chair of the USBF Grievances and Appeals Committee. Her other great passion is her love of music and playing the piano (she is also a graduate piano student from Juilliard).

**MEYERS, Jill** (Mrs. Sid Brownstein) (b. 1950) of Santa Monica CA owns a music consulting business for films and television. Meyers has a law degree, but does not practice. She is a five-time world champion and a 17-time North American champion. Jill is one of only two women to have won the Nail Life Master Pairs after it became an open event in 1990. She is also one of only two women to have won both the Lou Herman Trophy (Sylvia Stein won it twice) and the Mott-Smith Trophy (Sue Sachs was the other).

**MICHAELS, Terry** (1927-2005) of Prairie Village KS, formerly of Washington DC, was a leading player, club owner, director and teacher. Michaels lived most of her life in Washington DC, where she was first associated with the Charles Goren School of Bridge and started a bridge club in her apartment. She later established the Bridge Center of Washington, where she had the first Swiss teams and the first computer scoring. Her first major playing success came in 1955, when she was on the winning squad of the Master Mixed Teams (now Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams). She added five more North American titles and eight seconds, but her greatest thrill came in 1998, when she won a bronze medal in the McConnell Cup in Lillie, France. Early in her career, Michaels was known as The Dragon Lady, probably because of her very strict, proper and superior attitude. She demanded proper etiquette at the table and would tell partners or opponents if they stepped out of line.

**MICHELIN, Marjorie** (b.1954) of Laguna Woods CA is an interior designer and bridge teacher. Marjorie has a Master's Degree in Education and is a sign speaker for the performing arts. She loves to dance and partakes in all the dances at NABCs. She especially enjoys that the spring nationals fall on her birthday and she gets to celebrate with all of her friends. She has taught many classes and mentored many students as well as being guest lecturer at regionals and on cruises. Outside of bridge, she is great lover of theatre and spends at least one week a year seeing the Broadway shows. Marjorie won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 2011.

**MILES, Marshall** -SEE HALL OF FAME

**MITCHELL, Jacquelyn M.** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**MITCHELL, Victor** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**MOHAN, John** (b.1939) is a successful professional bridge player now living in Mexico City. His many achievements include winning five Vanderbilts, one Spingold, the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs, the Nail LM Pairs, and about a dozen other National events. Internationally, Mohan has won national events in Japan and South Africa, and Gold in the Senior Bowl and Transnational Mixed teams in Maastricht. He has earned 16 North American titles. He was selected as the ACBL Player of the Year in 1999. He also devised the Mohan Weak No Trump Defense. Away from bridge, Mohan serves as President of Childpledge, a charitable organization that feeds and clothes children worldwide.

**MOLSON, Markland** (Mark) (1949-2006) of Miami FL was a professional bridge player. A native of Canada, Molson won the Richmond Trophy (the Canadian equivalent of the Barry Crane Top 500) five times and the Canadian National Team Championships seven times. Molson was a member of the Canadian Team that was involved in one of the most controversial episodes in world championship history. Playing against Germany in the Rosenblum Teams in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1990, the Canadian players agreed to a score that was incorrect in favor of the Germans. The error was discovered during the night, but an appeals committee the following day ruled that the score would stand costing Canada a win and earning them the bronze medal. Molson won a silver medal in the 1995 Bermuda Bowl. In addition to his Canadian and international accomplishments, Molson also won seven NABC titles.

**MONTIN, Randi** of Napa CA is a two-time world and eight-time North American bridge champion.

**MOORE, Joan Remey** (d. 1998) of Troy MI was a retired social worker with the Michigan Department of Social Services, where she dealt with abused and neglected children. Before becoming a social worker, she was a home economics teacher, a budget analyst for General Motors, and a flight attendant. Remey-Moore was the founder and four-year treasurer of Forum for Women in Bridge, an ACBL Board member from 1989 until her death, and a past president of the Michigan Bridge Association. Remey-Moore won three North American championships.

**MORI, Lawrence K.** (Larry) (b. 1948) of Clearwater FL is a professional bridge player, licensed psychotherapist, and administrator of family-owned business. Originally from Japan, Larry has won five North American championships and was Intercollegiate champion in 1976.

**MORRIS, Robert (Bob)** (b.1959) of Houston TX is a professional bridge player. He has won two North American championships.

**MORSE, Dan** (b. 1938) is a native of Houston TX and a retired pharmacist. He has served on the ACBL Board for more than 15 years representing District 16. He was ACBL President in 2008. Morse has also served as a zonal representative and honorary secretary for the WBF. As a player, Morse has won 10 NABC titles including all four major team events (the Spingold, the Vanderbilt, the Reisinger and the top flight GNT). He has represented the U.S. in a number of world championships and was on the winning World Senior Team in 2000.

**MORSE, Jo** (b. 1932) of Palm Beach Gardens FL, one of the leading North American women players. She has served Washington B.L. as board member, secretary and treasurer. A WBF World Life Master, she won the World Mixed Teams in 1974 and captained the winning Venice Cup team in 1993 and the second place Venice Cup team in 1999. She has won 10 North American Championships.

**MOSS, Michael Brad** (Brad) (b. 1971) of San Anselmo CA is a hedge fund portfolio manager. Moss comes from a well known bridge-playing family and started playing bridge around the same time ACBL started promoting junior bridge. Many of his current teammates got their start then, too. Brad was named the ACBL King of Bridge in 1989. Two years later, he became the youngest player ever to win the New York Player of the Year title. Also in 1991, he was a member of the USA team that just missed out on a medal at the World Junior Teams in Ann Arbor MI finishing fourth, and won his first national title – the Master Mixed Teams (now Freeman Mixed BAM). In 1993, he added to his tally by winning the Grand National Teams and the Nail Life Masters Pairs. His current partnership with Fred Gitelman has shown great promise from its inception. In 1998, their team won the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams and they finished third in the Cavendish Invitational Pairs. Since then, the pair has had much success, most recently winning the Rosenblum Cup at the 2010 World Bridge Series in Philadelphia.

**MOSS, Michael** (Mike) (b. 1935) of New York City is a WBF World International Master. Moss has won silver medals in both the 1974 World Mixed Teams and the 1990 Rosenblum Teams. Moss has also won six North American championship titles.

**MUNAFO, Dr. Paul M.** (b. 1939) of Huntsville AL is the assistant director for safety and engineering at the Marshall Space Flight Center. During the Columbia accident investigation, Munafo led NASA's External Tank Contingency Team – formed Feb. 1, 2003, the day of Columbia's loss – to investigate what role the External Tank may have played in the accident. He is credited with providing valuable information to the investigation board. Munafo's work on the External Tank Contingency Team – along with his efforts to identify and resolve a problem that threatened to ground the Space Shuttle for three months in 2002 – earned him recognition from the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He was named 2004 Engineer of the Year by the Institute. A Marshall employee since 1975, Munafo is a three-time recipient of the NASA Exceptional Achievement Medal and has been recognized with NASA's Outstanding Leadership Medal, as well as numerous other NASA awards and commendations. A native of Boston, he graduated from Boston Technical High School in 1957. After earning a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge MA in 1962, Munafo received a master's degree in mechanical engineering from Tulane University in New Orleans in 1971. In 1996, he earned a doctorate degree in materials science from Auburn University. A past president District 10, Unit 232, 143 and a member of unit and district boards for the past 25 years, Munafo won the North American Swiss Teams in 1988.

**MURPHY, James (Jim)** (b. 1942) of Concord NC is a professional bridge teacher, player and contributor to *Bridge Today* and *The Bridge World*. Murphy won the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams 2005 and placed second in 1999.

**MURRAY, Eric R.** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**NAIL, G. Robert (Bobby)** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**NICKELL, Frank** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**NUGIT, Trudi** (d. 2003) born in Prague. She and her parents were interned by the Nazis during World War II, but they survived and migrated to Israel in 1946. Nugit was a sergeant-major in the Israeli army. She acted as a spy, getting a typing job in the British headquarters and reporting back to the Israelis. Nugit moved to the U.S. in 1952 and took up bridge in the early Sixties. She won one North American championship, the Senior Swiss Teams in 2000.

**O'ROURKE, Lou Ann** (b. 1934) of Portola Valley, CA placed third in the John Roberts Cavendish Teams in her first appearance and won the event in 2011. An active bridge player and avid golfer, O'Rourke won the Roth Open Swiss in 2007. She has placed second in seven other NABC events.

**ONSTOTT, John H.** (b. 1944) of New Orleans LA is a brokerage firm owner. He has served on the ACBL Board of Governors, as vice-president of Louisiana B.A., and co-chaired the New Orleans Summer NABC 1983. A WBF Senior Life Master, Onstott won the World Senior Bowl in 2001 and the World Senior Olympiad Teams in 2004. He has won one North American championship.

**PALMER, Beth** has been an Administrative Judge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for 24 years, hearing complaints of employment discrimination. Prior to becoming a judge, she was a lawyer in private practice. Admired in the bridge world for her judicial temperament, Beth has generously given of her time throughout the years to serve in numerous administrative positions with the USBF, ACBL, and the Washington Bridge League. Palmer began playing bridge in law school in 1977 and her first serious partner was Bill Cole. Two years later, she played with Bill at the Norfolk VA NABC and her team made it to the round of 16 in the Vanderbilt. Lynn Deas reports that "Beth was the talk of the tournament, won more than 100 masterpoints, and made Life Master." Beth formed her partnership with Lynn Deas in 1981. Playing a strong club system from the beginning, the pair played in their first World Championships in 1982, when they were both just 30 years old, and finished second in the World Women's Pairs. They have played on three victorious World Championship teams as a pair (1987, 1989, 2002), and have finished first (2010), second (1982), third (1994), and fourth (1990) in the World Women's Pairs.

**PASSELL, Mike** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**PASSELL, William L.** (Bill) (1930-2010) of Coral Springs FL, bridge teacher and certified director. Passell earned three NABC titles during his long career: the 1985 Spingold Knockout Teams, the 1972 Mixed Board-a-Match Teams and the 1960 Rockwell Mixed Pairs. He had three second-place finishes in top events also: the 1984 Jacoby Open Swiss Teams, the 1980 Grand National Teams and the 1968 Wernher Open Pairs.

Passell earned more than 19,416 masterpoints and was No.77 on ACBL's all-time masterpoint leader list at the time of his death.

Besides being a top player, Passell contributed to the game through his work as a national recorder and as a member of the National Appeals Committee. Passell taught bridge and was well known to students in New York and South Florida.

**PAULSEN, Erik** (b. 1926) of Upland CA was born in Norway and a retired aerospace engineer. Paulsen is a two-time world champion and a five-time North American champion.

**PAVLICEK, Richard** began playing bridge in 1964 at the age of 18 while stationed in Stuttgart, West Germany, with the U.S. Army. Upon returning to Florida in 1966 he started to play in bridge tournaments in his spare time. Since then he has won more than 400 events and accumulated more than 16,000 masterpoints. He is an ACBL Grand Life Master and a WBF World International Master.

Pavlicek has won 11 North American Bridge Championships, including a record-setting three straight wins in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, 1982-1984. In 1990, his team mounted a come-from-behind finish to win it again. He won the prestigious Vanderbilt Trophy in 1983, 1986 and in 1995 playing with a team that was arranged the day before the event. He won the Grand National Team Championship in 1973 (its inaugural year) and again in 1997 – an interesting sidelight is that in 1973 one of Pavlicek's teammates was Billy Seamon, and in 1997 he played with Billy's son, Michael. His most recent national win was in



2004 when he and his son, Rich, became the first father-son combination to win the Life Master Open Pairs.

Pavlicek is the author of a variety of bridge textbooks and lesson material. He is co-author of *Modern Bridge Conventions*, published in 1981 and still a popular best-seller in the bridge marketplace, with William S. Root.

Pavlicek is also a bridge columnist and composer of bridge puzzles, double-dummy problems and other novelties, which have appeared in a variety of publications. Since 1987, he has written the analysis booklet for the continent-wide “Instant Matchpoint” games of the ACBL.

Since 2000, Pavlicek has conducted monthly bidding polls and play contests through his website, with thousands of regular participants from over 90 countries.

Richard and his wife of 40 years, Mabel, are not only a partnership in life but also in bridge teaching. Together, as the Pavlicek School of Bridge, they have taught thousands of students in South Florida. In 2006, Richard retired from teaching.

**PECKETT, Heather** of Nepean ON is a retired chartered accountant. She won the Canadian Women’s Team Championship in 2006. She is a member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee and has served as District 1 Secretary and Recorder and past president of Unit 192. Peckett’s other interests are line dancing and sewing for the Canadian Cancer Society.

#### **PENDER, PETER – SEE HALL OF FAME**

**PETERS, Thomas J.** (Tom) (b. 1943) of Grapeland TX is a retired geophysicist. He has been active in local and district bridge administration since the Seventies. Peters won the Wernher Open Pairs in 1994 and has finished second in four other NABC events.

**PETTIT, Randall S.** (Randy) (b. 1943) of Marietta GA is a retired financial planner. He served as president of Unit 114. Pettit won the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1997 and has been Player of the Year (Unit 114) 7 times. Pettit has won two North American championships.

**PINCUS, Carol** (b. 1930) of Las Vegas NV is a business school administrative assistant. A WBF World Master, Pincus finished fifth in the World Women’s Olympiad Teams, sixth in the World Championship Women’s Pairs and seventh in the World Mixed Pairs in 1982. Pincus has won three North American championships.

**POLLACK, Rozanne** (formerly Marel) (b. 1948) of Warren NJ is a sociologist. Pollack won the McConnell Cup in 1994 and place second in world competition on four other occasions. She also won the USWBC in 1985 and 11 other North American Championships.

**POLLACK, William L.** (Bill) (b. 1951) of Warren NJ is a telecommunications executive. He served as co-chairman of NABC Appeals Committee 1984-1990, as a member of the International Team Trials Committee and as a member Board of Directors of Greater New York B.A. He was second in the *Bridge World* Challenge of the Decade (with wife Rozanne) and is a *Bridge World* Master Solver Club panelist. He authored approved convention Lebensohl over Weak Two-bids. Pollack became the youngest ACBL tournament director ever in 1967 at age 16. A WBF World Master, he placed second in the World Transnational Mixed Teams 1996, third in the World Mixed Pairs 1986, and third in the Rosenblum Teams 1998. Pollack has won four North American championships.

**PORTUGAL, Helen** (Mrs. Morris) (1919-1986) of Los Angeles CA was one of the leading American woman players. She placed second in the World Women’s Teams in 1964 and represented the U.S. in Turin in 1960 and Cannes in 1962. She won six North American championships. The Portugals were the first and, to date, the only married couple to win the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs.

**PORTUGAL, Morris** (Port) (b. 1916-1997) of Los Angeles CA was a professional bridge player/teacher and one of the leading players of the West Coast. He served on Los Angeles Unit Board 1947-48 and the Westwood Unit 1949-1959. He won three North American championships.

**POTTER, John R.** (Cigar) (b. 1936) of Panama City Beach FL is a retired USAF Lt. Col. He won the Truscott Senior Swiss Teams in 1999.

**QUINN, Shawn** (nee Womack) (b. 1961) of Sugarland TX is a bridge professional. Quinn is a three-time world champion and has won 22 North American championships and three Team Trials. Her favorite bridge moment was playing in the 2000 World Championships with Bob Hamman as the captain of her team. She says that everything she ever needed to know in life, she learned at the bridge table.

**RADIN, Judi** (formerly Solodar, nee Friedenberg) (b. 1950) is a graduate of Columbia University. Radin makes her living as a professional bridge player. She has been recognized as one of the top female players in the world for decades, and is a four-time world champion and winner of 16 North American titles. Her hobbies are theater and sports, and she is passionate about both. Radin lives in New York City with her husband Michael.

**RANDEL, Judith C.** (Judy) (b. 1936) of Albuquerque NM is a bridge teacher and director. She has served as a member of the ACBL Board of Governors since 1985, president of Unit 374 1976-1977, Dist 17 Recorder since 1986 and on ACBL Board of Appeals for seven years. She won the Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match in 1990.

**RANK, Peter C.** (b. 1938) of Los Angeles is an attorney and ACBL counsel since 2001, former California State Health Director, former director California Employment Department, and a breeder, owner, and handler of more than 300 champion Toy Manchester terriers. He was one North America's leading players in the Sixties and Seventies, but retired from playing in 1978. He and Barry Crane were the top masterpoint winning pair 1964-1975. Rank won the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) in 1965. Rank has won three North American championships. For almost three decades he produced fund-raising shows featuring many major celebrities such as Bob Hope, Betty Ford, Steve Allen, Tommy Tune and Gene Kelly. He is a former president of District 21 and commentator at NABCs and international tournaments 1968-1980. He developed bridge musicals as entertainment for many NABCs, has written, scored and produced 4 productions that were based on Broadway musicals: *My Fair Little Old Lady*, *The Lesser Vice* (Guys and Dolls), *Partnership! Partnership!* (Kiss Me Kate), *There is Nothing Like a Game* and *Annie Bid Your Slam*.

#### **ROBINSON, STEVE – SEE HALL OF FAME**

**ROBISON, Jim** (1942-2006) of Los Angeles CA was a bridge and poker professional. Known among his friends as 'Robo' or 'The Robinator,' Jim was fun to be around, at or away from the table, and he had a remarkable talent for bringing out the best in people - usually because they were working extra hard to prove him wrong about something. Jim won the World Senior Cup in 2004 and six North American Championships.

**RODWELL, Eric** (b.1957) of Clearwater FL is a professional player and writer. For decades Rodwell has been in a regular partnership with Jeff Meckstroth and "Meckwell", for their surnames, is one of the most successful pairs of all time. They are well known for playing an aggressive and very detailed system called RM (for Rodwell-Meckstroth) Precision, of which Rodwell is the principal author.

Rodwell is constantly tinkering with their system, looking for the elusive perfection in constructive bidding to mesh with their trademark ultra-aggressive style.

Rodwell has won the triple crown of bridge: the Bermuda Bowl, the World Team Olympiad, and the World Open Pairs in partnership with Meckstroth. Together they have won almost every major North American team and pair event.

In addition to his many successes with Meckstroth, Rodwell also won the 1988 Staten Bank tournament (with Zia Mahmood), the Icelandic Pairs and Teams and the Pan-American Open Pairs, all in 1992, the Notrump Challenge Match in 1993, and the 2000 Cavendish Invitational Pairs (with Marty Fleisher).

Although he has not actively pursued masterpoints as a goal, he is one of the all-time top masterpoint holders. Rodwell was ACBL Player of the Year in 2008 and the winner of the Barry Crane Top 500 in 2004.

A graduate of Purdue University, Rodwell is an accomplished pianist and enjoys composing music for relaxation. Ragtime is a special favorite. In 2011 Masterpoint Press published Eric's book *The Rodwell Files*. The book was born from a series of notes on an approach to hand analysis and cardplay that Eric began comprising in the 1980s. Eric has also co-authored a number of books and is a major contributor to the ACBL Teaching Series authored by Audrey Grant.

**ROGERS, Rebecca (Becky)** (b. 1939) of Las Vegas NV is a former WBF general manager and assistant, former ACBL national tournament director (since 1979), and the former ACBL director of operations. A WBF World Life Master, Rogers won the World Mixed Pairs in 2002. She has one North American championship title - the Keohane North American Swiss in 2005. Rogers coordinated the World Junior Championship in 1991 and was npc of the U.S. Women's Olympiad Team 1992. She has also served on several President's Advisory Committees in which new convention charts, active ethics program and the ACBL standard card were developed.

**ROSENBERG, Beverly** of Rancho Palos Verdes CA is a bridge teacher and former accountant. A WBF World International Master, she placed fifth in the World Women's Olympiad in 1988 and seventh in the World Mixed Pairs in 1986. Rosenberg has won four North American championships.

**ROSENBERG, Michael** (b.1954) born in New York City, Rosenberg is one of the top bridge players in the United States. He moved to Scotland as a child and returned to New York in 1990 where he lives with his wife Debbie, also a top player. Rosenberg won the 1994 Rosenblum Cup, and was second in the World Open Pairs Championship that same year with Bob Hamman and again in 2002 with Zia Mahmood. He has won 14 North American championships, as well as multiple wins in the major invitational tournaments. He also won the World Bridge Federation (WBF) Par competition in 1998, a test of declarer play skill, and is known for his advocacy of a high standard of ethical behavior for players. He is known as "The expert's expert" for his encyclopedic knowledge of cardplay techniques, and is a frequent contributor to *The Bridge World*.

**ROSENKRANTZ, George** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**ROSS, Harry** (1928-2010) Born in Vienna, Austria. At the age of 10, he was sent from his homeland via kindertransport during the brief period in which Jewish parents were able to save their children from the Nazis by sending them to strangers out of the country.

Ross began playing duplicate bridge in 1960. In 1997, he won the Senior Swiss Teams. At the time of his death, Ross had amassed more than 16,100 masterpoints.

An avid bridge teacher, Ross taught for 30 years. His lessons and stories have appeared in the Bridge Bulletin, *The Bridge World* and the *Sunshine Bridge News*.

**ROSS, Hugh L.** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**ROTH, Alvin** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**ROTMAN, Daniel (Danny)** (b. 1932) of Miami Beach FL is a bridge professional and retired businessman. He placed fifth in the Rosenblum Teams in 1990 and 1994. Rotman has won six North American championships.

**RUBIN, Ronald D. (Ron)** (b. 1948) of North Miami Beach FL, stock options trader, became regional tournament director at age 18. A WBF World Life Master, Rubin won the Bermuda Bowl in 1983. He also has 11 North American championship titles to his credit. He won *The Bridge World* "Challenge the Champs" competition 10 months in a row and the Rosenkranz Award in 1976. Rubin co-authored *The Ultimate Club*. Rubin has also won a world championship in backgammon (1983).

**RUSSELL, Clifford** (1919-2001) of Coral Gables FL was a banker, builder and developer. He was a past chairman of Metropolitan Museum of Art (Coral Gables) and of First National Bank of Hialeah. A WBF World Master, Russell placed third in the Rosenblum Teams in 1978, won the Pan American Open Teams in 1992 and represented the ACBL in the Bermuda Bowl in 1993. His team lost in the semi-finals to the Netherlands, the eventual winners that year. Russell won five North American championships-two Spingolds, two Vanderbilts and the Reisinger.

**RUSSELL, John J.** (b. 1936) of North Barrington IL, CPA. Won Silver Ribbon Pairs 1997, placed third Open BAM Teams 1996.

**RYDER, Robert W.** (1935-2003) of Caldwell NJ was a retired consulting actuary. Born with only one arm, Ryder was devoted to sports, both as a player and spectator. In his youth he pitched softball and, in adult life, bowled and played golf. He won two North American championships and was the 1997 ACBL Senior Player of the Year.

**SACHS, David S.** (Dave) of Baltimore MD is an actuary and a former president of the Maryland BA. He won the Freeman Mixed BAM Teams in 1997.

**SACHS, Suzanne H.** (Sue) (Mrs. David S.) of Green Valley AZ is a retired travel agency owner. A WBF World Life Master, Sachs earned a bronze medal in the 1968 World Women's Olympiad and represented ACBL in several other world championships. Sue has won nine North American championships. She also won the Mott-Smith Trophy in 1969 beating out Paul Soloway by a mere two points.

**SAID, Chuck** (b. 1937) of Nashville TN, born in Baghdad is a professional bridge player and teacher. Before he left native country in late Fifties he had stories published in magazines and a collection of short stories published in a book. Said has won four North American championships.

**SANBORN, Kerri** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**SANDERS, Carol** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**SANDERS, Tommy** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**SARTORIUS, Barbara** (b.1941) of Lake Hiawatha NJ has a degree in education from the University of Miami. She taught English and social studies in a middle school for 14 years and retired. She has been teaching bridge ever since. She has two North American championship titles to her credit. She claims her hobby is golf and bridge is her passion. Her favorite moment at the table was when she successfully executed a double squeeze against Al Roth and Tobias Stone at a Toronto NABC. At the time she had about 100 masterpoints and had no idea what she was doing, but had just read about ducking a trick to rectify count. She had 11 tricks playing in 6NT. So she ducked the trick, fell into the squeeze and prayed. Roth tried to fold his cards at trick six, but Stoney said, "Make her play it." She made her 12 tricks to tie the board. Roth and Stone's teammates were sure they had won because "the girl" played, but Roth was heard saying, "She claimed at trick three announcing the double squeeze."

**SCHREIBER, Michael J.** (b. 1952) of Memphis TN. Schreiber served as a member of the National Appeals Committee and as a National Recorder for several years. Using the pseudonym Sol I. Taryman, he was the creator and original moderator for the Problem Solvers Panel in Southern California Bridge News. Schreiber and partner Nels Erikson posted one of the biggest games on record during the 1996 Long Beach Regional on the *Queen Mary*. They scored 251.7 (80.69%) in the first session and followed with 213.8, winning easily with 465.5 (74.6%). Schreiber, who had more than 14,000 masterpoints as of 2011, won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1980 and has three seconds: the Jacoby Open Swiss in 1987 and 1997 and the Nail Life Master Pairs in 1996. Schreiber and his brother Bill were the 1973 National Collegiate champions.

**SCHUETT, Jeffrey G.** (Jeff) of Riverwoods IL is computer software developer. He won Nail Life Master Open Pairs 1997.

**SCHULLE, Kay** (b. 1950) of Purchase NY is a bridge professional. A WBF World Life Master, Schulle won the Venice Cup in 1993. She won USWBC (Team Trials) in 1985 and 1991 and placed second in 1993. Schulle has seven North American titles to her credit. Schulle was the USA Goodwill ambassador to South African Nationals on five occasions.

**SCHWARTZ, Richard C.** (b. 1943) of East Elmhurst NY, mathematical analyst and computer programmer to solve engineering problems in defense and aerospace industry. He was the most successful horse race handicapper in country 1975-1989. A WBF World International Master, Schwartz has competed internationally on several occasions. Schwartz has won six North American titles which include three Reisingers. In 2011, Schwartz won the USBF Senior Team trials and will represent the U.S. in the D'Orsi Senior Bowl in Veldhoven, The Netherlands.

**SEAMON, Michael** (b. 1960) of Dania FL is a bridge teacher and professional player. A WBF World Life Master, Seamon won the World IMP Pairs in 1998 and the Transnational Open Teams in 2001. He has won 13 North American championships.

**SEAMON-MOLSON, Janice** of North Miami FL is a member of one of America's leading bridge families. A non-practicing lawyer, Janice won the Venice Cup in 2003 and the McConnell Cup in 2006, and has 12 North American titles to her credit. Her daughter, Jennifer Rose, is the light of her life.

**SHANBROM, Helen** (b. 1919) of Tamarac FL is a retired math teacher and avid bridge player. In 1970, she was member of Detroit team that beat the Italian Blue Team in a series of closed television sessions. She has won one North American championship, the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1993. Shanbrom has won her category in the Ace of Clubs contest 19 times in the past 22 years. Due to this accomplishment, the ACBL Board of Directors renamed the Ace of Clubs Contest in Shanbrom's honor. Shanbrom has probably played more deals than anyone. She figures she has played more than a million deals since she retired 35 years ago. The number of deals she played the 50 years before that are unknown. Shanbrom says, "Three things excite me: Playing in a 4-2 fit, using the red card, and executing a Vienna Coup."

**SHUMAN, Michael** (1931-2010) of Pasadena CA, professional bridge player. Shuman learned bridge at an early age from his sister. His sister became a Life Master before him and taught him some of the finer points of declarer play, a part of the game he excelled in for the rest of his life. Mike's partners have always said that declarer play was the best part of his game, but his clients will tell you he was an excellent teacher as well, and always a gentleman at the table.

Shuman became a professional bridge player in the 1960s after playing with and learning from the stars of the game. In those years he played with many of the best of the day, certainly too many to mention, but Mike spoke fondly of learning from bridge great Al Roth, international star Erik Paulsen and women's champion Trudi Nugit. Other longtime favorites were Gene Simpson and Hamish Bennett, and for his last several years his best partner and very good friend has been Jeff Goldsmith.

In 1973, he met and married Kerri Davis (now Sanborn). Both Shuman and Kerri loved horse racing and with a small group of friends owned Don't Read My Lips, a filly that won more than \$250,000 and eventually sold for that amount. The marriage ended in 1985. Shortly after that, Mike met Ann Walsh, his life partner until the end.

Although he had a long list of bridge accomplishments Mike was particularly proud that he and his teammates twice won the prestigious Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams. The first time was in 2000 and the second was in 2004. The contenders in the final of four sessions were the best in the world and many of them world champions. The following year, in 2005 at the ACBL Fall Championships, Shuman played against Alan Truscott and ruffed his partner's ace so he could lead a trump, a devastating play that set the contract. His play was the talk of the tournament and the next day Truscott recognized Shuman's ability and fine play in his *New York Times* bridge column.

**SIEBERT, Allan P.** (b. 1942) of North Little Rock AR is the president of Entertainment Consulting Inc. Allan has a BA from Vanderbilt University and runs a charity that serves the homeless. He's wanted, for a long time, to write a book entitled *Inner Bridge* which deals with the varied emotions and temperaments that play such a vital role in our enjoyment and success in bridge. Allan has won six North American championships. Seibert says, "Winning the three-day Life Master Pairs, proving I could play against the best and win, especially with a relatively new and unpracticed partnership with Joe Kivel (who played great, by the way!) was my favorite bridge moment."

**SIEBERT, David A.** (b. 1940) of Little Rock AR is a former member ACBL Board of Governors for District 10, past president Unit 161, tournament chairman 1986, 1989. He represented ACBL in World Championships in Bal Harbour in 1986 and Geneva in 1990. He has won the Keohane North American Swiss three times.

**SIMPSON, Gene** (b. 1942) of San Rafael CA is an advertising salesman. He has won four North American championships.

**SMITH, Curtis** (1925-2007) of Grapland TX was an engineer and a bridge author. He was a contributor to the Bridge Bulletin, authored *Bidding Through Logic* and invented Smith convention (not Smith Echo). Smith won four North American championships. He placed third in the Rosenblum Cup in 1978.

**SMITH, Duncan H. (Slam Dunk)** (b. 1948) of Victoria BC is a hospital housekeeper, bridge teacher and club director. Smith won the Canadian National Team Championship (CNTC) in 1992.

**SMITH, Ronald (Ron)** of San Francisco CA is a hedge fund manager, options trader, and professional bridge player. Smith is also an accomplished pianist. He won a bronze medal in the World Senior Teams in 2007 and has six North American championship titles to his credit. Ron is very active in promoting junior bridge in the San Francisco area.

**SMITH, Ronald L.** (b. 1947) of Hixson TN is a mathematics professor. He was District GNOP coordinator 1985-1995. Smith has won two North American championships.

**SMOLEN, Michael (Mike)** (1940-1992) of Alamo CA was an attorney and commodity trader. A WBF World Master, Smolen placed fifth in the Rosenblum Teams and 13<sup>th</sup> in the World Open Pairs in 1990. He devised the Smolen Transfer Bid. He was known for his straightforwardness, his sense of humor and unbeatable wit, as well as his ability to help develop new players and most of all for being a good partner. Smolen won five North American championships, the Fishbein Trophy, and was a regular on the Barry Crane Top 500.

**SOKOLOW, Tobi** (nee Levine, formerly Deutch) (Mrs. David) (b. 1942) of Austin TX. Unlike many top players, Tobi didn't learn how to play bridge until she was in her thirties! Nonetheless, she has accumulated four world titles and 14 North American bridge championships, including the Life Master Pairs. A successful real estate agent, Tobi has recently taken up painting (watercolors). She lives in Austin, Texas, with her husband, David. Her proudest accomplishment is son, Adam, a restaurateur in Austin.

**SOLODAR, John** (b. 1940) of New York City, retired director of systems and programming. A WBF World Life Master, Solodar won the Bermuda Bowl in 1981. He was the New York manager for the Sharif Bridge Circus in 1968. Solodar won the Men's Life Master Pairs (now the Nail Life Master Pairs) in 1968.

**SOLOWAY, Paul** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**SONTAG, Alan** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**STACK, Don** (b. 1939) of Overland Park KS is a retired quality control chemist and bridge teacher since 2002. Stack played no bridge until the age of 26 when a co-worker at Palmolive told him to grab a Goren book, read it, and they would play duplicate. They won one masterpoint for having a section top on "masterpoint night" and he was hooked. Don didn't want to go down in the history books as a player with a lot of masterpoints and no national title. He finally got the monkey off his back in 2007 when he won the Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams with his girlfriend, Linda Eakes, and friends Jack and Nancy Spear. In 2005, Stack was second in the Barry Crane Top 500, – nosing out Jeff Meckstroth by 10 masterpoints. Don is on the "Master Solvers" panel for *The Bridge World* and "It's Your Call" panel of the Bridge Bulletin. He has four children, six grandchildren and is dedicated to doing the *NY Times* daily crossword in ink.

**STANSBY, Joanna** of Dublin CA is a part-time pharmacist. A WBF Women's WGM, Stansby won the Venice Cup in 2007. She also has seven North American titles to her credit.

**STANSBY, Lew** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**STAPPENBECK, Harry A.** (1939-2011) of Uniondale NY was a well known bridge expert on Long Island. Stappenbeck won the Spingold in 1987 with a pick-up squad of Brian Glubok, Dan Rotman, and Jaggy Shivasani. Stappenbeck was also on the runner-up team in 1974. In the *New York Times* report of the team's win, Alan Truscott described the 6-foot-11 Stappenbeck as "the world's tallest expert."

**STAUBER, Allan G.** (b.1944) of Palm Beach Gardens FL is a collectibles broker. He won the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1980; the Mott-Smith Trophy, Spingold, and Open BAM Teams 1981; Wernher Open Pairs in 1983; Jacoby Open Swiss Teams in 1982, and Reisinger in 1984. Stauber authors the blog "Nauseating Bridge Quotes Ad Nauseam".

**STEIN, Joan S.** (b. 1934) of Milwaukee WI has served on unit board, ACBL Board of Governors and been regional chairman. She won the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1974 and the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 2000.

**STEINER, George M.** (1945-2003) of Seattle WA was a giant in the bridge world and in the stock market. Steiner was senior vice president of investments at Prudential Securities and was one of the most highly regarded investment professionals in the Pacific Northwest. He was an avid fisherman, a passion he shared with his daughter. Steiner won three North American championships.

**STEWART, Frederick M.** (Fred) (b. 1948) of Bloomington, NY, is a stock broker. Perhaps his youthful, preppy appearance has a direct correlation to his passion for running marathons. He also adores playing bridge and savors fine food and exceptionally good wine. Fred admits to being an Army brat, growing up in Fort Benning GA. While attending college, he exhibited a natural flair for the game of hearts which eventually led to his attraction to bridge in the Seventies. Among his major accomplishments, he has the distinction of a double victory in the prestigious Cavendish Invitational Pairs (both times with the same partner, Steve Weinstein) and triumphs in the Life Masters Pairs, Men's BAM, Blue Ribbon Pairs and Reisinger. Fred's partnership with Kit Woolsley took off in 1999 and features an aggressive Big Club style that has served them well. Fred respects his partner as an outstanding theorist and a purist who has a great respect for the beauty of the game.

**STIEFEL, John D.** (b. 1944) of Wethersfield CT is an actuary (Fellow of the Society of Actuaries). He wrote the Sunday bridge column for Hartford Courant 1979-1984. Stiefel has won four North American championship titles.

**STOUT, Alan F.** (Herman) (b. 1949) of Tipton IA, field auditor for the state of Iowa; runs the state Medicaid program. Stout won Barry Crane Top 500 in 2005 and has one North American title to his credit. Stout is a specialist at sectionals, having won more than 1000. He has played in several sectionals where he won every event. He has won more than 3000 silver points at sectionals.

**SUKONECK, Ronald M.** (Ron) (b. 1949) of Wilmington NC is a professional player, bridge teacher, financial consultant, and CFO. Sukoneck served as a member ACBL Appeals Committee 1977-1984. A WBF World Master, he placed third in the Rosenblum Teams in 1990. Sukoneck has also represented ACBL in world play in Bal Harbour in 1986 and Santiago in 1993. Sukoneck won the USBF Team Trials in 1993 and has won three other North American championships.

**SUTHERLIN, John** (b. 1936) of Dallas TX is a retired bank vice president. Sutherlin has served as co-chairman of the Ethical Oversight Committee 1999-2001, national recorder 1986-1996, and a member of the International Team trial Executive Committee 1999-2011. A WBF World International Master and Senior Life Master, Sutherlin won the World Senior Teams in 2000. Coincidentally, his wife also became a world champion that year when she won the World Women's Olympiad. The Sutherlins won silver together in the World Mixed Pairs in 1982. In addition to John's 11 North American titles, he has also won the Mott-Smith Trophy and the Fishbein Trophy. John and Peggy were the ACBL Honorary Members in 2008.

**SUTHERLIN, Peggy** (nee Berry) (b. 1937) of Dallas TX, retired flight attendant. Sutherlin became a flight attendant so she could attend bridge tournaments. She has a BA from San Francisco State University. She has published several family history books and numerous articles in genealogy journals. She is a member of Daughters of the American Revolution and Mayflower Society.

In her early bridge days, Sutherlin says her favorite memory was when she and her husband, John, got to play Helen Sobel and Charles Goren. "There were so many kibitzers we couldn't get to the table. We were thrilled."

Her service to bridge started when she worked for Ernie Rovere. She has since served on the Laws Commission, the Board of Governors for Dist 16 and 21, the Competitions and Conventions Committee, the Ethical Oversight Committee, the Women's ITT Committee, and as Co-Chair of the National Appeals Committee. She and John were named ACBL Honorary Members in 2008.

Peggy won the World Women's Olympiad in 2000 and has 10 NABC titles.

**SWANSON, John** (b. 1937) of Lancaster CA, computer programmer. A WBF World Life Master, Swanson won the Bermuda Bowl in 1977. He has six North American titles including two Vanderbilts. He has contributed to *Southern California Bridge News*, *The Bridge World*, and the Bridge Bulletin. He co-authored *Recap Bridge*, (computer dealt hands with analysis), and co-developed the Walsh System.

**SWANSON, Paul** (b. 1932) of Jupiter FL is a five-time North American champion.

**TCHAMITCH, Haig G.** (b. 1951) of Scottsdale AZ, born in Lebanon, semi-retired salesman. Won Lou Herman Trophy, Blue Ribbon Pairs 1992.

**THOMAS, Jayne** (b. 1931) of Lutz FL, executive manager of Unit 128. A math teacher for 30 years, she is currently retired. She won the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1994. Jayne is a former member of the ACBL Board of Directors, and has served on the ACBL Educational Foundation as president and treasurer.

**TREADWELL, David** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**TRUSCOTT, Dorothy**–SEE HALL OF FAME

**TUCKER, Judy** (1946-1998) of New York City was active in many phases of bridge. In addition to being an expert player, she was a successful club manager for the Honors Bridge Club in New York, a District 24 official, a member of the NABC appeals committee, a member of the Nassau/Suffolk Board, an active member of the Goodwill Committee, and a travel agent. Her father was the late bridge great Morrie Elis. At the bridge table, Judy was a WBF World Master. She won the Pan-Am Women's Teams in 1992 and three North American championships.

**UTEGAARD, Helen** (1924-2006) of Las Vegas NV was one of the top women players in North America. Born Helen Sun in Beijing, she married John Utegaard, a U.S. Marine, and moved to the United States. Helen won 10 North American championships and represented the U.S. on several occasions in international competition

**VAN ZANDT, Esta V.** (d. 2008) was born in Calcutta, India. She came to the U.S. in 1946 after marrying a young U.S. Air Force navigator, Kenneth Ray van Zandt. An avid bridge player, Van Zandt became a life master in 1962. She was the first female Grand Life Master in Houston. She was a two-time North American champion winning the Rockwell Mixed Pairs and the Mixed Board-a-Match Teams in 1981.

**VOGEL, Claude** (b.1942) of Chicago IL has won one North American championship and has been immortalized in George Jacobs' column "George's World" published monthly in the Bridge Bulletin.

**WALSH, Rhoda** of Palm Desert CA is an attorney and former bridge professional. She is a WBF World Master. Walsh has won a dozen North American championships. In 1968, Walsh won all three women's national events held that year, the Wagar Women's Teams, the Whitehead Women's Pairs, and the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs.

**WEI-SENDER, Kathie** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**WEICHSEL, Peter** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**WEINSTEIN, Howard M.** (b. 1953) of San Diego CA is a retired options trader. Weinstein is a member of the ACBL Ethical Oversight Committee, ACBL Appeals Committee and was chairman of Conventions and Competition Committee 1997-1999. A WBF World Master, He placed third in the World Team Olympiad 2000 and the Rosenblum Teams in 1998. Weinstein has won eight North American championships which include the Vanderbilt in 1993 and the Reisinger twice.

**WEINSTEIN, Steve** is a professional bridge and poker player. He grew up in Accord NY and now resides in Andes NY with his wife Liz, dogs Luther and Zeke, and Archie the cat. Steve is the reigning World Open Pairs Champion (2010), holds the record for the youngest-ever winner of an NABC event, and has more Cavendish wins than anyone else. Weinstein has won 14 NABC titles and the 2010 U.S. Team Trials. He is a partner and writer on the website [www.bridgewinners.com](http://www.bridgewinners.com), and has served on the Conventions and Competition Committee and the Hall of Fame Committee. In 2009, Weinstein won the Borgata Open poker tournament.

**WILDAVSKY, Adam** (b. 1960) a longtime New Yorker now living in Zurich, Switzerland, Wildavsky is a Senior Software Engineer at Google. A student of Objectivism, he believes the philosophy of Ayn Rand is superb for bridge players and that it produces positive results at the table. He is a contributor to NABC Daily Bulletins, the Bridge Bulletin, *Bridge Today*, and *The Bridge World*. He has been the vice-chair of the ACBL Laws Commission, Chairman of the ACBL National Appeals Committee, and a member of the USBF Conditions of Contest committee. He also served as chairman of the GNYBA Board from 1994-1996. In addition to winning a bronze medal in the 2003 Bermuda Bowl, Wildavsky has also captured five NABC titles including the Reisinger (2002) and the Blue Ribbon pairs twice (1992 and 1997). He and regular partner, Doug Doub, won the USBF Open Team Trials twice with different sets of teammates. They also serve as Master Solver's Club panelists for *The Bridge World*. Adam was greatly influenced by Edgar Kaplan and is an authority on the Kaplan-Sheinwold bidding system.

**WITTES, Jon (b. 1942)** of Palm Desert CA is a school psychologist and a member of the ACBL Appeals Committee. A WBF World Master, Wittes won the World Mixed Pairs in 1986. Wittes has won two North American championships.



**WITTES, Pamela S. (Pam)** (b. 1944) of Venice CA is clothing store owner with a background in accounting. A WBF World Master, Wittes won the World Mixed Pairs in 1986 and the Pan-Am Women's in Teams 1992. Wittes also won the USWBC (Women's Team Trials) in 1991 and six other North American championships. Her hobbies include painting (watercolors) and knitting.

**WOLD, Edward M. (Eddie)** (b. 1951) is a bridge professional living in Houston, TX, Eddie has won the Barry Crane Top 500 three times. He won a Bronze medal in the 1978 Rosenblum Teams in New Orleans. Eddie won the first two of his many North American titles at the same NABC in the summer of 1977, winning both the Grand National Teams and the Spingold. He has since added second victories in the Grand National Teams and the Spingold, as well as winning the Vanderbilt twice, the Reisinger twice, the Men's Board-a-Match Teams twice, the Master Mixed Teams, the Open Swiss Teams, the Silodor Open Pairs in 2005, the Keohane North American Swiss, and the Baze Senior Knockout Teams. He was on the cover of Rice University's alumni magazine after his 2005 win in the Silodor Open Pairs. He has also collected the Mott-Smith Trophy three times and the Lou Herman Trophy twice for the best performance at an NABC and has more than 600 victories in Regional events to his credit.

**WOLFF, Bobby** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**WOLPERT, Gavin** (b.1982) is a full-time professional bridge player and instructor. Gavin was born and raised in Toronto, Canada and now resides in Jupiter FL with his wife, Jenny, and daughter Dani. A WBF World International Master, Wolpert represented Canada in the Bermuda Bowl in 2003 and in the World Junior Team Championships in 2005 where he won a bronze medal. In addition to winning the CNTC in 2003, Wolpert has four other North American titles which include the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs in 2005 and the Silodor Open Pairs in 2011.

**WOOD, Nadine K.** (1935-2011) of Silver Spring MD was a caterer, a bridge club director, a former member of the ACBL Board of Directors representing District 6 and a member of the ACBL Board of Governors. Wood served as chairman of the Board of Governors from 1988-1990 and as ACBL representative to WBF Executive. She served as president of Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference from 1990-1992, president Washington BL from 1983-1986, tournament chairman of Summer NABCs in 1984 and 1993, and as tournament chairman for Washington BL since 1980. A WBF World Master, Nadine placed third in the 1998 McConnell Cup. She won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1989.

**WOOLDRIDGE, Joel P.** (b. 1979) of New York City. A WBF World International Master and an ACBL Grand Life Master, Wooldridge's first regional win was at the Mixed Pairs Regional in Toronto with mother, Jill, when he was 10 and had only 27 masterpoints. He became the youngest Life Master at age 11 years, 4 months and 13 days in 1990. In 1997 he won his first national event, the Lebharr IMP Pairs, and was also named King of Bridge. Wooldridge won two gold medals in Junior world team play representing USA (2001 and 2005). He has a total of six national titles and has placed second in three other national events. In 2011 Wooldridge won the Mott-Smith Trophy with a record setting total of 454.31 masterpoints. Wooldridge will represent the U.S. in the Bermuda Bowl in 2011.

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**ZILIC, John P.** (b.1939) of Houston TX, bridge professional, bridge club owner/manager, teacher, director and insurance underwriter. He was the Houston NABC co-chairman in 1978. Zilic won the North American Swiss in 1988.

**ZIMMERMAN, James E.** (b. 1942) of Shaker Heights OH is the first vice president of Raymond James Investments and a former attorney. Zimmerman was named the ACBL Distinguished Member in 1995, an honor that has only been bestowed on one other member, Lou Bluhm. He has served as a member of ACBL Board of Directors representing District 5 from 1973-1994, was ACBL president in 1981, and chairman of Board in 1982. Zimmerman was also the ACBL representative to WBF Executive Committee from 1983-1994, WBF vice president from 1986-1994, president of the Northern Ohio Unit in 1973, chairman National Appeals Committee from 1978-1980 and from 1983-1990, president ACBL Charity Foundation 1995-1999, member of ACBL Charity Foundation 1991-1999, and a member of the Goodwill Committee. As ACBL president he led a group of ACBL members to the first major bridge tournament on Chinese soil in Shanghai in 1981. Zimmer represented the ACBL in world play five times and was npc of the winning U.S. Venice Cup Team in 1985. Zimmerman won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1981.

**ZUCKER, Richard N.** (b. 1952) of Dobbs Ferry NY is a bridge teacher and professional player. He has won three North American championships.

# PLATINUM LIFE MASTERS

To achieve the rank of Platinum Life Master, a player must earn 10,000 masterpoints. As of September 2011, only 254 ACBL members have achieved this rank. This list includes deceased members.

ADAMS, Dee  
ADKINS, Miles  
ALLEN, Ellen  
ALLEN, Larry  
ARNDT, Marty  
BADERTSCHER, Kenneth  
BANDLER, Mike L.  
BAUSHER, Larry P.  
BEAULIEU, Helene  
BEEZLEY, Britain  
BERGER, Dean  
BERNSTEIN, Bernard  
BLUSTEIN, Mary  
BLUSTEIN, Maurice of  
BOYE, Daniel  
BROMBERG, Loretta  
BROWN, Richard  
BROWN, Hugh C.  
CALEY, Martin  
CARNS, Gail  
CLIFFORD, Carol  
COHEN, Gil  
CRANE, Michael  
CRAWFORD, Rob  
DAVIS, Kenneth  
DENNARD, Robert W.  
DOUGHMAN, Roger  
DUNN, Patrick  
DUNN, Polly  
ELK, Rosalind  
ERNST, Leonard  
FISCHER, Ron G.  
GABAY, Sheila  
GARDNER, Beverly  
GERARD, Alice  
GLICKSTEIN, EARL  
GOOKIN, Robert W.  
GWIRTZMAN, Bob  
HANLON, Ellie

HARRIS, Joe  
HAWKINS, Loren  
HAWKINS, Proctor  
HILLAKER, Hugh J.  
JELUSICH, Lena  
KINNEY, Paul  
KLEIN, David  
KLIEN, James R.  
KRANYAK, Kenneth  
LARKIN, Jack  
LEE, Jerome  
LETELLIER, Zeke  
LOOBY, Jim  
LOWEN, Arthur  
LUCAS, Ed III  
MAGEE, Lee  
MAGER, Steve  
MALESEVICH, William  
MANSFIELD, Steve  
MCLAUGHLIN, Mark  
MCLAUGHLIN, Susanne  
MCMURDIE, John  
MCMURDIE, Veronica  
MCNEELY, Brooks  
MIGNOCCHI, Kent  
MOLL, Chris  
NELSON, Sandra  
NELSON, Willaim F.  
NEMIRO, Don  
NEWMAN, BERT  
OHMANN, Bruce  
OWENS, Christine  
OWENS, Gene  
PARMLEY, Shelba  
ROBERTS, GARY  
ROMAN, Jeff  
ROSS, Susi  
ROSSMANN, Betty  
ROY, Patrice

SAID, Elaine  
SAVKO, Mary  
SCHOLES, Ken  
SCOTT, Steve  
SNOVEL, E. X.  
SOULES, Gary  
SPANGLER, Linda  
STARK, Joshua  
STEEN, Harry  
SULGROVE, Robert  
SWANSON, John  
SWANSON, Selena  
SWEARINGEN, Stephen  
TALBOT, Jean  
TEEL, Jane  
TEEL, Robert  
TUCKER, Melanie  
TURNER, Liane  
ULLMAN, Gary  
VAN GEFFEN, Joan  
VAUGHN, Diane  
VAUGHN, Worth  
WARREN, Ken  
WASHINGTON, Larry  
WEYANT, Jan  
WHITE, Gloria  
WHITE, Michael  
WILHIDE, Alice  
WOODSUM, Ron

**AFDAHL, Darwin** of Oro Valley AZ. Born 1940 in South Dakota; BS University of Idaho, MBA with Honors Golden Gate University; served 21 years in the U.S. Navy first as a deck officer on a cruiser and a destroyer then as an aviator with 281 landings on seven different carriers; now, a semi-retired insurance broker. Served as both vice-president and president of Virginia State Unit 146, District 6 and the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference, charged with conducting all regional tournaments in Districts 6 and 7 also as vice-chairman of the ACBL Board of Governors. He is a Platinum Life Master, certified Club Director, Cruise Ship Director, bridge teacher, unit newsletter columnist, and member of the ACBL National Appeals Committee and the ACBL Goodwill Committee. He currently teaches on cruise ships, gives private lessons and competes in tournament play.

**ALIOTTA, Mike** (b.1943) of Detroit MI is a bridge professional. He has served as vice chairman ACBL Appeals Committee and as president of the Ethical Oversight Committee. Aliotta placed second in the Mitchell Open BAM 1981.

**ANDERSON, Richard (Dick)** (b.1940) of Regina SK. As a teacher, Anderson was a recipient of the Wilma Downing Award for coaching high-school athletics. He has served as unit treasurer, unit president, Canadian Bridge Federation Board member and CBF president and treasurer. He became member of ACBL Board of Directors in 1992 and served as ACBL president in 1998 and Chairman of the Board in 1999.

**ANDREWS, Lowell** (b. 1928) of Huntington Beach CA is a bridge professional. Created and hosted a TV show, Pets on Parade, in Phoenix AZ. A certified director, Lowell directed on 70 cruises. He is a member of the ACBL Appeals Committee and was Senior Player of Year three times.

**ANTEN, Ellen** of Los Angeles CA is a former math teacher. Ellen has won an average of 1000 masterpoints each year for the past sixteen years. She placed in the top 20 in her first-ever national event (Rockwell Mixed Pairs). She once had three consecutive 70% games. Ellen is a member of the Goodwill Committee.

**BACHELDER, Jim** of Columbus OH is currently semi-retired and formerly a tax auditor for the Ohio Department of Taxation and a Senior Property Tax Consultant for Deloitte & Touche LLP. He is a graduate of Ohio State University with a BS in accounting. Bachelder has been on the Barry Crane Top 500 more than a dozen times.

Bachelder has served on the Board of Directors of Unit 122, Central Ohio for the better part of 20 years, including four years as President, the Board of Directors of District 11 and as an alternate to the ACBL Board of Governors.

**BAFF, Martin** (b. 1927) of Beachwood OH, founder and retired president of wholesale plumbing supply firm. Baff placed second in the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 1996.

**BARBOUR, Ken** (b. 1938) of Scottsdale AZ and born in Scotland is a retired computer executive. He represented Great Britain in European Championships in 1963 and was one of its first Life Masters. He won the British Team Trials 1962, Crockford's Cup, Gold Cup 1963, and placed second in Sunday Times Pairs (later the Macallan), and the Master Mixed Teams 1970. He has contributed to *The Bridge World*, *British Bridge World* and *Bridge Journal*.

**BARRETT, G S Jade** of Elk Point SD is the founding president of Tournament Bridge Services, LLC. TBS represents players from eight countries performing in a professional capacity worldwide. TBS also directs marketing for many different companies whose sales are directed towards tournament participants. He is a past member of the ACBL Board of Directors, Conventions and Competitions Committee, (Chairman), North American Youth Bridge Committee; past chairman USBF Junior Team; coach and captain of many USA Junior Teams for over 20 years. Barrett established the Irish Friendship Cup for Junior competitions. He has been identified as an Inventor of many unique concepts of the game including Whirlwind (Strong Club Defense); co-invented Featherston (a defense to NT) as well as Bidding systems Pressure 2/1 and Havoc, winner of more than 400 Blue Ribbon Qualifications, owner Team Havoc Sportswear - a bridge-related clothing company that supports junior bridge internationally. Head of Appeals for The Carosel Cup and the Den Bosch International Junior Bridge Festival for more than 10 years.

He is a former athlete and fulltime performing Blues, Funk and Heavy Metal musician for over 30 years. Former grief counselor for Episcopal Church. His favorite moment was going for 1100 opposite a plus score in the first match he played with Karen Lew Singer just before asking her to marry him. She thought about it for a while and said "Yes" anyway.

**BARROW, Jim** (b.1942) of Lake Charles LA won the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1999 with record total of 3584.26 MPs, beating the old record (3270 MPs by Grant Baze). He authored Record Run about his quest to win the Barry Crane Top 500. He placed

**BECKER, Phillip** (b. 1949) of Cleveland Ohio is a bridge teacher. He is a three-time president of the Cleveland Whist Club and placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1986.

**BELL, Alan** (b. 1925) of Anaheim CA. Former electrical engineer, bridge teacher and owner of harness race horses, currently a bridge professional. Was member Board of Directors Chicago B.A. 1955-63. He founded Emporium B.C. in Pennsylvania. Bell has been a contributor to the Bridge Bulletin and *The Bridge World* and a long-time panelist for Bridge World. Co-author and inventor of many currently popular conventions, the Support Pass was printed with his name. Others were developed independently by several players, e.g. Landy, Checkback Stayman and Unusual vs. Unusual. A regular on the Barry Crane Top 500 and placed second in McKenney 1958.

**BENSON, Dick** (1941-2010) of Leroy IL was the head of a talented bridge family. With almost 12,750 masterpoints, Dick was #247 on the list of the top masterpoint holders in the ACBL.

Yet Benson's pride came not from his own substantial accomplishments at the table; they came from the rest of his family. Benson was thrilled when wife Chris became a Grand Life Master in 2008 with her win in the Whitehead Women's Pairs. He delighted in the success of his daughter Martha Katz, a world Junior champion. And when grandson Sam won the 0-1500 Mini-Spangold in 2007, no one was more excited than Dick. He also beamed at the mention of son-in-law Ralph Katz, whose long list of national and international titles culminated in victory at the most recent Bermuda Bowl.

In addition to Dick's family of champions, he had friends throughout the bridge world. Although a tough competitor, no one was more of a good sportsman than Dick. If partner didn't find the right line of play, Dick was supportive. If an opponent came up with a winning defense, Dick offered congratulations. He enjoyed the successes of his friends more than he did his own.

Perhaps there was someone in the bridge world that is more positive, more supportive and with a bigger heart than Dick Benson – but his friends can't think of anyone.

**BISSELL, Ed (Sweeper)** (b. 1938) of State College, PA, retired computer performance analyst, graduated Allegheny College and Case Institute of Technology, Physical Chemistry. Played college golf. Bissell won the Canadian Nat'l Open Pairs 1964.

**BLOOMER, George Beale, Jr.** (b. 1930) of Pittsboro NC, retired comptroller. Bloomer was a board member of the Northern Virginia B.A. 1972-1982 and has been a board member Unit 119 since 1991.

**BLOOMER, Judith P.** (b. 1936) born in Australia, of Pittsboro NC, retired production manager. She served as District 7 secretary 1992-1996 and as Mid-Atlantic Conference secretary since 1996.

**BRADY, Phil** (1947-2006) of Philadelphia PA was a business systems analyst. A fixture at NABCs for many years, Phil had been a member of the ACBL Appeals Committee since 1983.

**BRILL, Laura** (b. 1943) of White Plains NY, English teacher, communications instructor, co-owner The Bridge Deck bridge club. She has served on Unit 188 Board of Directors.

**BROWN, Dudley** (b. 1935) of Grandview WA. Army Reserve technician. Member ACBL Board of Directors for many years, ACBL president in 1996 and Chairman of the Board in 1997. He has served District 19 as president, a board member and chairman of various committees. He was Unit 450 Manager for more than 20 years. A former executive editor of The Dino Bridge Buff, Brown placed second Silver Ribbon Pairs 1998.

**BRYANT, Jack** (b. 1934) of St. Louis MO attended the University of Illinois and graduated with a degree in economics. He is a retired software development manager. Other than meeting his wife at a local duplicate game, Bryant's favorite bridge moment was winning four events with four different partners at the St. Louis Regional in 2000. He has served as Unit 143 president 1994-1995 and as a member of the District 8 Board of Directors 1982-1983, 1994-1995. Bryant has traveled worldwide, even visiting Antarctica, and is a member of two international wine groups.

**CAMPBELL, Cliff** (b. 1949) of Thunder Bay ON is a store owner and bridge professional. He placed second in Canadian Curling Championship in 1979. A past president of Unit 228, Campbell is one of Canada's leading masterpoint holders and a

three-time winner of Richmond Trophy. He set a Canadian record by winning more than 1500 masterpoints in one year.

**CHAITT, Ellasue** of Palm Beach Gardens FL has placed second in three NABC events: the Marsha May Sternberg Women's BAM Teams 1987, Machlin Women's Swiss Teams 1992, and the Whitehead Women's Pairs 1994.

**CHANDROSS, Howard** (1946-1996) of Long Beach NY was born in Brooklyn and graduated from Hofstra University in 1968. Serious injuries from an auto accident in 1988 forced him to retire as a tax accountant, but did not stop him from pursuing his bridge career while in a wheelchair. Chandross ranked 29<sup>th</sup> in masterpoints among all American players and was first among New York experts with about 18,000 career points at the time of his death. Chandross was president of the Nassau-Suffolk Bridge Association. Highlights of his playing career were second-place finishes in the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams in 1987, the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1984 and the Master Mixed Teams in 1990. He won about 130 regional titles, 35 of them in 1991. That year he won 2,443 points, finishing third nationwide. His partnership with the late Jim Becker was one of the strongest in the country.

**CHANG, Godfrey** (b. 1937) of Honolulu HI is a computer/communications analyst. He served on Honolulu Unit Board as Vice President, Treasurer, Tournament Chair and Club Manager. He is a Board member of the Hawaii Contract Bridge Units Association and the Protest and Ethics Chair for the Hawaii Regional and Honolulu Sectional tournaments. Chang placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs and the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1999. He is a 'backyard' horticulturist with a collection of 100 varieties of bromeliads.

**CHERNOFF, Victor** (1937-2011) of Los Angeles CA former principal actuary with IRS. He was a college table tennis champion. He won the Eastern States Open Pairs (Goldman) in 1970 as a non-Life Master and represented District 23 in the GNT in 1980, 82, 89 and 97.

**COBB, Bruce (BC)** (b.1931) of Denver CO is a retired engineer and professional bridge player. He served as VP and tournament chairman Unit 361 six years. He was the Mini-McKenney Silver Life Master of the Year 1995, 1996, 1997 and Gold Life Master of the Year 1998, 1999. Cobb was elected to the Oklahoma Softball Hall of Fame as a pitcher (531 wins, 30 no-hit/no-run games).

**DALING, Janet** (b. 1934) of Seattle WA is a professor at the University of Washington where she does cancer research. She placed second Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1987 and the Machlin Women's Swiss in 1993.

**DAVIS, Chet** (b. 1922) of Vero Beach FL is a retired attorney and company president. He served on the Eastern MA Bridge Association as president and on various committees and on the ACBL Appeals Committee for more than 20 years. He placed second in the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1979.

**DE YOUNG, Bernace** (Bernie) (b. 1947) of Miami FL is a bridge teacher/professional and former attorney. She was the 1952 March of Dimes Poster Child. She placed second in the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1994 and the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2003.

**DONER, Cameron** (b. 1954) of Richmond BC is a professional bridge player. Doner played lacrosse in his teens and early twenties. He was heavily into sports, but, due to a knee injury, he turned to bridge. He has climbed to the top of Mt Fuji in Japan and the Great Wall in China, but in all his travels for bridge and personal life he still hasn't made it to the Grand Canyon. He is a past member of the ACBL Appeals Committee and a current member of the Goodwill Committee, a District 19 board member and a member of the Board of Governors. Doner has won the Richmond Trophy twice, the Canadian National Pairs and has placed second in three North American championships.

**DUNN, Suzanne** (b. 1935) of Crystal Lake IL is a bank director and former teacher. She has served as a member of the ACBL Board of Governors.

**EDWARDS, J. Michael** (b.1940) of Rock Island IL is an accountant. A member of the ACBL Charity Committee, he has also served on the Unit 163 Board of Directors in several capacities and on the ACBL Board of Governors in 1968 and 1993.

**ERNST, Leonard (Len)** (b. 1935) is retired. He was a bridge columnist for Chicago Tribune 1970-1979 and the associate

editor of Kibitzer for the Chicago Contract BA. He placed second in the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 1995 and the Keohane North American Swiss in 2001.

**EISENSTEIN, Glenn** (b.1947) is a full-time bridge professional living in New York. Glenn placed second in the Reisinger in 1988 and third in the Senior Swiss in 2011. The love of his life is his grandchild Alex. Glenn took two years off from bridge when his daughter Samanta was ill, returning to the game after her successful bone marrow transplant. They both work to raise money for the SAM Fund (Surviving and Moving Forward) to help support young adults who have survived cancer.

**FEAGIN, Claudia** (b. 1947) of Atlanta GA is a teacher. She was the first person to win two Mini-McKenney categories: Sectional Master 1975 and NABC Master 1976.

**FEAGIN, Jack** (b. 1948) of Atlanta GA is an attorney. He has served in many capacities including president of Unit 114, District 7, Mid-Atlantic Conference and the now defunct COI (Committee for an Open and Improved ACBL). He was chairman of the Atlanta NABCs in 1986 and 1995.

**FELDHEIM, Harold** (b. 1936) of Hamden CT is an author, bridge professional, and former bridge club owner 1975-1986. He authored The Weak Two-Bid in Bridge, Winning Swiss Team Tactics in Bridge, Negative and Responsive Doubles in Bridge, Five-Card Majors, and Tactical Bridge.

**FELLOWS, James** (1932-2004) of Omaha NE was an attorney. A member of unit and district Boards (was president of both) and editor of unit publication 1975-1985, Fellows was Nebraska's first Certified Director and Gold Life Master.

**FLANAGAN, Barbara J.** (b. 1933) of Westlake Village CA, bridge teacher.

**FLANAGAN, Michael L.** (b. 1939) of Westlake CA, statistician. He was U.S. Intercollegiate bowling champion in three events in 1961.

**FONTAINE, Walter J.** (b. 1944) of North Providence RI, retired from the Rhode Island Department of Corrections. He graduated from Providence College with a BA in mathematics and has numerous chess trophies. Chess was his favorite game before discovering bridge. He currently directs at Bridgeworks of Rhode Island. Fontaine received the Larry Weiss Award for District 25. He served as president RI Bridge Association and chairman of Judiciary Committee District 25. He also authored Use Your Imagination and Win at Bridge.

**FOX, John H.** (1932-2007) of Cathedral City CA was a retired physicist and mathematician. Fox began playing bridge in the Fifties and won more than 14,000 masterpoints. At one time, he served as a consultant to the U.S. and German aerospace industries. Fox wrote a best selling poker book Play Poker, Quit Work and Sleep 'Til Noon. His descriptions of how to play Texas Hold'em are considered ahead of their time. Fox also authored other books on philosophy, humor and card play. He was a handball champion and directed on bridge cruises.

**GARDNER, Craig** (b. 1951) of Streamwood IL is a chief financial officer. He is a three-time winner of the Art Glatt Award for most points won at the Central States Regional.

**GARDNER, Robert R.** (b. 1946) of Chicago IL, chief financial officer

**GEE, Ken** (b. 1953, Beijing China) is the Canadian player with the best tournament record in recent years. Ken Gee joined his family in Canada when he was 5 years old. He took up bridge in his late twenties and soon became a successful full-time player. He became the number one ranked Canadian in 2002, and currently is in the top 50 ACBL lifetime masterpoint list. He is a perennial contender in or near the top ten of the Barry Crane top 500. He won the Richmond trophy a record seven times from 1998-2004 when he asked that his name be removed from contention. In 2004 he was the ACBL Diamond Life Master of the Year (a different category than currently). He has won more than 400 regional events and placed fourth in the 2001 North American Pairs.

**GLENN, Bob** (1948-1994) of Nashville TN was a professional bridge player since and former vice-president of a

management consulting firm. When Glenn was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, he had previously decided he was going to win the Barry Crane Top 500, many of his bridge playing friends decided to help in any way possible. Unfortunately Glenn did not succeed in his quest.

**GLYNNE, Anthony Christopher (Tony)** (b. 1947) of Los Gatos CA, born in United Kingdom and formerly of Birmingham, England is a professional bridge player, teacher and director. In 1967 became education producer of Uganda TV in East Africa and while there he climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro. From 1970-1975 was the senior producer for BBC radio in Birmingham and interviewed a variety of entertainment stars. He represented England in Camrose Trophy match vs. Wales in 1975, won the British University Team Championship in 1966, and represented ACBL in Pan American Championships in 1992. He placed second in the Silodor Open Pairs in 1992.

**GOLDSTEIN, Fredrick (Rick)** (b. 1946) of White Plains NY is a New York State parole office and former special education teacher. He is the co-owner and full-time manager of The Bridge Deck in Westchester.

**GRAY, Charles (Charlie)** (b. 1930) of Philadelphia PA, licensed professional engineer since 1967, semi-retired engineering consultant. He served in various executive positions in Unit 141 and District 4 including president of both, co-chairman of the 1972, 1980 and 1989 Fall NABCs and on the committee for the Spring NABC 1991. Gray began directing in 1962 and directed the first Omar Sharif Bridge Circus visit to Philadelphia in 1968 and organized the first Knockout team event in Philadelphia bridge history, including a vugraph exhibition.

**GRIFFEY, Larry R.** (b. 1944) of Vero Beach FL is the Education Coordinator of the 800-member Vero Beach Bridge Center, a retired mathematics and statistics professor from Florida State College at Jacksonville (1967-1997) and a full time professional bridge player and teacher since 1997. Griffey is a four-time winner of Florida Open Grand National Teams. He is a member of Florida District 9 since 1968 and member of ACBL Goodwill Committee since 1974. He placed second in the GNT Championship Flt in 2003.

**GRONER, Edward L. (Ed)** (b. 1929) of Duncan OK, retired special products manager. He holds several patents on flow metering devices. He placed second in the Senior Swiss Teams in 1997.

**GROSS, Steven H.** (b. 1944) of Westlake Village CA is an attorney. Gross began playing bridge when he was 10 years old in the caddy shack while waiting for a job. This led to him eventually competing in the Teenyear Pairs and taking the title in 1958. He later won PAC-10 Bridge Championship in 1965 playing for Stanford with partner, Grant Baze. Bridge has always been the center of his life and has arranged his work schedule to allow a week a month for bridge play. Gross wrote a bridge book *How I won a Bridge Tournament* and was Ahead \$4.00 until Jackie Bought a Flower Pot. He placed second in the 1994 World Bridge Championship Zonal Pairs.

**GUARNERI, Richard C. (Rick)** (b. 1938) of Charleston SC, electronic technician. He has served in various capacities on the local level.

**HALL, James M. (Jim)** (1940-2008) of Minneapolis MN was an insurance salesman. He was second in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams in 1988 and the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams in 1991 and 1993. He was also a longtime “Master Solver” panelist for *The Bridge World*. Hall had the highest masterpoint total of any player in Minnesota, a high bowling average, and a single digit golf handicap.

**HANSON, Linda** (b.1949) of Nashville TN is a retired English teacher and past president of her local board and Unit board member.

**HARDY, Mary E.** (Mrs. Max, formerly Senti) (b. 1936) of Las Vegas NV is a bridge professional and former business manager for two radio stations. She’s an original appointee to National Ethical Oversight Committee, Vice-chairman of ACBL Appeals Committee, and a Bridge World Master Solvers panelist. She worked on Two-over-One Game Force – revised with Max Hardy and placed second in the Women’s BAM Teams in 1989.

**HARDY, Max L.** (1932-2002) of Las Vegas NV and a native of Alva OK was born into a musical family. His father, Lee

Hardy, was a college music professor. His mother, Belva, had a master's degree in voice. Max earned his master's degree in music theory at Roosevelt University in Chicago and began a career as an opera singer. He later served on the faculty at the Los Angeles Conservatory of Music. In the Sixties, Hardy discovered bridge and it wasn't long before he made a significant career change. Hardy took up directing in 1961 and progressed rapidly through the ranks becoming an associate national in 1973. The tall, articulate and outgoing director was a fixture at tournaments for four decades until his retirement in 2000. As a professional player, Hardy was among the top 200 all time in masterpoints earned. He was also a prolific author, publishing 13 books, including the influential Two-over-One Game Force published in 1982 and revised in 1989.

**HARKER, William C. (Bill)** (b. 1942) of San Ramon CA, software engineer.

**HASCALL, Wayne** (b. 1934) of Grandville MI is the former president and CEO of Hascall Steel Company and former District 12 Director. Hascall also served as interim CEO at the ACBL in 2001.

**HELLER, Bob** (b. 1950) of Decatur GA is a three-time district North American Pairs champion. He is an ACBL board member representing District 7 since January 2010, a member of the ACBL Goodwill and Charity committee and District 7 Goodwill member. He also serves on the boards of the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference, District 7 and Georgia State Unit 114. He is the District 7 tournament coordinator, editor of District 7 News, a bimonthly publication, Atlanta sectional tournament chairperson and a past president of Mid-Atlantic and District 7.

**HELMS, Gerald W. (Jerry)** (b. 1950) of Charlotte NC is a professional bridge player and teacher. Jerry has appeared 25 consecutive times on the annual Barry Crane Top 500 list. His 18,000+ masterpoints include over 300 regional wins and nine top-five finishes in national events including second in the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1995 and the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss in 2009. Helms is a regular columnist for the Bridge Bulletin and a frequent guest expert lecturer at NABCs. He is the co-inventor of the HELLO convention that is used over the opponents opening 1NT bid.

**HENDERSON, Richard B. (Rick)** (b. 1933-2009) of Los Angeles CA, retired CPA. Henderson amassed over 15,000 masterpoints and won more than 200 regionals in his career.

**HERRMANN, John P.** (b. 1945) of Chattanooga TN is a bridge professional and former high school mathematics teacher. He served on ACBL Appeals Committee from 1983-1991, has chaired many appeals committees since 1975, and has lectured at NABCs. As a teacher he was nominated to his school's Hall of Fame. Herrmann placed second in the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1977.

**HESSEL, Dr. Ira J.** (b. 1946) of San Antonio TX, has BS CCNY, Ph. D. in Organic Chemistry from The University of Texas. Hessel is a former president of District 16 and coeditor of District 16 The Scorecard and Unit 172 The Winning Finesse. He placed second in the Keohane NA Swiss 2005 and Roth Open Swiss 2006.

**HIRSCHMAN, Martin A.** (b. 1949) of Southfield MI is a bridge teacher and professional player, retired attorney and former wire service newsman. He has been the editor of Unit 137's Table Talk since 1987 and served on Unit Board of Directors. Hirschman was the co-editor of the Daily Bulletin at NEC World Junior Team Championships in 1991. He is the author of The Bridge Manual and Play Your Way into Flight A. A Three-time winner Unit 137 Player of the Year award, he was the teacher and principal partner of both sons, Sam and Dan, during their respective successful campaigns to become Youngest Life Master.

**HOERSCH, Joel J.** (b. 1937) of San Diego CA, newspaper composition programmer. He has served as a member of the San Diego Unit Board of Directors for many years and as a member of the ACBL Appeals Committee. For 20 years, Hoersch has written, directed and acted in bridge skits and shows for regionals and NABCs. He placed second in the Reisinger in 1981.

**HOLLINGSWORTH, Wayne (Wagney)** (b. 1940) of Irmo SC, software consultant and engineer. He has served as District 7 secretary from 1997-1999, vice-president and NAOP co-ordinator.

**HOLMES, Richard** (b. 1931) of Wichita KS. A former computer programmer for Boeing, Holmes retired in 1993. He ran a bridge club for four and a half years. He eared the majority of his masterpoints "running around the country playing bridge" in the late 1990s.



**HUSTON, Michael B.** (b. 1941) of Joplin MO is a labor arbitrator and bridge professional. He has served as a member of the ACBL Appeals Committee since 1970 and District Judiciary Chairman.

**IVEY, Joan L.** (b. 1939) of Surprise AZ, is a retired office manager. She graduated from Colorado Women's College, majoring in Psychology and served as a crisis line counselor in Santa Barbara County CA for seven years. As a teenager, Joan travelled and danced for the USO. She has served as a member of Judiciary Committee for District 21, secretary and vice president of Unit 543 and as vice president of Unit 503. She was instrumental in establishing the first 299ers sectional for Unit 543. Her favorite bridge moment was winning the regional mixed pairs in San Jose in 1980 besting Barry Crane and his partner. Joan and her husband, Ernie, were co winners of the Palo Alto Sportsmanship Award in 1984.

**JACOBS, Hans J.** (b.1949) of Aurora ON, born in Germany. Jacobs immigrated to Canada with his parents in 1954 and opened his first business, Heritage Carpets, in 1970. He operated the business for 19 years and sold it to a competitor in 1989. He is currently is a real estate investor. Jacobs served on Unit 246 Board of Directors for ten years five of which were as Judiciary Chairperson. He was the District 2 president from 1990-2000 and a member of the ACBL Board of Governors for six years. He is an accredited club director and ACBL teacher. Jacobs won the Richmond Trophy in 1997. He has been on Barry Crane Top 500 list for over 20 years.

**JARIGESE, Jacqueline L. (Jackie)** (1931-2010) of Vancouver WA was co-owner of the Portland Bridge Club for 11 years and a former school teacher. Jackie graduated from Portland State with a master's in education. She took up bridge in the late Seventies and became a Life Master shortly thereafter. Jackie was an avid skier, a great bowler, and an excellent cook. She loved to travel and visited every continent. In 1990 she drove from Anchorage to Prudhoe Bay on the Arctic Ocean down to Valdez, following the pipeline and back to Anchorage, a feat few people have accomplished. She also drove to Transylvania on Halloween. In 2000, she was fifth in the Barry Crane Top 500 race.

**JONES, Robert G. (Bob)** (b. 1949) of Hypoluxo FL, born in Lima, Peru is a full-time bridge professional. Jones was a member of the National Appeals Committee in the late Eighties and early Nineties and a member of the Nassau-Suffolk Board of Directors. Jones won the Australian National Mixed Teams in 1989 and placed fifth in the Rosenblum Cup Teams in 1990. His favorite moment was placing second in the Jacoby Open Swiss in 1986 after his teammate bid a grand slam off an ace after getting the correct response to Blackwood. In his youth, Jones was an expert pool player. He is also a longtime member of the American Philatelic Society. He informed us that the report of his death in the sixth edition of *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* was premature (and we are obliged to accept his word on this).

**JOYCE, Kay** (b. 1949) of Raleigh NC is a librarian. She served as secretary/treasurer of Unit 119 from 1978-1994, as managing editor of Unit newsletter from 1980-1984 and editor-in-chief since 1984, and two terms as secretary of District 7. She won the Royal Viking Instant Matchpoint Game in 1996.

**JOYCE, Randolph (Randy)** (b. 1947) of Raleigh NC is a salesman. He has served Unit 119 as president and District 7 as recorder. He placed second in GNOT 1983 and the Silodor Open Pairs 1990.

**KANTOR, Simon W. (Eddie)** (b. 1925) of Agawam MA was born in Belgium. He is professor emeritus at the University of Massachusetts and has been listed in Who's Who in America since 1974. Kantor has more than two dozen U.S. patents on polymer science. Kantor placed second in the World Senior Pairs in 1994. He has also finished second in the Baze Senior Knockout Teams twice.

**KASSAY, Michael Bela** (b. 1926) of Sarasota FL, born in Hungary, was involved in the Hungarian revolution of 1956 and moved to the U.S. afterward. He was part of a group that started the revival of organized bridge activities in Hungary after WWII. He was a member of the Hungarian National Team in 1956 and won five Hungarian national titles. Kassay was the first to propose in a printed publication a Swiss Team format for tournaments in the United States in 1966.

**KESSLER, Gary D.** (b. 1953) of Springfield IL. Kessler is the president of Recycled Records Inc. and the Springfield tournament coordinator.

**KING, David W.** (b. 1951) of Omaha NE is a senior business systems architect. Chaired 1987 Omaha regional.

**KING, Frank P., Jr.** (b. 1933) of Alexandria VA is retired from the USAF. While on active duty King was the leading Masterpoint holder among members of the Armed Forces. He placed ninth in the World Senior Pairs in 1990 and in the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1996.

**KOVACICH, Michael (Mike)** (b. 1945) was born in Kingston PA. Mike lived all over the world (his father was in the Army) until the summer of 1959 when he moved to Columbus GA. During his senior year in high school, he started playing bridge and graduated to duplicate. Kovacich joined the ACBL in 1963, but played only occasionally and did not become a Life Master until March, 1980.

After his release from active duty with the Air Force as a JAG officer in 1972 (he remained in the active reserves, serving until 1995 and retiring in 2005 as a Lieutenant Colonel), he settled in DeKalb County, Georgia, and has resided there since. After working for more than a year for DeKalb County as an assistant public defender, he went into private legal practice until closing his office in 2005. His desk sits at home, and he handles occasional matters for old clients, but he is mostly retired.

He has been married to Mae since 1968, and has three grown sons and five grandchildren.

In the early 1990s he got involved with the administrative part of bridge as well as playing with a greater frequency.

Since becoming active in bridge administration, he has had continuous service on the Boards of the Mid-Atlantic, District 7, and Unit 114. He has served on the ACBL Board of Governors since 1997 and as Chairman of the Board of Governors of the ACBL from 2009 through the present.

He is a Platinum Life Master with more than 15,000 masterpoints. He finished 5/8 in the 1999 Spingold, the 2004 Vanderbilt, and the Senior KOs in 2004, 2005, and 2007, as well as a number of other overall finishes in national events. He has frequently appeared in the Top 500 on the Barry Crane list, with his highest finish being 39<sup>th</sup> nationally. He has been the Unit 114 masterpoint leader from 2003 to 2010.

As a bridge administrator, he has served as committee chair or member of numerous committees including Bylaws, Appeals, Tournaments and Competition, Nominating, Elections, Contracts, Scheduling, and Finance. From the early 1990s to 2010 he co-chaired Atlanta Sectionals. He is a member of the National Appeals Committee and is a member of the National and District 7 Goodwill Committees.

He became the seventh member of the Georgia State Unit 114 Hall of Fame with his election by the Unit 114 Board of Directors in January of 2009.

For the year 2011-2012 he was selected as the Sportsperson of the Year by Georgia Unit 114.

**LAMPREY, Charles V. (Chuck)** (b. 1938) of White Plains New York. A WBF World International Master, Lamprey placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the Rosenblum Teams in 1986 and 17<sup>th</sup> in 1990. Lamprey also placed second in GNOT in 1979 and the Men's Teams (now Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams) in 1982.

**LANDA, Sallie M.** (b. 1925) of Boca Raton FL is a former bridge teacher and professional player. She is a past manager and originator of two duplicate clubs in Fargo ND and past president of the Fargo C.B.L. Landa became a director about 40 years ago and began directing on bridge cruises. She is the author of Duplicate for Master Points not for Glory. Landa competed in the World Bridge Olympiad in 1972.

**LAWRENCE, Stephen J.** (b. 1924) of Athens TX is a retired subsurface petroleum geologist and researcher at White Sands. A member of the ACBL Board of Governors from 1970-1986, Lawrence has served District 16 and Unit 159 in various executive positions including president. He was ACBL Senior Player of Year 1996.

**LAY, James E. (Spike)** (b. 1944) of Daytona Beach FL is a bridge club manager, certified director and former CPA. He placed second in the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 1999 and the GNT Championship Flt in 2003.

**LEHMAN, David (b. 1952)** of Glenview IL, options trader. Placed second in the Open BAM Teams three times, Wernher Men's Pairs in 1977, the Jacoby Swiss Teams in 1987, and the Reisinger in 1988.

**LEON, Phil** (1927-2010) of Grosse Pointe MI. Leon's career specialty was interior design and decoration. He served for many years on the board of the Michigan Bridge Association, including two terms as president and several as tournament chairman. On the national level, Leon was a member of the ACBL Board of Governors and was a longtime co-chair of the National Appeals Committee.

Friend Clarke Cunningham said, "Phil's true passion was music. He actively supported the Detroit Symphony Orchestra

and Michigan Opera Theatre and counted many talented musicians and performers among his closest friends, most notably the deceased pianist Leonard Pennario (also a bridge player). He adored Wagner and made many pilgrimages to the Bayreuth Festival in Germany. Phil also supported the Detroit Institute of Arts and was himself a talented oil painter.

“Phil was more than a mere personality, he was a local phenomenon, and as such is irreplaceable.”

**LEVEY, Sydney A. Jr. (Syd)** (1927-1999) of Valley Village CA was ACBL president in 1982 and District 22 representative to the ACBL Board of Directors for 12 years. Levey was born and raised in Honolulu. He graduated from the University of San Francisco in 1950 and became a certified public accountant and a bridge player. Levey represented the ACBL in international competition in 1982 and 1986. In addition to his service on the ACBL BOD, Levey was chairman of the C&C Committee and the Finance Committee. He was also a member of the Board of Governors and the Goodwill Committee.

**LEWIS, Edwin R. (Ed)** (b. 1931) of Falls Church VA is a retired USAF colonel, a bridge club owner/manager, teacher and certified director. He authored *Extended Jacoby Transfer* and co-authored *Cappelletti over NT* and *Cappelletti over One of a Major Doubled*. He was Life Master No.8 of the Japan Contract Bridge League and represented Japan in the Far East Championships in 1961, placing third. He won seven Japanese team championships from 1961-1963 and represented Nebraska University in first Big 8 bridge tournament in 1950. He was the winner of *The Bridge World* Chance-of-a-Lifetime contest in 1968. Lewis placed second in the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1996 and the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams in 1999.

**LONG, Larry A.** (1942-2011) of Canton OH and Benton TN. Long was born in Freeburn KY, he attended the University of Kentucky and earned a BS in Chemistry from Marshall University. He retired from Ashland Oil as a Production Manager after 37 years of service. Larry had been a Professional Bowler on the PBA Tour and played Semi-Professional Baseball in the 1960s. He became a Professional Bridge Player in 1975 and is a Platinum Life Master with 15,000 points. He was an active member of both John Knox Presbyterian Church in North Canton and Trinity Presbyterian Church in Cleveland TN. Larry had a wonderful sense of humor and the ability to make friends wherever he went.

**LUBLIN, Glenn A. (Iron Man)** (b. 1951) of Silver Spring MD is a professional bridge instructor. He developed Leaping Flannery, Lublin and Michaels vs. Michaels Defense. Lublin placed second in three North American championships.

**MADDOX, Marilyn A.** (b. 1929) of Pleasant Ridge MI is a bridge teacher and the winner of the 1992 ACBL-Wide Charity Game.

**MADDOX, Myles V.** (b. 1925) of Pleasant Ridge MI is a retired teacher. Board member Michigan B.A. 1958-62, president 1963. He won the ACBL-Wide Charity Game in 1992.

**MARCUS, Melvin L.** (b. 1938) of Waltham MA is a self-employed bridge teacher. He is a local and district board member, GNOT coordinator, and a Conduct and Ethics Committee member.

**MASTROLA, Frank** (b. 1935) of Swansea MA is a retired dental educator. Mastrola served on the Board of Governors for two terms when he resided in District 6 and was co-editor of *MDBA Bulletin* for three years. His favorite bridge moment was playing in his first Spingold at his first NABC (Toronto 1964). He had to win two club championships the week before in order to have the 100 master points necessary to qualify. With no Life Masters on their team, they won their first match.

**MAY, Walter R.** (b. 1930) of Sarasota FL is a bridge teacher and professional player. He was the Central NYBA Player of Year four times and Team Player of Year five times.

**McCALLON, Dr. William R. (Bill)** (1929-2009) of St. Augustine FL was a veterinary epidemiologist and economist, educated at Oklahoma State University and University of Maryland. After working for the Dept. of Agriculture, he was loaned to the United Nations from 1978 to 1985 to do economic analysis for cooperative animal health projects around the world. An avid sailor, he crossed the Atlantic in his sailboat. Known as a gifted bridge teacher, he often played with beginners.

**McGINNIS, Coleman (Coley)** (b. 1943) has a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Virginia and recently retired after teaching at Tennessee State University in Nashville for 35 years. He has accumulated almost 10,000 masterpoints. An ACBL certified director, teacher and teacher trainer, McGinnis has offered many bridge classes and workshops and taught on

approximately 50 cruises. He has been on the boards of the Nashville duplicate bridge club, ACBL Unit 179 and District 10 for the past 25 years, serving 15 years as unit president and four as president of District 10. He has chaired several regional tournaments and co-chaired ACBL's previous Nashville NABC in 1988.

**MILLER, Billy** (b. 1956) of Las Vegas NV, professional bridge player/columnist, former stockbroker. Attended New England Conservatory of Music at ages 4-5 (piano) and has a B.A. in English from Claremont Men's College. He wrote the column "Dear Billy" for 17 years in both the Bridge Bulletin and the Western Conference Forum. Miller also wrote "The Coolest Gizmos and Gadgets" column for the Bridge Bulletin. He wrote and published the book *Dear Billy* based on his column in 1993. He placed second in the Keohane North American Swiss Teams 1999, Freeman Mixed BAM 2001, GNT Championship Flt 2002, and the Cavendish Pairs 1999. Miller was the last person to play with Barry Crane, July 4, 1985. He has spent the last several years volunteer with his wife, Julie, at their community ponds. They have helped rehabilitate ducks in the last stages of botulism to full recovery and assisted in the removal of harmful chemicals from more than three million gallons of pond water.

**MITCHELL, Billie P.** (b. 1927) of Ruidoso NM, secretary/bookkeeper. Has served locally in executive positions 1988-1990; Unit vice-president, secretary 1992-1994, 1997-1999, tournament chairman many times.

**MONZINGO, Ken** (b. 1939) of San Diego CA is a professional player and teacher and a theatrical press agent for national touring shows. District 22 ACBL Board of Directors and Board of Governors representative, editor and publisher of Contract Bridge Forum and has served as Pacific Southwest Regional manager and Daily Bulletin editor for many West Coast regionals. Authored *Cruise with Ken, Bridge in Windows: a cruise Guide*.

**MORRIS, Robert F. (Tiger)** (1922-1998) of Cincinnati OH, advertising agency field representative. He placed second Blue Ribbon Pairs 1969.

**NASH, James L. (Jim)** (b. 1946) of Omaha NE, professional bridge player, teacher and certified director (since 1984), former Medicare fraud and abuse investigator. Won all six events at an Omaha sectional in 1991. Nash is a staff writer for Unit 241 bridge publication.

**NELSON, Martin E.** (b. 1944) of Annapolis MD, professor of nuclear/mechanical engineering.

**O'GRADY, Angeline (Andy)** (d. 2009) of Miami FL was a professional bridge teacher and player. She was the assistant coach and captain for 1999 Junior World Championship Team that won silver. O'Grady placed fourth in the World Senior Teams in 1998, placed second in the Women's BAM Teams 1988 and won ACBL-Wide International Fund Game in 1975.

**OPPENHEIMER, Tom** (b. 1949) of Ballwin MO, financial analyst with Anheuser Busch. He has served as member of ACBL Board of Governors and District 8 Board of Directors. Oppenheimer placed second in the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 1992.

**OXLEY, John F.** (b. 1945) of St. Joseph MO, retired printing executive. A leading Midwestern player, Oxley has been on the Top 500 list for the past 20 years. He has served on Unit 131 board for six years. He has been tournament chair and teaches bridge classes. Oxley plays some pro, mostly in club games. His favorite moment was when Terry Michaels asked him to play. He enjoys helping young good players get off to the right start and has mentored several excellent players to higher bridge goals.

**PARNES, Susan M.** (b. 1944) of Flint MI, retired public school English teacher, current college English instructor and on-line mentor. She is a past president of the EMBA and a past club manager and director.

**PILTCH, Howard J.** of Andover MA, retired real estate and insurance broker. Piltch served as a member ACBL Board of Directors for District 25 for several years, was ACBL president in 1997, and Chairman of the Board in 1998. He is a lifetime member of the ACBL Board of Governors, and a member of the ACBL Charity Foundation. He was the co-chairman of the 1990 Boston NABC. He is consistently in top100 MP holders and a regular lecturer at NABCs on "Shape, Beautiful Shape" and "Balance, Baby, Balance!" He has authored many articles dealing with competitive and constructive bidding and developed Piltch Over NT. Piltch placed second in the Men's BAM Teams in 1976.

**PISK, Dr. George M. (Manchaca Fats)** (b. 1932) of Manchaca TX is a retired university professor. Pisk was a frequent partner of Oswald Jacoby toward the end of his life. Pisk placed second in the Keohane North American Swiss 2001.

**QUIGGLE, Louis R.** (b. 1940) of Redding CA, retired stockbroker.

**QUIGGLE, Rosalind E. (Roz)** (b. 1937) of Redding CA. optometric assistant.

**RAINWATER, Ross** (b. 1948) of Vancouver WA is a bridge club operator, bridge teacher and former professional bridge player. Once placed in a knockout team overall ranking by losing both matches played. The first match was in a round-robin where the other team was eliminated on quotient, then after a bye for the second round, he lost in the third round for a fifth place tie.

**REESE, D. Ann** (b. 1936) of Kennesaw GA is a professional bridge teacher/player, a former teacher, model and TV show host. She has served as the novice coordinator for District 7. She authored Four Suit Transfers and is a columnist Unit 114 Pip 'n Tips.

**REEVE, Bruce F.** (b. 1946) of Raleigh NC is a bridge teacher and professional player. He served as a member of the ACBL Board of Directors from District 7 from 1997-2009 and as trustee of the Educational Foundation. He was a member of the first Board of Directors of U.S. Bridge Federation in 2001. He is a former president District 7 and Unit 119, served on Mid-Atlantic board for more than 25 years, was District 7 recorder from 1992-1997, was assistant national recorder 1995-1997, a member Board of Governors and a member National Appeals Committee 1992-1997. Reeve served as ACBL President in 2004 and was a member of the ACBL Relocation Committee.

**REIMAN, James H.** (b. 1949) of Mansfield OH, purchasing vice president. He served as District 11 president 1997-1998, was first alternate Director 1994-1998, and a member from District 11 to the ACBL Board of Directors 1999-2001.

**RIELY, Terry P.** (b. 1943) of San Antonio TX, corporate executive. He served as Unit 172 president from 1985 to 1990 and as District 16 president in 1986.

**ROBB, Paul H.** (b. 1923) of Altamonte Springs FL, bridge teacher and professional player. He served as co-chairman of the 1973 Washington NABC and placed third in the Epson Pairs in 1998.

**RUDOLPH, Richard P. (Rudy)** (b. 1938) of Westerville OH is a retired engineer and USAF tactical fighter pilot.

**RUST, Gail H.** of Port Orange FL is a bridge club co-owner and retired home economist. Rust served for 20 years on the District 4 and Unit 148 Boards, was a member of the ACBL National Appeals Committee and the ACBL Board of Governors for District 9.

**RUTLEDGE, Thomas** (b. 1939) of Charleston SC, former bank executive. A past president of the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference and South Carolina Unit 160, Rutledge placed third in the GNT twice.

**SHOOP, Homer** (1912-1991) of North Webster IN played tennis at Wimbledon, bridge in Biarritz and gave thousands of dollars to fund youth scholarships in the sports he loved. Shoop began his banking career at the age of 12 and by age 20 was running his hometown bank in Lawrence MI. In his late twenties he parlayed real estate, stock and railroad investments into a sizeable fortune. At age 32, he retired to play tennis, but missed banking. He bought his first bank in 1946. This was the headquarters for the International Palace of Sports and the Sports Museum, which he founded. For almost two decades, the International Palace of Sports designated a \$1000 King/Queen of Bridge scholarship in the name of an ACBL member who was a graduating high school senior. Shoop was Senior Player of the Year in 1989 and 1990. His intentions were to donate a trophy for this honor, but ACBL's restrictions on new trophies did not allow that to happen. In addition to his bridge accomplishments, Shoop held various national and international tennis titles. In 1989 he was elected into the Dade County International Players Tennis Center Hall of Fame.

**SHOUP, Russell O. (Mr. Bridge)** (b. 1947) of Dayton OH is a bridge teacher, club manager and professional player. Shoup is also a competitive long distance runner and semi-professional basso. He finished second in the Keohane Swiss Teams in 1979.

**SMITH, David W. (Dave)** (b. 1944) of Walls MS was second in the Grand National Teams in 1973. He was third in the Men's Pairs in 1979 and has other high finishes in NABC+ events. Smith worked at ACBL Headquarters as Associate Editor of the Bridge Bulletin and as a computer help specialist. He has also worked in the mental health field and as a computer programmer. While serving in the U.S. Army, he represented Korea in the Far-Eastern Bridge Championships.

**SMITH, Linda S.** (b. 1947) of Hixson TN, data processor. She won the Zonal Open Teams in 1994 and the Zonal Open Pairs in 1998.

**SORENSEN, Dennis E.** (b. 1946). A current resident of Thailand, Sorensen is a bridge professional, retired teacher and horticulturalist. He served on ACBL Conduct and Ethics Committee in the 1980s and 1990s. Sorensen won the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1992, the Intercollegiate Bridge Championship in 1978 and finished second in the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1991 and the Silodor Open Pairs in 1993.

**STEIN, Ethan** (b. 1946) of Irvington NY is an attorney and a bridge teacher/professional. Stein has placed second in six North American Championships.

**STEINBERG, Jonathan** (b. 1950) of Toronto ON is a private investor. He represented Canada in world play in Bal Harbour in 1986 and Geneva in 1990. He served as the npc of the winning Team Canada at the seventh Hero International Youth Bridge Festival in Hertogenbosh in 1999 and to the Canada 1 World Junior Teams in 1999. Steinberg is a District 2 representative to the ACBL Board of Directors, a member of the ACBL Board of Governors 1990-1993, and vice president of the ACBL Educational Foundation 1998-1999. He placed second in the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1985 and the Wernher Open Pairs in 2007.

**STENGER, Charles A.** (b. 1922) of Rockville MD worked as the national consultant for the American Ex-Prisoners of War Association since 1980 and a clinical psychologist. He was a POW 1944-1945 during the Battle of the Bulge. In the Veterans Administration he headed the planning for return of Vietnam veterans and POWs. A member of the ACBL Board of Directors for 12 years, a past president of District 6, the Mid-Atlantic Conference and the Washington BL, chair of the District 6 Judiciary Committee for many years, Stenger chaired the committee that led to the national no-smoking policy and the committee on professionalism. He was Chairman and Master of Ceremonies of first United States vs. British Parliament bridge event. He is recognized as an international expert on hostages and POWs, he retired following a long career in the Veteran's Administration, in which he served as national director of a staff of 1,400 psychologists.

**STENGER, E. Jeanne (Mrs. Charles A.)** (1924-2002) of Bethesda MD was the treasurer for the Washington DC NABCs in 1973 and 1984.

**STOBER, Ruth L.** (b. 1935) of Great Neck NY, retired CFO and business manager. Won Pan American Mixed Pairs 1992. She has served as a member ACBL Board of Governors since 2000, a member of the Goodwill Committee since 2000, a member Unit 242 Board of Directors since 1998 and as Recorder since 1998. Stober has traveled to every continent except Antarctica. She has played in eight world championships. She was 10<sup>th</sup> in the Mixed Pairs at the World Bridge Championships in Philadelphia 2010.

**STURM, Charlotte G. (Char)** (b. 1927) of Fullerton CA, bridge club teacher and director. She placed second in the Senior Master Pairs in 1965.

**TAUBE, Richard** (b. 1938) of Marietta GA is a retired attorney, bridge professional, and former national junior bowling champion. As member of White House Commission on Emergency Medical Services from 1969-1979, he developed telemetry and roadside telephone emergency communication systems. He was Chairman of the 1973 Summer NABC and a member of the ACBL National Appeals Committee. He has been active in bridge administration since 1965.

**TEPPER, Barbara** (b. 1930) of Verona NJ, medical group administrator. She won the Wagar Women's Teams in 1969.

**TOMCZYK, Gary** (b. 1953) of Las Vegas NV won the Richmond Trophy in 1987 and 1989.

**TUCKER, Dr. James L. Jr.** of Alexander City AL is a retired ophthalmologist. Tucker graduated from Tulane Medical School in 1955 and in 1957 was drafted into US Air Force. He spent 30 years of active and reserve duty in the US Air Force and ended in 1986 with the rank of major general. At the age of 17 a home chemistry explosion resulted in the amputation of his right hand. As eye doctor, he performed eye surgery for 30 years using a prosthesis. Tucker has served as a member of the ACBL Board of Governors for District 10 and as a member of the National Charity Committee.

**VERNAY, Colby K.** (b. 1942) of Lacon IL, basketball coach, avid golfer, has had three holes-in-one. He is a member of the Illinois Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame. He was editor of the Central Illinois Duplicate Bulletin 1973-1976, VP of Unit 208 1975-1976, and a member of the ACBL Board of Governors 1985-1991.

**WARDEN, Phillip J. (Phil)** (b. 1947) of Madison WI is a painting contractor. He was a member of the National Appeals Committee from 1990-1999.

**WEBBER, Robert F. (Bob)** (b. 1946) of Waterford MI is a CPA and financial planner. He served as president and tournament chairman for Michigan BA. In regional competition, Paul Stern and Bob Webber, scored 257 (82.3%) in the Open Pairs at Great Lakes in 1973, only slightly below the 260 (83.3%) – highest on record for a 156 average game – scored by C. C. Wei and Ronald Andersen in a single session at the 1974 New York Winter Regional.

**WHITE, Edward** (b. 1937) of Grand Blanc MI, president of a management company.

**WHITE, Robert** (b. 1946) of Raleigh NC is an investment manager and former president of the Middle Atlantic Bridge Conference.

**WHITESEL, William F.** (b. 1940) of Coeur d'Alene ID, bridge professional, farm manager.

**WISDOM, William E.** (b. 1949) of Sandpoint ID is a Social Security claims representative. A past president of the Central Carolina Unit, Wisdom placed second in the Intercollegiates in 1971.

**YARINGTON, Richard B. (Dick)** (b. 1952) of Seattle WA, property manager and bridge teacher.

# EMERALD LIFE MASTERS

To achieve the rank of Emerald Life Master, a player must earn at least 7500 masterpoints. As of September 2011, there are 509 ACBL members who have achieved this rank.

Aitken, Jim	Burton, Richard	Flashinski, Arthur	Hosch, Stephen
Alexander, James F.	Bush, James	Foster, Jim	Hsu, Dixie
Alexander, Ted L.	Camacho, Dudley	Foster, Rhonda	Huggard, Richard
Allahverdian, Hadi	Caprera, David	Fowler, Dan	Hwang, Kelley
Altus, Muriel	Carney, Jean	Fox, Tom	Ingram, Ann
Anderson, Alice	Carns, Mary	Frankel, Arnie	Irvine, Bill
Anderson, Bill	Catlett, Steve	Fred, Dave	Jackson, Frank
Anderson, Sharon	Cavanaugh, Larry	Freed, Louise	Jackson, Robert
Angel, Cheryl	Chartrand, Andre	Gailfus, Alan	Jeffrey, John
Apt, Faye	Christiansen, Ken	Gailfus, Debbie	Johnstone, Robert
Aquila, Frank	Cohen, Al	Ganness, Sean	Jones, Dewayne
Arias, Jesus	Cohler, Dean	Gartaganis, Judith	Jones, John
Armstrong, Jack	Cooper, Sue	Gartaganis, Nicholas	Jones, Kimmel
Arora, Shiv	Coren, Richard	Gellis, Harry	Jones, Markland
Asber, Joseph	Corn, David	Georges, Gerald	Jones, Suzanne
Aumiller, John	Crafton, Robert	Gilbert, Michael	Kane, Allen
Ayers, Bob	Culberson, Marc	Gilbert, Susan	Kass, William
Baff, Charlotte	Currie, John	Gitles, Gerald	Katzman, Elaine
Bailey, Donna	Dail, Shirley	Goecker, Daisy	Kauffman, Rhoda
Bailey, Mark	D'Assumpcao, Carlos	Gofreed, Andrew	Kelley Jr, Paul
Balderson, Cynthia	Dean, Bud	Gomer, Bobbie	Kielpinski, Phillip
Balderson Jr, Bob	Denenberg, Edith	Good, George	King, Victor
Ballard, Neil	Diskin, Jack	Goodale, Lyla	Klamp, Margaret
Bankuti, Esther	Donnelly, Iku	Gookin, Janet	Klinzing, Dale
Baptist, Mary	Dovell, Adrian J	Gow, Bob	Koonce, Jennifer
Baptist, Robert	Dovell, Patricia	Grandoff, Betty	Kornegay, Stephen
Bassett, Toby	Drake, Helene	Greenberg, Nate	Koski, William
Beckman, Terry	Drum, Charles	Gunter, Virginia	Kostal Jr, Irwin
Beery, Rod	Drum, Sandra	Hammond, Tom	Krall, Merlene
Bell, Robert	Dubay, William	Hay, En	Krall, Rudy
Bender, Dwight	Duncan, Dean	Hayashi, Jim	Kurland, Audrey
Blubaugh, John	Duquette, John	Hays, Lynn	Kusler, Susan
Blue, Dot	Eakes, Linda	Heicklen, Julian	Laberge, Claude
Bolton, Norman	Eber, Marilyn	Heitler, Anita	Laing, Valerie
Brady, John	Evans, Vernon	Heitler, Don	Laliberte, Andre
Bricklin, Al	Fahland, Sally	Hershman, George	Lange, Loren
Brock, Don	Fernandez, Libby	Hertz, Dan	Langsetmo, Peder
Brod, Geoffrey	Filandro, Marie	Hitchens, Robert	Lerner, Vicki
Brown, Judy	Filandro, Peter	Ho, Sun-O	Lesage, Denis
Bruno, Dick	Fisher, Jeanne	Hopkins Jr, Robert	Levy, Pat



Lieberman, Mark  
Lindstrom, Rossi  
Lowe, Leon  
Lum, Thomas  
Macgregor, Gary  
Malcolm, Charles  
Marshall, Gerry  
Martorina, Nunzio  
McCoin, Jane  
McCray, Royce  
McCully, Gerry  
McKee, Justina  
McLellan, David  
McMahan, Bob  
Meador, M. Duane  
Miller, Jim  
Miller, Ray  
Miller Sr, Clifton  
Molesworth, Nancy  
Morgen, Donna  
Muller, Ted  
Narasimhan, Hansa  
Newlin, Flo  
Newlin Jr, Cal  
Newman, Kathy  
Noda, Bruce  
Olson, Diane  
O'Neil, Jim  
Parent, Bruce  
Parker, Darcy  
Parker, James  
Pennell, Hachy  
Peters, Carolyn

Phillips, Nancy  
Phipps, Geoffrey  
Popkin, Nancy  
Popper, Richard  
Pressly, Paul  
Pritchard, Barry  
Probst, Don E  
Prosnitz, Eugene  
Radwin, Robert  
Rakevich, Phyllis  
Ranaldi, Paolo  
Rao, Balusu  
Ravipudi, Subba  
Revill, Colin  
Richardson, Jerry  
Rickman, Joe  
Riely, Darlene  
Roberts III, Warren  
Roche, Michael  
Rolnick, Jerome  
Ross, Albert  
Rothschild, Donald  
Saben, Barbara  
Sachs, Herbert  
Sachs, Nancy  
Salvi, Shelly  
Sampson, James  
Sanford, William  
Sawyer, Gary  
Schaeffer, Lynne  
Schafer Jr, Walter  
Schaffer, Barry  
Schamehorn, Danny

Schenk, Kathy  
Schiff Jr, Martin  
Schudson, David  
Schwartz, Alan  
Scope, Ivan  
Sebastian, Vickie  
Segal, Jane  
Senter, James  
Shannon, Diane  
Shaw, Barbara  
Shevitz, Henry  
Slaven, Michael  
Smith, Kerry  
Smoak, J. Fletcher  
Smoak, Linda A  
Sokolower, Lester  
Sorathia, Ahmed  
Sosler, Gerald  
Spanier, Marianne  
Spear, Jack  
Stack Magee, Donna  
Stafford, Jeff  
Stearns, Ruth  
Steil, Leo  
Steiner, Harry  
Stoller, Mildred  
Stothart, David  
Strauch, Cathy  
Strauch, John  
Stuart, Jess  
Susskind, Alan  
Swan, Stu  
Swarthout, Donna

Takeda, Yas  
Task, Harold  
Tipton, Linda  
Tipton, V. Jay  
Tracy, Robert  
Tracy, Ronald  
Treble, William  
Trent, Brian  
Tritter, Lorand  
Tucker, Jacqueline  
Turner, Donald  
Tylman, Andrew  
Ulke, Asim  
Ulman, Ed  
Voorhies, Daniel  
Wachter, John E  
Wallace, Gudrun  
Ward, Raymond  
Warner, Stephen  
Waters, Michael  
Watkins, Grady  
Weiss, Ed  
Westrom, Ann  
White, Paul  
Wicentowski, Jane  
Wickham, William  
Wojewoda, Edward  
Wong, John  
Woodside, Jim  
Wright, Jon  
Wynston, Linda  
Yingst, Toshiko

**ADLER, Betty** (Mrs. Julian) (1927-1999) of Baltimore MD, a bridge teacher since 1959 and social worker, Adler did birth control surveys for Sinai Hospital. She was a Maryland B.A. board member for 15 years, president twice and tournament chairman from 1970 to 1980. A bridge cruise director, she won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1959 and the Wagar Women's Knockout Teams twice.

**AFDAL, Kay** (b. 1939) of Oro Valley, AZ took up duplicate bridge while in college in the 1960s at the University of California at Berkeley. She met her husband at the bridge table in 1970 and formed a lasting partnership. Following careers in real estate, accounting and as a bridge club owner she now teaches both private and group lessons and directs on cruise ships. She is a Past-President of District 6, the 2002 ACBL Goodwill Member of the Year, and a member of the ACBL Charity Committee.

**ALBERSHEIM, Alberta G.** (1906-1996) of Alexandria VA and formerly of Waban MA was an attorney. Albersheim was a regular at bridge tournaments until 1995 and was a leading masterpoint winner among the women in New England. Albersheim finished second in the NABC Women's Pairs in 1958. She was a member of the Goodwill Committee as well as a major committee member for the Boston NABCs in 1970, 1981, and 1990. Although Albersheim was virtually blind, she continued to play bridge. She carried her own boards with giant symbols from tournament to tournament. Her partner and opponents called off their cards as they were played. Albersheim trained herself to assemble a mental picture of the hands as she committed each card called to memory.

**ALLEN, Alexander** (Alex) (b. 1953) of Metulhen NJ, research chemist. Served on Unit 140 and District 3 boards.

**ALLISON, Karen R.** of Las Vegas NV, formerly of Toronto. When Allison took up the game in high school; she never dreamed of how far it would take her. Now retired, Allison has traveled the world to participate in bridge tournaments. She has met actor Omar Sharif, who belonged to her bridge club when she lived in Paris, and she has learned bridge from the top players in the world. Allison has served on the drafting committee for duplicate and rubber bridge laws revisions, was the ACBL Appeals Committee vice-chairman and past chairman of the GNYBA. She was elected to the ACBL Laws Commission in 1982. Allison represented Canada in world competition (New Orleans in 1978 and Valkenburg in 1980). A WBF World Master, she was the first woman ever to represent Canada in Open Teams - Monte Carlo 1976, where her team placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the Olympiad Open Teams. Allison has won five North American championships.

**ANDERSON, Merrell R.** (b. 1931) of Littleton CO is a retired mechanical engineer and bridge teacher. He co-authored *The Subtle Club*.

**ANDERSON, Virgil** (b. 1924) of Springfield MO was ACBL President in 1994. Anderson was taught bridge by his parents at age 8, but only became addicted to the game after he played his first duplicate in 1955. Anderson received a degree in Economics from Drury College, after a few years of teaching speech and theatre Anderson went to Missouri University Law School. He did a brief stint as a practicing attorney before opening a truck equipment business with his father. He officially retired in 1994. In addition to his past service on the ACBL Board, Anderson is also a member of the National Goodwill Committee and the National Charity Committee.

**APFELBAUM, Jay M.** (b. 1951) of Pittsburgh PA is a tournament director. He served three years as a member of the ACBL Board of Directors and edited ACBL appeals books. Apfelbaum won the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1976.

**ARLINGHAUS, Dr. William Charles** (b. 1944) of Ann Arbor MI is an Emeritus Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science at Lawrence Technological University.

He has more than 50 publications in refereed journals, including the first e-book published by John Wiley and Sons. His doctoral dissertation was published in *Memoirs of the American Mathematical Society*. Arlinghaus is a member of the ACBL Board of Directors for District 12 and chair of the Bridge Committee. He also serves on the Masterpoint, Technology, Competitions and Conventions, Bylaws, International, Appeals and Charges and Juniors Committees. He is chair of the Steering Committee, rewrite of ACBLscore, a past President of the ACBL Educational Foundation, a five-time president of the Michigan Bridge Association, co-chair of the local committee of the 2008 Detroit NABC, the chief scorer and local committee member of the 1991 World Junior Championships in Ann Arbor, the designer of the algorithm for first round pairings in the Vanderbilt, Spingold and Wagar. Arlinghaus has a PhD from Wayne State University in Mathematics (Algebra) and graduated summa cum laude for the University of Detroit. He is the past Chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science at LTU, the

president of Huron Chase Condominium Homeowners Association and a past chair of the Pastoral Council for St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Ann Arbor. He has been married since 1966 and has one son.

**ARNDT, Patsy L.** (1935-2003) of Houston TX, teacher, classical piano player. She placed second in the Wagar Women's Knockout Teams in 1983.

**ASHBACHER, Ronald W.** (Ash) (b. 1946) of Topeka KS, Goodyear area manager. Contributor to Bridge Bulletin; authored the convention Suction.

**BECKER, R. Jay** (Bob) (b. 1944) of New York City, actuary and stock options trader, presently a bridge teacher. Won Keohane North American Swiss Teams 1979. Won the prestigious Eastern States Regional Goldman Pairs twice (1993 and 2008). One of the youngest seniors to win a Senior event, winning two days after his birthday.

**BELL, Leo A.** (b. 1948) of Long Beach CA, financial manager, and administrator for California State University at Northridge, certified director and bridge teacher. He co-authored *Two-Over-One Game Forcing* with Tom Oakley. Bell won the Las Vegas Pro-Am Money Tournament in 1985.

**BENEDICT, Gene F.** (b. 1953) of Toledo OH, safety director and truck driver. A former member of the District 12 Board of Governors, he has served Unit 105 in various positions. He has been a bridge columnist for the *Toledo Blade* since 1993.

**BENJAMIN, Peter E.** (b. 1939) of Culver City CA is a retired Budget Analyst and print shop owner. Treasurer of Culver City Kiwanis and Business Manager of s-corp (Leaps n Boundz) working with children who have special needs (autism). Benjamin is a member National Goodwill committee and has held many offices district-wise such as first and second alternates, Board of Directors, NAOP chair, GNT chair. Currently, he is tournament manager and appellate chair. Unit-level offices have included treasurer, tournament chair and appointee to district Board of Directors.

He won the Jan Cohen Award for outstanding service to bridge. He has also earned a unit Player of the Year award. Peter won the 1995 Silver Ribbon Pairs at the Phoenix NABC.

His hobbies include collecting rare American currencies dating back to the 19th century.

**BENNETT, James E., Jr.** (1936-1992) of Staten Island NY, insurance company supervisor. He won the Amateur Swiss Teams in 1976 and placed second in the Blue Ribbon Pairs 1979.

**BERKOWITZ, Lisa** (Mrs. David) (b. 1952) of Boca Raton FL. A WBF World Life Master, Berkowitz won the Venice Cup in 1997. She is also a 17-time North American champion.

**BERRY, Dolores** (Dee) (b. 1934) of Arlington VA is rated as Master Teacher by the American Bridge Teachers' Association and is the most experienced teacher in the Northwest. She teaches many classes per week for students of all levels. She is a frequent teacher on cruise ships all over the world. She is an ACBL teacher-trainer and ACBL certified director. Berry is the education liaison for DINO (District 19) for 25 years and a frequent speaker at regionals and nationals. She is the author of *Two Over One in a Nutshell*, and accompanying teachers' manual and *Cuebids in a Nutshell* and the accompanying teachers' manual.

**BIRNBACH, Ethel Katz** (b.1927) of Portland OR is a retired structural engineer. She was the first woman to be registered as a professional engineer in the state of Oregon. Her favorite bridge moment was winning the North American Pairs in District 20 and going to the finals in Dallas. Karen Barrett and Birnbach were the first women to have that honor in their district.

**BRASHLER, Ted H.** (b. 1921) of Lockport IL, retired general contractor. Authored *Sweep Q-Bids* and *The Meaning of Bids* and has contributed to *The Bridge World*.

**BRISMAN, Jon C.** (b. 1944) of San Bernardino CA, attorney, former elementary school principal, bridge professional and teacher. He has competed in more than 70 10K runs. He served as co-chairman of the ACBL Goodwill Committee from 1983-1988 and 1996-present, he was the chairman of the Conventions Committee 1986-1987, coordinator of the President's Advisory Committee 1986-1987, ACBL National Recorder 1985-1988 and was actively involved in setting up the recorder program presently in effect at NABCs. He was responsible for revision of the ACBL Convention Chart and created or implemented many

of the policies and procedures in effect at the ACBL Goodwill Committee hearings and helped to create ACBL Standard. He has written for the *Bridge Bulletin* and contributed to *Contract Bridge Forum* and *Southern California Bridge News*. He retired from active bridge in 1988.

**BRUNO, Steve** (b. 1947) of Peoria, AZ is a retired state government claims adjudicator, bridge author, fiction writer, bridge teacher and professional player. He is the author of *Team Tactics in Bridge* and co-author, with Max Hardy, of *2/1 Game Force: An Introduction*. He is a contributor to the *Bridge Bulletin*, *Western Conference Contract Bridge Forum* and *Shuffle, Deal and Play*. He was the captain and coach of the 1988 Women's Team that were runners-up in the USWBC. He's a promoter of women's bridge teams and the originator of NW Women's Intercity Team Challenge. He was a member of the winning USA team vs. Russia in the Goodwill Games, 1990.

**CARRUTHERS, John** (JC) (b. 1947 in England) of Harrow ON is a retired project manager, writer and editor of *International Bridge Press Association Bulletin* and *Ontario Kibitzer*, conductor of *Marks & Comments* (Bridge magazine, UK) and a frequent contributor to the World Championship books. Carruthers has had books (*How to Write Technical Manuals; Ex-Etiquette*) and articles published on many topics including computer technology, etiquette, technical writing, bridge, gambling and sports, and is a frequent tournament *Daily Bulletin* editor. He is the Chair of Canadian Bridge Hall of Fame Committee and the chair of 1997 World Junior Bridge Team Championship in Hamilton ON. He has served on Unit 166 Board of Directors, Canadian Bridge Federation Board of Directors and the ACBL Hall of Fame Committee. He was the non-playing captain of the Canadian open, women's and Junior teams nine times and coached the Pakistan Open Team in 2007. A WBF World Master, Carruthers represented Canada as a player 13 times. He won the Won Canadian Open Team Championship four times, the Canadian Senior Team Championship twice and the Canadian Open Pairs Championship once. He has won three NABC events. Carruthers also won the first Richmond Trophy as top Canadian masterpoint holder in 1974.

**CASE, Leonard L.** (Len) (b.1951) of Charlotte NC, manager computer programming; served District 7 as president 1999-present, vice president 1997-1999, treasurer 1993-1997; served as Unit 153 president and vice president.

**CATON, Don J.** (b. 1941) of Pensacola FL, attorney for city of Pensacola. He was a junior tennis champion ranked fifth in the US in singles and second in doubles, boys division, in the mid-Fifties. He was also a table tennis champion. Caton placed second in the von Zedtwitz Life Masters Pairs in 1980 and the Men's BAM Teams in 1986.

**CHATZINOFF, Kenneth** (b. 1945) of Cinnaminson NJ, psychologist working in correctional institutions. He won the National Amateur Men's Pairs in 1976.

**COHEN, Billy** (b. 1958) of Sherman Oaks, CA (born in Montreal) is a professional bridge player. Cohen is a four-time North American Champion.

**COHEN, Mark D.** (b. 1951) of Glen Ridge NJ is a stock options trader and regular member of expert panel *Bridge World* Master Solvers Club since 1983. Cohen placed fifth in the Rosenblum Teams in 1990. He won the USBC (Team Trials) in 1989 and has four NABC titles to his credit. Mark and wife Stasha are one of the more successful husband-wife partnerships

**COHEN, Stasha** (Mrs. Mark D., formerly Wroblewski) (b. 1954) of Glen Ridge NJ is a civil trial attorney and formerly a computer programmer analyst with IBM. She is a student of Japanese flower arranging and enjoys gourmet cooking. She has served on Board of Directors of GNYBA and New Jersey BA. A WBF World Life Master, Cohen won the Venice Cup in 1991. She has won eight North American Championships.

**COLCHAMIRO, Janet** of Merrick NY. She won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams and placed second in the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 2000.

**COLLINS, Kevin** (b.1954) of Dunwoody GA is a Georgia Tech graduate and an accomplished classical guitarist. He has served on the Unit 114 board several times. He is Unit 114 C & E chairman and a member of the National conduct and Ethics committee.

Collins won the Baldwin NAP Flt A in 2000.

**COLSON, Sharon M.** (1946-2007) of Kirkland WA earned a degree in accounting from the University of Washington. She retired in 2006 from her job as a certified public accountant for Flex Plan Services in Bellevue. She was one of the top players in the Seattle area. Colson finished second in both the Women's Swiss Teams and the Women's BAM Teams in 1993.

**COOPER, Steve** of Fort Collins CO is a retired law professor and NYC taxi owner/driver. Cooper earned a BA in 1970 from NYU, a MD in Psychology from New Mexico Highlands University in 1973, a MA in 1978 in Molecular Biology from UC Santa Barbara, J.D. cum laude in 1985 from Rutgers Newark School of Law and LL.M. in 1990 from Harvard Law School. He and his wife, Kitty, are co-editors of the District 17 *Scorecard*. Cooper won the Keohane North American Swiss in 2000 and placed second in the Freeman Mixed BAM in 2000 and the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2006.

**COVALCIUC, Valerie A.** (Val) (b. 1946) of Fort Myers FL is a bridge teacher (since 1972), a teacher-trainer (1987-1993), and former newspaper copy editor. A former member ACBL Board of Directors for District 14, Covalciuc was ACBL president in 1999, chairman of Board in 2000 and a member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee. She has served in various executive positions on the unit and district level, including president of Unit 241 1986-1987 and District 14 president in 1992. A trustee of the ACBL Educational Foundation, she was named the first Area Manager for ACBL Education Program. Covalciuc won the Wagar Women's Knockout Teams in 2009.

**DALTON, Mike** (b. 1949) of North Salt Lake UT is an IT consultant. He won the USBF Pairs in 2005. His favorite bridge moment was playing in a vugraphed Blue Ribbon Pairs finals against Zia in San Francisco and spilling his coffee all over the place. He served as San Jose unit Conduct and Ethics chair in the late 1980s.

**DARLING, Dean A.** (1927-1991) of Eureka KS was a retired chemical engineer. He passed away in his sleep at a tournament while sitting out the first half of afternoon session of Knockout Teams. His team went on to win the event.

**DENNY, John W.** (Jack) (1911-1993) lived in Akron OH before moving to Florida in the early Seventies. He became Life Master #220 in 1950 and a year later won the Fall NABC Men's Teams (now the Mitchell BAM). Twice, he was second in the Men's Pairs and in 1961 he and John Simon were second in the NABC Open Pairs. That qualified them for the 1961 Houston Team Trials and to represent the U.S. at the first World Pairs Olympiad held in Cannes in 1962. Denny and Tom Mahaffey played as partners in the Midwest in the Fifties and later in Florida, where Denny managed one of the apartment complexes owned by Mahaffey & Co. Jack and his wife, Jill, taught bridge and operated a bridge club. Denny's most spectacular bridge victory came in 1985 when he and Mahaffey, both in their seventies, led their Spingold team to victory over a quintet of world champions. They missed winning the Spingold again in 1987 by a mere 8 IMPs.

**DERMER, Dale** (b. 1935) of Richmond VA, tax preparer, bookkeeper, bridge teacher and homemaker, member unit board. She won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1985.

**EARLY, Richard** (b.1943) of Cuyahoga Falls OH is an insurance agency owner and bridge teacher. He served as treasurer of District 5 for 20 years. He is a winner of District 5 Ann McGilvery Sportsmanship award. Early invented a game he has dubbed "The Olympiad" for players with 0-300 MPs where they play a duplicate game which is followed by instruction and transparencies of the hands.

**EGAN, Mary** (formerly Albert) of Yakima WA, office manager for family owned food brokerage business. She competes in ballroom dancing Pro-Am tournaments, does demonstrations and exhibitions of partnership dancing, and has won several dance awards. Egan won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2004.

**EICHENBAUM, Kenneth J.** (b. 1947) of Columbus Ohio, bridge teacher, lecturer and professional player. *Authored Bridge Without a Partner, What Do I Bid Now?* and *Keys to Winning Defense*

**ELLIOTT, Loren S.** (b. 1923) of Mesa AZ, retired resource planning engineer for state of Iowa. He was formerly with the USDA-Soil Conservation Service. Elliott is a certified director for 25 years, a past president of the Hawkeye Bridge Unit and a former Board member.

**ELLIS, Brian** (b. 1945) of Cleveland Heights OH, attorney, former chairman of District 5 Judiciary Committee and currently a representative for District 5 on the Board of Governors. He placed second in the GNT in 1993 and the Freeman Mixed BAM Teams in 1999.

**EPSTEIN, Roberta E.** (formerly Erde) (b. 1936) of Las Vegas NV, computer science teacher. Epstein has won four North American championships and placed second on six occasions.

**FEATHERSTON, Norman D.** (Norm) (1934-2004) of Redmond WA was a retired electrical engineer, bridge teacher and bridge administrator. He was District 19 recorder for many years and a two-time president of the Seattle Unit.

**FELLOWS, Barbara A.** (Mrs. James E.) (b. 1938) of Omaha NE is an ACBL accredited bridge teacher and director. She is a Unit 241 Board member and Unit Education Liaison. Fellows won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1976.

**FELTON, Ronald L.** (b. 1938) of New York City is a bridge professional.

**FINKEL, Lewis M. (Lew)** (b. 1946) is a retired lawyer and CPA. He resides in Jupiter FL with his wife, Andrea, of 35 years. He has one daughter, Lauren, and two grandsons. He served as District 25 judiciary chairman and was Intercity champion (representing Boston) in 1972. Finkel won the Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2006. In addition to winning silver medals in the World Senior Teams in both 2002 and 2006, Finkel is a member of the 2011 USA1 Senior Team.

**FLATOWICZ, Pierre D.** (b. 1950) of Omaha NE is a resource management flight chief. He has written for quarterly bridge newsletters and monthly articles for the Lompoc California newspaper. He has personally recruited more than 50 new duplicate players.

**FLEISHER, Martin E.** (Marty) (b. 1958) Born in the Big Apple, Fleisher learned to play bridge at the age of eight by observing his parents and uncle. His biggest thrill is a tie between winning the Intercollegiate Championships at the age of 18 and his victory in the 2000 Cavendish Pairs. However, he considers his "greatest achievement" an absolute toss up between his marriage to his wife of 22 years and getting to the finals of the Grand Nationals in 1976. But there was a famine of over 28 years until he won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams at the 2004 Fall NABC. It took Fleisher's teammates in the North American Swiss (Gavin Wolpert and Vince Demuy) only one NABC to transcend from bridesmaid to bride! Since then Marty has won three additional North American Championships and the USBF Team Trials. Fleisher will represent the U.S. in the 2011 Bermuda Bowl as part of the USA1 squad. Marty enjoys few leisure moments for hobbies other than bridge as his professional commitment as an Employee Benefits Attorney and investment advisor is very time-consuming.

**FOUT, John** (b.1967) of New York City, options trader. Fout was a member of the USA II World Junior team in Denmark.

**FRASER, Sandra E.** (b. 1944) of Mount Royal PQ, born in New Zealand, vice president financial administration. She has served as vice chairman for Eastern Canada of the ACBL Goodwill Committee. A former president of the Montreal BL, Unit 151, Fraser represented Canada in the Rosenblum Teams in 1982, 1986 and 1990 and Women's Team Olympiad in 1984. She won the CWTC in 1984, the Mixed BAM Teams in 1981 and placed second in three other NABC events.

**FREEDMAN, Robert P.** (b. 1926) of Buffalo NY attorney. He was a member of the ACBL Board of Directors from 1956-1957. Freedman won two North American championships – the Silodor Open Pairs in 1969 and the Freeman Mixed BAM Teams in 1956.

**FRESE, Dale H.** (1919-2000) of Longwood FL, retired IRS agent.

**FRIEDBERG, Joel M.** (b. 1954) of Ardsley NY, attorney, real estate investor, options trader, broker and former regional director. Friedberg finished first in the Pan American Games in 1983, third in the Maccabiah Games in 1977 and represented ACBL in the World Olympiad in New Orleans in 1978 and Miami in 1986. He won Senior/Advanced Senior Master Pairs in 1973 and the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1977.

**FRIEDLAND, Dr. Peter** (b. 1952) of Cupertino CA is the chairman/founder of a software company and the former chief of Artificial Intelligence Research and Applications at NASA Ames Research Center. He was the captain of the National Champion College Bowl Team for Stanford in 1977. He has served on both unit and district Boards and is a contributor to the Palo Alto *Kibitzer*. He placed second in the ACBL Continent-wide Charity Game (1984) but was only second in his local club in the same event.

**FUKUSHIMA, Everett A.** (b. 1944) of Aiea HI is an attorney. A member of the ACBL Appeals Committee, a past president of his Unit Board and a certified director, Fukushima was named Hawaii Life Master of the Year seven times.

**GARBER, Keith E.** (b. 1945) of Las Vegas NV is a professional bridge player, day trader in stocks and a former rubber bridge club owner. He was a member of the original Precision Team, formed by C.C. Wei. He won the Continent-wide Charity Fund Game in 1978 and was one of only two partnerships to win the Goldman Pairs twice.

**GARDNER, Mary** of Streamwood IL, bridge teacher. She won three District 13 NAOP titles.

**GARDNER, Robert R.** (b. 1946) of Chicago IL, chief financial officer.

**GARGRAVE, Jeffrey J.** (Jeff) (b. 1949) of Pasadena CA, tax attorney. Won national convention Battle Plan 1991. Involved in National and District committee work. Directs on bridge cruises.

**GATES, Georgiana** (b. 1945) of Houston TX is a computer systems analyst and contributor to *The Bridge World*. Gates has won two North American championships.

**GAULT, Annalee** (b. 1941) of Raleigh NC, office manager, retired English teacher.

**GAULT, Gregory F.** (Greg) (1941-2008) of Raleigh NC was a high school psychology teacher and expert in subliminal advertising. He was involved in local bridge in Tucson and assisted his wife running tournaments in Raleigh.

**GERARD, Ronald** (Ron) (b. 1944) of White Plains NY is an attorney. A contributor to *The Bridge World*, Gerard authored *1-2-3 Two-Bids*. He placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the Rosenblum Teams in 1982 and 12<sup>th</sup> in World Simultaneous Pairs in 1988. Gerard has won four North American championships including the Spingold and the Vanderbilt. He also placed second in the Cavendish Invitational Pairs in 1994.

**GLASSON, Bob** (b. 1945) of Pennington, NJ, arbitrator/mediator, member, National Academy of Arbitrators, second in Freeman Mixed BAM Teams 2002 (with wife Joann). Member, ACBL Ethical Oversight Committee, served as member and vice-chairman, ACBL National Appeals Committee, 1990-1998, president, Philadelphia Contract Bridge Association, 1995-1996, chair, District 4 Appellate Committee.

**GLENN, Richard M.** (Dick) (1917-1996) of Sarasota FL, retired stock broker, also founded and operated a large personnel placement service. He won his first tournament on board the S.S. France at age 12 in 1930 and played with 27 different partners at the time they became Life Masters.

**GOLDFEIN, Jerome R.** (Jerry) (b. 1956) of Chicago IL, office manager for law firm, former options trader, and beginning bridge teacher. Goldfein became a Life Master at age 18 and won his first national championship at age 22. He has won the Grand National Teams three times and been runner-up nine times in NABC events. He won the North American Team Trials to represent the U.S. in Rhodes in 1996.

**GOLDSMITH, Jeff** (b. 1961) of Tujunga CA is a computer graphics engineer, an internet software engineer and the inventor of internet bridge movies. He authored the convention "Puppet Major Raises". He has served on the District 23 Board of Directors since 1992 and the ABCL Appeals Committee since 1998.

**GOPPERT, Clarence H.** (1908-1999) of Valley Center CA was a retired banker who had control of substantial interests in 20 banks. He purchased his first "tiny" bank 1941 and began a horse racing business in 1982. He was honored as "Donor of the

Year” in 1988 and as “Kansas City Donor of the Year” in 1991. He established the Goppert Foundation in 1959 and holds honorary degrees from Wm. Jewell and Avila Colleges. Goppert didn’t become a Life Master until age 65, but then he acquired more than 9000 points by age 73. He won McKenney Trophy (now Barry Crane Top 500) in 1979 at age 71 after open-heart surgery and was second in 1976.

**GORDON, Robert M.** (Robb) (b. 1956) of Sedona AZ has served bridge in many capacities; he is currently a member of the NABC Appeals Committee and the ACBL Laws Commission. He is also a former Chairman of the Board for the GNYBA and a former member of the ACBL Board of Governors. Gordon has also had a number of non bridge jobs. As a teenager, he bought and sold rare postage stamps. In his travels as a young stamp dealer, he dealt with many bridge playing philatelists including Paul Soloway and John Biddle. As an options trader, he was involved with exchange politics, the AMEX/NASD merger in 1999, and served on the AMEX (American Stock Exchange) board. After options trading, Gordon went back to school and finished his bachelor’s degree that he had put on hiatus for 30 years. Gordon’s favorite bridge moment was winning the 1987 Lebhar IMP Pairs with Linda.

**GOULD, Susan (Muffin)** of Boynton Beach FL is a grower of the pitless peach and an exporter of 100,000+ fruit trees.

**GRABEL, Ross D.** (b. 1950) of Palm Desert CA, company owner. He represented the ACBL in world play in 1986 placing 16<sup>th</sup> in the Rosenblum Teams. Grabel has won four North American championships including the 1984 Reisinger which ended in a four-way tie.

**GRANOVETTER, Pamela** (Pam) (b. 1953) of Cincinnati OH is a writer/editor. She runs a web site “Judaism for Beginners”. She is the author of *Movie Guide for Bridge Players’* and *The Torah Weekly Reader - Wisdom for the Torah*. A member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee. She is the co-editor of *Bridge Today* magazine, Bridge Bulletin column “Partnership Bridge”, the books *Tops and Bottoms*, *Conventions at a Glance*, *A Switch in Time*, *Forgive Me Partner*, and *Learn Bridge in 9 Minutes*. She co-produced four Bridge Today All-Star games. She represented Canada in New Orleans in 197 and in Valkenberg in 1980. Pamela has won four North American championships. She also won the Cavendish Invitational Teams, Israeli Open Teams, Mixed Pairs 1993; New Orleans Money Tournament 1983 and placed second in Iceland Open Teams.

**GRANTHAM, John M.** (b. 1944) of Amarillo TX, retail store owner, former commodity broker and professional bridge player. He won the Blue Ribbon Pairs and the Lou Herman Trophy in 1971.

**GREEN, Mary** (b. 1930) of Carlisle MA., formerly of Memphis TN, former college math teacher. She is the wife of Roy Green, ACBL chief executive officer 1992-1998.

**GREEN, Roy G.** (b. 1930) of Carlisle MA formerly of Memphis TN, retired executive vice president of OKbridge, retired CEO of ACBL 1992-1998 and a former banker. He was appointed by President Ford to National Commission on Electronic Fund Transfers. Green was the National president of the U.S. League of Savings Institutions (1981-1982) and a charter trustee and former chairman of the Appraisal Foundation in Washington D.C. He has been a contributor to Bridge Bulletin and OKbridge *Spectator*. Green has been active the past 30 years in every aspect of bridge administration and is a long-time member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee.

**GREENBERG, Byron** (Beau) (1927-1994) of Las Vegas NV, formerly of Tulsa OK and Houston TX, was one of the most colorful and successful tournament players in the Southwest. Byron became ACBL Life Master #541 in 1953. Later that year, he and Harold Rockaway won the North American Open Pairs at the Fall NABC in Dallas. In 1972 and 1973 he was runner-up in the Spingold and the Reisinger. Greenberg was a former clothing store owner and retired restaurateur. He enjoyed golf and sports handicapping.

**GREENBERG, Sherie R.** (1932-2011) of Palo Alto CA, was a bridge teacher and professional player. She served on the Unit 503 Board of Directors. Sherrie won the Marsha May Sternberg Women’s BAM Teams in 1996.

**GREENSPAN, Jonathan** (Jon) (b.1950) of New York City is a bridge professional and former commodity trader. He placed second in the Reisinger in 1989.



**GWOZDZINSKY, G. Margie** (The Countess) of New York City, born in Poland, bridge teacher and retired business systems analyst. Member GNYBA Board of Directors for 25 years. She is a contributing columnist for *Post Mortem* bridge magazine. A world champion, Gwozdzinsky won the Venice Cup in 1989. She has also won seven North American championships.

**HABERMAN, Barbara** (Bari) (Mrs. Sigmund, formerly Rappaport) (b. 1935) of New York City, options trader, former English teacher. She was one of the leading American women players in the Sixties and Seventies. She won the Fishbein Trophy in 1971. She won five North American championships including the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs twice. She and Al Roth were three-time winners of the prestigious Eastern States Goldman Pairs. After sweeping the pairs events in a sectional tournament, she was named honorary Men's Pairs champion so that her record would not be flawed.

**HALL, Clay** (b. 1953) of Birmingham AL, computer programmer/analyst. Hall served as first alternate Director for District 10 from 1991-1996. He held several executive positions in his Unit and District including president of both. Hall is a certified director, was co-chairman of the 2000 NABC in Birmingham and chaired several local sectionals and regionals. He won the nationwide Instant Matchpoint Game (N/S) in 1992.

**HANN, Gary S.** of Ann Arbor MI, finance consultant. Served as member Michigan Bridge Association Board of Directors 1981-1982; ACBL Board of Directors 1988-1989; ACBL Appeals Committee 1981-1988, Board of Governors 1980-1988 and chairman 1991-1995, vice chairman 1995-1996. Co-chairman World Junior Championship Committee, contributing editor to unit publication *Table Talk*. He innovated Junior Day, District Choice of Scheduling, Percentage Scoring, publishing Mini-McKenney Lists. Hann placed second in the Men's BAM Teams (now Mitchell Open BAM) in 1979.

**HAWKINS, Arnold** of Jonesboro GA is in federal law enforcement. He earned a BA from Western New Mexico University. He says becoming a Life Master in 1984 and playing in the Grand National Pairs is his favorite bridge moment. Arnold's hobby is the stock market.

**HELLER, Barbara** (b. 1948) of Decatur GA is a retired technical librarian. She has served as second alternate to Board of Directors, Mid-Atlantic President, District 7 President, Unit 165 President, Gatlinburg Regional Co-chair from 1987-1992 and on the Bridge at Schools Board of Trustees. She is a member of the National Goodwill Committee and the National Charity Committee. Heller is a strong supporter of youth bridge and has taught more than 200 middle school students. Her main goal is to teach them to love the game, not necessarily to become tournament competitors in the hope that they return to the game and really learn it when they are grown.

**HERTZ, Dr. Daniel** (b. 1934) of Harrison NY, physician, a former WBF vice-chairman of the senior committee for the ACBL.

**HERTZ, Natalie** (b.1934) of Harrison NY, attorney. Hertz placed sixth in the World Senior Teams in 1998 and has been a top 10 Senior MP winner.

**HESTHAVEN, Dennis G.** (b. 1946) of Louisville KY, first vice president Morgan Keegan. Vice president and board member Unit board 1984-1987, 1998-present. He won the North American Swiss Teams in 1991.

**HINDS, Carreen S.** (b. 1944) of Bakersfield CA, math teacher. She placed second in the Women's BAM Teams in 1993.

**HINGERTY, Dr. Brian E.** (b. 1948) of Knoxville TN, scientist at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and the owner of Knox Computer Consultants.

**HUBERT, Olin** (b. 1949) of Atlanta GA is a professional player and an Associate National tournament director.

**IVEY, Ernest (Ernie)** (b. 1934) of Surprise AZ, systems requirements analyst. He has served as president, vice president and chairman of the charity committee of District 21. He won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1976.

**JACKSON, Joan S.** (b. 1947) of Dallas TX, financial manager, previously in corporate finance with a major retailer. A WBF World Life Master, Jackson won the Women's Team Olympiad in 2000 and was third in the Venice Cup in 2001. She is a four-time North American champion.

**JOHNSON, Walter D.** (b. 1953) of Columbus OH is an administrative officer in a health care facility. He won the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1985, the GNT in 1990 and 2010 and placed second in the Reisinger in 1987 and the USBC (team trials) in 1989.

**JOTCHAM, Raymond G.** (Ray) (b. 1941) of Scarborough ON is a retired mathematics teacher. Has been directing since 1959, tournament director 1978-1993. Jotcham placed second in the Spingold 1964. He competed in world play in New Orleans in 1978 and was Canadian Intercollegiate champion in 1961.

**KANZEE, Stephen** (b. 1948) of Hayward CA, retired real estate investor. Searched and found his birth parents and through paternal grandmother's lineage, became a member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. He has served on Units 497 and 508 Boards and was vice-president for Unit 497 1979-1985. He placed second in the North American Swiss Teams in 1984.

**KASLE, Barbara** (b. 1939) of Boca Raton FL, former bridge club owner. She won the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1996.

**KAYE, Rick** (1945-2011) of Bingham Farms MI played as a "youngster" and then from the mid-1970s until mid-2001, due to family and business responsibilities, he played only about 1-2 times a year for more than 25 years. When he returned to bridge in mid-2001, he had about 350 points. Having won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 2007, Kaye was just 600 masterpoints away from becoming a Grand Life Master at the time of his death.

In 1975, Kaye became a partner in the Big-8 accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand (now PricewaterhouseCoopers). He was also a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and a CPA, one of a handful (under 10) ever to accomplish that dual distinction. Though officially retired from Price, he retained his three favorite clients; the prepaid tuition plans of Michigan, Illinois and Maryland. He spent about 1000 hours a year on these plans, which enable parents and grandparents of those states to save for college on a very tax-favored basis.

He was married to the former Ellen (Vernoff) in 1967 and after 44 years of marriage, they produced four children and four grandkids. Kaye attended virtually every University of Michigan football and basketball game and never missed a big bowl game or final four.

**KEEL, Darrell E.** (b. 1940) of Peoria AZ, senior account insurance agent. A past president Unit 428, he served as tournament chairman for sectionals and regionals. He was the co-founder of the Tri-Cities Bridge Club and was instrumental in starting sectional and regional tournaments for his unit. He placed second in the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1993.

**KEMIC, Stephen B.** (b. 1946) of Los Alamos NM, physicist. He has served as Disciplinary Chairman of Unit 381 since 1992 and as District 17 Appellate Judiciary Committee member since 1997.

**KENNEDY, John E.** (Jack) (1920-2008) of Shreveport LA, businessman, decorated U.S. Army veteran and a two-time national champion. Kennedy, husband of world champion Betty Ann Kennedy, was a World War II veteran who received three U.S., two foreign and four campaign medals for his WWII service in Europe, including the Battle of the Bulge. He graduated from the U.S. Army Academy at West Point at the age of 21.

After his military service, Kennedy returned to Shreveport and took over the family businesses. He served as president and CEO of Kennedy Supply Co., an auto parts warehouse distributor with branch stores, and a wholesale lumber company and wood-treating plant. In bridge, he won the Men's Pairs (now the Wernher Open Pairs) in 1973 and the Blue Ribbon Pairs with longtime friend Bobby Wolff in 1984. Kennedy was a member of the Shreveport Sports Hall of Fame.

**KERR, Robert A.** (Bob) (1935-2010) of Los Angeles CA, supervisor of transportation pricing. Served on unit ethics committees in Seventies and placed second in the Men's Pairs in 1971.

**KIVEL, Mickie** of Potomac MD is a Public Health Advisor for the FDA. She is listed in Who's Who in American Women and Who's Who in the East. A WBF World Master, she was third in the World Women's Teams in 1998. She won Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1986.

**KLUEWER, Ann C.** (b. 1924) of Bakersfield CA, transcriptionist. She won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1994.

**KNIEST, Thomas W.** (Tom) (b. 1945) of Clayton MO is a semi-retired CPA. He is a two-time North American champion winning the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2006 and 2009. Kniest has placed second in four other NABC events.

**KOLKER, Larry M.** (b. 1928) of St. Louis MO, rubber bridge club owner, professional bridge teacher and player. He won the Vanderbilt in 1962.

**KRANYAK, John** (b.1983) of Las Vegas NV is a three-time world junior bridge champion. He was King of Bridge in 2002 and became a North American champion in 2005 by winning the Rockwell Mixed Pairs with his mother, Laurie. Kranyak has also been successful on the poker circuit, cashing in seven tournaments.

**LACY, Jack** (b. 1942) of Lago Vista TX worked in the software industry for more than 35 years designing, developing, testing, and managing the design, development, and test of software for main frame computers, mini computers, and personal computers. Lacy and his wife currently own a small business specializing in nutrition supplements and consultation. He earned a BS in Engineering at the University of California at Berkeley in 1964, earned an MA in Mathematics from UC in 1967, and earned an MBA from the University of Texas at Austin in 1993. Lacy has served on the district conduct and ethics committee in District 21 and has served as club and unit C&E chairman in both California and Texas. He has been tournament chairman for several sectionals, teaches beginning bridge (TAP certified) and gives playing and online lessons to local beginners and intermediate players. He has been a certified director for more than 40 years and directs two local games on a weekly basis. In the late 1970s, Lacy and his brother won the first-ever barometer regional event held in northern California. It was their first regional win. They won by only two matchpoints on a 100 top. Lacy says his favorite hand was near the end of that event when he smothered a 7 to gain an extra overtrick which contributed greatly to the win.

**LALL, Justin** (b. 1986) became a Life Master when he was just 12 years old. Since then he has won the World Junior Teams twice, the GNT Championship flight, and most recently the USBF Team Trials. Justin will represent the U.S. in the 2011 Bermuda Bowl as a member of the USA2 squad.

**LESOTA, Leo** (b. 1979) of Glen Burnie MD currently holds two bridge records. First, he won the most masterpoints in one year (2010), 3598.64 total; 3339.99 points were earned online which do not count in masterpoint contests other than the online category. The online total is more than double the yearly total that anyone else has earned online. Second, he is the only member of the ACBL right now who has satisfied all of the requirements for becoming a Grand LM, except that he does not have enough live points. Lesota won the 2002 Fast Pairs at the Washington DC NABC. Currently, he works as a budget analyst for the federal government.

**LEBI, Robert** (Extra) (b. 1951) of Toronto ON, born in Paris, France, is a systems analyst. Canadian Intercollegiate Pairs and Team champion in 1972, he won the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1989, the Silodor Open Pairs in 2006 and the Fast Open Pairs in 2006. He also won the Canadian National Team Championship in 1999.

**LEVINE, Michael** (Mike) (b. 1938) of Boca Raton FL, retired businessman, inventor, scientist, high-tech business owner. He developed more than 100 U.S. patents including programmable thermostat and authored several books on mathematical algorithms. A WBF Seniors Master, Levine placed second in the World Senior Teams in 1994. He has won six North American championships.

**LEVITINA, Irina** is the only person in the world to win world championships in both chess and bridge. A six-time World Champion in bridge, she is currently the top US woman in the WBF Masterpoint rankings.

Especially well respected for her declarer play, Irina was one of 34 world-class players (including only four women) invited to participate in the World Par Contest, a declarer play competition, held in connection with the 1998 World Championships in Lille, France. In finishing 14<sup>th</sup> overall (and first among the women), Irina placed ahead of such stars as Benito Garozzo, Chip Martel, Steve Weinstein, and Zia.

Born in St. Petersburg, Russia, Irina was first taught chess as a young child by her father. By the age of 18 she was a member of the Soviet team and was the top woman at the chess Olympiad. At age 18, Irina also took up bridge, introduced to the game by Simeon Furman, her chess teacher (and world champion Antoly Karpov's) at the time. Immigrating to the U.S. in December 1990, Irina co-founded the International Chess Academy in Teaneck, NJ, in 1997.

**LEVITZ, Jerry** (1943-2003) of Ventura CA, attorney and businessman. He was active in Rotary International and was a past vice president of Unit 547.

**LINDOP, David** (b. 1946) of Toronto ON, born in England, business systems analyst. He is a past president of the Canadian Bridge Federation. He represented Canada in world championship play four times and placed second in the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss in 2003. He has edited many of the books authored by Audrey Grant and is co-editor of Better Bridge.

**LIVEZEY, Joseph C.** (Joey) (b. 1953) of Paoli PA, options trader, antique dealer, bridge teacher and club director. He was the Youngest Life Master in 1968 and appeared on *What's My Line* in 1969 for that achievement. He was first in the North American Zone Epon Pairs in 1986 and seventh in the world. In 1997 he won the North American Zone and was second in the world.

**LORD, Roger E., III** (b. 1941) of St Louis MO. Lord won the Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2003, placed second in the Silodor Open Pairs in 2004 and second in the 1973 GNT. He has played for stakes in most of the rubber bridge clubs in North America and has helped many players advance their game.

**LYNCH, Carolyn** lives in Scottsdale AZ, and Marblehead MA, and began playing tournament bridge in 2002. She promptly won her Mini-McKenney category nationally the first three years she played and has since won three North American championship titles. She has a degree in physics from the University of Pennsylvania and has also patented a chemical process. She is President of the Lynch Foundation. An avid gardener, her garden in Ireland has won an award for the best garden outside the United States. She also enjoys golf, riding horses, and competitive badminton.

**MANCUSO, Renee C.** (b. 1955) of Los Angeles CA is a CPA who has primarily worked in the entertainment industry in Los Angeles. An avid movie-goer, runner and want-to-be chef, Mancuso is a WBF World Life Master. She won a silver medal in the 2000 Venice Cup. Mancuso is a six-time North American champion.

**MARKS, Sam** (b. 1963) of Atlanta GA is a bridge teacher. Marks is the District 7 vice president. He placed second in the Wernher Open Pairs in 2005. His favorite bridge moment was placing second in the 2008 Master Solvers Club and then appearing in Challenge the Champs.

**MARSH, Edward I.** (Bud) (b. 1927) of Scottsdale AZ, retired businessman. Bud earned a BS from McGill University 1947. He served on the Montreal Board of Directors in the 1960s and as co-chair of the Entertainment Committee at the Montreal Summer Nationals in 1967. He is a former club owner, bridge teacher and a frequent guest speaker at tournaments. He was playing captain of Montreal's championship inter-city bridge team in 1967 and 1968. Marsh's favorite bridge moment was in the early 1970s when Alan Truscott, in the *New York Times*, printed his play of the first recorded double stepping-stone squeeze. He placed fourth in the World Senior Teams in 1994 and placed second in the Amateur Swiss Teams in 1977.

**MARTEL, Jan F.** (b. 1943) of Davis CA is a retired attorney and a past president of the USBF (United States Bridge Federation), the organization that supports ACBL members in International competition, including the Junior World Championships. Jan is a seven-time North American champion. Of her titles, her favorite was winning the GNT Championship Flight in 2009.

**MASTERSON, Marcia W.** (d. 2011) of Pasadena CA was a financial consultant. She won the Amateur Swiss Teams in 1977 and the Women's BAM Teams in 1990.

**McGARRY, Linda** of Stuart FL is a full-time player and teacher. She placed second in the NABC Women's Swiss Team in 2006. She is a former board member of the northeastern Ohio Unit and founder of the "Grapefruit League", an eight month team event which included most of Florida's National and World Champions. Linda's favorite bridge moment was when she accompanied the Junior Teams to the World Championship in Rio de Janeiro in 2001. She says, "My husband (Dennis McGarry) was their coach. When they won the championship, it was as exciting as if I had won myself. Their enthusiasm and excitement of the game reminded me of what bridge was for me when I first started and rekindled an avid interest."

**McGEE, David** (b. 1939) of Mason City IA was ACBL president in 1991 and chairman of Board in 1992. He served on unit board since 1964 as past president and for many years and ran Grand National events in District 14. He was second alternate to ACBL Board of Directors for six years and first alternate for nine years before moving up to the ACBL Board. He edited Iowa State Bridge Bulletin for about six years.

**McHANN, Annette** (b. 1937) of Gulf Breeze FL is the owner of McHann Railroad Services, Inc. She won continent-wide Royal Viking Instant Matchpoint Pairs (E/W) in 1993.

**MELANDER, Dr. Leonard** (b. 1925) of West Bloomfield MI is probably the oldest person to have won a North American Championship. He won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 2007 at the age of 82 and the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams at the age of 85 in 2011.

**MELSON, Richard T.** (Dick) (b. 1946) of Chicago IL, stock options trader. Melson placed second in the Wernher Open Pairs in 1977, the Open BAM Teams three times (1978, 1991 and 1993) and the Reisinger in 1988.

**MELTON, Murray S.** (b. 1939) of Las Vegas NV, poker dealer. He placed second in the Transnational Senior Pairs in 1994

**MERBLUM, Franklin P.** (Frank) (b. 1949) of Bloomfield CT, actuary. He won his first regional at age 18 with his father, Frank. Together they won events in the Sixties, Eighties and Nineties. Merblum won the GNOP in 2001.

**MILLER, Bernard A.** (Bernie) (b. 1940) of Boca Raton FL is a retired attorney. He is a past president of the Eastern Massachusetts B.A., a former member of the ACBL Board of Governors, the ACBL Rules and Protest Committee and the District 25 Board of Directors. He placed fifth in the Bermuda Bowl in 1991. He won the USBC (Team Trials) in 1991, the GNOT in 1989 and the Wernher Open Pairs in 1992.

**MILLER, Jeffrey A.** (b. 1948) of Naperville IL, research and computer modeling of equity options and other securities, college professor University of WI. He served on the Upper Michigan B.A. board from 1975-1987, was president from 1981-1983 and was a Chicago Contract B.A. board member.

**NAGY, Edward A.** (Ed) (b. 1946) of Danville CA, attorney. He won the Freeman Mixed BAM Teams in 1979 and placed second in the Open Pairs in 1989 and the Life Master Open Pairs in 1993.

**NAGY, Peter I.** (1942-2003). A leading player for more than three decades, Nagy died of an apparent heart attack while playing poker at the Bellagio Hotel in Las Vegas. Nagy, a retired options trader and professional bridge player moved to Las Vegas in 1994, where he, his wife and son lived until moving to Encino in 2001. Born in Budapest, Nagy escaped communist Hungary in 1957, and immigrated to Canada. Overcoming the obstacle of learning English, he became valedictorian of his high school class in 1961, and after moving to the U.S., graduated from Princeton in 1967. Nagy was a WBF World Life Master, placing second in the World Open Pairs twice and earning bronze in the Rosenblum Teams. He was a four-time North American champion and a two-time Canadian national champion.

**NEUFFER, Henry Happoldt** (Hap) (b. 1950) of Columbia SC, store manager. Neuffer won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1993.

**Oakey, Larry B.** (b. 1936) of Minneapolis MN is a retired air traffic controller and broker. He has served as District 14 recorder since 1985, is tournament director, president of his local bridge club, a contributor to *Gopher*, *Viking Bridge News* and was bridge columnist for Sun newspapers. Oakey placed second in the Open BAM Teams in 1978, played on the Minneapolis Inter-City Match Team in 1968 (won) and 1969 (lost).

**OSHLAG, Richard J.** (b. 1945) of Germantown TN, ACBL computer programmer/analyst. Oshlag served as business manager for the Bridge Bulletin from 1969-1984 and ACBL programmer from 1984-1988. He returned to ACBL as computer specialist in 1993. Oshlag is currently enjoying the distinction of being the only current ACBL headquarters employee with a North American Championship title. He and his wife, Mary, won the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams at the Summer NABC in Toronto in 2011. Oshlag also placed second in the Mixed BAM Teams in 1989.

**PAPP, Balint** (1921-2009) of Daytona Beach FL, born in Soviet Union and raised in Hungary, was a technical interpreter. After a brief time in Hungarian Army, he spent seven years as POW in the Soviet Union. After his release, he worked as an interpreter and was the Hungarian National Platform Diving Champion in 1952 and 1953. Papp was the coach of the Hungarian Olympic Diving Team in 1956. Papp defected to U.S. in 1956.

**PARNES, Gordon** (b. 1947) of Flint, Michigan, retired public school math teacher, current college math instructor. He is a past president of the EMBA and of District 12.

**PATTERSON, Lucille E.** (Lucy) of Sacramento CA, secretary. Patterson won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1964.

**PAUL, Abe** (b. 1943) Born in Germany, Paul is a retired actuary. He has served his local unit as Appeals Committee Chairman, Recorder and as a board member.

**PEDERSON, Darryl** of Mill Creek WA. He served on his local board for five years and has been a contributor to the Bridge Bulletin. Pederson won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1985, the Wernher Open Pairs in 1987.

**PERLMAN, Linda M.** (Red) (b. 1945) of Loxahatchee FL, bridge teacher, director and player. A WBF World Master, Perlman placed third in the McConnell Cup in 1994. She won the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1987 and has placed second in four other NABC events.

**PHILLIPS, L. James (Jim)** (b. 1935) of Chicago IL, retired executive, now part-time consultant. A former president of the Chicago Contract B.A., Phillips served on the Conduct and Ethics Committee from 1975-1980. He won the Harmon Wilkes Sportsmanship Award in 1985 and is an ACBL accredited teacher and director.

**PICUS, Sue** was born in Wisconsin now living in Manhattan. She is a former computer executive and now computer consultant and professional bridge player. She is a four-time world champion and a 10 time North American champion.

**POE, Dr. William L.** (Lyle) (b. 1947) of Columbia MD is an attorney. He has served in several capacities in the Maryland B.A. and has been a certified director since 1974. A contributor to *The Bridge World*, Poe authored *The Millennium Club*. He placed second in the Silodor Open Pairs in 1987 and the GNT in 2001.

**POLAK, Gunther** (b. 1933) of Chicago IL, insurance investigator. Polak won the Golder Pairs in 1961 and placed second in the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1964.

**POLISNER, Jeffrey D.** (Jeff) (b. 1939) of Lafayette CA was ACBL's general counsel from 1985 to 2001 and WBF counsel general from 1992 to 1994 and since 2000. Polisner was a two-term president of Unit 499 and president of District 21 in 1983-84. He was chairman of the District 21 Judiciary and Conduct and Ethics Committees in 1981. He has served on the NABC Appeals Committee since 1979 and the ACBL Laws Commission 1982. Polisner is a WBF World Master. He was npc of winning GNOT Team in 1982 and placed second in the Silodor Open Pairs in 1989 and the Nail Life Master Open Pairs in 1993.

**POLOWAN, Michael** (b. 1958) of New York City is a professional bridge player. He is a four-time North American champion. Michael was the 2003 New York Player of the Year.

**PRESBERG, Shirley** (b. 1935) of Boca Raton FL is a bridge mystery author. She has written two books. Shirley has a BA degree from Syracuse University where she was Phi Beta Kappa and a MA degree from the University of Michigan. She started her writing career when she was in her fifties, and soon had her own column reviewing mysteries in the *Virginian-Pilot* called "From the Mystery Shelf." She wrote her first mystery, *Death by Contract*, when she was in her sixties and was 73 when she published her second mystery, *Clubbed to Death*. Shirley's favorite bridge achievement was winning 7500 points to make Emerald Life Master while playing with her favorite partner, Sharon Jabbour.

**PRIEBE, James** (Jim) is a retired executive who has been a keen bridge player for 70 of his 76 years. He represented Canada in the World Bridge Olympiad in 2004, and together with his wife Joan, has won more than 30 regional ACBL titles.

Now retired, Priebe devotes a great deal of his time to writing on bridge related subjects. His writing includes articles for Bridge Canada and the Bridge Bulletin, and five books *Thinking on Defense*, *Takeout Double*, *Matchpoint Defense*, *Double Elimination*, and *Deadly Holdup*. Masterpoint Press has published all of them.

Priebe has performed many functions in bridge administration over the years, including serving two terms as president of the Canadian Bridge Federation as well as The Montreal Bridge League and the Kingston Unit.

**QUINN, Joe** (b. 1950) of Katy TX, engineering manager. He won the North American Swiss Teams in 1993.

**RALPH, Mark P.** (b. 1946) of San Francisco CA, US Department of Defense investigator.

**RASKIN, Raymond L.** (b. 1943) of King of Prussia PA, compliance chief for regulatory affairs for major pharmaceutical firms. A past president of District 4 and the Philadelphia CBA, Raskin served as District 4 Recorder from 1970-1980 and is a past chairman of the ACBL Appeals and Charges Committee. He was Director of the NABC Appeals Committee in 1999, served on ACBL Board of Governors from 1983-1986 and again since 2004, he was on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1986-2003 and has been a member of the ACBL Laws Commission since 2003.

**RAYNER, John W.** (b. 1951) of Oakville ON, bridge professional, bridge teacher, bridge club manager. Rayner has taught students at all levels for 30 years.

**REICH, Louis I.** (b. 1949) of Wheaton MD, computer programmer. He placed second in the Mitchell Open BAM in 1976.

**REMEY, Vincent O.** (1911-1988) of Southfield MI founded and served as editor of the Unit 137 newsletter *Table Talk*. He was elected to the ACBL Board of Directors in 1974 and served until his death. He also served as the ACBL representative to the WBF. Remey won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1971, placed second in the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1948 and the Master Mixed Teams (Freeman Mixed BAM) three times.

**RENGSTORFF, John C.** (b. 1943) of New York City, retired stock option market maker. He is a two-time North American Champion.

**RHATIGAN, Jack** (b. 1931) of Cottage Grove MN won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1973.

**ROBINSON, Craig** (b. 1943). Robinson's devotion to bridge and service to the game have been manifest since the early Seventies.

Born in the Philadelphia area, Robinson learned bridge at home at an early age. "I wasn't very good," he says, "but I was the best 7yearold on the block."

Duplicate came into his life when he was 20. At the time, he was working for RCA and attending night school at the University of Pennsylvania, studying finance.

His job at RCA was scientific programming, and he worked on a program to measure heat transfer for the Lunar Excursion Module that landed on the moon in the summer of 1969. Later, he spent time modifying a program to track Russian satellites, and he was sent to Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands as part of that effort. He worked at RCA from 1962 to 1974. At that point, he switched to business programming and went to work a controller for the Rohm and Haas Company from 1979 to 2000, when he retired.

Robinson became involved in bridge politics in 1971 after returning from Kwajalein. He had made a name for himself in the area as a player and was asked to serve on the Unit 141 board. It wasn't long before he was elected president of the unit, then president of District 4. At this point, he has served for three terms as the District 4 representative to the ACBL Board of Directors and is the 2011 ACBL president.

He ran for the national board after retirement provided the extra time he needed to serve the constituency. On the ACBL Board, he has been treasurer and chairman of the Finance Committee. Two new events on the NABC schedule were his ideas – the Platinum Pairs, which debuted this year at the Spring NABC in Reno, and the new Super Senior Pairs, for players 70 and older.

Robinson's work in bridge politics has not taken away from his devotion to the game, and his 9100 masterpoints attest to his ability. He and his wife, Elaine Landow, were second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs at the 2009 Spring NABC in Houston. When he is not playing bridge or working for the game, he root for Philadelphia in all sports, especially baseball's Philadelphia Phillies.

**ROCHE, Michael J.** (b. 1951) of Toronto ON, insurance company regional manager. WBF World Master. Won CNTC 1993 and 1996.

**ROSE, Eddie** (b.1938) of Laguna Niguel CA. Eddie is the only two-time leading money-winner (2001, 2005) on the Bridge Professional Tour (BPT) and the only player to have ever won four BPT events. He also finished second in the 2004 Senior masterpoint race. Eddie is the inventor of and chief proponent for the ROSE Double (see the Bridge Bulletin, September 2005).

He is an ACBL-certified Club/Cruise Director, and has lectured and directed on several cruise ships and at ACBL regionals and nationals. Eddie is a Registered Professional Engineer (PE) in the State of California, and holds a MS degree in Systems Management from the University of Southern California. He is a former Laguna Niguel (CA) City Councilman (1994-1998).

**ROSEN, Eunice M.** (b. 1930) of Highland Park IL is a retired magazine editor. Eunice has a BS from the University of Chicago. She is a three-time North American champion. Eunice says her favorite bridge moment was early in her bridge career when she impressed Al Roth by finding an unusual squeeze against him.

**ROSEN, Robert** (Bob) (b. 1941) of Delray Beach FL is a bridge professional and bridge club owner. He has served in various executive positions for Unit 128 (president 1992). He also served as District 9 president and national recorder from 1985-1995. Rosen placed fourth in the World Senior Teams in 1998. He was the npc of the 1991 USA Bermuda Bowl Team, the 1993 USAII Bermuda Bowl team and eight USA World Junior Teams. He was the coach of the 2008 Under-28 Junior Team at the World Mindsports Games. Rosen was Rookie of Year in 1977.

**ROSEN, William (Billy)** (b. 1928) of Highland Park IL, options trader. A WBF Life Master, Rosen won the Bermuda Bowl in 1954 and placed second in 1955. He was 25 when he won the Bermuda Bowl, the youngest player ever to win that title until 1981 when the record was broken by Bobby Levin. He has won eight North American championships. Rosen also won the McKenney Trophy in 1953.

**ROSENBERG, Debbie** (nee Zuckerberg) (b. 1968) of Westchester NY is a bridge teacher and professional player. She served as a member of the Greater New York B.A. board and as Education Liaison to the ACBL. A WBF Women's World Grand Master, she won the World Junior Championship in 1991 and the Venice Cup in 2007. She is a five-time North American champion.

**ROSENBERG, Milton** (b. 1944) of Lecanto FL is a precious metals broker. He is a two-time North American champion.

**ROSNER, Warren M.** (b. 1944) of White Plains NY, systems analyst. A WBF World Master, Rosner placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the Rosenblum Teams in 1982 and 1986 and 12<sup>th</sup> in the World Simultaneous Pairs. He has won three North American Championships including the Spingold in 1981. He posted an 84.7% game in a GNOP qualifying game in 1981.

**ROWLAND, Rick** (b.1953) of Wilmington DE, CPA. Rowland is a huge baseball fan who would like to visit all 30 MLB cities someday. Rowland is currently the president and treasurer for District 4 and was a former president of Unit 190. Rowland's favorite bridge moment was winning the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss in 2010.

**SALTSMAN, Barbara J.** (Barbie) (b. 1936) of Montreal PQ. A WBF World Master, she represented Canada in world play in Miami Beach in 1972, Bal Harbour in 1986, Chile in 1993 and Bermuda in 2000. She placed second in the Master Mixed Teams in 1974.

**SAVAGE, Mike D.** (b. 1941) of Signal Hill CA learned bridge from his parents while attending Pacific High School in San Bernardino CA.

After attending Occidental College, Savage joined the army and became a Russian translator for the Army Security Agency and was posted to Germany to eavesdrop on Russian military activity in East Germany during the Cuban missile crisis. He became a Life Master shortly after leaving the Army and returning to the States in the mid-Sixties. He had the benefit of being in a group of young players tutored by Paul Soloway in the new walsh system after Al Okuneff's nearby money bridge club had closed for the night. He played competitive tournament bridge into the Seventies and had a regular partnership with Ed Davis and Milon Edwards amongst others.

In the 1970s, Savage semi-retired from competitive bridge to concentrate on a career of Technical Illustration and Commercial Art. In about 1980 he pulled up stakes, moved to Ajijic, on Lake Chapala in Jalisco, Mexico, with his good friend Andre Bruley and lived there on a shoestring for close to five years, writing, teaching and playing social bridge. Savage returned to the States to help take care of his ailing parents who then lived in Crestline CA. During this time he began to direct duplicate clubs in Riverside and Los Angeles and is currently directing at the South Bay Bridge Club two days a week. He has directed at the Beverly Hills Bridge club three days a week for almost two decades. In the 1990s, Savage was an ACBL tournament director and directed at many local tournaments. Now, besides directing at the two clubs, he sometimes plays professionally with students at clubs and in Southern California tournaments.



**SCHERMER, John** (b. 1948) of Seattle WA, painting contractor. A WBF Senior Life Master, Schermer won the World Senior Teams in 2004. He will represent the USA in Veldhoven, The Netherlands in 2011 as a member of the USA2 Senior Team. Schermer has won four North American championships including the Vanderbilt in 1992 and the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2005.

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**SCHUETT, Virginia** (Ginny) of Riverwoods IL is a bridge teacher, professional player and former teacher. A CCBA Board member since 1987 and former president, unit education liaison since 1988, president ABTA 1998-1999 and ABTA master teacher, Schuett placed second in the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1995.

**SCHULD, Diana K.** (b. 1938) of Glen Head NY, retired elementary music teacher (34 years), co-owner/operator Vanderbilt BC 1975-2010. Schuld has served as the District 24 Representative to the Board of Governors, a Member Goodwill Committee, a past president Unit 242 and member the its board for many years. She participated in the “Bridge to Broadway” shows at both the 1974 & 2004 New York NABCs. Schuld sang many solo recitals in the 1980s through the 1990s, the last in 2001. In the last few years she has become a serious ballroom dancer and competitor. Schuld is also active in her Lutheran Church as a musician and assisting minister, and has written and delivered the sermon during lay-person services. Her favorite bridge moment is a toss up between playing with her husband, Frank, and placing second in the 1967 LM Pairs the first year she was eligible, and winning the Smith LM Women’s Pairs. Schuld also won the Whitehead Women’s Pairs in 2011.

**SCHUTZE, Kenneth R.** (b. 1949) of Austin TX, staff attorney Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. Schutze won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1979 and the North American Pairs Flt A three times.

**SEAMON, William E.** (Billy) (1917-1992) of Miami Beach FL. Mr. Seamon, known throughout his bridge career as Billy, represented the United States in the 1957 world team championship. He played in New York City as a member of a team headed by Charles Goren, and they were defeated in a head-to-head match by Italy. Seamon qualified to play in the world championship by winning the 1956 Spingold Knockout Team Championship. In 1963 he completed a very rare double by winning both the Spingold Teams and the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams. In 1973, he won the Grand National Teams, as a member of a Florida team. A year later he won his last major title, the Master Mixed Teams, with a foursome that included his wife, Rita, and Edith Kemp Freilich. The Seamon family has one of the best tournament records of any family in North America. Other family members who have won national titles are two of Seamon’s children, Michael and Janice, and his sister, the late Anne Burnstein.

**SHARP, Robert G.** (1910-1990) of Miami Beach FL was a real estate broker. He was a former president of the Midwest Conference, the Cincinnati BA and the Florida BA. Sharp won the Mitchell Open BAM Teams in 1959, the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1966 and the GNOT in 1973.

**SHARPLES, Hendrik W.** (b. 1954) of Brush Prairie WA, appraiser and custom jewelry designer. He served as District 20 recorder from 1988-1991 and Unit 487 recorder.

**SHUGART, Rita K.** of Pebble Beach CA, active in both business and community activities on Monterey Peninsula, president of Monterey Airplane Company, an aircraft charter and management company; proprietor and operator of R.K. Shugart, a women’s fashion boutique in Carmel, and general partner in Pebble Beach Ventures, an investment and asset management organization. Became active in community educational activities in 1982 when she started a kindergarten-through-eighth-grade private school in Carmel, using a recently closed facility she purchased from the local school district. The school, Briarcliff Academy, was donated to Robert Louis Stevenson School in Pebble Beach and is still in operation. She is a three-time North American champion.

**SIDES, William C.** (Bill) of Burbank CA, bank executive. He won the Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1998 and placed second in the Open BAM Teams in 1974 and the Spingold in 1975. One of top-ranking ABA players, he set record at the 1969 ABA Summer Nationals by winning five major events and finishing second in another.

**SILVER, Joseph** (Joey) (b. 1941) of Hampstead, QC is a criminal defense attorney and leading Canadian player. A WBF World Master, Joey has represented Canada in world competition 15 times. He placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1995. An active member ACBL Board of Governors more than 20 years and the Montréal Bridge League for two years, He is also a member of Canadian Bridge Hall of Fame Committee and elector for ACBL Hall of Fame.

A top 20 Canadian masterpoint holder, he has won four North American championships and seven Canadian titles. He won the Cavendish Invitational Pairs in 1985. In 1986, as the defending champions of the Cavendish, Silver and his partner, Irving Litvack of Toronto, withdrew to allow a British pair (Sally Brock/Tony Forrester) to play. For that action they were awarded the John Simon Trophy for Bridge Sportsmen of the Year. Joey is a contributor to *The Bridge World*, *International Bridge Press Association Bulletin*, *Ontario Kibitzer*, *Bridge Canada*, *Bridge Today*, *Australian Bridge*, *Mélange de Bridge*, *New Zealand Bridge*, *German Bridge*, *Bridge Magazine (UK)*, and *International Popular Bridge Monthly*.

**SMITH, Thomas M.** (1938-2010) was one of the five original members of the “Precision Team” that dominated North American bridge in the early Seventies. Smith won the Spingold twice (1970 and 1971) and the Vanderbilt in 1972 playing with a rotating cast of teammates that included Steve Altman, Eugene Neiger, Alan Sontag, David Stasberg, Joel Stuart and Peter Weichsel. The squad was organized by Precision Club advocate C.C. Wei to promote his system. Smith and Mike Moss founded the Cavendish Invitational Pairs in 1975. This annual event, still held, is the largest cash prize bridge tournament in the world. Smith began his bridge journalism career in the mid-Sixties as the managing editor of the Bridge Bulletin as well as the second edition of *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*. When the ACBL moved to Memphis from Greenwich CT in 1972, Smith went to work for the Cavendish Club as its manager. Smith was also the editor of the nationally syndicated Goren bridge column and *The Post Mortem*, the official publication of the GNYBA.

**SPRUNG, Jo Ann M.** (b. 1950) of Philadelphia PA is a regional sales manager. A WBF World Life Master, Sprung won the World Mixed Teams in 2010. She placed second in the McConnell Cup in 1994 and third in 1998. Sprung is a six-time North American champion. She is a member of the National Goodwill Committee and the District 4 Disciplinary chair.

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**STURM, Stephen F.** (Steve) (b. 1951) of Whittier CA, mail processing. A graduate of the Chicago Conservatory of Music, Sturm is an accomplished pianist. He enjoys playing for entertainment at bridge tournaments. Sturm won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1983.

**SUBECK, Susan R.** (Suzi) (b. 1949) of Glenview IL, consultant. Subeck is a member of the ACBL Board of Directors, the National Charity Committee, and the National Goodwill Committee. She is the president and tournament coordinator for Unit 123. Subeck is the editor of the District 13 *Bulletin* and the USBF *Daily Bulletins*.

**SULGROVE, Kathleen J.** (b. 1952) of Twinsburg OH, restaurant owner. She is a three-time North American champion having won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1984, the Wagar Women’s Knockout Teams and the Machlin Women’s Swiss in 2004.

**SWANSON, Liz** of Athens GA has been a club director for more than 25 years. She has served on the Unit 114 Board, the District 7 Board, and has been the District 7 GNT coordinator for seven years.

**TAYLOR, Jeffrey** (b. 1941) of Eugene OR, chemistry teacher, tax practitioner. A former member of the ACBL Board of Directors, Taylor won the Intercollegiate Par contest 1964.

**TORNAY, Claire J.** (c. Belle, Clara Belle) (b. 1940) of Palm Beach Gardens FL, born in Belgium, retired psychotherapist and school teacher. Tornay has served as vice-chairman of the ACBL Appeals Committee, as president of Greater NYBA 1986-1990, as past president Cavendish Club (NY), on the WBF Appeals Committee, and as a member of the Ethical Oversight Committee. She was co-organizer of The Battle of the Sexes with Alan Truscott. A WBF World Master, Tornay placed third in the McConnell Cup in 1994 and 1998 and fourth in the World Women’s Pairs in 1982. Tornay has won two North American championships.

**TORNAY, George F., Jr.** (b. 1936) of Palm Beach Gardens FL is a consulting actuary. He won the Swiss Plate and placed eighth in the Roseblum Teams in 1986. A three-time North American champion, Tornay won the Senior and Advanced Senior Master Pairs in 1962, the Mitchell Open BAM Teams in 1980 and the Reisinger in 1984.

**TORRENCE, Anita C.** (b. 1942) of Bexley OH, bridge teacher, professional player, served many terms on unit and district board, including two terms as president of Central Ohio BA. She authored the ACBL partnership brochure.

**TOWNSEND, Mary B.** (d. 2010) of Baton Rouge LA, bridge teacher and director. She recorded books for the blind in spare time. A member of the National Appeals Committee, Townsend placed second in the Women's Knockout Teams in 1968.

**TOY, John O.** (b. 1944) of Buffalo NY, high school teacher. Toy was president of Unit 116 from 1971-1979, president of the Upper New York State Conference from 1987-1989, a member National Appeals Committee from 1975-1990, chairman Buffalo NABC in 1988 and co-chairman of the Niagara Falls NABC in 1982.

**TSCHEKALOFF, Alex** (1927-1995) of Las Vegas NV was a computer programmer. Tschekaloff won the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1965 with Paul Soloway and the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1969 with Erik Paulsen. He represented the U.S. in the World Olympiad Pairs in Stockholm, Sweden in 1970.

**TUCKER, Patty** of Atlanta GA. Tucker's success at the bridge table is well known, culminating in her victory in the 2000 North American Open Pairs with long-time partner Kevin Collins whom she married in 2006. Tucker has more than 50 regional championships to her credit and several top 10 finishes in NABC events, including the Spingold. She has been the District 7 Grand National Teams winner four times and has twice won the District 7 North American Open Pairs. Tucker has appeared on many Barry Crane and Mini-McKenney lists.

Tucker was born in Ft. Benning GA and grew up in Huntsville AL. The daughter of two duplicate bridge players, Mary and Don Davis, she began playing bridge at age 11 and joined the ACBL in 1965. Bridge remained a primary avocation throughout Tucker's varied career. She has worked for an architectural engineering firm, an electronic distribution firm, and later owned a collectible used book store. After her son Chase graduated from Auburn University, Tucker turned her hobby into a full-time career. She is one of Atlanta's top bridge teachers and has earned the title of ABTA Master Bridge Teacher. She is also an ACBL Certified Director and ACBL Accredited Teacher and still devotes a generous amount of her time as a bridge volunteer.

As an active bridge volunteer, Tucker serves as the Unit 114 Recorder, is a member of the ACBL's National Appeals Committee, and the ACBL's Charity Committee. She combined her commitment to bridge volunteerism and her love for children in 2006 with the creation of Atlanta Junior Bridge, the foremost organization for youth bridge. Not only has Tucker's leadership brought bridge to thousands of kids in the Atlanta area (including her grandson Jordan), but Tucker has used the lessons of AJB to help organizations throughout North America to create their own local programs. Working within AJB monthly duplicate games for children, she established weekly classes, Georgia Youth Pair and Swiss Team Championships, a 9-Week Middle School Curriculum, and the first Georgia School Bridge Championship. The ACBL's youngest Life Master learned bridge through the Atlanta Junior Bridge program and continues to play and learn through AJB.

Tucker's vision led to the creation of the first ever Youth NABC in Atlanta in 2008 which she chaired. She also served as co-chair of the Washington DC Youth NABC. Tucker's influence over youth bridge throughout the continent continued when she worked part-time as the first ACBL Youth Coordinator. She has continued her youth efforts as the creator of the Bridge Teachers for Youth web site and as the organizer of the first Youth Bridge Symposium. Whirlwind Bridge – a company that creates and publishes bridge workbooks for students – was founded by Tucker. She still serves as AJB's President and is a Trustee of the Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge.

Not content with advancing bridge to young players, Tucker created the first "Social Duplicate Bridge Game" in District 7 which fielded over 40 tables of social bridge players; the "Learn Bridge in A Day" seminar which taught more than 150 adults to play bridge in a four hour session, and she worked with the ACBL and AARP in the "Bridge to Anaheim" initiative to attract AARP members to ACBL functions. Tucker believes that teaching adults and children bridge offers them an opportunity for excellence which will be available to them for the rest of their lives.

No less important than her bridge and volunteer accomplishments is Tucker's reputation as an ambassador for the game. She is a member of both the District 7 and ACBL Goodwill Committees. As part of organizing the first Youth NABC, Tucker saw to it that the premier trophy was for Sportsmanship. Her colleagues in youth bridge recognized Tucker by naming the trophy in her honor. In addition, Tucker was named the Unit's Sportsperson of the Year in 2000.

In February 2011, two days after Tucker was inducted to the Georgia Bridge Hall of Fame, Tucker was honored as the ACBL Goodwill Member of the Year for 2011.

**TUDOR, Harry H.** (The King) (b. 1951) of Miami FL is a professional gambler. He won the Cavendish Invitational Pairs twice and placed second in the Cavendish Teams in 1998. He tied for fifth in the 1994 Rosenblum Teams.

**VAN COURT, Wendell A.** (Woody) (1926-2006) of Memphis TN. A former school teacher, Van Court was also a bridge teacher and a contemporary of Zeke Jabbour, with whom he attended college at Youngstown State University in Ohio. He served as president of Unit 111 1991-1992 and was a member of the National Goodwill Committee.

**VAN WYK, Rod** of Alton IL is a retired research director. He earned a B.S. from the University of South Dakota in 1960 and a MS in mathematics from Iowa State University in 1961. He did research in mathematics, space technology, and rocket engine combustion from 1961-1970. Later he was the director of research and product development for Winchester. He has served on the St. Louis Unit and District 8 Boards of Directors and as president of the St. Louis Unit, 2003-2004.

**WALKER, Karen S.** (b. 1951) of Champaign IL is an ad copywriter and college English teacher. She has been the *District 8 Advocate* editor since 1980. Karen is the author of *Bridge for Beginners and Beyond* and writes a monthly column for the Bridge Bulletin, "Bidding Matters." She is a two-time North American champion.

**WALSH, Richard R.** (b. 1936) of Zurich, Switzerland, commodities and currencies analyst, before retiring from tournament play was one of the leading American players and competed internationally. Inventor of the Walsh System, Richard represented North America in the 1971 Bermuda Bowl. He is a three-time North American champion.

**WALVICK, Katharine H.** (Kathie) (Mrs. Walter J.) (b. 1942) of McLean VA, senior legal editor. A WBF World Master, she placed third in the World Mixed Teams in 1974, the World Mixed Pairs in 1990 and fourth in the World Women's Pairs in 1982. She was the only woman to reach the World Open Pairs finals in 1978. Kathie is a two-time North American champion.

**WARSHAUER, Judge Bernard J.** (1920-1998) of Sumter SC, was one of the first family court judges elected by the South Carolina legislature, serving from 1972-1992. His portrait hangs in the Sumter County Courthouse. His greatest impact in the community may have come after his retirement when he represented Sumter's poor in court for free. For that service he was named 1997 Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year by the South Carolina Bar Association. Warshauer was a member of the South Carolina Bridge Hall of Fame. He served on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1983 until 1994.

**WEIK, Thomas W.** (b. 1942) of Wyomissing PA is president of investment advisory firm and a past member of the ACBL Board of Governors. He placed second in the Life Master Pairs in 1974.

**WEINER, Howard** (b. 1944) of Bloomfield Hill MI, attorney. He placed second in the GNOP in 1992.

**WEINSTEIN, Sue A.** (b. 1938) of Las Vegas NV was an administrative secretary for the Chicago Contract BA from 1975-1997 and a former teacher of the blind and partially sighted. A WBF World International Master, Sue represented the U.S. in the Venice Cup in 2004 as a member of the USA2 squad. She has won six NABC titles.

**WEISS, Larry A. (d.2003)** of Vista CA, retired attorney, former ACBL photographer; author of several *Bridge World* articles and is the originator of the Weiss Convention and Simplified Club System which is described in his book *The Simplified Club*. He placed second in the Mixed Pairs in 1970.

**WELLAND, Roy** (b.1962) lives in New York City with his wife Christal and two sons. He is a securities trader and owner of the restaurant Lotus of Siam. Since being named Rookie of the Year by the ACBL in 1986, Welland has compiled an impressive record. He has won six North American championships which include all three major team events, the Vanderbilt (2007), the Spingold (2003) and the Reisinger (2001). Welland also won the prestigious Cavendish Teams in 2001. He was named ACBL Player of the year in 2007 and was the recipient of the Lazard Sportsmanship Award in 2010. When asked about his most enjoyable bridge achievement, Welland said it happened in Verona in 2006, when he was just one match away from playing Christal for the world title. He didn't make it to the final, but Christal did.

**WESTFALL, David L.** (b. 1950) of Spokane WA is the owner of Grande Ronde Cellars winery and Spokane Bridge Studio. Westfall started playing duplicate bridge in Tanzania in 1972 and 1973 while on Rockefeller Travel Grant. Once after climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania he took a bus to Dar es Salaam to play in the monthly bridge game. When he arrived at ten minutes to game time he ran through the crowded lobby and into the playing site. To his surprise the game had been moved and he was in the middle of a heads of state meeting that included among others Julius Nyerere of Tanzania and Jomo Kenyatta of

Kenya. A graduate of Harvard (cum laude 1972) and University of British Columbia Graduate School Creative Writing, Westfall wrote *Journey to Eastern Washington Wine Country*. He has served as District 19 President, Spokane Unit 448 President and as a member of the National Board of Governors.

**WHITAKER, L. Emory** (b.1942) of Macon GA. Whitaker is a retired professor of Mathematics at Mercer University. He has a B.S. from Davidson College and M.A. and PhD from the University of Georgia. He has served as president of Macon Duplicate Bridge Club, president of Georgia Unit 114, a member of District 7 Board, a member of ACBL Goodwill Committee, and a member of District 7 Goodwill Committee. He was named Sportsman of the Year Georgia Unit 114 (1984) and Player of the Year Georgia Unit 114 (1994). Whitaker says his favorite bridge moment was when he and partner Sam Marks received a phone call at dinner, after all of the committee decisions were in, that they has won the 2005 Wernher Open Pairs. Subsequently his worst moment was 30 minutes later when after a score correction, they had placed second by less than ½ of a matchpoint.

**WILLENKEN, Chris** (b. 1975) of New York NY is an options trader. Chris graduated Williams College in 1997 with majors in Economics and Political Theory. He is a member of National Appeals Committee, a *Bridge World* author and a MSC panelist. He is a five-time North American champion.

**WOODWORTH, Robert M.** (Woody) (1911-1996) of St. Petersburg FL, attorney, bridge lecturer, teacher, writer; bridge columnist for *St. Petersburg Times* for 20 years and a contributor to bridge publications. Woodworth, was Special Agent, Counter Intelligence Corp, ETO WW II. Life Master #219, past president of Florida Unit, was awarded a prize for bridge articles by IBPA.

**WOOLSEY, Sally L.** (b. 1943) of Kensington CA is a retired teacher. A WBF World Master, Woolsey placed second in the McConnell Teams in 1994. She is a three-time North American champion.

**YUEN, Michael** of Vancouver has been active in bridge governance. He served on the ACBL Board of Governors, the District 2 Board of Directors and is also a long-time member of National Charity and ACBL Goodwill Committees. He was co-chair of Winnipeg Fall NABC in 1985. A member of the International Bridge Press Association, Yuen is a frequent competitor in international tournaments. He has been the npc and coach of national teams for both Germany and Canada in World Championships many times. He also enjoys Acquire, biking, travel and blogging on [www.bridgeblogging.com](http://www.bridgeblogging.com)

**ZALUSKI, Edward** (b. 1941) of Ottawa ON, retired computer systems consultant. He authored *Rate Your Team Play* and articles on 2♣ bidding structure for the Bridge Bulletin. Zaluski won the CNTC in 1990 and competed for Canada in the Bermuda Bowl in 1991.

**ZALUSKI, John** (b. 1963) of Chawa ON is a system analyst for Environment Canada. He won the COPC in 1992.

# DIAMOND LIFE MASTERS

To achieve the rank of Diamond Life Master, a player must earn 5,000 masterpoints. As of September 2011, there are 1503 ACBL members with this rank. This list includes deceased members.

Abelow, David	Backstrom, Jim	Betts, Laurence	Brown, Cec
Abramson, Lois	Baker, David	Betts, Michael	Brown, Chris
Aceti, Jerry	Balcombe, Keith	Bieber, Mimi	Brown, Dorsey
Adachi, Kathy	Baldwin, Marjorie	Binder, Rick	Brown, Stephen
Adams, Irene	Banks, Ray	Bish, David	Brown, Tom
Adams, John	Bantz, Charles	Bishop, James H W	Bruflat, Zita
Adams, Tom	Barcus, Steven	Bishop, Ron	Brumfield, John
Addington, Donna	Barfus, Armand	Bitterman, Robert	Bryant, Brenda
Adelson, Steven	Barkas, Jean	Blacik, Ben	Buch, Norman
Adlersberg, Joe	Barr, Robert	Black, Rose	Bukala, Mike
Adrover, Juan	Barrett, Annette	Bleskachek, George	Bumgardner, Mark
Aker, Jeff	Barry, Jean	Blume, Jeanni	Burford, Nannell
Albright, Betty	Barson, Jerry	Boatman, Ernest	Burgess, William
Aldenderfer, Sam	Bartlett, Ralph	Boggs, Robert	Burgis, Anita
Alexander, Reuben	Barton, Lee	Bolson, Rose	Burlison, George
Alexander, Robert	Barton, Lucille	Bomalaski, Julia	Burns, Sandy
Allen, Peggy	Bartunek, George	Booty, Bill	Burt, Betty
Allenspach, Frederick	Bauer, Charles	Borg, Ron	Butler, David
Alliston, Stella	Baughman, Roy	Boston, William	Byrne, Terry
Anderson, Andy	Bauman, Helene	Boteler Jr, Charles	Cabay, Lisa
Anderson, Dave	Baumer, Richard	Bouchard, Solange	Cabay, Stan
Anderson, Dora	Baxter, Doug	Bowers, Bob	Cadora, Ronald
Anderson, Emilie	Beardsley, Bonnie	Bowman, Allen	Cady, Frank
Anderson, Jean	Becher, David	Bowman, Bill	Caldwell, Rod
Anderson, Joan	Becher, Richard	Bowman, James	Callaham, Judi
Anderson, Lee	Beck, Leonard	Bowman, John	Callaham, Tom
Anderson, N	Bedient, Sue	Boye, Susan	Cannizzaro, Robert
Andrade, Malle	Bedros, Aram	Boyer, Jean	Cappelli, Robert
Anthony, Betty	Behrens, Ralph	Bradley, Kenn	Carcello, Vincent
Aquino, Mark	Bell, Gail	Braender, Joan	Carle, Richard
Arndt, Anne	Belski, Giles	Braucher, William	Carrick, Wayne
Ashburn, B. Laurel	Bender, Richard	Braun, William	Carrington, Edward
Assemi, Farid	Benedict, Frederic	Braz, Gerald	Carstedt, Robert
Atiyeh, Philip Aziz	Benedict, Paul	Breed, Tom	Carter, Bob
Atkins, Roni	Benner, Carolyn	Brenner, Eileen	Casper, Walter
Atkinson, Lee	Benner, Philip	Brent, Robert	Cassel II, Michael
Auch, Ella	Berenbaum, Carl	Brinker-Schwall, Ann	Cassidy, Pat
Auerbach, Larry	Berggren, Michael	Brodsky, Art	Castonguay, Jean
Aukstikalnis, Anthony	Bergman, Kenneth	Brodsky, Marla	Catero, Richard
Ausmus, Randy	Bernard, Joan Ellen	Bromberg, John	Cederborg, Warren
Babcock, Ronald	Better, David	Brown, Beverly	Chambers, Mickie

Chambers, Patricia  
Chambers, Robin  
Champion, Chris  
Charkatz, Harvey  
Chase, Phyllis  
Cheng, Kai  
Chisholm, Pat  
Chmielowiec, John  
Chow, Albert  
Christensen, Anne  
Christenson, Sharon  
Christie, Stanford  
Civetta, Germano  
Clamage, Allan  
Clark, Peter  
Clark, Thomas  
Clarke, Gale  
Clay, Ann  
Cleary, Jim  
Cleary, Priscilla  
Cloutier, Robert  
Cochran, Lila  
Codron, James  
Cofer III, Robert  
Coffman, Roger  
Cogan, Tom  
Cohen, Allan  
Cohen, Ira  
Cohen, Maralin  
Cohen, Steve  
Cohn, Julius  
Cohodes, Jay  
Cole, D  
Cole, James  
Coleman, Barbara  
Collier, Jeanette  
Colton, Robert  
Connolly, Keith  
Conway, Kevin  
Cook, William  
Cooling, Margaret  
Copeland, Alan  
Coquillet, Connie  
Cordes, Carole  
Cordes, Craig  
Cortese, Ramelle  
Craig, Peggy  
Creed, Bud  
Creisher, Marie  
Cressy, Sarah Anne  
Crites, Gloria  
Crooker, Jerry  
Crosby, Robert

Crump, Richard  
Cullen, Diane  
Cummings, James  
Cummings, Michael  
Cunningham, Tupper  
Currie, Audrey  
Currie, John  
Currie, Terry  
Curry, David  
Curtright, Jerry  
Cusick, Marlise  
Cutler, Sue  
D'Entremont, Art  
Dahl, Mark  
Dahl Jr, Carl  
Daigle, Jo  
Daigneault, Pierre  
Dallas, Richard  
Dalziel, Pat  
Dang, Douglas  
Daniel, Jim  
Davidson, Randal  
Davis, B  
Davis, James  
Davis, Jean  
Dawson, Anne  
De La Salle, Maurice  
Decker-Lucas, Lesley  
Deschner, Doug  
Deserpa, Sylvia  
Deutsch, Francine  
Dewey, Les  
Di Falco, Mildred  
Dickerson, Betty  
Dickie, James  
Dogruyusever, M. Ali  
Doroshovm, William  
Doss, Frances  
Dower, Jackie  
Dragoun, Joseph  
Drake, George  
Drezner, Peter  
Drury, Deborah  
Dubay, Judy  
Duke, J Dan  
Dunaway, Suzanne  
Duncan, Betsy  
Dunker, Alfred  
Dunham, Larry  
Eakes, Mike  
Eason, Bill  
Eason, Jane  
Eaton, Joan

Edmonds, Haskell  
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**ABDOU, Wafik A.** (b. 1962) of Bakersfield CA. born in Cairo, Egypt he is a physician and anesthesiologist. Listed in Who's Who Among Notable Young Americans, Abdou chaired a hospital anesthesia department for nine years. He keeps busy raising twins and being involved in multiple entrepreneurial ventures, in addition to a private medical practice (medical director and chair of anesthesia services for a large outpatient surgical facility). Abdou won the Cavendish Teams in 2006 and is a two-time North American champion. His favorite bridge moment was winning the Cavendish teams and playing with the first woman to win the event. He was once a ranked chess player and enjoys golf, reading, learning languages, games and puzzle solving.

**ABRAMS, Elsie** (d. 1993) of Pompano Beach FL was a registered nurse and certified director. She won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1960 and placed second in the Women's Teams in 1963.

**ABRAMS, Susan** (b. 1942) of Elkins Park PA, illustrator, jewelry and graphic designer. Abrams is the originator of left-handed bidding boxes and designer of bridge-related greeting cards.

**ADAMCZYK, Wesley** (Wes) H. (b. 1933) of Deerfield IL, born in Warsaw, Poland, senior chemist and senior tax consultant. At age 10 he and his family were deported to Russia - they escaped two years later. He lost both parents during this period - his father was murdered in the Katyn Forest massacre. He moved from camp to camp for displaced persons before finally arriving in Chicago in 1950. He has appeared on BBC radio and on television documentaries concerning the massacre. He wrote *When God Looked the Other Way: An Odyssey of War, Exile and Redemption* about his deportation and survival. He has been searching for his father's grave for more than 50 years. He is a contributor to District 8 Advocate.

**ADAMS, Dr. Robert T.** (Bob) (1923-2009) of Lafayette CA, born in Japan, is retired manager and research chemist. He was a roller skate dance champion in 1968-69 and served on the Oakland and Richmond Unit Board of Directors. He wrote a bridge column for the American Chemical Society magazine, *The Vortex*, for 11 years. Adams won the Hilliard Mixed Pairs in 1957.

**ALPAUGH, Nancy T.** (formerly Mrs. Ray Zoller) of Houston, TX, former bridge teacher. A WBF World Life Master, Alpaugh won the World Mixed Teams in 1972. She is a five-time NABC champion.

**ALTUS, Philip** (b.1945) of Tampa FL is a physician and professor of medicine at the University of Southern Florida. He is a former governor of the American College of Physicians (FL. Chapter). Altus has served as District Director from 1998 to present, past president of District 9 and board member of Unit 128. He is also a certified club director.

**AMES, Anthony C.** (Tony) (b. 1948) of Minnetonka MN, management, CPA. Ames has been vice president of Unit 178 Board of Directors since 1997, a certified club director and teacher and a contributor to Units 178 & 103 newsletters. He won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2004.

**ANTHONISEN, Robert** (Rob) (b.1941) of Altadena CA, sales representative. He was editor of Diablo Valley District Newsletter for two years and claims the dubious record of highest score on a board, plus 4600 and lowest score, minus 5800.

**APPLEBAUM, Alan** of Brookline MA is an attorney. He is a founding member and the first Chairman of the Board of the Boardgame Players Association, a non-profit organization that sponsors tournaments in specialty copyrighted boardgames. Applebaum also serves on unit and district appeals and C&E committees.

**ARNOLD, Rodger S.** (b.1947) of Aurora CO, poker dealer. Playing with a variety of partners he once had a streak of 28 consecutive Swiss Team match wins. In one of his Swiss victories his team gave up IMPs on only four of 40 boards.

**ASSINI, Jan L.** (b. 1945) of Aurora OH, administrative assistant. She served as Unit 125 secretary for 11 years and placed second in the Women's Knockout Teams in 1998.

**ATELJEVICH, George** (1929-1993) was a native of San Francisco. He became Life Master # 1270 in 1957. In a career that spanned more than four decades, he won many regionals and more than 5600 masterpoints. In the Fifties, he occasionally was the subject of articles in *The Bridge World* as "The Exotic One." He lived in Las Vegas for many years as a registered professional player. In 1991 he semi-retired as a tournament player and moved to California to operate a bridge club.

**AUKEN, Sabine** (nee Zenkel) (b.1965) was born in Bamberg, Germany and has accumulated an impressive array of championship medals. A WBF World Master, she has appeared in seven Venice Cup competitions, winning twice and losing in the final once. Along the way she has collected two gold and three silver medals in European Championship Teams events, and has won four European Pairs Championships (three Ladies and one Mixed). Add to that, wins in all of the major German national championship events and a handful of U.S. titles and you can see why Sabine and her regular partner Daniela von Arnim (who she has been playing with since 1985) are widely regarded as the world's, leading female partnership.

On a whirlwind visit to the United States in 1989, she broke the late Jeremy Flint's record of achieving Life Master status in 11 weeks by a full three weeks (although this record has since been beaten).

Her dissolved marriage to Danish lawyer Jens Aukén, an international star in his own right, led to Sabine's current home in Charlottenlund, Denmark, and her proudest moments so far - the birth of Jens Christian in April 1995 and Maximilian in June 1999.

Her hobbies include golf, skiing, running, swimming and tennis.

**BAQAI, Iftikhar (Ifti)** (b. 1946) of Los Angeles CA, born in India. Won BFAAME Open Teams in 1987 and played in the 1987 Bermuda Bowl representing Pakistan. He won the GNT Championship Flt in 2001, placed second in the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 2003, the GNT Flt A in 1999, and the Baldwin NAP Flt A in 1993.

**BARNICLE, John F.** (b. 1925) of Owings Mills MD, retired management consultant for computer systems. Active in bridge administration for more than 30 years, he served as president of New Jersey B.L., Delaware State B.A. and Maryland B.A. He is a former co-owner of a bridge club and a certified director since 1968. He also teaches and directs on cruises.

**BARTUSEK, Mark** (b. 1955) of Santa Barbara CA is a software engineer, recently retired from Raytheon Company (previously Hughes Aircraft). He received a BS in computer science from the University of Illinois at Champaign/Urbana. He was first overall in *The Bridge World's* Master Solver's Club annual contest and participated in *The Bridge World's* "Challenge the Champs" contest for four match-ups in 1996. He was a member of "expert panel" for *The Bridge World's* Master Solver's Club for 1997. He has served as co-team leader of one team of ACBL National Appeals Committee for past decade and member of appeals committee for several years previously. His favorite bridge moment was managing to end up with four 8's as his final four cards while defending a contract in a national event. His major hobbies include bridge, poker (Texas Hold'em), and golf. Mark won the Bruce Life Master Pairs in 2003.

**BATCHELLER, John** (1941-1997) of St. Petersburg FL, bridge club owner, certified director and teacher. He served as a member of the Western Massachusetts Board for more than 20 years in several capacities including president of Unit 196.

**BAUM, Jay** (b.1947) of Germantown TN formerly of Omaha NE. Before becoming CEO of the ACBL in 2002, Baum was the executive director of the Greater Omaha Convention & Visitors Bureau. As ACBL CEO from 2002-2012, Baum was responsible for relocating headquarters to a modern facility in Horn Lake MS which includes the only bridge museum in North America. Jay is a founding trustee of the Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge and currently serves on its board. He and his wife, Kathy, placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2003.

**BEARD, Fran** (1929-2010) of Dallas TX was the owner of a travel agency that was twice voted "best" by D Magazine. Considered an expert in European travel, she was commissioned to write a book on great resort hotels in Europe. Beard competed in the world championships five times and in 1978 in New Orleans she became a World Master by placing fourth in the World Mixed Pairs. She was second in the Women's BAM Teams (now Wagar Women's KO) in 1973.

**BECKER, Steve** (b. 1937) of Old Greenwich CT is a syndicated bridge columnist for King Features, bridge teacher and certified director. He was a frequent contributor to the Bridge Bulletin and was its executive editor from 1970-1972, advertising manager and assistant editor from 1964-1970. He won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1980.

**BEECHER, Martha** (b. 1942) of Las Vegas NV, real estate salesperson. A member of the ACBL Board of Governors since 1986, she also served in the Unit 373 Board of Directors from 1976 to 1998. She directs and teaches on cruises and writes a column for a local newsletter. Beecher was co-chairman for largest NABC held in Las Vegas in 1991 and was co-chairman for Las Vegas regionals and sectionals from 1984-1998 and holds record for largest of both. She won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1982.

**BELL, Gail** (b. 1942) of Laverock PA, president of cosmetic company. She is a certified star bridge teacher and contributor to *The Bridge World*.

**BENNETT, Deborah** (b. 1951) of Toronto ON, data entry worker. She won the Silver and Gold Life Master masterpoint race in Unit 166 in 1996, 1997 and 1998, respectively. She was second in the Richmond Trophy race in 1997, the highest achievement for a Canadian woman - with more than 900 MPs in one year, a record that stood for 10 years. Bennett is currently a medical receptionist at two doctors' offices. She has served one three-year term on the Board of Governors, is a certified club director and became a member of the Goodwill Committee in 2003. She has won the Jude Goodwin trophy five times, an award given to the Canadian woman earning the most master points in a calendar year. Besides bridge, Bennett enjoys needlework, puzzles and hiking. She and a friend hiked the Bruce Trail in Canada, all 800 km (nearly 500 miles), following the Niagara Escarpment 'From Niagara to Tobermory' (the motto). The Ganaraska Trail and Waterfront Trail (which follows the shoreline of Lake Ontario from Oakville to Brighton) were also completed. In her youth, she was a track and field star, becoming the Scarborough 100-yard dash champion in 1962. A crest was designed at the elementary school she attended for achievement in sports. She was the first recipient of the honor. She is still an avid sports fan. Bennett also wrote a series of articles in, *The Kibitzer* about rules and common courtesies.

**BENSON, Kirk W.** (b. 1949) of Atlanta GA, computer programming manager. A contributor to *The Kibitzer* and "*Pips' n Tips*" and a certified director, Benson won the ACBL-wide International Fund Game in 1975.

**BERNSTEIN, Dr. Cynthia G.** (Cindy) (b. 1947) of Memphis TN is a professor of English linguistics. Her research interest is in Southern American dialects. A certified director, she has been directing since 1968. She and her late husband Robert directed on cruise ships. Bernstein placed fourth in the Venice Cup in 1987. She has won three North American Championships.

**BERT, Marylou** of Eugene OR, born in Darjeeling India. Bert won the Canadian Women's Teams Championships in 1997.

**BHATIA, Kumar** (b. 1942) of Pepper Pike OH, grew up in India and is a pharmaceutical sales representative. He has served as president of Unit 125 and District 5 and co-chaired the All-America Regional from 1974-1990.

**BLAISS, Charlotte** (Mrs. Gary) of Lubbock TX, former ACBL director of Youth/Junior programs and assistant manager of Education Department, formerly taught school in Texas for 27 years. She was responsible for the School Bridge Lesson program; planning and organizing Junior Trials; a training program and travel arrangements for teams participating in World Junior Teams Championships; selecting Juniors to attend the WBF's World Junior Pairs and World Bridge Camp; planning and directing ACBL's Junior Bridge Camp (1996, 1998 and 2000); organizing and conducting North American College Bridge Team Championships; coordinating all aspects of Youth/Junior Program. Blaiss was awarded WBF Bronze Medal of Distinction, given for devotion and dedication to working for bridge, in 1999 during the World Junior Teams Championship in Fort Lauderdale FL.

**BLAND, Kenneth** (b.1943) of St. Louis MO is a retired restaurateur. He was named St. Louis Restaurateur of the year in 1984, and won awards for Best Steakhouse three times and Best New Restaurant in 1991. He has been committee chairman for the last two St. Louis NABCs and again for the upcoming 2013 NABC.

**BLANCHARD, Robert W.** (b. 1951) of New York City is a manufacturer of electromechanical devices. Blanchard was ACBL Rookie of the Year in 1975 and has won two North American championships.

**BLUM, Robert** (b. 1927) of Marco Island FL, bridge columnist for Scripps Daily News (Naples FL).

**BLUM, Shirley** (Pepi) (b. 1930) of Fresno CA, businesswoman. She placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1997.

**BRACHMAN, Minda** (Mrs. Malcolm) (1931-2003) of Dallas TX was the president of Master Point Farm, a horse ranch located near Dallas. Minda won the 1968 Mixed Board-a-Match Teams with Helen Sobel Smith, Oswald Jacoby and Jim Jacoby in 1968. It was her first North American Championship and Helen's last. Minda and Jim Jacoby placed second in the Life Master Pairs in 1971.

**BRADY, Joseph L.** (Joe) (b. 1926) of Upper Saint Clair PA, retired financial consultant. Won Rockwell Mixed Pairs 1996.

**BRAMLEY, Judith L.** (Judy)(nee Wadas) (b. 1936) of Chicago IL, insurance company executive, co-founder Insurance Consumer Affairs Exchange. Judy was the first president and co-founder of the Forum for Women in Bridge. She is a three-time North American champion.

**BRIER, Barbara S.** (1923- 1996) of Miami FL. More than 50years ago, a young woman who had just graduated from Cornell was watching a game at Yankee Stadium and got into conversation with a man in the next box. His name was Tobias Stone, and because she seemed to be an enthusiastic and knowledgeable bridge player, he took her under his wing. He taught her the Roth-Stone system, then at the forefront of bridge theory, and took her to her first national championship.

That was the start of a great career for that young woman, Barbara Srenco, soon to become Barbara Brier. While working as a bridge teacher in Miami Beach, she won three national titles and one world title. Her victory in the World Mixed Pairs in Stockholm in 1970 was extraordinary, because her partner, Waldemar von Zedtwitz, had vision problems and could not see the dummy.

Her national titles included the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1965 and the Marcus Cup in 1958.

**BROCKMAN, Elaine B.** (Mrs. Charles C.) (b. 1914) of Issaquah WA, housewife, former dance teacher. Ran lectures and bridge games on cruise ships for 15 years. She placed second in the Women's Teams in 1965.

**BROWN, Gloria** of Virginia Beach VA worked in public relations and modeling and highly involved in community and charity work. She served as a Unit Board member for 14 years and was a member of the ACBL Board of Governors from 1991-1997 and since 1998. She served as vice president and president of District 6 and as Charity Chairman since 1995.

**BROWNSTEIN, Sidney Dr.** (Sid) (b. 1947) of Santa Monica CA, dentist in private practice and on faculty at UCLA School of Dentistry. Brownstein is the District 23 Recorder. He placed second in the Men's Teams in 1988.

**BUCHANAN, Dorothy** (Mrs. Robert, formerly Kantor) of Minneapolis, retired, former owner/operator of full-time bridge studio, former office manager construction union. She has been active in all phases of bridge at unit level including president. She was chairman of the 1982 Fall NABC and of many regionals and sectionals. Buchanan served on the ACBL Board of Directors 1972-1981 and Board of Governors. She wrote *Basic Bridge, New and Easy* and won the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1982.

**BUCKMAN, Harriett** (b. 1935) of Lincolnwood IL, until 1984 she was a language arts and social studies teacher, currently she teaches bridge. Buckman is a former Girl Scout community administrator, former representative of District 13 on the ACBL Board of Directors, a member National Education Foundation, Charity Foundation, a past president Chicago Contract B.A. and a CCBA Board member since 1984. She directs on bridge cruises and has written articles for newcomers for CCBA Kibitzer. She once played a round with Charles Goren when she was a caddy.

**BURT, Jim** (b. 1945) is a Technical Architect for big phone company. He is involved with bridge at many levels. He served two terms as President for local bridge club and 11 years as its treasurer. At the Unit level, he has served as the Chairman of the Conduct and Ethics Committee since 2004. He was the winner of his unit's most prestigious award for sportsmanship in 1992 – Harmon Wilkes Trophy. He is also a member of the National Goodwill Committee, Certified club director, professional player and teacher. Jim represented District 13 in championship flight of GNT in 2004. He attained the rank of Grand Master as a Road Rallyist.

**CAFFERATA, Mike** (b. 1948) of Scarborough ON, high school math teacher. He was the non-playing captain of two Canadian Women's International Teams. Cafferata won the CNTC in 1993 and the Canadian Open Pairs in 1991.

**CAMPBELL, Andrew** (b. 1942) of Manhattan Beach CA, research scientist, has worked in orbit determination, kalman filtering and artificial intelligence scientific simulation. He placed second in the Reisinger in 1981.

**CAMPBELL, Dr. Donald Keith** (1957-2010) of Saskatoon SK was a dentist, bridge teacher and club director. One of Canada's top players, Campbell won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1990 with Barry Harper. Campbell graduated from The Saskatchewan College of Dentistry in 1980 and practiced in Saskatoon his entire career.

**CAMPBELL, Gordon** (b. 1951), Canadian, based in both Calgary AB and Little Rock AR also spends 1 month twice a year visiting family in London, England. Retired computer software manager, educated at Brunel University in London, British Junior chess champion 1966, Alberta champion 1976. Past president Edmonton Unit 391 1981-1983, tournament chairman 1979-1981. Won Canadian Teams Championship (CNTC) in 1984 and 2001; finalist several other times. Represented Canada in Bermuda Bowl 1985 in São Paulo. In 2002 on winning Canadian team in both the WBF Grand Prix at the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City U.S.A. and the Commonwealth Games in Manchester, England. In 2006 Gordon and his partner won the North American Open Pairs in Dallas, Texas. Later in 2006 his team came ninth thru 16<sup>th</sup> at the World Championships in Verona, Italy. He enjoys teaching bridge. Campbell travels extensively, he enjoys exploring new places and experiencing different cultures all around the world.

**CANNELL, Drew** (Panama) (b. 1952) of Hampstead PQ, computer operations manager, bridge club general manager and bridge teacher. He developed his own bidding system - Panama Relay System and authored Crashdak defense to Strong Club. He was Canadian coach in 1984 and npc for the Panama Venice Cup team in 1988. Cannell has competed in world championships since the Seventies, at Las Palmas in 1974 he was the youngest player. He has won tournaments on five continents and was the first Canadian (with partner G. Sekhar) to win Baldwin NAP Flt A in 1986. He also won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams twice.

**CARMICHAEL, Thomas A.** (Tom) (b.1974) of Kennesaw GA, network engineer. Carmichael learned bridge at age 4. In 1997 he and Joel Wooldridge became the youngest pair to win an NABC event when they placed first in the Lebhar IMP Pairs. He won the Wernher Open Pairs 2010 and placed second in the Spingold in 2005. Carmichael placed second in the World Junior Team Championships in 1999.

**CARTER, David C.** (1906-1989) of St. Louis MO, building and loan executive, past president Missouri Valley Conference and former vice president Midwest Conference. Carter was the originator of transfer bids in the form now known as South African Texas (see also Texas). He originated the double-barreled variety of Two-Way Stayman, in which 2♣ is a one-round force and 2♦ is forcing to game. Life Master #71, Carter won the McKenney Trophy in 1954, the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1954, the Men's (Open BAM) Teams in 1950 and the Men's (Wernher Open) Pairs in 1957.

**CALEY, Sylvia F.** (formerly Summers) (b. 1954) of Long Beach CA, professional bridge player. She was Senior Master of the Year in 1982 and has three North American titles to her credit.

**CHAIKIN, Marla** (b. 1944) of Sea Bright NJ, needlepoint shop owner, former interior designer and GNYBA board member from 1976-1980. She won the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2005.

**CHANG, Morris** (b. 1931) of Santa Clara CA, born in China; chairman, Taiwan Semiconductor; president, General Instrument; Senior VP Texas Instruments. He won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2005.

**CHORUSH, Ira** (b. 1944) of Houston, TX. A two-time North American champion, Chorush won the GNT in 1981 and the Open BAM Teams in 1987.

**CHU, Yung-Ming** (1922-2010) of Irvine CA, formerly of Hong Kong, born in Shanghai was an accountant. Chu emigrated to the U.S. in 1973. He was Far East Open Team champion in 1959 and held many Chinese national titles.

**CLARKE, Thomas** (Tom) (b. 1946) of Lake Charles LA, insurance and financial services executive and Navy veteran. Clarke has served Unit 221 and Dist. 10 in various executive positions. He won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams and placed second in the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1993.

**CLAY, Dane** (b. 1928) of Little Rock AR; senior member law firm; served as president Arkansas Bridge Association and Little Rock BC.

**CODY, Judi L.** (b. 1949) of Annandale VA, court reporter. Cody was past president of Unit 195 and a member of the Board of Governors from 1976-1988. She placed 16<sup>th</sup> in the World Women's Pairs in 1990. She has won one North American Championshi – the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1986.



**COHEN, Janet** (Jan) (1934-1997) of Los Angeles CA was an accountant and business manager. She served as Unit 552 treasurer, District 23 president, a member of the Board of Governors, a member of the Ethical Oversight Committee and a member of the President's Advisory Committee on Policy and Procedures. A WBF World International Master, Cohen placed 20<sup>th</sup> in the World Women's Pairs in 1990 and the Pan American Women's Pairs in 1992. She won three North American Championships.

**COHN, Bette L.** of Sarasota FL, tax consultant, bridge director and teacher. A WBF World Life Master, Bette won the Venice Cup in 1974 and placed 10<sup>th</sup> in the World Mixed Pairs that same year. She won Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1970.

**COHN, Judith** (Judy) (nee Orr) (b. 1942) of Ft. Thomas KY, aerodynamics engineering specialist, member Unit 124 Board 1976-1991, co-chairman 1979 Fall NABC and past president Unit 124 and Dist. 11, editor Unit 124 newsletter. Cohn co-authored *Cincinnati Power Defensive Carding*.

**COLKER, Dr. Richard E.** (b. 1946) of Wheaton MD, psychology professor and psychology research investigator. Recorder for ACBL District 6, Appeals chair for the Washington Bridge League, vice chair for the National Appeals Committee, member National Ethical Oversight Committee, columnist for Washington BL Bulletin since 1988, ACBL recorder 1996-, member WBF Appeals Committee 1995-, member ACBL Conventions and Competition Committee 1999-, member ACBL International Team Trials Committee 1995-, Cavendish appeals chief 1998-. Won Keohane North American Swiss Teams 1996. Member IBPA.

**COLLIER, Gladys W.** (b. 1922) of East Hampton NY, mathematician. She won the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1989 and placed second in the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1969.

**COOK, Bill Jr.** (b.1938) of Madison MS, commercial real estate broker. District representative to ACBL Board of Directors, president District 10 for two terms, member District Board 10 years; president of Jackson Bridge Association; president of Mississippi Bridge Association; member Board of Governors.

**CORN, Randy** (b. 1951) of Kirkland WA is an Internet web developer. He was on the original beta test team when OK bridge developed from black and white unix screens to windows. He has written three bridge related websites, the first in 1995. Corn was an All American Wrestler and member of University of Washington team that was third in NCAA. His favorite bridge moments were getting to play with Paul Soloway, Grant Baze and Mark Itabashi.

**COVALCIUC, Richard** (b. 1945) of Fort Myers FL, lithographer, pre-press printer. He was a member of the ACBL Board of Governors in 1999.

**CROSSLEY, C(larence) F. Jr. (Cap)** (b. 1924) of Henderson NV, retired physician and anesthesiologist, former president of District 17, the Western Conference, Marin County CA and Nevada Units.

**DAVID, Sharon H.** (b. 1933) of Valley Village CA, retired accountant, now teaches bridge. She served on the San Fernando Unit 561 Board and as Assistant Chairperson to the ACBL Goodwill Committee. She placed second in the Women's Pairs in 1993.

**DAVIS, Anita** (Pidgeon) (1924-1994) of Beaumont TX, served Unit 201 on various committees; as alternate for ACBL Board of Governors; served on ACBL Rules and Ethics Committee. Davis wrote a weekly bridge column for *Beaumont Enterprise* for more than 30 years. Her newspaper column reflected her broad experience at many levels of play. She was mentor and advisor for numerous beginners and upcoming players.

**DAVIS, Charles M.** of Lilburn GA is a retired chemical engineer, U.S. Navy (JAG) lawyer, and computer system consultant. His favorite bridge memory is his first Regional win (about 1969) – the single knockout event of a tournament in Myrtle Beach SC. It was the first regional win for all four members of the team. They defeated the Kathie Wei team in the finals and three of them went on to win the Swiss Teams the next day.

**DEMIREV, Nikolay** (b. 1972) in Sofia, Bulgaria. Started tournament bridge January 1991 at age of 18 and moved to the USA in 2000. Married to Darina Demirev – also an avid bridge player, specializing in environmental engineering, Demirev has won five North American championships.

**DEMUY, Vincent** (b. 1983) of Canada is a WBF World Master. Having won the CNTC in 2003 and 2008 he represented Canada in the Bermuda Bowl and at the first World Mind Sports Games. Demuy won a bronze medal in the World Junior Team Championships in 2005. He has won one NABC title – the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 2004.

**DENNIS, Paul W.** (b. 1952) of Winter Springs FL, claims adjuster, CPCU, accredited teacher, editor Unit 240 Trumpet 10+ years. Contributor to Bridge Buffs Bulletin and other publications. Chairman Fall NABC 1992. Was co-winner of ACBL-Wide Millenium II Game (N/S).

**DeSERPA, Dr. Allan C.** (b. 1945) of Tempe AZ, professor of economics. Wrote *The Mexican Contract* and *Principles of Logical Bidding*.

**DIAMOND, John** (b. 1966) of Boca Raton, FL, options trader. A WBF World Life Master, John won the World Junior Teams Championships in 1991 and the Rosenblum Teams in 2010. He is a two-time North American champion having won both the Spingold and the Jacoby Open Swiss Teams in 2010.

**DIBBLEE, Carol** (1927-2010) of Salt Lake City UT, director of Downtown Retail Merchants Association, former school teacher. Contributor to District 18 WASUMI, bridge reporter to Salt Lake Tribune. Through dogged determination she helped secure the 1976 and 1988 ACBL Summer NABCs and served as chairperson to both events. She served as Unit 386 President multiple times. For well over 20 years she organized and oversaw the local unit Charity game which resulted in thousands of dollars being donated to American Cancer Society, Arthritis Association, Ronald McDonald House, and Make-a-Wish Foundation. Carol's background in journalism led to the creation of the Unit "Kibitzer," an informative and entertaining newsletter. She contributed articles to the ACBL publication, the Bridge Bulletin.

**DIMLER, William A. (Bill)** (b. 1930) of Phoenix AZ, retired business planner. A past president New Jersey B.L. 1970 and 1971, vice president District 3 1969-1974, District 3 tournament coordinator 1969-1974, was second in the Lancia Teams (New York City).

**DOMBU, Sivert R. (Si)** (b. 1938) of Las Vegas NV, printer, quality control chemist, poker dealer. He served as Unit 373 president and vice president, contributes to Unit 373 newsletter "Password" and authored *The Rules of Poker*.

**DORN, H. Charlie** (1919 - 2006) of San Jose CA, retired US Navy officer and pilot, serving during WWII. He placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1981.

**DRIMMER, Madelynn** (b. 1942) of Sarasota FL is a human resource manager, professional player and teacher. Her favorite bridge moment is the end of any session, when she knows she has played as well as she can. She has served on her Unit and district boards.

**DUPONT, Lea C.** (b. 1939) of Wilmington DE. A WBF World Master, Lea placed second in the World Senior Pairs in 1998. She is a two-time North American champion. Lea regularly plays in major European championships and won the Coppa Italia in 1977, the Venice Open Pairs in 1978 and the Deauville Open Pairs in 1980.

**EDELSON, Shirley M.** (d. 2000) of Redmond WA, bridge professional, teacher and lecturer and certified director since 1965. She guided bridge groups in Soviet Union in 1989-1990 for three Friendship tournaments. Edelson won the Women's BAM Teams in 1987 and placed second in the USBC in 1988.

**EPPERSON, William E. (Bill)** (b. 1931) of Sarasota FL, retired commercial airline pilot, former USAF officer, member Hole in One Club, docent at Mote Marine Aquarium. Won Keohane North American Swiss Teams 1980.

**ESCH, Robert** (b.1940) of El Paso TX is a retired Associate Professor of English. He earned his PhD from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He was a long-time writer for District 16 Scorecard for El Paso prior to its leaving for District 17. He maintained unit membership and directory for the El Paso unit. He served as Unit President, Vice President, and Secretary over the past 40 years and ran tournaments in El Paso in the Seventies. One of his favorite moments was when Bobby Nail attended the El Paso regional, and the Houston crowd – Carol Klar and John Gerber – whom he was showing around the city - had to bet on "Nailhead" at the Juarez race track.

**FALK, Allan** (the Zookeeper, Curmudgeon) (b. 1947) of Okemos MI, attorney. Falk has served as commissioner of the Michigan Court of Appeals and the state director of Common Cause of Michigan. He is a legislative draftsman and the founder of the Opera Guild of Greater Lansing. Falk fought a 14-year legal battle with the State Bar of Michigan that led to nationwide reforms in lobbying and other activities of state organizations for attorneys. Falk was named to Outstanding Young Men of America in 1975. He served on the ACBL Board of Governors from 1982-1988, as president of Unit 195 from 1982-1986 and on their Board from 1978-1996. He was a District 12 Board member from 1982-1986, recorder from 1992-1994, and was chairperson of the Bridge Center of Greater Lansing. He served on President's Advisory Committee and Committee to Revise Appeals Procedures. Allan is a founding trustee of the Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge and serves as its legal counsel pro bono. A winner of the Rosenkranz Journalist Award, he has been on *The Bridge World* Master Solvers Panel several times, has contributed to IBPA Bulletin and is two-time winner of the World Bidding Contest. The co-inventor of Supersplinter, extended Lebensohl and transfer responses to preempts, Falk authored *Spingold Challenge* in 1988, *Team Trial* in 1992, *The Bridge Player's Toolkit* (with the late Jim Jacoby), *Bermuda Bowl Challenge Team Trial*, and *Short Tall Bridge Tales*. Allan is a three-time North American champion.

**FARELL, Jules** (1925-2005) of Los Angeles CA, computer programmer. He placed second in the (Freeman) Mixed BAM Teams in 1969.

**FELDMAN, Lynne** (b.1947) of Champaign IL is an immigration and naturalization attorney and former municipal attorney in California. Lynne is a four-time North American champion.

**FELDMAN, Ron L.** (b. 1950) of Petaluma CA, president, World Business Services, Inc., inventor, entrepreneur and professional bridge player. Listed in Who's Who in California 1988; was Entrepreneur of the Year 1991. A former elementary school counselor, he received Congressional recognition for his work with children. He has directed more than 35 performances of his popular "Bidding Contest" – a vugraph show sponsored by entertainment committees of regionals and NABCs. He was the founder and president of Association of Professional Bridge Players, Inc. (APBP Inc.), the first professional organization recognized by the ACBL in 1981. He organized the "Marquette Hotel Bridge Carnival" (the largest cash prize corporate sponsored tournament) and "The Stars of Tournament Bridge". Feldman served on the ACBL Appeals Committee for more than 10 years. A major contributor to 2/1 Game Forcing, he invented Ron Feldman 2♦ response to 1♣ and four-level agreed minor is Roman Key Card Blackwood. He placed second in the Life Masters Pairs in 1978 and the Men's Teams in 1979.

**FELDMAN, Ronald W.** (Ron) (b. 1948) of Torrance CA, CPA, controller for McDonald's Franchises. Feldman was second in the IMP Pairs in 1991.

**FENDRICK, Robert** of Atlanta GA is a CPA. Fendrick won the GNT Flt A in 2005, but says his favorite bridge moment was meeting his future wife at a midnight game.

**FISCHER, Norman H.** (b. 1941) of Columbus OH, research mathematician, space systems analysis for D.O.D and NASA. He served Unit 122 as president and District 11 as president and vice-president. He placed second in the Life Master Men's Pairs and Men's Teams in 1969.

**GABRILOVITCH, Andrew** (Andy) (b. 1925) of Vienna VA, retired director of administration for ITT. He escaped from Paris the day before the German occupation and did mine sweeping during the war. He is a past president of the Washington Bridge League. The WBL honored him with the status of Life Member. He was heavily involved in the fight to desegregate the WBL from 1959-1964. He retired from serious bridge in protest of cheating. He won the Spingold in 1961 and placed second in 1959. Gabrilovitch also won the Rothschild Trophy in 1947.

**GAER, Margaret** (Maggie) (nee Alcorn) (1921-1996) of Scottsdale AZ was a well known teacher and professional player. Maggie won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1954 and became Life Master #735 later that year. She went on to win three more national titles.

**GANDENBERGER, Dr. Kurt** (b. 1951) of Pendleton SC, medical doctor, publisher. Began playing bridge at age 4 and has been a certified director since 1974.

**GARDNER, Thomas W. (Tom)** (1921-2006) was born in Battle Creek MI. He learned bridge, a lifelong passion, from his grandmother. He earned a degree in mathematical engineering from Purdue University, taking time off during his studies to serve in the U.S. Army Air Corps during WW II. He earned a Distinguished Flying Cross and six air medals. He moved to Detroit in the Fifties. In the Sixties and the Seventies, he was instrumental in ski area development in the metropolitan Detroit area and coordinated the planning of the Pontiac Silverdome. Gardner was a member of the Goodwill Committee and in 1996 was named Goodwill Member of the Year. He represented District 12 on the ACBL board and in 2002 he led the effort to have the 2008 Spring NABC awarded to Detroit.

**GAROZZO, Benito** (b. 1927) was born in Alexandria, Egypt but lived much of his early life in Cairo, where his father did engineering work. In 1943, he was sent to a state college in Italy to begin his education. While visiting his sister in Naples, Garozzo found himself stranded in the city – World War II activity made it impossible for him to return to college. While he was in Naples, Garozzo, his brother-in-law and a couple of friends decided to learn bridge for a change of pace. “We got a 1933 Culbertson book,” Garozzo recalled, “but none of us knew English. We were playing a kind of bridge no one would understand.” A games aficionado from his youth, he took to bridge right away.

He went back and forth between Italy and Egypt before returning to Naples for good in 1954. By then he had met some of the rising stars of Italian bridge - Forquet, Siniscalco and Eugenio Chiaradia (inventor of the Neapolitan Club), among others. Garozzo impressed them with his expertise, mostly in rubber bridge games. When he wasn't working with his brother in the road construction business, Garozzo played more and more bridge. Drafted by the Italian army in 1956, Garozzo was fortunate to be stationed in Rome - he played bridge every day during his 18-month stint.

He worked as an accountant for a year after his discharge and went back to the road construction business before starting the job with the Fiat representative, handling some of the company's accounting. That lasted until he opened a jewelry store in 1964. In his formative years, Garozzo's skill as a player far exceeded his expertise in bidding. “I was a wild bidder. I had a lot of flair in card play but I was not a good technician in the bidding.”

Less than two weeks before the start of the 1961 Bermuda Bowl, the defending world champions from Italy, the vaunted Blue Team, had a problem. Guglielmo Siniscalco, Pietro Forquet's regular partner and a member of the world championship team from 1959, could not go to Buenos Aires for the Bermuda Bowl. Siniscalco's replacement? A 33-year-old Fiat salesman from Naples, a player described in one report as ‘an unknown in international bridge circles.’ Was the Blue Team finally vulnerable?

There might have been even more serious doubts if it had been known that the new recruit had been forced to learn the Neapolitan Club system in 10 days. Although experienced as a bridge player, Garozzo recalls, “I had never played any conventions before.”

Garozzo has lived in the United States since 1987 and in 1994 became a U.S. citizen. For his genius, his imagination and the results he has obtained, he is considered one of the best players ever, if not the best. Born under the sign of Virgo, he is divorced, has a son, Fulvio (46) and a daughter, Silvia (45). His partner for the last 30-odd years, both in life and in bridge, is Lea Dupont. He loves all sports and when young, practiced a number of them: soccer, basketball, volleyball, tennis and ping pong. Nowadays, he plays golf and loves to bet on horses, a hobby that he appreciates more for the preparation it needs than for the bet itself. But his great passion remains bridge. Still not appeased by the huge number of successes obtained in his bridge career, already playing with the Rome Angelini Parioli Team, he has frequently appeared on the Italian Seniors Team.

**GARRISON, Eunice** (b. 1932) of Lake Worth FL is retired after many years in real estate. She loves the game and enjoys helping new players. Her favorite moments are when her son and daughter (Steve and Betty Bloom) have tournament success.

**GAUTHIER, Francois** (Frank) (b. 1927) of Montreal PQ, retired accountant and high school teacher. He managed and directed at his own bridge club and co-authored *Amiliarons Notre Bridge*.

**GAYNOR, Steven** (b.1949) of Minneapolis MN is an insurance agent. He is past president of Unit 178 and District 14 and currently serving his sixth term as first alternate to the ACBL board of Directors. He is an active club director, bridge teacher, and lecturer. He has been chairperson of several local sectionals. He wrote a book titled *The Most Influential Music of the Twentieth Century* (#1 is ‘Rhapsody In Blue). His favorite bridge moment was playing rubber bridge for real money in the basement of the Twin City Bridge Center some years ago. Steven was ‘up and coming’ and wanted to show them he could play. He drew the late national champion Hugh MacLean as his partner for the four deal Chicago. With the opponents vulnerable, RHO opened 1♠, LHO bid 2♣, RHO-2N, LHO-4N, RHO-5♥. Holding five hearts to the ace, Gaynor doubled. The kibitzers snickered in the background - a lead directing double when he will be on lead - ha ha ha! Then LHO bid 6♠ and McLean doubled! The pressure was on as he was not sure what it meant. He lead the ♥A and dummy hit with a good hand including the K Q x of hearts. Still, he led another heart and Hugh ruffed. No one was laughing as they wrote +200 on their side and went on to the next hand.

**GERARD, Joan Levy** (b. 1935) of White Plains NY, former first grade teacher, administrator for private boys and girls camps, assistant to general manager of hotel handling personnel, purchasing, advertising, catering and sales. She has served in all aspects of bridge administration starting at the Unit level. Member ACBL Goodwill Committee and Charity Foundation. Unit 188 secretary 1969, tournament chairman 1975, president 1976. District 3 president 1976-85, became District 3 representative to ACBL Board of Directors 1985, was elected ACBL president 1992, chairman of Board 1993, appeals administrator 1995, 96; World Bridge Federation representative 1993-present, vice president WBF 1999-present. Contributor to all Unit and District newsletters.

**GINSBURG, Jo** lives in San Francisco with her husband, also a bridge player, and two cats that do not play bridge. She works for the California Coastal Commission doing coastal enforcement, and also writes fiction and poetry, reads voraciously, and plays bridge as much as she can. Ginsburg grew up in Queens, New York and graduated Phi Beta Kappa in English and Creative Writing from SUNY Binghamton and earned her Master's Degree in English and Creative Writing from San Francisco State.

**GODFREY, Kerr M.** (Deputy Dog) (b. 1951) of Houston TX, bridge teacher, former deputy constable. Directs locally and at tournaments.

**GOLDBERG, (nee McGinley) Constance S.** (Connie) (b. 1956) of Merion Station PA, options trader. Youngest woman Life Master at age 17 in 1974. Played as a teenager in the early Seventies, then quit for 25 years. She restarted in 1995 and after only four years back in tournament play she qualified to play in the Venice Cup in 2000. She is a WBF World Master and two-time North American champion.

**GOLDBERG, Steve** (b. 1945) of Las Vegas NV, gaming expert. He placed third in the WBF Continuous Pairs in 1990, tied for fifth in the Rosenblum Teams in 1994. He has won two North American Championships - the Reisinger in 1972 and the Spingold in 1974.

**GOLDSTEIN, Gratian B.** (1919-1999) of Coral Gables FL, retired import business owner. A leading player in the Forties and Fifties, she became Life Master # 92 in 1947. She won seven North American Championships and placed second in seven other NABC events.

**GOLDWATER, Robert A.** (Bob) (b. 1924) of Hartsdale NY, bridge teacher, formerly in public relations. He was the sports information director of Fordham University and did promotion work with New York State Olympic Committee. He has served on the Unit 188 Board of Directors since 1967 and held various executive positions including president, vice-president, tournament chairman. Goldwater has written a Sunday bridge column for the Gannett Suburban Newspapers since 1976.

**GORDON, Linda** (b. 1944) of Sedona AZ, retired high school guidance counselor. She has a BA from Cornell University and a MA from Northwestern University. She won the IMP Pairs 1987, the Rockwell Mixed Pairs 2000, and competed in *Bridge World* Challenge the Champs with her husband, Robb Gordon. She has served on various committees of GNYBA. Her favorite moment was winning the IMP Pairs with her then-future husband and hearing, "Who won? Robb Gordon and some girl."

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**GOULD, Lawrence E.** (Larry) (b. 1942) of Raleigh NC, financial officer. Won Spingold 1974, placed second 1977; Men's (now Mitchell Open BAM) Teams 1973

**GOW, Robert D.** (Bob) (b. 1942) of Midwest City OK, computer programmer and analyst, mathematician.

**GREEN, Susan** (Mrs. Michael Cappelletti Sr.) (b. 1952) of Alexandria VA, technical editor/writer and consultant. She won the Wagar Women's Knockout Teams in 1991 and placed second in the Mixed Pairs and Women's BAM Teams in 1988.

**GREENBERG, Stephen N.** (Steve) (1931-1998) of Oklahoma City OK and Memphis TN was a member of an elite retail family in OKC with a chain of men's stores called Parks. He was known in this community as an expert "soft-sell" salesman. Steve worked in the stores until the early Seventies when the death of his father and other unfortunate circumstances forced the sale of the stores.

Steve suffered many years from an arthritic disease known as ankylosis spondilitis. It was very painful, causing the spine to fuse, and it was incurable. Exercise helped hold the pain at bay, and so he worked out religiously at the health club and played golf whenever he had a chance, but the pain was overwhelming at times.

Loved by all those who got to know him, Steve's tombstone reads, "A True Friend is a Gift of God." His friends described him as "a wonderful and loyal friend," "a person who lived for his family and his friends," "someone who loved the game and the people who play it," "an absolutely great card player," "possibly the most ethical player in the game," "kind and warm-spirited."

Married to Julie T. Greenberg, ACBL's longtime director of Education, Greenberg had three daughters: Leslie, Tracey and Stacey and one son Bradley from a previous marriage. He loved to make up silly songs on the spur of the moment to entertain and lighten tough moments. He had a great sense of humor.

**GRIFFIN, James M.** (b. 1955) of Austin TX, computer consultant. Griffin is a four-time North American champion and a three-time winner of the Baldwin NAP. Griffin's grandparents, Maj. Gen. Martin Griffin and wife Lucille, used to play bridge with the Eisenhowers in the Fifties.

**GROTHUS, Phillip** (b. 1949) of San Antonio TX, securities and derivatives trader. He served as local president, District treasurer and vice-president.

**GRUVER, Nancy** (1931-1990) of Ellicott City MD was a graduate of the University of Maryland and a former elementary school teacher. Gruver was one of the leading American players earning 14 North American Championships and two silver medals in world competition. She was a past president of the Women's Bridge League of Maryland and a Board member of the Maryland Bridge League. She served for many years as a member and vice-chairman of the NABC Appeals Committee and was elected to the ACBL Law Commission in 1982.

**HAIT, Sharon G.** (b. 1944) of Livingston NJ, bookkeeper. She won the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1998.

**HALPERIN, Richard M.** (Wizard of Odds) (1940-2004) of Highland Park IL, investor. Nickname came from his facility to calculate odds instantaneously on almost any event. Unofficially known as World's Fastest Adder and The Human Calculator, he added 100 numbers in 30.3 seconds. In 1993 had all-expense trip to Paris to have his brain examined.

**HAMPTON, Joyce** of Blythewood SC is a three-time North American champion. She won the Wagar Women's Knockout Teams, the Marsha May Sternberg Women's BAM Teams twice and the Machlin Women's Swiss Teams.

**HAND, Jeff** (b. 1948) of New York NY is a bridge teacher, lecturer and professional. Hand lived in Panama for 26 years and played for Panama in many world championships (1974 Canary Islands - finished 3third overall), 1976 Monte Carlo, later in Falkenberg and later in Venice. He played in the 1979 Bermuda Bowl representing the CAC in Rio de Janeiro. In one world championship he and his partner (Drew Cannell) had the longest auction ever recorded (they were playing the Panama relay system). He co-authored a bridge cheat sheet with Gail Greenberg, and co-teaches with her sometimes in New York. He edited and was primary contributor of the CAC annual publication in the 1970s. Hand won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2008.

**HANNA, Nader** (b. 1955) of Toronto ON won the Wernher Open Pairs in 2005 and placed second in the Roth Open Swiss in 2006.

**HARDY, William Thomas** (Bill) (b. 1953) of Portland OR, sports cards and memorabilia retailer, former consultant and social worker for state of Oregon. He placed second in the ABA Victor Daly Teams in 1988 and competed in the 1989 Goodwill Games and finished second E-W in U.S. in Epson Pairs in 1989.

**HARMON, Leonard B.** (Len) (b. 1919) of East Hampton NY, semi-retired insurance company president. He formerly served as president and treasurer of Greater New York BA and chairman of the District 24 Judiciary Committee. Harmon retired from bridge in the Seventies. He represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1959 winning silver and the ACBL in the first World Bridge Olympiad in Turin in 1960. Harmon won the McKenney Trophy in 1958 and four North American Championship titles.

**HARTLEY, Patti** (b. 1944) of Kirkland WA, real estate agent. She placed second in the Women's Swiss Teams in 1989.

**HEITNER, Paul L.** (the Whale) (1939-1988) of Bramalea ON, computer systems consultant. He was a leading bridge theorist and co-developer with John Lowenthal of the Canary Club System. He was the co-founder and managing editor of *Bridge Journal* which is now out of print. He was a two-time North American champion.

**HEITZMAN, Robert** (Bob) of Pamona NY is a consulting actuary by Towers Perrin in New York City. Although he played lots of bridge in high school in Fribourg, Switzerland, he took a temporary break from the game during the late 1960s to focus on political and cultural matters, such as the levitation of the Pentagon and attendance at Woodstock. After graduating from Dartmouth in 1970 and becoming a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries in 1975, he resumed his bridge career in earnest. Very interested in bidding theory, in high school, Heitzman and his friends developed a system that involved a multi-faceted 1♣ opening. More recently, he wrote an article on raising responder's major was accepted for publication by *The Bridge World*. He placed second in the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 2007.

**HENNER-WELLAND, Christal** of New York NY. A WBF World Life Master, Henner-Welland placed second in the Rosenblum Teams in 2006. She is a five-time North American champion. In 2007, she was the first woman to win the Vanderbilt Teams since Edith Kemp Freilich in 1963. She is the sister of actress Marilu Henner.

**HERON, Douglas** (Doug) (b. 1943) of Ottawa ON, surgeon; former pilot in Canadian Armed Forces, (awarded Queen's Jubilee Medal). Served as president of Canadian Bridge Federation 1991-, Unit 192 president, District one Judiciary chairman, Unit appeals chairman, member ACBL Appeals Committee. Contributor to Canadian Bridge, Unit newsletter and occasionally the *Bridge World*. Won CNTC and Tri-Country Playoffs 1990. He and son Alex are the only father and son to have won the Canadian National Pairs Championship.

**HERRINGTON, Gaye W.** (b. 1938) of Redondo Beach CA, retired municipal court judge. She has served on several unit boards and ALACBU Board and is an accredited teacher. Gaye won the Life Master Women's Pairs in 1987.

**HERTZBERG, Dr. Howard** (1936-1999) of Alpine NJ was a retired orthopedic surgeon and former mayor of Alpine. Hertzberg placed second in the Men's (now Mitchell) BAM Teams in 1988 and in the Baze Senior KO Teams in 1994 and 1996.

**HICKS, Lawrence** (b. 1964) of Coquitlam BC won the Silodor Open Pairs in 2000 and placed second in the Reisinger in 1991.

**HOFFMAN, Anne Sykes** (b. 1947) of Peru VT and Nantucket MA, real estate developer and licensed general contractor. She won a national sailing championship in 1970. District 25 vice president 2000-present, second vice president 1999, Unit 175 representative to District Board 1955-1999. District 25 Executive Committee 1995-1999, member ACBL Board of Governors 1997-1999. She has been on the Barry Crane Top 500 since 1992. She is very involved with the ACBL Junior program as director of North American Youth Bridge Foundation and has been captain, coach and sponsor of six ACBL Junior Teams.

**HOFFNER, David L.** (Lion) (b.1952) of Smithville NJ, croupier and entrepreneur. Won Life Master Men's Pairs in 1977 (now Nail Life Master Pairs).

**HOLLMAN, Robert** (b. 1943) of Santa Barbara CA won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2007.

**HOLT, Clarice K.** (1911-1995) of Fort Worth TX, oil executive. Won Women's Pairs 1962, Mixed Pairs 1962, placed second in Women's Teams 1964.

**HORN, Stormy** (1929-2003) of El Paso TX, consultant-atmospheric physics, former research scientist at White Sands Missile Range. Co-author of *The System* and *System Update*. Authored *Bidding Magic* and did early presentations of several conventions including Reed/Horn 4NT, Integrated Major Raises, Mini-Splinters, Colorado Relays, Tricolor and StarWars.

**HORNING, Edmund M.** (Ted) (1940-1999) of Willowdale ON was a syndicated bridge columnist, bridge studio and travel agency owner, professional bridge teacher and player. He served as vice chairman of the Canadian Bridge Federation National Championship Committee in 1977. He placed second in the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1978. He was posthumously named the Honorary Captain of the team that won the CNTC in 1999.

**HORWITZ, Janice C.** (Jan) (1924-2008) of Butler PA and Scottsdale AZ, bridge teacher. Won Master Mixed Teams 1969, World-Wide Epsom Pairs 1988.

**HUGGARD, Marietta** (formerly Passell) (b. 1935) of Naples FL. A world champion, she won the Venice Cup in 1974, the Life Master Women's Pairs in 1970, the Women's Teams in 1971 and the Master Mixed Teams in 1972.

**HUNT, Richard W.** (Dick) (1931-2004) of Las Vegas NV worked for many years in Southeast Asia where he was the chief financial officer for a large corporation. When he retired, he decided to try and win the Senior masterpoint race and the Silver Life Master race. He lost the Senior race to Wayne Hascall, but won the Silver Life Master title with a total that may never be equaled. Hunt won the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1994 by winning 73 regional titles (31 KO Teams, 21 Swiss Teams, and 32 pairs games) and one North American championship.

**HUTCHINSON, Mary L.** (1916-2001) of Lethbridge AB and Corvallis OR, company vice president. She and husband (Robert) were married for 64<sup>th</sup> years. She was one of the top women masterpoint holders in Canada.

**HUTCHINSON, Robert** (1905-2001) of Lethbridge AB and Corvallis OR, president of land company, retired farmer.

**JABBOUR, Sharon** (Lucky) of Boca Raton FL is a full-time player and teacher. A top performer in regional, national and international events, she has won more than 100 regionals, and has a number of high finishes in national and WBF events, including second place in the NABC Wagar Women's KOs. She joins two sex symbols, her husband, Zeke, and Eddie Kantar in an annual bridge retreat. Sharon is a member of the National Goodwill Committee. She is a former nurse and is reputed to be the "Winsome" of "Winsome and Loathsome."

**JACOBSON, James A.** is in sales. Jim recently returned to tournament bridge following a long hiatus. His hobbies include backgammon and poker. He is a former competitive athlete in swimming and track and field.

**JANICKI, Paul** (b. 1949) of Markham ON is the District 2 representative on the ACBL Board of Directors. He is also a member of the National Goodwill and National Charity committees.

**JOHNSON, Marilyn** (1928-2007) was one of the leading women's players in the world. Born in Vermont, Johnson earned a degree in chemistry from Wellesley College and worked for Shell Oil for 33 years. Johnson won three world championships, the World Women's Pairs (1970), the Venice Cup (1978), the Women's Team Olympiad (1980) and eight North American championships.

**JONES, Michael D.** (1936-1996) of Burlingame CA, bridge professional. Former member ACBL Board of Directors.

**JOURDAN, Roger** (deceased) Founder of Jourdan's Bridge Club in Boca Raton (highly successful club). Won almost 3000 points in 1984, the year Grant Baze set the record. Died while still in his early 30s.

**KADIS, Kenneth** (b. 1939) of Brookline MA is a CPA. He earned his an MBA from Babson College. He has served as President of district 25 1996-1997, President EMBA 2000-2001, EMBA Board Member for almost 30 years, District 25 Board Member for almost 20 years, Member of National Goodwill Committee, Member of National Charity Committee, Member of ACBL Board of Governors, and Treasurer of Boston 1999 Nationals. Outside of bridge, Kadis loves theater, movies, gardening and landscaping, bird watching, travel, movies, Canasta, Gin rummy, many forms of exercise and is an avid reader.



**KATZ, Stanley B.** (Steamer) (1949-2011) of Northbrook IL was ACBL's comptroller from 2005 until 2008. Prior to relocating to Memphis, Katz helped with the formation of a high school bridge program in the Chicago area for which he received a Service Award from the city of Chicago. In August 2008, Katz was seriously injured while visiting Chicago when he was struck by a vehicle while crossing a street. He was hospitalized for many months, and the resulting head injuries impaired his memory and motor skills. Although Katz recovered, the effects of the accident made a return to full-time work too difficult.

Katz remained in the Chicago area to help care for his aging parents.

**KAY-WOLFF, Judy** (b. 1934) of Narberth PA, retired owner/operator wholesale baseball memorabilia business, former bridge teacher. She won her first regional with Edgar Kaplan when she was a newcomer. She coordinated 1971 Omar Sharif Bridge Circus in Philadelphia and wrote the production for 1972 Lancaster NABC. Judy writes a blog at [www.bridgeblogging.com](http://www.bridgeblogging.com).

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**KEHOE, Robert A.** (Bob) (1946-2000) of Orange Park FL, contact representative, bridge professional. Won Keohane North American Swiss Teams 1978; placed second Mitchell Open BAM 1986.

**KEIDAN, Bruce** (1943-2010) of Monroeville PA, veteran player and a former sports editor. The Philadelphia native had a long career in the newspaper business, working as a sports writer and columnist for the Seattle Times and the Philadelphia Inquirer. From 1978 to 2003, he was sports editor of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

He managed media relations and publicity for the World Bridge Federation at the bridge exhibition in Salt Lake City just prior to the start of the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in that city, and later that year did the same job for the WBF at the World Bridge Series Championships in Montreal. He also helped with media relations during the world championships in Philadelphia in 2010.

Keidan gained fame in the bridge world in 1975 during the Bermuda Bowl final between the USA and Italy. While observing one session, Keidan noticed two Italian players making contact with their feet underneath the bridge table. After he brought it to the attention of the American team, the ensuing scandal nearly resulted in the withdrawal of Team USA, who went on to lose to the Italians.

**KENNY, Michael** (b. 1954) of Toronto ON, IT consultant. Kenny was vice president Canadian Bridge Federation 1984-85, Unit 151 president 1984-85, and a member ACBL Board of Governors 1983-85. He won the CNTC in 1993.

**KENT, Ellen** (nee Ostertag, formerly Wallace, Melson, Pidhajecky, Gryka, Siebert) was born in Brooklyn, New York when Brooklyn still had a major league baseball team, but she always loved the New York Yankees. Bridge, art and theatre have been a passion of hers since she was a young child. She obtained her undergraduate degree with a triple major: art, speech, and theatre, putting herself through college by selling original paintings. After obtaining her undergraduate degree, Kent pursued a career as a professional artist. Unfortunately, she was injured in an accident that prevented her from painting for several years. During this period, Kent taught school and then lived for a time on a Kibbutz in Israel outside of Haifa. Kent then returned to school and obtained a master's degree in administration with a specialty in art and a Ph.D. in clinical psychology. Kent's creative talents surfaced in other ways. She played the leads in more than 50 musicals and plays, winning numerous awards and honors. She is also an accomplished pianist and gourmet cook.

Kent plays bridge professionally and teaches. She serves on the Board of Governors (current vice chairperson), National Appeals Committee, and National Seeding Committee for the American Contract Bridge League, and has more than 100 regional wins, and placing very high in many national and international bridge tournaments. She met her husband, Bob, when they were hired to play bridge together on a professional team in Palm Springs. Ellen and Bob also share a love of Broadway musicals. Bob was born in the Bronx and has been a life-long Yankee fan.

The Kents spend their time between Chicago and Los Angeles, where he is a practicing attorney. The frequent flyer programs are grateful for their five children and the ever-growing list of grandchildren living in five different cities.

**KESSLER, Mark N.** (b. 1947) of Springfield IL, co-owner Recycled Records Inc.

**KLAR, Robin** of Spring TX. A WBF World Life Master, Robin won the Women's Team Olympiad in 2000 and placed third in the Venice Cup in 2001. She is a three-time North American champion.

**KLAUSNER, Malvine** (Mrs. Siegfried) (1902-1997) of Van Nuys CA. Represented U.S. in World Team Olympiad 1960. Won Master Mixed Teams for the Barclay Trophy in 1953 and placed second in four NABC events.

**KOPERA, Michael P.** (b. 1953) of New York City, options trader. Placed second North American Swiss Teams 1983.

**KOZLOVE, Lawrence M.** (Larry) (b. 1945) of Louisville KY, bank vice president. He represented the ACBL in the Rosenblum Teams (placed 11<sup>th</sup>) in 1978. He won the Men's Pairs (Werhner) in 1978 and placed second in the Men's Pairs in 1975 and the Spingold in 1977.

**KREMER, Norbert A. (Norb)** (1941-2004) of Schenectady NY, tax preparer and partner in Neinor Corporation with Neil Chambers. He won the Master Mixed Teams in 1983.

**KURLAN, Roslyn** (d.2001) of Great Neck NY, cruise director and bridge teacher 1970-1987.

**LACY, Bernadine** of Grants Pass OR is a bridge teacher and club owner. As Dist 20 President achieving the Board's vote and support to end smoking at Regionals was her favorite bridge moment. She is the former Co-Chair first Reno NABCs, Former Dist 20 President (2 terms) Former Regional Chair for National Goodwill Committee (Northwest), Life member of ACBL Charity Committee. At the Anaheim NABC on the 50th anniversary of the League she was honored as one of the 50 people who had contributed the most to the League in its first 50 years. She is also the former Dist 20 GNT/NAP Chair and Current (third term) Board Member of Dist 20. She tells all of her students that when they enter the world of duplicate bridge they have "a new extended family" that is nationwide and even worldwide

**LAMBERT, Bernie A.** (b. 1953) of Viking AB, realtor and property manager, professional bridge player 1987-90.

**LARSEN, Kay** (d. 2011) of Costa Mesa CA was an accomplished bridge player. She represented the U.S. in world championships in Geneva, Switzerland and Albuquerque NM. She finished second in the GNT and the Rockwell Mixed Pairs (with her husband, Chris) and finished third in the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs. She was known for her friendly demeanor at the bridge table as well as her deep commitment and devotion to her family. For nearly 30 years she volunteered for SOS, an organization that helped the homeless and less fortunate.

**LARSON, Bernice E.** (b. 1911) of Greenfield WI, bridge teacher. First alternate for ACBL Board of Directors, on ACBL Board of Governors for many years, president of Wisconsin/Upper Michigan B.A., Greater Milwaukee B.A. and has held various other executive positions. Contributes to Unit 222 Brewer Bridge. Chaired many sectionals and regionals in Milwaukee. An annual unit award has been created in her name and is given for service and achievement. She won the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs 1974.

**LEAVITT, Arnold K.** (Arny) (b. 1932) of Highland Park IL. Won GNOT 1979.

**LEAVITT, Sandra** (Sandi) (b. 1933) of Highland Park IL, retired editor. Member Board of Directors for CCBA in the 1960s. Former associate editor and columnist of The Kibitzer. She won the Wagar Women's Teams 1981, placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1975, the Wagar Women's Teams and Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1979.

**LEBOW, Howard A.** (1957-2000) of Pittsburgh PA, statistician. Served as District 5 Judiciary/Conduct Committee Chairman (since 1976), Unit 142 Charity Committee Chairman and Board member. Intercollegiate Bridge champion 1979. Won District 5 GNOT in 1987.

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**LEVINSON, Michael A.** (b. 1952) of Daly City CA, computer programmer. Former tournament chess player. Won Life Master Men's Pairs 1981.

**LEVY, Alvin** (b. 1940) of Commack, NY. PhD, Columbia University, 1966. Al was a scientist/engineer in the field of structural mechanics and material science. He retired in 1998 to play more golf and bridge and to concentrate more on bridge administration. Over the past 20 years he has served on his Unit and District Boards in many capacities. He is a member of the ACBL Board of Directors and was ACBL President in 2003. He started playing bridge in college after reading a book by Charles Goren. Al says, "For years Terence Reese was my favorite author and his books helped me discover the game." Years ago he developed a strong interest in computer bridge. In fact, he was the organizer of the World Computer Bridge Championships which were staged for the first time in 1997.

**LEVY, Louis** (1921-2011) of Los Angeles CA, retired businessman. Levy was national Open chess co-champion in 1972, U.S. Senior chess champion in 1984 and U.S. Senior co-champion in 1991-92. He won the Life Master Pairs in 1958.

**LEVY, Stephen G.** (Steve) (b. 1947) of Las Vegas NV is a screenwriter, professional bridge player, author, club owner and director. Levy directs on cruises and wrote *What the Pros Play* and a screenplay called *Tournament*.

**LEWIS, Paul E.** (b. 1949) of Hilton Head Island SC, retired CFO/publisher/owner.

**LIEN, Owen** (b.1989) of Flat Rock NC is a student majoring in commercial property appraisal. Owen won the U26 Junior Team Trials and will represent the US at the Second World Youth Congress in Croatia in 2011. Owen has also competed internationally as a member of the USA Red Schools Team (2006), the USA Youngsters Team (2008), the USA Red Junior Team (2009) and the USA 2 Junior Team (2010). Owen enjoys travelling, tennis and golf.

**LILIE, Joyce** (d. 2001) of Las Vegas NV was a retired schoolteacher and accomplished amateur pianist. A WBF World Master, Joyce was a member of the team that won the United States Women's Bridge Team Championships in 1992 and represented the U.S. in the World Women's Team Olympiad in Salsomaggiore, Italy. She also represented the U.S. in the 1995 Venice Cup, played in Beijing, China. She won five NABC titles including the (Freeman) Mixed BAM twice (1986, 1995). Her son, Steven Furman, was one of the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

**LIPMAN, James O.** (Jimmy) (1919-2002) of Arlington VA, retired from U.S. Library of Congress. He was an ACBL regional tournament director for more than 20 years and a member of the Unit 218 Board of Directors.

**LORVAN, Sidney** (Sid) (b. 1933) of Pacifica CA, attorney, former mayor and city councilman of Pacifica. He placed second in the Men's Pairs in 1989 and was a participant in the 1991 USBC Pairs Trials for USA Team #2.

**LOWE, Forest B.** (b. 1926) of Eden Prairie MN, retired. He won the Senior/Advanced Senior Master Pairs in 1960.

**LUSKY, John A.** (b. 1951) of Portland OR, partner in law firm. He served as District 20 Appeals Committee chairman and Judiciary Committee chairman. He is the winner of more than 25 regionals including District 20 GNOT 1979, 84, 85, 87, 91, 92; District 20 GNOP 1980. He climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro.

**LYON, Thomas P.** (b. 1936) of Las Vegas NV, bridge club owner/manager.

**MALCOLM, Martha L.** (b. 1947) of Topeka KS, social service administrator. District 15 board member served as secretary/treasurer. Co-chairman 2001 Kansas City NABC and regionals.

**MARTIN, Phillip** (b. 1953) of Scarsdale NY, stock options trader. He placed second in the GNOT in 1981. Martin is the author of the Gargoyle Chronicles.

**McADAM, John R.** (1928-2007) of Ottawa ON, with Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce. He was active in governance serving as long-term president of the Eastern Ontario Bridge League and vice president of District 1. He was appointed to the ACBL Charity Committee in 1995. At the time of his death, McAdam was only 55 masterpoints away from becoming an Emerald Life Master.

**McALEAR, Allen L.** (Al) (b. 1928) of Bozeman MT, attorney. He has been president of his district, member of Western Conference Board and ACBL Board of Governors. Won District 18 GNOP 1988.

**McAVOY, James M.** (b. 1950) of Victoria BC, partner in accounting firm. Represented Canada in WBF events Bal Harbour 1986 and in Tri-Country playoff 1993; has been Zone VI CBF representative to CNTC 13 times, won in 1992.

**McDANIEL, Garner N.** (d. 2009) of Naples FL was a four time North American champion. She won the Wagar Women's Knockout three times and the Whitehead Women's Pairs.

**McINTYRE, Glenn** (b. 1955) of Bedford MA, Retired, co-founder of Delphi Internet Corp. He is an avid golfer and has travelled extensively mostly for golf and sometimes for bridge. He has documented some innovative bidding ideas including "Advanced Lebensohl." In regards to his favorite bridge moment, Glenn says, "Early in my bridge career I executed a transfer menace squeeze against Charlie Coon in a rubber bridge game at the Cavendish Club to land a tough slam. Charlie was one of the best sports I ever met in bridge. He happily showed the hand to many other players and never once complained about losing money on the deal. Years later, I played some with Charlie and he still remembered the exact hand but of course I never did write it down and now it is forgotten."

**MENG-HORTON, Sharon E.** (b. 1949) of Tampa FL, computer consultant, contracts negotiator. Won Mini-McKenney Rookie of the Year (IL) 1994 and National Master of the Year.

**MICHAUD, Gerald L.** (1929-2005) of Derby KS was a retired attorney specializing in medical malpractice. Michaud was involved in groundbreaking litigation. His cases led to the reduction of estrogen in birth control pills, the reformulation of tampons connected to toxic shock syndrome and the introduction of safety precautions at the gasoline pump to reduce the risk of cancer from benzene. Michaud, playing with Hall of Famer Bobby Nail, won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs and the Men's Life Master Pairs (now the Nail Life Master Pairs) in 1974. He was also a member of the winning squad in the 1990 (Jacoby) Open Swiss Teams. Michaud represented the U.S. in Rosenblum Teams 1978 and was International Team alternate 1963.

**MICHELL, Jean Ellen** (b. 1925) of Orinda CA, bridge teacher, office manager of law firm. She served as a member of the ACBL Charity Committee, Board of Governors and on District 21 board, as Unit 499 President, vice-president, sectional tournament manager. Michell placed second in the Machlin Women's Swiss Teams in 1989.

**MILLER, Susan J.** (Susie) (b. 1943) of Boca Raton FL, travel agent. She has contributed to *The Bridge World* and *Bridge Today*. Miller won the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1995.

**MILNER, Reese** (b.1948) of Los Angeles CA is a real estate investor. Milner didn't start playing serious bridge until the late Nineties. He soon made his mark by winning the Vanderbilt in 2002. Milner also won the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2008.

**MOON, Hannah** (b. 1939, Korea) lived through the Japanese occupation in World War II and the Korean War. She trained as a nurse and immigrated to the United States in 1964. She practiced nursing in Fargo, North Dakota. She came to Canada in 1967 and became qualified as a Nursing Instructor. In 1969 she married Dr. Chang Moon, and soon after they moved to Prince Albert, where Chang began a Radiology practice. They had three sons, Michael, a Los Angeles Attorney; Paul, a Minneapolis Chiropractor and David, a Las Vegas Radiologist. Chang passed away in 1999. In the past three years she has been very pleased to have four grandchildren with one more on the way. Nowadays, she splits her time between the three cities with her grandchildren and Prince Albert.

In 2010 she was the first woman to win the Richmond Trophy in its 47-year history. She also became a Diamond Life Master and was ACBL Gold Life Master of the Year.

**MOSS, Sylvia** (b.1944) of New York NY. Sylvia Moss is Senior Managing Director at The Blackstone Group, whose main offices are located in New York City. Sylvia joined Blackstone in 1997 and was responsible for human resource policy and procedures, information technology, research and facilities for Blackstone's worldwide offices. Sylvia was taught to play bridge at the age of 16 by her brother, who needed a backup when his regular partner was unavailable. She has won seven North American championships, was fourth in the Women's Pairs in Lille, France, and won the 2008 and 2011 Women's Trials and won a bronze medal in the Mindsports Olympiad. Moss is also a member of the USBF Board of Directors.

**NATHAN, Marc W.** (b. 1953) of Miami FL, personnel manager. Won Silodor Open Pairs 1981.

**NOLAND, Helen** (Heitie) (1920-1991) of Lake Charles LA. Won World Mixed Teams in 1972, placed second World Mixed Pairs 1978, Women's Teams 1973.

**NUTTING, Ann** (formerly Jacobson) (b. 1940) of San Francisco CA, CPA. Won North American Swiss Teams in 1981.

**NUTTING, Willard H. III** (Bill) (b. 1945) of San Francisco CA, vice president; past president of Unit 197 and former treasurer of District 21. Nutting won GNOP 1982.

**OEST, John N.** (Jack) (b. 1952) of Chicago IL, attorney. Served as Unit president and is presently on District Judiciary Committee. Represented ACBL in international play Bal Harbour 1986, Pan-American Games 1992, Rhodes 1996. Has been a contributor to Chicago Kibitzer. Won GNOT 1991, 95; International Team Trial 1996. Placed second GNOT 1984, 88. Oest was instrumental in putting together the Eric Rodwell/Jeff Meckstroth partnership.

**OLSON, Jeffrey A.** (b. 1958) of Dallas TX, insurance agent and financial consultant, bridge professional.

**OSHLAG, Mary B.** (b. 1942) of Germantown TN, former ACBL headquarters staff member. She won the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss in 2011 and finished second in both the Mixed BAM Teams in 1989 and the Wagar Women's KO Teams in 1999.

**PARKER, Steven J.** (b. 1945) of Brookville MD, human resources director. Served on Washington B.L. Board of Directors 1967-1977. Won World Mixed Teams in 1974. ACBL wins include the Reisinger 1972, Mixed Pairs 1969, 76; placed second Master Mixed Teams 1973, Reisinger 1976, GNOT 1977. Parker has been Washington B.L. Player of the Year three times.

**PASSELL, Nancy L.** (b. 1949) of Dallas TX, professional bridge player, former teacher. A WBF World Master, she won the Venice Cup in 1991. She and husband Mike Passell are the only U.S. couple to win the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup. She is a three-time North American champion.

**PAUL, Mariana** (Mary) (b. 1933) of Toronto ON, born in Romania, accountant, bridge teacher. Board member Unit 116, recorder for Unit and District 2, member Conduct and Ethics Committees at some regionals and NABCs. Authored Partnership Bidding. WBF World Master, placed third Venice Cup 1989, fourth World Olympiad Women's Teams 1988, seventh 1980, ninth 1984; fifth Swiss Plate 1984. Represented Canada in other World Championship events 1968, 72, 78, 82, 86, 91, 92. Member of winning team of the first Canadian National Team Championship (CNTC) 1977, subsequently won it 1993, second 1989. Former president Montreal Team-of-Four B.L.

**PEAKE, Lyle R.** (the Rhinestone Cowboy) (1944-1994) of Culver City CA, crypto-translator, professional bridge player, teacher, director. Peake ran the first ACBL duplicate club in East Africa and founded the American Bridge College in 1985.

**PERLSTEIN, Lila E.** (1925-1996) a native of Brooklyn, learned bridge while earning a degree in psychology and sociology at Cornell University. She taught bridge and was co-owner of the North Shore Bridge Club in Roslyn Heights NY, where she lived. Although frail and thin from cancer, Lila was a tough competitor at the bridge table. She won the Whitehead Women's Pairs with Juanita Chambers at the 1995 Spring NABC in Phoenix. She followed that with a win in the Wagar Women's KO Teams at the Summer NABC in New Orleans. In 1996 Lila was part of the women's team that went on to win the World Women's Team Olympiad. The team dedicated the victory to her.

**PETERSON, Dr. Gary H.** (b. 1946) of Louisville KY, radiologist. Won Keohane North American Swiss Teams 1991.

**PETRONELLA, Tony** (b.1942) of Boca Raton FL is a retired public school teacher. He has served as president for both Unit 145 and District 25 in the past.

He has been an alternate District Director for District 25 and has served as a member of the Board of Governors. Tony is a member of the Goodwill Committee and has been a bridge columnist for the Providence Journal. His favorite bridge moment was defeating the defending champion Nickell team in a first round three-way match of the Spingold Knockouts at the Albuquerque Summer Nationals. He is a survivor of both non-Hodgkins lymphoma and bone marrow transplantation. Tony credits bridge for helping to distract him during the years of treatment he had to deal with. Tony says, "Bridge provided a wonderful escape for me." Today he is honored to be available to speak with newly diagnosed patients of blood cancers and patients considering bone marrow transplantation as a First Connection volunteer of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

**PHILLIPS, Duncan R.** (1930-2006) of Toronto was a retired attorney and member of the bronze-medal Canadian team in the 1972 World Bridge Team Olympiad. A WBF World Life Master, Phillips also earned bronze medals in the Senior Pairs and Senior Knockout Teams in the World Bridge Championships in Albuquerque in 1994. Duncan was the founder and first president of the Metropolitan Toronto Bridge Association.

**PIETSHER, Jerry** (1932-2003) of Elk Grove CA, former aerospace engineer, worked on Titan Intercontinental Missile and Apollo moon mission.

**PLATNICK, Brian Scott** (b. 1966) of Evanston IL, stock options trader, former industrial engineer. Became certified club director at age of 17 and was director and club manager of a duplicate bridge club for two years while in high school. A WBF World Life Master, Platnick won the World Junior Teams in 1991 and the Rosenblum Teams in 2010. He holds two North American Championship titles - the Spingold and the Jacoby Open Swiss in 2010.

**POLLACK, Frederic S.** (Fred) (b. 1974) of LaSalle, Quebec, Canada is a college professor of mathematics, a statistical consultant and bridge teacher. He was Canada's youngest Life Master at 16 in 1991 and King of Bridge in 1992. He represented Canada several times in World Championships and finished fourth in the World Junior Championships (1995 and 1997). Pollack has won the GNT Flight B twice (1995 and 1996).

**POPLAWSKI, Mary McColl** (b. 1945) of Vestal NY is a bridge teacher, director and full time club owner. Her first career was as a Computer systems analyst. She is a past President of Unit 112, a current Board of Governors member, the current education chairperson for District 4. She promotes TAP classes at reduced rates to find more teachers. She won the GNT Flt B in 1991.

**PREMO, Jerry** of Sacramento CA is a retired bridge professional and club owner. He started the first barometer-scored club game (October 1977) long before ACBLscore, so it was scored manually. He placed second in the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2004.

**RADJEF, Tarek Lucien** (b. 1937) of Dallas TX, born in France, entrepreneur, formerly an electrical engineer. Contributor World Championship Daily Bulletin 1997.

**RAPÉE, George** – See HALL OF FAME

**RAUTENBERG, Lee H.** (b. 1951) of Boca Raton FL, microcomputer systems programmer/designer, placed second in the Mixed Pairs in 1976, the Lebharr IMP Pairs in 1994 and the Vanderbilt in 2003.

**REINHOLD, Arthur E.** (Bud) (1913-1996) of Highland Park IL was a graduate of the University of Chicago Business School. He served as a naval officer in the Pacific during WWII. After the war, he worked in the furniture manufacturing business. He retired in 1973. That same year, he won the Spingold and the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams and was second in the Vanderbilt. He won the Reisinger again in 1979 and the Vanderbilt in 1980. That led to the Bermuda Bowl and the world championship played in Port Chester NY. At the age of 68, Reinhold was one of the oldest players to ever represent the U.S. in the Bermuda Bowl and win the championship. At the same time, three of his teammates – Bobby Levin, Eric Rodwell and Jeff Meckstroth – were among the youngest to win a world championship.

**RETEK, George** (b. 1936) of Montreal PQ, born in Hungary, chartered accountant. Member ACBL Board of Directors representing District 1 since 1979, primarily involved in finance, international affairs and appeals committees; previously served as ACBL treasurer. Was ACBL President in 2002. Member of WBF Executive Council since 1988, WBF treasurer since 1990, WBF vice president since 1998.

**REYSA, Gloria** (formerly Turner) (b. 1925) of Dallas TX, secretary. Won Mixed BAM Teams twice 1957, 1961 and placed second Vanderbilt 1951, Mixed BAM Teams 1953.

**RIBNER, Paula** (formerly Bacher, Levin) (1908-2004) A resident of Palm Beach, Florida, she was a three-time national championship winning bridge player, the fifth woman to achieve Life Master ranking (LM #65) and a member of the only all-female team ever to win the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams. She was respected not only for her brilliant card play but also for her lovely demeanor at the table. After a brief career in show business, she was always up for a good party. She also served as a nurse's aid during all of World War II. She had three happy marriages: first to Edward Bacher, a World War II Admiral, then to Maurice Levin, a prominent real estate developer, and finally to Lloyd Ribner, an amateur golf champion.

**RICHENS, Muriel W.** of San Mateo CA, marriage and family therapist, bridge teacher, retired educator.

**RIEGLE, Jim E.** (b. 1950) of Ottawa ON, economist. He placed second COPC in 1985.

**RIGAL, Barry** (b. 1958). Player, author, commentator, syndicated columnist. Born in London, has been a professional bridge player since moving to New York in 1994. Has written many books as well as magazine and newspaper columns and has been World Bridge Federation commentator for 25 years.

Married to Sue Picus. He has won two North American championships as well as EC Mixed Teams and multiple UK titles. As a professional player claims to be the only pro ever to have been shut out by his client from declaring a single board in a session – not for want of trying! At college reached the quarterfinal round of the University Challenge for Queen's Oxford – where he suffered the indignity of losing to Queen's Cambridge – and a team headed by the comedian Stephen Fry. He also claims that his tutors awarded him the title of "The laziest man in Oxford."

**RIORDAN, Beverly R.** (b. 1928) of Ypsilanti MI, college chemistry and biology instructor. Former member National Appeals Committee, president Michigan BA, vice president District 12, chairman of 1991 World Junior Championship.

**ROCK, Lawrence J.** (1945-1994) of University Heights OH, pension consultant. Member National Appeals Committee 1984-present, Dist 5 Executive Committee 1987-89, Unit 125 president 1981-83; contributor to District 5 and Unit 125 publications. Won Rockwell Mixed Pairs 1984.

**ROGERS, Reece D.** (1951-1998) of Cordova TN. Representing District 10, Rogers finished second in the GNT in 1974 and the NAP in 1994.

**ROSE-HALL, Marilyn J.** (b. 1944) of Lake Worth FL, retired computer specialist. Co-authored *How the Experts Win at Bridge* the 1999 ABTA Book of the Year.

**ROSEN, Edward L.** (Eddie) (1929-1999) of Los Angeles CA, controller. Won von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs 1959, Hilliard Mixed Pairs 1960, 62.

**ROSENKRANZ, Edith** (Mrs. Jorge) (b. 1924) of Mexico City, born in Austria. Edith represented Mexico in the World Women's Team Olympiad 11 times. She served as npc of the Mexican Olympiad Team in 1988. She is Mexico's leading female masterpoint holder, Mexico's first female Life Master and a four-time winner of John Pike Memorial Trophy for best overall performance at Mexican Nationals. She is a three-time North American champion.

**ROSS, John** (b. 1948) of Brampton ON, self-employed, founder of Flin Flon DBC, co-founder of Northern Manitoba Unit, served as first president. Invented Low Tolerance Redouble, Good Two Notrump (both published in *The Bridge World*).

**ROTHWART, Rich** (b. 1958) of Philadelphia PA is a bridge teacher and director. He has a BA in psychology from LaSalle University and a JD from Villanova Law School. He serves as the Unit 141 Recorder and is the chairman of the Conduct and Ethics Committee. He also enjoys singing and word puzzles.

**RUBIN, Ira** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**RUTSTEIN, Donald I.** (b. 1927) of Evanston IL, salesman, former professional jazz musician, interests in thoroughbred racing and breeding. He won the ABA National KO Teams in 1978 and was awarded the Chicago CBA Harmon Wilkes Sportsmanship Award in 1997.

**SANBORN, Steve** (b. 1954) of Stony Point NY, former options trader, former computer marketing analyst/consultant. Sanborn was npc of the second place Venice Cup team in 1995. He placed second in the Wernher Open Pairs in 1980; the GNOP in 1983 and the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2008. He was fifth in the Cavendish Invitational Pairs in 1986. Once with Warren Rosner in a NAP qualifier he had an 84.7% game.

**SANDS, Norma** (b. 1938) of Denver CO, bridge teacher, writer, member ACBL Conduct and Ethics Committee since 1991. Author of *Standard American Bridge Updated*, *Playing the Cards*, and *Bridge Helper*. She co-authored (with Jan Janitschke) the *Bridge Mini Series*, which included Fine Tuning Your Bridge, Later in the Auction, Opening Leads Versus Suits, Double Trouble, Weak Two Bids, Competitive Bidding, Defensive Signals, Negative Doubles, Slam Bidding I, Slam Bidding II. This series was awarded Book of the Year 1992 by ABTA. Won District 17 GNOT 1990; Colorado Victory Trophy 1989.

**SARON, Robert** (Bob) (1923-1990) of St. Petersburg FL, stockbroker, former company executive, District 9 representative to ACBL Board of Directors 1977-1990. Four-time president of Unit 128, served more than 30 years as member of its Board and served as president of District 9. Bridge editor St. Petersburg Times and authored Medical Directory of Good Bridge. Won Fall NABC Secondary Commercial and Industrial Pairs 1961.

**SAYED, Floyd E.** (1925-1997) of Boca Raton FL, insurance agent, past president of Michigan BA, served on its Board more than 20 years.

**SEAMON, Rita** (Mrs. William E.) (b. 1924) of North Miami Beach FL, bridge teacher and director. She won the Master Mixed Teams in 1974 and placed second in the Women's Pairs twice and the Women's Knockout Teams in 1996.

**SEIDMAN, Solomon** (Sol) (1909-1995) of Brooklyn NY, social studies teacher and bridge lecturer, educated at NYU and City College of NY. ACBL Honorary Member 1984. Co-chairman NABC Appeals Committee for many years, served on Board of Directors 1974-84. Former president of District 24, associated with Greater New York BA from 1952, held every major office. Chairman of board of GNYBA in 1984, succeeding Ira Zippert, who succeeded Seidman as District 24 director. Diamond Life Master, won just about every title at sectional and regional tournaments in NY area, New Jersey and Philadelphia, including von Zedtwitz Teams, Goldman Pairs and Eastern States KO Teams.

**SELIGMAN, Dr. Martin E.P.** (Marty) (b. 1942) professor of psychology. Contributor to Bridge Today. Placed second in the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1998. Won OKbridge Internet World Championship.

**SENZEL, Alan J.** is a retired chemist and scientific journal editor with a background in agricultural and pharmaceutical chemistry. A Southern California native, Senzel began playing bridge during a summer session at San Jose State College (now University) in California in 1962. While in graduate school working on a Ph.D. in chemistry at UCLA during the mid-1960s, He played with his then-favorite partner, Paul Ossip, in West Los Angeles clubs against such luminaries as Barry Crane, Morris Portugal, Harold Guiver, Mary Jane Farrell, Rhoda Walsh and Hermine Baron, winning only occasionally.

Senzel became a Life Master at the 1987 Washington, DC Nationals and attained the rank of Diamond Life Master during the summer of 2009 while playing at Louise King's Vanderbilt Bridge Club in Raleigh. A resident of Raleigh, NC since 1978, he is especially grateful to Raleigh partners Mary Sasse and Toby Weinstein for helping him achieve a modicum of success in the bridge world.



**SERVER, Lenore** (Len) (b. 1937) of River Vale NJ, elementary school teacher, taught and lectured on bridge cruises. Placed second Swiss Teams 1977.

**SHAPIRO, Ed** of Camp Hill PA, writer. Won Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1989.

**SHEFCHIK, Charles Milton** (Chuck) (b. 1939) of Las Vegas NV, sales representative.

**SHERIDAN, John K.** (b. 1948) of Indianapolis IN is an attorney. He was a National Merit Scholar 1966. Temporarily retired from bridge 1984 and returned in 2004. He won the Men's Pairs (now Wernher) in 1978.

**SHMUKLER, Pauline** (1913-2000) of Miami Beach FL was a bridge teacher. Named LM# 114, she placed second in the Wagar Women's Teams twice. She was a member of the Philadelphia women's team that played the British women's team in unofficial matches in 1953. In 1954 she had an automobile accident that forced her to curtail her bridge playing activities.

**SIDELL, Steven G.** (b. 1947) of Seattle WA, travel consultant. He is a former president of the Seattle Unit and District 19.

**SILVERMAN, Neil** (b. 1949) of Ft. Lauderdale FL, options trader, former genealogical researcher. A WBF World Master, Silverman won the Rosenblum Teams in 1986 and placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1999. He won a gold medal at the Maccabiah Games and placed third in Invitational Pairs Championship. Silverman is a four-time North American champion. In 1981, he appeared on a 13-segment TV show on bridge for BBC.

**SILVERSTEIN, Nate** (1909-1992) of Memphis TN, born in Poland, bridge club manager. For more than 30 years a he was a devoted promoter of bridge. Member ACBL Board of Directors 1968-1971, had much to do with move of ACBL Headquarters to Memphis. A tireless worker for charity, because of his drive, Unit 144 had the highest donations per capita for many years. Unit president many times, Silverstein also served as vice president of the ACBL Charity Foundation.

**SIMON, Carol.** A WBF World Master, Simon placed second in the Venice Cup in 1995. She is a two-time North American champion..

**SIMPSON, Howard** (b. 1941) of Bluffton SC manager-PacBell. He served as vice president and tournament manager for the Whittier Unit and District 23 from 1978-1982. He was the District 23 representative to the ALACBU from 1978-1982, president LA Commercial Bridge Association and a member of the ALACBU Appeals Committee from 1978-1983.

**SIMSON, Douglas A.** (Doug) (b. 1940) of Bexley OH, president/owner First City Bank and First Investment Company. A WBF World Master, Simson won the Pan American Pairs in 1992 and the OKbridge World Championship Teams in 1999. He is a four-time North American champion.

**SKOLNIK, Mel D.** (b. 1940) of New York City, real estate developer, investor and entrepreneur. Advocate of animal rights, protection of environment and free enterprise. Won McKenney Trophy 1981 over Barry Crane in hardest fought and most bitterly contested fight for that trophy in history It went right down to the wire, including the midnight zip swiss in the last tournament of the year. He won 38 regional events in 1981, a record at that time. He also won 183 masterpoints at the Calgary regional, another record for that time.

**SMITH, Helen** (d.2007) of Philadelphia PA, insurance broker. She placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1973 and the Wagar Women's Knockout Teams in 1976.

**SMITH, Herbert L.** (1932-1999) of San Mateo CA, born in Austria, accountant. ACBL president 1988, Smith was the District 21 representative to ACBL Board of Directors for eight years and ACBL treasurer for 22 years. He served several terms as president of Unit 506, District 21 and the Western Conference. Smith was the Chairman of the 1981 Fall NABC.

**SNYDER, Marion D.** (formerly Weed) of Dallas TX, interior decorator. She won the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs and Mixed BAM Teams in 1975.

**SOLOMON, Eliezer N.** (Ely) (b. 1944) of Riviera Beach MD, born in India, software engineer, placed second in the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1978.

**SOLOMON, Peggy** (Mrs. Charles J.) (1909-1995) wanted to join the women's bridge team at her country club shortly before World War II; she didn't make it because she couldn't play well enough. She was the daughter of movie magnate Jules E. Mastbaum, a Philadelphia philanthropist who donated the Rodin Museum, which opened in 1927, and holds his Rodin collection. After a few years of practice and tutoring, she was one of the nation's top-ranked female bridge players. She married her first husband, Philadelphia Congressman Benjamin M. Golder, in 1930. After his death in 1946, Charles Solomon then became her mentor in bridge and married her in 1948. In 1960, the Solomons were featured in a newspaper article headlined "The Solomons: Top Married Bridge Team." She won three North American Championships.

**SPITALNICK, Richard L.** (b. 1944) of Sunnyvale CA, CPA. He served as treasurer for District 21 from 1980-1985 and for the Fall NABC in 1981. Spitalnick placed second in the Amateur Swiss Teams in 1977.

**SPRUNG, Danny** (b. 1965) of Philadelphia PA is a stock options trader. Sprung is a long-time member of the National Appeals and Seeding Committees. A WBF World Master, he has travelled around the world four times as a bridge lecturer. He won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1991. Sprung is a baseball fan and word game player.

**STAATS, Bill** (b.1942) of Southlake TX is a tax accountant. Bill graduated from the University of California-Berkeley and served as a Lt. in the US Army from 1965-1967. Bill served as a Board member and Treasurer of Unit 499 in the late 1980s.

**STAKGOLD, Ivar** (b. 1925) of Wilmington DE, born in Norway, Professor Emeritus University of Delaware and former chairman of mathematics department. Stakgold placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1959 and represented the U.S. in the World Team Olympiad in 1960. He won the Mott-Smith Trophy in 1958 and six North American titles.

**STARK, Andy** (b.1963) of Toronto ON is a Professor at George Brown College. He is the author of three bridge books including *The Weak Notrump*, and two in the Practice Your Bidding Series by Masterpoint Press: *Jacoby Transfers*, and *Four-Suit Transfers*. Also a contributor to the Kibitzer, (an Ontario bridge publication) and an ACBL accredited teacher. Stark is the self proclaimed "World Champion at losing all finesses for the queen of clubs." Stark won the 2006 GNT Flt A and the 1999 Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. Stark is currently working on a M.Ed in Adult Education at St. FX University, a Frisbee golfer, a contributor to an online parenting magazine, a singer/songwriter, and a BBQ freak.

**STARR, Jeffrey C.** (b. 1949) of Las Vegas NV, stock and options trader, poker player. He placed second in the GNT in 1974 and 1982.

**STEIN, Mark** (b. 1934) of Aventura FL, born in China, retired company president. He represented Canada in international competition in 1978 and 1986 and as non-playing captain in 1988, 1989, 1990, and 1993. Stein won the CNTC in 1985 and was npc of the second place teams in 1988 and 1990. Stein won the NAP in 1991, the Keohane North American Swiss Teams three times, the World Epson Towers in 1990 and placed second in the NAP in 1990.

**STEIN, Sylvia A.** (1921-1995) of Southfield MI was one of the leading players in Midwest bridge for many years. She represented the U.S. in the World Women's Pairs in 1962 and 1970. At the 1958 NABC in Detroit she won the Life Master Individual, was second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs and won enough points in other events to capture the Lou Herman Trophy. In all of the years the Herman Trophy has been awarded only two women have had their names engraved on it, Stein won it twice and Jill Meyers won it in 1987. Stein owned and directed duplicate clubs and taught bridge.

**STEINBERG, Charles** (1931-2009) of Memphis TN, retired CEO of small chain of retail stores. Known as an outstanding player and gracious opponent, he was a member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee. Steinberg served as president of the Tennessee Bridge Association (Unit 144) and is a member of the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club Hall of Fame. After undergoing a liver transplant, Steinberg spent much of his time volunteering at Ronald McDonald House, a home away from home for families of children receiving treatment at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. His mother, Ruth, was Life Master #270 and his father, Philip, #350.

**STEINER, Carlyn J.** (b. 1945) of Seattle WA is an attorney. She was co-chairman Organizing Committee 1984 World Olympiad. A WBF Women's World Grand Master, Steiner won the McConnell Cup in 2006 and earned a silver medal in the 2004 Women's Team Olympiad. She has won one North American Championship - the Marsha May Sternberg Women's BAM in 2003. Steiner also won the USBF Women's Team Trials in 2004.

**STEINFELDT, Sherman I.** (Irv) (1918-2007) of Minneapolis MN, Board chairman, former president Clearr Corp. Won inaugural Silver Ribbon Pairs 1992.

**STERNBERG, James H.** (Dr. J.) (b. 1937) of Jupiter FL, physician, radiologist. Editor-in-Chief: Bridge Sense Magazine (Published Quarterly, Ft Lauderdale). Author- Publications on various topics published in magazines including ACBL Bulletin. A three-time Florida Grand National Champion. He was national ACBL Rookie of the Year in 1977 with 377 points, a record that held for 20 years. He is a lifetime Member of the ACBL National Charity Committee, an ACBL Accredited Teacher and Certified Director. Sternberg has won two North American championships.

**STEUER, Joseph B.** (Joe) (d. 2000) of Memphis TN, placed second in the Amateur Men's Pairs in 1975.

**STONE, Alvin P.** Attended Greenwood MS high school and graduated in mechanical engineering from the University of Mississippi. He was married to Joyce Diamond and entered in the U S Army in June, 1957. After testing nuclear submarines for Westinghouse, he became a regional manager of several garment factories, and opened his first AAMCO Transmission Center in Memphis TN in 1968. Al and Joyce have two daughters, two sons, and five grandchildren. Now he is semi-retired from AAMCO, attends tournaments, plays at the M A Lightman Bridge Club in Memphis, and serves on the Tennessee Bridge Association Unit 144 Board of Directors. Besides bridge competition, he enjoys fishing, travel, spectator sports and mystery novels.

**STONE, Tobias** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**STRASBERG, David I.** (1928-2005) of Ft Lauderdale FL, retired executive recruiter. He won the Spingold as a member of the Precision Team in 1970 and captured the Fishbein Trophy the same year.

**STRAUSS, Richard P.** of Northbrook IL, regional tournament director, club manager. He has been directing since 1986 and a club manager since 1980. He was arRecipient of the Tom Weeks Award.

**STRICKLAND, Fred E., III** (b. 1945) of Marietta GA, bridge teacher, writer, former attorney. A past president of Unit 114 and Unit Player of the Year in 1980, Strickland is the author and publisher of books used in classes - Intermediate Bidding, Advanced Bidding (Books 1, 2 & 3).

**STUART, B. Wayne, III** (b. 1965) of Raleigh NC, systems analyst. Stuart won the World Junior Team Championship in 1991 and the NABC Junior Pairs in 1991. He placed second in the Keohane North American Swiss in 2003. He has Master ranking in the U.S. Chess Federation but no longer competes.

**STURM, Corrine** (1923-2004) of Kailua-Kona HI, retired accountant and auditor. She won the 1974 ACBL-wide Olympiad Fund Game with a 77% game.

**STURM, Walter A.** (Walt) (b. 1930) of Kailua Kona, HI, retired electrical engineer, computer architecture and APL programmer. He won the ACBL-wide Olympiad Fund Game with a 77% game in 1974.

**SUBECK, Stanton I.** (Stan) (b. 1949) of Olympia Fields IL, financial consultant, actuary. Subeck is a member of the ACBL Board of Governors and a contributor to the CCBA Kibitzer.

**TOM, Merle H.** (1935-2002) of Cos Cob CT, attorney. A Diamond Life Master with more than 6500 MPs, Tom won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1972 and the Open BAM Teams in 1974. He was a member of thr original Precision Team.

**TOUCHTIDIS, Stelios** (b. 1947) of Sherman Oaks CA, born in Greece, advertising executive, with interests in archery, astronomy, comic book collecting, fine wines. Touchtidis placed seventh in the World Mixed Pairs in 1986 and was npc of the USA II Women's team in the 1985 Venice Cup. He won the Reisinger in 1984.

**TRITT, James F.** (b. 1946) of Fresno CA is an attorney. He served on the National Appeals Committee 1980-84. Tritt won the Silodor Open Pairs in 2001 and placed third in the Pairs Plate at the World Championships in Bal Harbour in 1986.

**TRUSCOTT, Alan** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**ULKE, Asim** (b. 1940) of Monroeville PA, mechanical engineer. He placed second in the 1993 GNT.

**URBANIAK, Susan** (1940-1997) of Mercer Island WA. She served on the organizing committees for the Seattle World Bridge Olympiad in 1984 and the Seattle Fall NABC in 1993. She was a longtime member of the National Appeals Committee and a lifetime appointee to the National Ethical Oversight Committee.

**VAN NESS, John P.** (b. 1940) of Woody Creek, CO, attorney. He has served more than 30 years on District 17 Board of Directors, including 12 as District President. He has been a Western Conference Board Member for fifteen years and president for four. Van Ness is a member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee and Board of Governors. He won the NABC Amateur Pairs in 1976.

**VERNOFF, Milton** (1905-1989) of Los Angeles CA, retired attorney, won Mixed BAM Teams in 1938. Vernoff pioneered bridge on television in Florida and served as president of the Florida Unit.

**VILHAUER, Merlin** of Beaverton OR is a current member of the ACBL Board of Directors. He and Marvin Hamm co-wrote the first bridge scoring program used by the ACBL. The program was called Director and was used by the ACBL from 1982 -1991. Many of the commands used in ACBLscore were from Director.

**VON DER PORTEN, Ron** (b. 1936) born in Brooklyn NY, Von Der Porten has lived in Berkeley CA, Oakland CA, Europe and now Las Vegas. He began playing bridge at age 17 and obtained most of his early experience with Sami Kehela and Paul Allinger while he was a student at the University of California. A WBF World Life Master, Von Der Porten placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1962 and 1977. He has won six North American championships including the Spingold twice, the Vanderbilt and the Reisinger.

**WAGAR, Margaret** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**WALDMANN, Arthur J.** (b. 1933) of Rocky Hill CT, investments. He placed second in the Spingold in 1974 and the Open BAM Teams in 1977.

**WALETZKY, Niel** (b. 1949) of Shaker Heights OH, revenue officer, attorney. Wrote, directed and performed in two bridge shows.

**WALTERS, Florine W.** of Pittsburgh PA, real estate agent, former bridge club owner, director, teacher. She placed second in the Wagar Women's Teams twice, the Machlin Women's Swiss in 1985, the GNT in 1993 and the Mixed BAM Teams in 1995.

**WALVICK, Walter J.** (Crab) (b. 1942) of McLean VA, attorney. A WBF World Master, Walvick placed third in the World Mixed Pairs in 1990 and won the Swiss Plate in 1986. A two-time winner of the Life Master Men's Pairs, Walvick captured the Lou Herman Trophy in 1975.

**WARNER, Caroline N.** (b. 1922) of Fort Lauderdale FL, bridge director, teacher, and professional.

**WEED, Charles E.** (b. 1931) of Shreveport LA, retired business consultant, served as president of Dallas BA; won GNOT 1975, Swiss Teams 1978.

**WEGMAN, Dick of** Bethesda MD has an active legal career. He served as chief counsel of U.S. Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs. Chairman of Montgomery County Green Economy Task Force and Vice Chair of the Montgomery County Commission on the Future. Chief of Staff for the President's National Commission on the Agenda for the Eighties. Currently partner in the Washington DC law firm of Garvey Schubert Barer. He won the Baldwin North American Pairs, Flight A, St. Louis NABC, 2007 and placed second in the 0-5000 Spingold, Atlanta NABC, 2005 and GNT - flight B, Chicago NABC, 1998. He has served as President, ACBL District 6, from 2006 to 2008; Served as President, Washington Bridge League (Unit 147), from 2003 to 2006.

**WELLS, Nell** (formerly Childs) (d. 1987) of San Francisco CA, bridge teacher. Named LM #168 in 1949, Wells was the first woman Life Master on the Pacific coast. She won the Barclay Trophy three times.

**WHEELER, Sally D.** (b. 1954) of Woodlands TX, CPA. She is a two-time North American champion.

**WHITWORTH, George F.** (1949) of Coarsegold CA, retired systems analyst. He placed second in the Mixed Pairs in 1997.

**WILLIAMS, Margaret** of New York City, pharmaceutical division manager. Served on Board of Governors and as first alternate district director.

**WILLIAMS, Mary C.** (formerly Philley) (1927-1999) of Leander TX, retired attorney. In the Fifties she worked on the National Laws Commission with John Gerber, formulating the new Laws of Bridge and with Emma Jean Hawes on the New Conventions Committee; former secretary and vice president of District 16 and was the first editor of its publication, Scorecard; served as first alternate to ACBL Board of Directors from District 16 for many years; one of the founders and first vice president The Forum for Women in Bridge. Recipient in 1991 of the Oswald and James Jacoby Service Award for District 16. She placed second in the Master Mixed Teams in 1964 and the Women's Knockout Teams in 1984.

**WILSON, Keith A.** (b. 1949) of Louisville KY, corporate executive, won North American Swiss 1991.

**WILTON, Betty** (b. 1928) of Lutz, Florida. Betty is a retired mechanical engineer and current bridge director. She played second in the Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1994.

**WILTON, Herbert C.** (b. 1933) of Cincinnati OH, born in Vienna; retired computer scientist, former president and secretary of Cincinnati BA. Placed second Master Mixed Teams 1958, Silver Ribbon Pairs 1994.

**WOLFF, Betsey Y.** (b. 1937) of Dallas TX, consultant and bridge professional. Won World Mixed Teams 1972; placed second Women's Pairs 1971, 82; Women's Teams 1973; North American Women's Swiss 1988.

**WOLPERT, Charles M.** (b. 1921), bridge teacher, director. President Unit 210 1985-1986, has directed more than 200 bridge cruises.

**WONG, Maurice** (d. 1998) was a professor of mathematics at Fairfield (CT) University. With nearly 6,800 masterpoints, Wong was most certainly the highest-ranked Jesuit priest among ACBL members. Some of his bridge exploits were reported in *The New York Times* by Alan Truscott.

**WOODCOCK, Lou.** (b. 1922). A Diamond Life Master, he represented Canada in international competition on two occasions. He survived 39 bombing raids over Germany during World War II. An inveterate tennis player, Woodcock played against Eddie Kantar during the 1979 Spring NABC in Norfolk VA.

**WOOLDRIDGE, Jill H.** (b. 1939) of Buffalo NY is a retired accountant. She has a BA in mathematics and an MBA in accounting. She is a certified ACBL Director and accredited ACBL bridge teacher. She directs and teaches at Chautauqua Institution. Her favorite bridge moment was in November, 1991, at the San Francisco Nationals. An announcement was made over the loud speaker that her son, Joel, had become the current youngest Life Master at age 11 years, three months. Joel and Jill were playing together at the time. He stood up on the bridge table and received the applause of his fellow players.

**YANG, H.Y. David** of Chicago is originally from Taipei, Taiwan. He received a PhD degree in Electrical Engineering from UCLA in 1988. He is now a professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago. His academic expertise is on antennas and microwave electronics. He had published over a hundred scientific articles on the related subjects. He is an elected Fellow of Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). He serves as the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal Electromagnetics. He started playing bridge in college in Taipei and won the inter-college championship in 1979, Dragon Cup in 1981, and Far-East Inter-City Open Pairs in 1982. He had been on and mostly off in bridge play from 1982-1998 pursuing an academic career. His wife Angela is not a bridge player and they have a son Alan. As an ACBL member, he is a Diamond Life Master and won Jacoby Open Swiss in 2011 and Flight A North American Pair (NAP) in 2005 and 2008. He also finished second in Silodor Open Pairs in 2009. He represents District 13 Flight A NAP in 2000, 2005-2011 and Grand National Team (GNT) Championship Flight from 2006 to 2008. He won the Bridge Professional Tour in Los Angeles Open, 2002.

**YANKO, Richard F.** (b. 1939) of Scottsdale AZ is an attorney. Yanko placed second in the GNOT in 1974.

**ZILIC, Virginia A.** (b. 1939) of Houston TX, born in Venezuela, bridge club director and bridge teacher, co-chairman Houston NABC 1978; placed second in the Swiss Teams in 1978.

**ZURFLUH, William M.** (Willie) (b. 1944) of West Allis WI, bridge professional, retired computer programmer. Zurfluh is the editor of Brewer Bridge, a member Greater Milwaukee board of Directors since 1972 and second alternate to the Board of Directors for District 13 1987-1990 and since 1999. He is a certified director and club manager.

# OTHER NOTED PERSONALITIES



Organizing the first four sections of the biographies involved little more than counting masterpoints and editing the contributions for players who took the time to tell about their lives and interests away from the bridge table.

The following list is meant to acknowledge those who deserve recognition for a wide variety of reasons – even including bridge achievements.

Some names are on this list because their successes in tournaments pre-dated the change in masterpoint awards. For example, winning the Spingold at one time was good for a low double-digit masterpoint award (first place now rewards each team member with 250 platinum masterpoints).

This list also includes authors, editors and many top players from outside North America.

If some of the entries lack substance, it is not from lack of trying. The editors of this book expended no small effort in trying to pry interesting information from many noteworthy personalities. There were some successes, but the editors learned that there is wisdom in the adage that you can't get blood from a stone.

**ÅA, Terje** (b. 1961) was born in Norway. He works for the Norwegian Post Office and has been a regular member of the Norwegian team since making his debut in 1993. With his regular partner Glenn Groetheim he plays a relay system called the Viking Precision Club.

**AABYE, Jon** (b. 1952) of Oslo Norway is an accountant. He placed third in the World Team Olympiad in 1980. He holds one Nordic team title and represented Norway in two European championships

**ABE, Hiroya** (b.1945) He lives in Tokyo with his wife, where he owns a downtown bridge club. He learned to play in college. Abe won the World Senior Teams in 2008. His major hobby is learning Korean.

**ABEDI, Nishat** (b. 1939) of Karachi, Pakistan was born in India, accountant. A WBF World Master and Pakistan's top masterpoint winner, Abedi placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1981 and the Rosenblum Teams in 1986. He won the BFAAME Open Teams 1983 and 1985.

**ABRAMSOHN, Phillip** (Phil) (deceased). Named Life Master #22 in 1940, Abramsohn won three North American championships in the Thirties. Abramsohn won the Vanderbilt in 1933 with partner Sidney Rusinow, with whom he helped develop Rusinow Leads.

**ADAD, Pierre** Studied in the famous scientific school Polytechnique and then pursued a military career, becoming a Colonel in the French army which explains his nickname Le General. He was the partner for many years of Maurice Aujaleu (after playing with Bertrand Romanet), until the latter died.

**ADAMS, Charles True** (1900-1942) of Chicago was a utilities attorney. He was a valuable contributor to the Official System. As one of the first widely read authors on contract bridge, his Contract Bridge Standardized was published in 1928. Adams was co-editor-in-chief (with Milton Work) of The Bridge Magazine and Director of American Auction Bridge League in 1927.

**ADAMS, Peggy** (1900-1974) of New York City, ACBL staff member who worked in masterpoint department from 1948 to 1966. She wrote the feature Club Corner for the Bridge Bulletin. Vaudevillian in her youth, she played the Keith Circuit and picture theaters under stage name of Peggy Hart. In 1950 she became Life Master #300 and at that time was the second Life Master in ACBL headquarters, the first being the late Alvin Landy. She won one North American Championship.

**ADAMS, William E.** (1917-2008) of North Branford CT. Retired aeronautical, mechanical engineer; product engineer for U.S. Steel Corp. Served on ACBL Board of Directors in the Sixties; Connecticut Unit Board of Directors 1952-78 (past president); District Board of Directors 1955-1978. He won the National Senior Master Individual in 1953 (Beynon Trophy).

**AGRAN, Nat** (1908-1993) of Sarasota FL was ACBL Life Master #131 having attained the rank when he won the National Senior Master Pairs for the Beynon Trophy in 1948. As a Philadelphia lawyer, Agran was a contemporary of Charles Goren, Charles Solomon, Sidney Silodor and other greats of the early days of organized bridge. Agran argued cases before the Philadelphia Supreme Court concerning equal right for blacks and was a strong proponent of desegregation of the ACBL in the Fifties. The son of a rabbi, Agran first played bridge as a student at the University of Pennsylvania.

**AGUW, Max** (b.1951) of Manado, Indonesia is a police officer and a former regional chess champion. He represented Indonesia in the Bermuda Bowl 1973, 1974 and 1981 and in the World Team Olympiad in 1976 and 1980.

**AHMAD, Nisar** (b. 1936) of Karachi, Pakistan is an accountant. A WBF World Master, Ahmad placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1981 and Rosenblum Teams in 1986. He won BFAAME zonal championship 1981, 1983, 1985 and 1987.

**ALBANO, Helen D.** of Newark NJ, was a charter member of the ABTA and its president in 1967. She was president and founder of Bridge for the Blind, a non-profit organization of some 118 volunteers who teach bridge to the blind throughout the United States, Canada, South Africa, Iran and Israel. Albano formerly wrote a column titled "Chuckles" for the *ABTA Quarterly* and is author of the textbook, *Analysis and Practical Application of the Goren Method*. Her textbook was translated into Braille, together with her program of lessons and techniques.

**ALBARRAN, Pierre** (1894 in West Indies – February 23, 1960 in Paris) was a French auction and contract bridge player and theorist, and also an outstanding tennis player. He learned to play bridge in early youth, during a long period spent in hospital in Davos for a virulent lung disease. At 32, he became the chair of urology at the medical faculty of the University of Paris, where he worked for half a century.

At the age of 38 along with Pierre Bellanger (the dean of Plafond), Adrien Aron and Sophocle Venizelos he formed a team to challenge Culbertson who was on the way back to the USA following a resounding victory over Colonel Buller's English team.

Albarran won the European Teams Championship in 1935 and represented France in 1935 in the first World Championships in New York. Among other conventions, he invented canapé approach and what would later become known as Roman two-suiters. He co-authored with De Nexon a monumental two-volume *Encyclopedia of Bridge* which contributed greatly to the spread of the game in Europe, but showed his versatility by writing, with the great champion Henri Cochet, *Histoire du Tennis*. During his tennis career, he played for France twice in the Davis Cup, and won the bronze medal in doubles in the 1920 Summer Olympics in Antwerp with Max Décugis.

**ALDER, Phillip D.** (b. 1951) of Hobe Sound, FL, formerly of London, England, is a self-employed bridge journalist and teacher. Bridge columnist for Uclick Universal (formerly Newspaper Enterprise Association and United Feature Syndicate) since 1991 and for *The New York Times* since 2005. A book of his syndicated columns has been published in China. He is a Life Master in both England and United States. At the time he became an LM in England, he was the second youngest ever. Authored *You Can Play Bridge* and *Get Smarter at Bridge*. Has also co-written and/or edited and/or typeset books with Alan Truscott, Dr. George Rosenkranz, Bill Root, Zia Mahmood and Kathie Wei-Sender. A contributor to world championship books and many-time editor of World, European, Common Market and Zone 4 Championship daily bulletins. Associate Editor of *The Bridge World* and former editor of *Bridge Magazine* (1980-85).

Winner of the Bols Brilliancy Prize (1979), Royal Viking Line Player of the Year (1986), Precision Defense of the Year (1992), Rose Cliff Declarer Play of the Year (2009) and Gidwani Family Trust Defense of the Year (2010). Represented Great Britain in Junior European Championship 1972, Common Market Championships 1974, Junior Common Market Championships 1976, England in Camrose Trophy 1980 and the Junior Camrose 1971, 72, the United States in world championships 1986, 2002, 2006. Was nonplaying captain of U.S. bronze medal McConnell Cup team in 1994. British national victories include Junior Pairs Championship and Anglo-American Junior Pairs Championship 1971, Junior Team Championship 1972, Two Star Pairs 1973, Crockford's Cup 1984. Coached teams from Egypt, Pakistan and Mauritius for world and zonal championships; teaches a lot of classes throughout the year, especially in Florida during the winter season; invented Alder Transfer Preempts.

Away from the bridge table, he completed four New York City marathons from 1990-94. He is a talented amateur oenophile and an untalented amateur golfer who sometimes rides his high handicap to success.



**ALLINGER, Paul** (1929-1988) of Alameda CA, accountant. Won Wernher Open (formerly Men's Pairs) 1956, Open BAM (formerly Men's Teams) 1962, Chicago (since 1965 the Reisinger) 1962, Spingold 1958. Placed second Open Pairs 1957 (this event was replaced by the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1963), Open BAM 1956, Wernher Open Pairs 1961. He won numerous regional titles and was co-inventor of Astro. Represented U.S. in World Team Olympiad 1960.

**ALLOUCHE-GAVIARD, Daniele** (b. 1956) Lived her early life in Marseille but now lives in Paris. Married to Gérard Gaviard. Her son Julien was later a member of the French Junior team. Married Gilles Maarek, a journalist on horse racing, had a daughter Claire Maarek, a promising young bridge player. One of her first partners was Ginette Chevalley but her most successful association was with Catherine d'Ovidio. A WBF Women's World Grand Master, Daniele won the Venice Cup in 2005.

**ALTMAN, Steven B.** (b.1943) of Tenafly NJ is an options trader. Altman was an original member of the Precision Team. He coached U.S. winning Bermuda Bowl team in 1973 and 1977. Altman won three North American Championships. He also won the London Sunday Pairs in 1973. Altman retired from tournament play in 1981.

**ANGELINI, Francesco** (b. 1946) of Rome, Italy. After graduating with a degree in pharmacy in 1968, his career has been spent within the Angelini group and he has been president since 1993. He has three daughters and is a keen football supporter. In 2009, he considered buying a controlling interest in Roma soccer club. He has frequently sponsored some of the best Italian players. In June 2003, he was awarded the title of "Cavaliere del Lavoro" by the President of the Italian Republic, in recognition of the accomplishments of his entrepreneurial career.

**APPLEYARD, Robert** (1909-1984) of New York City, bridge teacher and club director. Appleyard was named Life Master #46 in 1945. Appleyard won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs twice and the Vanderbilt.

**ARMSTRONG, John** (1952-2008) England's most capped player died unexpectedly on July 3, 2008 aged 56. Just a few days earlier Armstrong had represented his country in the European Championships in Pau.

Armstrong was born in Ashbourne, Derbyshire. He learned his bridge as a teenager by studying library books having decided from newspaper columns that it looked an interesting game.

He played with school friends and arrived at Cambridge a keen but somewhat clueless player. That had to change quickly when the competition included Richard Benstead, Brian Callaghan, Steve Barnfield, Richard Fleet, Richard Granville and Graham Kirby.

After obtaining a first in mathematics at Christ's College, he spent 28 years working for Royal Sun Alliance in Liverpool, initially in actuarial work but mainly on the design and integration of computer systems.

His 20-year-long partnership with Graham Kirby started in 1977, and they rapidly became one of the one of the dominant forces in British bridge. By 1980 they were regular contenders for every major event – most of which they won. Their aggressive bidding style was, as Sir Alf Ramsey said of Martin Peters, '10 years ahead of its time' but it was matched by flawless card play and outstanding defense.

Armstrong was keen on orienteering, a talented pianist and a devout Catholic. He was both a gentle man and a gentleman, extremely well-liked and respected in the bridge world.

**ARNARSON, Gudmundur** (b.1954) of Reykjavik, Iceland, is a publisher, teacher and writer. He writes a daily column for *Morgunbladid* and has penned a number of books. He is the owner of Iceland's only bridge school.

**ARNOLDS, Carla** (b.1960) A bridge teacher and journalist from Tilburg married to Jan Kolen, a former Dutch champion. They have four children. Arnolds learned to play bridge in 1981 and in 1987 formed a partnership with Bep Vriend that took them to the peak of the women's game. In 1994 she stopped playing to concentrate on family life, but successfully resumed her partnership with Vriend in 2004.

**ARNTHORSSON, Orn** (b. 1945) of Reykjavik, Iceland, pension funds manager. A WBF World Master, Arnthorsson won the Bermuda Bowl in 1991 and represented Iceland in six other world championships, six European Championships and one Nordic Championship.

**ARONSON, Sidney** (1911-1996) of Pompano Beach FL, retired attorney and deputy assistant inspector general, U.S. Department of Agriculture. He served as president and tournament chairman of New England B.A. Authored articles for *The Bridge World* in the Forties. Aronson won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1949 and placed second in the Life Master Pairs in 1959.

**ARTHUR, Jimmie** (1929-2007) was one of Britain's best known and most popular bridge players. As well as being a fine player, Arthur was a first class bridge administrator, becoming president of the Scottish Bridge Union in 1988-1989. He was probably the most successful ever British team captain, captaining the British and English Ladies teams to three consecutive European gold medals.

Jimmie played for Scotland in seven international matches, although it is perhaps as a captain that he was best known and enjoyed most success. He captained the Scottish Open team in 19 matches in the home international series for the Camrose Trophy. He also captained the Scottish Ladies team in the Lady Milne, the ladies home international series, from 1989 to 1996, winning the trophy in 1992 and 1994.

Arthur was successful in other fields. He was a club table tennis champion, a good snooker player and a low handicap golfer.

**ARST, Frieda** (1906-1985) of Chicago IL, bridge teacher. Won Women's KO Teams 1966, Smith Life Master Women's Pairs 1973; placed second Wagar Women's KO Teams 1972.

**ASSUMPCAO, Pedro Paulo** (b.1935) Was born and lives in São Paulo, Brazil. He is a World Bridge Federation Grand Master. He won the World Teams in 1976 and placed second in the Rosenblum Teams in 1978. He has represented Brazil in numerous World Championships and has won many national titles. Still plays regularly in a local team headed by Gabriel Chagas.

**ATTAGUILE, Luis** (1926-2006) of Buenos Aires, Argentina, clerk. A WBF World Life Master, Attaguile placed third in Bermuda Bowl 1965. He was an eight-time South American champion. He represented Argentina in the Bermuda Bowl five times and in the World Team Olympiad twice. He won the Gabarret Cup in 1961.

**ATTAULLAH, Munir** came to prominence as a member of the Pakistani team that exploded onto the bridge scene in the early 1980s. He is now a renowned columnist (not only on bridge) for the *Daily Times of India*. He is the Chairman for Life (and after death) of the Honorable Society of Fritterers, an offshoot from his Oxbridge days. In compliance with the by-laws of the society, the number of current members is restricted to one.

**AUBY, Daniel** (1955-2007) of Vallentuna, Sweden, started out aiming for a career as a teacher, learning history and religion at university. After a few years, his father told him to go for a "real" job at which point he switched into law. After the law degree and a two-year session in court, he switched into software where he spent the past 20 years as a software developer. Auby started his international bridge career by playing in Geneva 1990, followed by Albuquerque 1994 and Lille 1998. During this period, he was a hanger-on to the Swedish national team and for the next 10 years, he has acted as NPC, coach, or slave to the team. He has many times enlightened the bulletin with reports from the bridge tables. Auby's next step in his bridge career was the captaincy of the open Swedish team, something that lasted 1997-2001. Auby introduced a number of previously unknown components to that captaincy – extensive system notes, bidding practice with monthly reports to the captain, and documented physical training. The highlight of Auby's bridge career was winning the bronze medal in the 1994 Rosenblum Cup in Albuquerque.

**AUGUST, William J. (Bill)** (1926-2002) of Palm Beach FL was a bridge teacher, author, columnist, certified director and former bridge club owner. He taught on cruise ships and in New England, Florida and Colorado for more than 40 years. August was born in Boston and remained a Red Sox fan all his life. He was affiliated with Goren International from 1962-1976. He authored several pamphlets on bidding and directing, teaching texts, and duplicate bridge instructional club director's manual. He also devised August 2♦ Convention. He was president and vice president of New England Bridge Conference and vice-president of ABTA. During the administration of Easley Blackwood, he was special consultant to ACBL regarding club matters, membership and club/unit/league relations.

**AUKEN, Jens** (b. 1949) of Copenhagen, Denmark, lawyer. A WBF World Life Master, Auken placed third in the World Teams in 1984 and 1986, the World Team Olympiad in 1996 and the World Mixed Pairs in 1998. He represented Denmark in three other world championships, seven zonals and many Nordic championships. He holds 25 Danish titles and was the top Danish masterpoint winner five times. Won Rottneros Cup 1990, European Club Cup 1990. He served as WBF vice-president and as legal consultant for Danish Federation and member of its Appeals Committee.

**AVARELLI, Walter** (1912–1987) was a Roman judge, a member of the famous Blue Team. He was the long-standing partner of Giorgio Belladonna, and they developed the Roman Club system. He won nine Bermuda Bowls and three World Team Olympiads. He was extremely superstitious.

**BABSCH, Fritz** (b. 1933) of Vienna, Austria, retired civil engineer, bridge journalist and tournament director. A WBF World Life Master, Babsch was World Pair champion in 1970. He represented Austria in one World Team Olympiad and six European Championships. He won the Caransa Tournament (Amsterdam), seven national teams and one pairs. He has been chief organizer for most Austrian tournaments since late Seventies. He was a Tournament Director at several European Championships and the Editor of *Austrian Bridge Magazine* from 1971 to 1990.

**BACH, Norman** (1913-1971) an accountant from Paget East, Bermuda. He is best remembered for initiating and organizing the first post-World War II World Championships, the Bermuda Bowl, in Bermuda in 1950. Enjoyed several bridge exploits, including capturing Gold Cup for Great Britain 1938 and acting as playing captain of British team in European Championships in 1938 and 1939.

**BACHERICH, René** (d.1997) He lived in Lille where he was a very successful textile merchant. Bacherich was the one who could learn and remember Ghestem's complex relay system and his numerous updates. Because it was such a complex and highly artificial system, he and Ghestem were also notoriously slow players.

**BACON, Francis M., III** (1899-1983) of New York City was a stockbroker. He played in first game of contract bridge played aboard the *USS Finland* on Nov. 1, 1925 with Harold Vanderbilt. Bacon contributed much new information regarding background of origin of contract bridge and helped to pinpoint date of its inception. For many years he was the only surviving player of that game.

**BAGLEY, Bonnie L.** of Colorado Springs CO is a homemaker and occasional bookkeeper. Bagley has been on the unit board since 1995 serving as secretary and vice-president and became an ex-officio board member since 2000 when elected to the District 17 Board. Bagley has been secretary of the D17 Board in 2000 and continues to hold that position even though she is now an ex-officio D17 Board Member after being elected as the District 17 Director in 2010. Her favorite bridge moment was winning the last Non-Life Master Swiss Teams with teammates Denis Murphy, John Ledet & Paul Perkowski at the 1997 Summer NABC in Albuquerque and by doing so becoming Life Master

**BAIRD, James C.** (1878-1963) Known as "Mr. Jimmy", Baird was widely traveled bridge player. He lived in a town named after him, Baird MS. He twice headed the Mississippi Unit. ACBL feted him by naming him Honorary Member in 1951. His wife, Mary Elizabeth Baird, was ACBL Honorary Member 1947, the year she died. In her memory, Baird donated Baird Trophy for the Open Individual.

**BAKER, Lynn** is a law professor at the University of Texas, and frequently serves as a consultant to other attorneys on issues of legal ethics in mass tort settlements. A graduate of Yale Law School and Yale College, she also holds a degree from Oxford University, which she attended as a Marshall Scholar.

A 14-time national champion, Baker's work commitments largely limit her tournament play to National women's team and pair events. In 2009, Baker was on the USA I team that won the silver medal in the World Championships (Venice Cup) in São Paulo, Brazil. In 2001, Baker was on the USA I team that finished fifth in the World Championships (Venice Cup) in Paris, France. A lifelong athlete, Baker rowed for the Yale Varsity Women's Crew and was selected to one U.S. Olympic and three national women's rowing team training camps during college. An avid downhill skier and runner in recent years, she has completed four marathons. She lives in Austin, Texas with her husband (and team NPC), Sam Dinkin, their 12-year-old daughter, Mahria, and two tropical fish.

**BAKHSHI, David** (b. 1974) Bakhshi was born to mixed race parents in London, England. He spent his formative years in North London, and prior to discovering bridge, his main interest was music. He played the trumpet in a variety of ensembles, including brass and jazz bands, and achieved Grade VIII status (Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music).

Bakhshi began playing bridge as a teenager, and within six months his international career had begun with his first set of British junior trials. He spent ten years representing England and Great Britain in the Peggy Bayer Trophy, Junior Camrose, Junior Channel Trophy, and European Championships (one schools and two junior).

In the meantime, Bakhshi also completed a BSc degree with honors in Psychology at the University of Exeter, before returning to London where he put his degree into full use as a professional bridge player!

Bakhshi has been teaching at the Andrew Robson Bridge Club for more than 10 years, and is now the main teacher at the club. Aside from teaching, Bakhshi enjoyed a spell as the coach to the England Open team at the turn of the century, before going

on to represent England at the World Team Olympiad in 2004. His main partnerships have been with Andrew Robson, and Tony Forrester, and so far in his career, Bakhshi has won the Gold Cup (2002, 2004, 2007, 2009), Crockfords Cup (2005, 2008), Spring Foursomes (2009), as well as many other domestic events.

Bakhshi is a WBF World International Master. He finished sixth in the World Open Pairs (2006), and won a bronze medal in the teams event at the European Open Championships (2005).

Outside of bridge, much of Bakhshi's time is spent with his family. His wife Heather also enjoys playing bridge, and it seems likely that his daughter Jasmine (aged 5) and stepson Liam (aged 10) will also enter the world of bridge at some point. Many of his current interests revolve around the children, but when they are in school, he enjoys running, and working on his latest project – a series of tutorial bridge ‘applications’ for the iPhone, the first of which is called ‘BetterBridge1’.

**BAKKER, Ellen** (1958-2004) of Amsterdam, The Netherlands was a systems analyst. A WBF World Master, she placed second in the Venice Cup in 1989. She represented The Netherlands in two other world championships and two European Championships. Her national titles include the Women's Pairs in 1991.

**BALDURSSON, Jón** One of the “Icemen” who shot to fame by winning the Bermuda Bowl in Yokohama in 1991. Over 500,000 Icelanders followed the closing deals. He wrote the *Ice-relay System*, describing the methods used to win the world title. Three years later, he won the Generali World Masters Individual in Paris and in 1996 he won the World Mixed Teams Championship in Rhodes. In 2010 he once more qualified for the Bermuda Bowl. A manager with Icelandair, he lives in Hafnarfjörður with his wife, Elin, and their three children.

**BALDWIN, Col. Russell J.** (1889-1969) of Norwalk CT was an Army officer and expert on tournament procedure. A leading American bridge personality, he was active as an organizer from the earliest days of contract bridge. He became a director of the American Bridge League and its treasurer shortly after its foundation in 1927. He was a member of ACBL Laws Commission (originally Committee) since its foundation in 1933. Baldwin was primarily responsible for the first Duplicate Code issued in 1935 and played a considerable part in formulating subsequent codes. Author of McKenney-Baldwin schedules for Howell Movements and constructed other movements. His many contributions to tournament procedure included ACBL's former method of dealing with fouled boards. Baldwin was a tournament director from 1927-1941 and after war service became ABCL business manager from 1946-1951. Recalled to military service at outbreak of Korean War and returned to ACBL in charge of tournament scheduling 1958-1963. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1943.

**BALFE, Raymond A.** (1895-1969) of New York City, enjoyed the distinction of winning national championships in both auction and contract bridge, taking the 1926 All-American Open Pairs (auction) title with Waldemar von Zedtwitz as well as 1936 USBA Grand National Mixed Teams (contract).

**BALICKI, Cezary** (b.1958) Like so many bridge stars, Balicki was a talented chess player who has now become a professional bridge player. He was chief editor and publisher of the Polish bridge magazine *Forum* for a couple of years. Balicki has won two world championships and 11 North American Championships. He and Adam Zmudzinski are regarded as one of the world's top pairs, having played together for 25 years.

**BAMBERGER, Gabriele** (1953-2003) of Vienna, Austria, was a bridge teacher. A WBF World Life Master, Bamberger won the European Women's Teams and was runner-up in the Venice Cup in 1991. She represented Austria in two World Team Olympiads and five other European events. She won five National Open Teams, one Open Pairs and five Mixed Pairs.

**BANK, Julius** (1913-2001) of Chicago was a CPA. He was named Life Master #63 in 1946 and was among the Top 10 players that year. He won the Spring Men's (Open BAM) Teams in 1946 and placed second in the Spingold in 1948.

**BARATTA, Franz** (b. 1935) of Vienna, Austria, born in Czechoslovakia is a managing director. Baratta represented Austria in two World Team Olympiads and four European Championships. He won one National Open Team title and was npc of the winning Austrian team in the 1985 European Championship.

**BARBEY, Henry I.** (1832-1906) of New York City, a cosmopolitan who spent many years in Europe. He is credited by Joseph B. Elwell and Robert R. Foster with introducing bridge to New York in 1893. A yachtsman, banker and company director, the colorful Barbey is best remembered for writing the first code of laws for the new game, dated 1892.

**BARBONE, Guido** (1925-1995) of Italy, was a columnist and bridge writer. He was npc of Italian Team in the Bermuda Bowl in 1967, npc of the winning Women's Team in European Championships in 1977 and npc of the second place Women's Venice Cup Team in 1978. He was a former president of the Italian Bridge Federation, a member of executive committee of EBL, and vice president of IBPA from 1981-1985. His writings include *The Complete Book of Bridge*, *Funny Bridge* and the *Complete Book of Duplicate Bridge*.

**BARBOSA, Sergio Marinho** (1942 - deceased) of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil was an engineer and economist. A WBF World Life Master, Barbosa won the World Olympiad Teams in 1976 and placed second in the Rosenblum Teams in 1978. He won the South American Teams three times and represented Brazil in six other world championships. His national wins include seven open teams.

**BARCLAY, Shepard** (1889-1955) of New York City, was a bridge writer, publisher, lecturer and club director. In 1927 he bought *Auction Bridge Magazine* and sought to make it a mass magazine, featuring the editorship of Milton Work and Wilbur Whitehead. The magazine failed (1929) and its mailing list was used by Ely Culbertson to start *The Bridge World*. Barclay conducted a bridge page, with doggerel pertaining to bridge as a regular feature, in the *New York Herald Tribune* 1929-1934. During those years he also ranked the 10 best (or most successful) players each year for *Collier's* magazine. He conducted bridge clubs and duplicate games. Wrote many books on bridge and from 1932 until his death he wrote a daily newspaper feature on bridge for King Features Syndicate. Barclay was a member of the executive committees of the ABL and the ACBL from 1936-1949. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1948.

**BARNES, A. Mitchell** (Mitch) (1906-1985) of New York City, former executive vice president of Travel With Goren. He was one of the leading East Coast players in early years of bridge and became Life Master #14 in 1938. He won many USBA and AWL titles including the USBA Grand National Open Teams in 1936 and the AWL All-American Open Teams in 1934 and 1935. Barnes won four NABC titles including the Spingold and the Reisinger.

**BARON, Leo** (d. 1985) of Harare, Zimbabwe, born in England was an attorney. Inventor of the Baron System, Baron made many important contributions to bidding theory. British wins included Gold Cup twice. He was co-author of a book on his system. Baron retired from bridge after immigrating to Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) in 1952. He became the chief justice of Zimbabwe and later Zambia.

**BARRETT, William K.** (Billy) (1909-1981) of Atlanta GA, became one of the youngest players to win a national championship when he and the late Johnny Rau captured the Chicago Trophy (now the Reisinger) in 1930. The two were credited in *Watson's Play of the Hand* and other sources as being the first to use psychic bids in a national tournament. A lawyer, Barrett served two terms in the Georgia House of Representatives.

**BARTON-PAINE, Dianne** (Peanut) (b. 1943) of San Francisco CA, R-3 certified ACBL director, former computer systems project manager. At age 6 she taught herself to play chess and set a world record at age 8 when she played 20 games simultaneously in an exhibition match. Both parents were directors and opened the first duplicate bridge club in San Francisco. Self-taught bridge at age 8 but didn't play seriously until she was 11. She became the youngest Life Master in 1961, also one of the ACBL's youngest tournament directors. She has been the subject of national magazine, radio and TV interviews including an article in *The Saturday Evening Post* and made a guest appearance on *To Tell the Truth*.

**BAUM, Kathy** (b.1946) of Germantown, TN retired food brokerage executive, placed second in the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2003 and second in the Wagar Women's KO in 2005.

**BAVIN, Max** (b. 1954) of Aylesbury, England, tournament director. He is assistant chief tournament director of both the WBF and the EBL. He is the Chief tournament director of England and has been full-time employee of English Bridge Union at its headquarters in Aylesbury since 1984.

**BEALL, Ron** (b. 1944) of Bellingham, WA is Professor Emeritus of Market Research and Associate Dean of the SFSU College of Business. Beall won the 1981 North American Swiss Teams. He is the author/developer of Enhanced Precision, an integration of all the best Precision tools. He also created Beall Major Suit Raises.

**BEASLEY, Col. Henry Mountifort** (1875-1949) known as ‘Pops’, was a British Army officer and a leading contract bridge personality in the early days of the game. Born in Jhansi in Uttar Pradesh, India, he was educated at Bedford School, and entered the Royal Military Academy (Woolwich) on leaving school. Beasley was gazetted to the Royal Artillery in 1896. He served in India, Burma and China, and took part in the Relief of Peking after the Boxer Rebellion. He served in WWI on the staff of the Anzac Corps. He was thrice mentioned in dispatches and awarded the Distinguished Service Order (DSO). After the war, he served in Germany on the Disarmament Commission. He was an interpreter in French, German and Hindustani. Pops had played all forms of bridge from the days of bridge-whist and auction bridge. He wrote his first book on this game in 1906, *London bridge*, which “started the bridge craze in all the fashionable clubs of that day.” (Beasley). Like many of the early contract bridge players, he had been an expert auction bridge player in the 1920s. In domestic bridge, he was a leading organiser. He had been a member of Almacks club since 1901, and later was a co-founder and chairman of two leading London card clubs: Crockford’s (in St James’ Street) and the Hamilton Club (in Hamilton Place). He was also a leading player in the 1930s, winning the Gold Cup in 1933, and playing in several international events. He was an author and bridge columnist, and the originator of a bidding system named after him. In bidding, Beasley adopted many of Culbertson’s ideas, but was displeased with the strong twos and their negative response of 2NT. As a result, so he claimed, he was the inventor (in 1936) of the artificial strong 2♣ opening bid with its negative response of 2♦. For many years, all the British bidding systems used this method of dealing with strong hands: Acol (both standard and Benjaminised), CAB, Two Clubs and Baron systems all used it. However, it is fair to mention that others have also claimed authorship of this fruitful idea. Beasley’s bridge team played two matches against the formidable Culbertson team, losing both, but helping to develop the game in Britain.

**BECKER, Simon** (Skippy) (1899-1987) of Philadelphia PA, born in Poland, retired court stenographer. A top checker player, he was the 1923 Pennsylvania champion. He won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1944 and became Life Master #42 the same year. Becker placed second in the Spingold in 1944, the Chicago in 1946 and the Open Pairs in 1949 and 1960. A member of the Board of Directors and the Conduct and Ethics Committee of the Philadelphia CBA for 30 years, he was also president of Cavendish Club (Philadelphia) in 1973. He won the 1964 Goldman Open Pairs at the Eastern Regional with Eli Jaye. He was npc of American team in the 1976 match with England held in Philadelphia.

**BEERS, Dale G.** (Captain) (b. 1950) of Las Vegas, NV, analyst/programmer. Beers is a former semi-pro baseball player. He is a two-time North American champion.

**BEINECKE, Walter** (1888-1961) of New York City was a leading figure in bridge administration. He was vice president of the Whist Club in New York and the U.S. Bridge Association. A member of Laws Commission from its formation in 1933, Beinecke assisted in preparation of all codes issued from that time until his death. In 1942 and 1943 he served as an ACBL director. He placed second in the 1936 Vanderbilt.

**BELLADONNA, Giorgio** (1923-1995) of Rome, Italy, was a public official and bridge professional with a long-running column in a leading Italian daily newspaper. In his youth, Belladonna was a useful footballer but it was bridge which was to be his great love and at which he was to become one of the all-time greats.

A leading theoretician, Belladonna was the principle inventor of the Roman Club system of bidding and, with Benito Garozzo, created Super Precision, a complex strong club based method.

Belladonna was the number one ranked player in the world for many years according to the WBF’s masterpoint scheme and for many years would also have won a sizable number of votes from his peers as being the best player in the world. Certainly, he was regarded as being the best technical player around. The story of Giorgio Belladonna is really the story of a very great team, the Italian Blue Team. Only one man was a member of every one of the sixteen Italian World Championship victories during the era of the Blue Team and that was Belladonna. He also won the European Open Teams Championship on 10 occasions between 1956 and 1979 and the Italian Open Teams 11 times.

Belladonna’s early successes were in partnership with Walter Avarelli. He played odd championships with other partners but his other major partnership was that with Benito Garozzo, which was generally regarded to be the strongest in the world. After retiring from international competition Belladonna frequently partnered Pietro Forquet in open tournaments around Europe.

Along with other members of the Blue Team, Belladonna played in the Lancia Team, a sponsored team that toured North America in 1975 playing a series of challenge matches against local teams. They managed to win only one of the four matches; good news for their opponents as part of the sponsorship deal was that Lancia cars were to go to teams which were successful against them.

Belladonna had also been a member of the Omar Sharif Bridge Circus, a group of top professionals who toured both Europe

and North America in the late Sixties playing challenge matches. In 1970, the Circus made its second North American tour, winning three out of seven challenges against major city teams and also playing a marathon 840 board match against the Dallas Aces who accompanied them on the tour and played a segment of the match at each of the seven venues. The Aces won the match by 1793 to 1692 IMPs.

But the results of the matches were not as important as was the publicity generated by the tour. Though it was not a financial success, the tour significantly raised the profile of the game in the public image for a while, though it has to be admitted that Sharif was the biggest attraction to the media and the exhausting schedule included many personal appearances by him.

It was no accident that Giorgio Belladonna was involved in both the Sharif Circus and the Lancia Team. A truly great player and a fine human being, he was a great ambassador for the game wherever he went.

**BELLANGER, Pierre** (1877-c.1938) of Paris, France. He was the captain of first French team to play an international match against America in 1932. As a theorist, he wrote *Les Impasses au Bridge*. He formulated the idea that Probabilities a Priori was a reliable guide to play after a few tricks have been played. He also analyzed correctly a number of situations that were not generally understood until the principle of Restricted Choice was formulated 20 years later. He was active in formulating the 1935 Laws.

**BENJAMIN, Albert** (b. 1909-2006) of Glasgow, Scotland, company director and bridge writer.

In one of the great schisms within the game of bridge, Great Britain traditionally played the Strong Two; the rest of the world the Weak Two. It was a Scot, Albert Benjamin, who had the brilliant notion of combining the two some decades ago.

His “Benjaminised Acol” or simply “Benji” (and arguably more popular “Reverse Benji”) was soon adopted throughout Britain at the club level. It remains one of the most popular bidding systems to this day, although many modern players who use it have no idea who this “Benji” is.

Albert Benjamin, “Lion of the North” (as a collection of his bridge columns was titled), was born in 1909 and, though no fool, he loved to jest. He was one of the great raconteurs and jokers in the game of bridge, and could speak for hours, regaling entranced audiences with stories such as the time he fell asleep at the bridge table. It was perhaps surprising that he should doze off when he did, for it was the 1964 England-Scotland match, and Scotland – whose team had never won – was level with just a few deals remaining.

A poke in the ribs by the scorer woke him up with a start, whereupon his reflex reaction was to say “no bid”. The problem was that it was not his turn to speak (and furthermore he had a good hand). The bad news was that, with a penalty resulting from his infraction, a poor result ensued. The good news was that his Scottish team-mates scored 2,200 points, a huge score, on the same deal in the other room. This ensured a big swing to Scotland and, ultimately, the match.

Benjamin lived in Glasgow all his life, but his mother was born in Siberia and his father Sweden. His education was of a scientific bent. His mother had, as he put it, the “my son, the doctor” syndrome, and he was somewhat pushed into studying medicine at Glasgow University.

It was at university that he discovered bridge, which effectively put paid to any medical career. He was soon immersed in the game, both through playing and journalism, and he wrote a daily bridge column from 1937 to 1976.

Just before the outbreak of the Second World War, Benjamin married Judy, with whom he enjoyed much success at the bridge table until her death in 1986.

During the war, Benjamin was drafted into the ambulance service. The pay was just £3 per week and so, with a wife and mortgage to support, he became a professional poker player. He paid another ambulance man to take over his night shift and made a small fortune, with 47 winning months out of 48. Yet he regarded poker as the most boring and soul-destroying of card games.

After the war Benjamin resumed his bridge playing and writing, and also opened “Benjamin’s” (actually the Ken Muir Bridge Club) on the outskirts of Glasgow. It was there that he inspired the young prodigies Michael Rosenberg and Barnet Shenkin, both now professional players living in the US.

Benjamin loved to play with young players and bring them on, and he was always a true gentleman at the bridge table. He will be sorely missed. His bidding system (though he disliked using it himself) will live on.

**BERGER, Heinrich** (b. 1952) of Vienna, Austria, merchant. A WBF World Life Master, Berger placed 2nd in the Bermuda Bowl in 1985, the World Teams in 1988 and the World Pairs in 1986. He won the European Teams in 1985, the European Pairs in 1981 and the European Team Cup in 1988. He won 10 National Open Teams and four Open Pairs titles.

**BERGOVOY, Bernie** (b. 1930) of Santa Ana CA, president of a data processing company. He won the Men’s Teams in 1970.

**BERISSO, Alberto** (b. 1923) of Buenos Aires, Argentina, Doctor of Economics. A WBF World Life Master and four-time South American champion, Berisso represented Argentina in Bermuda Bowl three times and in the World Team Olympiad in 1972. He won Gabarret Cup four times.

**BERNASCONI, Pietro** (1932-2001) of Geneva, Switzerland, data manager. A WBF World Life Master, Bernasconi represented Switzerland in five world championships and 15 European Championships. He created the Par contest at the 1990 world championships, an electronic test for world-class players. It was generally thought to be the most difficult playing challenge ever devised. This was repeated at 1998 world championships. He was in charge of recording WBF masterpoints.

**BERTHEAU, Peter** (b.1975) of Sweden. A WBF World Life Master, Bertheau placed second in the 2006 Rosenblum Cup. He has had a number of successes at ACBL NABCs winning the Jacoby Open Swiss in 2003, the Mitchell Open BAM in 2004 and the Roth Open Swiss in 2005.

**BESSE, Jean** (1914-1994). For decades this brilliant Swiss mathematician and forerunner in the computing world was a leading international bridge player, especially known for his inventiveness. In 1954 Besse and the legendary Karl Schneider, were enlisted by the French, winners of the European Championship that year, to represent Europe against the USA in the Bermuda Bowl. The experiment was a mixed success and since then Europe has always been represented by complete teams.

**He created the deals that were used in the World Par Contest for the Jean Besse Trophy in Lille 1998.**

**BESSIS, Thomas** (b.1984).The son of Michel and Veronique, Bessis completed his scientific studies before choosing bridge as a career. He was chosen as the 2010 IBPA Bridge Personality of the Year. The young Frenchman has already achieved a remarkable series of successes as a player with his father and as a coach of the French ladies team. Bessis won the 2010 Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

**BESSIS, Veronique** (b.1950). She got a high degree in mathematics and was first married to a good bridge player (Philippe Clement), and subsequently married French international player Michel Bessis. Their sons, Thomas and Olivier, are both outstanding young players on the French scene.

**BESSIS, Michel** (b. 1952) He was born in Tunis, after moving to Paris he wrote many books, articles and bridge software packages. His main passion is horses and he is a quite successful owner of steeplechasers. He won the 2010 Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

**BEYNON, George W.** (1864-1965) born in Portage La Prairie MB; lived in St. Petersburg FL. An authority on tournament directing and one of the leading personalities in the world of bridge, his first career was as professional hockey player. He made music his major occupation, studying at La Scala in Milan and later directing orchestras in Europe and America. After becoming an American citizen in 1904, Beynon developed a successful plan for synchronizing music with silent films. He was musical director of *Birth of a Nation* (1915) and other early successes before retiring to East Orange NY in 1917. Forced out of retirement by 1929 crash, Beynon made a new career in bridge. After directing games in New Jersey and writing a Newark bridge column, he joined the Culbertson organization in 1935 as office manager and became secretary general for USBA. He rapidly became an authority on movements and continued to report on tournaments. After moving from New York to St. Petersburg in 1955, Beynon founded a successful correspondence school for directors and began writing a weekly bridge column for *St. Petersburg Times*. When he celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in September of 1964 he was probably the oldest working newspaperman in America. His writings include Bridge Directors Manual, the standard work on duplicate organization, as well as many magazine articles. He was a contributing editor of *The Encyclopedia of Bridge*.

**BIANCHI, Benito** (1924-1979) of Leghorn, Italy, furrier. A WBF Grand Master, Bianchi won the Bermuda Bowl in 1973 and 1974, the European Teams four times, represented Italy in five other zonal championships, and won seven Italian national titles. He was the co-developer of Leghorn Diamond.

**BIANCHI, Marisa** (Mrs. Benito) (1928-2006) of Leghorn, Italy. A WBF Women's World Grand Master, Bianchi won the World Women's Teams twice and represented Italy in seven European Women's Championships winning five times. She won the European Common Market Women's Teams twice, the Italian Mixed Teams twice and British Women's Teams in 1973.



**BIDDLE, John** (1928-2008) was a CPA and former U.S. Marine. He lived most of his life in Columbus OH until moving to GA to be closer to his daughter. Biddle and Jim Wisemiller won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1965.

**BIRD, David** (b. 1946) of Chandlers Ford, England is a bridge writer. He is the author of 54 books and 20 co-authored by Terence Reese. He is best known for his humorous fiction, including the tales of the monks of St. Titus. Bird is a contributor to many magazines worldwide, including the Bridge Bulletin. He is also the bridge columnist of *Mail on Sunday*, the *London Evening Standard* and the *Glasgow Times*. He is the winner of nine national titles

**BIRMAN, David** (b.1948) He was born in Wroclaw, Poland and emigrated to Israel in 1957 where he lives in Tel-Aviv. Married to Daniela (a member of the Israeli ladies team), they have two daughters and a son – Alon (Junior World Champion), the only one of his children to play bridge. He learned bridge at high school aged 17 when he found a book at a friend's library. His father started playing bridge aged 70 and his mother never played any card game! He started his career in the Junior team in 1970 – his first time abroad. He was a soccer player for Hapoel Haifa (Juniors) up to 17 - but gave up due to his studies in the Technion (Haifa) which led to a BSc in Industrial Engineering and an MSc in Operational Research. He lectured in the University and was close to a university career (but it was too boring). He worked for the Port Authority and Institute for Management Transportation and Research (being consultant to the World Bank). Meanwhile he pursued many bridge activities: Editor of the *Israeli Bridge Magazine* (1980-2002), captain and coach of the Israeli Juniors (1975 till now!) coach of the ladies team (1990-2000) Organizer of the Israeli Bridge Festivals (Tel-Aviv, Eilat). Member of the EBL Appeals Committee for the past 15 years. Since 1995 he has almost abandoned his profession (as a consultant and expert in logistics) and concentrated on bridge activities. His Red Sea International Festival is one of the biggest in the world with 500 pairs in the main event. Still active as a player (2003 European Champion Israel League winner 2011) “I want to play in the Juniors not in Seniors” he says. His work with the Juniors keeps him young. His hobbies are travelling around the world (especially with all the family), tennis (he was an enthusiastic player with many good matches with bridge players – Chagas–Eisenberg vs. Mari–Birman was a great doubles game!), Japanese food and watching all kind of sport, mainly soccer ,tennis & NBA Basketball.

**BITSCHENE, Jochen** (b. 1958) was born in Heidelberg, Germany. He learned bridge in a chess-players-pub in the old town from Heidelberg, called “Drugstore” with some friends (Bernard Ludewig, Georg Nippgen and others) Working as a bridge-teacher at this time, he married one of his students, and they have two children. Today, he works as a software developer and supporter. He stopped playing high-level bridge in the early 1990s, but made a comeback as the editor of the German *Das Brigdemagazin* from 2007 to 2010.

**BJERREGARD, Sven-Ake** (b. 1948) of Eskiltuna, Sweden, computer system administrator. A WBF World Master, Bjerregard placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1991 and fourth in 1995. He was fourth in the World Team Olympiad in 1992, second in the European Teams in 1991 and fourth in 1995. He won the Nordic Teams twice and several national titles.

**BLAKSET, Knut** (b. 1960) of Copenhagen, Denmark, born in Norway; bridge club manager. A WBF World Master, Blakset won the World Junior Pairs in 1983, the Nordic Teams in 1986, the Nordic Junior Teams and placed fifth in the World Team Olympiad in 1992. Usually playing with his brother Lars, Knut has represented Denmark on many occasions starting at age 21. He holds 15 Danish titles and is co-author of a bridge primer.

**BLAKSET, Lars** (b. 1961) of Copenhagen, Denmark, born in Norway; bridge writer and club manager. A WBF World International Master, Lars placed third in the World Team Olympiad twice. He won the World Junior Pairs and the Nordic Junior Teams in 1983. He has represented Denmark in two other world championship and five zonal championships. He won the Hoechst, the Rottneros (Nordic) Cup and the Icelandair Open. Lars is a columnist for Berlingske Tidende and author of the official Danish book of systems and conventions.

**BLOUQUIT, Claude** lives in the suburbs of Paris and enjoys a reputation as an oenophile. She won the 1995 Women's European Team Championship.

**BLOUSSON, Alberto** (1908-1967) of Buenos Aires, Argentina. He won the South American Teams three times. Blousson represented Argentina in the Bermuda Bowl in 1958 and holds seven national titles.

**BLUMENTHAL, Lynn Sara** (1946-1994) of Bellevue, Washington. Phi Beta Kappa and M.Ed in Special Education from University of Washington. She was a teacher of emotionally-disturbed children, a city tennis champion and investor. During her life, she was one of the great female players of the West Coast. She was a frequent USA representative in international competition. Member of winning USA team vs. Russia in 1990 Goodwill Games. She won the Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-A-Match Teams 1987, second NABC Swiss Teams, 1993, second Women's Team Trials, 1988. The Lynn Sara Blumenthal trophy is annually awarded to the winner of the Women's Team at the Seattle-area regional tournament.

**BOCCHI, Norberto** The Italian star (who might have been a basketball player) has been playing bridge since he was 17. He is now a full-time member of the Lavazza team that has been a powerful force in Italian and world bridge for the past 20 years. Bocchi has won three world championships and multiple European and North American titles.

**BOEHM, Augie** born in New York City on Nov. 7, 1946. Featured in the *N.Y. Times* bridge column as early as August 1, 1960 – “13 Year-Old Boy Steals Show” (by Albert Morehead). He appeared in an early edition of the *Encyclopedia of Bridge* under “C” for children, having won the first Teen-Year Pairs with Michael Becker in Washington D.C. at the Summer Nationals during the summer of 1961. Teaches and plays professionally in the New York area. As a writer, the author of six books on bridge, currently a Bridge Bulletin columnist for about 20 years and a contributing editor for *The Bridge World* for about 10 years. He is a classically trained pianist and has performed 32 annual concerts (and counting) at Carnegie-Weill Recital Hall in NYC.

**BOEKHORST, Andre** (b. 1934-1992) of Utrecht, The Netherlands, chemistry teacher. Won National Pairs 1969 and represented The Netherlands in one zonal championship 1969. President Netherlands Bridge League; vice-president European Bridge League; member WBF Executive. Secretary Netherlands Bridge League 1978-90; chief editor of its magazine Bridge 1971-90. Columnist until 1990; author of one book and translator of others.

**BOER, Wubbo de** (b.1963) He is a retired system administrator and he lives in Groenekan with his wife, Agnes Snellers. He started playing at 14, having been taught by his father, Gerrit, who was his first partner. After playing with Marcel Jansen and Paul Nooyen for a few years he formed a formidable partnership with Bauke Muller. He is involved in the coaching of the Dutch Juniors.

**BOMPIS, Marc** Lives in the Parisian suburbs with his wife Marie Noelle. They have two sons and one daughter. One of the managers for years of Bridge Club Friedland in Paris. He is a very efficient rubber bridge player, especially at goulash.

One of the outstanding players in France, he won the French Open Pairs Championship six times in eight years (three times with Thierry de Sainte-Marie and three times with Jean-Christophe Quantin). He has also played with Franck Multon and Henri Szwarc.

**BONDE, Count Carl** (1897-1990) of Moerkoe, Sweden, landed estates owner. He was npc of the Swedish open and Women's teams on many occasions. Bonde was president of the Swedish Bridge League from 1960-1965, president European Bridge League from 1965-1969 and president of the World Bridge Federation from 1968-1970. He was an Honorary Member of the WBF, the EBL and the Swedish Bridge League.

**BORDENAVE, Helene** She used to live in Toulouse, but came to Paris with her partner Anne Maury. She lived with François Stretz and enjoyed a reputation as an outstanding cook. Bordenave won the 1987 European Women's Team Championship.

**BORIN, Jim** (1935-2003) One of Australia's most successful players, Borin was born in London and attended Haberdashers School in Cricklewood. After national service in the RAF, he worked in the diamond industry before moving to Australia in 1961. In Sydney, he met his first wife, Norma, and a successful and enduring bridge partnership was formed. Their principal successes were achieved with C.C. Wei's Precision system, and they were members of his touring team that promoted the system. In 1970 they opened the Borin School of Bridge.

He got nervous players to have a quick game of whist before the start of a session. On the day he died he was working on his latest bridge column for *The Age*.

**BORIN, Norma** (d. 2010) of Melbourne, Australia, bridge teacher. A WBF World Master, Borin placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1971 and 1979. She won the PABF (Far East) Open Teams twice and the PABF (Far East) Women's Teams in 1990. She represented Australia in two other world championships and several zonal championships.

**BOULENGER, Jean-Michael** (1934 -1985) He was the son of son of a wealthy family and was the playboy of French Bridge. He gave up competitive bridge to run the main bridge club in Paris, Club Pierre Albarran. He then bought a share in the Casino de Trouville (in association with Omar Sharif) and became its manager. He died while working in the casino. Boulenger was a three-time winner of the European Open Team Championship.

**BOURCHTOFF, Gerard** (1923-2003) A graduate from the Ecole Polytechnique he became the general manager of a paper firm. With Claude Delmouly, was involved in a serious case involving accusations of cheating just after the Olympics in Turin. They were accused by Simone Albarran, widow of Pierre. The accusation was based on an event that had happened six months prior to their win in Turin. In *The New York Times Bridge Book*, Alan Truscott writes, “They were alleged to be using the cleverest illegal signal ever invented. It is called ‘*l’ascenseur*’ in French, ‘the lift’ in English and ‘the elevator’ in American. The user holds his cards opposite his chest with maximum values, opposite his belt with minimum values and somewhere in between when they’re somewhere in between. The beauty of this is that the user’s partner is never induced to do something technically improbable. All that happens is that he uses very good judgment in borderline situations and the analysts find nothing spectacular to report.”

A committee appointed by the French Federation to investigate the accusation reported that the trail had run cold and no conclusion could be reached.

**BOURKE, Tim** is a retired government executive. He is married to Margaret Bourke, one of the top women’s players in Australia, since January 1973.

Author or co-author of more than 25 books, including *An Annotated Bibliography of Bridge books in English 1886-2010* with John Sugden. Author of more than 40 pamphlets, mostly match reports of Australian team championship finals. Considered one of the leading quiz and deal composers, his creations appear regularly in *Australian Bridge*, *Bridge Magazine* and in the Hand of the Week column on the ACBL web site. Provides a four-deal article for the International Bridge Press Association’s monthly Bulletin. The deals are provided as a service to IBPA members, who can use them as they see fit.

As of 2011, his major bridge project was composing believable deals for the exotic squeeze endings in Anthony Moon’s multi-volume magnum opus on that subject.

Regularly emails interesting deals to David Bird (creator of the Abbot stories) for use in his writings.

Bourke has collected bridge books, magazines and memorabilia for more than 40 years. The collection now has more than 6500 books and pamphlets as well as more than 10,000 magazines. As well, it has an uncounted amount of ephemera, boxed sets and Daily Bulletins. Bourke also maintains a computer data base of all “known” bridge books and pamphlets.

In 2008, the Bourkes donated part of the collection to the State Library of Victoria (SLV) – mostly pre-1940 material. In December 2010, another donation included almost all of the remaining material published before 1970. That donation weighed in at more than 1300 pounds.

**BRALL, Carlyn** (Mrs. Ira) ( 1911-1991) of New York City, editorial consultant, former editor of *Post Mortem* and editorial assistant to Waldemar Von Zedtwitz and Albert Morehead. She edited several bridge books including *Goren Answers the Bridge Problems*. Brall won the Women’s Teams in 1955 and 1958.

**BRANCO, Marcello Castello** (b.1945) He lives in Rio de Janeiro where he still works outside of bridge with the government. He is a triple crown winner (and the only player to win the world pairs twice). He works outside of bridge with the Rio government and has made a solid partnership with Diego Brenner.

**BRANCO, Pedro Paulo** (b.1940) A retired insurance executive, he lives in Rio de Janeiro. He is now concentrating on Senior bridge.

**BRECHNER, Dora** (Dosha) (1920-2002) of Tel Aviv, Israel, formerly of New York, born in Poland, former owner/operator of nursing home. A survivor of Auschwitz and Bergen Belsen, her weight was down to 76 pounds at the time of her liberation by the British in 1945. She represented Israel in the European Championships, the World Women’s Teams and the World Women’s Pairs for many years. After retiring from tournament bridge she hired teachers to help teach the Israeli Women. She was rewarded when her proteges won European Community Championship in Athens.

**BRENNER, Diego** (b.1974) A bridge professional who divides his time between Rio de Janeiro and Barcelona.

**BRIDSON, Edward W.** (Edson) (b. 1951) of Unionville ON, born on Isle of Man, Great Britain, vice principal, former mathematics teacher. Winner Canadian National Team Championship 1991; placed second 1985, 93. Bridson competed for Canada in world championships 1978, 86, 92. Placed second Pan American Championship Open Teams 1992.

**BRINK, Sjoert** lives in Rotterdam (and partly in London). He learned bridge at the age of 12 from his father. He studied economics but is now a full time professional. He also works as a freelance journalist for a Dutch bridge magazine. His hobbies are running and nightlife. With his partner Bas Drijver he has become one of the best known European players. You can follow his adventures as a bridge professional at [www.bridgevaria.com/index.php/sjoert-brink-on-bridge](http://www.bridgevaria.com/index.php/sjoert-brink-on-bridge)

**BROCK, Raymond** (1936–2008) Brock's greatest contribution to the game was probably the coaching and subsequent captaining of two generations of British players, resulting in two World Junior Championship wins for Great Britain in 1989 and 1995.

Brock was no slouch as a player. He was regularly a winner on the tournament scene, including seven Gold Cups. Perhaps the climax of his playing career was a silver medal in the 1987 Bermuda Bowl. He also wrote a number of books, particularly on defense which was his great strength. Late in life he married Sally and they had two children, Toby and Briony.

**BROCK, Sally** (previously Hartley, Sowter, Horton) (b.1953) Her first international appearance was in 1979 when she was part of the women's team that won the European Championship. In partnership with Sandra Landy, she went on to win the Venice Cup in 1981 and 1985. There followed a period of playing in the open game with Steve Lodge, before marriage to Raymond Brock and the nurturing of two children. She came out of retirement in 2001, winning another European Championship that year. Since then she has appeared intermittently on the English women's team, the most recent success being winning the gold medal in partnership with Nicola Smith in the World Mindsports Games in Beijing in 2008. She has written two dozen or so books and has a weekly column in *The Sunday Times*.

**BROGELAND, Boye** (b. 1973) of Bergen, Norway. A WBF World Master, Brogeland was the Junior World Pair champion in 1995. He placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1998 and fourth in 2000. He won two European (1990 and 1996) and two Nordic (1993 and 1995) Junior team titles and the Nordic Open Team championship in 1998. Brogeland was rated as the world's most prominent Junior player from 1996 to 1999. He is the publisher and editor of *Bridge i Norge*. Brogeland won the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 2007 and the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 2010.

**BRONSTEIN, Saul** (The Pup) (b. 1949) of Bradenton FL, formerly New York City is a comptroller and former bridge director and teacher. A four-time scrabble champion, Bronstein was the chief bridge lecturer on the Royal Viking Sun from 1992-1997. He has served as general secretary to Unit 155 (GNYBA) from 1979-1991 and as former associate editor GNYBA's Post Mortem. He won GNYBA Player of the Year and Team Player of the Year awards in 1987. Bronstein and his wife, Janie, founded the Academy of Bridge in New York City. A WBF World Master, he placed eighth in the Rosenblum Teams in 1986. He won the Reisinger in 1984, the Cavendish Teams in 1989, and the District 24 GNOT in 1987.

**BROOKS, Dorsey W.** (1926-2008) of Stanwood MI was the senior administrator for General Motors. He played exhibition matches on a team with Charles Goren and Harold Ogust. Brooks was Intercollegiate champion in 1949 and placed second in the Mixed Teams in 1971.

**BROTMAN, Oscar J.** (1911-1994) of Bayside NY, retired controller. Won Spingold 1940, Eastern States KO Teams (Reisinger) 1946. As a partner of Alvin Roth, he contributed to the early development of the Roth-Stone System.

**BROWN, H. Sanborn** (1906-1997) of Grosse Pointe Farms MI, architect. He won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1957, the Marcus Cup in 1949 and placed second in the De La Rue International Pair Championship in London, England in 1957. Brown served as an ACBL Board of Governors member from 1942-1966, Michigan B.A. board member 1942-1966, Michigan B.A. president 1964-1966.

**BROWN, Les** (1912-2001) was born in Reinerton, Pennsylvania. He was a big band leader and composer, best known for his nearly seven decades of work with the group Les Brown and His Band of Renown (1938-2001). In 1963, at the Summer NABC, Les Brown and the Band of Renown played the Charity Gala. For Brown, being a bridge player and an ACBL member, sporting the grand total of about three master points, the committee thought it would be accommodating to get him a partner to play in the

charity game. Carol Sanders was the one chosen. About that night Tommy Sanders says, “It happened to be an unusual night for spade slams running their direction all being played by Brown. On about the fifth hand there was one that he played very carefully and successfully. Carol put him in another 6 a few rounds later with the same result. And a third successful 6 just a while after that. It was probably more slams than he had ever bid and made in his life. But the best was yet to come.

This was the scene: it was hot and noisy in their section in the catacombs of the hotel. Many were finished and others were leaving as they began the bidding of the last hand. After a very deliberate auction, Carol ultimately put him in 7! By now everyone was gone and there was an eerie silence. Brown played a couple of cards and then went into the grandfather of all huddles. Carol’s RHO passed her a note which read, ‘he’s going to make it.’ Brown thought some more. Beads of perspiration appeared on his brow. Finally he saw the light. The excitement of bidding and making three small slams and a grand slam in the same session was just too much.

In his ecstasy, he looked up at Carol and asked, ‘Will you marry me?’

That night, with a 60%+ score, they topped their section and doubled his master point holding.”

**BRUELHEIDE, Frank E.** (1884-1943) of Minneapolis, bridge book publisher, writer and lecturer. First became an associate of Ely Culbertson and later became a Director of ACBL and organized the Bridge League of the Northwest. He traveled throughout U.S. lecturing, teaching and broadcasting over radio in the interests of bridge promotion. He published and edited his own magazine, *Bridge Digest*, from 1936 to 1939. His writings include several articles for *The Bridge World* and other publications, pamphlets on bridge such as *Duplicate Bridge Guide* and the book *Party Bridge*.

**BRUN, Johannes** (1891-1977) of Oslo, Norway, Army officer and bridge writer. Brun was a founding member Norwegian Bridge Association 1932 and the European Bridge League. He served as president of the Norwegian Bridge Association in 1934 and as president of the International Bridge League, a forerunner of the World Bridge Federation in 1937. He was elected Honorary Member of the EBL in 1957. Brun represented Norway in European Championships for six consecutive years, placed second in both the pairs and teams in 1933. He was awarded the IBL prize for most distinguished player in 1934 and was the editor of *Aftenposten*.

**BRUNNER, Michelle** (1953-2011) Michelle Brunner’s life revolved around bridge. She was a World Bridge Federation Life Master and an English Bridge Union Premier Grand Master – and arguably Britain’s best woman player.

She was born in 1953, the middle of three daughters of a north London family. Her initiation into bridge came from her family, and she spent many happy hours honing her newly acquired skill in the sixth form at the Henrietta Barnett School, before going to Manchester University to study Italian. The university had a thriving bridge club, which interested Brunner rather more than her Italian studies, and she left university before completing her degree to work for Thomas Cook, where she gave sterling service for 17 years. In the 1970s, Brunner and John Holland became partners, in life as well as bridge, though they did marry much later – a closely kept secret, only revealed during the last few days of her life. In 1977, she entered the Women’s Trials, partnering Rosie Hudson, and their third place brought her first “cap”. Later that year, they took the bronze medal in the Common Market Ladies Pairs, and the Gold Medal in the Ladies Teams. Brunner went on to represent Great Britain and England in some 40 international events, bringing back a host of medals of assorted hues.

The highlight of her illustrious career was winning the Venice Cup – the Women’s World Team Championships – in 1985, partnering Gill Scott-Jones. She also twice won the European Women’s Teams Championship, first in 1979, partnering Rosie Hudson, and then again in 2000, with her close friend Rhona Goldenfield. They were adjudged to be the best pair from all participating countries. Brunner also played four times for the England Open Team in Camrose matches (the home countries internationals) in partnership with John Holland. And when the Commonwealth Games were held in Manchester in 2002, she and Goldenfield played on England’s Open Team. As would be expected from a player of her stature, Brunner won many national titles, including the Hubert Phillips Bowl (six times) and the Portland National Mixed Pairs Championship three times – a record – all in partnership with Holland.

In 1995 she turned professional, forming a successful mobile school with Holland and Kevin Comrie. She was an excellent teacher, and her classes and seminars were hugely popular. As well as writing a regular column for Bridge Plus, she wrote the books *Bridge With Brunner*, *Acol Bidding for Improvers* and *Acol Bidding for Budding Experts*. Brunner never let her successes go to her head; she was outgoing, bubbly, friendly and helpful to all, had a great sense of humor and was always buying presents for her friends. In 2001 she overcame breast cancer, but it seems that a residue remained undetected in her system. Although unwell before the World Championships in Shanghai in 2007, she insisted on going, and there, produced a defense that has been the talk of the bridge world ever since. This won her the International Bridge Press Association’s Defense of the Year Award, which she also won the following year. She is the only player to have performed this “double”. On her return from Shanghai, she was diagnosed

with terminal cancer. The initial prognosis was for six months – but Brunner fought for her life like the champion she was. She gave up work and lived life to the full, taking in concerts and the theatre, and rekindling her interest in playing the piano – she had an excellent ear. She continued to play in bridge events, at home and around Europe, going to Australia this year to play in the 50th Gold Coast Congress, where she reached the teams final. After her diagnosis, she won two further Camrose caps, in partnership with Holland, and was thrilled when she won two World Seniors Teams Championships in the past year.

**BUCHALTER, Ralph** (b. 1958) formerly of Berkeley CA and currently residing in New Jersey is a technical writer. Buchalter has won three North American championships.

**BUCKMAN, Kate** (1902-1997) of Toronto ON, bridge teacher, director and bridge club owner. She introduced duplicate bridge to Vancouver BC shortly after World War II. She opened her studio in Toronto in 1959. It developed into the largest bridge club in Canada averaging 300 tables a week and 750 students a year. Many bridge stars and personalities such as Sami Kehela, Eric Murray, George Mittelman, Percy Sheardown, Bruce Elliott and Bruce Gowdy developed at this studio. She had certain ideals and traditions upon which she was insistent and these remain in effect today. In 1973 she received the Edwin A. Wetzlar Memorial Award and was made ACBL Honorary Member. In 1983 she suffered a stroke and in 1990 sold her studio, but continued to visit and play occasionally. In 1982 the Metropolitan Toronto B.A. donated a trophy to Unit 166 to honor Kate. The Kate Buckman Award recognizes special qualities, not solely bridge ability. She was its first recipient.

**BUFFETT, Warren** (b. 1930) is an investor, industrialist and philanthropist. He is widely regarded as one of the most successful investors in the world. Often introduced as “legendary investor, Warren Buffett”, he is the primary shareholder, chairman and CEO of Berkshire Hathaway. He is consistently ranked among the world’s wealthiest people. He was ranked as the world’s wealthiest person in 2008 and is the third wealthiest person in the world as of 2011. Buffett has been a champion of bridge for many years. He has donated money to help promote the teaching of bridge in schools, he sponsors the Buffett Cup, a challenge match modeled after golf’s Ryder Cup, in which teams from Europe and the U.S. face off in different competitive formats, and can often be found playing on Bridgebase as “T-bone.” Buffett and Bill Gates were named ACBL Honorary Members in 2010.

**BULLER, Lt. Col. Walter** (1887–1938) auction and contract bridge organiser, writer and player, was the leading British bridge personality at the start of the 1930s. Buller joined the Army Service Corps in 1907, and served throughout World War I, first in France and then as a staff officer in the War Office. He retired from the army in 1923 and thereafter lived in London. Buller was one of those responsible for contract bridge being adopted at the Portland Club, after the game and its new scoring system was brought to England by Lord Lascelles and Jimmie Rothschild in 1927. The Portland Club, which regulated the laws of whist since early in the nineteenth century, remains the law-giving body for bridge in Britain, and has taken part in every subsequent revision of the laws of bridge.

In Buller’s bridge career, and his weekly column for the Star, he was a showman whose motto was “Must do something to stir them up!” As such, he was the perfect foil to Ely Culbertson, the great publicist for contract bridge. Buller organised the first Anglo-American match against the Culbertson team in 1930 and captained the English team. This match inaugurated the ‘Golden Age’ of contract bridge leading to an extraordinary amount of publicity in the press. Culbertson, a genius as a publicist, created many small incidents for the benefit of the press and Buller did his best to provide quotable phrases in his interviews and his books.

Buller was the leading proponent of the direct bidding system called British Bridge. It prided itself on having no conventional (artificial) bids. He was a bridge columnist, and wrote several books. Buller won the first English National Pairs in 1932.

In the famous match at Almacks club the English team was Buller, Mrs Gordon Evers, Dr Nelson Wood-Hill FRCS and Cedric Kehoe RN. Mrs Gordon Evers was Walter Buller’s favorite partner: “white-haired and striking, she had toured the US as an actress in Sir Herbert Tree’s company”. The former world chess champion, Emanuel Lasker, reported the match for German and Austrian newspapers; he became a registered teacher of the Culbertson system.

The US team was Culbertson and his wife Josephine, Theodore Lightner and Waldemar von Zedtwitz. All the members of the American team would be recognized as outstanding players in the years that followed. Both their partnerships were experienced and organized; the result of the match was not long in doubt. Culbertson won by 4,845 points over a week’s play of 200 deals (total points scoring): not quite so bad for Buller as it might have been.

**BURGAY, Leandro** A leading Italian expert in the 1970s, who developed the Burgay Strong Diamond. However, he was unable to displace anyone on the famed Blue Team. Several months before the combined 1976 Bermuda Bowl/Olympiad in Monte Carlo, Burgay engaged Benito Bianchi (Forquet’s partner in both the 1973 and 1974 World Championship victories) in a telephone

conversation, subsequently handing a tape of the conversation to the FIB claiming that Bianchi had discussed at length a signaling method, using placement of cigarettes in the ashtray or in the mouth, which he used with Forquet.

Bianchi initially denied that there had been such a conversation. After listening to the tape, which was full of odd sounds, Bianchi admitted that it was he who had been recorded, but the recording had been doctored. Besides, he claimed, the discussion only concerned how such a cheating method would be possible.

After getting this limited concession from Bianchi, Burgay produced another tape, this one without the strange sounds. Burgay had deliberately added noise to a copy of the conversation to get Bianchi's admission that such a conversation had taken place. Luigi Firpo, president of the FIB, suspended Burgay, the accuser, for six years and Bianchi, the accusee, for six months. After Burgay threatened civil action, his suspension was reduced to 18 months and Bianchi's suspension was lifted altogether.

**BURGER, Suzanne** (Suzy) of West Bloomfield MI, former social worker. Suzy is a three-time North American champion.

**BURGESS, Stephen** (b. 1956) of Sydney, Australia, born in New Zealand is an options trader and bridge professional. A WBF World International Master., Burgess placed third in the World Pairs in 1986. He represented Australia in four other world championships and four zonal championships. He has won many national titles in Australia since 1982 and before that in New Zealand. He is a leading practitioner of relay methods.

**BURNSTEIN, Anne** (Mrs. Robert) (d. 1988) was a member of one of the strongest families in bridge. A longtime resident of Las Vegas, Burnstein and her husband Bobby lived in Coronado CA at the time of her death. Burnstein was the sister of Edith Freilich and Billy Seamon. Anne was Life Master #423 and a nine-time North American champion. Her first title came in 1946 when she and Al Roth won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs. They won a second time in 1952. Playing with her sister, Burnstein scored a rare double when she won the Whitehead Women's Pairs and the Women's Knockout Teams in 1979.

**BUTKOW, Julius** (Big Julie) (b. 1933) of Johannesburg, South Africa, chartered accountant. He represented South Africa in two world championships. He served as a member of the WBF Executive Council in 1976 and 1980, as president of the South African Bridge League from 1969 to 2003 and was the organizer of all its national events. He also served as secretary of the Africa Bridge Federation in 1998. He was a tournament director at the World Championships in 1995 and 1996 and the Maccabiah Games in 1981 and 1992. He is the editor of *Showcase* and the bridge columnist for *Prime Talk* and *Finance Week*.

**BUTLER, John** (1921-2002) of Cardiff, Wales. Butler represented Wales in 50 Camrose Trophy matches between 1955 and 1982 and had 15 national wins. He was a former president of the WBU and vice-chairman of the BBL.

**BUTTLE, Bill** was born in Almonte, Ontario in 1940, and grew up in the village of Pakenham. He received a degree in Dentistry from University of Toronto in 1962, and shortly afterwards, married Linda, making their home in Arnprior Ontario. Retiring from dentistry in 1988, he began teaching himself to draw, and his work was accepted for syndication by Miller Features of Toronto. His cartoons 'Two's a Crowd' and 'Double Bill' were distributed to weekly papers across Canada for a number of years. Stopping syndicated work at the turn of the new century, he has kept his hand in, drawing 'Artbeat' for a local arts and entertainment paper, and 'Out of Hand' for the ACBL's Bridge Bulletin. Buttle enjoys most forms of music, and is a long-time guitar and bass player, ranging from the folk era in the Fifties, to a more recent interest in Bluegrass. Switching to five-string banjo a few years ago, he now plays that instrument with his bluegrass group 'Corduroy Road', who have one CD under their belt, and are about to get under way on the next one. Bill and Linda are hot pepper enthusiasts, and once a year Bill clears all susceptible souls (including Linda, whose spirit is willing, but whose lungs are weak) from the kitchen and brews up and bottles a huge batch of 'Bill's De-icer', a sauce of heroic warmth that has been known to make men weep, and strong women faint, but makes the Canadian winter bearable. Bill and Linda have been married for 45 years, and have two grown sons, Jonathan and Andrew.

**CAESAR, Karin** She was a regular member of the German Women's team (playing with her sister, Marianne Moegel) during the latter part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. When illness forced her sister to retire from international play she concentrated on her bridge school and bridge holiday company ([www.bridgereisen-karincaesar.de/indexb.htm](http://www.bridgereisen-karincaesar.de/indexb.htm)) which are based in Hanover. Caesar won the Venice Cup in 1995.

**CAIN, Joseph** (1903-1963) of Indianapolis IN. Cain was named ACBL Life Master # 52 in 1946. He won the Reisinger (formerly the Chicago) in 1935.

**CAMPOS, Joao Paulo** (J.P.) (b.1968) of Rio de Janeiro Brazil. A WBF World Life Master, J.P. placed second in the Rosenblum Teams in 1998, the Bermuda Bowl in 2000 and the World IMP Pairs in 2010.

**CANNELL, Douglas L.** (1924-2007) of Winnipeg MB, archaeology architect Rio Azul Archaeological Project Guatemala for three field seasons. First president and founding member Canadian Bridge Federation, past president Unit 181, chairman Canadian Charitable Foundation, chairman 1985 Fall NABC.

**CANSINO, Jonathan** (1939-2006) was one of Britain's most celebrated bridge internationals until his career was cut short by a brain tumor when he was 34. In a period – the late Sixties and early Seventies – in which British bridge was blessed with talent, many insiders believed Cansino to be the very best, seemingly almost never erring at the table. With Jeremy Flint, he was the creator of the “Cansino Convention”, a three-suited defense to a Weak Notrump opener. He was also at the forefront (with Flint) in devising the controversial “Multicolored Two Diamond opener”, still very popular today.

On his graduation from university, he was articled as a solicitor to his uncle and then became a stockbroker for a time. But bridge completely took over his life. Though he had a talent for the stock market, a professional career was hardly practical after long nights at his local club, the Acol in West Hampstead. He played for the club, for the Home Counties and for his country.

In 1964, shortly after returning to London from Oxford, Cansino formed a bridge partnership with John Collings, which (reported Christopher Dixon, a fellow bridge international) was so successful that many felt that the future of the British game was assured with these two magnificently talented players. In 1965 the pair were runaway winners of the Life Masters pairs (the Waddington Cup), and also won the Gold Cup.

He also partnered Jeremy Flint. During the 1960s and early 1970s he repeatedly won the English Bridge Union Spring Fours. He played in the Great Britain Open Teams in the 29th European Team Championships, Athens 1971 (when Britain came second to Italy's Blue Team), and the fourth World Team Olympiad at Miami Beach in 1972, when Britain came sixth.

He had a photographic memory, a wicked sense of humor, and the knack of reading the minds of his partners and opponents.

Like other bridge professionals, Cansino enjoyed playing for high stakes. In 1971 he was one of the representatives of the professional bridge players in a delegation of three players negotiating with the tax man. The outcome was successful for the players. In 1970 he and Flint challenged the film star Omar Sharif and his travelling circus of leading European bridge players (including members of the Italian Blue Team) to a televised game in London of 100 (later reduced to 80) rubbers. The stake was a staggering one pound a point. The British pair lost by 5,470 points. Fortunately the loss was covered by the London betting club, Crockford's, which had sponsored the British team.

In 1973 Cansino survived an operation for a brain tumor, which left him partly disabled for the rest of his life. He was able to continue to play bridge but only as an amateur. The illness also brought an end to his brief marriage to Pamela Dorling. She remained the love of his life and died later in an accident. For many years he lived with his devoted, widowed father at the family home in St John's Wood.

**CASEN, Jo Anne** (b. 1954) of Boca Raton FL, accountant. A WBF World Master, Casen placed second McConnell Teams 1994. She won the International Invitational Shanghai Bridge tournament in 1981. She is a two-time North American champion.

**CASNER, Ambrose** (1903- deceased) of New York NY was a greeting card manufacturer. Casner was named ACBL Life Master # 54 in 1946. He won the Open Pairs in 1944 and placed second in six NABC events.

**CASPAR, Henry** (b.1967) A bridge teacher, director and club manager, Caspar was the captain of the winning 1999 GNT Flt B squad. He is the creator of Caspar Keycard.

**CAYNE, Dr. Patricia** (Pat) (b. 1939) of New York City, educational neuropsychologist. Non-playing captain Chinese Women's team 1993; started bridge program for New York League for Hard of Hearing 1989; authored *Hear I Am* for hearing impaired; member ACBL Educational Foundation; chairman Congress vs. Corporate America and Congress vs. Parliament matches; author of *Language Through Play*, a book for teaching language to language-impaired children.

**CHAGAS, Gabriel** (b.1944) Gabriel Pinheiro Chagas Filho was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and is one of only 10 players who have achieved the Triple Crown of Bridge (Bermuda Bowl, Olympiad Teams, World Open Pairs). He is a partner in a few companies specialising in many areas of financial services, insurance, and foreign investments representing many groups. Something of a polyglot and an oenophile, he affirms that he has been drinking the best wines in the world for many years. He has a huge cellar and has 10 wine-tasting groups (Wine 'Confreries'). He is the Vice-Maitre of the Rio 'Commanderie de Bordeaux'



which organizes dinners and drink clarets. He frequently produces his own bottles at the end of important tournaments.

He still finds time to play tennis about three times a week, is a good dancer and an amateur singer. In most of his wine meetings, which are quite frequent, he is required to fill the room with sound for friendly ears to listen. He is an avid reader, film watcher, and needs a day a bit longer than life provides.

**CHANG, Fred** (b. 1952) of Flushing NY. A two-time North American champion, Chang won the Vanderbilt in 2006 and the Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2008 . Chang won the Mott-Smith Trophy in 2006.

**CHARNEY, Gerald** (Gerry) (b. 1933) of Toronto, barrister and solicitor. A WBF World Life Master, Charney placed third in the World Olympiad Teams in 1968 and 1972; fifth in the Rosenblum Cup Teams in 1978 and captained Canada in the World Team Olympiad in Seattle in 1980. He won the CNTC in 1971.

**CHEMLA, Paul** (b.1944) Is one of the most famous French players of all time. Born January 2 1944 in Tunis, he studied at the École Normale Supérieure in Paris where he graduated in Literature. A school friend of his was there, Alain Juppé, who became the Prime Minister of France. He started playing in 1968 while he was a lecturer in Agregé. His breakthrough came when he won the very first European Pairs Championship in 1976 with Michel Lebel. His nickname was ‘enfant terrible’ (or ‘Monsieur Cigare’ before smoking was forbidden at the bridge table). He was the number one ranked French player for many years. He enjoys French cuisine and is noted for his habit of smoking oversized cigars. His hobbies are classical music, literature and tough crosswords. He is also happy to play Rummy for high stakes!

**CHEVALLEY, Ginette** (1933 -2005) Before coming to Paris she lived in Switzerland. She enjoyed a successful partnership with Danièle Allouche-Gaviard. She accepted the nickname given to her by Paul Chemla ‘Beauté Fatale’. Chevalley was a three-time winner of the European Women’s Team Championships.

**CHIARADIA, Eugenio** (The Professor) (1917-1977) of Naples, Italy, professor of philosophy. A WBF World Grand Master, Chiaradia won the Bermuda Bowl seven times and the European Teams five times. He devised the Neapolitan system, a cornerstone of Italy’s rise to the top in world bridge. After retirement he moved to São Paulo, Brazil, where he coached the Brazilian team.

**CHODOROW, Jordan** (b.1972) of Los Angeles CA is a tax attorney, former film critic, a U.S. Open tennis umpire, and a champion crossword solver. A popular commentator on BBO, Jordan won the Golder NAP in 2003. He is also active in unit governance.

**CHRISTIAN, Col. William** (1914-1986) of Chipley FL, retired Army officer. In 1946 he shared the distinction with teammate Capt. Mark Hodges of being first members of military service on active duty to win North American Championship. He was awarded a Bronze Star and Silver Star in 1944; the French Croix de Guerre in 1945, first OLC Bronze Star 1951, Legion of Merit 1967, Air Medal 1967. He has won two North American Championships.

**CIMON, Francine A.** (b. 1950) of Montreal PQ, high school teacher in charge of computer lab and a former bridge club owner/manager. Cimon taught bridge on national television in Canada from 1974 to 1975. A WBF World Life Master, she represented Canada in the World Team Olympiads four times, placed third in the Venice Cup in 1989 and placed fourth in the World Women’s Olympiad Teams twice. She also represented ACBL in the Venice Cup in 1991. She won the Canadian Open Pairs in 1981 and the Canadian Women’s Teams many times.

**CINTRA, Gabino** (1942-2011) He lived in Rio de Janeiro where he was an executive with IBM. He won the World Olympiad Teams in 1976 and the World Pairs in 1978, a very rare double. A WBF World Grand Master, he placed second in the Rosenblum Teams in 1978 and represented Brazil in 11 other world championships. He won the South American Teams nine times. National wins include seven open teams.

**CLARREN, David B.** (1918-1989) of Minneapolis, insurance agent, pioneer of bridge development in Minnesota, taught bridge for many years and lectured on TV for 52 weeks in 1960. Won Vanderbilt 1947, placed second Spingold 1949, 1953.

**CLIFF, David** (Dave) (1932-1999) of Branchburg NJ, retired school teacher, principal and associate professor, a leading bridge theorist. Developed comprehensive relay system in which one player uses bids to ask questions and the partner describes his hand with specialized responses. Relay systems of various kinds, including the Ultimate Club, now are commonly used by ranking experts throughout the world. He also invented Splinter Bid and Denial Cuebids. Other contributions include specialized responses to both strong 2♣ opening bids and weak two-bids, transfer overcalls of a natural 1♣ opening bid, a specialized defense against 1NT, and rebids after a Stayman response to an opening 1NT bid.

**COFFIN, George S.** (1903-1994) of Waltham MA, author, publisher and distributor of bridge books and supplies. He won *The Bridge World* international problem-solving contest in 1930. His principal bridge work is *Bridge Play Four Classics*, a 960-page compilation of his earlier works - *Endplays*, *Bridge Perfect Plays* and *Matchpoint Ways* appended by *The Bridge Writer's Manual*. He wrote many volumes on games other than bridge (poker, pinochle, cribbage, etc.). He was the co-founder of the ABTA and the first editor of its quarterly magazine, the developer of Three-handed Bridge, the creator of many items of bridge equipment, and publisher of many bridge books, including Beynon's *Bridge Director's Manual*, his own *Bridge Director's Logistics*. He was the author of magazine and newspaper articles and of Instant Bridge Bidding and a contributing editor to *The Encyclopedia of Bridge*.

**COHEN, Ben** (1907-71) of Hove, England, bridge entrepreneur. Early pioneer of duplicate bridge, published the first book on the Acol System. Wrote and published many others, including European edition of *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*, often in collaboration with Rhoda Barrow Lederer.

**COHEN, Israel** (1913-1995) of Washington was a well known player in the Fifties and Sixties. He was CEO and chairman of the board for Giant Food, Inc. He won one North American Championship and placed second in four others.

**COHN, Martin J.** (Marty) (1923-2000) of Sarasota FL, retired business executive. He was one of game's most colorful players. He retired from tournament bridge in 1985 as a protest against the cheating scandals. Cohn won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1957, placed second in the Men's (Nail LM) Pairs in 1961, the Mixed BAM Teams in 1964, and the Men's (Open BAM) Teams in 1969.

**CORN, Michel** One of the top French players during the 1980s, he managed a club in Paris until 1990 when he suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and gave up competitive bridge. He lives in the South of France with Natacha. He remains very active on BBO.

**CORWEN, Reginald** (1902-1984) He was chairman and president of the English Bridge Union, and several times captain of the British Bridge League's team at European and World level. When he retired in 1957 a subscription was raised but, Corwen generously passed the money over to provide a bed in the Royal Marsdon Hospital for children suffering from cancer. He was above all an excellent captain, matching his players shrewdly against his opponents in season after season and never lost a challenge match.

**COURTENAY, F. Dudley** (deceased) of South Dennis MA. Courtenay was the manufacturer of the first metal duplicate boards and a major figure in the bridge battles of the early Thirties. Courtenay founded Bridge Headquarters, a group that produced the Official System in opposition to Ely Culbertson. His chief contribution to theory was the development of Losing Trick Count, an unusual and important method of hand valuation, which he described in his book *The System the Experts Play*. His other writings include *Standardized Code of Contract Bridge Bidding*, *The Losing Trick Count*, *The Standard Manual on Play* and *Standardized Contract Bridge Complete*.

**COWAN, Philip** (Flip) (1943-2002) of New York City, lawyer. Cowan won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1980 and placed second in 1983.

**CRAWFORD, Carol** (Mrs. John, formerly Stolkin, nee Ross) (1934-1982) of New York City was a two-time North American champion. She won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1958 and the Women's Teams in 1966. Crawford was the world backgammon champion in 1973. She was one of only three women ever to win the title.

**CRONIER, Philippe** (b.1953) was born in Ermont, a city of the Parisian suburbs, in the Valley of Oise. He learned bridge by watching his grandparents, who played each Saturday. Having studied engineering he started to work with INSEE, but quickly stopped to play full-time bridge. He met his wife Bénédicte at a tournament in Baule. He worked at the club Omar Sharif, and started to write articles and a book. With Gilles Cohen he created the first training courses of bridge within the framework of the University of Bridge. Then, with some friends (Michel Bessis, Nicolas Déchelette, Alain Lévy and Philippe Poizat) they created the training courses that still exist today. His library of bridge books numbers more than 1000. He is the Editor of one of the world's great magazines, *Le Bridgeur*.

**CRONIER, Bénédicte** Married to Philippe, they have two children. For several years she was a players' delegate to the French Federation Committee. The top teams play in a major league, three divisions of 16 teams. These events are held at the same time and in the same venue as the Women's league which is two divisions of 12 teams and she attempted to get this changed. She is convinced that given the chance and the training women are quite capable of matching men and being picked for the Open team - a thing unheard of in France! After all, 50 years ago, those passing the Baccalaureate de Mathematics were 90% men and 10% women. Now more of those gaining their Baccalaureate are women. So it is in every other field. Bridge is 30 years behind the times.

After six years of beating her head against a brick wall, she resigned from the committee. They then implemented her suggestion and now the Open and Women's events have been split allowing the distaff side the opportunity to play open. Already there are two or three who have reached the first division, getting on for half the second division teams include a women and the third division begins to look like a mixed teams competition!

She bemoans the fact that there used to be a club - the Bridge Club De Paris - where many of the greats used to play, mostly with clients, and young players could play and practise against them, but no longer.

When she started 20 years ago she was the youngest player on the French team. She is still generally the youngest!

**CROWHURST, Eric** (b. 1935) of Reading, England. Supplied the Suit Combinations section for the sixth edition of the Bridge Encyclopedia, inventor of the Crowhurst Convention, contributor to many bridge magazines, author several bridge books.

**CUMMINGS, Richard (Dick)** (1932-1999) he lived in Sydney and was considered to be one of Australia's greatest players, having a long and successful partnership with Tim Seres. He was the bridge columnist for the *Sunday Morning Herald* and the *Sydney Sun-Herald*, and edited WBF News. He was a member of the WBF Appeals Committee. He Won a Bols Brilliancy prize in 1980. A key moment in his development came in 1958 during a maiden trip to Europe. In London during a vintage period for British bridge, Pedro Juan was hosting a unique series of sessions at Lederer's Club called *The Coffee House*. Four promising players would be invited to come along for a night's bridge at the club. Juan was master of ceremonies, co-opting a panel of experts who gave their time simply because they enjoyed the concept. The guests occupied the four playing seats. Behind each player was an appointed expert, wielding a little brass bell. Randomly-dealt hands would be bid and played normally. The twist was that, whenever an expert considered his charge had made a mistake, he would ring the bell. 'Gongs' were noted by the M.C. but not discussed until the conclusion of play. (Nearly all related to play and defense. A bid had to be atrocious to be punished.) Each deal was followed by a debate on the gongs, chaired by Juan, all present being welcome to contribute. If the gong was upheld the guest was fined two shillings. If the gong was dismissed the expert was fined the same amount. All proceeds went to charity. Some nights the charity did quite nicely, even at two bob a time. If you led or signaled with the wrong spot, the gong would come, as night follows day. Holding bells in their hand, Terence Reese, Nico Gardiner, Plum Meredith, Leslie Dodds and company were merciless. Those guests that could cope with their egos being bruised improved sharply. During the 1980s he organized the annual Herald Rubber Bridge Competition, which was at the time the world's largest bridge event.

**CUSHING, Jack** (1901- deceased) of New York NY was a textile importer. He was named Life Master # 72 in 1947. He won the Marcus Cup twice and place second in the Reisinger.

**D'ALELIO, Massimo** (Mimmo) (1916-1998) of Rome, Italy, retired lawyer and advertising man. He won 10 world championship titles with the Blue Team, playing with Eugenio Chiaradia and Camillo Pabis Ticci.

**DAMIANI, José** (b.1939) He lives in Paris where he is a marketing and public relations consultant. A Corsican, he is married to Monique, and they spend a great deal of time at the house he built on the island, a place to meet with his daughter Caroline, his two sons, Laurent and Emmanuel, and numerous grandchildren (8 as we go to print!)

He decided to play bridge mainly because he had had to give up sports because of back problems. He began in a small club in a Parisian suburb at the same time he was managing a water company. He is perhaps the most influential bridge administrator of the twentieth century. In his thirties he served as President of his French district. He became President of the French Federation before he was 40, the European Bridge League President before his 50th birthday and the World Bridge Federation President at 55, remaining as President for 16 years. He brought a new level of sponsorship to the game and the events he created include the Transnational World Championships, the IOC Grand Prix and the Generali Masters. He was instrumental in obtaining the recognition of bridge as a sport by the IOC. He also saw the WBF become an active member of Sport Accord, the biggest international sport organization bringing together over 100 of Olympic and non-Olympic international sports federations. He was also instrumental in the formation of the International Mind Sport Association, joining bridge, chess, go, draughts and Xiang Qi. He is a Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur and was awarded the gold medal of the French Ministry of Sport and Youth. He was IBPA Personality of the Year in 1986 and 2001.

**DARWEN, Hugh** (b. 1943) of Warwick, England, computer database specialist. He is the world's leading authority on double dummy problems. Conductor of double dummy column in *Bridge Magazine* and successors, 1962-1990, *International Popular Bridge Monthly*, 1990-1999, and *Bridge Magazine* again 1999-2001. He is the author of *Bridge Magic*. Darwen is also an internationally recognized expert and writer in the field of relational databases.

**DAVIES, Pat** (b.1947) a retired computer software company director, Davies lives in Bath, where she worked with Chris Dixon for many years. Her partnership with Nicola Smith was recognized as one of the best in the world. A WBF Women's World Grand Master, Davies won the Venice Cup in 1981 and 1985.

**DE FALCO, Dano** (b. 1953) originally from Milan, he now lives in Padova. He played with the legendary Blue Team with which he won one gold and two silver medals in World Championships.

**DEL'MONTE, Ishmael** (Ish) of Sydney, Australia, born in Auckland, New Zealand is a bridge professional and bridge club owner. A WBF World International Master, Del'Monte placed second in the 1995 World Junior Championships in Bali. He has won over 50 nationals titles in Australia and has captured one North American title - the Lebhar IMP Pairs in 2007. About his favorite bridge moment, Ish says, "Placing second in Vanderbilt was the worst moment in the aftermath due to losing by a small margin and bidding a grand slam in the last set missing the ace of trumps. Upon reflection, it was one of my best efforts in bridge but took over a week to get over the disappointment of losing by 11IMPs!"

**DELMOULY, Claude** (1927 -2006) He lived in Paris where he was known as 'Le Professeur.' He was probably the best bridge teacher of his generation. He wrote many articles and books (the best with Jacques Pariente *Bridge d'aujourd'hui* which defined French standard methods in competition). After the 1960 Olympiad, he was involved with his partner Gérard Bouchtoff in a serious case involving accusations of cheating just after the Olympiads in Turin. The case was never completely resolved by the French Federation.

**DELOR, Elisabeth** (1945–2011) Born in Poland, she wanted to be an opera singer, but she became a shooting champion before learning bridge. After a short stay in Israel, she came to France and lived in Paris where she devoted her life to her husband Michel and to bridge – becoming the winner of the Generali Ladies individual world championship in 1996. Her main partner was Colette Lise. She also played a lot of rubber bridge.

Once she overbid with a hand that contained a mere 8 points, and to her astonished partner, she explained, 'My first partner in Poland told me having four queens is a miracle which you should appreciate.'

**DENNISON, Maureen** She lives in Osterley on the outskirts of London. She was around 8 or 9 years old when she was taught bridge. She did not play as a teenager but then after she married, played random Rubber Bridge with her mother at the local club. They were very lucky (or gamblers) and took the slam box more often than not. Aged 30 she was swept into competitive bridge and had to juggle with her other three hobbies, shared with her husband: experimental cooking for up to 15 guests once a month, using recipes from countries around the world, target shooting and rallying. This often meant being out all or most of Saturday night navigating followed by a county bridge event on Sunday afternoon! It was chance which led to her meeting her international

partner, Diana Williams and again chance which led to their selection to represent Great Britain. Change again played a part when she started writing about this fantastic game which led to her joining the IBPA (International Bridge Press Association) and acting for some years as secretary to the organization.

**DERUY, Claude** (1927- deceased) He lived in Vimy, near the Pas de Calais. A bailiff by profession, he was a very good player, best known as a Tournament Director. He was a member of the five-man French Squad in Buenos Aires in 1961 when the French Federation was facing a players' strike following the Bourchtoff-Delmouly case. He was extremely humorous.

**DESCHAPELLES, Alexandre Louis Honore Lebreton** (1780-1847) sometimes referred to as Guillaume le Breton (1780-1847). Described by his contemporary James Clay, English whist authority, as the finest whist player, beyond any comparison, the world has ever seen. He also excelled at billiards, Polish draughts and chess, considered to be the unofficial World Champion from about 1800-1820. He invented the Deschapelles Coup and a number of other coups.

**DESROUSSEAU, Gerard** (1927–1985) His partnership with Georges Theron was one of the best France could present in early 1960s. Highly regarded as a teacher in Paris, he wrote a book with Irénée de Heredia "*Bridge d'école française*" in 1972. Regular contributor to *Le Bridgeur*. Married a good bridge player Ursula. Their son Christian was the most gifted Junior of his generation, but died in tragic circumstances.

**DEUTSCH, Seymon** (b. 1935) of Laredo TX is a rancher and merchant specializing in fine men's and women's items. He quit bridge for 22 years to devote his time and energy to home and business. A WBF World Grand Master, Deutsch won the World Team Olympiad in 1988 and the Rosenblum Cup in 1994. He has won five North American championships.

**DE WAEL, Herman** (b. 1961) of Antwerpen, Belgium, insurance broker. Started playing bridge in 1980 and, although he regularly played in his club (the best one of Flanders), it was soon discovered his talents lay elsewhere. He became the club's director in 1984, and first followed a director's course in 1987. He has been a Belgian national TD since then and directed numerous Belgian and Flemish Championships. He speaks 10 different languages.

A visitor of European Championships since 1991, De Wael offered to scribe a number of appeals in 1997 and was specifically asked to come and do so again in Warsaw in 1998, where he decided that all appeals should be written up.

From 1999, he has been the scribe of the Appeal Committee of the European Bridge League, editing booklets that can be downloaded from the EBL web site with all appeals. In 2010, he was appointed to do the same function in the World Bridge Federation.

De Wael is an expert on calculation and developed two new forms of calculation of bridge tournaments: Ascherman and Bastille. He also creates movements for various uses and is most proud of once organizing a tournament for 15 teams-of-five. He was one of the six original members of the *Bridge Laws Mailing List* and is still one of its most prolific contributors.

He has been a member of the International Bridge Press Association since 1991 and a regular contributor for daily bulletins and the Flemish periodical. He became IBPA's secretary in 2010.

De Wael has also twice been non-playing captain of the Belgian National Women Team (1993 and 1995). His other interests include cricket statistics, quizzes and the Olympic Games. He is a member of the International Society of Olympic Historians.

**DHONDY, Heather** (b.1966). Was born in London and lives in Hendon with husband, Jeremy. Dhondy is an accountant as well as a professional bridge player, teacher and writer. Her first international outing occurred in 1987 when, as part of the Universities team, she represented England in the Entente Cordiale. At the age of 24, Dhondy began playing for the Ladies team. The highlight of Dhondy's international career occurred in 2008 at the Mind Sports Games in Beijing where the England women won the Gold medal. Dhondy also won the Bronze medal in the Olympiad in Istanbul in 2004, and Gold at the World Mixed Teams in Rhodes in 1996 as well as three European Championships the first two (1997 & 1999) for Great Britain in partnership with Liz McGowan, and the last (2001) for England with Nicola Smith. In addition, she has won a record 13 Lady Milne trophies; eight of them partnering Sally Anoyrkatis and more recently, five in partnership with Nicola. The winners of the European Open mixed teams in Antalya 2007, Jeremy and Dhondy regularly play on teams together.

**DODDS, Leslie William** (1903–1975) was an English international bridge player and, by profession, an import-export merchant. He was a member of the British team which won the Bermuda Bowl in 1955. In his youth he was a chess player, and famous for feats of memory and mental calculations.

Dodd's first partner in post-World War II top events was Eddie Raynes, who became, by royal warrant, shoe-maker to the

Queen. Then he partnered Kenneth Konstam: together they formed one of the finest partnerships in British bridge. His bidding system was CAB, one of half-a-dozen natural systems developed in Britain during the 1930s. CAB, invented by G.G.J. Walshe, was further developed by Dodds, who became its ‘prophet’. The system featured ace-showing in response to the artificial game-forcing 2♣ opener plus Blackwood and strong 1NT openers. Jump raises and 2NT responses were forcing except in competition, opening three bids in minor suits invited 3NT (solid suit or near-solid with outside entry). The general tenor of the system was closer to the Standard American of the day than to Acol; The CAB system, rarely played today, was the ‘house’ bidding system of the Hamilton Club, one of the high-class London rubber bridge clubs at the time. According to Mollo, Dodds used to win some £4,000 a year at the Hamilton, a huge sum in the 1950s. His bridge career was cut short by a cerebral hemorrhage in 1961.

**DONG, Danning** (b.1968) of Chicago, IL, studied at Yale (BS) and MIT (PhD); Trader. An ACBL Bronze Life Master, Dong placed second in the Mitchell Open BAM in 2010. He won the first ACBL regional team event ever played: the New England summer regional Sunday Flt-A Swiss. Dong also won the NYC Honors Club Calcutta in 2009.

**DORMER, Albert** (b. 1925) of Scotland is a bridge journalist and retired surveyor. He won the World Senior Pairs in 1990 with Alan Hiron. He is also a two-time British Gold Cup winner. Domer was bridge editor of the *London Times* from 1990-1994, editor of *British Bridge World* from 1962-1964, Associate Editor of the Bridge Bulletin from 1964-1965, Editor of the IBPA Bulletin from 1972-1982, Editor of the *World Bridge News* from 1971-1987, and a contributing editor of *The Encyclopedia of Bridge*. Dormer served as Executive Assistant to the WBF President from 1982-1986. The author and co-author of 10 other books including *The Complete Book of Bridge*, Domer was named IBPA Personality of the Year in 1981.

**D’ORSI, Ernesto** (b. 1936) of São Paulo, Brazil, business consultant. D’orsi has represented Brazil in seven world championships. He served as WBF president from 1990-1992, as WBF vice-president from 1986-1990, as a member of the WBF Executive Committee since 1980, a member of the Committee of Honor in 1986, as Chief Organizer of the world championships in 1979 and 1985, and as a member of the organizing committee in 1973. He has been CBB president since 1984 and member of South American Executive Council since 1978. The author of two books as well as the specifications for Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup organization, D’orsi was named 1994 IBPA Personality of the Year.

**D’OVIDIO, Catherine** (b.1959) Married (to Pierre, a good bridge player) the couple live in Paris. She has been number one in the French women’s ranking for years and is also in the top 10 of the Open ranking. She began her career in bridge under the name of Saul. She was a keen amateur dramatist (and considered acting as a profession). She learned to play in 1978 by watching her parents play at their club and the same night said ‘I will be world champion one day’. Her first teacher was Jean Claude Andre.

For three years she played every day and read books every night. Her favorites are *Adventures in Cardplay*, the Menagerie stories of Victor Mollo and *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* (!).

**DOWNES, E(dwin) Hall** (1897-1976) of Dover DE, was bridge teacher, writer and educator. A graduate of the Naval Academy, Downes remained at Annapolis for three years as instructor to midshipmen. He later received a Master’s degree in Education from Columbia University and served in that field for the rest of his life. In the early Thirties, Downes promoted bridge through his books, radio and lectures. He was called “ace of contract teachers”. His writings included self-teachers and he was *Town and Country* editor for *Bridge Magazine* (1931-1933). A book by him on the Culbertson system provoked a lawsuit by Ely Culbertson, who had warned booksellers not to sell Downes’ books on pain of legal action. Downes won both suits, the courts holding that the name of a system was public property. The case had permanent importance in legal history, both in respect of plagiarism and of unfair practices

**DRIJVER, Bas** He studied law in Rotterdam before becoming a full time player. His parents taught him how to play bridge at the age of 12. Next to bridge he enjoys tennis and swimming. With his partner Sjoert Brink he has forged an outstanding partnership. During his Junior days, his teammates were fond of saying ‘he is not a junior any more because he bids like an old man’.

**DRUMEV, Christo** (b.1932) He lives in Sofia, where he has enjoyed a long career, latterly as General Director of Congress Centre-Sofia, National Palace of Culture (since 1990). Under his management the venue become self-funded and also managed to attract large-scale investments. His name is linked with the highly developed congress-conference activity, the trade shows, the exhibitions and advertisements for which he has been honored by many different institutions. He is also a founding member and Chairman of Sofia Convention Bureau. He was elected President of the Bulgarian Bridge Federation in 1988.

**DRURY, Douglas A.** (Doug) (1914-1967) of Sebastopol CA, stockbroker, bridge teacher and club owner. Best known for his invention of Drury Convention, He was a capable and popular bridge administrator. He served as a member of the ACBL Board of Governors and as a member of the Systems and Conventions Committee. He made his mark early as a tournament player while living in Toronto. He won Men's (Wernher) Pairs in 1954 and 1955 and the Mixed BAM Teams in 1956.

**DUBOIN, Giorgio** (b.1959) of Turin started playing when he was 13 and soon became a top class junior. With Guido Ferraro he won the European Junior Pairs and two MEC Championships. He is now a full time professional and member of the famous Lavazza team. Speaking of the present Italian team in 2011, he saw Versace growing up, partnered Bocchi for twenty years and played many times with Lauria in the seventies and eighties. This created not only friendships, but above all much esteem and respect. Duboin won the Lazard Sportsmanship Award in 2008.

**DUCHEYNE-SWANN, Elly** of The Hague, The Netherlands, bridge organizer. Elly was in charge of press room at nearly all world and European Championships from 1974-2003. Public relations officer and organizer of Hoechst and Forbo tournaments. Honor Member of IBPA.

**DUCHEYNE, Rene** (1938-1991), of The Hague, The Netherlands, patent office employee. Head of press room at nearly all world and European Championships 1974-1991, assisted by his wife Elly. President IBPA 1986-1991.

**DURHAM, Louise** (Honeychile) (d.1999) of Durant MS was Life Master # 358 and the first Life Master in Mississippi. She served as ACBL director and secretary, co-chairman of Goodwill Committee and WBF Friendship Committee. She was a past president of Mississippi BA. Durham was named ACBL Honorary Member 1974.

**DURRAN, Joan** (1921-2004) Joan Mary Sacker Phillips was born in Croydon. But as her father had tuberculosis the family moved down to Selsey in West Sussex for the sea air. She was head girl of her school, was a championship swimmer and excellent tennis player. She married George Durran, a dental surgeon, and they moved to Welwyn Garden City.

Durran had to decide which of her husband's hobbies she would take up Golfing, Fishing or Bridge. She chose bridge. Her skills developed between 1948 and 1958 as she graduated from local to the Hamilton and Crockfords clubs where she honed her skills playing rubber bridge with first class players. Not only was Joan very attractive, her bridge improved dramatically and she was much in demand.

Her first international appearance was playing with Marjorie Hiron, winning the 1961 European Women's Teams in Torquay. By 1966 she had formed an outstanding partnership with Jane Juan (Priday). They were renowned not only for their stunning good looks but also for their impeccable behaviour at table.

Durran's last European Teams was in Oslo in 1969. The Women won the event, but an appeal by the French after the result was announced, about slow play by our Danish about a match in which they were not involved, led to a 2VP fine and put the French in first place. The injustice of the decision persuaded Durran to give up internationals. As one of the stars of the bridge world during a golden age of the game, she became a World Champion and a World Bridge Federation Life Master, but Oslo was her last representative appearance for Great Britain.

She had a strong partnership with Maurice Weissberger and they were acknowledged experts in the Roman Club. Durran gave up bridge because of a loss of her central vision, which made it impossible to play seriously.

**DYE, Dr. Arthur M.** (1896-1980) of Charlotte NC, was the first blind bridge player to become an ACBL Life Master. A perfect sportsman, Dye never took advantage of his affliction. When he pulled wrong cards, he refused to allow opponents to let him retract his plays. When Dye made Life Master at New Orleans Winter Nationals 1956, he received a standing ovation. A charter member and long-time president of the Charlotte BA, he served as president of the Mid-Atlantic BC. He shared with Charles Goren in 1959 the ACBL Honorary Member award.

**ECCLES, BERT** (b.1951) of Montreal was educated at McGill University. A cancer survivor, Eccles is charitable fundraiser for The Cancer Research Society. He is a former comedy writer and business manager of First City Comedy Troupe; also teacher and document controller. He won Best Fiction prize, Montreal Gazette 1966. As a teenaged student at McGill, he presented a proposal on legalized gambling to the Quebec Government; proceeds from lotteries and casinos later provided a major revenue stream for the province. Eccles represented Canada in Biarritz 1982 and Montreal 2002. Eccles worked with District 2 Director Jonathan Steinberg in 2006 to have deceased members recognized on all-time masterpoint lists.

**ECKER, Dr. Richard H.** (deceased) of New York NY. A dentist and a lawyer, Ecker was one of the founders of the Greater New York Bridge Association (GNYBA). He was active on its Board of Directors and was chairman of the By-Laws, Ethics and Goodwill Committees. Ecker was named Life Master # 30 in 1942 and won two North American Championships.

**EHRLNBACH, Julius** (Jack) (1894-1979) of Los Angeles was Life Master #56, a designation he earned in 1946 to become the first Life Master on the West Coast and the first one west of Chicago. A well-known teacher and a bridge player with very few peers, he taught the game to hundreds of players. He won the Barclay Trophy 1949, 1950 and scores of regional championships. He had a lifetime total of 5753 MPs and was on the list of the “Top 100” MPs holders from its inception through November 1977.

**ELIS, Morrie** (1907-1992) of Lauderhill FL. A 1928 graduate of New York University, Elis was the 1932 New York City table tennis champion and was a semi-finalist at the National Table Tennis Championship. He went on to become president of his family’s hat company in Manhattan. A longtime resident of Oceanside, Long Island, He moved to Florida in the Seventies. Between 1933 and 1937 Elis played a major role in establishing what was to become the ACBL Charity Foundation. He wrote a column for *The Bridge World* and constructed deals for *Autobridge*. Elis was known for his superb cardplay and many published deals attest to his artistry. Elis won six North American championships and was the father of national bridge champion Judy Tucker.

**ELLENBY, Milton Q.** (b. 1923) of Skokie IL is an actuary and physicist. He was a physicist on the Manhattan Project for three years. In the mid-Forties he was a state and regional chess champion. One of the leading players of the postwar period, Ellenby is a WBF Life Master and was Bermuda Bowl champion 1954 and came second in 1955. He has won six North American championships.

**ELWELL, Joseph Bowne** (1873-1920) was the principal American authority on the original game of bridge (bridge-whist) and the early form of auction bridge. However, he is remembered chiefly as the victim of one of the most celebrated murder cases of the century. Born in Cranford NJ, Elwell began his bridge career about 1900 as a bridge teacher and quickly became a favorite of high society in New York City and Newport RI. He was a regular high-stake player at the Whist Club of New York and other clubs. He and his regular partner, Harold S. Vanderbilt, were considered the strongest American pair from about 1910 to 1920. Elwell amassed a considerable fortune, chiefly through speculation in Wall Street and at the time of his death owned more than 20 race horses. His books, most of which went through several editions and sold in large quantities, included *Elwell on Bridge*, *Advanced Bridge*, *Practical Bridge*, *Bridge Axioms and Laws*, *Elwell on Auction Bridge*, and *Elwell’s New Auction Bridge*.

He also showed great skill at hand analysis. On the morning of June 11, 1920, he was found in his home by his housekeeper. He had been fatally shot only about an hour earlier. Because none of the considerable amount of money or jewelry was touched, the motive could not have been robbery. At that time he was separated from his wife and several women had keys to his home. The case received wide publicity and has been the subject of several books and hundreds of articles. Officially the murder was never solved, though it is generally believed that the police knew the murderer but had insufficient evidence. Several novelists used the setting of the case for mystery novels in which they supplied their own solutions.

**EMERY, Sue** (1920-2010) of Wichita Falls TX, formerly of Memphis TN, bridge club owner/operator; editor and editor emeritus of the Bridge Bulletin 1972-1996, co-editor of the Daily Bulletin at North American Bridge Championships 1961-1993 (attended 95 consecutive tournaments in 32 years) and co-editor of the World Championships Daily Bulletin 1972, 1975 and 1978. A former school teacher, newspaper reporter, bridge teacher and bridge club owner/operator, Emery was a tournament director from the early Sixties and directed in many Texas tournaments with her late husband, John W. “Big John” Emery (1926-1972), a well-known ACBL associate national tournament director. She authored ACBL publication *No Passing Fancy* in 1977. She was a contributing editor of *Bridge Encyclopedia* and was associate editor of *Texas Bridge*. She won the International Bridge Press Association Romex Award in 1988 and WBF Epson Award for journalists in 1989.

**ENDICOTT, Grattan** (b.1924) One of the great bridge administrators, he is also a fine player. Born in Coventry, he has been a long-time resident of Liverpool, and an avid supporter of one of the City’s football clubs. His sporting interests frequently combined with his work, (amongst other posts he was Secretary to the Foundation for Sport & the Arts) and he was a member of the Pools Panel that estimated the outcome of postponed football matches.

He was invested in 1998 by the Queen as an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE). He has been a dedicated member of many Laws Committees and is President of the Merseyside & Cheshire Bridge Association. He continues to be a leading figure in the realm of The Laws of Bridge and the handling of Appeals.



**ENGEL, Michael** (b. 1935) of S Burlington VT is a retired stockbroker and trader. Before he took up bridge in college, he was a very active and strong chess player. Engel wrote a weekly bridge column in the university daily paper during his graduate school days at the University of Iowa 1957-1959. His favorite bridge moment was playing with Ira Rubin in the Cavendish Club Invitational Pairs and finishing fourth out of about 14 world class pairs. Engel placed second in the 1965 Reisinger.

**ERDOS, Ivan** (1924-1967) edited the popular “Dupliquiz” column for the Bridge Bulletin. A leading player, teacher and writer, Erdos also contributed to *American Bridge Digest* and wrote *Bridge A La Carte*. He was bridge editor of San Diego magazine and several Southern California newspapers. Born in Budapest, Erdos lived in England from 1939 to 1951 before moving to Los Angeles, where he worked as a travel agent. He won the World Mixed Pairs 1966 and represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in Buenos Aires 1965. He won the Men’s (Open BAM) Teams in 1959 & 1964 and the Men’s Pairs in 1962.

**ERHART, Maria** (b.1944) Born in Vienna, Maria did her studies at the world trade university there, started her job in merchandising, afterwards in a leading position of marketing research.

Bridge came to her life relatively late at the age of 24, but just a year later she won her first (bronze) medal at the Women’s European Championships. Some years of playing in the Austrian Open team were followed by sabbatical years following career commitments and illness, and then she started playing again in the European and World majors, with great success with the young Austrian women team, and also won some of the large European pairs tournaments with different partners.

For many years she has lived in the beautiful Tyrol, married to Peter, a medical doctor, where she does her job as a medical assistant and looks after the commercial side of his profession.

It takes more than four hours to go to Vienna, which restricts the opportunity for training with her teammates, but affords her more time and opportunities to pursue her other hobbies, like being responsible for the social community affairs of her city’s government, skiing, playing tennis and golf, sometimes treating Peter’s piano and sometimes going to the great music festivals of Salzburg and Bayreuth.

**EWEN, Robert** (Bob) (b. 1940) of Miami FL, self-employed author, former psychology professor, NYU. Ewen has written one book on psychology for the general public and two college psychology textbooks. He is the creator of Two-Way Game Tries and the author of articles for *The Bridge World*, and a contributor to the Bridge Bulletin. He is a former associate editor of *Bridge Journal*, a contributor to *Bridge Encyclopedia* and other publications. Has authored six bridge books including *Opening Leads*, *Doubles For Takeout*, *Penalties and Profit in Contract Bridge*, *Preemptive Bidding*, *Contract Bridge: A Concise Guide*, *The Teenager’s Guide to Bridge* and *The Defensive Bidding Quiz Book*. He edited *Charles Goren Presents the Precision System* and *The Simplified Precision System*.

**FAGERLUND, Georgine** (b. 1927) of Tacoma WA graduated from Rutgers University, NJ with a degree in Music and Math where she also received several sports awards. She taught instrumental music at Several NJ schools. Fagerlund made a Carnegie Hall appearance as part of a mandolin orchestra and played violin in the Bloomfield NJ Symphony. She is retired now, but still playing bridge. She ran the Evergreen Bridge Club in Federal Way, WA for 40 years. The club always had a novice game with a short lesson for novices or returning players before each session. Fagerlund served on the National Goodwill Committee and had a regional event and a trophy for novices named for her as recognition of her long contribution to bridge.

**FAIGENBAUM, Albert** (b.1946) Married to a journalist, he lives in Paris where he organizes bridge holidays. He formed a very successful partnership with Dominique Pilon. Before winning the Roseblum Cup in Biarritz in 1982 they took a two week break, jogging and swimming to be fit.

**FANTONI, Fulvio** is one of the select group to have won the Bermuda Bowl, Olympiad and World Pairs Championship, but such is the strength of Italian bridge he could not command a place in the 2010 European Championship team. He lives in Ostia with his partner Iolanda and their son Luca. When he is not playing professionally, he organizes bridge holidays. It was thanks to the generosity of Francesco Angelini that he was able to give up his job as an accountant and concentrate on bridge. Currently a member of Team Monaco, Fantoni is a big fan of CSI and NCIS.

**FEINBERG, Harry** (1903-deceased) of San Francisco CA was an attorney. Feinberg was named ACBL Life Master # 53 in 1946. Feinberg won the Reisinger in 1940 and the Vanderbilt in 1947.

**FELDESMAN, Phil** (1919-1986) of New York was a diamond merchant and one of the leading American players. He had successful partnerships with Bill Grieve, Marshall Miles, and Lew Mathe. Perhaps his best known pairing was with Ira Rubin, with whom he won the 1966 International Team Trials and represented the United States in that year's Bermuda Bowl, finishing second to Italy. Rubin said, "He was a good and trustworthy partner – we used to argue, but when the next hand started he was my partner and the opponents were the enemy." Feldesman was born in Bessarabia, a region in the Ukraine formerly part of Romania. He was an engineering student in Belgium in 1944 when the Nazis took over and forced him to flee to America.

**FELDMAN, Jason** (b.1981). Feldman is an immigration attorney and part-time professional bridge player. He grew up in Champaign IL and now resides in San Diego CA with his wife Erin and golden retriever Casey. When not playing bridge, he loves to surf and travel. Jason won gold in the 2006 World Youth Team Championships and picked up his first North American title in 2007 – the Roth Open Swiss.

**FELDSTEIN, Gretchen S.** (Mrs. Harold) of Gainesville FL is a three-time North American champion.

**FENKEL, Stanley O.** (1902-1986) of Deerfield Beach FL was a company vice president and former plastics manufacturer. He was named Life Master #43. Fenkel was founder and former secretary/treasurer of Cavendish Club of Philadelphia.

**FERRARO, Guido** of Turin is a professional bridge player. During the 1980s, he was one of the best European juniors. He went on to win the European Championships in Malta in 1999, the first of several major titles. He is now a regular member of the Lavazza Team. When he is not playing he is a regular at the commentator's table and on the golf course.

**FERRO, Jeffrey** (Jeff) (b. 1968) of San Francisco CA, vice president, executive producer at ad agency producing TV and radio commercials. At age 15, he became a Life Master and won his first regional. He won 458 points in 1989 (more than any other Junior for that year). He was on the winning team at the World Junior Championships in 1991. Playing on the USA II open team he competed in Bermuda Bowl in Yokohama in 1991 - tying fifth/eighth. He won the NABC Junior Pairs in 1991, the GNOT in 1993, and the Mixed BAM in 2000. Ferro placed second in the First Annual 'Expert Calcutta' in 1991.

**FIELD, Myron** (formerly Fuchs) (1912-1974) of New York was a stockbroker. He was a four-time North American champion winning the Vanderbilt in 1941, the Reisinger in 1950 and the Spingold in 1951 and 1955. Field represented USA in 1956 Bermuda Bowl.

**FILARSKI, Herman W.** (1913-1982) of Deil, The Netherlands, wine merchant, bridge teacher and journalist. He learned to play bridge while in a German prison camp during World War II. Filarski placed second in the World Mixed Pairs, represented The Netherlands in the World Open Pairs in 1962 and in many European championships from 1947 through 1962. He served several terms as executive vice president of the International Bridge Press Association and originated the idea of Daily Bulletins for major championships. He was the founder of the Bols Tips and Bols Brilliancy competitions. He was the 1977 IBPA Personality of Year.

**FISCHER, Doris** (b.1959) was born in Vienna, where she still lives, working as a high school teacher. Since early childhood she loved all kinds of card games.

In school she played some Austrian stuff called "Tarock" and "Schnapsen" – for example during the boring physics lessons or in the pub after school where she once won half a pig but couldn't accept her prize because her parents didn't know about these activities!

After school, she started to study German and History in Vienna. At the age of 18 her father (who had attended a bridge course in a local club) introduced her to the basic rules. She loved the game immediately but her father refused to support her fascination – he was afraid she wouldn't finish her studies and instead spend the nights in obscure coffee houses. Probably he was right. So it needed some more years until her second year as a teacher in 1985 when by chance she came in contact with the game again.

Her first long time partner was Terry Weigkricht with whom she played in the Austrian team from 1988 to 2000, apart from some events with her second lady partner Gabi Bamberger. For the last nine years her standard partner has been Bernd Saurer. Winning the Hecht Cup 2005 and the Deauville Pairs in 2009 are some of their successes.

What she likes most about bridge – apart from the game itself – is the social facet. During all those years she became friends with people from all parts of the world. It's always wonderful to meet them again on bridge occasions or even visit them privately or welcome them in your own house. So she does appreciate the concept of transnational championships where you can play with people other than those from your own country.

**FLADER, Michael F. (Mike)** (b. 1947) of Hopkins MN, an ACBL tournament director since 1989 and former bridge club manager, Flader has served as a tournament coordinator, Education Liaison, and representative of Unit 103 to the Board of Governors. Flader writes the 'Ruling the Game' column for the Bridge Bulletin.

**FLANNERY, William L.** (1932-2000) of Sacramento CA, retired steamfitter, was a specialist in installing sectional boilers. In his spare time, Flannery was a wood craftsman. He both designed and repaired all types of woodwork. The originator of the Flannery 2♦ convention, he placed second in the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1963, the Nail Life Master Men's Pairs in 1967 and the Mixed Pairs in 1968.

**FLEMING, Irene Dimmie** (1910-1995) For almost 20 years, she was 'Mrs Bridge', running the English Bridge Union from her home, as Secretary from 1955 to 1974. She also was the first woman to play in a British Open team.

It's not surprising that Fleming spent a restless night before her first open match in Helsinki in the summer of 1953. She dreamed that she and her partner, Peter Swinnerton-Dyer (later Professor Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer of Cambridge University) had bid a grand slam on the first board. The next day when they sat down to play their match in the European Open Championships they bid to a vulnerable grand slam in clubs, which made. Non-playing captain Reg Corwen was not impressed. He had given the pair strict instructions to play down the middle and, as punishment for their boldness, replaced them after the first match.

In her first year at prep school, boys names were all the rage and she became known as Jimmy. Fashion changed the following year and all the girls took nick-names beginning with the letter D. That turned 'Jimmy' into 'Dimmie'.

Fleming learned auction bridge at her father's school but when, at the age of 9, she transferred to an all-girls prep school, she lost interest. It was not until she was 19, recovering from an appendix operation, that the game entered her life again. In the hospital she met a young man who had played contract bridge in America. He taught her Culbertson's system and she was hooked.

She played quietly in Tunbridge Wells, making it to the West Kent 'B' team, but was not considered good enough for the 'A' team until England international Graham Mathieson spotted her potential and began to coach her. In 1939 she took part in the women's trials for the international championships to be held in the Hague. She won a place, not with the team she entered, but with Elizabeth Corke's team which won the trials. Her international career had begun. But the war effectively ended competitive bridge. Fleming's job with London stockbrokers ended and she spent the war years working as a farm secretary and caring for daughter Sheila, born in 1943. In 1947, with Rixi Markus, Kenneth Konstam and Edward Rayne, she won the first post-war European Championship Teams at Deauville where, she said, "the outstanding feature was the ball dresses of the French ladies. It was as though the pages of *Vogue* had sprung into life".

While she was the EBU secretary membership grew from 4,000 to 9,000. In the early days she was able to recite any member's address from memory. She gave up the position when the EBU moved into offices in Thame, but continued as secretary of the Laws and Ethics Committee until 1985. At one Congress she famously rebuked Tony Forrester and Mark Horton for wearing hats whilst playing. From 1977 she was a vice-president of the EBU, and every year awards are made in her honor to members who have significantly contributed to bridge in this country.

**FLINT, Jeremy** (1928-1990) Flint was the son of a Leeds surgeon, and was educated at Radley College. He studied to be a lawyer, but soon gave up his legal career. Flint represented Britain in seven European championships, five World team championships and two World pairs. He won the European Championship in 1963, and came second in the 1960 World Team Olympiad and 1987 Bermuda Bowl. When invited to play in that event by the British Bridge League, he informed the secretary Anna Gudge that he would only accept provided his room had a bath rather than a shower.

There was no email in those days and it was only after several letters and faxes had been sent that Gudge was able to give Flint the necessary confirmation and he indicated that he would be delighted to play.

Consumed with curiosity Gudge asked why it was so important for his room to contain a bath rather than a shower.

'My dear Anna,' replied Flint, 'it is quite impossible to smoke a cigar in the shower.'

He played rubber bridge and backgammon on a regular basis; this and his work as a bridge correspondent were his main sources of income.

In an extended visit to the USA in 1966, partnering Peter Pender, he became a Life Master in 11 weeks. They devised the Flint-Pender bidding system. He was also a collaborator of Terence Reese on the Little Major bidding system, and the author of several other popular bidding conventions.

Flint was bridge editor of *The Times*, author of some significant books, and figured in successful television programs about bridge. His first marriage, to Susanna, produced two sons: Dominic and Noel. His second wife, Honor, was also an international bridge player. His early death was caused by cancer.

**FLOURNOY, Carolyn Clay** (1924-2003) of Shreveport LA, food columnist and cooking teacher. She was a delegate to the Republican Party convention for three Presidential elections. Named to Sports Museum of Champions of Louisiana, Flournoy won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1970. She served on the local Board of Directors for many years and was tournament publicity chairman for more than 25 years.

**FOLLINE, Emily** (1907-1984) of Columbia SC. A bridge club owner, Folline was Virginia's first life master, ACBL Life Master # 51, and a member of the South Carolina Bridge League Hall of Fame. In a career that spanned six decades, she won five North American Championships and placed second in six other NABC events.

**FORQUET, Pietro** (b. 1925) of Naples, Italy. A member of the famous Italian Blue Team, Forquet is one of the greatest players of all time. Known for calm, unruffled appearance, apparently immune to the nervousness that afflicted many other top stars, he won 12 Bermuda Bowls and three Olympiads. He employed the Blue Team Club and the Neapolitan Club with three regular partners - Guglielmo Siniscalco, Eugenio Chiaradia and Benito Garozzo. He shifted to the Precision Club from 1972 to 1974, playing with Garozzo and Benito Bianchi. Forquet is the author of *Bridge with the Blue Team*.

**FORRESTER, Tony** Considered by many to be the finest player of his generation and the best English player since Terence Reese, Forrester might have enjoyed a career in golf, cricket, squash or snooker, but it was bridge that won out. His first important victory came at the European Youth Team Championship in Stirling in 1978, and two years later, he was in Great Britain's Olympiad team in Valkenburg. He formed successful partnerships with Roman Smolski, Sally Horton, Mark Horton and Andrew Robson, but his greatest triumph was with Raymond Brock in 1987 when they finished second in the European Championships, going on to win silver in the Bermuda Bowl in Ocho Rios. He has won the Gold Cup no less than 10 times. An excellent writer, he is bridge columnist for *The Daily Telegraph* and *The Sunday Telegraph*.

**FOSTER, Robert Fredrick** (1853-1945) world famous authority on card games, invented the Rule of Eleven. Born in Scotland, Foster was a surveyor and prospector for gold and in this capacity traveled the globe. After making and losing two fortunes, he established himself as the world's leading authority on cards by writing *Foster's Complete Hoyle* (1897), a copy of which was inserted into the time capsule at the 1939 New York World's Fair. Although the Rule of Eleven is his chief theoretical contribution, he promoted numerous ideas in his *Vanity Fair* magazine column and in the *New York Sun*. His various writings traced the successive developments of bridge - auction and contract. Foster was an AWL Director and he later wrote the first set of laws for contract bridge. Up to age 85 he continued to lecture on games throughout the world and to teach and conduct games in New York. In addition to writing on various subjects, he wrote at least 50 books on card games.

**FOX, G.C.H.** (Foxy) (1914-1997) of Hove, England was a bridge writer and teacher. He won five national titles and represented England in a Camrose Trophy match. He was the bridge columnist for the *Daily Telegraph* from 1957-1993, a frequent magazine contributor and the author of at least eight books.

**FOX, Gerry** (b. 1939) of Napa CA is a bridge teacher; bridge contractor for cruise lines. He has a PhD in Economics from UC Berkeley and taught Economics at Smith College and Demography at UC Berkeley. He is a collector of pre-Goren bridge books and an author of five. He regularly teaches more than 500 students every year, has completed more than 160 cruises as a bridge instructor, and organizes bridge programs for five cruise lines, assigning over 100 people annually to teach on ships. One of his favorite bridge moments was when a lady bid to a very poor 6NT contract against him at a regional, but the contract succeeded with the help of three or four working finesses. As he was lamenting to himself about her luck and his lack thereof, he heard her announce to the table that this was the very first slam she had ever bid to. He decided he couldn't feel bad about that.

**FOX, Joseph** (b.1937) of Oakhurst CA is a retired corporate executive. He began his career as a concert pianist and received a BA in Piano Performance from UC Santa Barbara. Fox later received an MBA from Pepperdine University. He left the concert stage to pursue a business career, and was ultimately President and CEO of two Fortune 500 companies. He retired in 1989 at age 52 and moved to Mariposa, CA where he and his wife founded Silver Fox Vineyards, a winery which has gone on to win numerous national awards. They sold the winery in 1995 and spent the next 10 years donating time to the community, including giving fund-raising concerts for the local library and hospital. His favorite bridge memory was winning the 1977 NABC Men's Pairs (now Wernher Open Pairs). It was particularly meaningful to him since he wasn't even a Life Master at the time.

**FRANCIS, Dorthy A.** (b. 1940) of Memphis TN, bridge writer, professional player, with gardening and handicrafts as hobbies. Co-editor of World Championship Daily Bulletins 1979-1987; co-editor of Junior World Championship Daily Bulletins 1995 and 1999; editor of the Fifth and Sixth Editions of the *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*; contributor to ACBL Bridge Bulletin, edited several World Championship books. She won BOLS prize for best article on the 1978 World Championships and several other IBPA bridge writing awards. She won her first Senior event on the first day she was eligible.

**FRANKLIN, Marc** of Newport Beach Ca is a property manager. The 1977 King of Bridge, Marc was a three-time contestant on Wheel of Fortune in college. He organized the first five college bridge clubs at the Claremont colleges. Franklin's favorite bridge moment was getting to play against Omar Sharif in London.

**FRANKLIN, Matt** (b. 1961) of Palo Alto CA is a professor in the Computer Science Department at U. C. Davis. He has been in the same academic department as Chip Martel for over 10 years. His research area is cryptography. An encryption method that he helped to invent is having a big impact in practice (check out [www.voltage.com](http://www.voltage.com)). Franklin was the King of Bridge in 1978.

**FREDIN, Peter** (b. 1969) of Malmö, Sweden. A WBF World Life Master, Fredin placed second in the World Open Pairs in 2010, third in the World Teams and the World Pairs in 1998. Fredin won the Nordic Teams in 1996 and the China Cup in 1999. He also won the Nordic Junior Teams and seven Swedish titles. Since joining the ACBL, he has placed second in four North American Championships.

**FREEMAN, Louise K.** (Mrs. Richard, formerly Louise Robinson) of Atlanta GA. She won the Mixed BAM Teams in 1961. This event was renamed in 2010 in memory of her late husband.

**FRENCH, Capt. Fred G.** (1893-1937) of Philadelphia, an Army officer, bridge teacher and writer. He was the president of the ABL in 1931 and a member of Advisory Council which drafted and approved the Official System. French won the Wernher Open Pairs in 1935.

**FRENKIEL, Marian** (1919-1995) of Warsaw, Poland, journalist. A WBF World Master, Frenkiel won the Rosenblum Teams in 1978 and represented Poland in many other world and zonal championships. Frenkiel was president of the Polish Bridge Union from 1973 to 1990 and an EBL Executive member from 1983 to 1991.

**FRIEDLANDER, Jerome** (Thumbs, Jerry) (1906-1995) of Jupiter FL was an ACBL R4 tournament director since 1950. He was head director for the Cavendish Invitational from its inception until 1978. Life Master #102, he was awarded a scroll in 1983 for 25-plus years as a tournament director and received an honorary plaque in 1987 at the 50-year anniversary of the ACBL. He placed second in the Golder Cup Pairs in 1951.

**FUCIK, Jan** (b. 1956) of Vienna, Austria, born in Czechoslovakia, insurance clerk and bridge professional. A WBF World Life Master and a top Austrian masterpoint winner, Fucik placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1985 and the World Team Olympiad in 1988. He won the European Open Teams in 1985, the European Junior Teams in 1976, placed second in the European Team Cup in 1988, the European Pairs in 1985, and represented Austria on many other occasions. His 16 national victories include 11 Open Teams titles.

**FULTON, Janice Gilbert** (Formerly Stone) (1920-1992) was a television personality and bridge expert. She drowned in a boating accident near her home in the Turks and Caicos Islands in the Caribbean. Born in New York City of a show business family, Jan became a radio actress as a child and later was well known as Janice Gilbert, the Paying Teller on the early television show "Break the Bank." Besides acting, she was accomplished in painting, sculpting, bridge, backgammon, and word games. In 1956, the year after she and Tobias Stone were married, the couple finished first and second in the McKenney Trophy race (now the Barry Crane Top 500). Fulton became a Life Master in just seven months, a record that stood for many years. In 1964 she was a member of the team that finished second in the World Women's Team Championship. In 1965 she won the Master Mixed Team title (now the Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams). Fulton won three other NABC titles during her bridge career.

**FUNK, David** (b. 1955) of North Garden VA, CFO of a software company. A Contributor to *The Bridge World*, Funk won the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1984.

**FURBECK, Barbara W.** (b. 1924) of Wilmington DE is a retired research chemist with one patent. She won the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1976.

**FURMAN, David B.** (b. 1941) of Clifton Heights PA, financial analyst and collection specialist. Furman won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1980.

**GABARRET, Adolfo** (1890-1956) of Buenos Aires, Argentina, writer and journalist. A pioneer of bridge in Argentina, Gabarret won the South American Teams in 1954 and the National Open Teams three times. He participated in radio match against a Culbertson team in 1936. A columnist in bridge magazines and author of several books, the Gabarret Cup was named in his memory.

**GARDENER, Nico** (1908–1989) was a British international bridge player, born in Riga, Latvia (then part of Imperial Russia). After the Russian Revolution his family moved to Ukraine, and then to Moscow, where he trained as a ballet dancer. He later moved to Berlin, where he read languages and history at Berlin University, and played chess rather than bridge. He moved to London in 1936, where his bridge career began. His father had been a banker, but in Germany the family became timber merchants. The family name was Goldinger; Nico's change to Gardener was a later decision, after he settled in London. He became a naturalised British citizen in due course.

His partners in competition bridge included some of the great players of the day, such as Pedro Juan, Victor Mollo, Louis Tarlo, Iain MacLeod and Adam Meredith. As a tournament player he won World Mixed Teams in 1962 with Boris Schapiro, Rixi Markus and Fritzi Gordon. He won the European Championship twice out of five attempts, and competed in two Bermuda Bowls (1950 and 1962) and the 1960 Olympiad.

In domestic bridge he won the Gold Cup six times, and the Waddington Master Pairs in 1953. He won the *Sunday Times* Invitational Pairs in 1970 with Tony Priday; this prestigious tournament featured some of the world's strongest partnerships. He also played rubber bridge for many years at Lederer's club and at his own London School of Bridge.

Gardener was married, and became the father of Nicola Smith. His wife, Pat Gardener (c.1920–1988), was also an international player: she played in four European women's championships.

Nico founded the London School of Bridge in 1952 in the King's Road, Chelsea, above a frock shop. There he supervised the bridge teaching and the rubber bridge rooms where beginners could practice at the game for small stakes. The teachers were some of the best players in the country, and there were about 2000 students each year. The school survived his death, but no longer exists. Another of Nico's ventures was the bridge cruise, of which he was an early promoter. Each summer would find him hosting on a Mediterranean cruise ship, conducting lessons and practice in four or five different languages, and accompanied by an attractive assistant.

Gardener had a partnership with the outstanding bridge author Victor Mollo, and two classic bridge books resulted: *Card Play Technique* and *Bridge for Beginners*.

**GATES, Bill** (b. 1955). Founder and chairman of Microsoft, Gates is often seen at ACBL tournaments and even occasionally at a world championship. Gates is an enthusiastic supporter of bridge which prompted him to donate \$1 million to help promote teaching the game in schools. He plays regularly with Sharon Osberg and can be found on Bridgebase using the name "Chalengr". Gates and Warren Buffett were named the ACBL Honorary Members in 2010.

**GAWRYS, Piotr** (b.1955). After completing his education he qualified as an architect, but is now a professional player. In 1984 (with Henryk Wolny) he placed fifth in a poll to select the top 10 Polish sportsmen. In 2006 he played every single board at the European Championships in Warsaw. A WBF World Grand Master, Gawrys won the Open Team Olympiad in 1984, the Mixed Team Olympiad in 2000, the Transnational Teams in 2005, and the Generali World Individual in 1992. He has also claimed silver medals in the Bermuda Bowl, the Rosenblum Teams and the Transnational Teams. Since joining the ACBL in 2003, he has won three North American Championships.

**GENUD, Maury** (b. 1940) of Tarzana CA is a child psychologist and teacher. He was the CBL analyst of the 1965 Team Trials report, a former contributor to *Bridge World* and a columnist for *Los Angeles Bridge News*. Genud won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1967.

**GHESTEM, Pierre** (1929-2000) (although some published documents suggest that he was born in 1922) in Lille, France and he became an avid bridge player. He was a World Bridge Federation Grand Master. He was also a former World Checker

Champion and a former French chess champion. He was the creator of the complex Monaco System and the Ghestem System, and devised the Relay System still used today.

He took third place in the Geneva Par Contest in 1990.

**GILBERT, Ruth** (formerly Goldberg, nee Chase) (deceased). Originally from Boston MA, Gilbert was a three-time North American champion. She won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1949 with Leo Roet.

**GLATT, Arthur** (1909-1975) of Lincolnwood IL was a financial consultant and technical adviser to the TV program *Championship Bridge with Charles Goren*. Glatt was named Life Master #29 in 1942 and was a two-time North American champion. The Art Glatt Award is given to the player who earns the most masterpoints at the Central States Regional.

**GLICK, Jeff** (1906-1985) of North Miami Beach was a bridge administrator. He was instrumental in organizing the Florida Unit, subsequently the largest ACBL unit and was its president from 1949-1965 and executive manager from 1965-1979. He was the chairman of two international tournaments and four North American Championships, all held in Miami. He was the ACBL president in 1955 and the ACBL Honorary Member in 1964. He was the npc of U.S. team that placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1956. He won the Spingold in 1949, the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1940 and 1949, the Men's (Open BAM) Teams in 1947, 1948, 1954, 1958; the Hilliard Mixed Pairs in 1941, and the Asbury Challenge Teams in 1934.

**GLICK, Vera** (Mrs. Jefferson) (1903-1997) of Miami Beach, served as co-chairman of the 1975 Summer NABC held in Miami. Won Wagar Women's Teams 1953, Hilliard Mixed Pairs 1941 and many regional titles.

**GOLDSMITH, Arthur S.** (1909-1995) of Lyndhurst OH. A former Cleveland attorney, Goldsmith won five North American bridge titles in the Forties and Fifties. He was named Life Master #41 in 1944.

**GOODEN, George S.** (1904-1981) of Carmel CA, bridge writer, lecturer, tour conductor, member ACBL Board of Directors in 1959 and president of ABTA from 1962 to 1963. Gooden taught more than 250,000 pupils, lectured on radio and in department stores. He authored many books and booklets for teaching purposes including *Contract Bridge Bidding and Play: Self-Teaching Lesson Course for Beginning Players*. Gooden won the World Olympic Par contest in 1941.

**GOODMAN, Aaron** (b. 1901-deceased) of Montreal, born in England, export/import businessman. He served as treasurer and director of the Canadian Bridge Federation and as director and president of the Montreal BL. He won the Wernher Men's Pairs in 1942 and several regional titles. In 1964 the CBF began awarding the Aaron Goodman Trophy. This trophy is awarded to the team representing Canada in the Women's Team competition at the World Olympiad

**GOODMAN, Andy** (b. 1946) of San Francisco CA, investment manager. Previously founded and ran Professional Sports Publications, the nation's largest publisher of sports programs. He won his first and second regional titles on the same day (1988) and he won four events at the Wine Country Regional in 1991. Goodman won the Vanderbilt in 1992, the Open BAM Teams in 1994; and placed second in the Red Ribbon Pairs in 1992.

**GOODWIN, Jude** (b. 1953) of Maple Ridge BC, desktop publishing, graphic design, cartoonist, web master. Canadian Bridge Federation web master and magazine editor, Goodwin served as the Unit 574 sectional co-chairman from 1983-1986 and from 1986-1999 was the newsletter editor, president, vice president, and secretary for Unit 430. Edited District 19 Bridge Buff 1989-1996 and from 1997 has done District 19 Tournament Gazette. Author of *Table Talk* Cartoons, *Let's Play Cards*, co-authored *Teach Me to Play* and *Teach Me to Play, Book Two*. Publisher of *Canadian Bridge*, editor of *Kootenay*, *Trump-it*, *Vancouver Matchpointer* and District 19 Daily Bulletins. Has done illustrations for ACBL Bridge Bulletin and Devyn Press. Her *Table Talk* cartoons have been published around the world in various bridge publications.

**GORDON, Fritzi** (1905-1992) was one half of the most famous and tempestuous female partnerships in bridge. She was the second woman to attain the rank of World Grandmaster, her partner (Rixi Markus) being the first. She won four world titles, seven European championships and numerous other tournament victories. Her brothers Hans and Paul Leist became, respectively, British and Argentinian international bridge players.

Gordon was born Frederika Leist in Vienna to middle-class Jewish parents. After school, she became the buyer for a Salzburg store, married Paul Gordon and moved to Graz. The Nazi Anschluss disrupted her life, as it did to so many others. She fled to

London.

Despite their shared cultural heritage and experiences, Gordon and Markus were not personal friends. Success tied them together, but they were often at odds despite their success. Their “discussions” at the table were quite famous, and earned them the soubriquets Frisky and Bitchy

Gordon’s tournament bridge career began after World War II, and her first partnership with Markus began half-way through the European Championships of 1950. In 1955 they agreed to form a regular partnership, which became one of the most successful women’s pairs in bridge history. The partnership lasted until 1975.

Terence Reese thought she was at least as good as her more famous partner:

“Fritzi played like a top-class man – like her brother Hans Leist, in fact. To tell the truth – and why not? – Rixi was not quite the equal of Fritzi as an all round player.”

**GORDON, Irving** (b.1940) of Surrey, England, born in Scotland, proprietor of recruitment consultancy. A WBF Seniors Life Master, Gordon won the World Seniors Pairs in 1998. He represented Britain in the European Championship in 1970 and England in Camrose Trophy. He won two Gold Cups and other national titles.

**GORDON, Phil** (b.1970) A National Merit Scholar who entered Georgia Tech at age 15, Gordon began his professional life as a computer scientist.

His first business success saw his company, Netsys Technologies, was acquired by Cisco Systems in 1997. After the acquisition, Gordon took off on a five-year, 50+ country solo backpacking journey around the world that included stops at the top of Kilimanjaro, the outback of Australia, an elephant safari in Thailand, and the “greatest road trip in sports history” in the United States, a 138-event, 40,000-mile year-long trip in an RV dubbed the “Ultimate Sports Adventure.”

Gordon’s travel adventures concluded just in time for an explosion in the world of poker. An avid card player all his life, Gordon finished fourth in the 2001 World Series Main event, a result that catapulted him into the poker media spotlight.

Gordon was the lead commentator for Bravo’s hit show, “Celebrity Poker Showdown”, is the ESPN.com Poker Analyst, and has written three poker books with more than 500,000 copies in print in 12 languages. Phil’s poker tournament winnings are in excess of \$2.8 million, including two World Poker Tour championships.

Gordon used his TV platform for good. With Rafe Furst, the duo formed the “Bad Beat on Cancer” benefitting the Prevent Cancer Foundation. To date, their efforts and the generosity of thousands of poker players worldwide have raised more than \$3.3 million dollars for the cause.

Gordon won the Roth Open Swiss in 2008.

**GOWDY, Bruce Douglas** (B.G.) (b. 1930) of Toronto ON, retired chartered accountant, vice president of finance (Country Style Donuts), store franchiser. Gowdy became a tournament director in 1950 and scored sheets all over the country for Al Sobel, Alvin Landy and Russell Baldwin. He was Director in Charge (DIC) of half of the tournaments in Ontario from 1953-1960. A WBF World Life Master, he placed third in the World Team Olympiad in 1972 and also represented Canada in Turin, Italy in 1960, New Orleans in 1978 (11<sup>th</sup> Rosenblum Teams) and Monte Carlo in 1976 (placed 13<sup>th</sup> World Team Olympiad). He holds record for being youngest player ever to win a major knockout event – the Spingold at the age of 19 in 1949. He won the Canadian National Open Teams five times.

**GREENBERG, Julie Toledano** (b.1938) of Memphis TN. She worked for the ACBL in various capacities for over 50 years. Greenberg was the Director of Education for 20+ years during the time the ACBL teaching program and junior player program were developed. An ACBL tournament director for 20+ years achieving the rank of associate national, she worked with all of the early giants of the TD world.

Al Sobel started her career when he carried her from table to table as a toddler to fulfill her caddy duties and paid her a dollar to buy comic books. Sobel moved her to caddy-scorekeeper when the tournaments began to grow, sent her to her Uncle Edgar (Montgomery) to learn to matchpoint, and her uncle’s clever system made Greenberg a whiz. Sobel hired her for her first full session of work (Hot Springs AR - 1957) following her first year at college, and started inviting Greenberg to the Nationals where she met and worked with all of the early greats (Paul Marks, Harry Goldwater, Jerry Machlin, Howard Foering, Ed Cheronnet, Joe and Luise Mathews, Dean Weisbach, Dick Goldberg, Walter Wilson, Duke Cartwright, Sid Davidson, Phil Merry, Ken Stone, Ray Oakley, Jim Chambers, Bob Dischner, Phil Wood, Mike Goldstein).

In 1978 she was promoted to a salaried TD position and shortly thereafter brought into the office as Tournament Coordinator and later Manager of the Tournament Division. In 1987 she was moved to the Education Department and remained there until her retirement in 2010. During this time, she worked for nine CEOs.



Greenberg authored *Duplicate Decisions*, a version of the *Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge* in everyday language. It served as a model for a version created by the European Bridge League and is still used extensively at ACBL bridge clubs. She wrote the ACBL Bridge Bulletin column "Ruling the Game" for 10 years, created and edited the ABCL newsletter, *The Bridge Teacher*, for 22 years and was the first editor of *The Grapevine*, establishing the format for this publication for Junior players which was published for 15 years. She also created the first Tournament Director manual (The Technicolor Pages) to help create uniformity in the way the job was performed, and she developed the ACBL's student Bridge Bulletin supplements and New Member newsletters. Married to Steve Greenberg, they had three daughters (Leslie, Tracey and Stacey). Tracey is the ACBL Archivist, Museum Curator and Librarian.

**GRIEVE, William P.** (Billy) (b. 1929) of White Plains NY, IBM system programmer and mathematician. A retired tournament player with seven North American titles, Grieve represented the U.S. at the 1960 Olympiad in Turin.

**GROETHEIM, Glenn** (b.1959) of Trondheim where he lives with his wife Vigdis, and their two sons Sindre and Frode. By profession he is an engineer, working as an electricity broker. Glenn is founder and author of the system Viking Precision Club, a relay precision system which is available at: [www.vikingclub.net](http://www.vikingclub.net). A WBF World Grand Master, Groetheim won the Bermuda Bowl in 2007.

**GROMOV, Andrew** (b.1970) of Moscow, Russia, businessman. A WBF World Life Master, Gromov placed second in the Transnational Teams in 2007 and 2008 and placed third in the Open Team Olympiad in 2004. He has represented Russia in many world championships. Gromov has won six North American Championships including the Spingold and the Vanderbilt.

**GROMOVA, Victoria.** She was born in Minsk but now lives in Moscow with her husband, Andrey, and their two children. She works as a business executive in a Moscow based company. She is the number one ranked woman in Russia and also highly placed in the Open rankings. In her spare time she enjoys playing mah-jong.

**GRUENTHER, General Alfred M.** (1899-1983) of Washington DC, a recognized authority on duplicate contract bridge and the outstanding director of bridge tournaments in America in the Thirties. He was the chief referee in the Culbertson-Lenz Match 1931-1932. He authored *Duplicate Bridge Simplified*, *Duplicate Bridge Guide* and *Famous Hands of the Culbertson-Lenz Match*. Gruenther was named honorary president of the World Bridge Federation from its inception in 1958 until he resigned from all bridge activities in 1978. Awarded the Wetzlar Trophy in 1938, he was also named ACBL Honorary Member in 1944. Gruenther was a charter member of the ACBL Laws Commission and its Honorary Member from 1948-1978. He was also chairman of the ACBL Charity Foundation from 1964-1965 and a former member of the Editorial Advisory Board of Bridge Encyclopedia. Gruenther served 38 years in the U.S. Army. His final military assignment was Supreme Commander, Allied Powers, Europe, 1953-1956. In this capacity he came into contact with General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On occasion they played bridge. He retired December 31, 1956 and from 1957 to 1964 was president of the American Red Cross, serving with particular devotion and special interest in its youth program. He received nine awards from Red Cross Societies from other countries for International Red Cross league activities. He was decorated by 14 governments other than the United States. He was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Medal with two Oak Leaf clusters and the Legion of Merit from this country. He had honorary degrees from 31 American colleges and universities.

**GUTOWSKY, Ace, Jr.** (1909-1976) of Oklahoma City won acclaim both as a bridge player and as a football star. On the gridiron Gutowsky played professionally from 1931-1938 and was fullback for the Detroit Lions when they won the world championship in 1935. After his retirement from football he worked as an aircraft sales representative. His bridge victories came in the Fifties and included Men's Teams 1951. Ace was his given name.

**HABERT, Rhoda** (b.1948) of Montreal PQ, high school English teacher. A WBF World Life Master, Habert has represented Canada in several world championships. She placed third in Women's Team Olympiad in 1996 and won silver in 2000. She has won the CWTC seven times.

**HACKETT, Barbara.** She learned to play when she was 16 but didn't take it up seriously until she went to university. One of her junior and mixed partners was Andreas Kirmse and it was with him that she had her first international success winning the first Student Europeans in 1993.

Her life changed completely when she met Justin Hackett in Bermuda in 2000. Six weeks later, she was a member of

Manchester United. Eighteen months later, she moved to Manchester. She works as a senior project manager in an IT department for a home shopping company. Her hobbies are travelling, cinema, reading, gym and football (she still supports Borussia Dortmund but has a season ticket at Manchester United).

She still represents her native Germany and has a collection of world championship medals.

**HACKETT, Jason.** Like his twin brother he learned to play at age 11 and has already won a World Junior Championship and a silver medal in the Open Teams in the 2008 Mind Sports games. Like the rest of the family he lives in Manchester and spends a lot of his spare time playing on-line poker. He likes to travel, especially by car. A keen cook, he also has another skill – he can speak Russian. His favorite part of the world is South-West France, where apart from the other delights on offer he enjoys practicing naturism.

**HACKETT, Justin.** His contribution to the bridge world was recognized at the highest level in 1997 when he was invited to Buckingham Palace in recognition of his distinction in the field. An avid Manchester United fan, Hackett had considered turning professional; “I wanted to be a footballer. I was torn between bridge and football and I ended up playing bridge.” Among Justin’s individual achievements are the 1994 European Junior Championship and the 1995 World Junior Championship.

**HACKETT, Paul** (b.1941) The Patriarch of one of the most famous bridge families in the world, Hackett was born in Peshawar. With the death of his father, killed in action in a fighter plane over Singapore Straights, he returned to England. Not wanting to go into the business world after University, Hackett took up golf and bridge and tried to earn a living from both of them.

Unable to last the pace of early mornings on the golf course, late nights at the table and a couple of hours recovering in Turkish baths, Hackett opted to concentrate on bridge.

He soon formed a partnership with Martin Hoffman. They traveled round Europe in the Phillip Morris tournaments, the equivalent of the European pairs, winning Gold and Bronze in successive years. Hackett qualified for the Bermuda Bowl in 1980, partnering John Collings, and playing one of the worst systems ever invented the Walpurgis Club, which was followed by an equally poor replacement, the Walpurgis Diamond. Booked by Phillip Morris to play with Giorgio Belladonna, Hackett for several years toured the North African Circuit, together with teammates, Hoffman and Zia.

Probably the creator of the modern European Professional, Hackett traveled the world and has won more tournaments in different countries than anyone else.

Hackett married Olivia and is the father of Jason and Justin. Justin’s wife Barbara, a world champion representing Germany, has added medals to the trophy cabinet. A very close family, Jason was asked what his relationship with his father had been throughout his life. He summed it up by saying “When I was a child I saw very little of him because he was always traveling; now I see him almost every day.”

As well as fulfilling his playing commitments Hackett has been instrumental in creating many well known tournaments, such as the Commonwealth Bridge Championships and the Warren Buffett Cup, often working in conjunction with Manchester Bridge Club owner, Jeff Morris.

Hobbies include Genealogy, tracing his ancestry back to the 10th century and having over 4000 names on the family tree, Calypso music, dancing, theatre and bridge politics. Together with the rest of his family their exploration of food and wines is well known.

In 2009, Hackett partnering Ross Harper, won the Gold Medal in the Senior Bermuda Bowl together with the English team. As he remarked, “I was the first member of the family to play bridge and the last to win a world title”.

**HADDAD, Betty** (formerly Windley) (1924-1984) of Arlington VA, painter. She won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1954 and the Whitehead Women’s Pairs in 1961.

**HADDAD, Said** (1916-2004) of La Gorce Island FL, contractor. Former director and treasurer of the Washington BL, Haddad won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1954 and the Baird Trophy in 1956.

**HADDEN, David A.** (Dave) (1944-2006) of San Antonio TX, engineer/systematic management service, retired U.S. Air Force colonel. He served in several executive positions for Unit 172, was treasurer for the 1999 Summer NABC, and editor for Unit newsletter Winning Finesse. He won the Men’s Pairs in 1973.

**HALL, Charles A.** (1897-1958) of Cincinnati OH was a member of the ACBL Board of Directors for many years. He was named ACBL Life Master # 50 in 1945. He was known as “Mr. Bridge of Cincinnati.”

**HALL, James M.** (Jim) (1940-2008) of Minneapolis MN, insurance salesman. Hall was a Master Solver panelist for the *Bridge World*. He placed second in the Reisinger in 1988 and in the Open BAM Teams twice.

**HALLBERG, Gunnar.** He was born on the west coast of Sweden, near Gothenburg, in a hard-working family. With his three brothers and sisters, he grew up knowing that he would have to start working early, as his father was a fisherman and there wasn't much money around. They had a fishing boat that supplied them with fish to eat and some money, and his mother saw to it that we were always well fed out of the produce of their little farm. Butchering the pig at Christmas was a special treat! He left school at 15, having been taught to play bridge by a very talented teacher who was his first regular partner. At first he worked as a mechanic locally, but after doing his National Service at 21, left to seek his fortune in Stockholm, mostly working as a builder while playing as much bridge as possible. Even then, he was happiest when he could be outdoors: Swedes have a law, ‘All Men's Right’, which gives them the right to walk wherever they like provided they are considerate of the environment and other people's property. As a result, he knows Sweden fairly well!

He moved to England to play bridge professionally in 1995 - and is still an even more unpopular opponent in London's rubber clubs than on the tournament scene. A losing semi-finalist for England in the 2000 World Olympiad, he has won the Cavendish teams and the Vanderbilt trophy (the first Brit ever to do so). He plays whenever and wherever his sponsors want him to and enjoys the rest of his life, and especially his daughter Nisha, as much as he can in between. When he is not walking or playing pitch and putt near his Brighton home, he might be found cooking or keeping in touch with his 34 cousins.

**HALLEE, Gerard F.** (Jerry) (b. 1940) of Snohomish WA, president of software development and consulting company. A contributor to *The Bridge World*, Hallee won the Vanderbilt in 1969.

**HANNA, William J.** (Bill) (b. 1931) of Bethesda MD, professor at University of Maryland. Hanna was one of the leading players on West Coast until he retired from active play in 1961. He contributed many articles to various publications including *Bridge World*, wrote the monthly column Western Dateline for the Bridge Bulletin. He co-authored *Precision Power Bidding* and the Bull System. Hanna won two North American Championships – the Spingold in 1958 and the Reisinger in 1960.

**HANNER, Olof** (b. 1922) of V. Frolunda, Sweden, retired professor of mathematics. Inventor and developer of many movements: Pivot Mitchell; Stanza Howell; movement for odd number of teams without bye; several perfectly balanced individual movements with each player having each other player as partner once and opponent twice. He co-authored *Movements - a Fair Approach*, a major work of directing and movements.

**HARASIMOWICZ, Ewa** (b.1951). She has a Master's degree in Economics and is an expert in foreign languages and a famous mountaineer. She was taught to play by a Japanese climber during an expedition to the Himalayas in 1978. On one occasion, while playing at an altitude of 4,500 meters their tent was attacked by a bear! When the European Championships were staged in Villamoura, she headed a team making a film of the tournament for Polish television. She is married to Marcin Lesniewski. Harasimowicz won the European Mixed Pairs Championship in 1992 and a bronze medal in the 1994 World Mixed Pairs. She placed second in the 2011 Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams.

**HARDING, Julie** (Mother, Mother Butterfly, Amelia Airpocket, etc.) (b.1928) of Hollywood CA is a former tournament director who started her directing career in Houston, TX in the 1950s where she and husband Mervin Key ran a bridge club with Bobby and Betty Nail. Beautiful, fun, personable, interesting, there aren't enough positive adjectives to describe her, and the spark she brought to every tournament where she was a member of the staff. She loved to entertain with stories of her “many” husbands and she finally found “the one” in Larry Markes (Blue). Julie was a pilot, a legal secretary, the owner and chief cook of a small lunch-time restaurant and the personal assistant to Lily Tomlin, appearing briefly in “The Incredible Shrinking Woman.” She won the Fred Friendly award in 1994 and is a Life Master. Julie has two sons, Joel and Kevin and two grandsons.

**HARPER, Ross** (b.1935). A distinguished Scottish lawyer, until his retirement in 2001 he was senior partner in the Glasgow firm of Ross Harper & Murphy and he holds a Bachelor of Laws and Master of Arts degrees from Glasgow University. He learned to play at University along with Scotland's first minister Donald Dewar. He was awarded an Honorary Doctorate for Services to Law at Glasgow University in 2002. He is an Emeritus Professor of Law at Strathclyde University. He was awarded a CBE for

public and political services in 1986. Scurrilous accusations in the Sun newspaper forced him to resign as president of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Association, but he continued as chairman of Mining Scotland. Having won a libel case against the Sun, he went on to become President of the International Bar Association, and was welcomed back into the Conservative fold. He is a keen collector of paintings. He is fond of regaling dinner parties with the story of how he was using his umbrella to hide from photographers, when he suddenly realized it had the name of his law firm, Ross Harper & Murphy, emblazoned across the front of it.

**HARRINGTON, Pat** was born in 1945 in Albany NY now living and teaching in southwest Florida. Her original career was as a mathematics teacher at secondary and community college levels.

She became a Life Master in 1980 and has several Regional and Sectional wins as well as a third place in a National Women's Swiss, but she considers her main accomplishments as a teacher and author. She began her career in bridge teaching working as the area manager in Albany NY, one of the three original test market areas for the ACBL's education program. Harrington is an ACBL director, accredited teacher, and TAP trainer. She has served on Unit 115 Board and the District 3 Board for several years. She was named *Mrs. Bridge* in 1988 for contributions to Unit 115. She has also served as ABTA Business Secretary Treasurer of the American Bridge Teachers' Association (ABTA) from 1994-2006. Harrington's writings include *ACBL Bulletin* "Play & Learn" column since 1993, ACBL's *Bridge Teacher* Newsletter and *ABTA Quarterly Magazine*. She is the author of four ACBL Play Courses: *Club Play Course*, *Modern Notrump Bidding Play Course*, *Major Suit Raises I and II Play Courses* which won the American Bridge Teachers' Book of the Year award in 2007. In conjunction with Great Game Products, she is the creator of two *Introduction to Bridge Play & Learn With Pat Harrington* teaching CDs based on her beginning bridge course. This beginner course as well as other self-published teaching manuals are used by many bridge teachers in North America. Part I won the ABTA Software of the Year award in 2009 and Part 2 won the same award in 2010.

**HARRIS, Marguerite** (Tommy) (1896-1987) of New York City, from 1946 to 1969 was an ACBL staff member in charge of Club Department and writer of the Bridge Bulletin feature "Club Corner." Won Women's Teams 1954.

**HARRISON-GRAY, Maurice** (1899-1968) known always as 'Gray', was one of the best English players from the mid-Thirties to the mid-Sixties and won the European Championship four times. He was the child of an English father and an American mother. Much of his childhood was spent in Paris, and he became bilingual. He was educated at Haileybury School and served in the British Army at the end of World War I. In his younger days he boxed, played rugby and tennis, rode motorcycles, but leg injuries stopped his sporting activities. During World War II he was a Flight Lieutenant in the RAF. Later, he became an ardent lepidopterist, breeding tropical moths at his Hampstead home.

Gray turned to bridge at 30 after a series of accidents at sports, including a motor-bike accident at 100 mph. Within three years he was bidding for Britain in radio matches against the US and Australia.

Gray participated in the development of the Acol System of bidding, along with his partner, S.J. (Skid) Simon, Jack Marx, Iain Macleod and Colin Harding. Gray was also instrumental in helping, in 1938, to unite the two warring bridge organisations (The British Bridge League and the National Bridge Association) into one.

After the war the line-up of British teams generally included Boris Schapiro, Terence Reese, Kenneth Konstam, Leslie Dodds, and Edward Rayne, initially with Gray as captain. In London, 1949, the England team of Gray, Konstam, Reese and Schapiro defeated the American team of Crawford, Rapée, Stayman and Leventritt by 2,950 points over 96 boards for the Crowninshield trophy.

Like many other players of his day, Gray played rubber bridge on an almost daily basis. He used his bridge columns to champion the losing trick method of evaluating hands for suit contracts. He was bridge editor of the *Evening Standard* and *Country Life* for many years. His *Losing Trick Count* and *The Country Life Book of Bridge* were immensely popular.

Gray's career as an international was interrupted for about seven years after a strange incident in 1951. He withdrew from the trials at an early stage, leaving his partner high and dry, and announced his retirement from international competition, without giving reasons. Thus he did not play in the 1951 European championship, but he gave a lengthy account of it in a press report, which attacked the performance of the British team (who came third to Italy and Austria). He did not play again for Britain until Oslo 1958.

**HART, Norman de Villiers** (1888-1976) of London, England. Won English Inter-county championship. Hart authored the *Daily Telegraph Book of Contract Bridge* and the *Bridge Players' Bedside Book* and was co-author of *Right Through the Pack*, *Vienna System of Contract Bridge*, and *Quintessence of CAB*.

**HAUSE, Terry E.** (The Reverend) (b. 1947) of San Jose CA, mathematics teacher, selected for Who's Who Among American Teachers. Hause won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1976.

**HAWKINS, Allen W., Jr.** (Hawk) (b. 1949) of Birmingham AL is a senior bank examiner – retired FDIC and currently with State of Alabama Banking Department. Allen graduated from Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, N.C. He is an avid, single-digit handicap golfer. Allen placed second in the Mitchell Open BAM in 1997.

**HEAD, Cecil** (Cece) (1910-1996). Born in Louisville KY, Head earned an undergraduate degree from Harvard University and a Law Degree from Yale University School of Law. He practiced law in Manhattan, except for four years when he served as an Air Force meteorologist during World War II, until he retired in 1975 and moved to Hendersonville NC. Head married Olivia in 1990 and moved to Fort Branch IN. The two were frequent partners and played in the Louisville sectional the week before Head died. Head with partner S. Garton Churchill set a long-standing performance record in 1948. They averaged 66.5% per session in winning the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs..

**HELGEMO, Geir** (b.1970) of Trondheim, is a full time bridge professional, and has a daily column in Norway's biggest newspaper "Verdens Gang". His brilliant cardplay has already won him a host of awards. He made his first appearance for Norway's Open team in 2000 and rapidly shot to fame not least because of some spectacular victories in North America. He was disciplined by the Norwegian Bridge Federation and the ACBL and missed the 2009 Bermuda Bowl as a result. He has won three world championships and several North American champions. Helgemo was the IBPA Personality of the Year in 1996.

**HELNESS, Tor** (b.1957) lives in Oslo, where he is a stockbroker. He is sometimes described as the "Grand old man" of the successful Norwegian team. His wife, Gunn, has also represented Norway and their sons, Jonas and Fredrik are both interested in bridge.

His partnership with Geir Helgemo is recognized as one of the world's best. From 2012 he hopes to represent Monaco.

**HERBERT, Walter** (1902-1975) of San Diego, was the conductor of the San Diego Opera and formerly the general director of the Houston Opera Company. He originated the Herbert Convention, advocated by Herbert when he was a member of the 1937 Austrian team that defeated Ely and Josephine Culbertson, Helen Sobel and Charles Vogelhofer representing the U.S. to win the World Bridge Team Championship. The convention was applied in many ways in the Vienna System.

**HILLIARD, Olga** (1891-1979) of New York City. Hilliard donated the ABL trophy for the National Mixed Pairs in 1931. With the formation of the ACBL, the Hilliard Mixed Pairs was contested until being replaced by the Rockwell Trophy in 1963. Hilliard was a two-time North American champion.

**HIRATA, Makoto** (b.1949) lives in Tokyo where he teaches Greek and Roman culture, English and Latin. His hobby is Go. Hirata won the World Senior Teams in 2008.

**HIRON, Alan** (1933-1999) He was born in Enfield, Middlesex, the son of a refrigeration expert (by repute the first man to skate on an ice-rink in South Africa). He was educated at Latymer, Edmonton, and won the London Schools Chess Championship in 1949. In his first year at University College London, where he won a scholarship to read Mathematics, he represented London University at chess - and also at bridge, a new-found interest. He concentrated on bridge and his work and graduated with a First in Pure Mathematics, and a growing reputation in bridge circles.

After lecturing in maths at University College, in 1959 he joined Shell in their fledgling computer department (with a massive thermionic valve computer, static water tanks and a team of engineers on site). The same year he married the European Championship winner Marjorie Van Rees.

Hiron then joined PLRA, the Paper, Printing and Packaging Industries Research Association, but his increasing involvement as a bridge player, lecturer, trainer and writer led him to abandon the world of mathematics and concentrate full-time on bridge. For 29 years he lectured at the London School of Bridge, where he was affectionately known as "The Headmaster".

The Charity Challenge Cup was an annual world-wide bridge event organised by Jill Gatti. For some 30 years Hiron edited the book of hands, and assisted in scoring the event - a mammoth task. In 1967, partnering Irving Rose, he played on the British team in the European Championships in Dublin; the team won the Bronze Medal. At various times he was a player, NPC, trainer, coach and selector for British teams.

Hiron captained the British Junior team in the inaugural Junior European Championships held in Prague in 1968. His hired

Skoda motor car set an unofficial world record of returning back to the hotel with 16 people on board. They were stopped by the police, but there was a happy ending when the present bridge correspondent of The Times, Robert Sheehan, produced his Bridge Master Points card in place of a driving licence. An unsure police officer in charge allowed them to re-assemble and proceed back to their destination, so establishing the principle that Master Points served a useful purpose.

In 1983 Alan Hiron married Maureen Berman, who also represented Great Britain and England at bridge, and in 1993 they played bridge together in the European Union Senior Pairs in Portugal, winning the Bronze Medal.

Hiron was the editor of Bridge Magazine, the world's oldest extant bridge publication, from 1985 to 1990. The Hiron also co-wrote a range of quiz books, notably the best-selling *The Ultimate Trivia Quiz Game Book* (1984), which contains over 10,000 questions. They were also joint question consultants and adjudicators of the popular Channel 4 quiz show *Fifteen To One*, first screened in 1988. In 1982 they formed Hiron Games, to market and manufacture the game Continuo, also a best-seller. A string of other games followed, Alan's primary role being to test and refine the ideas originating from Maureen. In 1984 they were the subject of a BBC TV documentary, *A Will to Win*.

In the early 1990s the Hiron made the south of Spain their base to continue their bridge and games activities, benefiting from the better climate. It was there that Alan died, after a long fight against the muscle-paralysing Guillaine-Barre syndrome, in Malaga. He was the Bridge Correspondent of The Independent from its inception in 1986 and of The Independent on Sunday from its launch four years later.

His catch cry at parties "Did someone say redders?" invariably signalled that the beer had run out and other delights were to be sampled.

**HIRON, Maureen.** Wishing to join the local Maccabi Club back in 1968, she first ventured there on the 'wrong' night (typical!) and the only non-junior activity taking place was bridge in the library. So in she went.

Five weeks later Ernest Senk wandered in – his football training had been rained off – and he pretended to be a beginner. Tiring of the subterfuge, he 'came clean' and told Hiron's partner Bob Pattinson that there was a regular duplicate game every Monday, just round the corner at the Acol Bridge Club.

Pattinson went to Ireland and Hiron formed a partnership with Dave Maeer. Soon they were gaining good results and she was selected to play in the Great Britain Women's Team for the European Championships in Israel in 1974.

By this time, her life (and sometime bridge partner) had become Alan Hiron – though they married 10 years later.

People used to consult Alan about games they had invented, and Maureen felt she could do better. And she did – with Continuo – invented in two seconds on April 1, 1982. Two days later she formed Hiron Games Limited with Jonathan Smith. (husband of Nicola.) On September 1, 1982, Continuo first came onto the market. Six weeks later it was Britain's best-selling game, and by the end of 1982 over 200,000 sets had been sold in the UK alone.

Continuo was followed with a string of other games, and soon Hiron's company came to the attention of City of London backers who, in the time-honored phrase, "made her an offer she couldn't refuse". The scheme was to do a reverse takeover of a major British games company that had a stock market listing. The plan, however, could not go forward as, in 1988, she was diagnosed with cancer..

The Hiron moved to Spain, the warm climate being better for her health. She continued to invent games her husband wrote newspaper columns. They also wrote a number of books *The Ultimate Trivia Quiz Game Book*, published by Penguin, reaching No. 2 in the British Bestsellers List. (non-fiction) And a TV series.

Alan was the bridge correspondent of *The Independent* and *The Independent on Sunday* from the inception of those national newspapers, and after his death in 1999, Maureen took over the columns, and added the *Irish Independent*.

With more than 60 different games published around the world, she is considered to be the world's number one woman games inventor.

**HIRSCH, Tannah** (b. 1933) of New York City, formerly of South Africa and Israel, bridge writer, editor and since 1978 president of Goren International. He co-authored the tournament book of the second World Olympiad Pairs. Hirsch was the editor of the Daily Bulletin at the European Championships in 1965, 1974 and 1976; editor of the Bridge Bulletin 1967-1972, and has contributed articles to bridge publications around the world. He won the South Africa Congress Teams in 1957, the Natal Teams in 1958 and the Jerusalem Pairs three times.

**HIRSCHBERG, Ralph** (1906-1962) of New York City, insurance broker. Hirschberg set a record by capturing Eastern States Reisinger Trophy six times, including four consecutive wins, 1956-1959. He is a three-time North American champion.

**HOCHZEIT, Michael** (b. 1942) of Tel Aviv, Israel, building contractor and club owner. A WBF World Master, Hochzeit placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1976 and 1985. He represented Israel in nine world championships, five European championships and eight European Pairs Championships. Hi is the co-owner of Israel's largest club.

**HODGES, Mark** (deceased). Named Life Master #86 in 1947, Hodges shared the distinction with teammate Col. William Christian of being first members of military service on active duty to win North American Championship. They won the Spingold in 1946 with Teammates Sol Mogal and Margaret Wagar. Hodges won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1961 with Hampton Hume.

**HOFFMAN, Arthur H.** (b. 1935) of Boynton Beach FL, compliance officer with Prudential Insurance Company. Hoffman served as a board member of Unit 140 from 1983-1989 and from 1992-1998. He is a contributor to the Unit 140 Declarer. Hoffman won the Wernher Open Pairs in 1988.

**HOFFMAN, Martin** (b. 1932) of London, England, bridge writer and professional. A winner of many European tournaments, Hoffman is one of fastest analysts in the game. He is the author of *Hoffman on Pairs Play* and an occasional magazine contributor. Hoffman is a survivor of Auschwitz. He has won one North American Championship – the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 1996.

**HOIE, Erik** (b. 1928) of Stavanger, Norway, tailor. Hoie represented Norway in the 1970 Bermuda Bowl and four European Championships. He is the author of *Stavanger-grangen*, dealing with 1NT opening bids and responses.

**HOLLAND, John** (b.1950) Born in Burnley UK, Holland is a professional player and a WBF Senior Grandmaster. He is an avid reader and also enjoys watching TV dramas and films. Holland's partner in life, as well as at the bridge table, was Michelle Brunner. They met at the Manchester University bridge club in the early 1970s while students, studying Mechanical Engineering and Italian, respectively. John is a panelist for the *Bridge Magazine* bidding challenge.

**HORTON, Mark** (b.1950) is an English author, journalist and expert, as well as a former lawyer and chess champion. He has been the editor of *Bridge Magazine* since 1995. He lives in Bath with his wife Liz.

He was a strong chess player who as a Junior represented England and subsequently played for Great Britain in the European Team Correspondence Championship, winning the gold medal on his board as the team took the bronze. He penned a series of articles and booklets on opening theory and American legend Bobby Fischer used one of his suggestions to win a game against Russian Mark Taimanov on his way to the World title.

Horton developed an interest in bridge in the early Seventies. Chess has taken a back seat ever since, and in 1993, he ended his law career to pursue bridge-related interests full time. He was fortunate to live in Nottingham, the home of *International Popular Bridge Monthly* which ensured that he could listen, learn and play with the pick of England's players including Tony Sowter, Tony Forrester, Roman Smolski, Graham Kirby, Brian Senior and Sally Brock.

On the advice of Forrester, he formed a partnership with Richard Winter and they rapidly rose to the top, winning in rapid succession a host of major events, including the Life Master Pairs, the Grandmaster Pairs, Crockford's Cup and the Spring Foursomes. Their success earned them invitations to overseas events and they won both the famous Hoechst Team tournament and the Dunhill Cup. They represented England on numerous occasions and were on the Great Britain team in the World Championships in Albuquerque in 1994. It was in that same year that Horton was asked by Patrick Jourdain to work at the European Mixed Championships in Barcelona – the only snag was that it meant that he would not be allowed to play. He decided to accept and when Jourdain announced at the end of the event that he wanted to retire from working on the Bridge Bulletin, the European Bridge League (EBL) appointed him chief editor, a post he has held ever since.

He started writing bridge books, and is now well into double figures. *I Love This Game*, with Sabine Auken, won the Master Point Press Book of the Year award in 2006.

Although his partnership with Winter came to an end, Horton continued to play in International tournaments. He has won events in such far-flung places as Australia, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Romania, the USA, Portugal, Egypt and Malta, to name a few.

It was in Malta in 1998 that he met the now legendary Rabbi Leonard Helman, and they formed a professional partnership. Until 2009 they played in two or three events a year, at the NABCs and in some overseas events. No international tournament is complete without his presence as a bulletin editor.

When he is not at his computer you might find him reading (Bernard Cornwell's Richard Sharpe novels and the detective stories of Peter James are among his favorites) or watching soccer, cricket or baseball. He has a vast movie library, especially classics from the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s. He has a passion for the wines of Bordeaux, which he buys, sells and drinks.

**HOWARD, Denis** (b.1932) Sydney, Australia. At Sydney Howard met Dick Cummings and Roelof Smilde and developed as bridge players under the tutelage of Tim Seres. By 1958, the foursome, now known as ‘the big four’ was winning most NSW and Australian events. Between 1958 and 1969 Howard was on the winning NSW team at the Australian National Championships nine times.

The ‘big four’ were the mainstay of the Australian Team at the 1964 Olympiad, with Don Evans, where they finished a gallant sixth. In the 1968 Olympiad, the ‘big four’, with two Victorians, Altman-McCance, did even better, finishing fifth.

Howard’s short but brilliant playing career is perhaps overshadowed by other achievements. He was the founding editor of *Australian Bridge* in 1970, bridge columnist for the *National Times* for 15 years, and daily columnist for *The Sydney Morning Herald*, from 1999 until Ron Klinger took over in 2002. He captained the Australian Open Team in 1976, 79, 80 and 81. Howard was Chairman of the NSWBA, then the ABF, then a member of the WBF Executive Council from 1982-1986. He was the interim CEO of the ACBL in 1992, and is an honorary member of the IBPA.

Howard was president of the WBF from 1986 to 1991. In his autobiography *Lone Wolff*, Bobby Wolff praises Howard, “Although he was stern and caustic at times Howard’s presidency was as good as it gets. He was super-organized, and always negotiated with the welfare of bridge and the WBF in mind.”

Howard was one of the founders of the NSW system, and co-authored books on the system in 1964 and 1970. In 2001 he edited *The Cummings Collection*, a tribute to Dick Cummings based on Dick’s daily column in *The Sydney Morning Herald*.

In his life outside bridge, Howard was a lawyer and the first National Chairman of Mallesons, Stephen, Jaques, one of Australia’s largest and most prestigious law firms.

**HOYLE, Edmond** (1672-1769) a London barrister. Hoyle was the first authority on whist and other games and first professional teacher of whist. His famous work was perhaps the best seller of the 18<sup>th</sup> century and had the longest title of any book ever written on cards: *A Short Treatise on the Game of Whist, Containing the Laws of the Game, and also Some Rules Whereby a Beginner May, with Due Attention to Them, Attain to the Playing of It Well*. Published in 1742, it quickly went through several editions as well as being pirated extensively. Hoyle’s technique was surprisingly modern. He introduced the idea of inferring the nature of unseen hands from the fall of the cards and discussed matters of probability. He also included a Code of Ethics and Fair Play, which was embodied almost without change in the Laws of Auction nearly 200 years later. He was the first person to establish a tradition of law and order in card games, whence the phrase, now used to describe correct procedure in anything, “according to Hoyle.” The book of laws by Hoyle was reprinted verbatim through the years. The prominent London Clubs eventually did make certain changes as to style and working from time to time, especially in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, but Hoyle’s imprimatur remained on most editions. He achieved considerable fame during his lifetime and his name has since become a household word. Any collection of rules of card, table or board games is still termed a Hoyle.

**HUDECEK, Carl J.** (b. 1934) of Perrysburg OH, technical consultant, former chief physicist of Owens-Illinois Glass Co. He is the author of many technical papers on glass and an international expert on TV tube manufacturing. Hudacek served as president of Unit 105 and District 12. He was a member of *The Bridge World* Master Solver’s Panel for more than 30 years. He won the Life Master Men’s Pairs in 1966 and was a member of team that defeated the Italians in Omar Sharif’s Bridge Circus in Seventies.

**HUGHES, Roy** (B. 1954) of Toronto, Canada was a principal of software technology firm Netron, Inc, 1981-2002. He is an amateur classical pianist. Hughes wrote *Building a Bidding System* (2005) *Card by Card* (2006) *Canada’s Bridge Warriors: Eric Murray and Sami Kehela* (2007) which was named International Bridge Press Association Book of the Year.

**HUME, Hampton** (1924-1969) of Atlanta. Published *Modern Bridge* magazine 1964 and won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1961.

**HUMPHREYS, Burrell Ives** (b. 1927) of Wayne NJ is a long-time bridge player. He had essentially dropped out of tournament bridge, but returned to win the Men’s BAM (now Mitchell Open BAM) in 1960. He again stopped competing to focus on work. He was a deputy attorney general in New Jersey at the time and in charge of a major anti-trust case against General Electric and all the other major electrical companies. He was also the county prosecutor who personally tried Hurricane Carter and the judge who was in charge of the equally famous Glen Ridge rape case. Both resulted in movies and books. Still active in his eighth decade, he is serving as Chair of his firm’s alternate dispute resolution department and as arbitrator and mediator in major cases, while playing bridge more frequently.



**HYLAND, Daniel A.** (1929-2000) of Arlington Heights IL, president bank brokerage firm. Hyland won the Silodor Open Pairs in 1975.

**HYMES, Edward, Jr.** (1908-1962) of New York City was an attorney. Named Life Master #23, Hymes was one of leaders among the “Young Turks” who gained their seasoning as members of the Deal Club group. They were closely associated with P. Hal Sims at his summer home in Deal NJ. He won his first major national championship, the 1935 Open Pairs, with fellow Columbia alumnus Oswald Jacoby. Hymes also won one Vanderbilt and four Spingolds. He was a lifetime member and former president of the Cavendish Club in New York.

**INGBERMAN, Monroe J.** (1935-1985) of White Plains NY was a college professor. The inventor of Fragment Bid, a 3NT Response as a forcing major raise, Ingberman was a frequent contributor to bidding structure including Splinter Bid, Unusual over Unusual, method for Inverted Minors, Structured Reverses, 3NT to ask for a singleton after a jump major raise (Mathe Asking Bid) and modified Roman Keycard Blackwood. He was a contributing editor to *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge* and the Bridge Bulletin.

**INGRAM, Henry St. John** (1888-1974) of Farnborough, Kent, England, printer, bridge writer, editor. He captained a number of British teams in the pre-World War II era and won the Schwab Cup in 1936. Ingram was a contributing editor for two encyclopedias.

**INO, Masayuki** (b.1948) lives in Kanagawa. A former electronic engineer, he learned to play from colleagues at work and is now a professional player. His hobby is Go. A WBF Seniors Life Master, Ino won the World Senior Teams in 2008.

**IRWIN, Florence** (1865-1956) was a well-known New York City novelist, bridge teacher and expert on auction bridge. She wrote one of the first books on contract bridge in 1927 and was the bridge editor for the New York Times in the early 1900s.

**JACOBS, Walter** (1896-1985) of Bay Harbor Island FL. Jacobs was founder, president and CEO of Hertz Rent-a-Car Corporation from 1918 -1960. He was the recipient of the Horatio Alger Award. Named Life Master #20, Jacobs won two North American Championships.

**JAEGER, Jane** (Mrs. Lewis M.) (1914-2003) of North Bay Village FL. Jaeger and her late husband were the first married couple to attain Life Master ranking, #74 and #94 respectively, in 1947. Jaeger, a four-time North American champion, was a member of the only all-women’s team to win a major open team event. Jaeger and teammates Sally Young, Kay Rhodes and Paula Ribner were part of a three-way tie for first in the 1947 Reisinger.

**JAIS, Pierre** (1913-1988) He was a medical student and one of the most famous French players, establishing himself in the Open team by the time he was 21. He had an outstanding, although at times controversial, partnership with Roger Trézel, they won the prestigious *Sunday Times Invitational* tournament in 1963. He is well known for his best seller ‘*La longue d’abord*’ written with Henri Lahana and he gave the first lift to Miche Lebel as an author when they wrote together ‘*La majeure cinquième*’.

He is one of only 10 players to have collected the Triple Crown of Bridge.

**JANNERSTEN, Eric** (1912-1982) of Stockholm, Sweden, editor, publisher and teacher. He represented Sweden in one European championship and on other occasions. Jannersten founded the International Bridge Press Association (IBPA) in 1958, and was its executive secretary until 1975. He also founded *Bridgetidningen*, a major bridge magazine and was a bridge columnist for forty years. He was the editor and publisher of the *European Bridge Review* from 1949-1951. From 1938, he headed a bridge school with an estimated 150,000 pupils. Jannersten introduced the bidding box, now used in all national and international events, and in many clubs.

**JANNERSTEN, Per** (b. 1948) of Uppsala, Sweden, auditor, printer and publisher (in that order). Son of Eric Jannersten. Co-author of *Movements* - a fair approach, a major work on movements. Owner of Jannersten Förlag, a major supplier of equipment needed for tournament bridge. Examples of Jannersten’s brands are Bidding Boxes, Bridge Scorers, Duplimate and HandyDup.

**JANSMA, Jan** (b. 1962), of Nijmegen, The Netherlands is a mathematics teacher. A WBF World International Master, Jansma won the World Junior Teams in 1987. Jansma has won three North American titles.

**JANSEN, Piet** (b.1957) A former bridge and chess café owner, married with two children, he lives in Groningen. He gave up bridge in favor of another passion, golf.

**JASSEM, Krzysztof** (b.1965) Was born in Poznan, Poland. He graduated from his hometown university with a degree in Mathematics in 1988, and in 1997 earned his Doctorate in Computer Science. He still resides in Poznan, where he is a research worker at the University of Adam Mickiewicz, teaching programming and computational linguistics. His current project is in the field of ‘Machine Translation,’ where he is involved in developing a Polish-English machine translation system called ‘POLENG’.

Krzysztof and wife Magdalena have two sons and a two-year old daughter, Malgosia.

As a child, Krzysztof was a keen soccer player. He was also one of the top 10 Polish table tennis players of his age. He has an older sister who moved to the US in 1988 to further her scientific career and now lives in Canada. Krzysztof’s first notable partnership was with Krzysztof Oppenheim, a member of the gold medal winning Polish Junior team in 1983. His son Pawels is starting to follow in his father’s footsteps.

**JELLINEK, Hans** born in Vienna, Austria; deported by the Germans from Norway and died in a concentration camp. Won world championship 1937, Europeans 1936.

**JENSEN, Nils E.** (1920-2004) of Stockholm, Sweden was the owner of Elfa, an electric supplies company. He represented Sweden in seven world events. Jensen organized the 1970 Bermuda Bowl and the World Pairs Olympiad in Stockholm, the 1974 World Pairs Olympiad in Las Palmas, and the 1983 Bermuda Bowl in Stockholm. He served as president of the Swedish Bridge League from 1965 to 1970 and from 1981 to 1983. He was president of the European Bridge League from 1981 to 1987, then President Emeritus. He was the delegate from Europe to the WBF from 1971 to 1987 and was named WBF Honorary Member in 1982.

**JEZIORO, Aleksander** (b.1941) of Poland. He works as an inspector in a private security company. He was taught to play by a friend in secondary school. Away from the table he enjoys sport and literature.

**JOEL, GEESKE** (b. 1963) of Palo Alto, California. Ph.D., Stanford. She won the Machlin Women’s Swiss Teams in 2011 and placed second in the Women’s BAM Teams twice. She finished third in the European Women’s Teams in 2009.

**JOHNSON, Gregory H.** (b. 1962). A NASA pilot, Johnson is a Life Master and a frequent speaker at the Youth NABCs. Johnson donated the ♠ A playing card that accompanied him aboard the space shuttle Endeavour in 2008 to the ACBL Bridge Museum.

**JOHNSON, Jane** (1933-2000) of Memphis TN, former manager of ACBL Club Membership Department. Johnson worked on the fourth edition of Bridge Encyclopedia. She was a charter member and assistant manager of Parkway Village B.C. from early 1970s through 1982. She was editor of the *Club Managers Newsletter*. At NABC’s Johnson held the very popular and well attended “Coffee with Jane” for club managers.

**JOHNSON, Jared** has a doctorate in law and for close to 20 years has conducted administrative law hearings for the state of Colorado. He has been the bridge columnist for *The Denver Post* since 1976. From the late 1960s to the 1980s he wrote on rock music for a variety of newspapers and interviewed Elton John, Rod Stewart, Fleetwood Mac, the Eagles, The Who, Jethro Tull, Moody Blues, the Bee Gees, Bruce

Springsteen, Jefferson Airplane, Paul Simon, Jackson Browne, George Burns (he put out a country album) and countless others. He’s been to about 90 countries, including several trips through the Sahara desert and mountain climbing in the Himalayas (two of Earth’s extremes). He has been to around 75 of the 100 biggest cities on earth (most of the ones he has missed are places no one has ever heard of in India and China), climbed to about 20,000 feet on Mount Everest (high enough for seven crazy people with no advanced technical climbing skills), jumped off a moving train in India to escape a mob (right after Indira Gandhi’s assassination), traveled in Algeria during a civil war, Yemen right after a civil war, and has hiked in Death Valley. His favorite country (by far, 11 trips) is Japan. Jared is a member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee.

**JOHNSON, Perry L.** (b. 1948) of Farmington Hills MI, company president. He is the author of *Keeping Score* and nine other books on quality. Johnson won the Cavendish Teams in 2000 and has five North American titles.

**JOHNSON, Sallie B.** (1925-1999) was one of the leading bridge personalities in the New York-New England area in the Fifties, Sixties and Seventies. Johnson won the Women's (now Wagar) Teams four times and placed second in three other NABC events. She represented the U.S. in four Olympiads and won the Deauville Individual in 1970.

**JOLMA, Lawrence N.** (Larry) (1923-1996) of Portland OR, is a business broker and former CPA. He served on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1966-1995, was ACBL treasurer, a District 20 Board member, a Western Conference Board member and past president of Unit 487. He won the Men's Teams (now the Mitchell Open BAM) in 1967.

**JONSSON, Thorlakur** (b. 1956) of Kopavogur, Iceland, mechanical engineer. A WBF world Life Master, Jonsson won the Bermuda Bowl in 1991 and the Nordic Teams in 1988. He represented Iceland in five other world championships, five European Championships, four other Nordic Championships, one European Junior Teams and three Nordic Junior Teams.

**JORDAN, Robert F.** (1927-2004) was born in New York City but spent all his bridge-playing life in Philadelphia. He served briefly in the Army at the end of World War II and then became a businessman, dealing in cemetery lots. Jordan was one of the outstanding American bridge players in the 1960s. A WBF World Life Master, Jordan placed second in the World Team Olympiad in 1964 and 1968 and in the Bermuda Bowl in 1963. He won McKenney Trophy in 1960, the Mott-Smith Trophy twice and won seven North American titles. After retiring from tournament bridge he moved from Philadelphia to Cincinnati, and eventually to Florida.

Jordan and Arthur Robinson, thought by many to be the best American partnership in the Sixties, came out of retirement to play in the 'Bicentennial Bridge Match' against Great Britain in 1976.

**JOURDAIN, Patrick D.** (b. 1942) of Cardiff, Wales, bridge journalist and teacher. Jordain has represented Wales more than 66 times in the Camrose Trophy, and Scotland twice. He won the Gold Cup in 1976 and many Welsh titles. He was president of the Welsh Bridge Union 1984-1985, president of the British Bridge League 1995-9 and Chairman of Bridge Great Britain in 2001. An editor of the IBPA Bulletin since 1982 and bridge correspondent of *London Daily Telegraph* since 1992, Jourdain has authored two books. He was named IBPA Personality of the Year in 2002.

**KACHMAR, Barbara** (formerly Collyer) (1911-1982) of Beverly Hills CA. Kachmar won the USBA Mixed Pairs in 1936 and three other North American titles. Her writings include many entertaining contributions to *The Bridge World*, *Modern Bridge* and other periodicals.

**KAHN, Richard F.** (1911-1987) of New York City, retired motion picture sales executive. He was the co-founder of the Card School of New York in 1950 and served the Cavendish Club and the Greater New York B.A. for 10 years. Kahn placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1956. He won the USBA Grand National Mixed Teams and six other North American titles.

**KAISER, Bob** (b.1927) was born in Amsterdam and learned to play bridge from his parents at the age of 10. After WWII he became a member of the Dutch Bridge Federation and he won his first national title in 1949, playing with his brother Kees. At that time he was studying civil engineering in Delft. He represented the Netherlands at the Europeans of 1952, 1954, 1957 and 1958, and at the World Pairs of 1962 and 1966.

After retiring from the engineering consultancy he co-owned, he picked up bridge again. He won eight Dutch senior titles and, in 1994, the World Senior Knockout Teams in Albuquerque.

**KAISER, Kees** (b. 1926) was born in Amsterdam and learned to play bridge from his parents at the age of 11. After WWII he became a member of the Dutch Bridge Federation and he won his first national title in 1949, playing with his brother Bob. Ten more Dutch titles would follow. He represented the Netherlands numerous times at the Europeans (silver in 1966), the Olympiad and the World Pairs. He also acted as non-playing captain of several Dutch teams.

As a senior he won eight more Dutch titles, the silver medal at the World Senior Pairs in Geneva and, in 1994, gold at the World Senior Knockout Teams in Albuquerque. Kees studied law and worked as a superintendent in the Department of Education.

**KANSIL, Joli Quentin** (Prince Joli Kansil) (b. 1943) of Honolulu HI. Kansil is the inventor of Bridgette and many other card games, word games and board games that have been marketed nationally. Bridgette is one of only 20 games in the Games Magazine Hall of Fame. He was a personal assistant to Albert H. Morehead. In 1999 kansil was the first editor to do a complete overhaul of the Official Rules of Card Games since Morehead in 1945. Kansil held the Scrabble record for the highest score in a single turn for 14 years.

**KAPLAN, Adam** (b.1996) learned bridge at age 5 from a cruise director and his father. He held the record for Youngest Life Master (at 10 years and 43 days) from 2006 – 2009.

Kaplan was on the U26 USA team for Istanbul (2009), and won a Bronze Medal in the BAM. He was on the U21 USA team for Philadelphia (2010) where they were ninth, missing the KO stage by 1/2 a VP. In the Youth NABC, held each summer, Kaplan is undefeated in the Youth Swiss Teams.

**KAPLAN, Betty** (Mrs. Edgar, formerly Mrs. Alfred Sheinwold) (1913-1985) of New York City. Betty was the circulation manager of *The Bridge World*. She was also the former director of a music school. Betty won four North American Championships.

**KAPLAN, Muriel** (1920-1970) of New York City. Won Women's Team Trials in 1963 and placed second in the World Women's Teams in 1964.

**KARN, Willard S.** (1898-1950) of New York City, executive. Karn was a member of the Four Horsemen and the author *Karn's Bridge Service* as well as articles for the *Bridge World*. He was a six-time North American champion.

**KARPIN, Fred** (1913-1986) of Silver Spring MD, bridge teacher, lecturer and writer. He pioneered the development of the 4-3-2-1 point-count method that eventually was popularized by Charles Goren. He was the bridge editor for the *Washington Post* from 1965-1981 and a contributing editor to *Encyclopedia of Bridge*. He ghosted books and newspaper columns for many of the game's greats. Some of his many books include *Contract Bridge: the Play of the Cards*, *Psychological Strategy in Contract Bridge*, *How to Play (and Misplay) Slam Contracts*, *Winning Play in Contract Bridge: Strategy at Trick One*, *The Finesse*, *The Art of Card Reading*, *Winning Play in Tournament and Duplicate Bridge: How the Experts Triumph* and *The Complete Book of Duplicate Bridge* (with Norman Kay and Bill Root). His cross-referenced file of hands was reputed to be one of the best in the world.

**KASLE, Lee** (Mrs. Sidney) (1917-1995) of Tucson AZ, mother of Gaylor Kasle. She won the (Wagar) Women's Knockout Teams in 1959 just a few months after becoming a Life Master. She also had a number of wins with her husband Sidney Kasle, who died in 1960.

**KASS, Irving** (Cookie) (1915-1993) of Hollywood FL, retired insurance agent who lectured and ran bridge games on cruise ships for 15 years. Kass won the Vanderbilt in 1952, but was primarily a rubber bridge player.

**KATZ, Martha** (nee Benson) (b. 1968) of Burr Ridge IL. Martha was Queen of Bridge in 1986 and a member of the winning Junior team at the World Junior Team Olympiad in Michigan in 1991. Married to Ralph, their son Sam followed in his mother's footsteps and was named King of Bridge in 2006.

**KATZ, Samuel** (1902- deceased) of Miami Beach FL was a stockbroker and one of the leading players in the Southeast. He was named ACBL Life Master # 55 in 1946. He won four North American Championships which include the Spingold and the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs.

**KAUDER, Arnold J.** (Arnie) (1908-1990) of Los Angeles was an electronics engineer. He won the Master Mixed Teams for the Barclay Trophy three times and the Hilliard Mixed Pairs in 1949 with his wife Mary Jane (later Farrell).

**KEARNEY, Nigel** (b. 1970) of Wellington, New Zealand, software developer, represented the silver medal winning New Zealand team in the World Junior Championships in 1995 and in the PABF Championships in 1994 and 1995 at Junior level and in 1993 at Open level. He also won the New Zealand Teams Championship in 1992.

**KELSEY, Hugh Walter** (1926-1995) of Edinburgh, Scotland, novelist and bridge writer. Kelsey represented Scotland 12 times in Camrose matches. He won the Gold Cup in 1969 (the first Scottish win) and in 1980. He won every major Scottish title many times. He was the bridge columnist of *The Scotsman* and the author of *Killing Defense in Bridge* and 44 other books.

**KEMPNER, Alicia** (Mrs. Ralph) of Palm Springs CA. She placed second in the Women's Team Olympiad in 1964 and won five North American titles.

**KEMPNER, Ralph** of Los Angeles, stockbroker. Named Life Master #40 in 1944, Kempner won the Open Pairs in 1936.

**KLAR, Carol** (d. 1996) of Houston TX was a retired jewelry designer and longtime partner of John Gerber, Pidgeon Davis, and Edith Rosenkranz. Klar was second in the (Freeman) Mixed BAM playing with Gerber in 1967 and the Rockwell Mixed Pairs 1968. With Davis, Mildred Breed, and daughter Robin Klar she was second in the Women's Knockout Teams in 1975. Carol was a longtime member of the Goodwill Committee.

**KLAVER, Nico** (b.1948) was born in Waarland. He learned to play bridge at the Mensa (student dining hall) in Amsterdam, where he studied chemistry. After several successes in Dutch regional tournaments, he won his first national title in 1992, playing with Roald Ramer.

In 2005 he represented the Netherlands in the Senior Bowl (fourth). In 2006 he won the bronze medal at the World Senior Knockout Teams and gold at the World Senior Pairs.

Klaver lives in Oudkarspel (North-Holland), three kilometres from the place he was born, and works as a laboratory assistant at a secondary school in Amsterdam.

**KLINGER, Ron** (b.1941) Was born in Shanghai, China, and has lived in Sydney, Australia since 1946.

He was editor of *Australian Bridge* for 13 years starting in 1972. He was also the bridge columnist for the *Australian Women's Weekly* and later, *The Daily Telegraph* and *The Weekend Australian*. He currently writes a daily bridge column for the *Sydney Morning Herald* and a weekly column for *The Sun-Herald*. He is also a regular contributor to Australian Bridge magazine and Britain's *Bridge Magazine*, and is the author of over 50 books on bridge.

His *Guide To Better Card Play* won the American Bridge Teachers' Association Book-of-the-Year Award in 1991 and his *Right Through The Pack Again* won the International Bridge Press Association Book of the Year in 2009.

Klinger has played for Australia in the World Championships since 1976 to the present day. At the 1976 World Open Teams Olympiad, he won the Bols Brilliancy Prize for the best play.

Ron studied Arts-Law at the University of Sydney. After graduating, he worked as a solicitor for a short time, until he was invited by the Law School for a research program, Computers in the Service of Law and to lecture in International Law and Jurisprudence. The three-year grant was extended for an extra two years. In that time the New South Wales Bridge Association needed a bridge teacher and so Klinger was lecturing in law and doing research in the daytime and teaching bridge at night. When his contract expired, he chose to quit the law and become a full time bridge teacher and writer.

In 1974 Ron married Suzie Isaacs. Two children followed, a son, Ari (1977), and a daughter, Keri (1979). Their daughter Keri died in 1999 of a melanoma.

In 1978 Suzie and Ron took their first bridge cruise. It was so successful that they focused on bridge cruises and bridge classes. Some years later they expanded into bridge holidays at various locations, especially on islands. These days they are mostly involved in bridge writing, bridge land holidays and bridge cruises.

**KLUKOWSKI, Julian** (b. 1939) Married with two daughters, he was formerly a mathematics professor at the Warsaw Polytechnic High School, but now makes his living playing and writing on bridge for the largest Polish daily newspaper *Gazeta Wyborcza*. He learned to play in 1956 and wrote the book *Sztuka Wistowania* (The Art of Defense) which explains why he considers defense to be the hardest part of the game. He relaxes by going to the theatre.

**KONSTAM, Kenneth W.** (1906–1968), often known as 'Konnie', was an English international bridge player, and in 1955 was a member of the only British team to win the Bermuda Bowl. He won more European Open teams championships than any other British player.

Konstam, educated at Oundle School, was employed for a time in the London Stock Exchange. He was for many years an executive of the De La Rue company, which made playing cards, postage stamps and banknotes (the playing card business was eventually sold to Waddingtons). He served in the British Army during World War II, reaching the rank of Major. His fluent French qualified him to act as Liaison Officer to the French Army after D-Day.

Konstam was a key member of the London-based British bridge team which won the Bermuda Bowl in 1955, the first occasion a European team had beaten the United States in this competition, and the *only* victory for a British team in this, the world championship for teams of four. His main partner in the event was Leslie Dodds. Konnie was described by Ramsey that year as "about the best pragmatic player in the game today". His bidding and play was rapid and direct in style; he was known for bidding borderline games, and for his acute tactical awareness at the table.

He was one of the proponents of a bidding system known as CAB, in which the responder to a strong artificial Two Club

opening had to give priority to bidding any ace he might have. The 'B' stood for Blackwood; otherwise, the system was mostly natural, with strong no-trump opening bids, and forcing jump raises as in the older version of Standard American. He was bridge editor for the *Sunday Times* for many years.

Konstam also played rubber-bridge, which for many years was a good source of income. He had one attribute not given to all experts, namely, a great ability to partner weaker players. Many clients were surprised and delighted to find themselves winning a tournament where they would normally be back-markers.

**KORNFELD, Warren** (b. 1939) of Jericho NY, owner executive search firm. He served as the chairman of the Conduct and Ethics Committee for N.J. Bridge Association and as treasurer of the NSBA. Kornfield won the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1972 and had highest E-W score in the 1991 North American Epsom.

**KOWALSKI, Apolinary** (b.1948) Married with a daughter he is a graduate in chemistry and owns a private engineering company. In the 1960's he was one of Poland's finest swimmers and he learned to play at one of the many swimming camps he attended. He observes that tournaments are not always won by the strongest players and that age is no barrier to playing. He considers the opening lead to be the hardest skill to master. He suggests that the best bridge stories require a beer in hand, a warm fire and a large group of friends. His hobbies include fishing and collecting fungi.

**KOYTCHOU, Boris** (1919-2006) of New York City, born in Russia, retired bridge teacher and lecturer, co-founder and partner in The Card School. He served as chairman of the Card Committee and as a Board member of the Regency Whist Club (New York City). Koytchou was one of the outstanding players in France and later in the United States. He represented France in the European Championships three times and North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1957. He won three French national team championships and holds the WBF rank of World Master. Koytchou won the Spingold twice. He was happiest playing rubber bridge at the Regency, which he did five days a week, until his death.

**KRAFT, Beverly G.** (b.1947) of Toronto ON, bridge writer and former retailer. Kraft writes and edits for *The Bridge World* and a syndicated daily column for the Toronto Star. She won the Canadian Women's Teams Championships (CWTC) six times and placed second in the Women's Team Olympiad in 2000 and third in 1996.

**KRATENSTEIN, Rhoda M.** (b. 1948) of Schenectady NY is a computer systems manager. She has been president, vice president, and tournament manager for Unit 115. She is a two-time North American champion.

**KRAUSS, Donald P.** (Don) (b. 1937) of Los Angeles CA., stockbroker. Krauss helped to organize the Corporate America vs. Hollywood Celebrities match in 1992. A WBF Life Master, he placed second in the World Team Olympiad in 1964. He also represented North America in Bermuda Bowl in 1971. He won the Team Trials in 1963 and four other North American Championships.

**KREIJNS, Hans** (b.1952) Divorced with three children, he lives in The Hague. He inherited a painting company. He is ranked number one on the Dutch masterpoint list.

**KUBAK, Fritz** (b. 1949) of Vienna, Austria, croupier. A WBF World Master, Kubak placed second in the World Team Olympiad in 1988. Won European Mixed Pairs 1996. He represented Austria in nine other world championships and six European events. He won eight Austrian Teams, one Open Pairs and two Mixed Pairs.

**KUSHNER, Jack B.** (1903-1963) of Longmeadow MA., bridge teacher and writer. He is the co-inventor of TNT system and author of The Kushner System and many booklets. Kushner won the Open Pairs in 1950 and was president of the New England Bridge Conference in 1962.

**KWIECIEN, Michal** (b.1957) He was born on the first of March, is an automotive engineer and businessman from Lublin. Married with two daughters, he plays for a bridge club in Leszno - Unia Winkhaus. In Maastricht in 2000, Kwiecien was chosen by random selection for a doping test. He says he was so anxious that he was not able to provide a sample for four hours, despite drinking several litres of water. He described it as the most stressful moment of the Olympiad for him. His hobbies are skiing and travel and he sees bridge as being an excellent way to pursue both. Kwiecien won the World Open Pairs in 1998. He also won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 2009 and the Jacoby Open Swiss in 2004.

**LANDAU, Judith** (Judy) (b. 1947) of Palm Harbor FL, advertising and sales representative. Won Master Mixed Teams 1983 (now Freeman Mixed BAM Teams).

**LADERMAN Julian** (b.1948) of New York City is a retired professor of mathematics and computer science, bridge writer. Author of *A Bridge to Simple Squeezes* (ABTA Book of the Year 2006), *A Bridge to Inspired Declarer Play* (ABTA Book of the Year for 2009), and a column in a newspaper *The Bronx Journal*.

He spent his career as a professor; 35 years at Lehman College, City University of New York and earned his Ph.D. (1976) in theoretical Computer Science at NYU (Courant Institute). Laderman's hobbies include traveling, chess, Hudson Valley history, and the mathematics of games and sports.

**LANDY, Sandra** (b.1938) Now living in Hove, East Sussex, England. Married Peter in 1967, two children Joanna (1968) Richard (1970), three grandchildren. Taught Computing and Information Systems at the University of Brighton. On retirement worked with the English Bridge Union to produce *Bridge for All*, the national teaching scheme.

She first played for Great Britain in 1967 (third in Dublin European). In 1975, 1979, 1981, 1997 and 1999 she won the European Womens' Championship. A WBF Women's World Grand Master, she won the Venice Cup in both 1981 and 1985 and was captain of the winning Open Team in 1991 in Killarney. Landy led the women's world rankings for several years. On January 1, 2000 after 33 years in the women's team, she called it a day and has not played international bridge since. Landy is still teaching beginners, training better players and playing occasionally.

**LARSEN, Björn** (1921-1991) of Oslo, Norway, inspector and bridge columnist. Larsen won the Nordic Teams in 1948 and 1951, placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1969, second in the European Championship in 1968 and third in 1966. He is an Honorary Member of the Norwegian Bridge Federation, former secretary general and president.

**LASKER, Emanuel** (1868-1941). Born in Germany, died in New York City. A World champion chess (1894-1921) player, a prominent mathematician, a philosopher, an expert in card and board games and, in the early Thirties, an internationally recognized bridge expert, Lasker wrote books and articles in all his areas of expertise.

He initiated the first bridge encounter in the history of the game between more than two countries. In Crockford's Club, London, January 1932, a week-long tournament between teams of England, Germany and the Netherlands took place. The Dutch team, consisting of Lasker as playing captain, Salo Landau (also a chess player), the young Goudsmit brothers and George Borel (subst.), won against England by 3510 and against Germany by 4260 points. This tournament was the forerunner of the first European team championship that the Dutch bridge league organized later the same year in Scheveningen.

Before that, Lasker, introduced contract bridge in Germany, he had played whist in the United States in 1893 against William Steinitz, his predecessor as chess world champion, and was also winner of several Dutch tournaments and of two important pairs events in Berlin and Zürich.

He was the first to demonstrate that the honor point count 4:3:2:1( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) was mathematically correct; he introduced the concept of aces and kings as control cards, as did the Italian Blue Team later; he proposed bids that were asking instead of showing control cards, and he advocated starting with bridge by learning to take tricks instead of immediately trying to understand bidding.

Lasker introduced game theory (*Card strategy*, 1929; Germ. ed. *Das verständige Kartenspiel*) and wrote four other bridge books, of which three were in the Dutch language. From 1930 to 1934, Lasker's name was on the title page of *The Bridge World* magazine as contributing foreign editor. Not long before he died, he founded the Bridge Academy in New York City.

**LASOCKI, Krysztof** (b.1940) He is an economist and a professional player. He has a rotund, avuncular appearance which includes a bushy white beard, so it is no surprise he is occasionally referred to as 'Santa'. A WBF World Life Master and Seniors International Master, Lasocki won silver in the 1991 Bermuda Bowl, the 1994 Rosenblum Cup, and the 2009 World Senior Teams.

**LATRAVERSE, Jean Joseph** (b. 1939) of Mont-Royal, PQ, retired Executive Search Consultant, graduated Loyola College of Montreal 1960 and Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants 1966. Interests include cooking (from roasts to oriental pork loin to the official White House Apple pie to chocolate brownies), accomplished pianist (any and all melodies from musicals and movies, all by ear), private pilot's license, and playing bridge (Silver LM). General Chairman of 1985 Spring NABC in Montreal, Chairman of Dist. 2 Judiciary Committee 1977, several other executive positions in administrative side of bridge at Unit and District levels, as well as having been a tournament director for over 45 years (still active). He is the originator of the two-line 1NT opening ranges on the ACBL Convention card.



**LAURIA, Lorenzo** of Rome is a professional bridge player. He is a World Life Master and European Grand Master. Lauria is currently the Italian player with most titles. In partnership with Alfredo Versace, Lauria has won 10 North American Championships which include three Reisingers, two Vanderbilts, and two Spingolds, many European championships and five world titles.

**LAVINGS, Paul Warwick** (b.1945) of Sydney, Australia is a bridge professional and owner of Postfree Bridge Books, specializing in second hand bridge books ([www.postfree.cc](http://www.postfree.cc)). Lavings has represented Australia in two Olympiads, two Bermuda Bowls, and eight Far East Championships. He has won most national and NSW titles numerous times and No. 2 on the Australian Masterpoint Winners List. He served as editor and then consulting editor of Australian Bridge from 1985-1990 and writes book reviews and a regular quiz for The ABF Newsletter. He is an expert on bridge and whist books and antiques.

**LAWRENCE, Richard M.** (Dick) (1903-1999) of Ann Arbor MI, retired store owner. Formerly he held the state record for the 500 yard free-style for swimmers older than 70. Lawrence won the Men's Pairs in 1967.

**LAZARD, Sidney Jr.** (Squid) (1958-1999) of Metairie LA, computer consultant. Lazard became a Life Master at age 16 and was the youngest Life Master that Louisiana had produced. Sidney Lazard created a sportsmanships award in memory of his son. Lazard says, "He (Lazard Jr.) was the nicest guy in the whole world, and he was a great sportsman. By 'sportsman,' I mean someone who plays hard but fair and holds no grudges. I designed the Sportsmanship Award as a way to honor his memory by recognizing top bridge players who emulate the ideal that I saw in my son, and to encourage all players to aspire to that standard."

**LEBEL, Michel** (b.1944) He lives in Nantes, married with five children. He studied math at high school, and soon discovered bridge with a player of his own age, Paul Chemla. They quickly became an outstanding partnership and were the first to develop a five-card major system (the forerunner of what is now the standard system in France) at a time when everyone was playing four-card majors. He has partnered Paul Chemla, Michel Corn, Robert Reiplinger, Michel Perron, Philippe Soulet and Philippe Cronier. In 1975, in association with Pierre Jaïs he published the first French book on five card majors. One of the leading bridge writers in the world he has written more than 50 books, all of them being a success and many translated into numerous languages. He has a column in *Le Point*, one of the main French weekly publications.

**LEBHAR, Bertram, Jr.** (1907-1972) Bert Lee was his professional name. He had a national reputation as a sportscaster and later as a bridge player and administrator. In private life he owned radio and television stations in Florida. Perhaps his greatest achievements arose from his work as ACBL treasurer (1945-47) and as a member of the Steering Committee. In the late 1940s, Lebhar was instrumental in ACBL modernization. He was perhaps the first man to visualize ACBL's vast potential for expansion. His farsighted efforts were recognized when he was made ACBL Honorary Member in 1963. A founder of Greater New York B.A. and its first president in 1948, he donated the Lebhar Trophy to ACBL. Lebhar was named Life Master #61 in 1946 and was a two-time North American champion.

**LEBIODA, Lukasz** (b.1943) He is a scientist specializing in structural biochemistry. Married with three children, he made the decision to move permanently to North America while he was playing in the 1978 Rosenblum and now lives and works in South Carolina.

**LEBOVIC, Wolf** (Willy) (b. 1931) of Toronto ON, born in Czechoslovakia, builder and developer. The originator of Lebovic Asking Bid convention, he was npc of the Canadian Women's Teams in the World Olympiad in Deauville in 1968 and the Canadian Men's Teams in Monte Carlo in 1976. A two-time North American champion, he won the Men's Pairs (now Wernher Open Pairs) in 1963 and the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1967.

**LEDENTU, Jose** (1917-1996) of Paris, France was a world famous bridge author. LeDentu retired from tournament play in 1957 after winning the French Open Teams championships five times. From that point on he concentrated on writing books, newspaper columns and magazine articles. Le Dentu was a contributing editor to *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*. He was an Honorary Member of the IBPA.

**LESNIEWSKI, Marcin** (b.1948) He was taught to play by his elder brother in high school and after an early career as a mathematician he became a professional player. He enjoys all kinds of sports, films and music. He considers bridge to be only element in life where there is some justice and declarer play to be the hardest skill to master. One of his favorite partners is his wife, Ewa Harasimowicz. He is a two-time NABC champion and many-time medalist in European contests.



**LETIZIA, Ralph V., Jr.** (b. 1952) of Advance NC is an IT consultant. He has served as chair of Unit 117 Conduct and Ethics Committee and as Unit Recorder. Letizia won North American Swiss Teams in 1991 and is an avid Brittany rescue dog volunteer.

**LEUFKENS, Enri** (b.1963) The youngest of six brothers, he was born in Maastricht, lives in Zeist (near Utrecht) with his wife Oda and their two children: Lotte, who won a bronze medal at the World Team Championships in 2010 in Philadelphia, and Felix, who is already a fanatic player. He learned to play at the age of 11 and played at home until the age of 17 when he attended the first major tournament of his life: the European Junior Pairs.

A few years later, after having formed a solid partnership with Berry Westra, he won the Junior European Teams in 1986 and the Junior World Championships the following year. He might resume his playing career when his children are grown up.

**LEV, Sam (b. 1947)** is a professional player who lives in the New York area with his wife and two children. He is one of the founders of e-bridge. Lev broke onto the international bridge scene at the age of 22 as a member of the Israeli Open Team at the European Championships. He earned a B.Sc. in chemistry from the Haifa Institute of Technology (Technion) but spent most of his early years in Israel running the Tel Aviv Bridge Club, which he managed and co-owned for twenty years. In that time, he represented Israel many times, collecting a silver medal at the 1975 European Teams Championships and twice earning a bronze medal in the Bermuda Bowl (in 1976 and 1985). In 1989 Sam and his family relocated to the US. He has since won seven US National titles including the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams twice and the von Zedtwitz Life Masters Pairs. He has also represented the U.S. in the 1993 Bermuda Bowl. Away from the bridge table, Sam's interests include international politics, chess, a rooting interest in most sports, and Internet Bridge. He is also fluent in six languages.

**LEVENE, Doug** (b. 1963) of Birmingham AL, business owner. He was King of Bridge 1981. At the time he made Life Master (age 16) he was the fourth youngest in the country.

**LEVITT, Evelyn** (Mrs. Harold) (1919-1987) of Wilmington DE, bridge teacher, lecturer and director. She was past president of District 4 and Unit 190 and a former member of the ACBL Appeals Committee. A WBF World Master she competed internationally on a few occasions. Levitt won five North American Championships.

**LEVITT, Jerry** (1918-2006) of Clayton MO, bridge teacher and columnist. He won the Vanderbilt in 1962 and placed second in the GNOT in 1973.

**LEVITT, Paul A.** (1939-1993) of Azle TX, life insurance management consultant. Paul won the Mixed Pairs in 1962 and placed second in the Spingold in 1966 and the Vanderbilt in 1967.

**LEVY, Alain** (b.1948) He lives in Paris with his wife, Anne Frederique (Veronique Bessis's sister) and they have a son, Stephane. He completed his medical studies, but never practiced as a doctor. He was the partner for many years of Hervé Mouiel. He has been coach and captain of the French women's team and a coach to many foreign teams. He writes a highly praised article in *Le Bridgeur*.

**LEWIS, Harlow S., II** (b. 1932) of Wynnewood PA, investment advisor. A past president of the Philadelphia Whist Association (now Philadelphia Contract B.A.), a *Bridge World* panelist and occasional contributor to *The Bridge World* and *Bridge Journal*, Lewis won three North American Championships.

**LIGHTMAN, M(alcolm) A.** (1892-1958) of Memphis TN, was associated with the motion picture business. He won the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs in 1945 and the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1947.  
Lightman was named Life Master # 47 in 1945.

**LIGGETT, Winfield S., Jr.** (1881-1937) executive officer of the U.S.S. Montana in World War I, Liggett retired from the Navy and became a bridge writer, teacher and lecturer. He was one of the leading pre-war American bridge personalities. Liggett partnered Sidney Lenz during the last part of the Culbertson-Lenz Match. He won numerous national championships at whist, auction and contract. Liggett won the Reisinger in 1931 and the Mixed BAM in 1930. A member of the Advisory Council on Official System, he authored *Contract Bridge Summary* and co-authored *Winning Leads at Contract Bridge*.

**LINXWILER, Paul** (b. 1963) of Memphis TN, Bridge Bulletin and Daily Bulletin editor since 1997.

After earning a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Christian Brothers University in Memphis in 1985, Linxwiler taught high school math and science in the Memphis area for eight years, and then became a blackjack and craps dealer in Mississippi for two years.

A Silver Life Master, Linxwiler's interests include food, wine and politics. He is also a master-level chess player.

**LINZ, Rama** (b. 1940) of Beverly Hills CA, born in Israel, is a retired jewelry designer and real estate developer. She was the first to arrange sponsorships to promote tournament bridge in South Africa in 1971. Linz placed eighth in the World Women's Pairs in 1986 and is a two-time North American champion.

**LIPTON, Dr. William V.** (1901-1977) of New York City, dentist. He introduced the magazine *Post Mortem* and was widely thought to be the original author of its famous Cynical Observer column. Lipton served as an ACBL Board member from 1956-1959, as well as presiding over the Greater New York and the New York-New Jersey Bridge Associations. He won the Vanderbilt in 1953 and the Men's Pairs in 1942.

**LISE, Colette** (b.1944) She lives in Paris and worked for over 20 years in *Le Bridgeur's* bookshop. Her bridge playing daughter Sandrine Veyssière replaced her when she retired. Her main partnership was with Elisabeth Delor, but she also played in mixed events with José Damiani.

**LIU, Howard** (b. 1983) of Naperville IL is a computer science graduate student at the University of Chicago. He represented U.S. in the 2010 World University Bridge Championships in Taiwan, finishing fourth. Liu finished second in the 2010 Mitchell Open Board-A-Match in 2010.

**LOCHRIDGE, Charles** (1905-1970) noted for the brilliance of his dummy play, Lochridge was a member of the Bid-Rite Team. Lochridge was president of a New York retailing company, a bridge teacher, and Life Master #12. He won five NABC championships and placed second several times.

**LOVE, Clyde E.** (1882-1960) of Ann Arbor MI, professor of mathematics. Specialist on squeeze plays. His writings include *Squeeze Play in Bridge*, *Bridge Squeeze Complete* and many magazine articles.

**LOWENTHAL, John** (1938-2000) of New York City, computer software developer. Lowenthal was a regular panelist on the *Bridge World* Master Solvers panel and the author of Borel computer program, a sophisticated hand-generator. Co-developer of the Canary Club and the Ultra Club relay systems, he also developed the computer system which reports U.S. national election returns (1970). Lowenthal won the Men's Teams in 1976.

**LUCAS, Michael H.** (b. 1955) of Las Vegas NV, director management information service department. He won the Wernher Open Pairs in 1992.

**MACIESZCZAK, Andrzej** (1942–1986) He was a Polish journalist and professional player, authoring and co-authoring several books.

**MANHARDT, Peter** (1936-2009) of Vienna, consultant. A WBF World Life Master, Manhardt won the World Open Pairs in 1970 with Fritz Babsch. He represented Austria in one other world championship and eight European Championships. Manhardt dominated the European grand prix circuit in the Seventies, winning the Philip Morris Bridge Cup four times and finishing second twice. He won 11 Austrian Teams, three Open Pairs, two Mixed Pairs and headed the Austrian masterpoint rankings for nearly 20 years.

**MANLEY, Brent** (1947), of Arlington TN. Editor of the ACBL Bridge Bulletin and the seventh edition of the *Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*. Born in Texas, graduated high school in Pensacola FL, earned a journalism degree from Loyola University in New Orleans in 1970.

Former newspaper reporter and editor, starting with sports reporting for the Pensacola News-Journal, later general reporting and editing for The Times-Picayune in New Orleans, the Memphis Press-Scimitar, the Houston Post and the Sun Herald in Biloxi MS.

Drafted into the U.S. Army in 1970, serving as a linguist in Vietnam 1971-1972.

Moved to Memphis in 1974 and, except for five years in Houston, a resident of the Memphis area ever since. Married the former Donna Olsen in 1992. With her, formed DBM Publications in 1994. One daughter, Colleen Wells, Longwood FL (Orlando area) and two grandchildren, Gabriel and Faith.

Co-author with Bob Hamman of *At the Table* (Hamman's autobiography) and with David Berkowitz of *Precision Today*. Author of three books for Adams Media – *The Everything Bridge Book* (first and second editions) and the *Tao of Bridge*. Co-author with Lucia Colbert of *The Everything Triathlon Training Book*.

Avid runner with a goal of completing a marathon (26.2 miles) in each of the 50 states. As of the summer of 2011, 42 states in the books, with a total of 45 marathons and two ultra-marathons (50 kilometers – 31 miles).

Joined the ACBL staff in August 1989, became Bridge Bulletin editor in 1997. Since 2004, chief Daily Bulletin editor for the World Bridge Federation at World Bridge Championships. Daily Bulletin staff member at Open European Bridge Championships.

Gold Life Master with several Flight A regional championships. Fifth overall in 2011 North American Pairs, Flight A.

**MARCUS, Edward N.** (1895-1952) for whom the Marcus Cup is named. Marcus was a clothing manufacturer from Boston. He was an ACBL Board member and president of New England BA. Marcus was named Life Master # 49 in 1945. He won six North American Championships including the Reisinger three times, the Spingold and the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs.

**MARK, Dr. Louis** (1893-1954) in whose honor the Mark Memorial Trophy was donated. He was an international authority on chest ailments. Mark was the 1949 ACBL president, the ACBL Honorary Member in 1950, and Life Master #82.

**MARKUS, Rixi** MBE (1910 –1992) was a British international bridge player. She won five world titles, and was the first woman to become a World Bridge Federation Grandmaster. She was appointed MBE for contributions to bridge in 1974.

Markus was born as Erika Scharfstein into a prosperous Austrian Jewish family in Gura Humorului, Bukovina (now in Romania).

In 1916, her family fled, ahead of the Russian advance, settling in Vienna. After finishing school in Dresden she returned to Vienna, where she first made her name at the bridge table. Married young, and disastrously, she devoted herself almost entirely to bridge.

In 1938, she fled Austria after German forces entered Vienna (the Anschluss). Rixi then made her home in London, where she remained for the rest of her life. She worked as a translator for the Red Cross during World War II, and became a naturalised British citizen in 1950.

Markus's husband also came to London. He fought her efforts to gain independence in every way he could, and fought her for custody of their daughter Margo. Divorce was not simple in those days, but Markus obtained a judicial separation. She described in her autobiography three subsequent long-term relationships with men: first Standish Booker, a leading bridge player, then Wash Carr (Walter Copley Carr) of the *News of the World*, and lastly Harold Lever (Lord Lever), a senior Labour Party politician.

Markus was for many years the bridge correspondent of *The Guardian* and after 1975 the *London Evening Standard*, and wrote a dozen bridge books, including her autobiography. Generally recognized as the top European woman player, she was the first woman to become a World Bridge Federation Grandmaster and was the leading woman in the WBF masterpoint rankings from their inception in 1974 until 1980. She was named International Bridge Press Association Personality of the Year in 1974, and was appointed MBE for contributions to bridge a year later. For many years, she organized an annual match between the two Houses of Parliament.

**MARI, Christain** (b. 1945) was born in Corsica and lived in Paris before retiring to south of France with his wife Dominique. He studied mathematics but became a full time professional player, partnering Michel Lebel, Michel Perron, Paul Chemla and Alain Levy. An animal lover, he enjoys long walks with his dog.

**MARTENS, Krzysztof** (b. 1952) A chemical engineer and businessman he is also a professional player and coach, having regular assignments with the national teams of several countries. A prolific writer, many of his books have been translated into English and he is a winner of the Master Point Press book of the year award. He considers that knowledge, combined with the ability to keep calm and concentrate are essential ingredients for the perfect partner. Outside bridge he enjoys journalism and politics.

**MARSTON, Paul Hamilton** (b. 1949) of Sydney, Australia, born in New Zealand, bridge professional. A WBF World Master, he placed third in the World Pairs in 1986 and the Bermuda Bowl in 1989. In world and zonal championships, Marston has represented New Zealand eight times 1973-1981 and Australia 10 times 1983-99. His 21 Australia national wins include the Open

Teams five times. A former publisher of *Australian Bridge* and author of five books, Marston is one of the world's authorities on Strong Pass and Relay methods.

**MATHE, Eugenie M.** (Genie, Mrs. Lewis) (1925-1991) of Canoga Park CA was a U.S. Census Bureau survey clerk. Chairman ALACBU Publishing Committee, she edited the *Southern California Bridge News* from 1979-1982 and authored the popular monthly column "The LOL." She was involved in writing and performing in many shows for bridge tournaments. Genie won the European Open Teams at Lake Balaton, Hungary 1975, the Mixed BAM Teams in 1970 and the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1971.

**MAVROMICHALIS, Brigitte** (b. 1926) of Switzerland, formerly of Bridgetown, Barbados. She served as president of the Caribbean-Central America Zone from 1987-1989 and from 1991-1995. She was president of the Barbados Bridge League from 1986-1988. She won the China Cup in 1999 and was a competitor in many invitational events. Mavromichalis placed second in the Jacoby Open Swiss in 1996.

**MCGOWAN, Liz** (nee Weir, b. 1945) is 100% Scottish and proud of it. Born in Perth, she studied languages at Edinburgh University, fell in love with the city, and has never left. She met her husband while engaged in some fruitless post-graduate research in Leningrad (now St. Petersburg). She has two non-bridge-playing daughters. Liz taught Russian literature in the University for a while, but now earns her living as Bridge correspondent of *The Scotsman*, a post she inherited from the late Hugh Kelsey. The column became a daily one in 1997.

She comes from a keen bridge-playing family, and learned the game by osmosis and from their well-stocked bookshelves. She joined her first bridge club in 1971 and represented Scotland in the Lady Milne Trophy in 1978, the first of her record 26 appearances in the event. She attracted the attention of the British selectors, and formed a partnership with Yorkshire's Sandra Penfold. They were regular members of the Great Britain Women's team from 1988-1995. In 1996 she formed a new partnership with Heather Dhondy, which lasted till 2000, when England, Scotland and Wales were recognised as independent NBOs. It was while drowning their sorrows in the hotel bar after quarter-final defeat that she and Dhondy met the Icelandic world champions (similarly engaged) and formed the team that won the first WBF Transnational Mixed Teams in 1996.

Since independence, McGowan has represented Scotland in Open, Women's and Senior teams. She is heavily involved in bridge administration, and deeply concerned about the future of our game. She particularly enjoys working with Juniors and has enjoyed various outings as captain or coach to both British and Scottish Junior teams. Printed to celebrate its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, McGowan has collected a vast amount of facts and anecdotes to provide the definitive record of the first 75 years of contract bridge in Scotland..

**McKEAN, Joan De Witt** of Grosse Pointe MI, stockbroker and bridge teacher. McKean served as the President of the ABCL Charity Foundation multiple times and won the Master Mixed Teams (now Freeman Mixed BAM) four times.

**McKENNEY, William E.** (1891-1950). McKenney gained fame as a bridge columnist, philanthropist and administrator. He contributed daily bridge columns to Scripps-Howard newspapers from 1929-1950. So widely read was his work that in Europe the Suit-Preference Signal became known as the 'McKenney Convention' instead of being attributed to its inventor, Hy Lavinthal. His dedication to bridge and its organizations extended well beyond the written word, in 1927 he helped found American Auction Bridge League. He became chairman of its committee on laws and then executive secretary in 1928. He continued as secretary of both the ABL and ACBL until 1948. McKenney founded the National Laws Commission in 1932 and chaired it from 1935-1948. Several times McKenney contributed his privately earned income to the ABL and ACBL. For example, in 1929 he founded Bridge Supplies, Inc., which sold trophies, scoring supplies and other merchandise. In 1936 he donated this corporation to the ABL. He devoted nearly all his time to the interests of the successive bridge leagues. To a degree McKenney acquired a spirit of proprietary control that became increasingly inconsistent with ACBL interests as ACBL became larger and more financially stable. McKenney was deposed in favor of democratic control of the ACBL in 1948. He founded both the ABL and the ACBL charity programs. Through these channels he led the League to endow the Children's Cancer Ward at Memorial Hospital in New York City and to establish War Orphans Scholarships. He won ABL National Open Pairs 1929. His memory was perpetuated by the McKenney Trophy.

**McPHERRAN, Robert A.** (1915-1986) of New York City was named Life Master # 26 in 1941. He won six North American championships.

**MEREDITH, Adam (Plum)** (1913–1976) was a British professional bridge player. His origin was in County Down, Ireland. He was a key member of the British team which won the Bermuda Bowl in 1955. Little is known of Plum's early life, except that he did have a good school education. As a man, he was fearlessly honest. Long before World War II he was a convinced pacifist. Although unfit for military service in WWII, he declined to plead ill-health, and registered as a conscientious objector: he felt it would not be honest to put secondary reasons forward. Instead, he was allocated work as an ambulance driver in London, and also an ARP warden during the blitz. It did not last, because his ambulance section petitioned against the use of 'conchies' (conscientious objectors) and secured his dismissal to farm work: the worst possible outcome for an asthmatic.

The rest of his life is shrouded in some mystery, though one glimpse is given by his enthusiasm for ballet. When the *Ballet Nègre* (a creation of Katherine Dunham) came to London he was one of its financial backers.

Unfortunately, the latter part of his life was limited by ill-health, some of which was self-inflicted. Plum was a severe and chronic asthmatic and also a diabetic. Whilst resident in Britain, he spent months each year in the south of France where the dry climate helped his lungs. Later resident in America, alcoholism further reduced his vitality and shortened his life. Meredith was a bridge professional: he played rubber bridge for a living. He was not a writer, journalist or teacher of bridge as so many other players were.

Plum was not only good-looking and intelligent, but had a highly original turn of mind. His personal honesty extended to his bridge career. He created a precedent when he withdrew from a British team on the grounds that a pair from a continental team were cheats. Others also thought so, but had nevertheless played.

At bridge he liked to seize the initiative early in a match, some of his bidding manoeuvres (which often centred round the spade suit) became legendary. He was also a remarkable dummy player. He was a strong and regular rubber-bridge player, and when he could he used a bidding system called 'Baron', and co-authored its text-book *The Baron System of Contract Bridge* with Leo Baron.

**MESSER, Alan W.** (b. 1934) of Toledo OH, is an executive for a computer software developer. Won Men's Teams (now Mitchell Open BAM) 1960. He pioneered recorder system in Greater New York B.A. A ranked senior tennis player and former referee and chair umpire at major professional tournaments, also a marathon runner.

**MEYER, Jean- Paul** (b. 1936) Lives in Paris with his wife Michelle "Listen very carefully, I will say this only once" herself a good player. Their daughter, Karine, does not play, but her sons do. After completing his mathematical and financial studies he worked for 16 years as vice general manager in a firm quoted on the Paris Bourse before rejoining *Le Bridgeur* – he commanded no less than five salaries at the time. He retired as chief editor and president of *Le Bridgeur*, in 2000. He wrote regular columns for *L'Express* and *Minute* and now writes in *Journal du Dimanche* and *Le Figaro Magazine*. He was a regular contributor to *Bridge Magazine* and has also written two books. An outstanding administrator, he was on the board of the French Federation for 15 years before resigning.

He has been bulletin co-ordinator for the EBL and the WBF for many years and is recognized as one of the best vugraph commentators.

**MEYER, Kenneth C. (Ken)** (b. 1947) of Lititz PA, systems analyst. Won North American Swiss Teams 1989.

**MILDE, Andrzej** (b.1939) Married with one son he studied economics and became the Chief Executive of KS Budowlani, a sports club in Poznan. He learned to play when he was eleven, along with other children at his primary school. He believes you must play regularly to develop the ideal partnership, trust your partner and stop drinking vodka! He was a member of the Board of the Polish Bridge Union between 1995 and 1999. He lists his hobbies as gardening, sport and 'wine, women and song'

**MINTER, Lulu** (b. 1950) of Glendora CA is originally from Romania. An aerospace engineer, Minter was an Olympic volleyballer for Romania and a tournament tennis player in the U.S. He has taught and lectured on cruise ships for over 22 years, having cruised on over 100 cruises and visited over 100 countries. He has written articles in several bridge publications, invented a convention that has to do with bidding after a quantitative raise of 1NT (or 2NT) to 4NT and studied the statistical aspect of distribution and developed techniques declaring in a suit with four cards out, missing the queen. Minter's favorite bridge moment was having a 73% in the first final of a national pairs event in Pasadena, California, and leading the event with one session to go.

**MOGAL, Sol** (1911-1989) of Croton on Hudson NY, import company president. Mogal was LM #88 and a six-time North American champion.

**MOLOCHKO, Daniel S.** (b. 1955) of El Cerrito CA is a data processing and business management consultant. He was a state of Connecticut scholar and a prep school All-American swimmer. Molochoko won the Open BAM Teams in 1990.

**MOORE, Dorothy H.** (1928-2000) of Dallas TX was the president of Aces International from 1968-1982. She was listed by Fortune Magazine (1978) as one of the top 10 women in big business. Moore edited the bridge column of the late Ira G. Corn Jr.'s and the books published by the Aces Team. She assisted Corn in forming and managing the Aces. She was deputy captain of U.S. Women's Olympiad Team in 1980. Morre was a two-time North American champion.

**MORAN, John H.** (1909-1977) of Camarillo CA was a club director, bridge instructor and cruise director. He represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1955. Moran was a two-time North American champion winning the Spingold in 1954 and the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1965.

**MORATH, Anders** (The Carrot) (b. 1944) of Jarfalla, Sweden is a computer systems developer. A WBF World Life Master, Morath placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1977 and 1991. He represented Sweden in many other world championships, won the European Teams twice and played on three other occasions and won the European Junior Teams in 1968. He won the Swedish national Open Teams eight times, is a top Swedish masterpoint holder, and the co-author of Carrot Club and other systems.

**MORCOS, Josephine** (1923-2003). She was a founding member of the Egyptian women's bridge team. She made her debut with the UAR Olympiad team in 1960 and led the squad to victory. Morcos, who lived in the Cairo suburb of Heliopolis, played for Egypt in international competition every year after she first played in the Olympiad in Turin, Italy. She was taught to play bridge by her husband, Youssef, in 1943. In an interview published during the Olympiad in Maastricht, Netherlands, in 2000, Morcos recalled that her bridge lessons occurred while she and Youssef were engaged. She recalled that Youssef told her, "You must learn bridge. Otherwise we will not have a happy life together." As a player, Josephine earned the respect of other experts, including Omar Sharif, who has represented Egypt many times. Sharif, in fact, recruited Morcos twice in the past to play on his team in the Open series – in 1968 in Deauville, France, and in New Orleans, USA, in 1978. Both times the team was four-handed. "Josephine is a wonderful player," Sharif said during the Maastricht tournament. Her daughter, Aida Morcos, paid tribute to her mother as "the main pillar and founder on which ladies bridge in Egypt started and is still going."

**MOSZCZYNSKI, Krzysztof** (b.1951) He and his wife have raised a 'mixed team' of two boys and two girls. Formerly a professor of mathematics at the High School of Agriculture, he went on to work for the Piatnik distribution company. He was taught to play by his brother when he was six years old because they needed a fourth. He relaxes by playing Go (!), listening to music and watching sports.

**MOUIEL, Hervé** (1949-2010) He lived for many years in Paris with his wife Isabelle, but they went to live in Cannes with their son Jeremy. After partnering Henri Svarc, he played for most of his career with Alain Levy. He also had a very successful mixed partnership with Sylvie Willard. He was to some extent a professional gambler, especially concentrating on soccer matches. Besides his successes at the bridge table, he will be remembered for his consistent work for young players, having trained French youth teams since 1998. A heavy smoker, he died from cancer.

**MULLER, Bauke** (b.1962) He lives in Hoorn with his wife and child where he is a psychologist working for the government (he is nicknamed *the Professor*). In terms of results, he is the most successful Dutch player ever.

**MULTON, Franck** (b.1964) He lives in Nice where he manages the colonial bridge club. He came to prominence as a member of the young team that represented France in the 1988 World Championships Venice. A full time professional, he now plays regularly with Pierre Zimmermann and hopes to represent Monaco from 2011. He is currently ranked number one in France. He won the 2010 Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

**MUNDAY, Susan** of Memphis TN joined the ACBL staff in 2011 as Bridge Bulletin and Daily Bulletin associate editor. Munday graduated from the University of Virginia with a degree in English and Theater. In addition to extensive writing and editing experience, she worked in public affairs and marketing for 25 years in the Los Angeles area. A Gold Life Master, Munday enjoys knitting and gardening (especially growing and showing roses) when she is not playing bridge.

**MURDOCH, Elinor** (1901-deceased) of Birmingham AL. A bridge teacher and president of the Birmingham Bridge Association, Murdoch was a one of the leading women players in the Thirties. She was named Life Master #64 in 1947 and won three North American Championships.

**MURTHY, Ravindra** (Rev) (1966-2000) of Berkeley CA. A two-time North American champion and former top junior player, Murthy was a graduate of the University of California Berkley. Murthy finished fourth in the World Junior Bridge Championships in 1991. In 1993, playing with Brad Moss, Lew Stansy, Chip Martel, Hugh Ross and Jeff Ferro, Murthy won the GNT at the Summer NABC in Washington. Later that year, Moss and Murthy won the Nail Life Master Pairs. Mike Cappelletti said of his friend, “Rev was a super guy – a great friend, great player, great partner.”

**NAIL, Betty (Mrs. G. Robert)** (b. 1923) of Houston TX is a retired bridge club owner. She and her late husband, G.R. (Bobby) Nail opened their club in Houston, 1959, with Julie (now Julie Harding) and Mervin Key. Nail won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1958.

**NAKAMURA, Yoshiyuki** (b.1944) He lives in Tokyo where he is a professional player. He learned to play in college. His hobbies are listening to music and watching movies.

**NASH, Garrett G.** (1919-1997) of Brentwood MO. Nash won the Vanderbilt in 1962. He and teammates Jerry Levitt, Carolyn Levitt, George deRuntz and Larry Kolker lost their first round match (at the time the Vanderbilt was a double elimination event) but later reached the final and defeated the team of Charles Goren, Helen Sobel, Peter Leventritt, Howard Schenken, Harold Ogust and Boris Koytchou. Nash was a member of the U.S. International Table Tennis Team and was ranked first in the U.S. in 1939 and third in the world in 1948. He was later inducted to the Table Tennis Hall of Fame. Nash was also a former professional baseball player and a U.S. Army officer.

**NEHMERT, Beate (Pony).** She lives in Wiesbaden where she teaches bridge. She acquired her nickname of *Ponyelle*, (shortened to Pony) because of her curly hair. Her outstanding partnership with Andrea Rauscheid was cut short when Andrea suffered a brain tumour. Apart from being an outstanding player, she has also served with distinction as a board member of the DBV (the German Bridge Federation). When she is not shopping you might find her watching English TV shows like Blackadder.

**NEIGER, Eugene J.** (Gene) (b. 1936) of New York City, stockbroker. A member of the Precision team, Neiger won the Spingold in 1971 and the Vanderbilt in 1972.

**NEWMAN, Louis** (deceased) of Encino CA was a liquor store proprietor. He was named ACBL Life Master #63 in 1947 and won the Reisinger in 1940.

**NEXON, Baron Robert de** (1892–1967) Robert de Nexon decided to resign as president of the European Bridge League after a reign of 15 years. The Baron was a benevolent despot; his aim was to build a strong European Bridge League and he accomplished it with foresight, diplomacy and a firm hand. It distressed him when a feud with Pierre Jais and Roger Trezel cost his French team its best pair, but he would not retreat from a stand he felt was right. A world bridge federation was one of his dreams, and he helped to form it and was its first president. Wrote with Pierre Albarran in 1935 *Notre method de bridge* one of the first books on French bidding. During World War II he managed Chanel in the name of the owners Wertheimer family.

His career as a bridge statesman caused many to lose sight of the fact that De Nexon was a well-rounded success at many things: chief executive of Coty, owner of a great racing stable and a great bridge player in his own right. He was a favorite partner of Pierre Albarran, one of France's bridge giants. He played with him on the team that won the European Championship in 1935 and went to the USA to play against the American champions, the Four Aces, in a match part of which was staged in Madison Square Garden. He captained many French teams.

**NILSLAND, Mats** (b. 1950) of Malmo, Sweden, computer programmer. A WBF World Life Master, Nilsland placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1991 and in the Rosenblum Teams in 1986 and 1998. He represented Sweden in three other world championships. He won five Swedish titles and is author or co-author of six books on bridge.

**NORWOOD, Barbara B.** (Mrs. Robert) (b. 1938) of Austin TX. She served in various executive positions on the Unit and District level. Norwood won Whitehead Women's Pairs 1980, second 1984.

**NOSZKA, Gloria E.** (1923-1983) of Pittsburgh PA, real estate agent. Noska represented the U.S. in international competition in Stockholm in 1970 and Las Palmas in 1974. She won the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1969.

**NOVAK, Phyllis** (1927-1998) of Seattle WA, real estate investor. She was a two-time North American Champion.

**NUNES, Claudio** (b.1968) of Rome is a five-time world champion. He is one of only 10 players globally to win the Triple Crown of Bridge (the Bermuda Bowl, World Team Olympiad, World Open Pairs). Nunes' regular partner is Fulvio Fantoni. They are regarded as one of the top pairs worldwide. They play "Fantunes", for their surnames, an innovative bidding system characterized by natural but forcing one-level opening bids in all four suits. Nunes and Fantoni are currently full-time members of a team led and paid by the Swiss "real estate tycoon" Pierre Zimmermann, under contract expiring 2016. The team finished third in the 2010 world championship, not yet full-time, and it will compete in the European open championship this spring. From 2012 all six members will be citizens of Monaco and the team will be a prohibitive favorite to represent Monaco internationally.

**OGUST, Harold A.** (1916-1978) of New York City, plastics manufacturer, travel agent. He was president and founder of Goren International, Inc. Although he originated Ogust Responses to Weak Two-Bids, he was opposed to most artificial bidding. The convention card he used so successfully with Boris Koytchou, his favorite partner, was almost bare of exceptions to Standard American. An outstanding player, Ogust represented U.S. in Bermuda Bowl 1957, World Team Olympiad 1960. He won the Spingold in 1956 and 1960 and the Reisinger in 1957 and 1963.

**OHNO, Kyoko** (b.1946) She lives in Tokyo. A former systems engineer she is now a professional player. She learned bridge from her uncle. Her main hobby is watching movies. She won the Senior Teams at the World Mind Sports Games in 2008.

**OLDROYD, Rita** (1921-2000) She lived in Pudsey, West Yorkshire. She could talk the hind legs off a donkey and would stamp her personality on all around her. She would knit between rounds, often wearing colorful clothes she had made herself. Her character was included in the book *Trick Thirteen* by Reese and Flint. Her life was not short on tragedy, a war widow with a baby, a grandson killed in a road accident and dramatically fading eyesight in the last six years of her life. She sometimes drove to bridge matches when it was clear she couldn't really see the other traffic! She was the first woman (and only the third player) to reach the rank of EBU Grandmaster and her knowledge was passed on to many stars, including Raymond Brock, Tony Forrester and Roman Smolski. Her greatest ambition was to win the Gold Cup, but despite reaching three finals it remained unfulfilled.

When her son Michael looked at Rita's home for trophies and records of his mother's bridge career, he found nothing at all except a rather dusty silver medal from the 1976 World Championships. Rita didn't want the silver cups and trophies she won – too much dusting, she said.

**O'NEILL, Eugene** (d. 1997) of Reston VA. O'Neill served the Veteran Administration and was a member of the Board of Veteran Appeals. He won the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs with partner Roy Fox in 1975.

**ORNSTEIN, Alexander J.** (Alex) (b. 1962) of Roslyn Heights NY, vice president and managing director of private investment company, attorney. Alex competed to quarter-finals of the Bermuda Bowl in 1991 and placed second in the Epsom (Japan) Open Swiss in 1984. Ornstein won the Mixed BAM Teams in 2000 and the college bridge trials in 1984.

**ORTIZ-Patiño, Jaime** of Marbella, Spain, and London, England, formerly of Geneva, Switzerland. WBF World Life Master. Has business interests throughout the world. President of World Bridge Federation 1976-86, president emeritus 1986-to date. WBF vice president 1974-75, treasurer European Bridge League 1974-75. As WBF president he was instrumental in forming two new zones - Central American-Caribbean, Asia and the Middle East. He also added many new countries to the WBF roster, including the People's Republic of China. General chairman and chief organizer of Geneva World Championships 1990.

He was the prime force behind the introduction of bidding screens at international tournaments, despite strong opposition from world figures who insisted that screens would denaturalize and dehumanize tournament bridge. Screens were used for the first time in world competition at the Bermuda Bowl in Southampton, Bermuda in 1975. The competitors were virtually unanimous in their approval. The screens allowed them to relax on their side of the curtain. They didn't have to fear they might be transmitting unwitting messages to partner through body language. He also fostered, along with others, the use of bidding boxes, a move that cut the noise level tremendously. He attempted to do something about destructive bidding systems that were invading international tournaments. He feels he was too late to stop the influx, but he helped design a complex convention card that makes it incumbent on all pairs to explain exactly what their system consists of, including follow-up bids. He also felt very strongly that international



bridge should be on the highest possible ethical ground. He took major steps during his presidency to ensure the upgrading of ethics, and he was eminently successful. He also is a strong believer in Junior bridge and has attended almost all major world Junior championships.

Represented Switzerland in World Team Olympiad 1964, 68; World Open Pairs 1962, Rosenblum Teams 1982, European Championships 1955, 56, 59, 61, 62, 63, 65, 67. Placed fifth World Par Point Contest 1961. Swiss national titles include Open Teams 1953, 56, 59, 61; KO Teams 1955, 56, 60, 62, 63.

Patiño now has major interests in golf. His own golf course in Spain (Valderrama) was the site of 1997 Ryder Cup and also has been the site of other major world-class tournaments.

**OSBERG, Sharon** (b. 1949) of Tiburon CA. A WBF World Master, Osberg won the Venice Cup in 1991 and 1993. She placed second in the Transnational Mixed Teams in 1996, was asemi-finalist in Venice Cup in 1987 and placed 13<sup>th</sup> in the World Women's Pairs in 1986. She is a three-time North American champion. Twenty years ago Warren Buffett invited Osberg to play cards and they've been playing together ever since. She has played regularly and with considerable success with Bill Gates in national and regional events.

**PABIS-TICCI, Camillo** (1920-2003) of Florence, Italy, engineer. A WBF Grand Life Master, Pabis-Ticci was a member of the famous Italian Blue Team. During his tenure he won five Bermuda Bowls and three World Team Olympiads.

**PARIENTE, Jacques** A pediatrician, he was the partner of Henri Swzarc and then of Jean-Marc Roudinesco. He wrote (with Claude Delmouly) *bridge d'aujourd'hui*.

**PARKER, Joshua B.** (b. 1956) of Briarcliff Manor NY is an alternative investment manager and attorney. He served the GNYBA as president and general counsel, chairman Conduct & Ethics Committee. Parker competed in world play in Bal Harbour in 1986, won the Open BAM Teams in 1985 and was the youngest winner of William Keohane Individual.

**PAS, Marijke van der** (b.1949) lives in Utrecht together with Jaap Trouwborst. She is a bridge journalist and works for the Dutch Bridge Magazine. She has been playing bridge since 1967. She first played in the Dutch Ladies team in 1979. After the Venice Cup in Monte Carlo in 2003 she ended her international bridge career.

**PASMAN, Jet** She comes from Broek in Waterland, a small village north of Amsterdam. She started playing bridge in 1974. Since 1979 she has been partnering Anneke Simons. Pasman is a sports teacher and is married to the coach of the Ladies team Chris Niemeijer, a former player in the Dutch Open team. Apart from bridge, golf is her great hobby. She also loves travelling. The further the championships are away from home, the better. Pasman can hardly play any practice matches in the summer because of her two-month long vacation!

**PAVLIDES, Jordanis** (1903-1985) 'Pav', as he was universally known, was born in Athens and after spending some time in France and Germany he settled in London in 1935, becoming a British citizen in 1951. He played little competitive bridge after the 1956 European Championships. He was a director of a Greek Shipping Company and when he was not playing he relaxed on the golf course.

**PEARSON, Don B.** of Berkeley CA. Devised Pearson Point Count which states that fourth hand should open the bidding if the number of high-card points and the number of spades total 15 or more – 14 is optional. Won Open BAM Teams 1970; placed second Nail Life Master Men's Pairs 1968.

**PERES, Charles** (1930-2004) of Chicago was an options and futures trader. He won the Morehead Trophy in 1967, the Mixed BAM Teams in 1969 and the GNOTin 1978.

**PERRON, Michel** (b.1951) Living in Paris with his wife Martine, he was a professional player who started (and stopped) bridge at a very early age. He was a star player during the golden years of French bridge, partnering Christian Mari, Alain Levy and principally for 14 years, Paul Chemla. He was highly regarded, Bob Hamman nicknaming him *The Terminator*. Zia Mahmood used to say 'If this is Michel's bid, it is the right choice'. He had a reputation of making almost no mistakes. He retired from competitive play in 2007 preferring Yam, Sudoku, crosswords and TV series.

**PERROUX, Carl' Alberto** (1905-1977) of Italy, trial lawyer. Perroux is probably the most famous npc in bridge history. He led the Italian Blue Team in a record series of nine world championship wins from 1957-1966 and five European Championships from 1951-1959. Celebrated for tough team discipline, he checked to see that each member went to bed on time and by themselves - no wives, no girlfriends. Players who violated his rules were benched, even when it hurt the team. He was a former president Italian Bridge Federation and author of *The Blue Team - Our Story of Bridge*.

**PETERSON, Olive** (1894-1965) of St. Davids PA, was an outstanding player and teacher whose career spanned from auction to contract bridge. She was closely associated with Milton C. Work with whom she won many auction and contract championships. She and Work conducted one of the earliest bridge cruises, 1933 on the SS Carinthia. She was subsequently associated with Charles Goren. She was President Women's National Committee 1939, vice-president Women's Auxiliary of ABL 1936 and ACBL Secretary 1951. Her national auction bridge titles include Women's Pairs 1931, Women's Teams 1932. In contract she won 10 North American championships which include the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1930, 1932, and 1945. Her writings include *Work-Peterson Accurate Valuation System*, *101 Celebrated Hands*, *Simplified Digest of Culbertson System* and *Common-Sense Contract*.

**PETROV, Dian** (b. 1962) of Buffalo NY is a bridge professional and owner of Bridge Club Meridian. He is an ACBL Accredited Teacher and ACBL Club Director. Petrov won the North American Pairs Flt B in 2010 and was runner up in the Grand National Teams Flt B in 2008.

**PETRUNIN, Aleksander** of Russia. A WBF World International Master, Petrunin has represented Russia in six world championships and eight zonal championships. He has won two North American Championships – the Mitchell Open BAM in 2000 and the Vanderbilt in 2001.

**PETTERSON, Kelsey** (1911-1983) of Las Vegas NV, was member of the ACBL Board of Directors from 1967-1970 and a former president and attorney of the Western Conference. Petterson was npc of the Los Angeles team in the Sports Illustrated Trophy matches. Petterson represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl in 1965.

**PIGEAUD, Fabienne** She lives in Paris where she is a professional player. The sister of Bénédicte Cronier, she plays a lot of rubber bridge. A WBF World International Master, Fabienne placed third in the 1985 Venice Cup.

**PILON, Dominique** (b.1950) He lives in Paris where he is a full time professional player. The long-time partner of Albert Faigenbaum, he won with him the Rosenblum cup in Biarritz in 1988 after having taken a 15-days sports-training holiday beforehand. He has a very good reputation as a bridge teacher and bridge travel organizer.

**POLEC, Janusz** (b.1939) He qualified as an engineer and only learned to play with a group of friends after graduating. A local politician and sports official, his hobby is journalism. He suggests there are four elements in bridge and ranks them in the following order: discipline, defense, bidding and declarer play.

**PRICE, David** (b. 1949) Was born in Colchester and educated at Sevenoaks School and Pembroke College, Cambridge. He first encountered bridge in a sixth-form lunchtime card school. When he asked what was needed to play it he got the answer "three people and a dummy."

He fell in love with the game and studied it fanatically but didn't play seriously until he met up with a bunch of players from Essex University. He enjoyed a successful career in the insurance industry and has subsequently mixed professional bridge play with consultancy work and investment research. His wife, Jenny is fully supportive of his bridge activities, and they have three cats and a beautiful Golden Retriever puppy. When time permits he loves to cook, play guitar and listen to music. Price won the World Senior Teams in 2009.

**PRIDAY, Jane** (1936-1994) She was born in Nottingham, daughter of England cricket player Dennis Bland. An early marriage to Geoffrey Garrett produced a daughter, Alison. In 1960, she married England international Pedro Juan, and formed a bridge partnership with Dorothy Shanahan.

Friday and Shanahan were in the British team which won the 1961 Women's Europeans in Torquay, winning again two years later in Baden Baden. The following year they won the Olympiad team title in New York City. In 1965, Pedro Juan died, and Friday's bridge partnership with Shanahan broke up. The following year, showing considerable resilience of character, Friday won the Women's World Pairs title with her new partner, Joan Durran. They were in the British women's team which won the European

title in Warsaw in 1966, and later that year Jane married Tony Priday. Tony and Jane Priday became Britain's most successful married couple, winning the Gold Cup, Britain's premier event, and the Open and Mixed Teams Championship of England (Crockford's and Hubert Phillips).

In 1973 Jane's daughter was killed in a motor accident, and for some time she gave up bridge. She recovered from a brain haemorrhage in 1983, but suffered occasional ill-health for the rest of her life.

**PRIDAY, Tony** (b.1922) is an English bridge player and journalist, who had a longstanding and successful partnership with Claude Rodrigue. He attended Winchester College, and then joined the King's Royal Rifle Corps, serving during World War II and achieving the rank of Major. In 1947, he joined the family timber business, Sydney Priday & Snewin Ltd. He became Managing Director in 1968. He retired from the firm in 2001. In 1966, he married Jane Juan, herself a noted player. He remarried, to Vivian, in 1995 and they now live in Marbella.

He was an independent assessor of the technical evidence at the British Bridge League inquiry into the allegation of cheating by Terence Reese and Boris Schapiro at the 1965 World Championships.

He is renowned for his correct demeanour at the bridge table. At one championship, an elderly lady was heard to remark, "That is Mr Priday. I'm surprised he is playing for Britain. He is much too polite to be a bridge player." In 1983, he took part in a televised match arranged by the BBC between teams representing Britain and the United States. The British team was Priday, Rodrigue, Nicola Gardener and Pat Davies. The US team was Neil Silverman, Matthew Granovetter, Jacqui Mitchell and Gail Moss. The British team won by 32 IMPs over 78 deals in seven sessions. The match subsequently formed the basis of a book, in which Priday was described as follows: "He is tall, grey-haired, distinguished and impeccably dressed... He is also amusing, polite and might appear ripe to be mugged at the bridge table... Beneath the velvet lurks a mind of iron..."

He was the bridge correspondent of the *Sunday Telegraph* from the newspaper's launch in 1961 until 1997 when he was replaced by Tony Forrester.

He was made a Life Member of the EBU in 1997 and is its vice-president and a former vice-chairman. He is a former chairman of the British Bridge League.

**PRZYBORZ, Thomasz** (b.1949) A bridge journalist and professional player he co-authored a book on bidding with Krzysztof Martens.

**PSZCZOLA, Jacek** (b. 1967) He is sometimes referred to by Western journalists as 'Pepsi' and is one of the younger generation of Polish bridge wizards. Married with one son and living in Lublin, Jacek Pszczola graduated as a mining machine engineer, and now works in the oil industry. He represents the Unia Winkhaus Bridge club in Leszno. When he is not playing bridge you will find him on the basketball court.

A former Polish Junior Champion, he won the World Open Pairs Championship at Lille in 1998, finished second in the European Open Teams Championship at Montecatini in 1997, and took third place in the World Transnational Open Teams at Hammamet in the same year. He also won the prestigious Polish bridge event, Festival Solidarnosci, in Slupsk, 1995. Jacek has partnered Michal Kwiecen for seven years and together they topped a star-studded field in Las Vegas in the 2001 Cavendish Calcutta. He now plays with Sam Lev.

**QUANTIN, Jean-Christophe** (b.1966) Living in Paris, he was born in Royan where his parents owned a famous tea room. He comes from the same successful generation as Franck Multon and Christian Desrousseaux. He won the difficult French pairs championship four times in a row with Marc Bompis. He was often ranked number one in France, a contest he has mainly fought out with Franck Multon. For three years he was chief editor of *Le Bridgeur*, but left in favor of a professional contract with Romain Zaleski, a very successful French-Italian financial manager. When the contract ended Jean-Christophe turned his attention to bridge holidays.

**RAMER, Roald** (b.1945) was born in Kracow, the old capital of Poland. He learned bridge at high school. He studied mathematics at the University of Warsaw and at the same time received a thorough bridge education under the guidance of the great bridge theoretician and teacher, the late Zbigniew Szurig. In 1968 he settled in the Netherlands where he obtained a PhD from the University of Amsterdam. He devoted his life time at the academia to teaching and research in mathematical economics and game theory. After a break of six years he came back to bridge in 1974. He played for the Dutch national team from 1979 to 1985, and served as a coach and the npc of the team in 1988 and 1989. For many years he was also a member of the national appeals committee. He contributes to the bridge magazine *IMP* occasionally.

**RAND, Alfred (Al)** (1907-1998) of New York City, investment manager. Rand won the Mitchell Open BAM Teams in 1982 and placed second in the Jacoby Open Swiss in 1986.

**RAND, Nissan** (1930-2008) He was born in what is now Slovakia, but lived most of his life in Israel, where he became a world renowned expert in the field of animal nutrition, having published more than 200 scientific papers on the subject. He served as chairman of the European Council on Poultry Nutrition between 1989 and 1998 and was inducted to the International Poultry Hall of Fame in 2000.

As a player he had a distinguished career, representing Israel in many Open events, including the Olympiad in Deauville in 1968 and the European Open Championships.

It was as a Senior player and administrator that he left a lasting mark on the game. Having been elected to the Executive Committee of the European Bridge League in 1995 (a position he held until 2003) he led the EBL Seniors Committee to stardom. When he took office, Senior bridge was practically non-existent, but leaves behind a legacy of senior series in all major championships, in addition to a large number of Senior Congresses and events all over the world.

His outstanding contribution to European Bridge can easily be measured by the fact that he was an Honorary Member of the EBL Executive Committee and Honorary Chairman of the EBL Senior Committee.

In 2000 he was invited to head the newly formed WBF Seniors Committee, a responsibility he carried out in his typical enthusiastic manner.

As a Senior he enjoyed a wonderful career, twice winning the World Senior Team Championship in Albuquerque 1994 and Lille 1998, to sit alongside a host of other triumphs in World and European competitions.

**RAND, Rita L.** (Mrs. Alfred) of New York City, investor. Inventor of the Rand Club, Rita won the Keohane North American Swiss Teams in 1996 and placed second twice.

**RANGLES, Janice R.** (b. 1934) of Redmond WA, bridge teacher, director and club owner. Randles won the Women's BAM Teams in 1987 and placed second in the USWBC (team trials) in 1988.

**RAU, John** (1908-1982) of Walnut Creek CA, a leading figure in early days of contract bridge. In 1930 Rau and William K. Barrett caused a sensation at their first national tournament by extensive use of psychic bids and by winning the Open Team championship (now the Reisinger) as a pickup team with Ely Culbertson and W. James Carpenter. Won Open Pairs 1934, was second in Vanderbilt (twice) and the Spingold as well as other major victories in important Eastern tournaments. Protege and special assistant to P. Hal Sims in early Thirties when the Sims mansion in Deal NJ was summer headquarters for all the principal bridge experts. When the category of Life Master was created by the American Bridge League in 1936, Rau was not included on the original list, having quit bridge to seek his fortune in the business world. Through the vagaries of the bridge league's bookkeeping system in those days, Rau's early exploits were never recognized with masterpoints, so when he moved to California and resumed playing bridge, he started a second bridge career and became a Life Master in three years.

**RAUSCHEID-REIM, Andrea** (b.1963) She is married to Sebastian Reim. She was christened the 'wunderkind' as a result of her brilliant play in the 1995 World Championships. A life-threatening brain tumor interrupted her career, but after a long period of convalescence she has started playing successfully again.

**REESE, John Terence** (28 August 1913 – 29 January 1996) was a British bridge player and writer, regarded as one of the finest of all time in both fields. He was born in Epsom, Surrey, England to middle-class parents, and was educated at Bradfield College and New College, Oxford, where he studied classics and took a double first, graduating in 1935, after which, somewhat unusually, he went to work for two years in Harrods. Reese said "I played card games before I could read." He played his first tournament at the age of 14.

His mother Anne ran a hotel near Guildford, and with it a bridge club, so Reese played in the earliest duplicate matches, around 1930. Whilst at Oxford he met some serious bridge players, amongst whom were Lt.-Col. Walter Buller, Iain Macleod and Maurice Harrison-Gray, the strongest player in the country at that time. Within a year of graduating and after a brief stint at Harrod's, Reese started working for Hubert Phillips' magazine and co-authored his first book with him in 1937. Phillips acknowledges that although the book is published jointly under their names, "Terence is the real author of the book", receiving only assistance in planning contents and editing from Phillips. From that point on, Reese's profession was that of a champion contract bridge player and prolific writer on the game.

Reese joined the ARP a few months before the war, and was never inducted into the armed forces. He ended up working in

the factory of Pedro Juan (a fellow bridge player), which manufactured black-out curtains. When a Ministry of Labour inspector turned up to check on him, a hasty phone-call was needed to get Terence into an office surrounded by ledgers.

Reese had some hobbies; even those he pursued with typical commitment. He was always a cricket and chess enthusiast. After World War II he made a book on greyhound racing; later he became an avid football fan, reputedly supporting Queen's Park Rangers, whose ground was next door to the White City Stadium, a home of greyhound racing. He played various other games for money, especially canasta, poker and backgammon, and wrote books on them.

During the early 1960s, together with first Boris Schapiro and then Jeremy Flint, he created the *Little Major* bidding system. Initially it was supposedly intended as a warning of what would happen if the development of artificial bidding systems was allowed to go unchecked. However, under this camouflage, the system was a genuine attempt with interesting features. The Little Major was described in *Bridge Magazine* on two occasions, the last in the August 1989 issue.

Reese edited the *British Bridge World* from 1956 to 1962.

Reese's 1965 appearance in the Buenos Aires Bermuda Bowl was marred by an accusation that he and his partner Boris Schapiro were communicating illegally (*i.e.* cheating). In his 1966 book, *Story of an Accusation*, Reese went through every single hand presented by the 'prosecution' and showing that the bidding was clear by the principles of the Acol system they were using, and several occasions when they might have used information about the heart suit had it been available. Alan Truscott also wrote his account, *The Great Bridge Scandal*, concentrating on the observations and reaching the opposite conclusion.

Reese also had a second career as a bridge author and journalist, a career that lasted throughout his life. He was one of the most influential and acerbic of bridge writers, with a large output (more than 90 titles), including several books which remain in print as classics of bridge play. He was also the long-time bridge correspondent of *The Lady*, *The Observer*, the *London Evening News* and the *Evening Standard*.

Reese contributed to the Acol bidding system originally developed by Maurice Harrison-Gray, Jack Marx and S.J. ("Skid") Simon in the late 1920's and early 1930's and co-authored the first textbook on it with Ben Cohen in 1938. Named after the Acol Bridge Club in North London (located on Acol Road), it became the prevailing bidding system in Britain and some other parts of the world. The book and its subsequent editions in 1939, 1946 and 1949 gave a certain unity to what was otherwise a rather free-wheeling bidding system. His later adaptation of Garozzo and Yallouze's book on the Blue Club and his book on the Precision Club were widely used by devotees of strong club systems, and by their opponents as references.

The great success of *Reese on Play* (an outstanding text on dummy play and defense) was followed by an even more ambitious work. *The Expert Game* was the book which really made his name. As the title suggests, it dealt with card play at the highest level, including some ideas that were novel at the time, for instance, inferences from events that did not occur, and the principle of restricted choice. Examples of bridge logic abound in Reese, for instance, a player who overcalls but does not lead his suit is likely to lack one or two key honors; His examples of *counting* (and other ways of drawing inferences from the bidding and play) spread such ideas from a coterie of masters in London (or New York) to a much wider group of nascent experts. Reese also had the distinction of creating several new genres of bridge book. The most significant was *Over My Shoulder* where the reader follows the master's thinking as the bidding and play proceeds. *Play Bridge with Reese* was the model for several such works. *Develop Your Bidding Judgement* was another such work.

Reese also wrote books on poker, casino gambling, canasta and backgammon.

He married Alwyn Sherrington in 1970. They resided in London and later in Hove, Sussex. Preferring backgammon as an alternative in his later years, Reese played little competitive bridge, owing in part to increasing deafness. However, his career as a bridge writer continued unabated.

**REESS, Vanessa** She lives in the Parisian suburbs with Wilfrid Libbrecht, a *première série nationale* player and they have one son. She was the partner of Nathalie Frey in the French ladies team which won the Venice Cup in 2005. Her mother Martine won many French ladies and mixed titles.

**REICH, Peggy Susan** (formerly Lipsitz, Parker) (1941-2003). Known to many in the bridge world simply as Peggy, the Potomac MD resident rose to prominence in the early Sixties. Reich won the gold medal in the Mixed Teams at the 1974 World Bridge Olympiad in Las Palmas, Canary Islands. She also won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs twice with Stephen Parker. She earned the Washington Bridge League's (WBL) Player of the Year award in 1967 and 1969, the first and only woman to win multiple titles, and was named WBL's Woman of the Year in 1970 and 1974. She curtailed her bridge career in the Eighties to devote her time to teaching the game that she loved.

**REIPLINGER, Robert** (b.1942) He came from Strasbourg to Paris. Initially, he was considered to be a mere sponsor, but his results quickly proved that he was an expert. He was a chartered accountant and businessman and was a close friend

of Jack Lang, a former minister of arts and culture. He had enjoyed a good relationship with François Mitterrand, when he became President of the French Republic in 1981. He played with great success with many different partners, Soulet, Stetten, Sussel, (the S men), Chemla, Lebel and Meyer. He is a great connoisseur of fine wines and restaurants. In 1997 he was charged with the insider trading of Triangle shares, and it was many years before the case was resolved.

**REISIG, Richard H.** (b. 1939) of Boynton Beach FL, bridge instructor, computer analyst. Reisig was the Cavendish Club manager for three years. He has won three North American Championships.

**REISINGER, Curt H.** (1891-1964) of New York City, a principal patron of contract bridge and the ACBL in the early years of both. Reisinger was great-grandson of both Anheuser and Busch, co-founders of the brewery from which he inherited great wealth. That wealth enabled him to become a stalwart financial supporter of the game, as well as a noted philanthropist on a far larger scale. Among the positions in which he served were director of the USBA, president of the Greater New York BA and chairman of ACBL. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1953. The Reisinger Teams at the New York Eastern Regional is one of the longest running bridge events. In 1965 the Chicago Board-a-Match teams was renamed the Reisinger Board-a-Match teams in his memory.

**REITH, George** (1876-1939) of Yonkers NY, bridge expert and writer, was one of the leading American bridge personalities. Reith took up bridge in 1927 after he retired from the brokerage business. In 1929 won first Eastern States Pairs championship with Oswald Jacoby. He won many titles including the Chicago Trophy (now the Reisinger) 1932. Reith authored several books on bridge which include *The Art of Successful Bidding*, *Contract*, *Accurate Contract* and *Reith's One-Over-One*. He was at one time chief exponent of the one-over-one system of bidding. Reith was chairman of the Knickerbocker Whist Club Card Committee for 15 years, president of Crockford's Club, executive vice-president of the USBA and an ACBL Board member. He created and acted as chairman of the Eastern States Championships, which for many years was one of the largest regionals in the United States.

**REUS, Sharyn** (b. 1950) of St Laurent PQ, personal income tax preparer. She began playing in 1969 and by 1972 was in her first Olympiad as the youngest player to represent Canada. A WBF World Life Master, Rues placed third in the Venice Cup in 1989; third in the World Women's Team Olympiad in 1996 and fourth in the World Women's Team Olympiad twice. She has represented Canada in world competition on many other occasions.

**REVELL, A. Richard** (1913-1988) of Prospect Heights IL, accountant. He won the Wernher Open Pairs and the Open BAM Teams in 1950. Revell was the Director of the Chicago CBA from 1961-1965 and received its Sportsmanship Award.

**REYNOLDS, Robert** (1925-1984) of Coral Gables FL, bridge teacher. Won the Master Individual 1960, placed second Vanderbilt 1960, Life Master Pairs 1961.

**RHODES, Kathryn M.** (Kay) (1910-1996) of Rohnert Park CA, formerly of New York City. Rhodes holds two unusual records - four consecutive wins in the Whitehead Women's Pairs 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958 and seven consecutive seconds in the Wagar Women's Teams 1952-1958. She won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1949 as a member of the only all female team to ever win the event.

**RICHMAN, Bobby.** He first came to prominence in the 1970s in Melbourne, and became a bridge professional before that line of work was fashionable. A milestone once thought to be insurmountable was achieved when he reached 10,002.72 master points on 8 September 2009, making him an Emerald Grand Master. It was thought that the late Tim Seres' lifetime tally of 8,370.48 would never be broken.

His biggest success representing Australia was third in the 1979 World Championships behind the Italians and Americans – as high as Australia has ever come. He is the only person to have won every major Open event in Australia at least once.

**ROBBINS, Lawrence** (Larry) (b. 1954) of Chicago, physician, won GNOT 1979, 91; placed second 1984, 86. Won Team Trials 1996, represented U.S. in World Team Olympiad 1996. Won Intercollegiate Championship 1976.

**ROBINSON, Arthur Guy** (b. 1936) of Villanova PA, bridge teacher. A WBF Life Master, Robinson came close to winning the world team title on three occasions. In 1963, in St. Vincent, Italy, he represented North America in the Bermuda Bowl. The team led almost throughout the final against Italy, but was narrowly defeated, partly because the nonplaying captain made a strange

decision to split two partnerships. A year later, in Manhattan, he lost again to Italy in the final of the World Team Olympiad. In the 1968 World Team Olympiad, in Deauville, France, he and his teammates lost once more to Italy, by a small margin. His partner on all three occasions was Robert Jordan. Robinson won the Teams Trials three times and five North American titles.

**ROBSON, Andrew.** Came to prominence as a junior when he was a member of the Great Britain team that won the World Youth Team Championship in Nottingham in 1989. He quickly formed a successful partnership with Tony Forrester and they won several prestigious European tournaments. In 1991 they were in the Great Britain squad that captured the European Team Championship and went on to finish fifth in the Bermuda Bowl.

In 2001 he survived a near-fatal fall whilst out walking in the Lake District.

Robson opened a successful bridge club in London at Parsons Green and although this has restricted his playing activities he has continued to be successful, winning bronze and silver medals in the Generali World Masters Individual. He has also enjoyed great success domestically, winning most of the major UK events more than once. He is a three-time North American champion.

He has written a number of books and has a daily column in *The Times*.

**ROCKAWAY, Dr. Harold** (1926-1993) of Houston TX was a Psychiatrist and successful tournament player in the Fifties and Sixties. At one of the first NABCs held west of the Mississippi (Dallas 1953), “Rocky” won the Open Pairs, the Men’s Teams and the Herman Trophy for best performance. In 1964 at the next Dallas NABC, he won the Reisinger and was second in the Life Master Men’s Pairs. In the years preceding his death, Rockaway was mainly a rubber bridge player. He was a regular at Bobby Nail’s club in Houston until a heart condition and other health problems put him out of action.

**RODRIGUE, Claude** (1930–2003) He was born in Cairo and came to England in 1947. He read mechanical engineering at the University of London, and became a photographer, and subsequently a stockbroker.

He made his international debut at the 1956 European Championships in Stockholm, representing Egypt. He was the World Par Champion in 1960. Now representing Great Britain, he won his only European Championship in 1961 in Torquay, in partnership with Kenneth Konstam. His longest international partnership was with Tony Priday. He won the Sunday Times Pairs in 1967 in partnership with Louis Tarlo, and was the only player to appear in all 17 stagings of the *Sunday Times* Pairs in its original form. In his heyday he was always more a rubber bridge player than a tournament player.

**ROET, Leo** (1903-deceased) of Hallandale FL was named ACBL Life Master #87 in 1947. Roet was a three-time North American Champion.

**ROHAN, Karl** (1934-2008) Of Salzburg, Austria and Boca Raton, FL, was well known in the bridge world as a tremendous administrator, having been treasurer to the European Bridge League (1984-1995), as well as a valued European representative on the Executive Council of the World Bridge Federation (1987-1994). He also served as WBF Honorary Secretary (1992-94). He was an Honorary Member of the EBL Executive Committee. He was a World Life Master, and a Senior International Master, having won the European Championships in 1985, and the Silver Medal in the Bermuda Bowl in the same year. He also won Gold medals in the Senior Swiss Teams in Albuquerque and in Lille.

**ROHOWSKY, Roland** (b. 1967) was born in Stuttgart, Germany. He learned bridge from his grandmother at the age of 13. He is the youngest national champion in Germany (at the age of 16) and still the youngest champion in an open world championship. The German team won the Rosenblum Cup 1990 in Geneva when Rohowsky was 22. Three years later he won the world team title with the German Junior team in Denmark.

In the area of school and solid education he is the black sheep of the family. At school he made his money playing cards, backgammon and teaching bridge. For 10 years he had a company organizing bridgetours. He plays poker (mostly PLO cash game or NLH tournaments). His workout and hobby is golf where he tries to improve his single handicap. His bridge game is still hot enough, winning the last men’s pairs and the German team league in 2011.

**ROMANET, Bertrand** (b.1921) He is a psychiatrist living in Paris. He was chosen in 1956 to be a member of the European team with Robert Lattes when the French pair Bodier-Figeac was convicted of illegal behavior. His main partners, besides Lattes, were Pierre Adad, Jean-Paul Meyer and Gerard Desrousseaux. He wrote several books, the best known being *Le squeeze* where he analyzed and named most types of squeeze.

**ROMANSKI, Jacek** (b.1950) Married with a son and daughter, he is a retired lawyer who is now a professional player. He learned to play when he was 15 with some friends from high school. He enjoys the fact that bridge offers the opportunity to demonstrate imagination and psychology as well as deduction and analysis in what he describes as ‘chess-style endings.’ He represents the Relpol Bridge Club in Warsaw, while his hobbies include skiing, cycling, swimming and cooking. Eating in a restaurant at the end of a tournament with a large group of friends eventually one of the players’ wives asked her husband why he hadn’t talked to her all evening. ‘What for? You don’t even know the hands.’ was his enigmatic reply.

**ROSE, Albert** (1908-1970) of London, England, textile converter. Rose represented Britain in three world championships placing second in the World Team Olympiad in 1960 and third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1962. Rose won the European Teams in 1961 and his national wins include seven Gold Cups.

**ROSE, Irving** (1938-1996). Rose was one of Britain’s most talented and colorful bridge players. The game was always a major part of his life. He came from a bridge-playing family; his father, Louis Rose, had won all the major Scottish events at one time or another. Although all Irving wanted to do was to play bridge, his father had other ideas and he was sent to Glasgow University to study medicine.

Irving, however, devoted most of his time to the game, entering competitions under an assumed name so that his father did not find out. The would-be medical career was abandoned by mutual consent after a year and Irving switched to accountancy. All the time he felt that he had to move to London - the city that was the centre of the British bridge scene. Eventually he made the move and, while working as an accountant during the day, spent most of the night playing bridge. This led to his sleeping in the office and the suggestion that he find alternative employment.

Some unproductive years followed - he managed a betting shop for two years, spent a year in the South of France playing rubber bridge (he spoke a fluent, colloquial French with a powerful Glaswegian accent) and then, finally, Rose found what suited him best - he became the manager of the bridge room at Crockford’s Club and, later, at the Eccentric Club. In these positions his geniality and popularity made him a great success.

The trouble with playing high-stake rubber bridge is that it encourages one to gamble in other things. For Rose, it became a compulsion and matters deteriorated. A move to Hong Kong did not help either and finally he saw the light, returned to London, joined Gamblers Anonymous, and switched to life insurance instead of bridge club directorship.

This had no adverse effect on his tournament bridge career. Rose represented Britain six times in the European Championships and in 1981 he won a silver medal and qualified to play in the Bermuda Bowl World Championships, as well as winning all the major domestic events at least once.

Although his wife, Annette, was not a bridge player, her mother (Honor Rye - later Flint) was a British international and her stepfather, Jeremy Flint, was one of Britain’s leading players for several decades.

His final career move came when a syndicate decided to open a new bridge club and Irving was persuaded back. Indeed the club was named after him (TGR’s - The Great Rose). Although he was no longer gambling, the late nights and the stress of management told on his health and he left to convalesce in South Africa, where later he died.

**ROSENBERG, Mortimer** (Monty) (1923-2002) of Belfast, Northern Ireland, retired furniture dealer. In a 36-year career has represented Northern Ireland more often than any other player in Camrose Trophy matches. He represented Ireland several times in world and European championships and had many wins in national Open Teams and Open Pairs. He was a former NIBU competitions secretary and former chairman and a past president of the Irish Bridge Union.

**ROSENBERG, Ronald** (b. 1922) of Bronx NY, accountant and purchasing agent. He won the Spingold in 1956 and placed second in the Open BAM Teams in 1951.

**ROSENBLUM, Robert** (b. 1927) of San Diego CA is a travel agency owner. Rosenblum was runner-up in the Grand National Teams, Boston, 1990. He organized and conducted, with wife, Mary Ann some 60 bridge cruises across the globe on 13 cruise lines and founded San Diego’s largest and most successful bridge club, Adventures in Bridge, in 1981. It is going strong, under new management, in its 30th year.

Robert won the District 22 Grand National Teams three years running with same team members (1988-1990). He is an ACBL Goodwill Committee member and is heavily involved in Unit 539 and District 22 politics. Co-Chair, Host Committee, Fall North American Championships, San Diego, 1984. Bridge Columnist, San Diego Union-Tribune, 1968 to 1988. Bridge Columnist, Copley News Service, 1975 to 1981 (feature column).



**ROSLER, Lawrence** (Larry) (b. 1934) of Palo Alto CA, senior scientist - Hewlett-Packard Labs, former physicist. Rosler placed second in the World Par Championship in 1961 and won the North American Zone World Par Championship in 1963. He served as vice president and president of the New Jersey BL from 1967-1970. He developed some team-of-four movements and helped introduce and popularize Swiss Teams competitions. He co-authored *Journalist Leads* (with Jeff Rubens) and assisted in writing *Bridge Is a Partnership Game* and *Better Bidding in 15 Minutes*. He was the editor of *The Bridge Journal* (no longer published), contributes articles to *The Bridge World* and was a contributing editor to *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*. He is the co-inventor of Journalist Leads, Astro and Astro Cuebid. Rosler has won one North American Championship - the (Wernher) Open Pairs in 1965.

**ROSSANT, Simon** (1903–deceased) of New York NY was a haberdashery manufacturer. He was named ACBL Life Master #58 in 1946. Rossant was a two-time North American Champion.

**ROTHLEIN, Robert R.** (1922-1995) of Orlando FL, general contractor, former governor of Florida Unit, founder and president of Central Florida Unit; won Spingold 1958, placed second 1954.

**ROTMAN, Florence** (Flo) (b. 1931) of Aventura FL. A retired stock options trader, Rotman won the Mixed BAM Teams in 1969, the Whitehead Women's Pairs in 1978 and the Smith Life Master Women's Pairs in 1995.

**ROTZELL, Peggy** (1929-1969) of Philadelphia PA was a bridge teacher. She edited the Bridge Bulletin feature "Hand of the Month" in the early Sixties and authored two books, *Bridge Play and Defense* and *Bridge Bidding Complete*. Rotzell won the Women's Teams in 1956 and 1958.

**ROUDINESCO, Jean-Marc** (1932-2001) He lived in Paris, the son of two physicians. His father was doctor to many famous painters who paid him with some of their works, so he built a magnificent collection. He married Aimée Laniel, daughter in law of a candidate for the Presidency of French Republic. He began playing bridge while finishing his own medical studies and was known as the young genius. His main partnerships were with Jean-Louis Stoppa and Jacques Pariente. He wrote many highly technical articles for *Le Bridgeur*, and numerous books, the best known being *The Dictionary of Suit Combinations*. For one reason or another, in France, checkback Stayman is called Roudinesco's Relay.

**ROVERE, Ernest** (Ernie) (1906-2000) of Carmel CA. Rovere was a journalist, author and director of Contract Bridge Cruises. A bridge editor for the *San Francisco Chronicle*, a bridge columnist for the *San Francisco Call Bulletin* for 23 years and commentator on radio and TV bridge programs, Rovere conducted one of longest running TV bridge programs, 32 weeks on 2 PBS stations with 12,000 students. A pioneer in changing rules and laws restricting blacks and Jews from being included in the bridge community, he served as member of the ACBL Board of Directors from 1957-1960. He was a contributing editor to Bridge Encyclopedia and the author of *Leads, Signals and Discards*, *Modern Point-Count Contract Bridge*, *Contract Bridge Complete*. Rovere won the Master Mixed Teams in 1955, was named Life Master #100 in 1948, and was the ACBL Honorary Member in 1986.

**RUBINOW, Morton L.** (1927-1962) of New York City was a bridge teacher. He was a faculty member at The Card School and pioneered giving bridge lessons through phonograph records. Rubinow produced two albums of lessons - Play Bridge with Morton Rubinow and Advanced Bridge Conventions. He represented the U.S. in the World Team Olympiad in 1960. Rubinow was a three time North American champion. He won the Lou Herman Trophy in 1959.

**RUSINOW, Sydney** (1907-1953) of Newark NJ. A businessman and silver mine owner, Rusinow designed a system of opening leads that bears his name. He won the Vanderbilt in 1933.

**SACHEN, William F.** (Bill) (1930-2008) of Lindenhurst IL. A Korean War vetera and former assistant states attorney, Sachen owned and operated a bridge club in Waukegan, where he and his late wife taught bridge. He had an impressive collection of bridge books and was often consulted for information about older volumes. Sachen authored *Bridge: A Guide to the Literature*, was a contributor to *Bridge Buffs' Bulletin*, *ABTA Quarterly* and contributing editor to fourth and fifth editions of the *Encyclopedia of Bridge*.

**SCHPEPPS, Joan.** A former resident of Holyoke MA and currently residing in Boca Raton FL, Schepps is the foremost authority on trump indicators in North America. Schepps began collecting trump indicators more than thirty years ago almost by accident. A porcelain chicken wearing a collar with suit symbols on it caught her eye at a flea market and the rest is history. Schepps' collection grew to more than 700 pieces and was exhibited at the World Bridge Olympiad in Albuquerque NM in 1994, the University Gallery at the University of Massachusetts, the Springfield MA Museum of Fine Arts and the New York City Triple Pier Antique Show 1998. The collection was showcased on the TV program Personal FX the Collectibles Show in 1996 and has been written up in many antique journals and publications. In 2008, Schepps donated the entire collection to the Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge and it became the centerpiece of the Bridge Museum at ACBL Headquarters in Horn Lake MS. She founded the international Trump Indicator Collector's Club and even after donating the collection, Schepps still writes about it for the international publication *Clear The Decks* for the 52 Plus Joker Club. She continues to educate and entertain the public with stories of her tireless search for trump indicators and her passion for collecting. A Silver Life Master, Joan founded the Holyoke Bridge Club in 1975.

**SCHAEFER, Lynne C.** (b. 1955) of Ellicott City MD. Lynne is a founding Trustee of the Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge (FPAB) and currently serves as its vice president. She won the Women's BAM Teams in 1989.

**SCHAPIRO, Boris** (August 22, 1909 – December 1, 2002) was a British international bridge player. He was a Grandmaster of the World Bridge Federation, and the only player to have won both the Bermuda Bowl (the world championship for teams) and the World Senior Pairs championship. He won the European teams championship on four occasions as part of the British team.

Schapiro was born in Riga, Latvia (part of Imperial Russia at that time) into a prosperous family of Jewish traders which left at the time of the Russian Revolution when he was 8 years old, and soon settled in England. He was educated at Clifton College in England and at various universities, including the Sorbonne in Paris.

After graduating, he joined the family horse trading and meat business. He worked there until, in his forties, he decided to retire and capitalise on his love of gambling by becoming the banker of a baccarat syndicate at Crockford's, the gaming club in London. During World War II Schapiro, who was fluent in Russian, German and French, put these linguistic skills to use in the Army Intelligence Corps.

Schapiro had an early marriage to a Russian woman. He later married a second time, to Helen, in 1970.

At 10, Schapiro started playing bridge for money at school. His first major tournament was in 1929, when he went to the USA to partner Oswald Jacoby in the World Auction Bridge Pairs Championship. The two players were destined to have great and lengthy careers in the coming world of contract bridge. Schapiro's first recorded victory at contract bridge was in the World Pairs Championship of 1932, also with Jacoby. This was before the foundation of the present World Bridge Federation.

Schapiro's entry into serious competitive bridge in Britain was delayed until the end of World War II. His partnership with Terence Reese, which started in 1944, was the basis of his most outstanding period as a player. He was also successful with other partners, the last of which was Irving 'Haggis' Gordon. His bidding in competitive situations was quite outstanding, and his comments featured in bidding competitions in bridge magazines round the world. Bidding judgement and card play in defense were the strengths of his game.

"The characters of Reese and Schapiro were very different. At the bridge table Reese was the cold calculating machine, driven by logic, but witty and good-natured away from it, though with an acerbic phrase when needed. Schapiro was the player of flair; excitable, always on the move, irascible at the table and often grumpy away from it. He did not mellow with old age. At the 1999 European Senior Teams, opponents who called the referee in a vain attempt to protect Schapiro's partner from verbal abuse were told there were special dispensations in standards of behaviour for any competitor over the age of 90."

Schapiro won many tournaments; his first major win being Britain's Gold Cup in 1945-1946, partnered by Iain Macleod. He won the Gold Cup eleven times in all, a record. His last victory was in 1997-1998 at the age of 88, a remarkable 52 years after his first win and 33 years after his penultimate success.

In 1955 Britain, with Reese and Schapiro, Konstam and Dodds, Meredith and Pavlides, won the Bermuda Bowl, beating the USA in the world championship for teams. It is the only occasion a British team has won this event.

Schapiro was accused of cheating in the 1964-1965 Bermuda Bowl in Buenos Aires. He and his British team partner Terence Reese were said to have been signalling illegally to each other the length of their hearts suit.

The Buenos Aires affair and its consequences disrupted Schapiro's life for a number of years. It removed at a stroke the central activity of his life. It took time for Schapiro to be rehabilitated into the world bridge scene, but he was always held in high esteem in Europe. Unlike Reese, he eventually re-entered international bridge, and did so with considerable success. His 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party in London was attended by Jaime Ortiz-Patiño, the President Emeritus of the WBF and owner of Valderrama Golf Club, who had been a witness for Reese and Schapiro at the BBL enquiry; Omar Sharif, the Egyptian film star and bridge player; Prince

Khalid Abudullah of Saudi Arabia (a family friend), and many personalities from the bridge and casino worlds.

Schapiro was bridge correspondent of *The Sunday Times* from 1968 until his death in 2002. Despite his facility with language, Boris was never really interested in writing; his output was two small books, and it is likely that his newspaper column was often ghosted. It was as a player and a personality that he made his mark.

There are some dozens of ‘Boris stories’: his conversation at the bridge table was both a delight and a nuisance, depending on your point of view. His standard greeting to females “What about a spot of adultery?” was so famous it was mentioned in every biography and obituary; it gives some idea of his mischievous sense of humour.

When his team played an exhibition match at Leicester, the wife of the Chief Constable organised a cocktail party for the team to meet the locals. The players were invited to sign the visitors’ book and to add a comment. Schapiro wrote his catchphrase after his signature. Dimmie Fleming defused the situation by signing next, drawing an upwards arrow and writing, “But will he ever be adult?”

Another anecdote showed the sharp edge to his sense of humour. Reese had been picking up the partnership’s collection of trophies from Schapiro’s Belgravia flat in a pillow-case, and was stopped in the street by a curious policeman. Reese eagerly explained that his rightful claim to the silverware could be supported by a nearby resident. When Schapiro answered the door he sized up the situation speedily. “I have never seen this man before,” he told the policeman.

**SCHEMEIL, Pierre** (1921-2006) he was born in Egypt, but spent most of his life in Paris, firstly as a lawyer and then a broker at the American stock exchange. Uniquely he represented four different national teams: Lebanon, Switzerland, Egypt and France. However his best results came from his captaincy of French national teams. In this capacity he had a tremendous record of success. He said openly that results depend only on the skill of the captain and that the players involvement was not important. Though Egyptian by birth, his command of the French language was incredibly good, better than most French people. A very good journalist, he was for sometimes chief editor of his own magazine *Bridge de France*. Besides bridge, his passion was trotting horses and when he was not near a bridge table, he was in Vincennes at the racing track.

**SCHENKEN, Bee** (formerly Gale) (1916-1993). Born in Gary IN, Bee later lived in Miami Beach FL, Palm Springs CA and New York City. As Bee Gale she won her first NABC title, the Rockwell Mixed Pairs, in 1957 with Howard Schenken who, despite dozens of NABC championships, won his first mixed pairs title. She won her first in a series of victories in NABC Women’s Team events in 1958, following with titles in 1960, 1961, 1964, 1968, and 1969. With Schenken she was second in the NABC Master Mixed Teams in 1958. They were married in 1959, honeymooned in Europe and had a second honeymoon the following year when she accompanied Howard as co-director of a cruise aboard the Nieuw Amsterdam. She and Howard won open pair victories eight times at the tournament in Deauville, France.

**SCHNEIDER, Karl** (1904–1977) of Vienna, Austria and an engineer by profession. The Austrian team that won the inaugural World Championship in 1937 was headed by Schneider and Hans Jellinek, probably the world’s leading pair at the time. The idea of upside-down signals was first developed (as far as is known) by Schneider. He discussed his idea with Sam Stayman during an international tournament in Juan les Pins in the early Fifties, adding that he had been playing it for five or six years with his favorite partners. In 1957, he and Max Reithoffer were found by Swiss expert Jaime Ortiz-Patiño to hold their cards in peculiar positions based on their ace holding. Reithoffer was the President of the Austrian Federation hosting the actual tourney. After the accusation was discreetly offered, without inquiry the pair agreed never to play in a major tourney again.

**SCHWARTZ, Elmer I.** (1903-1996) of Shaker Heights OH was an attorney. Life Master #96, Schwartz was a Past president of District 5 and a *Bridge World* panelist in the Fifties. He won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1949, the Men’s Teams in 1958 and placed second in the Spingold in 1946 and the Chicago in 1952.

**SCOTT, Gratz M.** (1882-1935) of New York City was a bridge teacher and president of Cavendish Club of New York. An outstanding figure in whist and bridge for 25 years, Scott and teammates, Wilbur C. Whitehead, Edwin A. Wetzlar and Ralph R. Richards, were co-winners of the first national contract bridge tournament ever held. It was the 1928 Board-a-Match competition for the Harold S. Vanderbilt Trophy. The following year he placed second.

**SEAGRAM, Barbara A.** (b. 1949) Born in Barbados, West Indies. She was the owner of the Kate Buckman Bridge Studio from 1990-2006, Canada’s largest bridge studio at the time. Seagram served on Unit 166’s Board of Directors from 1988-2004 as vice-president and president. She was a member of the ACBL Future of Bridge Task Force (1995-96) and a First Alternate to the Board of Governors (1997-2009). An ABTA Master Bridge Teacher, she was one of the creators of the Zero Tolerance program.

She is the co-author of 17 bridge books, two of which have won the ABTA Book of the Year Award - *25 Bridge Conventions You Should Know* and *Planning the Play of a Bridge Hand*. She was the recipient of the Kate Buckman Award in 1995. Seagram teaches more than 1500 students per year. A professional travel agent, she escorts groups and teaches bridge all over the world. She has visited 125 countries.

**SEMENTA, Antonio** (b. 1968) of Parma, Italy, professional player. A WBF World Grand Master, Sementa won the Rosenblum Teams in 1998 and the World Open teams in 2008. Sementa has won three North American Championships including the Reisinger in 2010 and the Vanderbilt in 2007.

**SENIOR, Brian R.** (b. 1953) of Nottingham, England, bridge writer, teacher and professional player. A WBF World Master, he has represented both Britain and Ireland in world and zonal championships, and both England and Northern Ireland in Camrose Trophy matches. He is the author of more than 20 books and many magazine articles. He was the last editor of now defunct *International Popular Bridge Monthly* magazine and the current editor and publisher of official World Championship Book series and regular member of Daily Bulletin team at World and European Championships.

**SENIOR, Nevena** She is one of the few players to have won world championship medals representing more than one country. Here first was for her native Bulgaria, the other being for England, where she now lives in Nottingham with her husband, Brian. She plays and coaches at Andrew Robson's club in London three days a week. She has two children and everyone is bilingual except Brian (although he now understands enough to know when he is being criticized!). Bulgaria is part of the EU, so the entire family decamps to Sofia once a year. The family famously appeared in the British TV show *Wife Swap*.

**SERES, Tim** (1925 -2007) He was considered to have been the best bridge player ever produced in Australia. He was born Thomas Peter Seres in Hungary and was raised on a 3000-acre farm part owned by his parents. With the outbreak of World War II the family suffered badly – Tim lost his parents to the Germans, survived (with his brother) the bombing and siege of Budapest, and survived the Russian occupation. Their aunt and uncle helped them to get a passage to Australia in 1947 via France and Vietnam.

He obtained a job in a textile factory 24 hours after disembarking despite his lack of English. Seres had played nearly every form of cards from the age of 6 and was an accomplished chess player.

But he loved bridge and was soon playing bridge six nights a week as an outlet after long and boring days in the factory. Less than a year after arriving in Sydney, Seres had won the Australian National Championships, representing NSW.

In 1958 Seres and his long time tournament partner Dick Cummings visited Europe to test themselves and discovered they could hold their own and more.

Seres helped to develop the New South Wales System – a bidding method used by him and some partners based on the Vienna Club system. At one period in Australia's bridge history, Seres was automatically selected (choosing his own partner) and was joined by four other players who had gone through selection trials.

He had a photographic memory - he once said "I have hardly ever forgotten a card in my life if it's been played in front of me".

Seres was a formidable rubber bridge player. He played five to six afternoons a week (and in the early days evenings as well). It was estimated that he had played between 800,000 and one million hands of bridge in his lifetime - probably double that of any rival for the title. Keith McNeil said, "He is so good, you just hand your money over. He makes it feel quite painless".

In 1965 Seres was credited with discovering a new type of squeeze play – known as the *Seres Squeeze*. His Bols tip for defense can viewed on the Internet at: [www.haroldschogger.com/timseres.htm](http://www.haroldschogger.com/timseres.htm)

In 1995 Michael Courtney's book *Play Cards with Tim Seres* was published.

Away from the bridge table Seres had an enduring interest in horse racing. He developed a betting system, which at one time was used on every horse race in Australia. Unlike most horse racing punters, he was successful (some say very successful). A life long bachelor, he lived in a flat in Randwick overlooking Botany Bay. He never owned a car and got about in taxis.

**SHANAHAN, Dorothy** (1916-2007) was, for three decades, part of British women's teams recording the most successful haul of medals for the nation.

Shanahan was in the team that won the World Olympiad gold in 1964 and the European gold medal in 1961, 1963 and 1966. The team took silver in 1957, 1965 and 1969 and bronze in 1955, 1967 and 1973, Shanahan's last appearance for her country.

In addition to playing in women's bridge, mostly partnering the late Dimmie Fleming, Shanahan also partnered bridge author, the late Maurice Harrison-Gray where she featured in his stories under the pseudonym, The Dormouse.

Her diminutive stature and quiet personality was in strong contrast to her better-known teammates Markus Markus and Fritz Gordon.

**SHARP, Robert G.** (1910-1990) of Miami Beach FL was a real estate broker. A former president Midwest Conference, Cincinnati BA and Florida BA, Sharp won the Open BAM Teams in 1959, the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1966 and the GNT in 1973.

**SHEEHAN, Robert** An Old Bostonian, and graduate of Oxford University he is one of Britain's finest post war players who honed his game at the rubber bridge table as part of a group that encompassed such luminaries as Flint, Reese & Cansino.

He was bridge correspondent for The Times from 1994-1999 and during that period he wrote *The Big Game*, a classic treatise on Rubber Bridge.

He lent a friend, Stuart Wheeler £10,000 to help start a company, the IG Index. When the loan was repaid some years later Robert received more than £3,000,000!

Still an active player, he won the 2010 *Bridge Magazine* Gold Cup.

**SHEINWOLD, Patricia Fox** (Mrs. Alfred, formerly Mrs. Julian Adler) of New York City, author. Retired from tournament play in Mid-Sixties, Patricia won the Women's Teams in 1963. She served as president of the Women's Bridge League of MD and chaired the Mid-Atlantic Regional. A Pulitzer nominee for writing on subject of blindness, some of her six published non-fiction books are *Husbands and Other Men I've Played With: Bridge, That Is, Gone But Not Forgotten* and the best seller, *Too Young to Die*.

**SHENKIN, Barnet** (b. 1950). Although enrolled in Strathclyde University, Shenkin travelled across the city to learn and play bridge with the country's best players during his lecture periods at Glasgow University.

He joined his father Louis (chairman of the British Bridge League) in importing carpets and rugs from around the world and distributing them to multiple large retailers in the UK.

After nearly 30 years in business, he decided to move to U.S. to focus on bridge as a career. He went to the U.S. in 1997 with his wife, Maggie, who he met at a Scottish international bridge match, and both later became U.S. citizens.

*Playing with the Bridge Legends* was published by Masterpoint Press 2000, and he writes and has written for various magazines including the Bridge Bulletin and *Sunshine Bridge*.

In 2010 work on his website [www.shenkinbridge.com](http://www.shenkinbridge.com) was completed. It includes both stories about the world of bridge and its most famous personalities. He also gives teaching points to intermediate players. Barnet lectures, and uses modern computer technology, to help his students both live and online.

In the UK he represented both Scotland and Great Britain over a period from 1971 until 1993. On five occasions he was in the Camrose winning side for Scotland and he won a silver medal and two bronze medals in a British team in European Union events.

He is a two-time winner of the now-defunct *Sunday Times* Invitational Pairs, with Michael Rosenberg and Victor Goldberg. He was on the winning team in the Gold Cup, Britain's premier event, three times with four second places. He won the Scottish Cup on seven occasions.

In the U.S., he was won the winning squad in the Jacoby Open Swiss Teams in 1999, the Grand National Teams and the Keohane Swiss Teams in 2004. He placed second in the Vanderbilt 2003, the 2005 GNT and the 2001 team trials. Representing USA in the 2006 Rosenblum in Verona, his team placed fifth. He lives in Boca Raton with his wife.

Besides bridge, Shenkin enjoys poker and golf. Between them, he and Maggie have five children – four sons and a daughter.

**SHERMAN, Ruth** (1903-1965) of New York City was a leading East Coast player for 30 years. She won 11 North American championships.

**SHIVDASANI, Jaggy** (b. 1958) of New York City, formerly of Bombay, India is a chartered accountant, exporter and travel agent. A WBF World International Master, Shivdasani placed third in the World Team Olympiad in 1988 representing India. Shivdasani was the first non-American to win the Spingold (1987). In addition to the Spingold, he has also won the Reisinger in 1988 and the Keohane North American Swiss in 2002.

**SIMON, John E.** (1897-1993) of St. Louis MO, limited partner in brokerage firm. Life Master #641, Simon was chairman of the ACBL Goodwill Committee and the donor of the Simon Award. A two-time North American champion, Simon was the ACBL Honorary Member in 1962.

**SIMON, S.J.** (Skid) (1904-1948). A novelist and bridge writer, Skid was one of best-loved British bridge personalities. One of originators of ACOL System, Simon wrote the classic *Why You Lose at Bridge*, *Design for Bidding* and *Cut for Partners*. Simon

was a contributor to *The Bridge World* and also wrote many successful humorous novels in collaboration with ballet expert Carol Brahms including *Bullet in the Ballet*, *No Bed for Bacon* and *Trottie True*. Simon won the Gold Cup twice and was European champion in 1948.

**SIMONS, Anneke** (b.1951) A personnel manager, she lives in Amsterdam together with Kees Tammens a bridge journalist and their son, Bas. She learned bridge at the age of 20 and since 1979 she has been playing with Jet Pasman.

**SIMPSON, Colin** (b.1948) He was born in London, but spent his childhood in Scotland where he learned to play bridge at school and subsequently at university. He returned to London to join the Metropolitan Police where he worked for over 30 years almost exclusively as a detective in counter terrorism. Work precluded much tournament bridge but he always found time for his first love, high stake rubber bridge. In 1970s he was lucky to play with many of the best players including Rixi Markus and Irvine Rose but his first international achievement was with his mentor Martin Hoffman, reaching the final of the World Pairs in Biarritz. In 2000 he was a semi-finalist in the Olympiad in Maastricht where he and Gunnar Hallberg were the second-best pair on the Butler Rankings behind Bocchi and Duboin.

The England Seniors team won the 2009 D'Orsi World Seniors in São Paulo, the first time the Bowl had been won by a team other than the USA. Whether it was because he was involved in a shoot-out with terrorists when he was a detective, or because of his love of rubber bridge, the French magazine *Le Bridgeur* in a biography described Colin as *un tueur de lapins*. His other hobbies are golf and good food.

**SIMS, Dorothy Rice** (1889-1960) of Deal NJ. Sims was one of leading personalities of early days of bridge. She was the daughter of Isaac L. Rice, the first manufacturer of the submarine and a patron of chess and other recreational activities. From her teens she was active in competition and held the U.S. motorcycle speed championship for women (1911). Sims was one of the first U.S. aviatrixes when she met and married P. Hal Sims. A noted sculptress, she designed City of Asbury Park Trophy. Her writings include several bridge books as well as work in fields other than bridge. She acquired an interest in bridge through her husband and became a successful player. She won the ABL Auction Women's Pairs 1929, the AWL Open Teams in 1929, the Open Pairs and the ABL Mixed Teams in 1930. In 1935 she was her husband's principal partner in a 150-rubber match against Ely and Josephine Culbertson. She is widely credited with inventing the psychic bid, but probably just initiated the popular name for it. However, she did write the first book on the subject, *Psychic Bidding*. After her husband's death, she toured the world several times as a political correspondent for various newspapers.

**SINISCALCO, Guglielmo** was born in 1921 and was one of the original members of the Blue Team. A professor of civil engineering, he came from Naples. Siniscalco was part of all the successful Italian teams of the Fifties before leaving the team after the 1959 Bermuda Bowl. He was called the "snow little man" for his incredible coolness to the table, because unlike that of other famous champions, there was never any departure from a courteous and friendly expression. When he decided to leave bridge, he also left a huge void among his peers and among all bridge players, and even today, despite having abandoned the races for almost half a century, he is still present with the title of World Grand Master in the ranking of the strongest players of all time published by the WBF.

**SLAVENBERG, Cornelis** (1917-1981) (Bob) A Dutch bridge legend, originally from Rotterdam, he was considered by many to be the 'black sheep' of a family of merchant bankers. He was involved in the tea trade but left the Netherlands after fiscal conflict with the authorities. He went to live in Morocco, where he worked for Pepsi Cola. He died of a heart attack while driving from The Hague to Amsterdam.

**SMEDEREVAC, Jovi** (b. 1965) Born in Novi Sad, Serbia, her father wanted her to be born in Germany, but she was too curious and arrived one month too early in this nice world..

She lived for 19 years in Köln, Germany, but travelled several times to Vienna, where her father visited an old friend. She loved the great city, the opera and wonderful concerts and the way of enjoying life and sitting in the winegardens, coffeehouses and so on.

So she went there to study economics. Five years later, she started playing bridge by accident. She played other kinds of card games at a *heurige* (a place where you sit in the garden and enjoy good wine). The packet of cards got wet because somebody spilt some wine. Someone went to buy another packet. Meanwhile somebody was teasing her – as usual. When they came later back she took revenge and read out aloud the rules about bridge.

She started to learn more about the game in a bridge club. (She went there and told the teacher that it was not necessary to

become a member, he should simply explain to her in five minutes the rules of bridge.)

In 1992 after winning the Olympiad, the president of a bridge club asked her to prepare bridge courses. So she started to write bridge scripts and enjoyed teaching. She found a way to show people that bridge is not only a game, a wonderful thing to spend time with other people, having fun and learning something very difficult in a nice atmosphere combined with thinking.

She stopped her studies and started to teach bridge, and to play as a professional.

Since 2003 she has been running her own bridgeclub with Sascha Wernle. It is the biggest bridge club in Vienna.

**SMILDE, Roelof** (b.1930) Sydney, Australia. At Sydney Smilde, met Dick Cummings and Denis Howard and developed as bridge players under the guidance of Tim Seres. By 1958, the foursome, known as “the big four” was winning most NSW and Australian events.

Roelof was a member of the Australian team on the two occasions Australia won the Far East Championships, 1968 and 1970. He represented Australia in the five Olympiads from 1964 to 1980 as well as many other caps. In 1968 and 1972 Australia defeated Italy, the eventual winners, in their round robin match. Locally he was on the winning NSW team at the ANC six times, and won the Australian Pairs three times.

Following his win with Tim Seres in the 1986 Far East Pairs, he retired from bridge for family reasons.

At University Roelof joined the Sydney “Push”, a libertarian group which included Germaine Greer. He was involved in the protest campaigns of the Sixties - Vietnam, high-rise development in working class areas, and free speech.

His life-long love was horse racing, and he developed betting on the horses into a science, and a successful career.

**SMITH, Nicola** She comes from a strong bridge family; her parents, Pat and Nico Gardener both represented their country at International level. It was perhaps inevitable then that Nicola would grow up with a thirst for the game.

For many years after her father's death, Nicola continued to run the London School Bridge in the King's road, Chelsea. She still teaches bridge and is training to be a healer.

In 1983, she took part in a televised match arranged by the BBC between teams representing Britain and the United States. The British team won by 32 IMPs over 78 deals in seven sessions. The match subsequently formed the basis of a book (*Grand Slam*) in which she was described as follows: “...one of the finest women players in the world. Not only is she an excellent technician – truly, the daughter of her father Nico Gardener – but is equally aggressive and imaginative both in bidding and defense.”

In 1983, Nicola married Jonathan Smith. They have two children, Katherine, and Joshua.

In 1995, Nicola's contribution to the game of bridge was honored when she was awarded the M.B.E. by the Queen.

In 1998, playing with Pat Davies, she was second in the prestigious *Macallan Invitational Pairs* (previously known as the *Sunday Times* Invitational Pairs). She considers this one of her finest achievements. Her famous partnerships have been with Rita Oldroyd, Sandra Landy, Pat Davies, Heather Dhondy and currently Sally Brock.

**SOKOLOW, David** (“Mr. Tobi Deutsch”) (b. 1949) of Austin is a law professor. He won the 0-5000 Mini-Spangold 2002. He was npc of winning McConnell Cup team in 2006. He has served as the NABC Reporter for the District 16 *Scorecard* and as Secretary of the Women's International Team Trials Committee. For several years he predicted the results of the Women's KO in the Daily Bulletin as “The Vulture,” a distaff counterpart to “The Bull” (Chris Compton).

**SOULET, Philippe** (b.1954) Born in Marseille, he came to Paris in his teens and took up bridge while he was still very young. He is married to Patricia and they have two sons, the whole family playing bridge. He had many strong partners, such as Michel Lebel, Patrick Sussel, Robert Reiplinger and Michel Abecassis. He owns the best know bridge club in Paris, it has no official name, being simply known as *chez Soulet!* He has a flourishing bridge holiday business.

**STARZEC, Betty** of Sugar Land TX is a bridge teacher. Betty rewrote the ACBL Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP), updated all the texts and teacher manuals of the ACBL Bridge Series, created the Unit Growth Seminar for the ACBL as well as various other education programs. She field-tested the “Bidding” text while living in Tokyo. She was co-Chair of the Houston NABC in 2002 and 2009 and has served on Unit and District Boards in multiple capacities. She is currently District Education and Membership Chair. She is a Master Teacher with the ABTA and on the Master Teacher Committee and is listed as a top teacher on the WBF website. Betty has lived in four foreign countries - France, Saudia Arabia, Indonesia and Japan and has played bridge in all of them. She taught bridge in three countries - Saudia Arabia, Indonesia and Japan. In Jakarta, Indonesia she ran the ACBL sanctioned game.

**STEARNS, Sherman** (1900-1965) of New York City, real estate broker. Stearns was one of the leading American players of the Thirties and a member of Four Aces Team during its later years. Stearns was named Life Master # 26 in 1941. He won five North American championships including the Vanderbilt four times.

**STEEN, Douglas.** A researcher in finance, weather, astropsychology, and parapsychology, Steen was born on July 22, 1925, in Los Angeles, California and studied at the University of California at Los Angeles (M.A., 1951). He served in the United States Navy and as a mathematical physicist on guided missiles for the Northrop Air Corp. (1951-54). In 1954 he became a freelance researcher. He assisted at the Parapsychology Laboratory at Duke University in adapting four sports to dice-throwing for laboratory research in psychokinesis. A WBF Life Master, Steen was Bermuda Bowl champion in 1954. ACBL Life Master #331, he won the Mixed BAM Teams in 1952 and the Spingold in 1953. He is the co-inventor of the Bulldog System and co-author of Precision Power Bidding. Steen retired from bridge in 1956.

**STEINER, Albert** (1901-1977) of Cincinnati, president of toy manufacturing company. He won the Chicago (now Reisinger) in 1933 and was the co-donor of the Steiner Trophy.

**STEINER, Phillip** (1901-1993) of Cincinnati OH, company executive. ABL vice president in 1936, member of the Board from 1930-1938, committee chairman in 1934 and ACBL Honorary Member in 1937, Phillip was co-donor of Steiner Trophy, which for more than a quarter century was one of the most important events on the ACBL calendar. He won the Chicago (now Reisinger) in 1933. With Albert and another brother, Joseph, Steiner founded the toy-making firm Kenner Products in 1945.

**STERN, Paul** (1892–1948), lawyer and diplomat, was an Austrian international bridge player who fled to London in 1938. He was a bidding theorist and administrator who contributed to the early growth of the game. In 1935 he developed the Vienna System, also known as the Austrian System. This was the first highly artificial bidding system to achieve international success. He founded the Austrian Bridge Federation in 1929, and was its first president. He was a member of the Austrian teams which, in 1932 and 1933, won the first two European Open Teams events. He was also the non-playing captain of the Austrian team which won the first World Championship in Budapest, 1937. In the final, the Austrians defeated Ely Culbertson's team representing the United States by 4,740 points over 96 boards, the Austrian players using Stern's Vienna System. The Austrians also won the Ladies' team championship, in which Stern's protégée Rixi Markus figured in her first world title. According to an article on Rixi Markus published in the *Contract Bridge Journal* in September 1948, Stern was "perhaps the greatest coach who ever lived". A dictatorial leader, Stern insisted that his players adhered with rigidity to his system, but his over-emphatic statements and instructions were tempered by underlying warmth of personality.

When Germany annexed Austria in 1938 he returned his Iron Cross, awarded in World War I, to the Nazi authorities and included an insulting letter. As a result he was placed at No. 11 on their death list. He went into hiding and escaped to England in 1938. He was a major bridge figure in London for the next decade, founding a school of bridge which taught his bidding system, running a weekly duplicate in Hampstead during World War II and playing rubber bridge regularly at the Hamilton Club and Lederer's. Stern became a naturalised British citizen.

Although he had been a career diplomat, he did not tolerate fools gladly at the bridge table. When accused of having on one occasion thrown a cup of coffee at his partner, he said, "It was nothing serious. There was no sugar in it."

**STERN, Paul** (b. 1942) of Oak Creek WI is the Owner/President of PT Search International, Ltd., a professional search firm in the healthcare field, established in 1990 and editor/publisher of *The Scalper's Edge* established in 1986 which offers stock market analysis. Stern was president-elect of the Michigan Bridge Association while in his early 20s and has served occasionally on appeals committees in local areas. Stern placed second in the 1998 Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss.

**STERN, Roger D.** (b. 1934) of Chevy Chase MD, financial corporation president, attorney. Stern is the inventor of Astro and the co-inventor of Astro Cuebid. He was npc of the winning North American Bermuda Bowl team in 1977 and of the 1973 North American team. Stern was the first president of District 24, president of the Greater New York BA, a member of the ACBL Board of Governors for several years, a member ACBL Laws Commission, and vice-chairman of the NABC Appeals Committee. Stern won the (Mitchell) Open Board-a-Match in 1965.

**STEWART, Frank** (b. 1946) of Fayette AL, formerly of Birmingham and Memphis, is one of the world's most prolific bridge journalists, known in his writings as an advocate of a sound and disciplined approach to bidding. He won many tournament events but discontinued play to devote himself to writing. Stewart served as co-editor of the Bridge Bulletin from 1984-1989



and continues to contribute through the instructional column he began in 1981. He edited the ACBL's World Championship books 1983-1987 and was a principal contributor 1986-1989. He was a principal contributor to the Fifth Edition of *The Official Encyclopedia of Bridge*.

In 1986 Stewart began a collaboration with Alfred Sheinwold to produce the syndicated newspaper column "Sheinwold on Bridge." After Sheinwold's death in 1997, the column continued under Stewart's byline as "Sheinwold's Bridge" and in 2000 became "Daily Bridge Club." It appears in newspapers worldwide and on major Internet sites.

Stewart has published hundreds of articles in many of the world's leading magazines and on-line publications, including technical pieces, tournament reports, fiction and humor. He has written 20 books, among them *Becoming an Expert*, *Frank Stewart's Bridge Club*, *My Bridge and Yours* and *Frank Stewart's World of Bridge*. He has been a prolific analyst for ACBL-wide Charity and International Fund events, having served since 1980.

Stewart has been honored by the Birmingham AL Duplicate Bridge Club, of which he is a supporter and a member. The club houses the Frank Stewart Library, which was facilitated by a major donation of books by him. In 2005 the club established a trophy in his name for a sectional Swiss Teams.

Stewart is a graduate of the University of Alabama where he studied voice and musicology. He is a low-handicap golfer and a past chairman of the Fayette AL Christian Center of Concern, a food bank. He and his wife, Charlotte, a pediatric speech-language pathologist, live in Fayette AL. They have one daughter.

**STOPPA, Jean-Louis** (b.1932) Living in Paris he qualified as a doctor and acquired the reputation of being a playboy in his early years. His main partners were Jacques Pariente, Gérard Desrousseaux, Jean-Marc Roudinesco and Dominique Poubeau. A WBF World Life Master, Stoppa placed second in the 1971 Bermuda Bowl. He was the npc of the winning French teams in the 1996 Olympiad and the 1997 Bermuda Bowl.

**STUART, Joel H.** (b. 1927) of Rego Park NY, options trader. Stuart was one of the original members of C.C. Wei's Precision Team. The team was only active from 1970 through 1973, but in that time, Stuart won the Spingold twice and the Vanderbilt.

**SUNDELIN, P.O.** (b. 1937) of Stockholm, Sweden, computer analyst and consultant. A WBF World Life Master, Sundelin placed third in four world championships, the World Team Olympiad in 1988 and the Bermuda Bowl in 1977, 1987 and 1991. Sundelin won the European Teams twice and has represented Sweden in 10 other world championships and 10 other European Championships. He won the Sunday Times Pairs in 1978 and 1981. He has won six North American titles.

**SUSSEL, Patrick** He lives in Paris. A professional player, his mother, Andrée, played in the French women's team. His main partners have been Robert Reiplinger and Philippe Soulet. He is a fan of horse racing and casino gambling.

**SWIMER, Ralph** (1914-1997) of London, England, company director. A WBF World Life Master, Swimer placed second in the World Team Olympiad in 1960. He was npc of the British team of which two members were accused of cheating in the 1965 Bermuda Bowl in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He forfeited the matches. Swimer represented Britain in one other world championship and two zonal championships. He won the Gold Cup once.

**SZWARC, Henri** (1930-2005) He lived in Paris where he owned a textile firm. He was member of the French team before he was 25 and 30 years after winning the European Championship he won the Olympiad in Rhodes.

He was a close friend to Pierre Albarran, he married Albarran's widow, Simone.

His best known partnership was with Jean-Michel Boulenger but he also played with much success with Jacques Pariente, Jean-Marc Roudinesco, Gerard Desrousseaux and Marc Bompis.

**SZYMANOWSKI, Marek** (b.1955) He has a Master's degree in economics and is a business man and a professional player. A WBF World Life Master, Szymanowski placed second in the 1991 Bermuda Bowl representing Poland.

**TACCHI, Ron** (b. 1950), of Vaupillon, France. Tacchi is the Daily Bulletin photographer at most World Bridge Federation and European Bridge League championships.

Tacchi was born in Bedford, England, to his parents Richard and Joan Tacchi, who had three younger children, all girls.

Started school two years early and had to wait a year before going to Imperial College London because he was considered too young at 16 to be a university student. Upon arrival, he immediately indulged in the social scene: he was co-opted onto several committees and started to play bridge.

Tacchi claims his interest in bridge was inspired by a newspaper cartoon he saw as a teenager. The cartoon had four people sitting in a lifeboat with an ocean liner sinking in the background. The four were clutching cards in their hands, and the caption read, "I believe the last call before 'Man the Lifeboats' was three No Trumps."

Tacchi made rapid progress in bridge by spending a minimum of 12 hours a day in the bridge club and then four hours in the bar afterwards with the occasional all-nighter in his room in hall. Unfortunately, this left little time for his studies, so he came to an arrangement with Imperial College and left after one year.

Forced to seek gainful employment, he joined H J Heinz's Computer department in 1969, working on a LEO 326, a computer so enormous that it required a separate building to house the air-conditioning unit, but with a memory so small as to seem impossible to modern-day IT professionals.

Upon joining the West Kent Bridge Club, Tacchi he fell under the patronage of the Baroness Olga van Knoop and was part of a team including Mario Dix and Charles Robinson. A brief moment of fame ensued when the Baroness's team represented Kent in the Pachabo Cup.

Shortly after, he married Jane Marks and they produced two sons, Andrew and Christopher, who have subsequently produced a string of grandchildren. Marriage, parenthood and work caused a hiatus in bridge activities until a visit to Malta on business in the late Nineties, when he again met Dix, who persuaded him to rekindle his bridge interest. By this time, work caused Tacchi to relocate to Vaupillon, France. It is a move he regards as "the best of my life."

In 1999, the European Championships were held in Malta, where Tacchi provided some assistance to the organizers in the run up to the event. As he was the person one with a digital camera, he provided photographs for the Daily Bulletin. This was the start of his involvement with the Daily Bulletin at European and world championships. More about Tacchi's photographic experiences can be found at [http://www.bridgetoday.com/z\\_homepage/freebie\\_photographer.php](http://www.bridgetoday.com/z_homepage/freebie_photographer.php). At about the same time he joined his local bridge club in Nogent-Le-Rotrou. Exploits about his life and times in France can be read in the occasional letters he writes for *Bridge Magazine*.

**TARLO, Joel** (1905-1991) He retired to Marbella, Spain, having been a partner (with his brother) in a firm of London Solicitors. He was educated at the Grocer's School and then went directly into the law. His wife was a barrister he was happy to send briefs to, and she was also an outstanding player. He was an active administrator, working on committees for London, England and Great Britain. He was a great success when bridge was on the radio, winning every bidding competition (with Louisa Stern) in which they took part using the Vienna System. Tarlo was a European champion, a Bermuda Bowl silver medalist and an Olympiad bronze medalist.

**TARLO, Louis** (1912-2008) He retired to Hove, having been a partner (with his brother) in a firm of West End Solicitors. He was educated at the Grocer's School and then at London University. Like his brother, he was an active administrator, finally relinquishing his various posts in the mid 1950s. A Bermuda Bowl silver medalist, Tarlo was a successful npc of many British teams.

**TAYLOR, Edward O.** (1912-1984) of Glendale CA, marketing director. Life Master #83, Taylor won seven North American Championships.

**TERRANEO, Sylvia** Born in Frankfurt/Main, Germany, and now lives in Vienna. Married since 1986 to Franz Terraneo, by profession, she is an IT corporate trainer. Besides bridge, her hobbies are traveling, board games and music.

**THERON, Georges** (1922-1970) He lived in Paris where he practiced as a doctor. At one time his partnership with Gérard Desrousseaux was rated number one in France. During the fortnight of the Deauville Festival he would spend the evenings playing on VuGraph while working during the day in his Parisian consulting room. He died of a heart attack on the road between Deauville and Paris.

**TINTNER, Leon** (b.1910) He was born in Austria, but spent most of his life in Paris as the editor of a fashion magazine before retiring to Cannes where he still plays every day in his bridge club (aged 101!) His secret is to go swimming every morning for half an hour. Editor of a fashion magazine, his main partners were Léon Yallouze and Jacques Stetten.

**TRAD, Tony** (1928-2004) He was born in the Lebanon, but spent much of his life in Cairo moving to Geneva in the 1960s and then back to Egypt. He represented both Egypt and Switzerland. Throughout the Sixties and Seventies he was considered to be one of the one most brilliant players in Switzerland. His most frequent partners were Jean Besse and Tom Fenwick.

**TRÉZEL, Roger** (1918-1986) He lived in Paris. A son of a member of the higher magistracy and a great grandson of a Marshall of France, he studied political science before becoming an author and a journalist. He was a keen sportsman, becoming top class in both tennis and table-tennis before the war ended his ambitions, although he could still extend the French Davis Cup players in the late Sixties. He did not take up bridge seriously until he was 24, but made rapid strides, forming a powerful partnership with Pierre Jaïs He was a triple crown winner. He was an avid rubber bridge player and wrote a column for 10 newspapers as well as a weekly column in *Jours de France*. He was one of the theorists who attempted to popularize the canapé system.

**TUSZYNSKI, Piotr** (b.1955) Born in Warsaw where he still lives, he studied to be a railway transport engineer. However, he found playing the stock market to be a more profitable way to make a living, especially when combined with bridge. He learned to play with a group of friends when he was around eight years old. He considers imagination, psychology and logical analysis to be the most interesting areas of the game and defense to be the most difficult. He enjoys sports, especially from the comfort of his armchair. A WBF World Grand Master, Tuszynski won the World Team Olympiad in 1984 and placed second in 2000.

**VAN ZWOL, Wietske** She lives in Tilburg and is married to Carel Berendregt. She has a degree in business economics and works at the Tilburg University. She learned to play in 1982. Apart from bridge, music is her great hobby. She likes to sing and to play the guitar. Wietske also likes sports: jogging, skating and skiing if she can find the time. From 1997 till 2000 she partnered Martine Verbeek and then Femke Hoogweg.

**VERBEEK, Martine** (b.1962) She lives in Rotterdam and runs a book keeping office. Apart from bridge she likes swimming, skating and cycling.

**VERNOFF, Milton** (1905-1989) of Los Angeles CA, retired attorney. Vernoff pioneered bridge on television in Florida and served as president of the Florida Unit. He won the Mixed Board-a-Match Teams in 1938.

**VERSACE, Alfredo** of Turin and living in Rome is a professional bridge player. He is a World Life Master and European Grand Master. Versace started playing bridge at age 12 and soon became (together with the Norwegian Helgemo) the strongest junior in the world. World Champion Versace regularly plays with partner Lorenzo Lauria and is one of the intriguing stars of the Italian team. Along with Versace's 2005 Bermuda Bowl win, his staggering bridge resume includes multiple victories in the Olympiad (3), European Championships (7), Spingold (2), Vanderbilt (2), Rosenblum (2), Cavendish teams (2), Reisinger (3), Italian National Titles (13), Italian Cups (11), and many others.

**VINE, Frank** (1927-1987) of Hamilton ON, attorney. Vine was best known for his contributions as a writer to *The Bridge World*. A short collection of his works was published by *The Bridge World* shortly after his death. Ray Lee of Masterpoint Press felt the collection wasn't complete enough and published *North of the Master Solvers' Club* in 2008. Vine won the 1969 Life Master men's Pairs (now the Wernher Open Pairs) in 1969. Lee says of Vine, "I remember Frank well as an opponent from those days – he was a tough competitor, and his rather caustic wit probably made him as many enemies as friends. ... But it is Frank Vine the writer who, in my opinion, should not be forgotten."

**VIOLIN, Roxy R.** (1929-2009) of Palm Desert CA. Violin served on the ACBL Board of Governors for nine years. He won one North American Championship - the Hilliard Mixed Pairs in 1970. Violin was playing with Ed Weiner as teammates of Marty Cohn and Charles MacCracken when Cohn made his famous psychic 3♥ bid against Howard Schenken and Peter Leventritt, a deal where 6♥ made for his opponents.

**VON ELSNER, Don** (1909-1997) of Hilo HI was well known in bridge circles for his mystery novels with bridge themes. Von Elsner's most famous novel – *The Jake of Diamonds* (originally titled *How to Succeed at Murder Without Really Trying*) – features several real-life experts in action at a Hawaiian regional. This was the first book of a series featuring detective Jake Winkman. Von Elsner was also a fine bridge player. He won several regionals en route to becoming a Gold Life Master and played professionally. He was a member of *The Bridge World* Master Solvers panel for 40 years.

**VRIEND, Bep** (b.1946) She was introduced to bridge by her cousin in the early Sixties, having previously played whist and hearts. She joined a bridge club, and within a few years, had qualified to play for the Netherlands. With the best record of any Dutch woman player, her international career stretches back more than 30 years, to the 1974 European Women's Teams

Championships in Israel. She has been virtually ever-present on the Dutch team since. Her most famous partnership has been with Carla Arnolds. She is a bridge teacher and she lives in Amstelveen with her husband Anton Maas, coach of the Dutch Open Team. She has said it is impossible to combine International Bridge with children. She observed that all her female teammates are married to a bridge fanatic. In April 1998, she received a royal decoration in recognition of her great contribution to bridge. Her favorite memory is of the extraordinary reception the team received at home following their Venice Cup victory in Bermuda.

**VON ARNIM, Daniela** (b.1964) having been born in Munich, Dany spent the first five years of her life in Hong Kong. The family returned to Germany in 1969 and she has lived mostly near Wiesbaden ever since. She learned to play when she was 15. An expert in Computer Information Systems she started winning medals in major events in 1985 and has been doing it ever since, her partnership with Sabine Auken being one of the most formidable in the world.

Her life changed a lot when her daughter Lara, ‘the best and most important thing in my life’ was born in 2002. As a self-employed software developer working with another German World Champion, George Nippgen, she can organise herself and have enough time for Lara and bridge. Her hobbies include fitness training, cycling, reading, hand crafting (with Lara). She is very interested in art and design, but never finds the time and energy to visit museums or galleries during tournaments.

**WAKEMAN, Robert P.** (1913-1981) of Upper Montclair NJ. Wake man was a systems engineer, a former director, a bridge editor for the New Jersey BL and the former bridge editor of Newark Evening News. He won the Open BAM Teams 1960.

**WALLACE, Charlton** (1904-1979) of Cincinnati OH was a bridge writer. A founding member of the International Bridge Press Association, Wallace was elected IBPA honorary member in 1978. He was a bridge associate of Ely Culbertson, P. Hal Sims and other greats. He served as director of the AWL, as Midwest president of the USBA in 1936, and was bridge editor of the *Cincinnati Post-Times-Star* from 1933 until his death. Wallace was named Life Master #81 in 1947.

**WARNER, David** (1911-1987) of Bala-Cynwyd PA, stockbroker. A Former ACBL vice president and former president of the Philadelphia CBA, Warner was named Life Master #99 in 1948. He placed second in the Master Mixed Teams in 1947 and the Mixed Pairs in 1957.

**WATSON, Louis H.** (1907-1936) of New York City, was a leading player of the Thirties. Collier’s magazine of March 24, 1934, ranked Watson as the fourth greatest player in the world. A daily columnist for the *New York Post* and a technical editor for *The Bridge World*, his writings included the classic *Watson on the Play of the Hand* and *Contract Bridge*.

**WEBB, Linda** of Fargo ND is a retired paralegal. She won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2002.

**WEI, Charles C. (C.C.)** (1914-1987) of New York City. A shipping magnate, C.C. was born in Shanghai, China. In the Mid-Sixties he devised the Precision bidding system which was used successfully by the Taiwan team in the Bermuda Bowl in 1969 and 1970 and by the Precision Team in winning the Spingold in 1970 and 1971 and the Vanderbilt in 1972, and by the Italian Team in winning World Team Olympiad in 1972 and the Bermuda Bowl in 1973 and 1974. Wei was a former trustee of the ACBL Charity Foundation. He was npc of the Taiwan team in the World Team Olympiad in 1964, the Bermuda Bowl in 1969, and npc of the North American Venice Cup Team in 1981. He authored many books and articles on Precision and Super Precision. Playing with Ron Andersen at the New York Winter regional 1974 he had the one of the biggest games ever recorded in an ACBL regional on a 156 average - 260, (83.3%)!

**WEIDEN, Dr. Peter** of Chicago IL is a professor of psychiatry. Weiden says, “As a psychiatrist treating patients with serious psychiatric disorders, I have found that playing bridge has made me a much better physician. Most of the time, very difficult clinical challenges are easier than moderately difficult bridge hands.” Peter won the Fast Open Pairs in 2004.

**WEIGKRICHT, Theresa** (b.1958) She lives in Vienna and teaches mathematics and French. She began playing bridge in 1976 and joined in the Austrian ladies team in 1987. Having represented Austria on multiple occasions in European and world championships, Terry won the World Women’s Team Olympiad in 1992 and the McConnel Cup in 1998.

**WEINSTEIN, Jonathan** (b. 1977) has enjoyed tournament bridge since his college days at Harvard. Prior to his bridge career, he was a gold medalist in the International Math Olympiad. He is now an associate professor of economics at the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University. He occasionally contributes articles to [bridgewinners.com](http://bridgewinners.com). Jonathan placed

second in the Lebhar IMP Pairs (2007), second in the North American Pairs (2009) and was a semi-finalist in USBC (2010).

**WEISS, Albert** (Dingy) (1900-1981) of Miami Beach FL. Named Life Master #31 in 1942, Weiss won six North American championships and placed second nine times.

**WEISBACH, Frank** (1906-1981) of Cincinnati OH, was a leading Midwest player and expert analyst. He won the Life Master Pairs and was named Life Master #80 in 1947.

**WELCH, Lawrence J.** (Larry) (1895-deceased) of Indianapolis IN, retired realtor and appraiser. Named Life Master #79; Welch won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1935.

**WERNER, Einar** of Stockholm, Sweden was a doctor of mathematics. He was a two-time Bermuda Bowl silver medalist, representin Europe in 1950 and Sweden in 1953. He won the European Teams twice. He served as secretary of the Swedish Bridge League from 1939-1964. As chairman of the WBF Committee on international matchpoints, he assisted in their 1961 revision.

**WESTERFIELD, Dan** (1912-deceased) of San Francisco CA was named LM #84 in 1947. An insurance adjuster, Westerfield placed second in the Hilliard Mixed Pairs twice.

**WESTERHOF, Jan** (b.1954) He lives in Groningen with his wife and teaches economics in a secondary school. A WBF World Life Master, Westerhof won the Bermuda Bowl in 1993.

**WESTHEIMER, Valerie** of New York City is a six-time North American champion. A WBF World International Master, Westheimer placed second in the McConnell Cup in 2002.

**WESTRA, Berry** (born February 28, 1961, Amstelveen) is a Dutch bridge professional who lives in in Krimpen aan den IJssel. At the age of 18, Westra made his debut with former world champion Hans Kreijns in the *meesterklasse* (the highest competitive level in the Dutch bridge league). Apart from playing bridge at national and international levels, Westra also authored more than 40 books and interactive programs. He hosts bridge clinics and was one of the developers of the famous playing software Jack. He also helped develop the system known as Dutch Acol. He has his own website: [www.berrywestra.nl](http://www.berrywestra.nl)

**WETZLAR, Edwin A.** (d. 1934) of New York City, a leading personality in the early years of whist and bridge, Wetzler won the Vanderbilt in 1928 and the Master Mixed Teams in 1933. He was a Board member of the American Whist League. The Wetzler Award for Distinguished Service was donated in his memory in 1935.

**WHITMAN, Michael R. V.** (b. 1944) of San Francisco is an investment executive, fisherman, and motorcycling enthusiast. He has been a West Coast rubber bridge fixture since late Sixties. He won Open BAM Teams (now Mitchell Open BAM) 1998 and subsequently ran up what is universally conceded to have been the largest celebratory bar tab in NABC history. He played on five-man pickup team which won 1992 Open BAM Teams, but was relegated to npc when unable to return from business detour in time to play final session. He placed second in the Spingold in 1998 and the Mitchell Open BAM in 2005. Whitman was instrumental in the procurement and dedication of the Grant Baze Trophy to ACBL.

**WILKOSZ, Andrzej** (b.1935) A legendary figure in Polish bridge. Married, he holds a Doctorate of Science, but now describes himself as a pensioner. He learned to play in 1953 during his second year at university. He wrote the book *Decydujace Rozdania* (*Decisive Hands*) and he invented and developed the well known convention, the Wilkosz Two Diamonds. During the final of the 1978 Rosenblum he had to play a 3NT contract. It was late at night, but after the opening lead, he saw there were nine easy tricks. However, while waiting for the other defender to play he fell asleep! He discovered later that the other players were waiting for him to play a card from dummy – and they waited quite a long time!

**WILLARD, Sylvie.** One eight daughters of Irénée de Heredia, a well-known international director, who forbade his children from playing bridge until they had passed their baccalauréat. Mission accomplished, Sylvie became one of France's greatest players: five-times European champion and world silver medalist. She is married to François, international bridge director and a keen bowls player, just like their son, Fabrice, who was European Junior Bowls champion.

**WILLIAMS, Diana** (deceased) She was brought up in Bahrain when her father was working in the oil industry, but went to school in England. Her parents played bridge at the Deva club in Chester - her mother was a superb declarer player – and it was there she met her husband Arthur, himself a fine player who honed her skills. His job brought them south and they lived and played their bridge in Surrey. They qualified for the Surrey Championship but came home again arguing in the car. She decided she could either play bridge with her husband or stay married. So she contacted the county secretary to withdraw, but offered to be a substitute if needed. Maureen Dennison's partner also had to withdraw and the secretary asked if we they would like to play together, otherwise they would never have met. They played the National Woman's Teams with Diana's mother and got to the final. They were watched by Dimmie Flemming and Harry Scully who told the EBU they were a good pair. They were chosen for the 1979 Common Market Championship and it went from there. In the early 1980s, she moved to Worcestershire and effectively retired from international bridge. However, she still won the *Lady Milne* with Jane Spence, amongst many Worcestershire honors. Diana devoted her spare time to founding and running a Worcestershire charity called PEAL - *Parents Experiencing Adult Loss*.

**WILLIS, Dave G.** (b. 1947) of Orleans ON, bridge teacher, bridge club manager, runs land and sea cruises. Won CNTC 1990, COPC 1988, 96; represented Canada 1991 Bermuda Bowl, has had same partner John Valliant, since 1966, bridge columnist Ottawa Citizen, editor of Unit 192 The Recap for six years.

**WILSON, Kevin** (b. 1969) of Knoxville TN is a financial services consultant. Kevin has a degree in Geology from the University of Tennessee. When he was 22, Kevin opened a bar/laundromat. His bar won the local entertainment magazine's "Best Dive" award three straight years from 1994-1996. Kevin participates in many committees whenever asked and gives mini-lessons or talks to the newcomer groups at local tournaments. As a Junior player, Kevin won the Junior Team Trials twice and a bronze medal in the 1993 World Junior Team Championships. Kevin was the 2006 npc and coach of USA Red and USA Blue at the World Schools Championship in Bangkok, Thailand and the 2010 NPC and Coach of USA1 in Philadelphia, USA World Bridge Series Junior Team. Kevin says, "My favorite bridge moment predictably was winning the Lebhar IMP Pairs. But in the Mixed Pairs event just a day before that, I had my first planned stepping stone squeeze I could remember against national director Millard Nachtway, who has known me and my family since I was a very small child."

**WIRGREN, Anders** (b. 1951) of Lund, Sweden, bridge writer and editor. A WBF World Master, Wirgren placed third in the Rosenblum Teams in 1986. He represented Sweden in two other world championships. Wirgren was second in the 1976 European Junior Teams, the 1973 Nordic Junior Teams and the 1988 Nordic Teams. He won Cavendish Invitational in 1991. He is a bridge columnist for Arbetet Nyheterna, Hallandsposten and Helsingborgs Dagblad. He contributes to many bridge magazines and has twice won IBPA Award for best article of year. He has authored eight bridge books and two chess books. He was Swedish junior chess champion in 1968.

**WOLFSON, Jeffrey** (Jeff) of Northbrook IL, options securities trader. A WBF World Master, Wolfson placed third in the Bermuda Bowl in 1999. He won the won USBC 1999 and four North American Championships. Wolfson was npc of the 1993 U.S. Bermuda Bowl team.

**WOLLMAN, Alan** (b.1934) was born and raised in New York City until he was drafted in the Army at age 19. He served in Austria 1954 and 1955 in occupation forces after WWII. After service, he moved to Los Angeles and graduated from UCLA with a BS in Finance and Economics in 1959. Earned his MBA from USC in 1962 and worked as financial analyst at TRW for seven years. He helped form and take public a securities company and later changed careers to enter commercial real estate which he practiced for 40+ years in Southern California. Wollman is now semi-retired and living in Las Vegas, Nevada in 2002. He is the developer of several conventions and treatments, including Wollman over 1NT and Wollman Transfers.

**WOLNY, Henryk** (1947–1996) He was a bridge instructor, sports official and professional player. When he won the 1984 Olympiad, he was ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in the list of Polish sporting figures.

**WOJCICKI, Marek** (b. 1957). Polish player and writer, editor of the oldest Polish bridge magazine *Brydz*, author of *Competitive Bidding* (1992), *Bridge for Everybody* (1998, 2002), numerous national wins, European Junior Champion 1982, international wins including Spring Foursomes 2001, Sicily Open 2005, Troffeo Modiano 1985, coach of the Polish open team Ostende 2010 (silver medal), International Bridge Press Association member (prize for the article on the best played hand of 2006), manager in a chemistry manufacturing company. Married, two children (daughter and son). Lives in Przemyśl.

**YAMADA, Akihiko** (b.1946) He lives in Tokyo, where he is a professional player. He learned to play in college. His hobbies are stamp collecting and watching sports, especially baseball. He won the World Senior Teams in 2008.

**YOMTOV, Bernard D.** (Bernie) (b. 1946) of Nashville TN, born in Germany, private investor, edited *Partnership Defense*, *Matchpoints* and *Dynamic Defense* and assisted in the editing of the 1980 and 1981 World Championship Book.

**YARBRO, Tracey Greenberg** (b.1972) of Memphis TN was born into a bridge family and grew up attending tournaments with her parents (Steve and Julie Greenberg) and grandparents (Buster and Dotty Toledano), caddying and playing bridge with the other young people in attendance. She learned to play through the lessons held for caddies at the NABCs, and she appeared in the ACBL's TV show, "The Bridge Class," filmed in 1989 and still being shown on public TV stations in the US. The TV show was made into a popular three tape set and is still available in 2011. Yarbro has worked for the ACBL throughout her life and currently serves as the ACBL Librarian, Museum Curator and ACBL Archivist. She has two children: son (Branch) and daughter (Sutton).

**ZECKHAUSER, Richard J.** (b. 1940) of Cambridge MA, professor of political economy. Won Blue Ribbon Pairs 1966; placed second Men's Teams 1968; won Intercollegiate Championships 1961.

**ZERBINI, Michael** (b. 1951) of Clarkston MI is a retired MD, diagnostic radiology. Zerbini won the Baldwin North American Pairs Flt A in 2003, the GNT Championship Flt in 2005, and placed second in the Wernher Open Pairs in 1979.

**ZHAO, Jie** (Jack) of China. A WBF World Life Master, Zhao won the World Open Pairs in 2006. As a member of the Deutsch team, Zhao also won the Vanderbilt in 2006.

**ZHONG, Fu** (b. 1969) of Beijing, China. A WBF World Grand Master, Zhong won the World Open Pairs in 2006. He has represented China in 10 world championships. Zhong has one North American title - the Vanderbilt in 2006.

**ZIMMERMANN, Pierre.** A property developer in Switzerland, his passion for bridge has led him to create and sponsor several top-level teams with whom he has enjoyed much success in national and international competitions. He hopes to create a powerful team that will represent Monaco in European and World Championships. He has won two North American titles – the Vanderbilt in 2010 and the Spingold in 2011.

**ZMUDZINSKI, Adam** (b.1956) is the regular partner of Cezary Balicki. He comes from a musical family. His father was a famous Polish composer and conductor. Adam is himself a talented pianist and lists classical music as his hobby, alongside motor sports. His grandfather taught him to play bridge when he was five years old. He is attracted by the dynamic possibilities within the game and considers the most difficult aspect to be making good decisions. A WBF World Grand Master, Zmudzinski has won the Transnational Open Teams twice. Representing Poland, he placed second in the Bermuda Bowl in 1991. Since 1997 he has claimed 11 NABC titles and placed second in eight other NABC events.

**ZOLLER, Raymond G. (Ray)** of Prescott AZ. A therapist and professional poker player, Zoller was a panelist for *The Bridge World* Master Solvers' Club and You Be the Judge for many years. He won the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1966.

**ZUR-CAMPANILE, Migry** (b.1960) of Israel and New York City, NY, Editor of Israeli Bridge Magazine. A WBF World Life Master, Migry won the World Mixed Teams in 2000. She is a four-time North American champion. Migry won the Fishbein Trophy in 2008.



# ACBL PRESIDENTS

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**ALDERTON, George II** (1904-1982) of Detroit MI. Born in Saginaw MI, he was a probate and tax attorney in private practice until his death. Alderton was ACBL president in 1945, ACBL vice-president in 1944, ACBL Honorary Member in 1956 and a former president of the Midwest Conference and Michigan B.A.

**ALDRICH, Clayton** (1871-1961) was a native of Cleveland OH and a furniture store owner. He was active in forming the American Bridge League in 1927. He was president of ABL in 1930 and member of the executive committee in 1933.

**ANDERSEN, Eilif (1907-1977)** of Los Angeles CA, was president of the ACBL in 1966. A vital member of the Board of Directors from 1956-1958 and 1961-1967. Andersen chaired the finance, building fund, headquarters site and other important committees. He sponsored ACBL's acceptance of the district organization plan. In the early Sixties, Andersen founded and presided over the Association of Los Angeles County Bridge Units (ALACBU). In 1967, he was elected president of the Western Conference. He also founded and edited Southern California Bridge News.

**ANDERSON, Richard** – SEE PLATINUM LIFE MASTERS

**ANDERSON, Virgil** - SEE EMERALD LIFE MASTERS

**BABIN, Elmer** (1902-1990) of Shaker Heights OH was an attorney and president of ACBL in 1940. He played his first duplicate in March 1930. He won the Open State Pairs championship in May and the AWL Open Pairs in June. He won a number other events before retiring from tournament play in 1951.

**BALDWIN, William A. (1907-1978).** As 1970 ACBL president, Baldwin was the person most instrumental in relocating national headquarters to Memphis. His interest in this project grew naturally from his career as a building and land developer. He was also president of Western Conference, trustee of the Charity Foundation and chairman of ACBL Board of Directors (1971). He was elected ACBL Honorary Member in 1978. Baldwin was ACBL representative to WBF and treasurer of that body.

**BEAN, Percy X.** (1916-1992) of Olympia WA was a wholesale hardware business owner. He was active in his community, where he was known as a businessman, fund raiser and civic leader. He was the first recipient of Olympia's Man of the Year award in 1968. He was on the ACBL Board from 1964-1988, ACBL President in 1972, chairman of the board in 1973, president of the Charity Foundation from 1974-1981, a member of the National Goodwill Committee and the Board of Governors, as well as president of his unit and the general chairman of arrangements for the World Team Olympiad in Seattle in 1984. Bean and his wife, Anne, were elected ACBL Honorary Members in 1992, this was the first time that honor was bestowed on a husband-wife combination. Bean was the editor of Mad, Mad World of Bridge, a publication strongly championing players of less-than-expert class.

**BOSCOWITZ, Hubert (Hubie)** (1902-1993) of New York City. Boscowitz was the first recipient of the Wetzlar Trophy. He was president of American Bridge League in 1935 and was responsible for introducing the masterpoint plan, which became the basis of the ACBL's subsequent prosperity. Boscowitz won the AWL All-American Open Teams in 1933, the Master Mixed Teams in 1932 and placed second in the Vanderbilt in 1934.

**BROWN, Dudley** – SEE PLATINUM LIFE MASTERS

**BUCKMAN, Harriette** – SEE DIAMOND LIFE MASTERS



**BURKE, Phyllis** (d.1998) of Pocatello ID was a former supervisor with state of Idaho Department of Employment, a beauty salon owner, operator and owner/operator of a number of bridge clubs. A member of ACBL Board of Directors for 10 years, ACBL president 1989 and chairman of the board 1990, she established the ACBL Education Program. Burke was also a member of the District 18 Board of Directors for 18 years. She served as president for three consecutive terms (1979-1984). Burke played with eight novices until they achieved rank of Life Master.

**COHAN, Joseph** (1899-1958) of Wooster OH, was born in Canada. He served as ACBL president in 1952 and placed second in the Men's Teams (now the Mitchell Open BAM) in 1947 and 1949.

**COOK, Cecil Q.** (b. 1932) of Long Beach, CA is an Aerospace consultant. He won Volare Award for outstanding achievements in aircraft avionics and a RTCA Citation for contribution to advancement of aeronautics. In 1958, he started duplicate bridge game in Guam. He helped organize District 23 (the first district organization in ACBL) and was its first Vice President in 1961. In 1970 he received the Unit Player of the Year Award. He served as President of District 23 in 1975, Tournament Manager from 1976-1977, and District Treasurer for many years. He was the First Alternate National Director for District 23 from 1983-1990, District 23 Director on the ACBL Board from 1990-1997 and ACBL President in 1995. Cook also served on the Hall of Fame Committee from 1998-2011 and was Chairman in 2004.

**CORN, Jr. Ira G.** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**COVALCIUC, Valerie A.** – SEE EMERALD LIFE MASTERS

**DEMARTINO, Richard** - SEE GRAND LIFE MASTERS

**DREW, Doug** - SEE CANADIAN HALL OF FAME

**EISENLORD, Ray** (1884-1965) was an accountant from Erie PA. He was one of the originators of the Masterpoint Plan and the 1934 ABL President.

**FAIRCHILD, Sharon** of Rocky River OH was ACBL President in 2007. Fairchild was taught bridge by her parents, but didn't start playing duplicate until some friends took her to the Maumee DBC. Fairchild became involved with bridge administration while living in Toledo - her first job was as facilities manager for a three-site regional for Unit 105. She was later heavily involved with Unit 125 and with her duties as the District 5 representative on the ACBL Board of Directors.

**FERGUSON, James (1907-1981)** of North Palm Beach FL was a candy manufacturer. He was ACBL president in 1961, when the League was converting to a data processing system for masterpoints and memberships. As president, Ferguson worked on establishing bridge as a spectator sport, promoting such bridge exhibitions as vugraph and Bridge-O-Rama. He served three terms on the ACBL Board of Directors.

**FLEMING, Jerry** was first introduced to bridge in the Sixties as a student at the Montana School of Mines in Butte. From there, he quickly became involved in bridge politics, first serving on the board of Unit 406 and later as unit president. He also served on the District 18 board. Fleming took a seven-year hiatus from bridge when his company relocated him to Grants NM. The Fleming family moved to Los Alamos in 1984 and Jerry returned to bridge and bridge politics. He was elected to the District 17 board in 1990 and the ACBL board in 1999.

**FRENCH, Fred** (1893-1937) 1931 ABL President. French was a retired Army officer from Philadelphia PA. He was a member of the Advisory Council of Bridge Headquarters, which drafted and approved the "Official System." He was a contributor to *Bridge Magazine* and the winner of the Open Pairs in 1935. He was active in bridge club organization, development, and management.

**GERARD, Joan** – SEE DIAMOND LIFE MASTERS

**GILL, Robert** (1889-1983) of Baltimore was an attorney. He was ACBL president in 1941 and chairman of the ACBL Committee on Membership Eligibility in 1952. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1945. He served in both World Wars and received many military decorations. In 1945 he was appointed chief military counsel to Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson at the War Trials in Nuremburg.

**GLICK, Jeff** – SEE OTHER NOTED PERSONALITIES

**GOLDER, Ben** (1891-1946). He died the day before the close of his term as 1946 ACBL president. He was a four-term Congressman from Pennsylvania and later became a criminal attorney – he once represented Al Capone. Golder was the ACBL Honorary Member in 1947. A trophy donated by his widow Peggy (later Solomon) in his memory, the Golder Cup, was put into play 1947.

**GOULD, Jr. Edward** (1928-1997) of Hooksett NH. ACBL president in 1990, Gould represented District 25 on the Board of Directors from 1973-1991. He served as president of the New Hampshire Bridge Association and president of District 25, and he was Chairman of the ACBL Board in 1991. The city of Manchester honored him in 1990 by presenting him with a Key to the City. He was chairman of most New Hampshire tournaments for 30 years. A Silver Life Master with more than 2000 masterpoints, he also taught the game at classes given at the University of New Hampshire. Gould was a sales representative for the Manchester Glass Co. until his retirement, when he started work as a real estate appraiser.

**GROSS, William (Bill)** (b. 1930) of Harrisburg PA. A Graduate of University of Pennsylvania and Harvard Law School, Gross is a past president of the American Lung Association and served as a member of its National Board of Directors. Gross was ACBL executive director from 1987-1991, ACBL president in 1983 and chairman of Board in 1984. He served as an ACBL Board member from District 4 from 1972-1987, as a member of the ACBL Board of Governors and the ACBL Goodwill Committee. He was the co-chairman of Fall NABC in Lancaster PA in 1972 and 1980. A Former bridge columnist, he wrote regularly for the Harrisburg *Sunday Patriot-News*.

**GURVICH, Louis** (1921-1986) of Metairie LA, was president of a guard and detective agency employing 300 nationally and internationally. He was ACBL president in 1977, chairman of the board 1978, chairman of the Board of Governors 1967-1971 and served on many committees prior to his presidency, including the committee that approved and defined the present-day convention chart and convention card. Gurvich was the general chairman of the 1978 World Olympiad in New Orleans, a member of the WBF executive committee in 1977 and 1979 and a member of the WBF Appeals Committee. A former president of the Mid-South Conference and the Louisiana B.A, Gurvich placed second in the Master Mixed Teams in 1961. Gurvich's daughter was one of the victims in the Jonestown tragedy. He was one of the few Americans allowed to go look for a body

**HADDAD, Louis** (1900-1980) was an insurance agent from Iowa. In addition to being ABL President in 1935, he was also the President of the Auction Bridge Club of Chicago in 1930 and 1931. He was a member of the Tournament Committee of the USBA. He won the Hilliard Mixed Pairs in 1935, the Reisinger in 1929 and the Mixed BAM in 1936.

**HALPIN, Robert** (1896-1972). Halpin was a businessman and contributing editor to *Bridge Magazine* and *Contract Bridge Magazine*. In addition to serving as the 1929 ABL President he was also the director of the ABL from 1930-1932. He was the president of the Auction Bridge Club of Chicago in 1929 and its director from 1926-1928 and from 1930-1932. He won the Chicago (now the Reisinger in 1929) and placed second in the Spingold in 1948.

**HOWARD, Morgan** (1893-1965) was a top executive at Hearst Publishing and ACBL President in 1942. During his tenure as president, he donated a permanent trophy to be awarded to the winner's of the National Amateur Pairs event. This event was popularly known as "the President's Cup

**JAEGER, Henry** (1888-1971) A bridge writer, lecturer, and bridge editor of the Cleveland Sunday News, the largest bridge department of any American newspaper in the Thirties, Jaeger was a member of the group who promoted the "Official System." In addition to serving as ABL president in 1928, he was also a president of the Cleveland Whist Club and the Cleveland Inter-Club League. He won trophies in whist, auction and contract bridge.

**JOHNSON, Benjamin O.** (1906-1976). ACBL president in 1953, Johnson was also counsel to and a member of the Executive Committee of the WBF. An attorney from Spartansburg SC, Johnson served as npc of the ACBL Bermuda Bowl team in 1954 and as chairman of the ACBL Charity Foundation. Johnson won the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1949.

**KIRKHAM, Jim** – SEE GRAND LIFE MASTERS

**LEMON, James** (1903-1977). ACBL president 1939, Lemon was a frequent golf partner of President Dwight Eisenhower. Eisenhower honored Lemon by appointing him special ambassador for the ceremonies celebrating the independence of the Republic of Ghana. He was director of Washington Bridge League and served for many years as member of the ABL and ACBL Executive Committees. He won the Mixed BAM in 1934.

**LEVENTRITT, Peter** - SEE HALL OF FAME

**LEVEY, Syd** - SEE PLATINUM LIFE MASTERS

**LEVY, Alvin** - SEE DIAMOND LIFE MASTERS

**LEWIS, Jerry M.** (1895-1965) was the President of the ACBL in 1963 and chairman of the Board of Directors in 1962 and 1964. He served under General John Pershing in both the Mexican War and WWI and was decorated with a Distinguished Service citation.

**MAC NAB, Robin** (1915-1985) of Bozeman MT was a hotel owner and cattle rancher. He served as ACBL president in 1965 and as a member of the ACBL Board of Directors from 1956-1981. He was also a member of the ACBL Laws Commission and a past president of Western Conference. He served on the WBF executive council from 1965-1973. His interests included writing, trout fishing, model railroading. Mac Nab was member of U.S. Olympic track and field squad in 1936.

**MANCHESTER, Max** (1914-1969) of Portland OR was the executive secretary of Oregon Public Employees Retirement System. He served as ACBL Chairman of the Board in 1960 and 1961, as ACBL president in 1962 and was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1963. Manchester won Men's Pairs in 1961.

**MARK, Dr. Louis** (1893-1954) was an international authority on chest ailments. He was the first Life Master in Columbus OH, the 1949 ACBL President, and the 1950 ACBL Honorary Member. The Mark Memorial Trophy (now the Burns Senior Trophy) was donated in his memory.

**MATHE, Lewis L.** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**MCCONNELL, Ruth** (1918-2000) of Columbia City IN was the ACBL's first woman president in 1974 and the first woman Chairman of the ACBL Board of Directors in 1975. ACBL President Emeritus. She inaugurated the Venice Cup matches in 1974. After a 5-year battle, she convinced the WBF that the Venice Cup should be a major WBF event in 1978. She was the victorious captain of the first American Venice Cup team - 1974. She was also Venice Cup captain in the 1976 and 1978 American victories. She captained the 1980 Women's Olympiad Teams champions and the 1976 Women's Olympiad Team.

She donated the McConnell Cup for the winner of McConnell Cup World Women's Championship (the women's equivalent to Rosenblum Teams) when event was added to WBF program in 1994. McConnell was the first woman president of the ACBL Charity Foundation 1975 and Trustee Emeritus of foundation.

She was also the first woman elected to WBF Executive Council 1984. The first woman to hold WBF office, she was treasurer from 1985-1990. She established the first District Judiciary Committee - now all ACBL Districts must have such a committee. Founded Midwest Monitor and was its first editor 1963-67. She also founded District 8's Advocate. McConnell won the Spring Continent-wide Charity Pairs in 1967.

**MCGEE, David** - SEE EMERALD LIFE MASTERS

**MILES, Jr. Rufus L.** (Skinny) (1907-1984) of Virginia Beach VA was an investment executive. He served as ACBL president 1950, 1956, and was a member of many of its administrative committees for nearly 2 decades. He was named Honorary Member in 1952. Skinny also served as president of Mid-Atlantic Conference, npc North American Bermuda Bowl team 1957 and of U.S. team World Team Olympiad 1960.

**MOREHEAD, Albert H.** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**MORSE, Dan** – SEE GRAND LIFE MASTERS

**NORWOOD, John** (1908-1994) of Greenville SC was an attorney. He served as ACBL president in 1967, Chairman of Board in 1968. He also served as a member of the WBF Executive Council in the 1960s and of the ACBL Board of Directors from 1961-1976.

**NUDELMAN, Barbara** (b. 1931) of Chicago IL, retired advertising executive. President of ACBL 1993, Chairman of the Board 1994. Served as ACBL representative to WBF Executive Council 1994-1997. Member ACBL Board of Directors for District 13 from 1985-1997, Chairman ACBL Board of Governors 1983, 1984; president of ACBL Educational Foundation 1991-1992 and has served on many other ACBL committees. Held various executive positions in Chicago Contract B.A. (including president) since 1968.

**OAKIE, Don (formerly Donald Akira Aoki)** (1914-1983) of San Jose CA, was one of the leading American bridge personalities. He was the first of Japanese descent to win the Bermuda Bowl (1954) and the first ACBL member to become a Life Master with all points (300) being red. He represented the U.S. in international play - Turin 1960. He won the Spingold in 1953, the Chicago (now the Reisinger) in 1958 and placed second in the Men's Pairs in 1959. He also won numerous regionals. For many years Oakie was involved with bridge administration. He was ACBL president 1976, chairman of ACBL Board of Directors 1977, a Board member 1967-1981, co-chairman of ACBL Laws Commission from 1975, WBF Laws Commission 1974, president of Western Conference 1966. Oakie was principal draftsman of the revised American format of 1974 ACBL HANDBOOK 1973, 1974, 1975. He authored Simplified Standard American Bridge Bidding and was named "Sportsman of the Year" by IBPA – 1976

**O'LOUGHLIN, Walter K.** (1910-1989) of Towson MD, retired executive, graduated Catholic University of America. He served as ACBL president in 1978, as ACBL Director from 1962-1965 and 1971-1980, as ACBL Treasurer from 1973-1975, as president of the Maryland B.A. in 1956 and as president of the Mid-Atlantic Conference from 1970-1972.

**PILTCH, Howard J.** – SEE PLATINUM LIFE MASTERS

**RANDALL, Winslow** (1897-1983) of Redlands CA was ACBL president in 1959 and president of the Western Conference in 1955. He also served as an ACBL Director for many years.

**REEVE, Bruce** – SEE PLATINUM LIFE MASTERS

**RETEK, George** - SEE DIAMOND LIFE MASTERS

**ROBINSON, Craig** – SEE EMERALD LIFE MASTERS

**RICHARDS, Ralph** (1876-1943). Richards was the founder and first president American Bridge League, also bridge teacher, writer, lecturer and leading tournament player. He played bridge at the old Chicago Whist Club and won many honors at whist and auction bridge. He was an active member of American Whist League and while attending the Congress at Hanover NH in summer of 1927, he proposed an organization to sponsor, promote and develop the game of bridge. The American Auction Bridge League (subsequently American Bridge League) was the first national organization devoted entirely to bridge. At its initial tournament at Chicago in December 1927, Richards and teammates Theodore A. Lightner, Waldemar von Zedtwitz and Ely Culbertson won the team-of-four championship. During the second meeting of the League held in Cleveland 1928, contract bridge was introduced for tournament play. In 1929, the tournament went back to Chicago and Richards and his partner, William E. McKenney, tied for first in Open Pairs. Richards wrote *Championship Bridge* and co-wrote *Common Sense Contract*.

**RIPSTRA, J.G.** (1900-1982) of Wichita KS was an investor and mechanical contractor. He helped develop Kansas State BA. He served as a member of the ACBL Board of Directors from 1945-1958 and was instrumental in increasing the number of members on board from eight to 23 when ACBL merged with Western Conference. He was ACBL president 1957. He invented the Ripstra convention. He was the npc of Bermuda Bowl team 1958.

**ROSENBLUM, Julius** (1906-1978) of New Orleans was a leading American bridge personality. He served as president of the World Bridge Federation from 1970-1976 and as ACBL president in 1951. He won the Men's Pairs in 1960. Rosenblum captained the U.S. team that defeated Italy in the 1951 Bermuda Bowl and played briefly, thus becoming the only person to have captained and played on a team that defeated the Italians. He also captained U.S. teams in 1963, 1966, 1967 and 1968. He became WBF secretary-treasurer in 1966 and a voting member of WBF Executive Committee in 1968 when he was appointed to replace Waldemar von Zedtwitz, who retired. He was elected to WBF Committee of Honor. International Bridge Press Association bestowed the Charles Goren Man of the Year award on him 1975. In 1977 the Australian Bridge Federation named him to Life Membership, the first non-Australian to be so honored. Rosenblum was the ACBL Honorary Member in 1970.

**RUBIN, Carl** (1920-1995) of Cincinnati OH, was an attorney and Chief Judge U.S. District Court for Southern District of Ohio starting in 1969. ACBL president 1971, chairman of Board 1972. Member ACBL Board of Directors 1966-73, ACBL Honorary Member 1981. His vote as ACBL president broke a 12-12 tie and sent ACBL Headquarters from Greenwich CT to Memphis TN.

**SANDERS, Thomas** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**SEEWALD, Leo** (1908-1991) of South St. Paul MN was a teacher. He served as ACBL president in 1964 and as a member ACBL Board of Directors, the Board of Governors and was also chairman of the ACBL Masterpoint Plan Committee. He also served as president of the Minnesota Unit and as director of the Mid-American-Canadian Conference.

**SILVERMAN, Jerome** (1912-1985) of Mill Valley CA, was an attorney, account executive and a graduate of Rutgers University School of Law. He was ACBL president in 1973, ACBL treasurer 1970-72, chairman of ACBL Goodwill Committee 1975, ACBL representative to WBF 1973-76, trustee of ACBL Charity Foundation 1974, president ACBL Charity Foundation 1980-82, vice president WBF 1976-78, member ACBL Board of Directors 1966-1975 and a member of the Laws Commission of the ACBL. He was former president New Jersey BL, NY-NJ Bridge Conference, and District 21. He served as npc of the North American team in the 1977 Bermuda Bowl. He also directed on bridge cruises.

**SKINNER, Richmond (Dick)** (1898-1986) of Dallas TX was ACBL president in 1944 and a member of the ACBL Executive Committee from formation until 1944. He was educated at MIT and California Institute of Technology. A civil engineer by training, he had a varied career; US Army officer, pipe organ builder and installer, pilot and flying instructor, top-flight tennis player and referee (awarded the McGovern Cup for national tennis umpire of the year 1972), and longtime member of the New Hampshire legislature. He invented Skinner Psychic controls, Skinner responses to a 1NT opening, and Skinner two-bids. He also originated a point-count method in 1932 in which an ace was 5 points, king 3 points, queen 2 points and jack 1 point.

**SMITH, Herb** – SEE DIAMOND LIFE MASTERS

**SMITH, Glenn F.** (b. 1932) of Creve Coeur MO, retired senior vice-president. A graduate of St. Louis University, Smith was president of the ACBL in 2000 and chairman of the Board of Directors in 2001. He also served as District 8 representative to the ACBL Board of Directors, as a member of the ACBL Goodwill Committee and as a member of the Unit 143 Board.

**SMITH, Roger** of Sacramento CA was ACBL President in 2005. Smith started playing bridge in the Sixties, but didn't discover duplicate until 1972 the same year he joined the ACBL. In addition to playing, Smith was also attracted to the administrative side of bridge and was elected to the Board of Directors of Unit 505 just two years after joining the ACBL. He served on the District 21 board and was president from 1977-1978. Smith also served as president of the Western Conference.

**SOLOMON, Charles** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**SPINGOLD, Nate** (1886-1958) a New York publicist, motion picture executive and patron of the arts, he was one of the most influential men in bridge administration from 1937 to 1943.

Born in Chicago, he became a reporter on *The Chicago Examiner*, *The Chicago Record Herald* and *The Chicago Tribune*. Spingold's interest in show business brought him to New York City in the Thirties. In 1932 he joined Columbia Pictures in a public relations capacity. He was named to the board of directors in 1940 and three years later was appointed vice president in charge of advertising, publicity and development. He became a vice president of the company in 1954.

Active in bridge from its earliest days, Spingold was named ABL Honorary Member in 1936. He was instrumental in effecting a peaceful merger between the American Bridge League and the United States Bridge Association in 1937 and became president of the newly formed American Contract Bridge League the following year. He served for many years on the League's Board of Governors and Board of Directors. Spingold was also president of the Cavendish Club in New York.

**SPIVACK, Leo** (b. 1926) of Miami FL, formerly of Chicago, retired attorney and investment banker. He was ACBL President in 1979, a member of the Board of Directors 1970-1986 and chairman ACBL Appeals and Charges Committee, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1982. Chairman of the Board 1980, chairman of WBF Appeals Committee 1980-81. Board member of Chicago CBA for many years, president 1968-70.

**STEDEM, Joseph** (1899-1983) of Palm Springs CA was the executive vice president of Hertz Corporation. He was ACBL president in 1968, a member of the ACBL Board of Directors from 1949-50 and from 1964-69, president of the ACBL Charity Foundation 1973-74, and a trustee from 1972-75. He was elected ACBL Honorary Member in 1971. He was also president of the Midwest Bridge Conference and Chicago CBA. Stedem helped initiate the ACBL policy, begun in 1949, of holding North American Championships in many different cities as possible. Previously all such tournaments had been held in the Greater New York area. The experiment of attempting a national in Chicago in 1949 proved most successful. As a result, players in all sections of the ACBL have had the opportunity to play in NABCs at not too great a distance from their homes. He was instrumental in the reorganization of the ACBL, working with Waldemar von Zedtwitz. Stedem placed second NAC Senior Master Individual 1952 and won several regionals.

**THEUS, Edgar** (1913-1944) of Oklahoma City OK was an attorney, a member ACBL Board of Directors from 1961-1988, ACBL president in 1969, chairman of Board in 1970, and President Emeritus. He was also a member of the ACBL Laws Commission, the WBF Executive Council 1969-1986, and served as first vice president of WBF. He co-captained the defending Bermuda Bowl team in 1977, and captained the champion North American Bermuda Bowl team 1979. He placed second Nail Life Master Pairs in 1966.

**VON ZEDTWITZ, Waldemar** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**WERNHER, Sir Derrick** (1889-1948) of London was the son of a South African millionaire and a resident of the United States between the two World Wars. He was the father of the Master events. In 1935, he suggested the plan of restricting to Master players an individual, a pairs, and a team event, these to be part of the NABCs. He donated the trophy for the National Men's Pairs, now known as the Wernher Open Pairs. He was a member of the Masterpoint Plan Committee of the League, and during his time in the U.S., he did much to foster the growth of the ACBL. He served as president of the ABL in 1933 and won the Master Mixed Teams in 1930. He was found dead below the 80-foot balcony of his apartment on March 6, 1948.

**WESTCOTT, Frank** (1901-1974) of North Attleboro MA, engineer and contractor. ACBL president 1960, chairman of Board 1961, Honorary Member 1968, former member of the ACBL Board of Directors, president New England Bridge Conference and Eastern Massachusetts BA. Life Master #152, npc of the North American international team 1961, 64; placed second Men's Teams 1964. Won Inter-City matches 1970, 71, 72, 73 for Boston.

**WILSON, Chris** (d.2004) of Phoenix AZ was ACBL president 1985, chairman of the Board 1986; member of the ACBL Board of Directors 1977-1989; president of the Western Conference and Phoenix Unit for four terms each. One of the founders of District 17 Association in 1969, she was a member of its Board and executive committee until 1989. Wilson served the longest term as president, presiding over 4 NABCs instead of 3 when the Board changed the time of the presidency. She was also the chairperson of the 1971 Fall North American Championships.

**WOLFF, Robert (Bobby)** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**ZIMMERMAN, Jim** – SEE GRAND LIFE MASTERS

# NATIONAL TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

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**ADAMS, Bill** (Tornado) (1930-2003) of Wichita KS, became a national tournament director in 1970. He began directing in 1963 while he was a buyer in Boeing's purchasing department in Wichita. He became a salaried national director in 1970 and worked out of Phoenix. Three years later he made Wichita his home base again. By this time his matchpointing speed had become so fast that he was nicknamed *Tornado* - or was that because he was based in Kansas? Only the Wizard knows.

Adams retired and moved to Memphis in 1985 after more than 20 years in the field to become the ACBL Tournament Coordinator. Two years later, he started programming computers and was promoted to Systems Analyst Manager.

Adams retired from the ACBL in 1997 and returned to Wichita. A member of Mensa, Adams was a constant source of fun and entertainment at all TD gatherings. He was an expert at word games and trivia, and he was known for his quick wit and endless supply of puns and punchlines, always delivered in perfect deadpan. You would never know when the next zinger was coming – and he always had a straight face when he put it to you.

During his directing days, his car license plate read “WHOKALD.”

Adams was married to Fara for many years and they had one son. Following her death, he married fellow bridge enthusiast, Helen.

**ASHTON, John** (b.1948) of Portland OR started directing in 1977 and became a national tournament director in 1996. He is a Gold Life Master who is very popular with the players and the TDs. John won the Tom Weeks Award in 1994. His obvious nickname is Ash, but he says he has a second that is a secret. Married for many years to Marie, Ash is a movie-buff, seeing four to six movies a week when at home. He follows all major North American sports and loves to play bridge. John and Marie love dogs and have had several with poetic names such as the latest, Tulip.

Ashton's bridge career started early – his parents saw to that. They taught him the game when he was 8, and they took him to play in his first tournament when he was 11.

He started attending Nationals (that's what they were called then) in the Sixties – he remembers that his first one was Louisville in 1964. “I learned bridge from my parents, but I learned BRIDGE from Easley Blackwood. I lived in Indianapolis, and Easley ran the bridge club there. He taught me two major lessons – how to win and the importance of ethics.”

John loved to play but he turned to directing to earn a little extra money. And he enjoyed the work. “I was always some kind of mathematical whiz, so I enjoyed doing those sheets we used to do. And the camaraderie was great. It was always fun working with my fellow directors. There isn't as much camaraderie today – guess we can blame the computers for that. Now a director will handle four or five sections, so you're not around the other directors as much as we used to be.”

When Tom Quinlan and Bobbie Shipley stepped down after the Fall NABC in Orlando in 1998, Chief Tournament Director (at that time) Gary Blaiss appointed three sets of directors to run the NABCs. Chris Patrias and Ashton took over the spring tournament. He placed second in the Silodor Open Pairs in 1977.

**BEYE, Richard (Rick)** (b.1946) of St. Louis MO became a national tournament director in 2002. He was the Manager of the ACBL Tournament Department at Headquarters for several years and returned to the field in 2009. Beye won the Tom Weeks Award for professionalism in 1993. He is a Vietnam veteran with a master's degree in finance from Southern Illinois University. He learned to play bridge while in school and was a salesman for National Advertising when he took up directing. He is known for his infectious enthusiasm. Beye has a daughter, Ann, who is a police officer in St. Louis.

**BLAISS, Gary** (b.1943) of Lubbock, TX became a National Tournament Director in 1979. He was born in Memphis TN and returned by way of Florida and Austin TX to take the position of bridge administrator at ACBL Headquarters (1993). He moved to Memphis with his soon-to-be wife, Charlotte, who became the ACBL's Junior Program Coordinator. Later Blaiss became the National Recorder, working with all manner of legal matters in conjunction with League Counsel. In 2007, Gary and Charlotte

moved to Lubbock and Gary continued to work for the ACBL from his home until his retirement in 2010. A national tournament director, he worked his first tournament in 1971 under Paul Herndon. His first NABC was Denver 1972, and until his retirement from directing, he has missed only 3 since – Vancouver 1974 (working at a Florida regional), Albuquerque 1982 (Mother's health) and Chicago 1998 (heart bypass operation). For many years, Gary taught the director's course following the NABCs and was chief director of the Texas Regionals.

Blaiss won the Tom Weeks Award for professionalism in 1978 and is a member of the National Goodwill Committee.

**BRATCHER, Betty** (b. 1950) of Vista CA became a national tournament director in 1999, the fourth female to achieve this rank. She began her directing career in 1990 and became a Field Representative in 2000. She serves as the District 22 Tournament Coordinator. Betty worked with the NABC Intermediate Newcomer Program from 1992 to 1999. She won the Tom Weeks Award in 1992 and received the Fred Friendly Award in 1989. Married to Bob, she is a Silver Life Master.

**BRAUNSTEIN, Maurice** (Maury) (1914-1997) of Schenectady NY. Braunstein was a leading director at the national and world level. He had a tireless devotion to players' needs, an incredible wit and an incisive knowledge about anything that could happen at the bridge table. In 1954 he gave up his career as a promising bridge player to become a tournament director. He quickly rose to the top of his profession by becoming a national tournament director in 1968, right after he retired from his post as computer processing director for the state of New York. He was named the chief director for the Bermuda Bowl in 1973 by the WBF. From that point on he was either the head director or chief assistant at all world championships until he retired in 1988. He originated several duplicate movements, including the Stanza Movement. Braunstein was known worldwide for his bow ties which became his trademark at tournaments everywhere.

**CHAMBERS, James (Jim)** (1922-1974) of Denver, CO, formerly Indiana, became a national tournament director in 1960. Jim was a noted storyteller, a mathematician and a bridge teacher. He was considered to be the fastest adder in the directing field in the days when tournament directors scored the results by hand. Chambers was the kind of director who could come to the table where everyone was upset and leave with everyone happy. He had a gift for dealing with people.

Chambers retired in 1969 due to a debilitating disease and assisted his wife, Maxine, in the operation of The Bridge Center. Jim was the West's outstanding tournament director in the late 1950s. He worked night and day to make the February 1959 exhibition match between a Western all-star team and the world champion Italian bridge team the most exciting four days in West Coast contract bridge history.

**CHERONNET, Ed** of New York, NY was one of the original salaried National Directors appointed by the ACBL Board of Directors in 1956. He began directing in the mid-1940s and was a familiar figure on the floor of ACBL tournaments well into the Sixties, and ran the games at the Regency Club for many years. Although Ed didn't have a nickname that anyone knew, it could easily have been "The Finger." When he was in charge of the floor, he loved to sit in an elevated spot and point out the rulings to his floor staff!

Ed was called on to adjudicate a revoke in which the non-offending side claimed it had been damaged to the extent of five tricks. The discussion waxed loud and argumentative, and went on so long that the players who were due to come to the table next heard most of it. When disorder was finally quelled, one of the standbys quipped, bitterly: "I don't know when I've heard anything so revoking!"

Old-time directors certainly knew how to keep their working hours to the minimum. At a North American tournament in Pittsburgh many years ago, Cheronnet and a new director were assigned to a two-section room. "I think the best way to handle this is for you to post the sheets and I'll take the floor," Cheronnet said to the newcomer, who agreed. After the game got started,

Cheronnet said he had an errand to handle – "Please watch the floor for me." The newcomer agreed. As he was heading out the door, Cheronnet turned back and said, "And don't forget to call the skip after the seventh round."

**CLARK, Harry** (Garcia, Harry Berry, Harvey) (b. 1932) of Sebring FL became a national tournament director in 1978. He was raised in Florida and Washington D.C. and claims that Terry Michaels taught him how to matchpoint. Harry worked all over the country for many years. He and his brother Billy built a house in Boles AR by reading books and asking a lot of questions. This saga was the source of much entertainment in TD circles across the country for many years. Harry and his wife Sandi also became expert at making fruit flavored wine. Their peach wine was highly sought after. When Harry retired, they moved to Sebring FL where they enjoy living on a golf course and socializing with other retirees.



**CUKOFF, Henry** (b. 1949) of Montreal PQ is the only tournament director who can give you an expert ruling on a bridge matter and, just in case you want it, the low-down on practically anything to do with major league baseball. Cuckoff enjoys all sports, but is especially keen on baseball. “I go to every baseball game I can go to no matter where I am,” says Cukoff, who has seen games in 40 different stadiums that are or were major league parks. Cukoff has attended the baseball all-star game 13 years in a row and has seen more than 100 post-season baseball games, including the World Series, in person. A tournament director since 1973, Cukoff was promoted to national rank in 1991.

**DAVIDSON, Sidney (Kidney Bean)** (1918-1996) of Reno NV became a national tournament director in 1972. Directors have a propensity for hanging monikers (some obvious, some obscure) on their peers. Kidney Bean, The Bean, and sometimes Sidley were the monikers of choice for Davidson. Why Kidney Bean, you ask? The answer is lost in antiquity, but it probably has something to do with the fact that Sidney and Kidney rhyme.

Formerly a dentist, Davidson had a multifaceted career. As a college student in Washington DC, when not hard at his studies in the field of dentistry, he was on the baseball field. Although much smaller than the other members of the team, Davidson was not hampered by his diminutive stature – he was a member of the George Washington University championship team. Other member of that team included Cal Griffith (owner of the Minnesota Twins), Tuffy Leemans (New York Giants football star), who was understudy to Davidson’s catcher position, and Dick Lanahan (major league pitcher for the Washington Senators and Pittsburgh Pirates).

Davidson first went into business when he was only 14 – as a bookie! He and two friends pooled their capital and started taking small football bets. The first week in business they lost all their capital, but Davidson was undaunted. He continued his bookie operation; his two friends no longer were partners but employees who solicited all bets. Within a short time, he was making \$30 a week – a significant amount of money for anyone in 1932. But alas, this profitable enterprise was short-lived. His father noticed Sid’s bulging wallet, so Sid confessed and went out of business.

During the Korean conflict, Davidson was awarded the Bronze Star for his concept of the mobile dental unit. A closed truck, with dentist, assistant and equipment, made regular rounds to all the places in Korea where there were 10 to 100 troops. The mobile unit saw to troop needs rather than have the troops travel great distances to dental clinics. “It proved so successful,” says Davidson, “that in the original M.A.S.H. movie, they stuck one of those things in it even though they never existed in the M.A.S.H. units.”

Davidson had to inspect many M.A.S.H. units. He said that Colonel Blake, Hot Lips Hoolihan and Hawkeye were characters based on personnel he met at one particular M.A.S.H. unit in Korea. “The ‘real’ Hawkeye,” according to Sid, “was small, blond, Jewish, and from New York – but in every other respect he was just like his movie and TV counterpart.”

Davidson was well-known for his ability to conceive of and formalize unusual board movements. He believed that unorthodox movements were of value when they weren’t ego-feeding or too exotic. The reason for utilizing a “fancy” movement is not to be flashy, he claimed, but to achieve technical proficiency. Davidson contributed to the simplification of fouled board calculations and carryover computations, and he evolved and modified various movements including the Mirror Mitchell.

Davidson’s directing career started by accident. He stayed in California after his separation from the Army at Fort Ord in 1954, settling in the Bay Area where he went to work for a major newspaper, the San Francisco Chronicle. In 1956 he was asked to help out at a tournament and found he had a talent for matchpointing. He worked every session of that regional and every San Francisco Regional for the next three or four years. The hours fit in nicely with his job at the newspaper which required him to be at work at 3 a.m. Catnaps between sessions rejuvenated him.

The extremely popular Reno Regional, run between Christmas and New Years Day, was his brainchild. Married to Lillian for 25 years, Davidson had three daughters and one son, all very successful, by his first wife.

**DISCHNER, Robert J.** (Dish, Bob) (1920-1988) of Santa Ana CA became a national tournament director in 1972 after beginning his directing career in 1950 working for Al Sobel. Born in Nebraska, Dischner moved to Santa Ana during the Depression and never left. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II and worked for the U.S. Postal Service from 1945 to 1972. Married to Hilda, they had four sons. Dish was a charming, modest man and his TD staff was devoted to him.

**FOERING, Howard Jr.** (1910-1973) of Bethlehem PA was an active tournament director for more than a quarter of a century. He was one of a group of eight added to the ACBL’s staff as a salaried employee when it was decided that all National Directors would be salaried (1956). An electrical engineer, Howard devised the communications intercom system used at NABCs. For years, he served as the logistics expert in charge of behind-the-scenes services and supplies at the NABCs. Howard was visually handicapped, but refused to let it interfere with his work. He got involved with bridge because both of his parents were avid players.

**GOLDSTEIN, Michael** (1933-1982) of Silver Spring MD became a national tournament director in 1973. He worked as a computer programmer for several years before turning to full-time directing. A member of Mensa, Mike was outstanding in his knowledge of movements and other technical aspects of the game. He retired in 1975 when he lost his sight as a result of a cataract operation.

**GOLDWATER, Henry A. (Harry)** (1901-1995) of Yonkers NY became a national director in 1956. Starting in 1962 he served as an advisor to the ACBL Laws Commission and was a contributing editor to the Bridge Encyclopedia. Harry served in the Pacific with the U.S. Navy throughout World War II. He was the inventor of the Goldwater Rule, “If he doesn’t know whose lead it is, he probably doesn’t know what to lead. Accept his lead out of turn.” Goldwater made tournament directing fun and exciting. Stories about his “unique” rulings are part of bridge lore. There was his famous slow play announcement, “I want all of you habitual slow players and all of you sons of habitual slow players to get caught up.” The people who worked for him called themselves GLEADS – Goldwater’s Loyal, Eager and Devoted Staff. Goldwater was a legend in his own time. He was the wit and conscience of American bridge for many years. Not just a joker or a wag, Harry had the rare faculty of being able to make rapid and accurate observations and sum them up with a few skillful words.

**GROVE, Doug** (b. 1950) of Silver Spring MD is noted for his upbeat personality and endless energy. He was the first tournament director to receive both the Tom Weeks and Fred Friendly Awards (1987 and 1988 respectively). He also received the Jane Johnson Award in 2003. A graduate of Bucknell University, he earned an MBA from the University of Maryland.

**HAMILTON, John (Buckeye)** (1933-2002) of Columbus OH became a national tournament director in 1968. Hamilton was so precocious as a child, that his mother wasn’t surprised when he picked up the rudiments of bridge at age 4. But bridge was relegated to the back burner for a long time – education came first.

His formal education began when he was a high school student for three years at the famous Baltimore Polytechnic Institute. Born to a military family, John spent his senior year in Big Delta AK where his father, Col. James R. Hamilton had been transferred. John was both first and last in his 1950 graduating class at Big Delta Post High School – he was the only student! There was not another person on the base who was within five years of his age. His instruction came from University of Wisconsin correspondence courses. John also helped teach the younger children – “I spent as much time teaching in elementary school as I did on my own studies.”

Hamilton spent a year at John Hopkins University before being appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He felt that the greatest effect of the military experience was *not* regimentation, as many people would think. He believed the four years shaped him in many ways that were subtle and instilled in him his attitude toward honor that lasted all his life. John got his share of demerits and dated Vassar girls, but he still graduated second in his class! On graduation, he was commissioned a lieutenant and opted for the Air Force – but first he went to Oxford.

Hamilton had applied for and won a Rhodes scholarship. These scholarships are open to candidates of extraordinary qualifications from the British Commonwealth and the U.S. Hamilton spent three years at Balliol College, Oxford.

After Oxford, Hamilton satisfied his military obligation – he was a research physicist at Wright Patterson Air Force Base for four years. Hamilton decided against an active military career and became a reserve officer. He retired as a U.S. Air Force Lt. Col.

Following his military service, he attended Ohio State from 1962-1965. It was here that Hamilton began to play serious bridge, although he had played at Oxford. Hamilton was considered to be one of the better playing directors.

He first became interested in directing when he was at Ohio State and became a part-time director. Several ingredients are needed to become a successful director: intellect, affinity for the work, being in the right place at the right time, and having the opportunity to work under knowledgeable directors who recognize your potential and who are secure enough to impart their knowledge. Hamilton’s potential was recognized by Dean Weisbach, the first National director for whom he worked with regularity. Maury Braunstein and Karl Johnson were others who were more than willing to impart their knowledge to a promising director.

Buckeye, named for his favorite sports team, rapidly rose in the field of directing. He became a full-time director in 1965, and in February of 1966, he became a regional director. Just two years later, he was promoted to national director and then in the fall of 1976, Buckeye became the DIC of all of the NABCs until his retirement in 1985.

Buckeye felt he was best suited to managing. He claimed not to be the best of the scorers because he didn’t do it often – although he claimed that he got better when he got glasses and could see “those horrible little numbers I write.” He felt that Maury Braunstein, Spider Harris and Mike Linah were far more knowledgeable on the lawbook. John claimed that his success in running

NABCs was largely due to his facility “to think of everything that could go wrong. Once I’ve done that, if something bad does happen, I’m ready for it. Then the only bad thing that can happen is something I didn’t think of.”

Buckeye equated “running a large tournament to running a military organization – much of your training is learning how to do things the way they are supposed to be done. Then when the time comes that they have to be done, you do them without thinking. Everyone knows what they are supposed to do. It’s exactly the same in the military.”

Buckeye was tall and deep-voiced, but soft-spoken. He recognized that people often felt intimidated by him, but claimed he “didn’t bite.” He was introspective and few knew him well.

In 1967, Hamilton and Marc Low adapted and used an old chess pairing system at a Cincinnati sectional – result: the popular Swiss Team event. All complicated puzzles, computer games and mathematical problems are his grist. Rubik’s cube (without the solution) was only a small challenge for John.

John served as the treasurer of the Professional Tournament Directors Association for more than 10 years. He also served as director of the Miami Valley Bridge Association (1960-62), director and treasurer of the Central Ohio B.A. (1964-69), vice president of the Midwest Conference and chaired several regionals in the mid-Sixties.

After he retired from tournament directing, Hamilton returned to Ohio State where he taught mathematics and physics until he retired. Hamilton was educated at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point (where he stood second in his class), Balliol College, Oxford, England and Ohio State University.

Hamilton married three times. His first wife, Marian, was a Gold Life Master and an avid bridge player. They enjoyed the game together; Hamilton was a Silver Life Master. In June of 1979, John married the former Sandy Shearer (whom he affectionately called “Mouse”) of San Francisco, a regional and NAC typist. Their marriage arrangement seemed “different” to some observers – Sandy would spend part of the year with John in Columbus traveling to tournaments in his area, and part of the year in San Francisco, where she lived with her parents and son, Michael. It worked for them. Buckeye used to say that it was like a honeymoon every time they got together.

Hamilton’s third wife was fellow TD, Gwyn Kitchel. Gwyn was for many years a club manager in the Chicago area where she met Bob Kitchel. They were married on a red caboose (Bob was an avid train buff) during a Shreveport Regional. Bob and Gwyn moved to Alabama and bought a farm where they became interested in recycling and preservation. Gwyn had many talents including one for baking. She had grown up working in her family’s bakery and knew the secret of making the best pie crust ever. After Bob’s death, Gwyn stayed on at the farm. When she and Hamilton married, he moved to Alabama to live with her on the farm. They were very symbiotic and built a relationship based on a great deal of mutual admiration and respect. His last years were happy ones.

**HARRIS, John T. (Spider)** (1930-1994) of Houston TX became a national tournament director in 1972, after beginning his directing career in 1961. He was a Bronze Life Master before he became a TD and won the Intercollegiate championship in 1952.

Spider was a Gourmet Cook who frequently whipped up treats for the TDs following an evening session or when visiting between tournaments – from homemade pizza in the late Fifties to Bananas Foster that outdid Brennan’s best in the Seventies.

In the Seventies he came up with a plan to provide accurate scoring for difficult numbers of tables for pairs events at smaller tournaments. Spider’s movement accommodated any even number of tables from 14 through 20, with all pairs playing the same boards. At the same time, it eliminated the universally disliked twinned three-quarter movements with combined matchpointing. The Web Movement, as it was called because of his nickname, was devised, he said, “as an idle exercise that happened to work out.”

Born in Pecos TX and raised in Mississippi, he earned a degree in math from the University of Houston and a degree in physics from Rice University. He had a life-long romance with the English language and had little tolerance for those who misused or abused it. His talent for selecting accurate words to express precisely what he wanted to say and his logical and intelligent thought processes gave clarity and accuracy to his writing. This was noted in many “Ruling the Game” articles he wrote for the Bridge Bulletin in the years before his retirement.

Harris was clever, intelligent and always fun to be around. Spider Harris stories are plentiful – many of them even printable. He loved good food, good wine, good company, good music, good literature. Many, many after-game, after-tournament hours were spent in the company of other bridge directors, testing and probing and playing games – word games, charades and games like Go, chess and backgammon. He married three times: Shirley, Mary Pat and Jan. Spider retired in 1992 to work on his sailboat and fulfill his lifetime ambition of sailing all over the world. His first stop was to have been the Cancun Regional in June of 1994, but he died of stomach cancer shortly before he was scheduled to depart.

At the 1988 Summer NABC in Salt Lake City, the tournament directors acquired the late-night habit of congregating at the Howard Johnson’s Restaurant after the evening session to enjoy some dessert. Some in the group always ordered banana splits. For some reason, there had been a delay in the shipment of bananas from South America or Asia and night after night, the TDs

were told that there were no bananas. On the final Sunday of the tournament, Harris approached Gary Blaiss, another national TD. With a grin, Harris said, "I'm ready for tonight." With that, he pulled upon his sport coat and, as a magician would, he produced. . . a banana. Chuckling all through the day, Harris was anticipating the familiar refrain at the Howard Johnson's – "Yes, we have no bananas!" He was planning to say, "No problem. Use mine." His plan was to produce the fruit with a flourish from his inside pocket. The evening arrived. The TDs gathered. The waitress approached. Harris ordered a banana split. Just as he was reaching for the banana, the waitress inquired, "And what kind of toppings would you like, sir?" The banana supply had arrived and Howard Johnson's, although inadvertently, had foiled Spider's banana split coup.

It was widely known that one way to get Harris' dander up was to refer to "chicken fajitas." A fajita, for purists, is a flank steak, and Harris objected greatly to assigning the term fajita to anything but part of a cow. "Chicken fajitas!" he would say scornfully. "There's no such thing! Chickens don't have hips!" At a Houston regional, a troublemaker who was aware of Harris' notions about chicken fajitas approached another director within earshot of Harris and asked, "Say, do you know where I can find some good chicken fajitas?" A third director started to speak up and give directions to a restaurant, but Harris only furrowed his brow and said, "Who told you about that?"

Another favorite story comes from fellow-director Julie (the Bug) Greenberg. Spider was a Scorpio who thought Horoscopes were folly. One day in the 1970s, working the Shreveport Regional, Greenberg had just purchased the new astrology book by Jeanne Dixon and was eager to read it, even though Spider scoffed at the idea of wasting time like that. Okay, she told him, just read a couple of paragraphs about people born under the sign of Scorpio and see what you think. He agreed to give it a try, opened the book and read, "A Scorpio is a night-blooming arachnid!" He slammed the book closed and said, "Concede."

**HUDGINS, John Jr.** (Jack) (b.1929) of Memphis TN is a retired national tournament director. He began his directing career in 1960 and achieved the rank of national in 1968. He served as Chief Director in Florida for five years and then moved to New England in 1972 to be that area's Chief TD. Hudgins attended Rice, Southwestern at Memphis (now Rhodes College) and Drake majoring in mathematics, psychology and actuary science. He embarked on a business career, but became seriously involved with directing while living in Washington D.C. He is a Gold Life Master. One of his hobbies is old movies and he can be caught at any time singing songs featured in them.

**JOHNSON, Karl** (1924-2005) of Moline IL became a National Tournament Director in 1967 and retired in 1988. He and his wife, Patty, a fellow tournament director, moved to Sebring FL at that time to enjoy living on a golf course and playing daily with equally avid enthusiasts, TD friends – Harry Clark and John Wiser.

Johnson's directing career began in 1960. Gary Blaiss said Johnson was "one of the giants of our profession." In 1984 the NABC DIC resigned right before the summer tournament, and Karl stepped in "on a day's notice" to run the tournament expertly. He was always encouraging of younger TDs, and was one of the founder's of the PTDA (Professional Tournament Directors Association).

For many years, Johnson and Johnny Wiser were the brains behind the appeals process at NABCs. Tom Quinlan cited them as "giving us a good foundation for appeals." Chris Patrias said Johnson "was always teaching" whenever another director went to him with a problem or a question. Patrias said there was a running joke about "Karl Johnson's closet" – a reference to his frequent response to questions: "I've got something in writing about that at home in my closet." Jokes aside, Patrias said, Johnson was well respected by his colleagues: "He knew a lot."

Johnson was a diehard Chicago Cubs fan and enjoyed following sports and reading. He survived a near fatal heart attack in 1992, and he also made it through a bout with lung cancer in 1999. He had a daughter Nancy with his first wife and two grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

Karl and Patty worked many tournaments together before his retirement and he was very supportive of her TD activities. Patty became a National Tournament Director in 2002 making them the only couple where both partners had achieved this rank.

**JOHNSON, Patty (Poo)** (b.1949) of Sebring FL, formerly Memphis TN, became a national tournament director in 2002, the fifth female to earn that rank.

It all started for Patty in the late Sixties when she and her mother, Millie, walked into the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club in Memphis to take lessons. At the time, She knew nothing of the game and didn't foresee herself actually playing bridge. She was engaged to a bridge player, so she thought she would learn a bit about the game so she could relate to her fiancé's hobby. That first step took Johnson much farther in bridge than she ever dreamed.

Johnson showed up to play at the club, but there were no newcomer games at the time, so she sat at the front desk and learned about running games. It wasn't long before she started a game for newcomers at the club in Memphis, where she was born and reared. At the time, she was working as a group health claims examiner in a two-person insurance office.

Johnson kept learning about directing and running games, and she worked her first tournament in Memphis in 1976. A year later, she was on the floor with other TDs at the Summer NABC in Chicago. That's where she met Peter Mollemet, also new to the NABCs, in Chicago. "We were in awe of the whole thing," she said.

Johnson's first marriage ended in 1976, and in 1983, she married national TD Karl Johnson, who she worked for and with at tournaments in the Midwest. When she and Karl married, she officially became Patty Johnson Johnson, and when she became a National TD, Patty and Karl became the only couple to have both achieved that rank.

She has served in various positions of the Professional Tournament Directors Association since 1985 and is the District 9 tournament coordinator (1996 to the present). Patty has worked at world championships in Bal Harbour 1986 and Jamaica 1987. She works at all NABCs as the results coordinator and is an ACBL Field Supervisor with responsibility for the area covering Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina.

Today, Patty is the darling of Florida bridge players. Shirley Seals, Florida's representative to the ACBL Board of Director, calls her the hardest working person she has even encountered. "No job is too difficult for her to undertake and do well. One of her greatest attributes is her fairness – she is totally fair with the players and her fellow directors. She makes our tournaments fun, but she gives firm rulings. She runs a tight ship, and everyone respects her." Jayne Thomas, District 9's previous Board representative, said that District 9 was ever so lucky to have gained such a fantastic person as Patty as its chief tournament director. "Patty's always there. She does everything. She doesn't just direct – she does everything."

Johnson received the Tom Weeks Award for professionalism in 1989 and the Fred Friendly Award in 2003. She is a Life Master and a member of the National Goodwill Committee.

Reflecting on her decision to learn bridge all those years ago, Johnson says it was one of the best moves she ever made: "I met Karl through bridge, and bridge lets me travel and make friends – bridge has been fabulous to me."

Patty is a golf enthusiast and enjoyed playing the game with husband Karl after his retirement. She continues to be very involved in the local golf community in Sebring and with her step-daughter and step-grandchildren.

**MacCRACKEN, Charles M. (Charley, Cricket, CMac)** (b.1941) of Memphis TN became a national tournament director in 1995. He is an ACBL field supervisor, former ACBL tournament manager and a former bridge professional.

MacCracken was born "back East" and spent his early years in the NY/New England area. After college, he travelled out West and found a new home working with Peg and Doug Drury in their bridge club and playing professionally.

MacCracken began his directing career in 1963 in California when TDs were forced to travel to tournaments on spec and hope to work. He loved the lifestyle and it was during this period that he became lifelong friends with Harry Clark.

MacCracken joined the ACBL Memphis Headquarters staff in 1972. He was manager of the ACBL Tournament Dept from 1978 to 1984 and served on the ACBL Laws Commission for many years. He was instrumental in developing ACBL's first computer scoring program (1980-1984). He was the technical editor of the *World Championship Book* from 1977-1983 and he wrote hand analyses for continent-wide games from 1974-1987.

He elected to retire from the office in 1989 and resume his role as a tournament director. He became an associate National in 1992 and a National TD in 1995. Today Charlie is still directing, and serves as the field supervisor for District 10. Charlie received the Fred Friendly Award in 1998.

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**MARKS, Paul** (1908-1968) of Maywood IL was one of the greats and one of the original eight salaried national tournament directors when this title was established in 1956. He was an accountant and a teacher of mathematics and started his bridge career in 1950.

Marks spent thousands of hours of his "own time" in the training of tournament directors and working out new movements. He became a life master in 1956, taught many classes of bridge over a fifteen year period, served on the board of directors of the Chicago Contract Bridge Association for eight years and was president of that association in 1950.

As a true professional, Paul made directing seem easy. Fantastically fast and accurate in scoring, he was similarly fast and accurate in making decisions. His loyalty to his assistants was a by-word, and the only time he was known to show any signs of temper was if one of his assistants was unjustly abused by a player.

He was known as just about the best in the business, and just about the nicest guy in bridge. Married to Ellie (Eleanor), they had a daughter. Marks was a trooper – continuing his directing career while staunchly battling cancer.

**MATHEWS, Joseph** (Joe) (1912-1966) of Fort Worth TX was one of the original eight national TDs who were appointed to salaried positions in 1956. He was a bridge writer who made regular contributions to the Bridge Bulletin, *Texas Bridge* and other publications. Joe and his former wife Luise had vibrant personalities. They were able to make tournament bridge fun and exciting throughout the 1950s and 1960s. They spent a lot of time on the road traveling from tournament to tournament, stopping to stay and visit with bridge friends along the way.

**MERRY, Philip (Jefe, P.O.P-Poor Old Pro)** (1924-2001) of Tulsa OK became a national tournament director in 1963, having started his career in 1957 working for Al Sobel and Joe Mathews. He served as chairman of the Conduct, Department and Ethics Committee of the Professional Tournament Directors Association. He was a contributing editor to the Bridge Encyclopedia. Merry was a Life Master and a member of the National Goodwill Committee.

Merry had a son with first wife Mary Lou. He remarried after her death, and spent many happy years with Jackie and their devoted dog, Snowdie, who went with them to every tournament.

Merry's nickname was Jefe (the chief) because he was almost always the DIC of the tournament). He was extremely efficient and very popular with the players – you could always count on him to run an outstanding tournament.

Merry, for many years the fastest and most accurate scorer on the ACBL's roster, loved to gamble. His particular interest was college football. As a graduate of Michigan and a resident of Oklahoma, he was an enthusiastic follower of those teams and never missed an opportunity to bet on them.

Michigan was playing Ohio State during one of the Nationals and Merry took the afternoon off to watch the game on TV. He promised to report in as soon as the game was over. Machlin needed him for consultation and a bit impatiently called his room to find out how soon he would be reporting to the office. George Donaghy answered the phone. "Michigan lost," George reported, "and Phil is on his way down now. He just stepped out the window."

Merry's eagerness to gamble doesn't imply a grasp of the fundamentals of all gambling games. In Vegas he was at a blackjack table. The ace counts as one or eleven and Merry failed to remember what an ace was worth. His first two cards were an ace and a nine, counting twenty, which is close enough to 21 to give most blackjack players a warm glow. Merry, however, counted his total as ten and called for another card. He was dealt another ace and now had exactly 21, but Phil counted his total as 11. He called for another card and got a three, giving him 14, at which point he announced that he was satisfied.

The next player, betting about 20 times the amount of Merry's modest two-dollar bet, picked up a ten to go with his eight and stopped at eighteen. The dealer, with 15, now drew a high card and ended up over 21, so Merry and his neighbor both collected. The neighbor took one look at Merry's holding and with a look of awe, gave Merry 10% of his winnings for drawing off the ace and the trey that otherwise would have beaten him. The dealer called for cocktails on the house.

On the next deal, Merry got 10s back to back, which again would satisfy most players. Merry wasn't satisfied. He split the 10s and called for more cards, doubling his bet. He picked up a 10 to go with one of the 10s and an ace to go with the other, winning both bets, and the dealer asked to be relieved.

Merry's fortunes changed with the new dealer. The house rule states that the dealer is not allowed to draw another card if he has 17. Merry had 16. The dealer, forewarned about Merry's shenanigans, nervously miscounted his hand, which consisted of four small cards totaling 17, and drew another card, which put him over 21. Merry screamed, "You had 17! You are not allowed to take another card." The dealer thanked Merry, collected from him and the other players, and Merry was summarily ejected from the game by the entire table.

**MOLLEMET, Peter** (1943-2004) of Memphis TN, formerly of Williamsville NY, was a former national TD and area field representative for Districts 2, 4, 5, 11 and 12. He retired in 2001 to take a position at ACBL Headquarters as Internet Services manager. He was instrumental in helping to organize the enormous content of the ACBL website. Mollemet began his directing career in 1975 and achieved national rank in 1988. Mollemet was well liked throughout the bridge community for his dry wit and easygoing manner. He enjoyed puzzles, stamp collecting, the stock market and both classical music and jazz. Mollemet earned a BS in physics from the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute and did graduate work at Cornell. He managed several government defense contracts while at Cornell Aeronautical Lab of Buffalo and managed the city of Providence for H&R Black, Inc. Mollemet edited the District 3 newsletter and was a major contributor to the book on bridge humor by Patty Eber.

**MORAN, Brian** (1938-1999) of Ellicott City MD. A graduate of Notre Dame and a veteran of the U.S. Navy, Moran began directing in 1965. He achieved the rank of national in 1987. A Silver Life Master, Moran also served a president of the Virginia State Bridge Association from 1972 to 1977.

**NACHTWEY, Millard.** The Silver Spring MD resident worked his first tournament session in 1976. He has been a national director since 1984. Still active as a player, Nachtwey is a Gold Life Master. At home, Nachtwey likes to cook. He doesn't have any specialties but allows that he's pretty good at whatever he does.

**OAKLEY, Ray** (1896-1973) of Sacramento CA was a popular West Coast national TD. Oakley worked as an assistant city manager. He was well-known for starting all of his games with, "Blue skies and green lights to you all."

**PATRIAS, Christopher (Chris)** (b. 1949) of St. Louis MO, An ACBL national tournament director since 1977, Patrias has also worked as the tournament director field representative, the Director of Tournament Operations at (ACBL) Headquarters, and as ACBL Bridge Administrator. Patrias is a Silver Life Master, but plays only rarely. He won the Senior/Advanced Senior Masters Pairs 1972. When not working, he enjoys bird hunting and fishing.

**PUTNAM, Roger** (Wyatt) (b.1942) of Redmond WA is a national TD and field representative. He began his directing career in 1967 and was a regular member of Phil Wood's staff. He became associate national in 1977 and achieved national rank in 1985. Roger won the Tom Weeks Award in 1973, received the Fred Friendly Award in 2007 and the Jane Johnson Award in 2008. Married to Margo, they worked tournaments side-by-side for many years.

**QUINLAN, Thomas J. (TQ)** (b. 1942) of San Mateo, CA is a graduate of University of California-Berkeley. A National Tournament Director, TD Field Supervisor, District 21 Director-in-Charge 1986-98, TQ retired in 2008 and is now enjoying tournament competition as a player. He began his directing career in 1964 and attained National ranking in 1987. He was Director-in-Charge at NABCs from Anaheim 1987 to Orlando 1998. Devised and implemented numerous innovations for the design and presentation of bridge events at NABC (and regional) tournaments. He formulated the "Fast Pairs" concept first played in a Feb 1991 District 21 regional, eventually adopted by many other tournaments and becoming a NABC Championship event as well. Created, named and convinced the ACBL to approve Compact Knockout Team events with full rating for tournaments in early 1990s, now a popular event at sectionals, regionals and NABCs.

TQ also introduced a Team-of-Two-Pairs event (based on concept devised by Jan Martel) at District 21 regional and Las Vegas NABC in 1991. He is a past multi-term president of Professional Tournament Directors Association in 1980-90s. He received that association's Tom Weeks Award for greatest professional improvement by a TD in 1979. TQ has also served as District 21 NAP and GNT coordinator 1974-91, editor of Contract Bridge Forum 1970-81, and District 21 edition Editor 1967-81.

**ROGERS, REBECCA (Becky)** – SEE GRAND LIFE MASTERS

**SCHODER, Lt. Col. William (Kojak)** (b.1932) of Tampa FL is retired chief tournament director for WBF and retired ACBL national tournament director and field representative. The Chief TD for Central American and Caribbean Bridge Federation, China Cup since 1996. Retired USAF pilot, awarded many decorations including Distinguished Service Medal and Distinguished Flying Cross. Kojak is fluent in Spanish, German, and French and is an accomplished pianist.

**SHIPLEY, Roberta** (Bobbie) (1933-2003) of Lake Villa IL was a retired national TD who helped run NABCs for more than a decade. She began her directing career in 1965, received associate national rating in 1981 and became the third woman to achieve national rating in 1987. She served as Director in Charge (DIC) or Assistant DIC of the NABCs from 1987 until her retirement in 1999. She was a former president of the Professional Tournament Directors Association and won the Tom Weeks Award in 1977. Known for her organizational skills, Shipley is credited with making positive changes in Swiss Teams. Shipley and her husband, Dean, travelled the country from tournament to tournament in a super motor home.

**SMITH, Matthew (Matt)** (b.1957) of Victoria BC is a national TD and Bronze Life Master. He is very popular with the players and the staff and serves as a TD field representative. He won the Tom Weeks Award in 1996. In his spare time, Smith enjoys golf, , music, and bridge.

**SOBEL, Alexander M. (Uncle Al)** – SEE HALL OF FAME

**STONE, Kenneth (Sky King, Ken)** (1910-1988) of Fort Worth TX was a national TD who began directing in 1950 for Al Sobel, Joe Mathews and Paul Marks. He was a former accountant who operated both duplicate and rubber bridge clubs in Dallas while working a large number of tournament sessions. Ken's avocation and passion was flying. He owned his own plane and flew it to most tournaments where he worked. His staff was known as the SHITS – Stone's Hardworking Talented Staff (a take on Goldwater's GLEADS). Stone was a popular director with a strong sense of what was right. He also had a great sense of humor.

**WEINSTEIN, Sol** (b. 1949) of Yonkers NY, born in Montreal; ACBL field representative and national tournament director, began directing 1969 and achieved his current rating in 1979. These days, his work for the ACBL is primarily as administrator of ACBLscore, the computer program used at tournaments and bridge clubs. Weinstein used to enjoy flying small airplanes but finds the hobby too expensive now. In his spare time, he and his wife, Ann, travel and he works on refining ACBLscore.

**WEISBACH, Dean** (Mrs. Frank) (1911-1996) of Cincinnati OH was the first woman to achieve the rank of national TD. She started out teaching bridge and running a duplicate game at Pogue's Department Store in Cincinnati. The program became so popular that people had to stand in line to get in. In the field, she invented the "dinger" and enjoyed playfully distributing them to TDs when scoring errors were reported. Weisbach retired from directing to move to ACBL's Greenwich Headquarters to become staff coordinator. When the office moved to Memphis in 1972, she was named Operations Division manager in charge of three key departments – clubs, membership and keypunch. She retired in 1976 and moved back to Cincinnati with her husband Frank. Her later years were spent in the Pacific Northwest with her children. She was a Bronze Life Master.

**WHITESIDES, Tom.** A native of Missouri, Whitesides grew up in Kansas City. He moved to Texas more than 20 years ago and has been involved off and on during that time in bridge club operations. In his off time, He likes to play bridge, although not seriously. He also enjoys movies, theater and travel.

**WILKINS, Robert H.** (Bob) (1911-1993) of Memphis TN, ACBL executive, served organized bridge in various capacities for many years. He was a librarian by profession and became a tournament director in 1952. He held the rating of national TD when he was appointed as ACBL tournament coordinator. From 1968 to 1978 he was director of ACBL elections and director of communications for the ACBL Board of Directors. He also served as executive secretary of the ACBL Charity Foundation. Wilkins was a contributor to many bridge publications, including the *CBA Kibitzer* and the *Bridge Bulletin*.

**WISER, John** (Sadderbut) (1926-2004) of Beaconsfield PQ was a former bridge club owner and a retired national TD, a rank achieved in 1979. From 1961 to 1963 he was director of a bridge television show. Wiser began his directing career in 1950 and with his even temper and quiet demeanor spent many years specializing in appeals at the NABCs and other tournaments. Wiser was unflappable under stress and possessed profound knowledge of the laws, tournament methodology and the history of bridge.

**WOOD, Philip** (Phil, Mr. Woop) (1921-2010) of Richmond BC was a retired national TD, a former baseball writer and statistician, bridge teacher and club owner. Wood began his directing career in 1954. In 1968 he became the first Canadian to achieve the rank of national TD. He served as the tournament manager for District 18, starting in 1971. Wood also managed country club bridge activity in greater Vancouver, averaging more than 400 tables per month. A former member of the RCAF, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in 1944. Wood frequently entertained his staff with tales of the longevity of his car, Old Lumpy. When it went over 100,000 miles, Wood stopped on the side of the road and broke a beer bottle over its hood in celebration.

**ZEIGER, Gary** of Phoenix AZ is a national TD and Silver Life Master. Zeiger won the Tom Weeks Award in 2004.



# APPENDIX I

## NORTH AMERICAN RESULTS

<http://www.acbl.org/play/nabc-winners.html>

### North American Bridge Championships Spring

**VANDERBILT KNOCKOUT TEAMS.** A NABC+ event, the Vanderbilt was originally a double elimination Open Team event scored by total points; usually nine or ten sessions. In 1956 and 1957, qualifying rounds were scored by IMPs (International Matchpoints) and the finals were scored by cumulative points. When the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams became part of the Spring NABC in 1958 all rounds were scored by IMPs. In 1966 the double elimination method was replaced by three qualifying sessions (subsequently reduced to two), followed by single elimination knockout matches. The preliminary qualifying sessions were dropped in 1970. The first Vanderbilt in 1928 was scored by Board-a-Match and ended in a tie.

- 1928 1-2. Ralph R. Richards, Gratz M. Scott, Edwin A. Wetzlar, Wilbur C. Whitehead  
1-2. Abraham Brown, Mrs. Sidney Lovell, Caroline Taylor, Nils M. Wester
- 1929 1. Michael T. Gottlieb, Lee Langdon, Jean P. Mattheys, Harry B. Raffel  
2. Ralph J. Leibenderfer, Gratz M. Scott, Edwin A. Wetzlar, Wilbur C. Whitehead
- 1930 1. Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson, Theodore A. Lightner, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2-3. Cmdr. Winfield S. Liggett, Jr., Walter Malowan, George Reith, Howard Schenken  
2-3. H. Huber Boscowitz, Oswald Jacoby, Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims
- 1931 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims  
2. Walter Malowan, Jean P. Mattheys, Howard Schenken, Sherman Stearns
- 1932 1. Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims, Harold S. Vanderbilt, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. David Burnstine, Richard L. Frey, Charles S. Lochridge, Howard Schenken
- 1933 1. Phil Abramssohn, Benjamin Feuer, Francis A. Rendon, Sydney Rusinow  
2. A. Mitchell Barnes, Richard L. Frey, Sam Fry, Jr., Louis H. Watson
- 1934 1. David Burnstine, Richard L. Frey, Michael T. Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken  
2. H. Huber Boscowitz, Charles H. Goren, Charles S. Lochridge, Johnny Rau
- 1935 1. David Burnstine, Michael T. Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken, Sherman Stearns  
2. Sam Fry, Jr., Edward Hymes, Jr., Merwyn D. Maier, Louis H. Watson
- 1936 1. Phil Abramssohn, Irving Epstein, Harry Fishbein, Fred D. Kaplan  
2. Walter Beinicke, Charles H. Goren, Lee Langdon, Jean P. Mattheys
- 1937 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn D. Maier, Howard Schenken, Sherman Stearns  
2. B. Jay Becker, Theodore A. Lightner, Charles S. Lochridge, Harold S. Vanderbilt, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1938 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn D. Maier, Howard Schenken, Sherman Stearns  
2. B. Jay Becker, Edward Hymes, Jr., Theodore A. Lightner, Charles S. Lochridge, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1939 1. Melville Alexander, Sigmund Dornbusch, Sylvester Gintell, Lee Hazen, Harry B. Raffel  
2. Wingate Bixby, Theodore A. Lightner, Robert A. McPherran, Mrs. S. W. Peck
- 1940 1. Edward Hymes, Jr., Charles S. Lochridge, Robert A. McPherran, Harold S. Vanderbilt, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Al Brodsky, Louis Lipschitz, Herbert Rosenzweig, Alexander Schultz
- 1941 1. John R. Crawford, Myron Fuchs, Robert A. McPherran, Sherman Stearns  
2. B. Jay Becker, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore A. Lightner, Merwyn D. Maier, Howard Schenken
- 1942 1. Lester R. Bachner, Sigmund Dornbusch, Richard L. Frey, Lee Hazen, Samuel M. Stayman  
2. Sam Fry, Jr., Benedict Jarmel, George Rapée, Helen Sobel

- 1943 1. Harry Fagin, Harry Fishbein, Fred D. Kaplan, Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone  
2. Phil Abramssohn, Morrie Elis, E. O. Keller, Charles E. Van Vleck, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1944 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel  
2. Richard L. Frey, Lee Hazen, Charles S. Lochridge, George Rapée, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1945 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel  
2. Edward Hymes, Jr., Theodore A. Lightner, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1946 1. John R. Crawford, Oswald Jacoby, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman  
2. Samuel Katz, Bertram Lebhar, Jr., Peter A. Leventritt, Simon Rossant, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1947 1. David Clarren, Harry Feinberg, Harry Fishbein, Larry Hirsch, Joseph E. Low  
2. Lee Hazen, Samuel Katz, Bertram Lebhar, Jr., Peter A. Leventritt
- 1948 1. Robert Appleyard, Jay T. Feigus, William M. Lichtenstein, Harry Sonnenblick, Albert Weiss  
2. Ambrose Casner, Herman H. Goldberg, Fred Hirsch, Mrs. Ira Strasser, Albert Wolfe
- 1949 1. Morrie Elis, Harry Fishbein, Lee Hazen, Larry Hirsch, Charles S. Lochridge  
2. B. Jay Becker, Myron Field, Charles H. Goren, Oswald Jacoby, Helen Sobel
- 1950 1. John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor, Samuel M. Stayman  
2. B. Jay Becker, Myron Field, Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel
- 1951 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Samuel M. Stayman  
2. Barry Crane, John W. Hancock, Emanuel Hochfield, Gloria Turner, Hortense Evans
- 1952 1. Ned Drucker, Irving Kass, Sidney Mandell, Milton Moss, Jesse Sloan  
2. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1953 1. Richard Kahn, Edgar Kaplan, Peter A. Leventritt, William V. Lipton, Ruth Sherman  
2. Myron Field, Charles H. Goren, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
- 1954 1. Dr. Kalman Apfel, Francis P. Begley, Ned Drucker, Sidney Mandell, Milton Moss  
2. Morrie Elis, Stanley Fenkel, Simon Rossant, Peggy Solomon, Charles J. Solomon
- 1955 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor  
2. Charles H. Goren, Boris Koytchou, Peter A. Leventritt, Harold Ogust, Helen Sobel
- 1956 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor  
2. Leonard Hess, Jane Jaeger, Lewis M. Jaeger, William M. Lichtenstein, Joseph E. Low
- 1957 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor  
2. Rudolf Bortstiber, Raoul Lichtenstein, Ozzie J. Ray, Moe Rubenfeld
- 1958 1. Harry Fishbein, Sam Fry, Jr., Leonard B. Harmon, Lee Hazen, Ivar Stakgold  
2. Ralph Hirschberg, Richard Kahn, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Alfred Sheinwold, Charles J. Solomon
- 1959 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, Norman Kay, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone  
2. Charles H. Goren, Paul Hodge, Peter A. Leventritt, Harold Ogust, Howard Schenken, Helen Sobel
- 1960 1. John R. Crawford, Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone  
2. Russ Arnold, Edith Kemp, Robert Reynolds, William Seamon, Albert Weiss, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1961 1. Charles Coon, Robert F. Jordan, Eric R. Murray, Arthur G. Robinson  
2. Ollie Adams, Harold Guiver, Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, Ron Von der Porten
- 1962 1. Larry Kolker, Carolyn Levitt, Jerry Levitt, Garrett Nash, George de Runtz  
2. Charles H. Goren, Boris Koytchou, Peter A. Leventritt, Harold Ogust, Howard Schenken, Helen Sobel
- 1963 1. Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth, Cliff Russell, William Seamon, Albert Weiss  
2. Harold Guiver, Lewis L. Mathe, Erik Paulsen, Ron Von der Porten, Edward O. Taylor
- 1964 1. Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Donald P. Krauss, Peter A. Leventritt, Lewis L. Mathe, Howard Schenken  
2. B. Jay Becker, Ivan Erdos, Dorothy Hayden, Kelsey Petterson, Helen Portugal, Morris Portugal
- 1965 1. Phil Feldesman, Dr. John Fisher, Jim Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Ira Rubin, Albert Weiss  
2. Robert F. Jordan, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Boris Koytchou, George Rapée, Arthur G. Robinson
- 1966 1. Phil Feldesman, Bob Hamman, Sami R. Kehela, Lewis L. Mathe, Ira Rubin  
2. Billy Eisenberg, Ivan Erdos, Bobby Goldman, Leonard B. Harmon, Tobias Stone
- 1967 1. Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Lewis L. Mathe, Bobby Nail, Ron Von der Porten, Lew Stansby  
2. Sidney H. Lazard, Peter A. Leventritt, Paul Levitt, George Rapée, Howard Schenken
- 1968 1. Robert F. Jordan, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Arthur G. Robinson, Bill Root, Alvin Roth  
2. Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Ira Rubin, Jeff Westheimer

- 1969 1. Gerald Hallee, Paul Soloway, John Swanson, Richard Walsh  
2. Phil Feldesman, Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin, Samuel M. Stayman, Tobias Stone, Jeff Westheimer
- 1970 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Sami R. Kehela, Sidney H. Lazard, Eric R. Murray, George Rapée  
2. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff
- 1971 1. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff  
2. Chuck Burger, Eddie Kantar, Kyle Larsen, Ron Von der Porten, Ira Rubin, Paul Soloway
- 1972 1. Steve Altman, Eugene Neiger, Thomas M. Smith, Alan Sontag, Joel Stuart, Peter Weichsel  
2. Jack Blair, Fred Hamilton, Howard Perlman, Paul Soloway
- 1973 1. Mark E. Blumenthal, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff  
2. Larry T. Cohen, Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar Dr. Richard H. Katz, Bud Reinhold
- 1974 1. David M. Crossley, Robert E. Crossley, Eric Kokish, Joey Silver  
2. Ron Andersen, Mark Feldman, Stephen Goldstein, Merle Tom, Kathie Wei
- 1975 1. Roger Bates, Larry T. Cohen, Dr. Richard H. Katz, John Mohan, George Rosenkranz  
2. Richard Freeman, Alvin Roth, Cliff Russell, Alan Sontag, Stanley Tomchin, Peter Weichsel
- 1976 1. Roger Bates, Larry T. Cohen, Dr. Richard H. Katz, John Mohan, George Rosenkranz  
2. Malcolm Brachman, Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway
- 1977 1. Mike Becker, Mark E. Blumenthal, Fred Hamilton, Mike Lawrence, Ron Rubin, John Swanson  
2. Ron Andersen, Gerald Caravelli, Hugh C. MacLean, Milton Rosenberg, Kathie Wei
- 1978 1. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Billy Eisenberg, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway  
2. Mike Becker, Lou Bluhm, George Rosenkranz, Ron Rubin, Thomas K. Sanders
- 1979 1. Lou Bluhm, Richard Freeman, Mark Lair, Cliff Russell, Thomas K. Sanders, Eddie Wold  
2. Ron Andersen, David Berkowitz, Jeff Meckstroth, Judi Radin, Kathie Wei
- 1980 1. Russ Arnold, Bobby Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Bud Reinhold, Eric Rodwell  
2. Ron Andersen, Mark Feldman, Eric Kokish, Peter Nagy
- 1981 1. B. Jay Becker, Mike Becker, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Ron Rubin  
2. Bob Hamman, Fred Hamilton, Ira Rubin, Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel, Bobby Wolff
- 1982 1. Jim Jacoby, Jeff Meckstroth, Mike Passell, Eric Rodwell, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold  
2. Marty Bergen, Mark Cohen, Jerry Goldfein, Warren Rosner, Luella Slaner
- 1983 1. Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Norman Kay, Edgar Kaplan  
2. Eddie Kantar, Billy Eisenberg, Fred Hamilton, Jimmy Cayne, Alan Sontag
- 1984 1. Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Hugh Ross, Peter A. Pender  
2. Cliff Russell, Bobby Levin, Curtis K. Smith, Peter Nagy, David Berkowitz, Harold Lilie
- 1985 1. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Ron Rubin, Mike Lawrence, Mike Becker, Peter Weichsel  
2. Barry Crane, Bobby Nail, Dan Morse, Ira Chorush, Thomas K. Sanders, John Sutherlin
- 1986 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek  
2. Jim Whitaker, Chris Compton, Ira Chorush, Bart Bramley, Lou Bluhm
- 1987 1. Peter A. Pender, Peter Boyd, Lew Stansby, Hugh Ross, Steve Robinson, Chip Martel  
2. Jack Schwencke, Drew Casen, Jim Kjekorian, Jim Becker, Howard Chandross
- 1988 1. Eddie Kantar, Alan Sontag, John Mohan, Roger Bates  
2. David Berkowitz, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith, Zia Mahmood
- 1989 1. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker, Bart Bramley, Bobby Levin, Lou Bluhm, Peter Weichsel  
2. Eddie Kantar, Alan Sontag, Dan Rotman, Billy Eisenberg, Larry T. Cohen, Cliff Russell
- 1990 1. Dan Morse, John Sutherlin, Michael Kamil, Ron Gerard, Thomas K. Sanders, Bill Pollack  
2. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Seymon Deutsch, David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen, Marty Bergen
- 1991 1. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield  
2. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Seymon Deutsch, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
- 1992 1. Andy Goodman, John Mohan, Roger Bates, John Schermer, Neil Chambers  
2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Kit Woolsey, Neil Silverman, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
- 1993 1. Howard Weinstein, Peter Nagy, Dan Morse, John Sutherlin, Thomas K. Sanders, Russ Arnold  
2. Cliff Russell, Sam Lev, David Berkowitz, Björn Fallenius, Mats Nilslund, Larry N. Cohen
- 1994 1. Seymon Deutsch, Gaylor Kastle, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby  
2. Ron Gerard, George Steiner, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Sidney H. Lazard

- 1995 1. Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Michael Polowan, Marc Jacobus  
2. George Steiner, Joey Silver, Ron Gerard, Michael Kamil
- 1996 1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Seymon Deutsch, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby  
2. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- 1997 1. Richard Schwartz, Mark Lair, Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Mark Feldman, Chuck Burger, Mike Passell, Michael Seamon, Alan Sontag
- 1998 1. Richard Schwartz, Mark Lair, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Michael Seamon, Mike Passell, David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen
- 1999 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria  
2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Mike Becker, Michael Kamil, Fred Stewart, Kit Woolsey
- 2000 1. Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Richard Freeman, Paul Soloway, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth  
2. Steve Weinstein, Zia Mahmood, Bobby Levin, Richard Schwartz, Drew Casen, Michael Rosenberg
- 2001 1. Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Petrunin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. George Rosenkranz, Sam Lev, John Mohan, Piotr Gawrys, Jacek Pszczola
- 2002 1. Reese Milner, Marc Jacobus, Sam Lev, John Mohan, Jacek Pszczola  
2. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
- 2003 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth  
2. Richard Pavlicek, Lee Rautenberg, Barnet Shenkin, Michael Kamil, Martin Fleisher, Bob Jones
- 2004 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin  
2. Richard Schwartz, Mike Becker, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd
- 2005 1. Richard Schwartz, Mike Becker, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Andrea Buratti, Massimo Lanzarotti  
2. John Onstott, Jim Robison, Chris Compton, Drew Casen, Jim Krekorian, Samuel Cohen
- 2006 1. Fred Chang, Seymon Deutsch, Gunnar Hallberg, Jack Zhao, Fu Zhong  
2. Björn Fallenius, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Adam Zmudzinski, Cezary Balicki, Roy Welland
- 2007 1. Christal Henner-Welland, Antonio Sementa, Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. Lou Ann O'Rourke, Marc Jacobus, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin
- 2008 1. Jerzy Skrzypczak, Boguslaw Gierulski, Krzysztof Martens, Krzysztof Jassem  
2. Ron Rubin, Russ Ekeblad, Peter Weichsel, Marcin Lesniewski, Jan Jansma, Louk Verhees
- 2009 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein, Walid Elahmady, Tarek Sadek  
2. Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, John Diamond, Brian Platnick, Geoff Hampson, Eric Greco
- 2010 1. Pierre Zimmermann, Franck Multon, Michel Bessis, Thomas Bessis, Tor Helness, Geir Helgemo  
2. Martin Fleisher, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Steve Weinstein, Bobby Levin, Michael Kamil
- 2011 1. Martin Fleisher, Michael Kamil, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein  
2. Leslie Amolis, David Bakhshi, Curtis Cheek, Ishmael Del' Monte, Joe Grue

**BALDWIN NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FLIGHT A.** This has been a major (NABC+) pair championship since 1979. Originally known as the Grand National Pairs, the first stage of this grassroots event is conducted strictly at the club level. Qualifiers then advance to the Unit competition, and then unit qualifiers advance to the District finals. Two pairs qualify at the District level for the North American final, which is held just prior to the Spring North American Bridge Championships. The Grand National pairs became the North American Open Pairs in 1987. From 2004 to 2007 the event was known simply as the North American Pairs. In 2008 the event was renamed in memory of Col. Russell J. Baldwin. Winners' names are inscribed on the Baldwin Memorial Trophy.

- 1979 1. Arthur Moore, Eric Robinson  
2. Steve Landen, Larry Mori
- 1980 1. Bob Feller, Jeffrey Hall  
2. Larry N. Cohen, Ron Gerard
- 1981 1. Helen Blakey, Robert Blakey  
2. Mark Feldman, Chip Martel
- 1982 1. Bill Nutting, Ivan Scope  
2. Richard Pavlicek, Cliff Russell
- 1983 1. John Griscom, Jim Felts  
2. Ron Gerard, Stephen Sanborn
- 1984 1. Steve Sion, Harold Stengel  
2. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen
- 1985 1. Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson  
2. Hugh Ross, Peter A. Pender
- 1986 1. Drew Cannell, G. Sekhar  
2. Craig Cordes, Tom Daniel
- 1987 1. Jan Janitschke, Dick Reed  
2. Ron Sukoneck, Judi Cody
- 1988 1. Jan Martel, Chip Martel  
2. Mark Cohen, Stasha Cohen
- 1989 1. David Caslan, Dennis Clerkin  
2. Bobby Nail, Dan Morse
- 1990 1. Sidney H. Lazard, Jack La Noue  
2. Mark Stein, Boris Baran
- 1991 1. Mark Stein, Boris Baran  
2. Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Steve Landen
- 1992 1. Jim Krekorian, Rick Zucker  
2-3. Joe Jabon, Harry Steiner  
2-3. Howard Weiner, Robert Crafton
- 1993 1. Jim Griffin, Kenneth R. Schutze  
2. Iftikhar Baqai, Mitch Dunitz
- 1994 1. Jim Griffin, Kenneth R. Schutze  
2. Ralph Cohen, Reece Rogers

- 1995 1. David Berkowitz, Lisa Berkowitz  
2. Gary Cohler, Jerry Goldfein
- 1996 1. Marshall Tuly, James Cunningham  
2. Gary Cohler, Jerry Goldfein
- 1997 1. Aidan Ballantyne, Gordon McOrmond  
2. JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby
- 1998 1. Ron Sukoneck, Bill Cole  
2. Marshall Tuly, James Cunningham
- 1999 1. Kenneth R. Schutze, Jim Griffin  
2. Tom Kniest, Karen Walker
- 2000 1. Patty Tucker, Kevin Collins  
2. Victor King, John Stiefel
- 2001 1. Frank Merblum, Doug Doub  
2. Jill Meyers, Ed Davis
- 2002 1. JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby  
2. Joseph Godefrin, Ed Schulte
- 2003 1. Steve Landen, Michael Zerbini  
2. Frank Merblum, Doug Doub
- 2004 1. Henry Lortz, Wayne Ohlrich  
2. Chris Willenken, Glenn Milgrim
- 2005 1. David Yang, Nikolay Demirev  
2. Dan Jacob, Bryan Maksymetz
- 2006 1. Gordon Campbell, Piotr Klimowicz  
2. Henry Lortz, Wayne Ohlrich
- 2007 1. Dave Abelow, Richard Wegman  
2. Chris Willenken, Glenn Milgrim
- 2008 1. David Yang, Xiaodong Shi  
2. Chuck Said, David Siebert
- 2009 1. Jim Krekorian, John Rengstorff  
2. Robert Heitzman, Jr., Jonathan Weinstein
- 2010 1. Frank Merblum, Doug Doub  
2. Nikolay Demirev, David Yang
- 2011 1. Shane Blanchard, Joe Grue  
2. Joel Wooldridge, Kevin Bathurst

**GOLDER NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FLIGHT B.** Added to the spring schedule in 1992 and limited to players with fewer than 1500 masterpoints, this NABC event is conducted in the same way as Flight A. Originally known as the North American Open Pairs Flt. B, this event was renamed in 2008 in memory of Benjamin Golder. Winners' names are inscribed on the Golder trophy.

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| 1992 1. Peter Worley, Kevin Young        | 2002 1. Wieslaw Kalita, Marian Krasowski |
| 2. Kathie Blumenthal, Patricia Goldfein  | 2. Robert Stayman, Frank Sensoli         |
| 1993 1. Robert Sewell, Paul Janicki      | 2003 1. Harvey Katz, Jordan Chodorow     |
| 2. Lawrence Gibbons, Gregory Jecker      | 2. Mike Alioto, Frank Sensoli            |
| 1994 1. Brendan Dempsey, Ian Crowe       | 2004 1. Dayn Beam, Jim Alison            |
| 2. Jack Kilby, Ernest Lambertsen         | 2. Jacqueline DeRouin, Jan Garthe        |
| 1995 1. Jay Levy, William Rushmore       | 2005 1. Pete Whipple, Jamie Radcliffe    |
| 2. Bill Archambo, Richard Bender         | 2. Joon Pahk, Samuel Jeong               |
| 1996 1. Robert Johnson, David Rosenstein | 2006 1. Fletcher Thompson, Bruce Todd    |
| 2. Daniel Levi, Samuel Erlichman         | 2. B.J. Trelford, Chris Buchanan         |
| 1997 1. Bill Drewitt, Kirk Twiss         | 2007 1. Bob Kitchen, Mark Golding        |
| 2. David Green, Donald Tofte             | 2. Bijoy Anand, Earl Brown Jr.           |
| 1998 1. Brian Gilbert, Adam Beneschan    | 2008 1. Sidney Kanter, Ron Nelken        |
| 2. Ronald Zajak, Mark Burkhammer         | 2. Ron Fertig, Dayou Zhou                |
| 1999 1. Andy Kaufman, Greg Burch         | 2009 1. Robert McCaw, Lewis Gamerman     |
| 2. Patricia Griffin, Stephen Wood        | 2. John Brandon, Harley Bress            |
| 2000 1. Mark Chen, Hal Hindman           | 2010 1. Fred Schenker, Dian Petrov       |
| 2. Tien-Chun Yang, Fang Wu               | 2. Gary Robinson, John Kozero            |
| 2001 1. Jonathan Weinstein, Walter Lee   | 2011 1. Philippe Galaski, Roger Webb     |
| 2. Mike Ralston, Mahesh Rathi            | 2. Brad Bartol, Matt Cory                |

**PRESIDENT'S CUP NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FLIGHT C.** Added in 1987 as a special form of the North American Open Pairs for non-life masters. In 1994 a masterpoint limit was placed on the Non-Life Master contest. This NABC event is conducted in the same way as Flight A, but limited to players with fewer than 500 masterpoints. Winners' names are inscribed on the President's Cup.

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| 1987 1-2. Bill Thomas, David Deaderick  | 2. Judith Hallowell, Norman Cannon          |
| 1-2. Bernard Pollack, Leo Austern       |   |
| 1988 1. Brad Moss, Aaron Silverstein    | 2000 1. Meredith Beck, John Johnson         |
| 2. Geoffrey O'Connor, Charles Bilick    | 2. Rachel Chittaro, Edward Nield            |
| 1989 1. Warren King, Jeffrey Brown      | 2001 1. Hailong Ao, Jian-Jian Wang          |
| 2. Sylvian Descoteaux, Guy Belisle      | 2. David Pettit, Doris Suojanen             |
| 1990 1. Philip Leung, Moske Harel       | 2002 1. Jacek Leznicki, Jerry Owczarek      |
| 2. Deborah Hart, Nate Ward              | 2. Kevin Jones, Daniel Kenney               |
| 1991 1. Eric Greco, Philip Greco        | 2003 1. Robert Wissman, John Christensen    |
| 2. Bruce Graff, Steve Castellino        | 2. Lester Gottlieb, Richard Avazian         |
| 1992 1. Gail Joelson, Alan Kasner       | 2004 1. Daniel Wilderman, Ryan Connors      |
| 2. J. Greg Fowler, Don Herring          | 2. Jacek Leznicki, Jerry Owczarek           |
| 1993 1. Mark Michele, Everett Boyer     | 2005 1. Jiang Chen, Nongyu Li               |
| 2. Gabriela Rabiega, Leszek Rabiega     | 2. Inger Lise Blount, Jeanette Hughes       |
| 1994 1. Weizhong Bao, Jingdong Guo      | 2006 1. Vladimir Reznik, Stanislaw Kolesnik |
| 2. Duane Tilden, Grace Jeklin           | 2. Mike Devlin, John Barth                  |
| 1995 1. Edward Lee, Brett Roby          | 2007 1. Dayou Zhou, Jon King                |
| 2. Phillip Feng Lu, Xiaodong Zhang      | 2. Chong Zhao, Narayanan Ramabhadran        |
| 1996 1. Yue Zuo, Ruoyo Fan              | 2008 1. Abraham Pallas, Dmitri Bourilkov    |
| 2. Carlos Bichara, Rita Bichara         | 2. Kaiyu Qian, Jia Wei Luo                  |
| 1997 1. Thomas Franklin, Michael Corker | 2009 1. Elenalani Lam, Micheal Bodell       |
| 2. Weiming Hu, Alex Lo                  | 2. Alex Lovejoy, Argenta Price              |
| 1998 1. Tien-Chun Wang, Fang Wu         | 2010 1. Vladimir Oudalov, Stanley Weiss     |
| 2. Paul Coulter, Matt Just              | 2. Murat Veysoglu, Lisa Kuo                 |
| 1999 1. James Gun, Harry Schaffer       | 2011 1. Rajeev Bansal, Michael Hughes       |
|   | 2. Guillaume de Decker, Ajit Thyagarajan    |

**SILODOR OPEN PAIRS.** This four-session NABC+ event consisting of two qualifying sessions and two final sessions is contested for the Silodor trophy. Known simply as the Open Pairs until 1992, this event was renamed the Open Pairs I and was referred to as such until 2003.

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| 1958 1. Leonard B. Harmon, Ivar Stakgold     | 2. Dan Gerstman, Marc Nathan                 |
| 2. Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone                  |  |
| 1959 1. Lewis L. Mathe, Edward O. Taylor     | 1983 1. Barry Crane, Mike Passell            |
| 2. Harry Fishbein, Charles J. Solomon        | 2. David Berkowitz, Dan Gerstman             |
| 1960 1. Robert F. Jordan, Alvin Roth         | 1984 1. Lou Bluhm, Bart Bramley              |
| 2. Carol Sanders, Thomas K. Sanders          | 2. Barry Crane, Gerald Caravelli             |
| 1961 1. Mark Hodges, Hampton Hume            | 1985 1. Jim Robison, Joey Silver             |
| 2. Jack Denny, John Simon                    | 2. John Roberts, David Berkowitz             |
| 1962 1. Robert F. Jordan, Arthur G. Robinson | 1986 1. Lew Stansby, Ralph Katz              |
| 2. Mike Michaels, Mike Shuman                | 2. Robb Gordon, John Rengstorff              |
| 1963 1. Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor           | 1987 1. Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey             |
| 2. Dan Rotman, Ivar Stakgold                 | 2. Lyle Poe, Steve Carton                    |
| 1964 1. Barry Crane, Oswald Jacoby           | 1988 1. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker               |
| 2. Ivan Erdos, Lewis L. Mathe                | 2. Bob Hamman, Paul J. Lewis                 |
| 1965 1. John Biddle, James P. Wisemiller     | 1989 1. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield             |
| 2. Ivan Erdos, Tobias Stone                  | 2. Ed Nagy, Jeff Polisner                    |
| 1966 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay             | 1990 1. Don Campbell, Barry Harper           |
| 2. Alvin Roth, Bill Root                     | 2. Randy Joyce, Glenn Lublin                 |
| 1967 1. Harvey Cohen, Maury GenuD            | 1991 1. Larry Mori, Henry Bethe              |
| 2. Phil Feldesman, Lewis L. Mathe            | 2. Zia Mahmood, Fred Chang                   |
| 1968 1. Ronald Blau, Richard Spero           | (became Open Pairs I)                        |
| 2. Harry Fishbein, Charles J. Solomon        | 1992 1. Jeff Meckstroth, Perry Johnson       |
| 1969 1. Robert Freedman, James L. Mathis     | 2. Tony Glynne, S. James Elliott             |
| 2. David Sachs, Sue Sachs                    | 1993 1. Russ Ekeblad, Peter Weichsel         |
| 1970 1. Barry Crane, Dr. John Fisher         | 2. Richard Schwartz, Drew Casen              |
| 2. Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail                | 1994 1. Lloyd Arvedon, Allan Falk            |
| 1971 1-2. Barry Crane, Dr. John Fisher       | 2. Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood            |
| 1-2. Joan Remey, Vincent Remey               | 1995 1. John Strauch, Evan Bailey            |
| 1972 1-2. Barry Crane, Dr. John Fisher       | 2. Seymon Deutsch, Tony Forrester            |
| 1-2. Matt Granovetter, Merle Tom             | 1996 1. Ralph Katz, Howard Weinstein         |
| 1973 1. Michael Hoffman, Jack Rhatigan       | 2. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield                  |
| 2. Charles Peres, Dan Rotman                 | 1997 1. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson            |
| 1974 1. Barry Crane, Dr. John Fisher         | 2. Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester              |
| 2. Ron Andersen, Hugh C. MacLean             | 1998 1. Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester         |
| 1975 1. Garey Hayden, Daniel Hyland          | 2. Mike Becker, Michael Kamil                |
| 2. Don Piafsky, Dave Saltsman                | 1999 1. Michael Seamon, Mike Passell         |
| 1976 1. Terry Hause, Ernest Ivey             | 2. Petra Hamman, Bob Hamman                  |
| 2. Barry Crane, Dr. John Fisher              | 2000 1. Mike Cappelletti Jr., Lawrence Hicks |
| 1977 1. Barry Crane, Peter Rank              | 2. Walter Johnson, Doug Simson               |
| 2. John Ashton, Troy Horton                  | 2001 1. Jim Tritt, Richard Meffley           |
| 1978 1. Bobby Levin, Mike Passell            | 2. Henry Bethe, Varis Carey                  |
| 2. Marty Arndt, Thomas Peters                | 2002 1. Joergen Molberg, Boerre Lund         |
| 1979 1. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell        | 2. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen           |
| 2. Larry N. Cohen, Dan Zirker                | (became Silodor Open Pairs)                  |
| 1980 1. Paul J. Lewis, Michael Schreiber     | 2003 1. Ralph Katz, Michael Rosenberg        |
| 2. Jim Robison, Stelios Touchtidis           | 2. Martin Fleisher, Michael Kamil            |
| 1981 1. Dan Gerstman, Marc Nathan            | 2004 1. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen      |
| 2. Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey                  | 2. Roger Lord, Jacqueline Sincoff            |
| 1982 1. Gerald Caravelli, Craig Janitschke   | 2005 1. Bob Morris, Eddie Wold               |
|  | 2. George Jacobs, Alfredo Versace            |

- 2006 1. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Zia Mahmood, Fred Chang
- 2007 1. Giorgio Duboin, Roy Welland  
2. Zia Mahmood, Richard Freeman
- 2008 1. Robert Lebi, Dan Jacob  
2. Ralph Buchalter, Migry Zur-Campanile

- 2009 1. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz  
2. David Yang, Xiaodong Shi
- 2010 1. Steve Landen, Nicolas L'Ecuyer  
2. Chris Larsen, Joe Kivel
- 2011 1. Gavin Wolpert, Joel Wooldridge  
2. Jill Levin, Jill Meyers

**NORMAN KAY PLATINUM PAIRS.** This event, played over six sessions, was first contested in 2010. It is open to ACBL members in good standing that meet one of the following criteria: have earned 50 platinum masterpoints over the three calendar years prior; earned at least 200 platinum points lifetime, or have attained Platinum Life Master or Grand Life Master rank.

- 2010 1. Andrew Stark, Franco Baseggio  
2. Peter Fredin, Gary Gottlieb
- 2011 1. John Hurd, Joel Wooldridge  
2. Laurie Kranyak, Ken Kranyak

**LEBHAR IMP PAIRS.** This NABC+ event, consisting of two qualifying and two final sessions, is scored by International Match Points. This event formerly known as the IMP Pairs was contested at the Summer NABCs until 2004. It was renamed in 2003 and moved to the Spring NABCs in 2005. Winners' names are inscribed on the Lebhar Trophy.

- 1987 1. Robb Gordon, Linda Danas  
2. Peter Weichsel, Dr. Richard H. Katz
- 1988 1. Gene Freed, Mike Passell  
2. Corinne Gellman, Jim Kirkham
- 1989 1. Richard Schwartz, Fred Hamilton  
2. Bud Reinhold, Michael Seamon
- 1990 1. Ralph Cohen, Renee Mancuso  
2. Richard Schwartz, Drew Casen
- 1991 1. Harvey Brody, Ralph Buchalter  
2. Ron Feldman, Marty Shallon
- 1992 1. Vera Gama, Marcelo Branco  
2. David Midkiff, Tom Oppenheimer
- 1993 1. Bob Klein, David Ruderman  
2. Win Allegaert, Gary Gottlieb
- 1994 1. Tom Fox, Walter Schafer  
2. Howard Chandross, Lee Rautenberg
- 1995 1. Harold Lilie, Steve Sion  
2. Brad Moss, Elizabeth Reich
- 1996 1. Mike Albert, Marilyn Hemenway  
2. Steve Beatty, Adam Wildavsky
- 1997 1. Tom Carmichael, Joel Wooldridge  
2. Dick Bruno, Kenji Miyakuni
- 1998 1. Jim Robison, Gene Freed  
2. Jeanne Rahmeyer, Gary Cohler

- 1999 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz  
2. Rob Crawford, Spike Lay
- 2000 1. Ashley Black, Stephen Burgess  
2. Steve Beatty, George Steiner
- 2001 1. Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson  
2. Neil Chambers, Norb Kremer
- 2002 1. Al-Tai Lo, Alan Schwartz  
2. William Ehlers, Richard DeMartino
- 2003 1. Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein  
2. Mitch Dunitz, Iftikhar Baqai
- 2004 1. Nikolay Demirev, Jiang Gu  
2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd
- 2005 1. Kevin Wilson, Blair Seidler  
2. Jon Baldursson, Thorlakur Jonsson
- 2006 1. Fred Gitelman, Geoff Hampson  
2. Ralph Katz, Michael Rosenberg
- 2007 1. Boye Brogeland, Ishmael DelMonte  
2. Jonathan Weinstein, Robert Heitzman, Jr.
- 2008 1. Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky  
2. Dan Gerstman, Marc Nathan
- 2009 1. Nikolay Demirev, Nicolas L'Ecuyer  
2. Greg Hinze, Nagy Kamel
- 2010 1. Pablo Ravenna, Pablo Lambardi  
2. Jon Baldursson, Thorlakur Jonsson
- 2011 1. Runar Lillevik, Oyvind Ludvigsen  
2. Jon Baldursson, Thorlakur Jonsson



**WHITEHEAD WOMEN'S PAIRS.** This four-session NABC+ event consisting of two qualifying rounds and two final rounds is contested for the Whitehead Trophy. From 1969 through 1971 it was contested as a three-session championship. This event formerly contested at the Summer NABC was moved to the Spring NABC in 1963.

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| 1930 1. Olive Peterson, Maud S. Zontlein          | 2. Paula Levin, Mrs. Max Ritter              |
| 2. Josephine Culbertson, Elinor Murdoch           |  |
| 1931 1. Vivi Hanson, Elinor Murdoch               | 1955 1. Kay Rhodes, Margaret Wagar           |
| 2. Mary Clement, Olga Hilliard                    | 2. Mrs. Carl I. Conklin, Paula Nevins        |
| 1932 1. Mrs. Jay S. Jones, Olive Peterson         | 1956 1. Kay Rhodes, Margaret Wagar           |
| 2. Florence Fitch, Maud S. Zontlein               | 2. Wynne Ecker, Mrs. P. Halbestadt           |
| 1933 1. Doris Fuller, Mrs. Courtand Smith         | 1957 1. Kay Rhodes, Margaret Wagar           |
| 2. Marie Black, Mary Clement                      | 2. Edith Kemp, Terry Michaels                |
| 1934 1. Helen Bonwit, Helen White                 | 1958 1. Kay Rhodes, Margaret Wagar           |
| 2. Ruth Sherman, Mrs. Thomas Stern                | 2. Mrs. N. L. Cassibry, Ann Smith            |
| 1935 1. Bertine Teichman, Mable Ulbrich           | 1959 1. Betty Goldberg Adler, Dorothy Hayden |
| 2. Doris Fuller, Olive Peterson                   | 2. Agnes Gordon, Sylvia Schwartz             |
| 1936 1. Mrs. Jay S. Jones, Sally Young            | 1960 1. Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon      |
| 2. Mable Ervin, Doris Fuller                      | 2. Mabel Mahoney, Mrs. James Welch           |
| 1937 1. Mable Ervin, Doris Fuller                 | 1961 1. Agnes Gordon, Betty Haddad           |
| 2. Martha Lemon, Mrs. Martin West                 | 2. Mrs. Seymour Keith, Rita Seamon           |
| 1938 1. Helen Sobel, Sally Young                  | 1962 1. Clarice Holt, Mrs. Greeley Warner    |
| 2. Phyllis Gardner, Dorothy Roberts               | 2. Kay Carter, Mrs. G. M. Sharum             |
| 1939 1. Helen Sobel, Sally Young                  | 1963 1. Mrs. K. L. Sargent, Mrs. Ray Tobin   |
| 2. Doris Fuller, Millicent Tansill                | 2. Garner McDaniel, Terry Michaels           |
| 1940 1. Edith Atkinson, Mrs. John Waidlich        | 1964 1. Margaret Alcorn, Lucille Patterson   |
| 2. Estelle Drescher, Gussie Planco                | 2. Ruth Ballantyne, Mrs. Lloyd Scott         |
| 1941 1. Mae P. Rosen, Edith Seligman              | 1965 1. Nancy Gruver, Sue Sachs              |
| 2. Ruth Horn, Gussie Planco                       | 2. Alicia Kempner, Helen Sobel               |
| 1942 1. Mae P. Rosen, Edith Seligman              | 1966 1. Virginia Heckel, Edith Kemp          |
| 2. Helen Bonwit, Mrs. D. P. Hanson                | 2. Garner McDaniel, Terry Michaels           |
| 1943 1. Mae P. Rosen, Edith Seligman              | 1967 1. Garner McDaniel, Terry Michaels      |
| 2. Olga Hilliard, Evelyn Lebharr                  | 2. Hermine Baron, Marilyn Johnson            |
| 1944 1. Ruth Sherman, Margaret Wagar              | 1968 1. Hermine Baron, Rhoda Walsh           |
| 2. Paula Bacher, Kay Rhodes                       | 2-3. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden         |
| 1945 1. Peggy Golder, Olive Peterson              | 2-3. Gloria Cohen, Belle Kauffman            |
| 2. Ruth Sherman, Margaret Wagar                   |  |
| 1946 1. Edith Seligman, Sally Young               | 1969 1. Gale Clarke, Gloria Noszka           |
| 2. Anne Burnstein, Mrs. G. Rosenbaum              | 2. Sallie Johnson, Bee Schenken              |
| 1947 1. Gratian Goldstein, Josephine Gutman       | 1970 1. Robin Klar, Tina Rockaway            |
| 2. Ruth Sherman, Helen Sobel                      | 2. Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss                |
| 1948 1. Gratian Goldstein, Josephine Gutman       | 1971 1. Amalya Kears, Jacqui Mitchell        |
| 2. Mildred Cunningham, Mrs. Harry Mason Smith     | 2. Barbara Brier, Betsey Wolff               |
| 1949 1. Kay Rhodes, Ruth Sherman                  | 1972 1. Kerri Davis, Rhoda Walsh             |
| 2. Mildred Cunningham, Mrs. Harry Mason Smith     | 2. Gail Moss, Judi Solodar                   |
| 1950 1. Mrs. John Kelly, Dorothy Thompson         | 1973 1. Ann Economidy, Vivian Williamson     |
| 2. Reba Buck, Mrs. George P. Ryan                 | 2. Mary Anderson, Pamela Eckard              |
| 1951 1. Alwina M. Dunphy, Mrs. Edward Minear      | 1974 1. Pat Leary, Jan Stansby               |
| 2. Mrs. Frank Fooshe, Mrs. Henry C. Wolfe         | 2. Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss                |
| 1952 1. Shirley Fairchild, Elaine Lee             | 1975 1. Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss           |
| 2. Mildred Betzler, Mrs. Michael Hoffman          | 2. Hermine Baron, Carol Greenhut             |
| 1953 1. Mrs. Harold P. Swearingen, Barbara Weiner | 1976 1. Gail Schaab, Barbara Staton          |
| 2. Gretchen Feldstein, Gratian Goldstein          | 2. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  |
| 1954 1. Margaret Alcorn, Sally Neely              | 1977 1. Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss           |
|   | 2. Hermine Baron, Beverly Rosenberg          |
|   | 1978 1. Babs Charney, Flo Rotman             |

2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport  
 1979 1. Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp  
       2. Ann Roberts, Genne Winter  
 1980 1. Mildred Boyce, Barbara Norwood  
       2. Hermine Baron, Beverly Rosenberg  
 1981 1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
       2. Roberta Epstein, Rozanne Marel  
 1982 1. Hermine Baron, Beverly Rosenberg  
       2. Nancy Alpaugh, Betsey Wolff  
 1983 1. Evelyn Levitt, Jo Morse  
       2. Lynne Pollenz, Sue Picus  
 1984 1. Judy Tucker, Jacqui Mitchell  
       2. Mildred Breed, Barbara Norwood  
 1985 1. Dale Dermer, JoAnne Caplan  
       2. Nadine Wood, Robin Taylor  
 1986 1. Edith Freilich, Nancy Gruver  
       2. Peggy Sutherlin, Sharon Osberg  
 1987 1. Tobi Deutsch, Kay Schulle  
       2. Carlyn Steiner, Janet Daling  
 1988 1. Sally Wheeler, Georgiana Gates  
       2. Jan Martel, Dorothy Truscott  
 1989 1. Nadine Wood, Jeanne Elkner  
       2. Janice Seamon, Rita Seamon  
 1990 1. Tobi Deutsch, June Deutsch  
       2. Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
 1991 1. Leslie Paryzer, Nancy Widman  
       2. Claire Tornay, Kathie Walvick  
 1992 1. Cheri Bjerkan, Janice Seamon  
       2. Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
 1993 1. Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
       2. Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen  
 1994 1. Corinne Kirkham, Ann Kluewer  
       2. Bernace De Young, Ellasue Chaite  
 1995 1. Lila Perlstein, Juanita Chambers  
       2. Ayako Amano, Miho Sekizawa  
 1996 1. Nancy Widman, Leslie Paryzer  
       2. Susan Wexler, Margie Gwozdzinsky  
 1997 1. Susan Wexler, Margie Gwozdzinsky  
       2. Suzy Burger, Barbara Sion  
 1998 1. Judi Radin, Valerie Westheimer  
       2. Carol Simon, Kitty Munson

1999 1. Ellen Crawford, Harriet Eaton  
       2. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn  
 2000 1. Joan Stein, Eunice Rosen  
       2. Marilyn Hemenway, Barbara Fellows  
 2001 1. Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss  
       2. Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson  
 2002 1. Cheri Bjerkan, Sue Weinstein  
       2. Kerri Sanborn, Karen McCallum  
 2003 1. Joan Eaton, Candice Griffey  
       2. Connie Goldberg, Jo Ann Sprung  
 2004 1. Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears  
       2. Cynthia Balderson, Carole Miner  
 2005 1. Gail Greenberg, Laurie Vogel  
       2. Helen Abbott, Polly Dunn  
 2006 1. Sylvia Moss, Judi Radin  
       2. Cathy Strauch, Margie Gwozdzinsky  
 2007 1. Irina Ladyzhensky, Kamla Chawla  
       2. Valerie Westheimer, Migry Zur-Campanile  
 2008 1. Lynne Feldman, Chris Benson  
       2. Diane Walker, Mickie Kivel  
 2009 1. Lisa Berkowitz, Joann Glasson  
       2. Disa Eythorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer  
 2010 1. Suzy Burger, Linda Lewis  
       2. Victoria Gromova, Tatiana Ponomareva  
 2011 1. Marjorie Michelin, Diana Schuld  
       2. Sylvia Moss, Judi Radin

Prior to the Whitehead Women's Pairs moving to the Spring NABC in 1963, there was a similar NABC+ women's pair event played from 1958-1962. The winners of this event are listed below.

1958 1. Betty Nail, Phyllis Novak  
       2. Alberta Albersheim, Mrs. M. J. Root  
 1959 1. Bert Epstein, Blossom Grossblatt  
       2. Betty Coombs, Malvine Klausner  
 1960 1. Gretchen Feldstein, Jane Mueller  
       2. Gertrude Eberson, Mrs. M. Jones  
 1961 1. May Belle Long, Effie Woods  
       2. Dorothy Hayden, Helen Portugal  
 1962 1. Carol Sanders, Sylvia Stein  
       2. Betty Kaplan, Jacqui Mitchell

**ROCKWELL MIXED PAIRS.** This NABC+ event is contested for the Rockwell Trophy. It is a four-session event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions. Originally contested at the Fall NABC, it was moved to the Spring NABC in 1986.

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| 1946 1. Anne Burnstein, Alvin Roth             | 1971 1. Eugenie Mathe, Lewis L. Mathe      |
| 2. David C. Carter, Frances Carter             | 2. Barry Crane, Kerri Davis                |
| 1947 1. Evelyn Ansin, Charles H. Goren         | 1972 1. John Mohan, Peggy Sutherlin        |
| 2. John R. Crawford, Margaret Wagar            | 2. Leland Ferer, Gratian Goldstein         |
| 1948 1. John R. Crawford, Margaret Wagar       | 1973 1. Bernie Chazen, Marilyn Johnson     |
| 2. Charles C. Johnson, Mrs. Frank Myer         | 2. Kenneth L. Cohen, Helen Smith           |
| 1949 1. John R. Crawford, Margaret Wagar       | 1974 1. Gerald Caravelli, Helen Utegaard   |
| 2. Paula Bacher, Peter A. Leventritt           | 2. Barry Crane, Kerri Shuman               |
| 1950 1. Peter A. Leventritt, Ruth Sherman      | 1975 1. Barry Crane, Kerri Shuman          |
| 2. William Thiemann, Mrs. William Thiemann     | 2. Sandi Leavitt, Paul Sugar               |
| 1951 1. Edith Rosenbloom, Sidney Silodor       | 1976 1. Peggy Lipsitz, Steven J. Parker    |
| 2. Edward Burns, Shirley Fairchild             | 2. Nancy Gruver, Lee Rautenberg            |
| 1952 1. Anne Burnsetin, Alvin Roth             | 1977 1. Joel Friedberg, Nancy Gruver       |
| 2. Ella Tilles, Jules Tilles                   | 2. Barry Crane, Kerri Shuman               |
| 1953 1. Jewel Hodge, Paul Hodge                | 1978 1. Ahmed Hussein, Gail Moss           |
| 2. John Gerber, Celeste Mounce                 | 2. Dave McClintock, Janet McClintock       |
| 1954 1. Said Haddad, Betty Windley             | 1979 1. Juanita Skelton, Mike Smolen       |
| 2. Zenobia Allen, John H. Moran                | 2. Carol Sanders, Thomas K. Sanders        |
| 1955 1. Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel            | 1980 1. Jeff Meckstroth, Patty Meckstroth  |
| 2. Alicia Kempner, George Rapée                | 2. Hemant Lall, Jan Lall                   |
| 1956 1. Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel            | 1981 1. Esta Van Zandt, James E. Zimmerman |
| 2. Donald G. Farquharson, Agnes Gordon         | 2-3. Charlie Dorn, Bonnie LaRochelle       |
| 1957 1. Bee Gale, Howard Schenken              | 2-3. Bart Bramley, Judy Wadas              |
| 2. Frances Carter, David Warner                | 1982 1. Barry Crane, Kerri Shuman          |
| 1958 1. Carol Ross, Edwin J. Smith             | 2. Mike Passell, Nancy Passell             |
| 2. Louis J. Cohen, Sylvia Stein                | 1983 1. John Gustafson, Helen Gustafson    |
| 1959 1. John R. Crawford, Dorothy Hayden       | 2. Benito Garozzo, Lea DuPont              |
| 2. Sidney H. Lazard, Stella Rebner             | 1984 1. Kathy Sulgrove, Larry Rock         |
| 1960 1. Elsie Abrams, Bill Passell             | 2. Audrey Rennels, Ron Von der Porten      |
| 2. Peter Johnson, Gladys Kransberg             | 1985 1. Beth Palmer, Steve Robinson        |
| 1961 1. Art Comstock, Margaret Muirhead        | 2. Patricia Hassett, Steve Garner          |
| 2. Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Solomon           | 1986 1. Lisa Berkowitz, David Berkowitz    |
| 1962 1. Clarice Holt, Paul Levitt              | 2. Laurie Kranyak, Phil Becker             |
| 2. Peggy Jean Berry, John Sutherlin            | 1987 1. Lisa Berkowitz, David Berkowitz    |
| 1963 1. Agnes Gordon, Eric R. Murray           | 2. Juanita Chambers, Jim Robison           |
| 2. Barbara Brier, Jerry Brier                  | 1988 1. Claire Tornay, Michael Moss        |
| 1964 1. Dan Morse, Mary Margaret Swan          | 2. Susan Green, Mike Cappelletti, Sr.      |
| 2. Margaret Alcorn, Peter A. Pender            | 1989 1. Dorothy Truscott, Alan Truscott    |
| 1965 1. Betty Kaplan, Edgar Kaplan             | 2. Sandra Low, Marc Low                    |
| 2. Malvine Klausner, Morris Portugal           | 1990 1. Jo Ann Manfield, Kenneth L. Cohen  |
| 1966 1. Robert G. Sharp, Louise Sharp          | 2. Adair Gellman, Rev Murthy               |
| 2. Gertrude Blasband, Sylvester Lowery         | 1991 1. Jo Ann Manfield, Danny Sprung      |
| 1967 1. Gertrude Machlin, Kit Woolsey          | 2. Judy Tucker, Jim Becker                 |
| 2. Kathie Cappelletti, Mike Cappelletti, Sr.   | 1992 1. Kitty Bethe, Larry Mori            |
| 1968 1. Marilyn Johnson, Peter Rank            | 2. Linda Lee, Ray Lee                      |
| 2. John Gerber, Carol Klar                     | 1993 1. Libby Fernandez, Happoldt Neuffer  |
| 1969 1. Peggy Parker, Steven J. Parker         | 2. Sabine Zenkel, Ron Andersen             |
| 2. Evelyn Levitt, Dave Treadwell               | 1994 1. Jillian Blanchard, Geoff Hampson   |
| 1970 1. George S. Dawkins, Carolyn C. Flourney | 2. Kay Schulle, John Sutherlin             |
| 2. Mary Chilcote, Larry Weiss                  | 1995 1. Cindy Bernstein, Bob Bernstein     |

- 2. Kay Larsen, Chris Larsen
- 1996 1. Margery Tamres, Joseph Brady
  - 2. Anne Simon, Arnie Fisher
- 1997 1. Phyllis Quinn, Wafik Abdou
  - 2. Shirley Blum, George Whitworth
- 1998 1. Joan Eaton, Leslie Amolis
  - 2. Barbara Lehman, Craig Jacobson
- 1999 1. Mike Jr., Shannon Lipscomb
  - 2. Anne Arndt, Godfrey Chang
- 2000 1. Linda Gordon, Bernie Chazen
  - 2. Rhoda Walsh, Fred Hamilton
- 2001 1. Barbara Shaw, Mark Shaw
  - 2. Terry Michaels, Gary Roberts
- 2002 1. Linda Webb, Richard Ekstrum
  - 2. Gary Cohler, Barbara Kasle
- 2003 1. Jim Kirkham, Corinne Kirkham
  - 2. Jay Baum, Kathy Baum
- 2004 1. Peggy Kaplan, Bill Kent
  - 2. Martin Fleisher, Rozanne Pollack
- 2005 1. John Kranyak, Laurie Kranyak
  - 2. Alan Stout, Lynn Deas
- 2006 1. Tom Kniest, Karen Walker
  - 2. Kitty Cooper, Steven Cooper

- 2007 1. Richard Zeckhauser, Mildred Breed
  - 2. Bob Teel, Jane Teel
- 2008 1. Gail Greenberg, Jeff Hand
  - 2. Stephen Sanborn, Kerri Sanborn
- 2009 1. Karen Walker, Tom Kniest
  - 2. Craig Robinson, Elaine Landow
- 2010 1. Judi Radin, Scott Levine
  - 2. Brenda Keller, Dan Jacob
- 2011 1. Lloyd Arvedon, Carolyn Sessler
  - 2. Gail Greenberg, Jeff Hand

The Hilliard Trophy for the National Mixed Pairs was contested at the first five Spring NABCs (1958-1962). The winners are listed below.

- 1958 1. John Gerber, Phyllis Novak
  - 2. Dr. William A Clunie, Jane Clunie
- 1959 1. Mary Jane Farell, Alvin Roth
  - 2. Eugenie Mathe, Lew Mathe
- 1960 1. Shirlee Harris, Ed Rosen
  - 2. Mrs. Benton Brandon, John Simon
- 1961 1. Carol Sanders, Thomas Sanders
  - 2. Robert Jordan, Hermine Baron
- 1962 1-2. Shirlee Harris, Ed Rosen
  - 1-2. Grant Marsee, Jessie Cook

**JACOBY OPEN SWISS TEAMS**, formerly North American Open Swiss and North American Men's Swiss Teams. This four-session NABC+ event consists of two qualifying and two final sessions. Winners' names are inscribed on the Oswald and Jim Jacoby Trophy.

- 1982 1. Allan Stauber, Jan Janitschke, Ross Grabel, Mike Smolen  
 2-3. Si Frome, Marc Renson, Hamish Bennett, Bob Etter  
 2-3. Jim Robison, Stelios Touchtidis, Jon Wittes, Steve Cohen, Paul Ivaska, Paul J. Lewis
- 1983 1. Mike Albert, Ira Rubin, Grant Baze, Barry Crane  
 2. George Ateljevich, Sidney H. Lazard, Sidney H. Lazard, Jr., John Zilic, Norb Kremer
- 1984 1. Bart Bramley, Mark Cohen, Milton Rosenberg, Ralph Katz  
 2. Tom Mahaffey, Andy Bernstein, Richard Pavlicek, Bill Passell, Bill Root
- 1985 1. John Devine, Alan Sontag, John Mohan, Roger Bates  
 2. David Ashley, David Sacks, Mike Shuman, Ed Davis, Jon Wittes, Steve Cohen
- 1986 1. Mark Cohen, Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey  
 2. Bob Jones, Jim Krekorian, Ethan Stein, Drew Casen, Al Rand
- 1987 1. Eddie Kantar, Alan Sontag, Roger Bates, John Mohan, John Devine  
 2. Claude Vogel, David Lehman, Tom Fox, Michael Schreiber
- 1988 1. Ron Sukoneck, Doug Fraser, Kamel Fergani, Bill Pettis  
 2. Jim Jacoby, Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail, Fred Hamilton, Walt Walvick, Erik Paulsen
- 1989 1. Jim Mahaffey, Ron Andersen, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
 2-3. Rob Stevens, Ronald Powell, Sidney Brownstein, Mark Singer  
 2-3. Jan Janitschke, Craig Janitschke, Marc Jacobus, Peter Nagy, Joey Silver  
 (became Open Swiss)
- 1990 1. John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley, Gerald Michaud, Larry Richardson, Bob Hamman  
 2. Grant Baze, Jim Krekorian, Drew Casen, Mike Smolen
- 1991 1. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman  
 2. Bart Bramley, P.O. Sundelin, John Sutherlin, Dan Morse, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay
- 1992 1. Richard Schwartz, Drew Casen, Michael Seamon, Richard Pavlicek, Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein  
 2. Morris Chang, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood
- 1993 1. Tony Kasday, Michael Seamon, Steve Sion, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith  
 2. Marty Scheinberg, Benito Garozzo, Lea DuPont, Billy Eisenberg
- 1994 1. Perry Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Chip Martel, Eric Rodwell  
 2. Grant Baze, Tipton Golias, Hugh Ross, Bart Bramley, Mike Lawrence
- 1995 1. Ralph Cohen, Billy Cohen, Peter Nagy, George Mittelman, Marty Sklar, Hugh Ross  
 2. Mark Feldman, Jim Looby, Sharon Osberg, Cameron Doner
- 1996 1 Jimmy Cayne, Björn Fallenius, Brian Glubok, Chuck Burger, Mats Nisland, Mike Passell  
 2. Paul Hackett, Jason Hackett, Justin Hackett, Brigitte Mavromichalis
- 1997 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Brian Glubok, Bart Bramley, Walter Schafer, Geir Helgemo  
 2. Varis Carey, Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Jeffery Blond, Michael Schuster, Curtis Cheek, Michael Schreiber
- 1998 1. Edith Rosenkranz, Ralph Cohen, Ron Smith, Bob Etter, Bob Morris  
 2. Eddie Wold, George Rosenkranz, Henri Leufkens, Berry Westra, Magnus Magnusson, John Baldursson
- 1999 1. Sam Lev, Barnet Shenkin, John Mohan, Michael Polowan, Brian Glubok  
 2. Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski, Krzysztof Martens, Marek Szymanowski, Grant Baze, Tipton Golias
- 2000 1. Mark Lair, Richard Finberg, Gary Cohler, Mike Cappelletti Jr.  
 2. Rose Meltzer, Chip Martel, Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel, Kyle Larsen, Lew Stansby
- 2001 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Giorgio Duboin  
 2. Gerald Sosler, Kay Schulle, Massimo Lanzarotti, Andrea Buratti, Antonio Sementa, Benito Garozzo
- 2002 1. Perry Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Paul Soloway  
 2. Brad Moss, Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Fred Gitelman, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein  
 (Became Jacoby Open Swiss)
- 2003 1. Peter Bertheau, Fulvio Fantoni, Christal Henner-Welland, Fred Gitelman, Fredrik Nystrom, Claudio Nunes  
 2. George Rosenkranz, Mike Passell, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson
- 2004 1. Piotr Gawrys, Sam Lev, Michal Kwiecien, Michael Polowan, Chris Willenken, Jacek Pszczola

- 2. Peter Bertheau, Fulvio Fantoni, Christal Henner-Welland, Claudio Nunes, Michael Kamil, Fredrik Nystrom
- 2005 1. Jimmy Cayne, Michael Seamon, Geir Helgemo, Tor Helness, Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein
- 2. Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Perry Johnson
- 2006 1. Steve Weinstein, Bobby Levin, Paul Soloway, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- 2. Lou Ann O'Rourke, Marc Jacobus, Giorgio Duboin, Norberto Bocchi, Peter Fredin, Magnus Lindkvist
- 2007 1. Kalin Karaivanov, Marin Marinov, David Maidman, Ruman Nenov Trendafilov
- 2. Brian Glubok, Peter Fredin, Michael Moss, Agustin Madala
- 2008 1. Perry Johnson, Chris Compton, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- 2. Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin, Krzysztof Buras, Robert Hollman, Bruce Ferguson
- 2009 1. Bob Hamman, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- 2. Giorgio Duboin, Lou Ann O'Rourke, Antonio Sementa, Marc Jacobus, Espen Lindqvist, Boye Brogeland
- 2010 1. Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson, Brian Platnick, John Diamond
- 2. Bob Hamman, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- 2011 1. Greg Hinze, Jacob Morgan, Dan Morse, Michael Polowan, Steve Shirey, David Yang
- 2. Roger Bates, Sojert Brink, Bas Drijver, Marc Jacobus, Lou Ann O'Rourke, Eddie Wold

**MACHLIN WOMENS SWISS TEAMS** formerly Women's Swiss Teams. This four-session NABC+ event has two qualifying and two final sessions with Victory Point scoring. Winners' names are inscribed on the Sadie Machlin Trophy.

- 1982 1. Dorothy Truscott, Stasha Cohen, Edith Kemp, Nancy Gruver, Mary Jane Farell, Randi Montin  
2. Jo Ann Manfield, Nadine Wood, Marilyn Eber, Bonnie Smith
- 1983 1. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Gail Moss, Jacqui Mitchell, Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders  
2. Diana Gordon, Brenda Keller, Mary Albert, Sandra Fraser, Linda Peterson, Kerri Shuman
- 1984 1. June Deutsch, Tobi Deutsch, Cheri Bjerkan, Margie Gwozdzinsky, Dorothy Truscott, Sue Halperin  
2. Karen McCallum, Ellee Lewis, Vivian Whalen, Kitty Bethe
- 1985 1. Sue Farino, Diana Gordon, June Deutsch, Tobi Deutsch, Rhoda Walsh  
2-3. Kathie Wei, Jacqui Mitchell, Judi Radin, Gail Greenberg, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
2-3. Jo Morse, Cindy Bernstein, Joyce Lilie, Evelyn Levitt, Sally Wheeler, Florine Kuehl
- 1986 1. Jan Martel, Rozanne Pollack, Lynne Pollenz, Lynne Feldman, Roberta Epstein, Sue Picus  
2. Sally Woolsey, Linda Peterson, Carol Pincus, Ann Jacobson, Nell Cahn, Kitty Poldosky
- 1987 1. Cheri Bjerkan, Juanita Chambers, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer  
2. Helen Utegaard, Helene Gingiss, Rhoda Walsh, Jill Meyers, Beverly Rosenberg
- 1988 1. Helen Utegaard, Rhoda Walsh, Carol Pincus, Beverly Rosenberg  
2-3. Judy Wadas, Sandra Fraser, Janice Seamon, Renee Mancuso  
2-3. Tobi Deutsch, Betsey Wolff, Nancy Alpaugh, Kay Schulle
- 1989 1. Kerri Shuman, Kitty Bethe, Margie Gwozdzinsky, Karen McCallum  
2. Jean Michell, Patti Hartley, Shirley Blum, Janet Robertson
- 1990 1. Kerri Shuman, Karen McCallum, Edith Rosenkranz, Sabine Zenkel, Daniela von Arnim  
2. Nell Cahn, Sharon Osberg, Sue Picus, Nancy Passell
- 1991 1-2. Jacqui Mitchell, Joyce Lilie, Amalya Kears, Jo Morse  
1-2. Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Pam Wittes, Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkan
- 1992 1. Gail Greenberg, Judy Tucker, Dorothy Truscott, Lisa Berkowitz, Sandra Landy, Michele Handley  
2. Renee Mancuso, Brenda Keller, Joan Jackson, Petra Hamman, Judi Cody, Ellasue Chaitt
- 1993 1. Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Kerri Shuman, Karen McCallum  
2. Jean Anderson, Janet Daling, Sharon Colson, Broma Lou Reed
- 1994 1. Juanita Chambers, Rhoda Kratenstein, Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen, Disa Eythorsdottir  
2. Karen McCallum, Kitty Munson, Carol Simon, Sue Picus
- 1995 1. Kathie Wei-Sender, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, Sue Sachs, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer  
2. Marinesa Letizia, Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Dorothy Truscott, Tobi Deutsch
- 1996 1. Kathie Wei-Sender, Sue Sachs, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Juanita Chambers  
2. Sally Woolsey, JoAnne Casen, Jan Martel, Georgiana Gates
- 1997 1. Pam Wittes, Shawn Quinn, Cheri Bjerkan, Sue Weinstein, Stasha Cohen, Judy Wadas  
2. Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss, Valerie Westheimer, Connie Goldberg
- 1998 1. Jo Morse, Karen McCallum, Rose Johnson-Meltzer, Disa Eythorsdottir, Lynn Baker  
2. Suzy Burger, Barbara Sion, Susan Miller, Joyce Lilie
- 1999 1. Robin Klar, Joan Jackson, Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed  
2. Randi Montin, Lynn Baker, Jill Meyers, Janice Seamon-Molson, Karen McCallum, Tobi Sokolow
- 2000 1. Linda Lewis, Karen Barrett, Disa Eythorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer, Judy Wadas  
2. Kathie Wei-Sender, Betty Ann Kennedy, Jill Levin, Juanita Chambers, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow
- 2001 1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Kerri Sanborn, Jill Meyers, Irina Levitina, Randi Montin  
2. Lynne Tarnopol, Laurie Vogel, Gail Greenberg, Amalya Kears, Jacqui Mitchell
- 2002 1. Kathie Wei-Sender, Jill Levin, Betty Ann Kennedy, Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson, Sue Picus  
2. Sally Wheeler, Georgiana Gates, Peggy Sutherlin, Karen Allison  
(Became Machlin Women's Swiss)
- 2003 1. Judi Radin, Valerie Westheimer, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn  
2. Carlyn Steiner, Marinesa Letizia, Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin
- 2004 1. Karen Allison, Peggy Sutherlin, Kathy Sulgrove, Jo Ann Sprung  
2. Valerie Westheimer, Judi Radin, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn, Cheri Bjerkan, Stasha Cohen

- 2005 1. Hansa Narasimhan, Irina Levitina, Jill Levin, Sue Picus, Debbie Rosenberg, JoAnna Stansby  
 2. Jo Ann Sprung, Renee Mancuso, Pam Wittes, Kathy Sulgrove, Peggy Sutherlin, Karen Allison
- 2006 1. Sylvia Moss, Judi Radin, Mildred Breed, Pamela Granovetter, Shawn Quinn, Migry Zur-Campanile  
 2. Linda Perlman, Linda McGarry, Kathy Sulgrove, Laurie Kranyak
- 2007 1. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Irina Levitina, Kerri Sanborn  
 2. Carole Miner, Cynthia Balderson, Peggy Kaplan, Melody Bi
- 2008 1. Joann Glasson, Cheri Bjerkan, Lisa Berkowitz, Sue Weinstein  
 2. Kerri Sanborn, Lynn Deas, Lynn Baker, Beth Palmer, Karen McCallum, Irina Levitina
- 2009 1. Janice Seamon-Molson, Phyllis Fireman, Shannon Cappelletti, Jill Levin, Tobi Sokolow, Jill Meyers  
 2. Wen Fei Wang, Yi Qian Lin, Ru Yan, Hong Li Wang, Min Sun, Yong Lin Dong
- 2010 1. Martine Verbeek, Shannon Cappelletti, Wietske Vanzwol, Migry Zur-Campanile, Phyllis Fireman, Shawn Quinn  
 2. Tatiana Ponomareva, Victoria Gromova, Stacy Jacobs, Disa Eythorsdottir, Catherine D'Ovidio, Daniele Gaviard
- 2011 1-2. Geeske Joel, Jill Levin, Jill Meyers, Debbie Rosenberg, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow  
 1-2. Sabine Auken, Benedicte Cronier, Joyce Hampton, Daniela von Arnim, Sylvie Willard, Jenny Wolpert

**LEVENTRITT SILVER RIBBON PAIRS.** This NABC+ event, consisting of two qualifying and two final sessions, is open only to players at least 55 years of age. Pre-qualification is required and may be earned by placing first or second in a regional or national-rated senior event. Winners' names are inscribed on the Leventritt Trophy.

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| 1992 1. James Leary, Irv Steinfeldt      | 2. Diane Shannon, Donald Rothschild       |
| 2. George Rosenkranz, Fred Hamilton      |   |
| 1993 1. Joan Remey Moore, Helen Shanbrom | 2003 1. Roger Lord, Alan Popkin           |
| 2. Corinne Kirkham, Jim Kirkham          | 2. John Russell, Bernace DeYoung          |
| 1994 1. Virgil Anderson, Jayne Thomas    | 2004 1. Joesph Godefrin, Ed Schulte       |
| 2. Betty Wilton, Herb Wilton             | 2. G Gard Hays, Jerry Premo               |
| 1995 1. Gene Freed, Peter Benjamin       | 2005 1. William Esberg, Marla Chaikin     |
| 2. Marge Cox, Lloyd Loux                 | 2. John Zilic, Thomas Peters              |
| 1996 1. Phil Karani, Martin Hoffman      | 2006 1. Lewis Finkel, Gaylor Kasle        |
| 2. Ed Lewis, Frank King                  | 2. Marla Chaikin, William Esberg          |
| 1997 1. John Russell, Chuck Said         | 2007 1. Alan Stout, Allan Siebert         |
| 2. Becky Rogers, Nell Cahn               | 2. Charles Nemes, Martin Morris           |
| 1998 1. Bill Sides, Eli Borok            | 2008 1. Sheldon Kirsch, Morrie Kleinplatz |
| 2. Dudley Brown, Richard Budd            | 2. Gaylor Kasle, Lewis Finkel             |
| 1999 1. Jim Kirkham, Corinne Kirkham     | 2009 1. Dan Suty, Jim Hilton              |
| 2. Gerald Caravelli, Godfrey Chang       | 2. Gaylor Kasle, Lewis Finkel             |
| 2000 1. Rhoda Walsh, Charles Coon        | 2010 1. Gloria Silverman Bart, Les Bart   |
| 2. Gerald Caravelli, Mark Low            | 2. Rob Crawford, Hadi Allahverdian        |
| 2001 1. Fred Hamilton, Steve Catlett     | 2011 1. Richard DeMartino, John Stiefel   |
| 2. Ethan Stein, Gerald Caravelli         | 2. Tom Kniest, Don Stack                  |
| 2002 1. Marilyn Hemenway, Mike Albert    |   |



**BEAN RED RIBBON PAIRS.** This NABC event, with two qualifying and two final sessions, is open only to pairs that qualify by winning or placing second in two-session regional-rated events. Both members of the pair must have fewer than 2000 masterpoints. The Percy X. Bean Trophy is inscribed with the winners' names. Previously contested at the Summer NABC, it was moved to the Spring NABC in 2003.

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| 1986 1. Wayne Perrin, Martin Newland      | 1999 1. Jennifer-Jo Hartsman, Andrew Rosenthal |
| 2. Hugh Ogle, Charlie Cargile             | 2. Andy Stark, Martin Hunter                   |
| 1987 1. Jim Gaarder, Jim Ritzenberg       | 2000 1. Nie Wei Ping, Christopher Leung        |
| 2. Charles Moser, Paul Bratton            | 2. Xiaodong Shi, David Yang                    |
| 1988 1. Leni Holtz, Guy Green             | 2001 1. Brandon Carpenter, LaToss Carpenter    |
| 2. Anthony Trafecanty, Michael Trafecanty | 2. Mike Nadler, Gur Baykal                     |
| 1989 1. Lu Kohutiak, Yvonne Hernandez     | 2002 1. Rich Atwater, Chris Pesce              |
| 2-3. Warren Haynie, Charlie Cargile       | 2. Bob Sievers, Georgia Heth                   |
| 2-3. Bill Goldberg, Bill McKenna          | 2003 1. Bin Dai, Chi-Yan Lai                   |
| 1990 1. Philip Gordon, Mike Grodsky       | 2. Edward Leach, Bruce Schwaidelson            |
| 2. Rajendra Agarwal, Don Chillrud         | 2004 1. Martin Harris, Jacob Morgan            |
| 1991 1. Dan Marthaler, Robert Johnstone   | 2. Mark Brighthouse, Harvinder Sidhu           |
| 2. Steven Gaynor, Art Ardy Bakshian       | 2005 1. Yeong-Long Shiue, David Margolin       |
| 1992 1. Duncan McCallum, Peter Peng       | 2. Jim Lyle, Robert Todd                       |
| 2. Andy Goodman, Steve Zolotow            | 2006 1. Chris Buchanon, B.J. Trelford          |
| 1993 1. Ron Weinstock, John Gillette      | 2. Everett Boyer, Mansoor Gowani               |
| 2. Hank Meyer, Marty Graf                 | 2007 1. Jack Hawthore, Paul Spier              |
| 1994 1. T.C. Petty, Steve Altus           | 2. Jim Kehoe, Chuck Michalski                  |
| 2. Grant Robinson, Joe Waldon             | 2008 1. Mike Devlin, Li-Chung Chen             |
| 1995 1. Marc Umeno, Hank Youngerman       | 2. Sidney Kanter, Ron Nelken                   |
| 2. Bernie Greenspan, Keith Sechler        | 2009 1. Daniel Jackson, Bill Gervais           |
| 1996 1. Vinjay Sarin, Ringo Chung         | 2. Steven Towner, Mitch Towner                 |
| 2. Burton Lipsky, Arnold Goldstein        | 2010 1. Bob Levey, Jim Ritzenberg              |
| 1997 1. Diane Miller, Tony Miller         | 2. George Dragich, Rosemary Dragich            |
| 2. Mark Bumgardner, Nagy Kamel            | 2011 1. David Amsterdam, Brad Barry            |
| 1998 1. Paul Spear, Jim Johnson           | 2. Neil Cohen, Eric Goff                       |
| 2. Mike Nadler, David Halasi              |  |

## North American Bridge Championships

### Summer

**CHALLENGE KNOCKOUT TEAMS.** This event was contested for the Asbury Park Trophy from 1930 until 1937. Scored by total points, this event was unique in that the runner-up team could challenge the winners to a playoff. A challenge was issued in 1930 by the runners-up; however, the outcome remained the same. With the creation of the ACBL, this event was removed from the summer schedule at Asbury Park in 1938 and replaced with the Spingold.

#### Asbury Park Trophy

- 1930 1. Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson, Theodore A. Lightner, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Michael T. Gottlieb, Willard S. Karn, Lee Langdon, P. Hal Sims, Oswald Jacoby
- 1931 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims  
2. S. Garton Churchill, Travers J. LeGros, Dorothy Roberts, A. Phillip Stockvis
- 1932 1. Michael T. Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore A. Lightner, Louis H. Watson  
2. B. Jay Becker, Herbert D. Lent, George Reith, Anne Rosenfield
- 1933 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Richard L. Frey, Howard Schenken  
2. Sam Fry, Jr., Edward Hymes, Jr., Louis H. Watson, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1934 1. Aaron Frank, Jeff Glick, William Hopkins, Charles H. Porter  
2. Josephine Culbertson, Theodore A. Lightner, Alphonse Moyse, Jr., Sherman Stearns
- 1935 1. Sam Fry, Jr., Edward Hymes, Jr., Theodore A. Lightner, Merwyn D. Maier, Louis H. Watson  
2. A. Mitchell Barnes, H. Huber Boscowitz, Charles S. Lochridge, Johnny Rau
- 1936 1. Lewis A. Bernard, Sr., Louis J. Haddad, Alvin Landy, Matthew S. Reilly, Philip Steiner  
2. E. Melvin Goddard, Sidney Silodor, Dr. Henry J. Vogel, Sir Derrick J. Wernher
- 1937 1. David Burnstine, Charles H. Goren, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn D. Maier, Howard Schenken  
2. Phil Abramsohn, A. Mitchell Barnes, Henry Chanin, Morrie Elis, Fred D. Kaplan

**SPINGOLD MASTER KNOCKOUT TEAMS.** Originally known as the Masters Teams-of-Four, this NABC+ event was first contested in September of 1934 as a separate event held in conjunction with the Masters Individual. Although not contested in 1935, it was again contested with the Masters Individual in 1936 and 1937. In 1938 the event became known as the Spingold Master Knockout Teams and was included in the summer schedule. At one time the Spingold was a double elimination event scored by total points, usually lasting nine or ten sessions, restricted to players of Senior Master rank (100+ masterpoints) and higher. Beginning in 1958, all matches were scored by IMPs (International Matchpoints). In 1965, the double elimination method was replaced by three qualifying sessions (subsequently reduced to two), followed by single elimination knockout matches. The preliminary qualifying sessions were dropped in 1970.

#### **MASTERS TEAMS-of-FOUR**

- 1934 1. David Burnstine, Richard L. Frey, Michael T. Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken  
 2. Aaron Frank, Jeff Glick, Louis J. Haddad, Charles A. Hall  
 1936 1. B. Jay Becker, David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken  
 2. Sam Fry, Jr., Edward Hymes, Jr., Merwyn D. Maier, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 1937 1. Sam Fry, Jr., Edward Hymes, Jr., Theodore A. Lightner, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 2. Phil Abramssohn, Lewis A. Bernard, Sr., Morrie Elis, Harry Fishbein, Herbert Goldberg

#### **SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS**

- 1938 1. B. Jay Becker, David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn D. Maier, Howard Schenken  
 2. A. Mitchell Barnes, Morrie Elis, Fred D. Kaplan, Charles S. Lochridge  
 1939 1. Oswald Jacoby, Theodore A. Lightner, Merwyn D. Maier, Robert A. McPherran, Howard Schenken  
 2. John R. Crawford, Myron Fuchs, Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon, Sally Young  
 1940 1. Oscar J. Brotman, Bertram Lebhar, Jr., Samuel Katz, Alvin Roth  
 2. Sam Fry, Jr., Myron Fuchs, Edward Hymes, Jr., Charles S. Lochridge, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 1941 1. A. Mitchell Barnes, Sam Fry, Jr., Edward Hymes, Jr., Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 2. B. Jay Becker, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore A. Lightner, Merwyn D. Maier, Howard Schenken  
 1942 1. Sigmund Dornbusch, Richard L. Frey, Lee Hazen, Samuel M. Stayman  
 2. Jay T. Feigus, Charles Harvey, Samuel Katz, Edward N. Marcus  
 1943 1. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Edward Hymes, Jr., Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor  
 2. B. Jay Becker, Harry Fishbein, George Rapée, Alvin Roth, Helen Sobel  
 1944 1. B. Jay Becker, George Rapée, Helen Sobel, Samuel M. Stayman  
 2. Simon Becker, Edward G. Ellenbogen, Stanley Frenkel, Peggy Golder  
 1945 1. Sam Fry, Jr., Edward Hymes, Jr., Oswald Jacoby, Theodore A. Lightner, Howard Schenken  
 2. Harry Fishbein, Lee Hazen, Alvin Roth, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 1946 1. William Christian, Mark Hodges, Sol Mogal, Margaret Wagar  
 2. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Elmer I. Schwartz  
 1947 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Lee Hazen, Helen Sobel, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 2. John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor, Samuel M. Stayman  
 1948 1. John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman, Margaret Wagar  
 2. Julius Bank, Arthur Glatt, Robert W. Halpin, Oswald Jacoby, Ralph Kempner  
 1949 1. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Bruce Gowdy, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal  
 2. Henry Chanin, David Clarren, Oswald Jacoby, Jack Krause, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 1950 1. John R. Crawford, Oswald Jacoby, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman  
 2. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 1951 1. Myron Field, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel  
 2. Ambrose Casner, Charles A. Hall, Allen P. Harvey, Frank Weisbach  
 1952 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman  
 2. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal, Edwin J. Smith, Jr.  
 1953 1. Cliff Bishop, Milton Q. Ellenby, Donald A. Oakie, William Rosen, Douglas Steen  
 2-5. Edward Burns, David Clarren, Bertram Lebhar, Jr., Sam Katz, Albert Weiss  
 2-5. F. Ayers Bombeck, David C. Carter, John W. Hubbell, Arthur Kincaid, Bobby Nail  
 2-5. Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
 2-5. Ivan Erdos, Dr. Edward Fischauer, Lewis L. Mathe, Meyer Schleifer

- 1954 1. Cliff Bishop, Milton Q. Ellenby, Lewis L. Mathe, John H. Moran, William Rosen  
 2-4. F. Ayers Bombeck, David C. Carter, John Gerber, John W. Hubbell, Harold Rockaway  
 2-4. Edward Burns, Ambrose Casner, Allen P. Harvey, Cliff Russell  
 2-4. Sidney H. Lazard, Cyrus Newman, Lewis Rosen, Julius L. Rosenblum, Robert Rothlein
- 1955 1. Myron Field, Lee Hazen, Richard Kahn, Charles J. Solomon, Samuel M. Stayman  
 2. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor
- 1956 1-3. Charles H. Goren, Peter A. Leventritt, Boris Koytchou, Harold Ogust, William Seamon, Helen Sobel  
 1-3. Harold Harkavy, Victor Mitchell, Alvin Roth, Ira Rubin, Tobias Stone  
 1-3. Robert Abeles, Dr. Kalman Apfel, Francis P. Begley, Louis Kelner, Ronald Rosenberg
- 1957 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone  
 2. Milton Q. Ellenby, Ivan Erdos, Emanuel Hochfeld, Jim Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Ira S. Rubin
- 1958 1. Paul Allinger, William Hanna, Sidney H. Lazard, Cyrus Neuman, Robert Rothlein  
 2. Harry Fishbein, Sam Fry, Jr., Leonard B. Harmon, Lee Hazen, Ivar Stakgold
- 1959 1. William Grieve, Oswald Jacoby, Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin, Morton Rubinow, Samuel M. Stayman  
 2. Richard Freeman, Andy Gabrilovitch, Frank Hoadley, Mike Michaels, Jan Stone, Richard Walsh
- 1960 1. Charles H. Goren, Peter A. Leventritt, Boris Koytchou, Harold Ogust, Howard Schenken, Helen Sobel  
 2. B. Jay Becker, William Grieve, Ralph Hirschberg, Norman Kay, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor
- 1961 1. Andy Gabrilovitch, Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, Bill Root  
 2. John R. Crawford, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone
- 1962 1. Leonard B. Harmon, Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, Ivar Stakgold  
 2. David C. Carter, John W. Hubbell, Jim Jacoby, Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail
- 1963 1. Russ Arnold, Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth, Cliff Russell, William Seamon  
 2. Sami R. Kehela, Richard Kahn, Bill Root, Thomas K. Sanders, Tobias Stone, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1964 1. C. Bruce Elliott, Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray, Percy E. Sheardown  
 2. Marvin Altman, Bruce Gowdy, Fred Hoffer, Ray Jotcham
- 1965 1. C. Bruce Elliott, Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray, Percy E. Sheardown  
 2. B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden, Norman Kay, Edgar Kaplan
- 1966 1. Bill Root, Alvin Roth, Ira Rubin, Curtis K. Smith  
 2. William Grieve, Sidney H. Lazard, Paul Levitt, Harold Ogust, George Rapée
- 1967 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Bill Root, Alvin Roth  
 2. John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Dan Morse, George Rosenkranz, Bobby Wolff
- 1968 1. Sami R. Kehela, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Sidney H. Lazard, Eric R. Murray, George Rapée  
 2. Steve Altman, B. Jay Becker, Mike Becker, Dorothy Hayden
- 1969 1. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Mike Lawrence, Jim Jacoby, Bobby Wolff  
 2. Phil Feldesman, William Grieve, Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin, Samuel M. Stayman, Jeff Westheimer
- 1970 1. Steve Altman, Thomas M. Smith, David Strasberg, Joel Stuart, Peter Weichsel  
 2. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff
- 1971 1. Steve Altman, Eugene Neiger, Thomas M. Smith, Joel Stuart, Peter Weichsel  
 2. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Donald P. Krauss, Lewis L. Mathe
- 1972 1. B. Jay Becker, Mike Becker, Andy Bernstein, Jeff Rubens  
 2. Pat Brennan, Byron Greenberg, Edith Kemp, Cliff Russell, Curtis K. Smith, Albert Weiss
- 1973 1. Larry T. Cohen, Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Dr. Richard H. Katz, Bud Reinhold  
 2. Minda Brachman, Sidney H. Lazard, Jim Jacoby, Paul Soloway, John Swanson
- 1974 1. Lou Bluhm, Larry Gould, Steve Goldberg, Richard Shepherd  
 2. Harlow S. Lewis, Lewis L. Mathe, Peter A. Pender, Bill Root, Harry Stappenbeck, Art Waldmann
- 1975 1. Grant Baze, John Fejervary, Lew Stansby, Piyush Vakil, Ron Von der Porten  
 2. Ira Cohen, Harold Guiver, Marty Shallon, Bill Sides
- 1976 1. Roger Bates, Larry T. Cohen, Dr. Richard H. Katz, John Mohan, George Rosenkranz  
 2. David Berkowitz, Mark E. Blumenthal, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, George Rapée, John Solodar
- 1977 1. Lou Bluhm, Dan Morse, Cliff Russell, Curtis K. Smith, Thomas K. Sanders, Eddie Wold  
 2. Kenneth L. Cohen, Larry Gould, Larry Kozlove, John Sheridan
- 1978 1. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway  
 2. Steve Altman, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Richard Pavliceck, Bill Root, Thomas M. Smith

- 1979 1. Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman, Ira Rubin, Bobby Wolff  
2. Ed Manfield, Steve Robinson, Eric Rodwell, John Sheridan, Kit Woolsey
- 1980 1. Mike Becker, Kyle Larsen, Ron Rubin, Alan Sontag, Ron Von der Porten, Peter Weichsel  
2. Rich Freisner, Brian Glubok, Mike Lawrence, George Rapée, Michael Rosenberg, John Solodar
- 1981 1. Larry N. Cohen, Ron Gerard, Ralph Katz, Warren Rosner, Allan Stauber, John Sutherlin  
2. Bart Bramley, Rich Freisner, Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey
- 1982 1. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel  
2. Mark Molson, Billy Cohen, Eric Kokish, Peter Nagy
- 1983 1. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Wolff, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Ron Andersen  
2. Luella Slaner, Marty Bergen, Brian Glubok, Larry N. Cohen, Mark Cohen, Jerry Goldfein
- 1984 1. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Alan Sontag, Allan Cokin, Jim Sternberg, Bernie Chazen, Steve Sion
- 1985 1. Tom Mahaffey, Jack Denny, Bill Passell, Russ Arnold, Ira Rubin, Chuck Burger  
2. Ron Rubin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Mike Lawrence, Peter Weichsel
- 1986 1. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Ron Andersen, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Paul Soloway  
2. Brian Glubok, Billy Cohen, John Schermer, Neil Chambers
- 1987 1. Brian Glubok, Dan Rotman, Harry Stappenbeck, Jaggy Shivdasani  
2. Tom Mahaffey, Jack Denny, Russ Arnold, Bernie Chazen, Roy Fox, Michael Seamon
- 1988 1. Jim Mahaffey, Ron Andersen, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth  
2. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker, Peter Weichsel, Bart Bramley, Bobby Levin, Lou Bluhm
- 1989 1. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Mike Passell, Mark Lair  
2. Jon Wittes, Ross Gabel, Mark Cohen, Mark Feldman
- 1990 1. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff  
2. Jim Mahaffey, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Ron Andersen, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
- 1991 1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Seymon Deutsch, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Cliff Russell, Peter Weichsel, Bobby Levin, Sam Lev, Alan Sontag, Eddie Kantar
- 1992 1. Ron Rubin, Russ Ekeblad, Mike Becker, Ron Sukoneck, Bobby Levin, Peter Weichsel  
2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Lew Stansby, Kit Woolsey, Neil Silverman, Chip Martel
- 1993 1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman  
2. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Seymon Deutsch, Hemant Lall, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
- 1994 1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman
- 1995 1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
- 1996 1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Richard Schwartz, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Steve Robinson, Alan Sontag, Ron Smith
- 1997 1. Grant Baze, Tipton Golias, Adam Zmudzinski, Cezary Balicki, Marek Szymanowski, Marcin Lesniewski  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mike Passell, Michael Seamon, Mark Feldman, Alan Sontag
- 1998 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Paul Soloway, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Grant Baze, Michael Whitman, Adam Zmudzinski, Cezary Balicki, Marek Szymanowski, Marcin Lesniewski
- 1999 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Steve Beatty, John Onstott, Billy Eisenberg, Garey Hayden
- 2000 1. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Kyle Larsen, Lew Stansby, Alan Sontag, Chip Martel  
2. Roy Welland, Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, Marc Jacobus, Peter Fredin, Magnus Lindkvist
- 2001 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Giorgio Duboin, Norberto Bocchi, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria  
2. Michael Moss, Fred Chang, Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett
- 2002 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Giorgio Duboin, Norberto Bocchi, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria  
2. Michael Moss, Martin Shifko, Allen Graves, Bryan Maksymetz
- 2003 1. Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
- 2004 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Paul Soloway, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Mark Feldman, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith, Gavin Wolpert, Warren Spector, Vincent Demuy

- 2005 1. Russ Ekeblad, Ron Rubin, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson, Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss  
2. Tom Carmichael, Michael White, Joel Wooldridge, John Hurd, Bryan Maksymetz, Dan Gerstman
- 2006 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Michael Seamon, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria
- 2007 1. Bob Hamman, Hemant Lall, Nick Nickell, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Aleksander Dubinin, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
- 2008 1. Aleksander Dubinin, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. Roy Welland, Brian Glubok, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith, Howard Weinstein, Steve Garner
- 2009 1. Russ Ekeblad, Matt Granovetter, Jan Jansma, Ron Rubin, Ricco Van Prooijen, Louk Verhees  
2. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen, Tor Helness, Kyle Larsen, Rose Meltzer, Alan Sontag
- 2010 1. Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, John Diamond, Brian Platnick, Geoff Hampson, Eric Greco  
2. David Berkowitz, Alan Sontag, Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larsen, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes
- 2011 1. Fulvio Fantoni, Geir Helgemo, Tor Helness, Claudio Nunes, Pierre Zimmermann  
2. Bob Hamman, Ralph Katz, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Nick Nickell, Eric Rodwell

**WAGAR WOMEN'S KNOCKOUT TEAMS.** The NABC+ event formerly contested for the Coffin Trophy and currently contested for the Wagar Trophy is, despite format and name changes, the longest-running women's team event on the ACBL calendar. It was a four-session board-a-match event until 1976, when scoring was changed to a knockout scored by IMPs. Previously on the Fall NABC schedule, it was moved to the Summer NABC in 1986.

- 1933 1. Mrs. Greene Fenley, Jr., Mrs. Richard Field, Mrs. John W. Friedlander, Jane Wallace  
2. Mollie Funk, Ethel Gardner, Marguerite Hoffmeier, Helen White
- 1934 1. Gail Hamilton, Marguerite Hoffmeier, Helen Pendelton Rockwell, Anne Rosenfeld  
2. Elizabeth Banfield, Phyllis Gardner, Eva Gross, Dorothy Roberts
- 1935 1. Doris Fuller, Angela Quigley, Florence Stratford, Helen White  
2. Gail Hamilton, Marguerite Hoffmeier, Helen Pendelton Rockwell, Anne Rosenfeld
- 1936 1. Doris Fuller, Angela Quigley, Florence Stratford, Helen White  
2. Marge Anderson, Mrs. J. A. Faulkner, Marjorie Haldeman, Mrs. G. Keedick
- 1937 1. Martha Lemon, Mrs. A. Philip Stockvis, Mrs. Martin West, Sally Young  
2. Doris Fuller, Angela Quigley, Helen Sobel, Florence Stratford
- 1938 1. Mrs. Galloway Morris, Lillian Peck, Olive Peterson, Millicent Tansill  
2. Mariquita Fullerton, Mollie Funk, Anne Rosenfeld, Lucille Schwarz
- 1939 1. Mabel Ervin, Doris Fuller, Helen Mitchell, Helen Sobel, Sally Young  
2. Sylvia DeYoung, Margaret Katzen, Catherine W. Samberg, Florence Stratford
- 1940 1. Helen Levy, Adelaide Neuwirth, Margaret Wagar, Lottie Zetosch  
2. Ruth Horn, Olga Hilliard, Marguerite McKenney, Gussie Planco
- 1941 1. Inez Buchanan, Mae Dickens, Mabel Scott, Linda Terry  
2. Doris Fuller, Mrs. Joseph M. Rothschild, Helen Sobel, Sally Young
- 1942 1. Peggy Golder, Olga Hilliard, Olive Peterson, Ruth Sherman  
2. Emily Folline, Doris Fuller, Ethel Gardner, Helen Sobel
- 1943 1. Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young  
2. Eleanor Hirsch, Evelyn Lebhar, Marguerite McKenney, Florence Stratford
- 1944 1. Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young  
2. Mrs. M. Godfrey, Mrs. C. W. Neeld, Dorothy Sullivan, Anne H. Todd
- 1945 1. Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young  
2. Josephine Gutman, Gratian Goldstein, Marjorie Perlmutter, Gretchen Schildmiller
- 1946 1. Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young  
2. Paula Bacher, Marie Basher, Jane Jaeger, Pauline Shmukler
- 1947 1-2. Marge Anderson, Ruby Lyons, Mimi Roncarelli, Jane Wallace  
1-2. Cass Illig, Frances Robinson, Alma Stewart, Carolyn Sondheim
- 1948 1. Ruth Gordon, Gratian Goldstein, Josephine Gutman, Charlotte Sidway  
2. Ruth Gilbert, Olive Peterson, Edith Seligman, Ruth Sherman, Peggy Solomon
- 1949 1-2. Hortense Evans, Frances Robinson, Mrs. Henry Sabatt, Carolyn Sondheim  
1-2. Marianne Boschan, Catherine Cotter, Gertrude Ebersson, Katherine McNutt
- 1950 1. Marge Anderson, Mary Bowden, Ruth Gordon, G. Eloise Neil  
2-5. Olive Peterson, Ruth Sherman, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
2-5. Shirley Fairchild, Mrs. Ezra Feldman, Rose Groves, Luise Mathews, Claire Meyer  
2-5. Margaret Byrd, Isabelle Garn, Virginia Ploehn, Billy Traveletti  
2-5. Inez Buchanan, Zodie Glover, Sally Herman, Mabel Scott
- 1951 1. Paula Bacher, Anne Burnstein, Dolly Rosenfeld, Edith Seligman, Sally Young  
2. Thelma Hathorn, Mollie Steiner, Agatha Tiernan, Clara Tiernan, Mary Elizabeth Tiernan
- 1952 1. Jackie Begin, Sally Herman, Jessie S. Moore, Norma Matz  
2-3. Peggy Adams, Helen Baker, Marguerite Harris, Ethel Keohane  
2-3. Kay Rhodes, Ruth Sherman, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar
- 1953 1. Gretchen Feldstein, Vera Glick, Gratian Goldstein, Lucille Schwarz  
2-3. Mary Jane Kauder, Kay Rhodes, Ruth Sherman, Margaret Wagar  
2-3. Elaine Lee, Olive Peterson, Roberta Sheronas, Peggy Solomon
- 1954 1. Wynne Ecker, Doris Fuller, Marguerite Harris, Norma Matz

- 2-5. Marguerite Bouldin, Lillian Hassler, Ann Jervis, Dorothy Payne  
 2-5. Marie Cohn, Olive Peterson, Pauline Shmukler, Peggy Solomon  
 2-5. Kay Rhodes, Ruth Sherman, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
 2-5. Margaret Alcorn, Louise Eisenman, Emily Folline, Sue Reith
- 1955 1. Peggy Adams, Carolyn Brall, Louise Eisenman, Shirley Johnson, Juanita Strich  
 2-4. Kay Rhodes, Ruth Sherman, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
 2-4. Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp, Paula Levin, Ruth Steinberg, Sally Young  
 2-4. Ruth Gordon, Josephine Gutman, Evelyn Engleman, Margaret Katzen, G. Eloise Neil
- 1956 1. Peggy Rotzell, Jan Stone, Charlotte Sidway, Mary Elizabeth Tiernan  
 2. Kay Rhodes, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young
- 1957 1. Marie Cohn, Mary Jane Kauder, Stella Rebner, Peggy Solomon  
 2. Agnes Gordon, Kay Rhodes, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar
- 1958 1. Carolyn Brall, Bee Gale, Sallie Johnson, Peggy Rotzell  
 2. Kay Rhodes, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young
- 1959 1. Margaret Alcorn, Lee Kastle, Josephine Sharp, Adelaide Simon, Garner McDaniel  
 2. Kay Dunn, Jane Herb, Malvine Klausner, Helen Portugal, Rose Reif
- 1960 1. Roberta Erde, Sallie Johnson, Barbara Kachmar, Bee Schenken  
 2. Joan Remey, Helen Shanbrom, Sylvia Stein, Marge Stone
- 1961 1. Roberta Erde, Sallie Johnson, Barbara Kachmar, Bee Schenken  
 2. Mary Jane Farell, Terry Michaels, Peggy Solomon, Jan Stone
- 1962 1. Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp, Alicia Kempner, Stella Rebner, Teddy Warner  
 2. Muriel Kaplan, Terry Michaels, Garner McDaniel, Jan Stone
- 1963 1. Pat Adler, Terry Michaels, Garner McDaniel, Carol Sanders, Sylvia Stein  
 2. Dorothy Hayden, Barbara Kachmar, Agnes Gordon, Helen Portugal, Margaret Wagar
- 1964 1. Hermine Baron, Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon, Bee Schenken  
 2. Agnes Gordon, Dorothy Hayden, Helen Portugal, Margaret Wagar
- 1965 1. Virginia Heckel, Betty Kaplan, Edith Kemp, Jacqui Mitchell  
 2. Debbie Polak, Joan Remey, Carol Ruther, Sylvia Stein
- 1966 1-2. Freida Arst, June Deutsch, Sylvia Stein, Carol Stolkin  
 1-2. Nancy Gruver, Garner McDaniel, Terry Michaels, Sue Sachs
- 1967 1. Dorothy Hayden, Emma Jean Hawes, Agnes Gordon, Margaret Wagar  
 2-3. Hermine Baron, Mary Jane Farell, Bee Schenken, Peggy Solomon  
 2-3. Dolores Bick, Jude Ballard, Ruth Needham, Viola Kirkwood
- 1968 1. Hermine Baron, Mary Jane Farell, Sallie Johnson, Bee Schenken, Peggy Solomon, Rhoda Walsh  
 2. Jane Frankel, Teddy O'Brien, Mary Beth Townsend, Esta Van Zandt
- 1969 1. Karen Allison, Virginia Heckel, Edith Kemp, Alicia Kempner, Helen Portugal, Jan Stone  
 2. Nancy Gruver, Barbara Rappaport, Sue Sachs, Barbara Tepper
- 1970 1. Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Peggy Solomon  
 2. Dorothy Cowger, Diane Hawes, Florence Van Winkle, Freda Van Cleve
- 1971 1. Judi Friedenber, Gail Moss, Marietta Passell, Helen Utegaard, Kathie Wei  
 2. Roberta Epstein, Gratian Goldstein, Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport, Sylvia Stein
- 1972 1. Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden, Sue Picus  
 2. Frieda Arst, June Deutsch, Eunice Rosen, Carol Stolkin
- 1973 1. Nancy Gruver, Terry Michaels, Jo Morse, Helen Utegaard  
 2-4. Nancy Alpaugh, Fran Beard, Heitie Noland, Betsey Wolff, Esta Van Zandt  
 2-4. Mary Jane Farell, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Marietta Passell, Kathie Wei  
 2-4. Jean Christopher, Muriel Peterson, Beverly Rosenberg, Elaine Sternberg
- 1974 1. Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
 2. Hermine Baron, Carol Greenhut, Trudi Nugit, Kerri Shuman
- 1975 1. Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
 2. Anita Davis, Mildred Freedman, Robin Grantham, Carol Klar
- 1976 1. Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Hayden Truscott



2. Evelyn Levitt, Lila Perlstein, Helen Smith, Vivian Whalen
- 1977 1. Betty Adler, Jo Morse, Judi Radin, Sue Sachs  
2. Ida Bennett, Mary Lou Cushner, Carole Felczer, Ethel Keohane
- 1978 1. Nancy Alpaugh, Nancy Gruver, Betty Ann Kennedy, Evelyn Levitt, Carol Sanders, Kerri Shuman  
2. Cheri Bjerkman, Sue Halperin, Beverly Nelson, Florine Walters
- 1979 1. Betty Adler, Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp, Terry Michaels, Jo Morse, Sue Sachs  
2. Cheri Bjerkman, June Deutsch, Sue Halperin, Sandy Levitt, Beverly Nelson, Florine Walters
- 1980 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp, Betty Ann Kennedy, Judi Radin, Carol Sanders, Kathie Wei  
2. Betty Adler, Pat Lapides, Pat Leary, Terry Michaels, Jo Morse, Jan Stansby
- 1981 1. June Deutsch, Pat Lapides, Sandi Leavitt, Evelyn Levitt, Jo Morse, Helen Utegaard  
2. Karen Allison, Cheri Bjerkman, Lynn Deas, Diana Gordon, Sue Halperin, Sharyn Kokish
- 1982 1. Stasha Cohen, Mary Jane Farrell, Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp, Randi Montin, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Judi Radin, Carol Sanders, Kathie Wei
- 1983 1. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
2. Brenda Keller, Linda Peterson, Nancy Passell, Patsy Arndt, Nell Cahn
- 1984 1. Edith Kemp Freilich, Nancy Gruver, Mary Jane Farrell, Helen Utegaard, Beverly Rosenberg, Carol Pincus  
2. Terry Michaels, Garner McDaniel, Mary Williams, Sally Wheeler, Cindy Bernstein
- 1985 1. Rama Linz, Beth Palmer, Kay Schulle, Barbara Hamman, Juanita Skelton  
2. Roberta Epstein, Jan Martel, Lisa Berkowitz, Rozanne Pollack, Lynne Feldman, Sue Picus
- 1986 1. Jo Morse, Evelyn Levitt, Sharon Osberg, Peggy Sutherland, Cindy Bernstein, Sally Wheeler  
2. Rama Linz, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Juanita Chambers, Kerri Shuman, Cheri Bjerkman
- 1987 1. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
2. Mary Jane Farrell, Roberta Epstein, Jan Martel, Dorothy Truscott, Carol Simon, Karen McCallum
- 1988 1. Beverly Rosenberg, Helen Utegaard, Sue Weinstein, Janice Seamon, Carol Pincus, Pat Schor  
2. Terry Michaels, Cindy Bernstein, Linda Perlman, Sue Sachs, Sally Wheeler, Jo Morse
- 1989 1. Juanita Chambers, Kay Schulle, Cheri Bjerkman, Randi Montin, Pam Wittes, Jill Meyers  
2. Jo Morse, Joyce Lilie, Cindy Bernstein, Georgiana Gates, Janice Seamon, Linda Perlman
- 1990 1. Mary Jane Farrell, Roberta Epstein, Dorothy Truscott, Gail Greenberg, Lisa Berkowitz, Rozanne Pollack  
2. Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkman, Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Pam Wittes, Randi Montin
- 1991 1. Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn, Sue Picus, Stasha Cohen, Susan Green, Sharon Osberg  
2. Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears, Joyce Lilie, Jo Morse, Pamela Granovetter, Nancy Alpaugh
- 1992 1. Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkman, Marinesa Letizia, Janice Seamon  
2. Kathie Wei, Helen Utegaard, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
- 1993 1. Gail Greenberg, Dorothy Truscott, Judy Tucker, Stasha Cohen, Irina Levitina, Rozanne Pollack  
2. Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Cheri Bjerkman, Janice Seamon
- 1994 1. Sally Woolsey, Georgiana Gates, Jo Anne Casen, Jan Martel, Joann Glasson, Jo Ann Manfield  
2. Kathie Wei-Sender, Carol Sanders, Lisa Berkowitz, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas
- 1995 1. Juanita Chambers, Lila Perlstein, Gail Greenberg, Jill Levin, Irina Levitina, Shawn Womack  
2. Sun Ming, Gu Ling, Zhang Yalan, Liu Yiqian
- 1996 1. Pam Wittes, Cheri Bjerkman, Sue Weinstein, Stasha Cohen, Shawn Quinn, Judy Wadas  
2. Edith Freilich, June Deutsch, Rita Seamon, Janice Seamon, Susan Wexler, Margie Gwozdzinsky
- 1997 1. Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Mildred Breed, Tobi Sokolow, Renee Mancuso, Shawn Quinn  
2. Kathie Wei-Sender, Juanita Chambers, Stasha Cohen, Pam Wittes, Irina Levitina, Jill Levin
- 1998 1. Kitty Munson, Carol Simon, Margie Gwozdzinsky, Susan Wexler, Linda Lewis, Karen Barrett  
2. Kathie Wei-Sender, Juanita Chambers, Stasha Cohen, Pam Wittes, Irina Levitina, Jill Levin
- 1999 1. Carol Sanders, Lynn Deas, Connie Goldberg, Rozanne Pollack, Lisa Berkowitz, Beth Palmer  
2. Sharon Jabbour, Jan Assini, Susan Miller, Candace Fowler, Mary Oshlag, Laurie Kranyak
- 2000 1. Kathie Wei-Sender, Juanita Chambers, Jill Levin, Betty Ann Kennedy, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow  
2. Joan Jackson, Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherland, Robin Klar, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn
- 2001 1. Kathie Wei-Sender, Juanita Chambers, Jill Levin, Betty Ann Kennedy, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow  
2. Diana Gordon, Katie Thorp, Sharyn Reus, Francine Cimon, Martine Lacroix, Ina Demme
- 2002 1. Cheri Bjerkman, Lynn Deas, Stasha Cohen, Pam Wittes, Beth Palmer, Renee Mancuso

2. Kathie Wei-Sender, Betty Ann Kennedy, Jill Levin, Sue Picus, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow
- 2003 1. Karen McCallum, Beth Palmer, Kerri Sanborn, Lynn Deas, Lynn Baker, Debbie Rosenberg
2. Carlyn Steiner, Marinesa Letizia, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin
- 2004 1. Kathy Sulgrove, Pam Wittes, Renee Mancuso, Jo Ann Sprung, Peggy Sutherlin, Karen Allison
2. Hansa Narasimhan, Irina Levitina, Jill Levin, Sue Picus, Debbie Rosenberg, JoAnna Stansby
- 2005 1. Lynn Deas, Lynn Baker, Beth Palmer, Kerri Sanborn, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken
2. Candace Griffey, Joan Eaton, Kathy Baum, Peg Waller, Val Covalciuc, Betty Ann Kennedy
- 2006 1. Migry Zur-Campanile, Mildred Breed, Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss, Pamela Granovetter, Shawn Quinn
2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Peggy Sutherlin, Val Covalciuc, Becky Rogers, Linda Lewis, Pam Wittes
- 2007 1. Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken, Mildred Breed, Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson, Phyllis Fireman
2. Hansa Narasimhan, Irina Levitina, Jill Meyers, Jill Levin, Debbie Rosenberg, JoAnna Stansby
- 2008 1. Lynn Deas, Lynn Baker, Beth Palmer, Kerri Sanborn, Karen McCallum, Irina Levitina
2. Valerie Westheimer, Disa Eythorsdottir, Marion Michielsen, Meike Wortel
- 2009 1. Lisa Berkowitz, Cindy Bernstein, Val Covalciuc, Joann Glasson, Betty Ann Kennedy, Linda Lewis
2. Cheri Bjerkman, Renee Mancuso, Rozanne Pollack, Shawn Quinn, Peggy Sutherlin, Pam Wittes
- 2010 1. Karen McCallum, Lynn Baker, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Irina Levitina, Kerri Sanborn
2. Valerie Westheimer, Disa Eythorsdottir, Mildred Breed, Marinesa Letizia, Betty Ann Kennedy
- 2011 1. Sabine Auken, Benedicte Cronier, Joyce Hampton, Daniela von Arnim, Sylvie Willard, Jenny Wolpert
2. Mildred Breed, Disa Eythorsdottir, Shawn Quinn, Valerie Westheimer

**GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT.** This NABC+ event is a division of the Grand National Teams created in 2001 for players with 5000+ masterpoints. The names of all winners are engraved on the Morehead Trophy.

- 2001 1. Jill Meyers, Ed Davis, Iftikhar Baqai, Mitch Dunitz  
2. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Kyle Larsen
- 2002 1. Eric Rodwell, Russ Ekeblad, Sheila Ekeblad, Michael Seamon, Jeff Meckstroth, Mark Molson  
2. Lou Ann O'Rourke, Billy Miller, Marc Jacobus, Garey Hayden, Roger Bates
- 2003 1. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Kyle Larsen  
2. Spike Lay, Larry Griffey, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Michael Seamon, Russ Ekeblad
- 2004 1. Barnet Shenkin, Jim Mahaffey, Michael Seamon, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Gary Cohler  
2. Malcolm Brachman, Bart Bramley, Sidney H. Lazard, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold
- 2005 1. Howard Perlman, Chuck Burger, Perry Johnson, Michael Zerbini  
2. Barnet Shenkin, Jim Mahaffey, Michael Seamon, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Gary Cohler
- 2006 1. Bob Hamman, Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin, John Sutherlin, Hemant Lall, Justin Lall  
2. Jan Martel, Chip Martel, JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby, Sally Woolsey, Kit Woolsey
- 2007 1. Mike Becker, Warren Spector, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Glenn Milgrim, Chris Willenken, Roy Welland, Bobby Levin
- 2008 1. Mike Becker, Warren Spector, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Frank Merblum, John Stiefel, Lloyd Arvedon, Victor King, Doug Doub, Sheila Gabay
- 2009 1. Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Jan Martel, Rose Johnson Meltzer, Kit Woolsey, Sally Woolsey  
2. Kevin Bathurst, Bob Blanchard, Shane Blanchard, Brian Glubok, Joe Grue, John Hurd
- 2010 1. Walter Johnson, Doug Simson, Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin  
2. Jill Meyers, Mitch Dunitz, Walter Schafer, Ed Davis
- 2011 1. Gary Cohler, Mike Becker, Warren Spector, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, David Berkowitz  
2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Steve Landen, William Pettis, William Cole, Beth Palmer

**GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS, FLIGHT A.** A NABC+ event until the creation of the GNT Championship Flight in 2001. This NABC rated event is contested in all 25 ACBL Districts and is restricted to players with fewer than 5000 masterpoints. Winners' names are engraved on the Bobby Goldman Trophy.

- 1973 1. Russ Arnold, James Beery, Jane Jaeger, Richard Pavlicek, William Seamon, Robert G. Sharp  
2. Byron Economidy, Jerry Levitt, Roger Lord, Norb Kremer, Dave Smith, Ron Smith
- 1974 1. Larry T. Cohen, Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Richard Katz, Paul Soloway, John Swanson  
2. Chuck Burger, Fred Hamilton, Howard Perlman, Stanley Smith, Jeffrey Starr, Dick Yanko
- 1975 1. Dr. John Fisher, Charles Gabriel, Bob Hamman, Jim Hooker, Charles Weed, Bobby Wolff  
2. Mike Cook, Jim Felts, Doug Hill, Reece Rogers, Ron L. Smith, Bernie Yomtov
- 1976 1. Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Paul Soloway, John Swanson  
2. Martin Fleisher, Charlie Friedman, Ron Gerard, Halina Jamner, Archie McKellar, Neil Nathanson
- 1977 1. Bob Hamman, Dan Morse, Curtis K. Smith, Eddie Wold, Bobby Wolff  
2. Robert H. Lipsitz, Steven J. Parker, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1978 1. Gerald Caravelli, Charles Peres, William Rosen, Milton Rosenberg, Dan Rotman  
2. Allan Cokin, Bobby Levin, Bud Reinhold, William Seamon, Steve Sion
- 1979 1. Greg DeFotis, Jerry Goldfein, Arnold Leavitt, Larry Robbins, Claude Vogel  
2. Marty Bergen, Chuck Lamprey, Warren Rosner, Allan Stauber
- 1980 1. Jack Bitman, Jan Janitschke, Craig Janitschke, Dick Lesko  
2. Russ Arnold, Edith Kemp, Bill Passell, Cliff Russell, William Seamon, David Strasberg
- 1981 1. Ira Chorush, Jim Jacoby, Mike Passell, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold  
2. Mike Becker, Brian Glubok, John Lowenthal, Phillip Martin, Michael Rosenberg, Ron Rubin
- 1982 1. Ron Von der Porten, Hugh Ross, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Kyle Larsen, Peter A. Pender  
2. Steve Landen, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Jeffrey Starr, Frank Bell, Chuck Burger
- 1983 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter A. Pender, Lew Stansby  
2. Lou Bluhm, Richard Freeman, Larry Gould, Randy Joyce, Nick Nickell
- 1984 1. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Robert H. Lipsitz, Steve Robinson  
2. Greg De Fotis, Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Hal Mouser, Jack Oest, Gerald Caravelli
- 1985 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby, Peter A. Pender  
2. Steve Robinson, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Robert H. Lipsitz
- 1986 1. Seymon Deutsch, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby  
2. Milton Rosenberg, Ralph Katz, Hal Mouser, Greg De Fotis, Larry Robbins, Howard Weinstein
- 1987 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter A. Pender, Lew Stansby, Mike Lawrence  
2. Frank Hoadley, Sidney H. Lazard, John Onstott, Jack LaNoue
- 1988 1. Steve Robinson, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Robert H. Lipsitz  
2. Jack Oest, Steve Garner, Jerry Goldfein, Bart Bramley, Gerald Caravelli, Howard Weinstein
- 1989 1. Steve Sion, Robert Barr, Harold Stengel, Bernie Miller  
2. Tony Kasday, Paul Ivaska, Gaylor Kastle, Garey Hayden, Roger Bates
- 1990 1. Doug Simson, Walter Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Dennis Clerkin  
2. Kay Larsen, Chris Larsen, Joe Kivel, Robert Rosenblum, Evan Bailey
- 1991 1. Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Jack Oest, Peter Nagy, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein  
2. Marty Bergen, Fred Stewart, Larry N. Cohen, Steve Weinstein
- 1992 1. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Robert H. Lipsitz, Ed Manfield  
2. Mike Becker, Ron Rubin, Richard Pavlicek, Bill Root, Bobby Levin, Jeff Wolfson
- 1993 1. Rev Murthy, Brad Moss, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Jeff Ferro  
2. Brian Ellis, Asim Ulke, Florine Walters, Richard Finberg, Jay Apfelbaum, Piyush Vakil
- 1994 1. Jimmy Cayne, Alan Sontag, David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Doug Simson, Walter Johnson, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
- 1995 1. Steve Garner, Jack Oest, Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Gerald Caravelli, Gary Cohler  
2. Billy Cohen, Marc Jacobus, Harold Lilie, Peter Nagy
- 1996 1. Ralph Buchalter, Hugh Ross, Kyle Larsen, Ron Smith, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby  
2. Chuck Burger, Geoff Hampson, Allan Falk, Perry Johnson

- 1997 1. Jeff Wolfson, Bobby Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Neil Silverman, Richard Pavlicek, Michael Seamon  
2. Disa Eythorsdottir, Curtis Cheek, Steve Beatty, John Onstott
- 1998 1. Ross Gabel, Jon Wittes, Mark Itabashi, Fred Hamilton, Gene Simpson  
2. Bobby Goldman, John Sutherlin, Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold
- 1999 1. Bobby Levin, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Joseph Shay, Michael Seamon  
2. Iftikhar Baqai, Jill Meyers, Mitch Dunitz, Ed Davis
- 2000 1. Joseph Shay, Michael Seamon, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Bobby Levin  
2. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Ron Smith, Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
- 2001 1. Merlin Vilhauer, Pam Stratton, Bob Johnson, Bruce Cuthbertson, Mark Litterman  
2. Lyle Poe, Raphael Kahn, Rusty Kraus, Barry Falgout, David Butler, Mark Dahl
- 2002 1. Adrian Dovell, Patricia Dovell, John Moschella, John Brady, Robert Dennard, Brian Gunnell  
2. Bob Balderson, Cynthia Balderson, Kurt Schaffer, Carole Miner
- 2003 1. Buddy Hanby, Sally Wheeler, Jim Griffin, Patricia Griffin  
2. Stan Dub, Niel Waletzky, Kathy Sulgrove, Don Sulgrove
- 2004 1. Sumner Steinfeldt, Marshall Kuschner, Hal Hindman, Mark Chen  
2. Mark Leonard, Thomas Rozinski, Barry Lippett, Richard Mydloski
- 2005 1. Jonathan Slaney, John Lowell, Jeff Ziener, Robert Fendrick, Hugh Hughes, Gregory Roberts  
2. Valentin Carciu, David Gurvich, Michael Lipkin, Sorin Pleacof, Ira Ewen
- 2006 1. Doug Baxter, Daniel Korbel, David Grainger, Danny Miles, Andy Stark  
2. Mark Bumgardner, Stan Kohan, Greg Hinze, Charles Price, Marcus Poe, Tom Edwards
- 2007 1. Mike Alioto, Sheldon Kirsch, Barry Lippett, Frank Sensoli, Robert Cappelli  
2. Valentin Carciu, David Gurvich, Michael Lipkin, Sorin Pleacof, Ljudmila Kamenova
- 2008 1. Valentin Carciu, John Ramos, James Scott, Sorin Pleacof, Kelly Hwang, Harry Apfel  
2. Sheryl Langner, Shan Au, Charles Kopp, Gregory Potts
- 2009 1. David Kempe, Matt Klimesh, John Ramos, Chien-Yao Tseng  
2. Kevin Bolan, Dave Grubbs, John Maki, Bill O'Brien
- 2010 1. Doug Dye, Rich Olanoff, Elliott Shalita, Corey Krantz, Howard Cohen, Andy Kaufman  
2. Lance Shull, Audrey Ventura, Jon Rice, Doug Dey
- 2011 1. Kerry Holloway, Kurt Schaeffer, Keith Connolly, Bjorgvin Kristensson  
2. Igor Savchenko, Ljudmila Kamenova, Doug Herron, Bill Begert, Valentin Carciu, Sorin Pleacof

**GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS, FLIGHT B.** This NABC event contested for the Sheinwold Trophy is a grassroots competition, with games at various levels eventually leading to each of the 25 ACBL districts sending its champion to the Summer North American Bridge Championships to compete for the championship. It is open to only players with fewer than 2000 masterpoints.

- 1985 1. Irving Goodman, Floyd Dyson, Leo Takefman, Tim McPhail, Louis Richardson  
2. Sally Grace, Linda Weinstein, Sharon Meng, Jennifer James, Jerry Poliquin, Robert Buchner
- 1986 1. Paul McGowan, George Towner, Winston Edwards, Regena Jones  
2. Ken Connell, Linda Connell, Carla Eisenhauer, S. K. Carruthers, Claire Jones, Dennis Nelson
- 1987 1. Dwight Hunt, Ed Horwitz, Ken Kadish, Claude LeFeuvre  
2. Bob Webb, Pat Webb, Kevin Chen, Joseph Blalock
- 1988 1. Steven Beck, Michael Camp, Win Allegaert, Fred Chang  
2. Jean Molnar, Michael Weber, Donn Holmer, Walter Riddle, Joseph Rubin
- 1989 1. George Runyan, Tim Joder, Iype Koshy, Robert Dupont  
2. Paul Nickerson, William Goldsmith, Denise Goldsmith, Cheryl Porter
- 1990 1. Judy Hughes, Karen Miller, Robert Seaholm, John Morano, Goutam Chakraborty, Krishnanand Maillacheruvu  
2. Jim Adams, John Edmunds, Dan Feldman, Larry Kahn, Usuf Ismail
- 1991 1. Mary Poplawski, Stanley Poplawski, William Smith, Barrett Raff  
2. Bruce Norman, Fred Gitelman, Sheri Winestock, Geoff Hampson
- 1992 1. Otto Rothenberg, Richard Baumer, Arthur Haley, Bert Kulic  
2. Nielih Cheng, Peter Kalat, Jeffery Allen, Carlos Munoz, L. P. Calahan, Bruce Platt
- 1993 1. Eric Greco, Philip Greco, Kefu Xu, Harry Zhou, David Better  
2. Jack Jessop, Morrie Kleinplatz, Barry Onslow, Elaine Morrison
- 1994 1. Larry Crevier, Marc-Andre Fourcaudot, Sylvain Descoteaux, Frederic Pollack  
2. Glen Holman, Darren Wolpert, Hazel Wolpert, Eric Sutherland
- 1995 1. Larry Crevier, Marc-Andre Fourcaudot, Sylvain Descoteaux, Frederic Pollack  
2. Sam Yoga, Gordon Brown, Darren Wolpert, Hazel Wolpert
- 1996 1. David Green, Edward Lee, Chien Huang, Robert Johnson  
2. David Walker, Robert Moore, Jim Hawkins, Geoffrey Mallette
- 1997 1. Sigridur Kristjansdottir, Harold Jordan, Andy Kaufman, Greg Burch  
2. Steve Albin, Julia Ehlers, Michael McNamara, Elaine Pittius
- 1998 1. Robert Latulippe, Rene Pelletier, Jocelyn Bernier, Richard Wildi, Jacques Carel, Herve Chatagnier  
2. Richard Wegman, Kefu Xu, Yi Zhong, Weizhong Boo
- 1999 1. Claude King, Henry Caspar, Tom Buttle, Ringo Chung, Helen DeWeld, Vinray Sarin  
2. Steve Albin, Dennis Thompson, David Liss, Jack Brauner
- 2000 1. Gilbert Lambert, Tai Eng, Insa Fricker, Mike Moffett  
2. John Turner, Ralph Russo, Mark de Garcia, David Shipman
- 2001 1. Ari Greenberg, Lisa Liberati, Chris Lubesnik, Kevin Bathurst, Randolph Hammock, Gary Moore  
2. Mike Alioto, Robert Cappelli, Frank Sensoli, Deborah Dewitt
- 2002 1. Chad Fisher, Larry Weatherholt, Gary McDole, Fred Dischman  
2. Barry Cohen, Nick Straguzzi, Bill Grosnick, Everett Young
- 2003 1. Hailong Ao, Huailin Chen, Jian-Jian Wang, Yi Zhong  
2. Ovidin Stanica, Rick Soderstrom, Jack Brown, Ron Zambonini
- 2004 1. Sathya Bettadapura, Bruce Tuttle, Shelley Lapkoff, Tanakorn Lavanakul  
2. Jonathan Cohen, Charles Nauen, Mark Krusemeyer, Patti Stuhlman
- 2005 1. Li-Chung Chen, Chuck Wong, Clark Millikan, Alex Staykov, Samuel Ieong  
2. Jim Hudson, Meyer Abarbanel, Mike Giacaman, Arbha Vongvivut
- 2006 1. Bernard Schneider, Frances Schneider, Allan Wolf, Russell Friedman  
2. Dan Roseberry, John Bacon, John Tscholl, Jim Overcashier
- 2007 1. John Barth, Nongyu Li, Mike Develin, Jiang Chen  
2. Robert McCaw, Florin Constantin, Gregory Ingolia, Lewis Gamerman
- 2008 1. Gerald Geremia, Joseph Viola, David Kempe, Matt Kimesh  
2. Dian Petrov, Michael Ryan, Donna Steffan, James Gullo

- 2009 1. Danny Barnett, John Clark, Lamar Hamilton, Beve Smith  
2. Shiu-Ming Huang, Frank Shih, Eric Tan, Robert C. F. Wang
- 2010 1. Eric Hendrickson, Paul Gutterman, Andy Caranicas, Richard Lawson  
2. Paul Chan, Lily Chan, Mark De Garcia, Gregory Barnes
- 2011 1. Andrew Collins, David Halasi, Charles Halasi, Aleksandar Vujic, Craig Macintosh, John Cook  
2. Eugene Hung, Andrew Hoskins, Steve Chen, Sarah Chen

**GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS, FLIGHT C.** This NABC event is a grassroots competition, with games at various levels eventually leading to each of the 25 ACBL districts sending its champion to the Summer North American Bridge Championships to compete for the championship. It is open only to non-Life Masters with fewer than 500 masterpoints. It is contested for the Mac Nab Trophy.

- 1991 1. Bob Fashingbauer, Kenneth Wolf, Thomas Dressing, David Marker  
2. Albert Tom, Dennis Erani, Valentin Carciu, Gary Gottlieb
- 1992 1. Richard Unger, Charles Morrin, Andrew Ware, Martin Wewerka  
2. J. Michael Hill, Kevin Kadmus, Carol Wisemiller, Marty Lobdale
- 1993 1. Stephen Arshan, Richard Ross, Feng Liu, Steve Pessin, George Shamy  
2. Sardarsinh Gohel, Jack Shartsis, Joyce Bell, Nathan Banker
- 1994 1. Sundar Atre, Jaibin Luo, Zheng Zhang, Ariel Kaushal  
2. Gregory Bieber, Betsy Wellington, Arthur Steinberg, Roman Shapiro
- 1995 1. William Chen, Andrew Lewis, Nathaniel Thurston, David Shao  
2. Jeffery Jacob, David Rosenstein, Judi Hager, Yiping Wang
- 1996 1. Mark Edeburn, Susan Ostrowski, Dan Berlowitz, Joseph Seo  
2. Mark de Garcia, Marcus Redhouse, Steven Erickson, Sheng-Hung Wang
- 1997 1. Tom Barrett, Joe Grue, Joe Barrett, Chengwei Lee, Tom Monikowsky  
2. Curtis Ruder, Atul Rae, Dennis Alfholter, Jonathan Davidson
- 1998 1. Jerzy Jelen, Marek Dalecki, Ted Ryll, Romuald Mindak, Weislaw Kalita, Zbigniew Muszynski  
2. Ed Williams, Kurt Dasher, Thomas Redband, Bill Gliesman
- 1999 1. Jon Kurasch, Dave Hemmer, Roger Soleman, Roger Alps  
2. Jim Boardman, Tom Allen, Paul Hazzard, Bruce Scott
- 2000 1. Marian Kowalewski, Zbigniew Muszynski, Robert Boruta, Michael Omielski, Eugenisk Babiarz, Pavel Boruta  
2. Leo Zelevinsky, Otis Bricker, Suresh Adina, Barry Margolin
- 2001 1. Mark MacKenzie, Ron Sloan, Deen Hergot, David Gordon  
2. David Ruppert, Michael Pearlman, Dan Moore, Walter Mitnick
- 2002 1. Stephen Tu, Steve Chen, Shih-Ming Shih, Paul Cornelius, Rajeev Gupta  
2. Rohan Coelho, Todd Zimnoch, Ralph Henderson, Maurice Henderson
- 2003 1. Rohan Coelho, Ralph Henderson, Danny McGurl, David Castles  
2. Tadeusz Szych, Jerzy Jelen, Wlodzimierz Lopalewski, Klaudsius Warbinski, Mike Potoczak, Lech Brzozowski
- 2004 1. Grigoriy Blekherman, Amy Kiefer, David Harty, Hans Peters  
2. Ryan Connors, Mark Dean, Daniel Wilderman, Helena McGahagan
- 2005 1. Bob Defreyne, Milt Payne, Paul Beischlag, Reginald Smith  
2. Andy Caranicas, Jeremy Martin, Daniel Barrett, Shela Kim
- 2006 1. Kam Tang, Samuel Lai, Tao Feng, Jack Lee  
2. Ivan Jen, Veronica Mathis, John Cissel, Daniel Rothwell
- 2007 1. John Heth, Alan Dennis, George Keiller, Don Morgan  
2. Long Xie, Roy Li, Kai Zhou, Biaxiang Liu
- 2008 1. Thomas O'Reilly-Pol, Sandy Bigg, Debbie Romero, Jonathan Goldberg  
2. Lenard Lakofka, Alan Flower, Kevin Long, Aaron Craig
- 2009 1. Max Glick, Zach Scherr, Zachary Wasserman, Benjamin Weiss, Brian Wyman  
2. Brett Elliott, Byron Elliott, Harry Elliott, Herbert Kalman, Robert Reichek
- 2010 1. David Camillus, Ryan Schultz, Tom Terwilliger, Ambrish Bansal  
2. Chris Poulos, Magid Shirzadegan, Anonush Shirzadegan, Brian Breckenridge
- 2011 1. Wensong Zhen, Fred Li, Yuan Chen, Hang Zhang, Qian Ren, Kaiyu Qian  
2. Ping Hu, Meiheng Shi, Shengke Wang, Huixin Pan



**VON ZEDTWITZ LIFE MASTER PAIRS.** This six-session event with two qualifying, two semifinal and two final rounds, restricted to Life Masters, is contested for the Gold Cup.

- 1930 1. P. Hal Sims, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson
- 1931 1. David Burnstine, Howard Schenken  
2. Michael T. Gottlieb, Theodore A. Lightner
- 1932 1. Michael T. Gottlieb, Theodore A. Lightner  
2. David Burnstine, Howard Schenken
- 1933 1. David Burnstine, Howard Schenken  
2. P. Hal Sims, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1934 1. Richard L. Frey, Howard Schenken  
2. Walter Malowan, Sydney Rusinow
- 1935 1. B. Jay Becker, Theodore A. Lightner  
2. Louis J. Haddad, Charles A. Hall
- 1936 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby  
2. Robert Appleyard, Isadore Epstein
- 1937 1. S. Garton Churchill, Charles S. Lochridge  
2. Doris Fuller, Dr. Henry J. Vogel
- 1938 1. Morrie Elis, Sherman Stearns  
2. John R. Crawford, Charles J. Solomon
- 1939 1. Robert Appleyard, Harry Fishbein  
2. Oswald Jacoby, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1940 1. Harry Fishbein, Morrie Elis  
2. Sam Fry, Jr., Myron Fuchs
- 1941 1. Merwyn D. Maier, Howard Schenken  
2. John R. Crawford, Oswald Jacoby
- 1942 1. Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel  
2. Philip Abramsohn, Tobias Stone
- 1943 1. John R. Crawford, Howard Schenken  
2. Sidney Silodor, Margaret Wagar
- 1944 1. Samuel Katz, Peter A. Leventritt  
2. Ambrose Casner, Ralph Hirschberg
- 1945 1. Robert Appleyard, Malcolm A. Lightman  
2. Bertram Lebhar, Jr., Simon Rossant
- 1946 1. Sidney Silodor, Charles J. Solomon  
2. Lee Hazen, Ruth Sherman
- 1947 1. Allen P. Harvey, Frank Weisbach  
2. John R. Crawford, Theodore A. Lightner
- 1948 1. S. Garton Churchill, Cecil Head  
2. Erik Coon, Vincent Remey
- 1949 1. Ruth Gilbert, Leo Roet  
2. Arthur Glatt, Albert Weiss
- 1950 1. Manuel Sherwin, Dr. C. W. Yorke  
2. Edward N. Marcus, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1951 1. Richard Kahn, Peter A. Leventritt  
2. Ned Drucker, Edgar Kaplan
- 1952 1. William W. Jackson, William Joseph  
2-3. Arthur Glatt, Albert Weiss  
2-3. John R. Crawford, Howard Schenken
- 1953 1. Milton Q. Ellenby, William Rosen  
2. Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel

- 1954 1. David C. Carter, John W. Hubbell  
2. Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin
- 1955 1. Ben Fain, Paul Hodge  
2. Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin
- 1956 1. Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone  
2. John R. Crawford, Sidney Silodor
- 1957 1. H. Sanborn Brown, Martin J. Cohn  
2. Francis P. Begley, Louis Kelner
- 1958 1-2. Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel  
1-2. Wilson Landley, Louis Levy
- 1959 1. Ed Rosen, Dan Rotman  
2. Sidney Aronson, Larry Weiss
- 1960 1. Helen Portugal, Morris Portugal  
2. Curtis K. Smith, Bobby Wolff
- 1961 1. Phil Feldesman, Marshall Miles  
2. Paul Kibler, Robert Reynolds
- 1962 1. Phil Feldesman, Ira Rubin  
2. Edith Kemp, Albert Weiss
- 1963 1. Lewis L. Mathe, Edward O. Taylor  
2. Ira Rubin, Curtis K. Smith
- 1964 1. B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden  
2. C. Bruce Elliott, Percy E. Sheardown
- 1965 1. Victor Mitchell, Samuel M. Stayman  
2. Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone
- 1966 1. Hermine Baron, Meyer Schleifer  
2. Morrie Freier, Robert Reynolds
- 1967 1. Phil Feldesman, Lewis L. Mathe  
2. Diana Schuld, Frank Schuld
- 1968 1. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman  
2. Jim Jacoby, Bobby Wolff
- 1969 1. Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray  
2. Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne
- 1970 1. Paul Heitner, Michael Moss  
2. Robert Freedman, James L. Mathis
- 1971 1. Alvin Roth, Barbara Rappaport  
2. Jim Jacoby, Minda Brachman
- 1972 1. Alvin Roth, Barbara Rappaport  
2. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel
- 1973 1. Jack Blair, Paul Swanson  
2. Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne
- 1974 1. Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail  
2. Walt Walvick, Thomas Weik
- 1975 1. Roy Fox, Eugene O'Neill  
2. Mike Becker, Ahmed Hussein
- 1976 1. Robert H. Lipsitz, Neil Silverman  
2. Garey Hayden, Mike Passell
- 1977 1. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel  
2. Kenneth L. Cohen, Robert H. Lipsitz
- 1978 1. Mary Jane Farrell, Marilyn Johnson  
2. Ron Feldman, David Sacks

1979 1. Ralph Katz, Kenneth R. Schutze  
2. Dan Morse, Bobby Nail

1980 1. Bob Hamman, Eric Rodwell  
2. Don Caton, Homer Shoop

1981 1. Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein  
2. Paul Lavings, Bob Richman

1982 1. Thomas K. Sanders, Ron Andersen  
2. Robert H. Lipsitz, Ron Sukoneck

1983 1. Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar  
2. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth

1984 1. Mike Lawrence, Peter Weichsel  
2. Alan Sontag, Steve Sion

1985 1. George Steiner, Darryl Pedersen  
2. David Siebert, Allan Siebert

1986 1. Eric Rodwell, Doug Simson  
2. Tom Kniest, Karen Walker

1987 1. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz  
2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd

1988 1. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Howard Weinstein, John Carruthers

1989 1. Dr. Richard H. Katz, Bobby Levin  
2. Howard Weinstein, Ralph Katz

1990 1. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker  
2. John Mohan, Kay Schulle

1991 1. Doug Simson, Eric Rodwell  
2. Steve Sion, Clint Morrell

1992 1. Bob Hamman, Hemant Lall  
2. Hugh Ross, Zia Mahmood

1993 1. Dan Morse, John Sutherlin  
2. Tom Clarke, Alan LeBendig

1994 1. Bobby Levin, Jeff Wolfson  
2. Eddie Wold, Steve Sion

1995 1. Joe Kivel, Allan Siebert  
2. Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek

1996 1. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Tony Forrester, Geir Helgemo

1997 1. Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein  
2. Tony Forrester, Geir Helgemo

1998 1. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson  
2. Richard Pavlicek, Rich Pavlicek Jr.

1999 1. John Mohan, Sam Lev  
2. Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss

2000 1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg  
2. John Mohan, Sam Lev

2001 1. Steve Weinstein, Bobby Levin  
2. Gary Cohler, Ralph Katz

2002 1. Tobi Sokolow, Leni Holtz  
2. Lynn Deas, Curtis Cheek

2003 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman  
2. Michael Rosenberg, Ralph Katz

2004 1. Walid Elahmady, Zia Mahmood  
2. Reese Milner, John Mohan

2005 1. Pat McDevitt, Stephen Gladyszak  
2. Walid Elahmady, Zia Mahmood

2006 1. Bart Bramley, Björn Fallenius  
2. Martin Fleisher, Bill Pollack

2007 1. Chip Martel, Zia Mahmood  
2. Renee Mancuso, Howard Weinstein

2008 1. Jan Jansma, Ricco Van Prooijen  
2. Geoff Hampson, Eric Greco

2009 1. Michal Kwiecien, Roald Ramer  
2. Nikolay Demirev, Hemant Lall

2010 1. Boye Brogeland, Erik Saelensminde  
2. Norberto Bocchi, Guido Ferraro

2011 1. Per-Olla Cullin, Peter Bertheau  
2. Zia Mahmood, Tarek Sadek

**WERNHER OPEN PAIRS** (since 2003), formerly Open Pairs II (1992-2002) and Men's Pairs (1934-1991). This four-session NABC+ event consisting of two qualifying rounds and two final rounds is contested for the Wernher Trophy. From 1969 through 1971 it was contested as a three-session championship. This event was held at the Spring NABC for just over 40 years beginning in 1963. In 2005, this event was moved to the Summer NABCs.

- 1934 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby  
2. Morrie Elis, George Kennedy
- 1935 1. Edward M. Cook, Jr., Fred French  
2. Charles H. Goren, Louis H. Watson
- 1936 1. Dr. Richard H. Ecker, Fred D. Kaplan  
2. Bertram Lebhar, Jr., Samuel Katz
- 1937 1. Edward M. Cook, Jr., John C. Kunkle  
2. Philip Abramsohn, Morrie Elis
- 1938 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren  
2. Morrie Elis, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1939 1. John R. Crawford, Oswald Jacoby  
2. Henry Chanin, Morrie Elis
- 1940 1. Merwyn D. Maier, Robert A. McPherran  
2. Morrie Elis, Harry Fishbein
- 1941 1. Joseph E. Low, Simon Rossant  
2. Joseph Davis, Sidney Silodor
- 1942 1. Robert von Engel, Aaron Goodman  
2. Murray Gross, Dr. William V. Lipton
- 1943 1. Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon  
2. Dr. Richard H. Ecker, Jr., Fred D. Kaplan
- 1944 1. Sigmund Dornbusch, Herman Goldberg  
2. Ambrose Casner, Ralph Hirschberg
- 1945 1. Sylvester Gintell, Lee Hazen  
2. George Rapée, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1946 1. A. Mitchell Barnes, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Lewis A. Bernard, Sr., Frank Weisbach
- 1947 1. Sol Mogal, Tobias Stone  
2. Morrie Elis, Morris Portugal
- 1948 1. Fred Hirsch, Samuel Katz  
2. Lewis A. Bernard, Sr., Harold Feldstein
- 1949 1. Charles H. Goren, Oswald Jacoby  
2. Bobby Nail, Joseph G. Ripstra
- 1950 1. Phillip A. Briggs, A. Richard Revell  
2. George Rapée, Sidney Silodor
- 1951 1. Milton Q. Ellenby, Emanuel Hochfield  
2. Cliff Bishop, Alexander Nusinoff
- 1952 1. Arthur C. Grau, William Rosen  
2. Harold Harkavy, Tobias Stone
- 1953 1. Harold Harkavy, Bill Root  
2. John R. Crawford, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1954 1. Douglas Drury, Eric R. Murray  
2. Milton Q. Ellenby, Douglas Steen
- 1955 1. Douglas Drury, Eric R. Murray  
2. Ira Rubin, Victor Mitchell
- 1956 1. Paul Allinger, Jim Jacoby  
2. Robert F. Jordan, Robert Sitnek
- 1957 1. David C. Carter, John W. Hubbell  
2. John Gerber, Paul Hodge

- 1958 1. William Grieve, Ira Rubin  
2. Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor
- 1959 1. Harry Fishbein, John Gerber  
2. Erik Paulsen, Mike Shuman
- 1960 1. Jack Blair, William Christian  
2. David C. Carter, Paul Hodge
- 1961 1. Phil Feldesman, Ira Rubin  
2. Paul Allinger, Lewis L. Mathe
- 1962 1. Phil Feldesman, Ira Rubin  
2. Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles
- 1963 1. Sami R. Kehela, Baron Wolf Lebovic  
2. Alphonse Moyse, Jr., Thomas K. Sanders
- 1964 1. Ed Weiner, G. Gard Hays  
2. Darryl Pedersen, Don Nemiro
- 1965 1. Lawrence Rosler, Jeff Rubens  
2. Eric R. Murray, Norman Kay
- 1966 1. Barry Crane, Peter Rank  
2. Mark Blumenthal, Michael Moss
- 1967 1. Richard Lawrence, Art Price  
2. Eddie Kantar, Sidney H. Lazard
- 1968 1. Kyle Larsen, Edmond Lazarus  
2. Bill Passell, David Strasberg
- 1969 1. Michael J. Martino, Frank Vine  
2. Gerald Hallee, Paul Soloway
- 1970 1. Richard Kaye, Richard Walsh  
2. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay
- 1971 1. Giorgio Belladonna, Benito Garozzo  
2. Robert Kerr, Jay T. McKee
- 1972 1. Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey  
2. Paul Heitner, Marshall Miles
- 1973 1. Jack E. Kennedy, David Hadden  
2. Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1974 1. George Slemmons, George Steiner  
2. Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1975 1. Harlow S. Lewis, Art Waldemann  
2. Larry Kozlove, John Sheridan
- 1976 1. Gerald Caravelli, Larry T. Cohen  
2. Jack E. Kennedy, Bobby Wolff
- 1977 1. Joseph Fox, Garey Hayden  
2. David Lehman, Dick Melson
- 1978 1. Larry Kozlove, John Sheridan  
2. Roy Fox, Paul Swanson
- 1979 1. Roy Fox, Paul Swanson  
2. Perry Johnson, Michael Zerbini
- 1980 1. Neil Silverman, Peter Weichsel  
2. Warren Rosner, Stephen Sanborn
- 1981 1. Warren Rosner, Allan Stauber  
2. Billy Eisenberg, Neil Silverman

1982 1. David Berkowitz, Harold Lilie  
 2. James Barlow, Chuck Carroll

1983 1. Marty Bergen, Allan Stauber  
 2. Mike Passell, Ron Andersen

1984 1. Mike Lawrence, Peter Weichsel  
 2. Joel Friedberg, Ethan Stein

1985 1. Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey  
 2. Bob Hamman, George Mittelman

1986 1. Bob Hamman, Paul Swanson  
 2. Bobby Levin, Fred Hamilton

1987 1. Darryl Pedersen, George Steiner  
 2. Zia Mahmood, Chris Compton

1988 1. Arthur Hoffman, Stephen Shane  
 2. Ken Kranyak, Harry Stratton

1989 1. Michael Moss, Charles Coon  
 2. Roger Beiles, Sidney Lorvan

1990 1. Steve Sion, Steve Landen  
 2. Neil Silverman, Mike Smolen

1991 1. Kenneth L. Cohen, Bob Thomas  
 2. Jo Anna Stansby, Lew Stansby  
 (became Open Pairs II)

1992 1. Bernie Miller, Mike Lucas  
 2. Geoff Hampson, Mark Molson

1993 1. Gaylor Kasle, Bobby Levin  
 2. Eddie Wold, Dennis Sorensen

1994 1. Thomas Peters, John Zilic  
 2. Steve Beatty, Curtis Cheek

1995 1. Steve Weinstein, Fred Stewart  
 2. Martin Caley, Peter Schwartz

1996 1. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen  
 2. Jackie Buroker, Dick Yarrington

1997 1. Lloyd Arvedon, Allan Falk  
 2. Bart Bramley, Sidney H. Lazard

1998 1. Michael Moss, Björn Fallenius  
 2. Evan Bailey, Joe Kivel

1999 1. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth  
 2. Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein

2000 1. Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Steve Landen

2. Ken Kranyak, Harry Stratton

2001 1. Chris Willenken, Ron Smith  
 2. Joe Kivel, Chris Larsen

2002 1. Curtis Cheek, Eric Greco  
 2. Renee Mancuso, Geoff Hampson  
 (became Wernher Open Pairs)

2003 1. Geoff Hampson, Eric Greco  
 2. Kenneth L. Cohen, Dan Gerstman

2004 1. Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes  
 2. Fred Stewart, Kit Woolsey

2005 1. Nadar Hannah, Nagy Kamel  
 2. Sam Marks, Emory Whitaker

2006 1. Jianrong Lin, Julie Zhu  
 2. Cameron Doner, Bob Etter

2007 1. Joan Jackson, Petra Hamman  
 2. Jonathan Steinberg, Daniel Korbel

2008 1. K.R. Venkataraman, Sunit Chokshi  
 2. Don Piafsky, Barry Piafsky

2009 1. Nikolay Demirev, Nicolas L'Ecuyer  
 2. Tim Crank, Alan Kleist

2010 1. Beatrice Kemp, Richard Burton  
 2. Tom Carmichael, Jeff Roman

2011 1. Howard Cohen, Meyer Kotkin  
 2. Robb Gordon, Richard Margolis

Before the 40-year run of the Wernher Open Pairs at the Spring NABC a similar event was held from 1958-1962 with the following results:

1958 1. Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor  
 2. Jack Denny, Richard Harrison

1959 1. James Pestaner, John Swanson  
 2. Donald A. Oakie, Meyer Schleifer

1960 1. Frank Hoadley, Julius L. Rosenblum  
 2. Harold Creed, S. Samuel Gould, Jr.

1961 1. Morton Rubinow, Tobias Stone  
 2. Erik Paulsen, Alex Tschekaloff

1962 1. Ivan Erdos, Phil Feldesman  
 2. Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor

**FREEMAN MIXED BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS**, formerly Mixed Board-a-Match Teams and Master Mixed Teams. This NABC+ event was renamed in 2010 to honor Hall of Fame member Richard Freeman and is currently contested for the Richard Freeman Memorial Trophy. In the past it has been contested for the Lebhar Trophy, the Barclay Trophy, and the Chicago Trophy. This four-session Board-a-Match event, with two qualifying rounds and two final rounds, is restricted to players who have won at least 100 masterpoints. In 1969 this event was played in three sessions.

- 1929 1. Max M. Cohen, Mrs. M. K. Alexander, Rose Fleischer, R. Frankenstein
- 1930 1. Cmdr. Winfield S. Liggett, Jr., Dorothy Rice Sims, P. Hal Sims, Sir Derrick J. Wernher  
2. W. Cleveland Cogswell, J. Arnold Farrar, Doris Fuller, George Reith
- 1931 1. Mrs. G. A. Bennett, Doris Fuller, Charles S. Lochridge, George Reith  
2. E. M. Baker, Margaret Beech, William McKenney, Mrs. H. D. Stahl
- 1932 1. Marie Black, H. Huber Boscowitz, Sam Fry, Jr., Olga Hilliard  
2. Mrs. L. Bloomberg, Bernard Cone, A. Louis Gotthelf, Mrs. Thomas Stern
- 1933 1. David Burnstine, Elinor Murdoch, Mrs. Ivan Stengel, Edwin A. Wetzler  
2. Dorothy Rice Sims, P. Hal Sims, Margaret Wagar, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1934 1. Lester R. Bachner, Mrs. Lester R. Bachner, James H. Lemon, Martha Lemon  
2. A. Mitchell Barnes, Barbara Collyer, Doris Fuller, Dr. Henry J. Vogel
- 1935 1. Helen Bonwit, Howard Schenken, Ruth Sherman, Louis H. Watson  
2. Mary Clement, Mary Zita Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1936 1. Hortense Evans, Louis J. Haddad, Robert A. McPherran, Elizabeth Whitney  
2. B. Jay Becker, Helen Bonwit, Howard Schenken, Sally Young
- 1937 1. Phil Abramssohn, Estelle Drescher, Morrie Elis, Ann Naiman  
2. S. Garton Churchill, Phyllis Gardner, Travers J. LeGros, Dorothy Roberts
- 1938 1. Doris Fuller, Charles H. Goren, Dr. Henry J. Vogel, Sally Young  
2. Eleanor Hirsch, John C. Kunkel, Helen Pendelton Rockwell, Milton Vernoff
- 1939 1. Robert Chatkin, Valerie Klein, Alvin Landy, Florence Stratford  
2. Edward G. Ellenbogen, Peggy Golder, Helen Mitchell, Charles J. Solomon
- 1940 1. Marie Black, Henry Chanin, Olive Peterson, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Edward G. Ellenbogen, Peggy Golder, Helen Mitchell, Charles J. Solomon
- 1941 1. Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel, Sally Young  
2. Oswald Jacoby, Louise Wainwright, Sherman Stearns, Mrs. William A. Tucker
- 1942 1. John R. Crawford, Olive Peterson, Margaret Wagar, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Phil Abramssohn, Kay Rhodes, Edith Seligman, Tobias Stone
- 1943 1. Charles H. Goren, Olive Peterson, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel  
2. Edith Hammond, Pat Lightner, Walter Malowan, Stuyvesant Wainwright
- 1944 1. Charles H. Goren, Olive Peterson, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel  
2. Marie Basher, Edward Cohn, John R. Crawford, Margaret Wagar
- 1945 1. John R. Crawford, Ruth Sherman, Margaret Wagar, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Morrie Elis, Harry Fishbein, Alvin Roth, Edith Seligman
- 1946 1. Samuel Katz, Alicia Kempner, Evelyn Lebhar, Bertram Lebhar, Jr.  
2. Charles H. Goren, Emily Folline, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
- 1947 1. Harry Fishbein, Ruth Goldberg, Ludwig Kabakjian, Edith Seligman  
2-3. Emily Folline, Peter A. Leventritt, David Warner, Sally Young  
2-3. Harold Harkavy, Jane Jaeger, Lewis M. Jaeger, Mrs. Gerre Strasser
- 1948 1. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
2. Harry Fishbein, Ruth Goldberg, Ludwig Kabakjian, Edith Seilgman
- 1949 1. Peter A. Leventritt, Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Solomon, Sally Young  
2. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar
- 1950 1. Peter A. Leventritt, Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Solomon, Sally Young  
2. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar
- 1951 1. Jane Jaeger, Ruth Kahn, Leo Roet, Ruth Sherman  
2. Myron Field, Agnes Gordon, Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel

- 1952 1. Anne Burnstein, Harold Harkavy, Alvin Roth, Edith Seligman  
2. John R. Crawford, Emma Jean Hawes, George Rapée, Olive Peterson, Sidney Silodor
- 1953 1. Anne Burnstein, Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth  
2. Emanuel Hochfeld, Mary Jane Kauder, Lewis L. Mathe, Gloria Turner
- 1954 1. Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
2. Marianne Boschan, Gertrude Eberson, David Murray, Lewis Tubbs
- 1955 1. Gratian Goldstein, Harold Harkavy, Terry Michaels, Alvin Roth  
2. Mary Bowden, Douglas Drury, Robert Freedman, Agnes Gordon, Eric R. Murray
- 1956 1. Mary Bowden, Douglas Drury, Robert Freedman, Agnes Gordon, Eric R. Murray  
2. Barbara Brier, Jan Stone, Tobias Stone, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1957 1. John R. Crawford, Milton Q. Ellenby, Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Gloria Turner  
2. Sam Fry, Jr., Dorothy Hayden, Sallie Johnson, Ira Rubin
- 1958 1. Leland Ferer, Gratian Goldstein, Eunice Rosen, William Rosen  
2. B. Jay Becker, Bee Gale, Betty Goldberg, Howard Schenken
- 1959 1. Peter A. Leventritt, Robert F. Jordan, Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Solomon, Sally Young  
2. Leonard B. Harmon, Edgar Kaplan, Peggy Rotzell, Alfred Sheinwold, Betty Sheinwold
- 1960 1. William Grieve, Alicia Kempner, George Rapée, Betty Ann Welch  
2. B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden, Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor, Sylvia Stein
- 1961 1. Richard Freeman, Emanuel Hochfield, Louise Robinson, Gloria Turner  
2. Dr. John Fisher, Jean Frankel, Lou Gurvich, Boots Kendrick, Sidney H. Lazard
- 1962 1. Charles Coon, Agnes Gordon, Eric R. Murray, Helen Portugal  
2. Norman Kay, Sidney Silodor, Sylvia Stein, Margaret Wagar
- 1963 1. Sidney H. Lazard, Betty Kaplan, Edgar Kaplan, Stella Rebner  
2. Israel Cohen, Garner McDaniel, Terry Michaels, Alvin Roth
- 1964 1. Dr. John Fisher, John Gerber, Emma Jean Hawes, Margaret Wagar  
2-3. Martin J. Cohn, Hampton Hume, Bernadine Jenkins, Mary Philley  
2-3. Harold Harkavy, Virginia Heckel, Edith Kemp, Cliff Russell, Jerome Yavitz
- 1965 1. Barbara Brier, Alvin Roth, Jan Stone, Tobias Stone, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Burt Norton, Carol Norton, Alan Press, William Rosen, Sylvia Stein, Carol Stolkin
- 1966 1. Jimmy Cayne, Judy Dryer, Paul Soloway, Eunice Rosen, William Rosen  
2. Barbara Rappaport, Alvin Roth, Bee Schenken, Howard Schenken
- 1967 1. Mike Cappelletti Sr., Kathie Cappelletti, Michael Moss, Gail Shane  
2-4. John Gerber, Norman Kay, Carol Klar, George Rosenkranz, Edith Rosenkranz  
2-4. B. Jay Becker, Dr. John Fisher, Dorothy Hayden, Emma Jean Hawes  
2-4. Leland Ferer, Gratian Goldstein, Fred Hamilton, Sylvia Stein
- 1968 1. Minda Brachman, Jim Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Helen Sobel Smith  
2. Betty Kaplan, Edgar Kaplan, George Rapée, Carol Stolkin
- 1969 1. Janice Cohn, Flo Orner, Charles Peres, Dan Rotman, Ivar Stakgold, Alice Stakgold  
2. Barry Crane, Jules Farell, Mary Jane Farell, Marilyn Johnson, Peter Rank
- 1970 1. Dorothy Bare, Gerald Bare, Eugenie Mathe, Lewis L. Mathe  
2-3. Ken Barbour, William Daly, Mickey Rosenthal, Helen Strasberg, David Strasberg  
2-3. Betty Adler, Julian Adler, David Sachs, Sue Sachs
- 1971 1. John Anderson, Ron Andersen, Marilyn McCrary, Sue Picus  
2. Dorsey Brooks, Zerrene Brooks, Joan Remey, Vincent Remey
- 1972 1. Gail Moss, Michael Moss, Marietta Passell, Bill Passell  
2. B. Jay Becker, Dr. John Fisher, Emma Jean Hawes, Alan Truscott, Dorothy Hayden Truscott
- 1973 1. Ellen Alfandre, Phil Feldesman, Edith Sacks, Stanley Tomchin  
2. Robert H. Lipsitz, Jo Morse, Peggy Parker, Steven J. Parker, Steve Robinson
- 1974 1. Edith Kemp, Jerome Yavitz, Rita Seamon, William Seamon  
2-5. Betty Adler, Julian Adler, David Sachs, Sue Sachs  
2-5. Doug Fraser, Sandra Fraser, Barbara Saltsman, Joe Silver  
2-5. Mark Berger, Sallie Johnson, Amos Kaminski, Jack Saltz, Mona Stocknoff  
2-5. Carol Crawford, John R. Crawford, Barbara Rappaport, Alvin Roth

- 1975 1. Gerald Caravelli, Nancy Gruver, Jim Linhart, Helen Utegaard  
 2-3. Shirlee Lazarus, Eugenie Mathe, Lewis L. Mathe, Joan Remey, Vincent Remey, James E. Zimmerman  
 2-3. Carol Crawford, John R. Crawford, Barbara Rappaport, Alvin Roth
- 1976 1-2. Dr. Richard H. Katz, Carol Sanders, Paul Swanson, Marion Weed  
 1-2. Fred Hamilton, John Sutherlin, Peggy Sutherlin, Rhoda Walsh, Nancy Weichsel, Peter Weichsel
- 1977 1. Nancy Alpaugh, Joan DeWitt, Mark Lair, Sidney H. Lazard  
 2. Ethel Dayboch, Morrie Freier, Richard Paulsen, Sue Thornton
- 1978 1. Nancy Alpaugh, Joan DeWitt, Mark Lair, Sidney H. Lazard  
 2. Betty Adler, Julian Adler, David Sachs, Sue Sachs
- 1979 1-3. Betty Bloom, Steven Bloom, Mark Cohen, Edith Sacks  
 1-3. Nancy Alpaugh, Joan DeWitt, Mark Lair, Sidney H. Lazard  
 1-3. Lynne Feldman, Mark Feldman, Ed Nagy, Sharon Smith
- 1980 1. Barry Crane, Jose John Hamui, Elias Konstantinovsky, Laura Mariscal, Kerri Shuman  
 2. Gerald Caravelli, Dennis McGarry, Joan Remey, Vincent Remey, Helen Utegaard
- 1981 1. Doug Fraser, Sandra Fraser, Ralph Katz, Paul J. Lewis, Linda Peterson, Esta van Zandt  
 2. Bill Cole, Lynn Deas, Norb Kremer, Beth Palmer
- 1982 1-2. Thomas K. Sanders, Carol Sanders, Sidney H. Lazard, Joan DeWitt  
 1-2. Lynn Deas, Norb Kremer, Beth Palmer, Bill Cole
- 1983 1. Alan Kudisch, Judy Landau, Drew Casen, Karen Allison  
 2. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
- 1984 1. Susan Sternberg, Bernie Chazen, Juanita Skelton, Allan Cokin, Barbara Sion, Steve Sion  
 2. Edith Rosenkranz, George Rosenkranz, Carol Sanders, Mark Lair, Lynn Deas, Eddie Wold
- 1985 1. Bill Pollack, Rozanne Pollack, Alan Truscott, Dorothy Truscott, Evelyn Levitt, Dave Treadwell  
 2. Rich Schmieder, Jyme Tropila, Martin Miller, Carole Dietz
- 1986 1. Mark Cohen, Stasha Cohen, Harold Lilie, Joyce Lilie, David Berkowitz, Lisa Berkowitz  
 2. Carol Simon, Bob Etter, Min Ross, Hugh Ross, Paul Kern, Claire Kern
- 1987 1-2. Jim Mahaffey, Linda Perlman, Joan Remey, Paul Soloway  
 1-2. Bob Hamman, Kerri Shuman, Rama Linz, Bobby Levin
- 1988 1-2. Robert Radwin, Helen Utegaard, Flo Rotman, Dan Rotman  
 1-2. Kenneth L. Cohen, Jo Ann Manfield, Robert Woodard, Ev Cogan
- 1989 1. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel, Gladys W. Collier, Juanita Chambers  
 2-3. Marty Bergen, Dori Cohen, Mary Oshlag, Richard Oshlag  
 2-3. Chester Hirsch, Mary Jane Farell, Jacqui Mitchell, Victor Mitchell
- 1990 1. Edith Rosenkranz, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Marinesa Letizia, Kerri Shuman, Mark Lair  
 2. Jim Becker, Ellee Lewis, Howard Chandross, Vivian Whalen
- 1991 1. John Carruthers, Katie Thorpe, Brad Moss, Bronia Gmach, Jared Lilienstein  
 2. Robert Thomson, Asya Kamsky, Rozanne Pollack, Michael Radin, Marty Bergen, Dori Cohen
- 1992 1. Gabriel Chagas, Marinesa Letizia, Dennis Clerkin, Juanita Chambers, Mike Lawrence, Beth Palmer  
 2. Björn Fallenius, Kathy Anday, Shirlee Meckstroth, Jeff Meckstroth
- 1993 1. Lisa Berkowitz, David Berkowitz, Beth Palmer, Bill Pettis  
 2. Nancy Molesworth, Stephen Schnee, Robbie Hopkins, Joan Lewis
- 1994 1. Mike Lucas, Michael Seamon, Renee Mancuso, Steve Sion, Barbara Sion  
 2. George Rosenkranz, Sabine Zenkel, Eddie Wold, Kerri Sanborn, Larry N. Cohen
- 1995 1. Joyce Lilie, Harold Lilie, David Berkowitz, Lisa Berkowitz  
 2. Jeff Schuett, Ginny Schuett, Tom Kniest, Karen Walker, Florine Walters, Mark Feldman
- 1996 1. Gaylor Kastle, Barbara Kastle, Nancy Passell, Garey Hayden  
 2. Jimmy Cayne, Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears, Mike Passell, Chuck Burger, Suzy Burger
- 1997 1. Marc Low, Sandra Low, Sue Sachs, David Sachs  
 2. Kit Woolsey, Sally Woolsey, Jo Anne Casen, Larry Mori, Ralph Katz, Martha Katz
- 1998 1. David Berkowitz, Lisa Berkowitz, Jim Bjerkan, Cheri Bjerkan  
 2. Rita Shugart, Geir Helgemo, Kitty Munson, Andrew Robson
- 1999 1. Matt Granovetter, Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Zia Mahmood  
 2. Richard Gabriel, Ellen Gabriel, Brian Ellis, Rhoda Prager

- 2000 1. Judi Radin, Alex Ornstein, Sue Picus, Jeff Ferro, Sylvia Moss, Barry Rigal  
2. Steven Cooper, Kitty Munson-Cooper, Betty Bloom, Steve Bloom, Mel Colchamiro, Janet Colchamiro
- 2001 1. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Chip Martel, Jan Martel, Lew Stansby, JoAnna Stansby  
2. Lou Ann O'Rourke, Joan Stein, Disa Eythorsdottir, Curtis Cheek, Billy Miller
- 2002 1. Michael Rosenberg, Debbie Rosenberg, Lisa Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen, Richard Schwartz, Margie Gwozdzinsky  
2. Paul J. Lewis, Linda Lewis, Bob Glasson, Joan Glasson
- 2003 1. Fulvio Fantoni, Hemant Lall, Donna Compton, Petra Hamman  
2. Richard Zeckhauser, Mildred Breed, Disa Eythorsdottir, Eddie Wold
- 2004 1. Steve Robinson, Lynn Deas, Bill Pollack, Rozanne Pollack, Beth Palmer, Bill Pettis  
2. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Lew Stansby, JoAnna Stansby, Chip Martel, Jan Martel
- 2005 1. Peggy Kaplan, Petra Hamman, Rozanne Pollack, Steve Beatty, Hemant Lall, Martin Fleisher  
2. Barbara Sonsini, John Sutherlin, Tobi Sokolow, Mark Lair, Rhoda Walsh
- 2006 1. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Bill Pettis, Rozanne Pollack, Bill Pollack  
2. Richard Schwartz, Margie Gwozdzinsky, Walid Elahmady, Daniela von Arnim, Teri Casen, Drew Casen
- 2007 1. Don Stack, Linda Eakes, Jack Spear, Nancy Spear  
2. Stephen Goldstein, Leslie Paryzer, John Stiefel, Shelia Gabay
- 2008 1. Chris Willenken, Migry Zur-Campanile, JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby  
2. Gaylor Kasle, Barbara Kasle, Jo Morse, Garey Hayden
- 2009 1. Sabine Auken, Robert Hampton, Sylvie Willard, John Hurd, Jenny Wolpert, Joel Wooldridge  
2. Jim Foster, Stella Rainey, Linda Smith, Ron L. Smith
- 2010 1. Gary Cohler, Jill Meyers, JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby  
2. Gloria Bart, Les Bart, Sally Woolsey, Kit Woolsey
- 2011 1. Winthrop Allegaert, Judy Bianco, Petra Hamman, Peggy Kaplan, Hemant Lall  
2. Lisa Berkowitz, David Berkowitz, Josef Blass, Ewa Harasimowicz, Marcin Lesniewski, Anna Sarniak

From 1946-1955 a separate nationally-rated event was held at Bridge Week on the West Coast. This event was contested for the Barclay Trophy.

- 1946 1. Nell Wells, George Wells, Kay Dunn, James Dunn
- 1947 1. Rose Eidem, Meyer Schleifer, Betty Bysshe, Detmar Walther
- 1948 1. Alma Rosekrans, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz, Maurice Seiler, Mrs. Maurice Seiler
- 1949 1. Arnold Kauder, Mary Jane Kauder, Helen Cale, Jack Ehrlenbach
- 1950 1. Arnold Kauder, Mary Jane Kauder, Helen Cale, Jack Ehrlenbach
- 1951 1. Ruth Smith, Casey Million, Nell Wells, John Hancock
- 1952 1. Donald A. Oakie, Mrs. James Moffatt, Stella Rebner, Douglas Steen
- 1953 1. Barry Cohen, Stella Rebner, Malvine Klausner, Dr. Edward Frischauer
- 1954 1. Harriet Rethers, Clarence Strouse, Alicia Kempner, Barry Crane
- 1955 1. Arnold Kauder, Mary Jane Kauder, Nell Wells, Ernest Rovere



**TRUSCOTT/USPC SENIOR SWISS.** This four-session NABC+ event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions is limited to players 55 years old or older. Simply known as the Senior Swiss from its inception in 1997, the event was renamed in memory of Alan Truscott in 2006. Winners' names are engraved on the Truscott/USPC Trophy.

- 1997 1. Harry Ross, John Gustafson, Helen Gustafson, Jerry Gaer, Marilyn Hemenway, Mike Albert  
2. Steve Lawrence, Bob Luebke, Ed Groner, Richard Holmes
- 1998 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Fred Hamilton, Arnie Fisher, Richard Reisig, P.O. Sundelin  
2. Jim Barrow, John Wong, Paul Stern, Wayne Hascall
- 1999 1. Richard Potter, John Potter, Sandra Low, Marc Low, Jim Kirkham, Corinne Kirkham  
2. Jim Barrow, Ed Lewis, Jim Murphy, David Adams, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert
- 2000 1. Mike Shuman, Trudi Nugit, Gene Simpson, Hamish Bennett  
2. Nels Erickson, Edwin Malmuth, Gerald Bare, Michael Savage, Rick Henderson
- 2001 1. Mike Levine, Arnie Fisher, Randy Pettit, Zeke Jabbour, P.O. Sundelin, Allan Siebert  
2. Thomas M. Smith, Richard DeMartino, John Sutherlin, Ron Gerard
- 2002 1. Roger Clough, Rebecca Clough, Nels Erickson, Derrell Childs, Gene Freed, Louise Freed  
2. Mike Levine, Arnie Fisher, Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert
- 2003 1. Carolyn Bjorklund, Evan Bailey, Fred Hamilton, Arnie Fisher, Ed Barlow  
2. Aram Bedros, Leo Bell, David Lindop, Marshall Miles
- 2004 1. Mike Shuman, Fran Dickman, Hamish Bennett, Gene Simpson, Bruce Noda  
2. Fred Hamilton, Ira Rubin, Grace Hunt, Chuck Said, David Adams
- 2005 1. Gerald Bare, Gene Freed, Jim Murphy, Michael Savage  
2. Grace Hunt, John Sutherlin, Nancy Passell, Fred Hamilton, Thomas Peters, John Zilic
- 2006 1. Geof Brod, Steve Earl, Richard DeMartino, John Stiefel  
2. Michael Mikyska, Catherine Podolsky, Phil Schaefer, Nell Schaefer
- 2007 1. Geof Brod, Richard DeMartino, John Stiefel, Pat McDevitt  
2. Jeff Hand, David Butler, Joseph Godefrin, Ed Schulte, Larry Bausher, Steve Becker
- 2008 1. Mark Lair, Fred Hamilton, John Carruthers, Reanette Frobouck, Allan Graves  
2. Geof Brod, John Stiefel, Richard DeMartino, Pat McDevitt
- 2009 1. Karen Allison, Lea Dupont, Benito Garozzo, Mike Ledeen  
2. Robert Bitterman, Jerry Helms, Tom Rutledge, Bill Wisdom
- 2010 1. Rick Rowland, Neal Satten, Thomas Weik, Ken Cohen  
2. John Malley, Daniel Colatosti, Shelia Gabay, Richard Budd, Mel Colchamiro
- 2011 1. Richard Oshlag, Mary Oshlag, Leonard Melander, Mark Dahl  
2. Stan Tulin, Marc Jacobus, Eddie Wold, Roger Bates

**ROTH OPEN SWISS.** A NABC+ four session open swiss team event first held in 2005. This event was renamed in 2010 to honor Hall of Fame member Al Roth and is contested for the Roth Trophy.

- 2005 1. Christal Henner-Welland, Michael Kamil, Claudio Nunes, Fulvio Fantoni, Fredrik Nystrom, Peter Bertheau  
2. Martin Harris, Jacob Morgan, Steve Landen, Pratap Rajadhyaksha
- 2006 1. Christal Henner-Welland, Roy Welland, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski, Antonio Sementa, Björn Fallenius  
2. Nader Hanna, Nagy Kamel, Greg Hinze, Ira Hessel
- 2007 1. Lou Ann O'Rourke, Norberto Bocchi, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson, Marc Jacobus, Giorgio Duboin  
2. George Klernic, Jason Rosenfeld, Angeliki Magklara, Drew Becker
- 2008 1. Phil Gordon, Terje Aa, Jason Feldman, Joergen Molberg, Josh Dunn  
2. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein, Walid Elahmady, Tarek Sadek
- 2009 1. Krzysztof Buras, Robert Hampton, John Hurd, Grzegorz Zarkiewicz, Gavin Wolpert, Joel Wooldridge  
2. Roger Bates, Giorgio Duboin, Marc Jacobus, Lou Ann O'Rourke, Antonio Sementa, Eddie Wold
- 2010 1. Steve Weinstein, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Bobby Levin, Martin Fleisher, Michael Kamil  
2. Alon Apteker, Craig Gower, Phillipe Cronier, Jacob Morgan, Adam Wildavsky, Michael Polowan
- 2011 1. Terje Aa, David Berkowitz, Mark Gordon, Jorgen Molberg, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Alan Sontag  
2. Björn Fallenius, Peter Fredin, Michael Rosenberg, Andrew Rosenthal, Aaron Silverstein, Chris Willenken

**NABC+ FAST OPEN PAIRS.** This NABC+ four session pair event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions requires players to finish two board rounds in eleven minutes. Penalties are assessed if a table exceeds the time limit. This event was first contested in 2000.

- 2000 1. Chris Willenken, Aaron Silverstein  
2. Paul J. Lewis, Linda Lewis
- 2001 1. Jim Robison, Mark Itabashi  
2. Earl Glickstein, Robert Bell
- 2002 1. Alan Kleist, Leo LaSota  
2. Ron Smith, Chris Willenken
- 2003 1. Joel Wooldridge, John Hurd  
2. Ed Schulte, Joseph Godefrin
- 2004 1. Rick Zucker, Peter Weiden  
2. Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky
- 2005 1. Chris Willenken, Ralph Buchalter  
2. Xiaodong Shi, Jiang Gu
- 2006 1. Robert Lebi, Nick L'Ecuyer  
2. Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky
- 2007 1. Bobby Levin, Geoff Hampson  
2. Ron Pachtmann, Eldad Ginossar
- 2008 1. Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky  
2. Brian Platnick, John Diamond
- 2009 1. Dick Bruno, Peggy Kaplan  
2. Bob Etter, John Hodges
- 2010 1. Dan Jacob, Nagy Kamel  
2. Steve Shirey, Allan Stauber
- 2011 1. John Diamond, Geoff Hampson  
2. Lewis Gamerman, Robert McCaw

**DAVID BRUCE LIFE MASTER PAIRS.** This NABC six-session pair event with two qualifying sessions, two semi-final sessions, and two final sessions is limited to Life Masters with fewer than 5000 masterpoints. This event was first contested in 2003. Winners' names are inscribed on the Bruce Trophy.

- 2003 1. Mark Bartusek, John Jones  
2. Craig Zastera, Stan Christie
- 2004 1. Henry Meyer, Brian Gunnell  
2. Jane Dillenberg, Jerry Goldberg
- 2005 1. David Maidman, Marin Marinov  
2. Will Engel, Jim Melville
- 2006 1. Andy Kaufman, Mike Cassel  
2. Al Blinder, Craig Zastera
- 2007 1. Karl Hicks, Brian Alexander  
2. Barry Purrington, Mike Cassel
- 2008 1. Steve Johnson, Mark Teaford  
2. Daniel Lavee, Barbara McLendon
- 2009 1. Carolyne Fox, George Fox  
2. Owen Lynch, Cindy Sealy
- 2010 1. Michael McNamara, Sylvia McNamara  
2. Rusty Krauss, Barry Falgout
- 2011 1. Andrew Jeng, Richard Jeng  
2. Michael Bodell, Belinda Gu

**YOUNG LIFE MASTER PAIRS.** This NABC six-session pair event with two qualifying sessions, two semi-final sessions, and two final sessions is limited to life masters with fewer than 1500 masterpoints. First played in 2003, this event is contested for the Young Trophy.

- 2003 1. Dick McCluer, Teresa Ozias  
2. Kevin Perkins, Al Remer
- 2004 1. Robert Frick, Marvin Levine  
2. Marian Krasowski, Weislaw Kalita
- 2005 1. Edward Foran, Nicolas Hammond  
2. Margaret Cooke, James Cooke
- 2006 1. Dan Schwartzman, Rick Schoenfield  
2. Matthew Bribitzer-Stull, Jason Bribitzer-Stull
- 2007 1. William Howard, Gregory Reichert  
2. Matthew Dyer, Doug Anderson
- 2008 1. Ken Llacera, Mick Friedberg  
2. Christopher Gibson, Paul Craviotto
- 2009 1. Paul Gutterman, Peter Litchfield  
2. Steve Callahan, Steve Schulman
- 2010 1. Robert Block, William Anspach  
2. Joyce McMonagle, L.C. Crowe
- 2011 1. Howard Engle, Mark Weisman  
2. Sam Miller, Marc Passman

**MINI-SPINGOLD I (0-5000) KNOCKOUT TEAMS.** First contested in 2001, This NABC event runs concurrently with the Spingold Master Knockout Teams at the Summer NABC and continues for not more than five days. It is limited to players with fewer than 5000 masterpoints.

- 2001 1. Brian Johnson, John Lloyd, Bill Woodcock, Gary Whiteman, Brook Nelles, Dale Freeman  
2. Howard Gianera, Barry Purrington, Vernon Evans, Monte Evans, John Koch, Tony Ames
- 2002 1. Howard Einberg, Michael Mikyska, Alan Myerson, Jim Glickman, David Sokolow  
2. John Hodges, Lynn Johannesen, Dale Johannesen, Frank Lowenthal
- 2003 1. Barbara Wallace, Mark Yaeger, Lisa Kow, Rich Pavlicek Jr., Brian Gunnell  
2. Marjorie Michelin, David Andig, Kenneth Titow, Ed Ulman, Andrew Vinock
- 2004 1. Lary Mohr, Alex Hong, Shi Yan, Hao Ge, Yi Liu  
2. Keith Connolly, Andrew deSosa, Bob Rebelein, Morrie Kleinplatz
- 2005 1. Walt Murphy, Julie Murphy, Steve Devico, Gayle Covey, Elliott Grubman, Ava Grubman  
2. Richard Wegman, Arnold Malasky, Gloria Silverman Bart, Jim Russell
- 2006 1. Martin Harris, Jacob Morgan, Jim Melville, Will Engel  
2. Paul Stern, Daniel Levin, James Neil, Christopher Mansour
- 2007 1. Brian Alexander, Jim Gordon, Mike Betts, Karl Hicks  
2. Bud Biswas, Nathan Glasser, Susan Winkler, Randy Okubo
- 2008 1. David Grainger, Jon Rice, Joyce Hampton, Mike Rice, Lucasz Lebioda  
2. Dayou Zhou, Stephen Tu, Greg Michaels, Warren Cederborg
- 2009 1. Kevin Dwyer, David Grainger, Owen Lien, Jon Rice, Jay Whipple  
2. Spencer Jones, McKenzie Myers, Michael Sherman, Peggy Ware, Garth Yettick
- 2010 1. Jim Russell, Nancy Spear, Mark Jones, Stephen Stewart  
2. Morrie Kleinplatz, Mark Leonard, Robert Stayman, John Boyer
- 2011 1. Howard Einberg, Susan Fuller, Saul Gross, John Lewis, David Sokolow, Maris Zilant  
2. Gary Donner, Lauren Friedman, Larry Lerner, Deborah Murphy

**MINI-SPINGOLD II (0-1500) KNOCKOUT TEAMS.** First contested in 2001, This NABC event runs concurrently with the Spingold Master Knockout Teams at the Summer NABC and continues for not more than five days. It is limited to players with fewer than 1500 masterpoints.

- 2001 1. Robert Hollow, Motaz Farag, Jim Brickman, Bill Kertes, Leo Takefman, Irving Goodman  
2. Larry Friedman, Jennifer Gianera, Jerry Poliquin, Larry Delefs, Ala Sobol, Meleva Jobin
- 2002 1. Robert Hollow, Motaz Farag, Gabriel Tawil, Theo Lichtenstein  
2. Maeve Mahon, John Segal, Russell Friedman, Allan Wolf
- 2003 1. Matt Meckstroth, Rob Meckstroth, Rich Regan, James Hawkes, Andrew Hurd  
2. Bruce Blakely, Fred Stout, Nancy Ferguson, David Bryant
- 2004 1. Mark Teafor, Norton Rimer, Myron Rimer, Ronald Resnick  
2. Doris Banks, Christine Woodring, Paul Lenoble, Lew Kroll
- 2005 1. Nancy Ferguson, Bruce Blakely, Dmitri Shabes, David Bryant  
2. Nicolas Hammond, Martin Nathan, Maureen McGuire, Edward Foran, John Hassett, Robert Ternosky
- 2006 1. Steve Callahan, John Hassett, Edward Foran, Nicolas Hammond  
2. Eric Hendrickson, Richard Lawson, Matthew Bribitzer-Stull, Jason Bribitzer-Stull
- 2007 1. Robert Glickman, Matt Meckstroth, Sam Katz, Daniel Goldfein  
2. Eric Mayefsky, Eric Sieg, David Coberly, Zachary Brescoll, Owen Lien, Mike Develin
- 2008 1. Brian Duran, Ivanie Yeo, Lon Sunshine, Gloria Tsoi  
2. John Scibelli, Thomas Shulman, Justine Hancock, Sali Ma
- 2009 1. Jason Bribitzer-Stull, Matthew Bribitzer-Stull, Andy Caranicas, Eric Hendrickson  
2. Paul Fagan, Victor Hsu, Sandy Johnson, Ted Wilson
- 2010 1. Jonathan Pines, Belinda Gu, Jennifer Gu, Adam Portley  
2. Steve Callahan, David Schulman, Patrick Corn, Megan Corn
- 2011 1. Yuan Chen, Kaiyu Qian, Sam Yu, Wenbo Zhang  
2. Richard Collette, Jean LaTraverse, Josette Levesque, Sylvie Levesque

**NATIONAL 199ERS PAIRS.** First contested in 1998, this two session NABC event is limited to players with fewer than 200 masterpoints.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1998 1. John Javella, Madelyn Bachman<br/>2. Parames Laosinchia, Ron Trimmer</li> <li>1999 1. Mauro Viale, Tom Henry<br/>2. Gail Himmelstein, Fran Bernstein</li> <li>2000 1. Trevor Warren, Cobe Venner<br/>2. Scott Gorsuch, Clinton Gorsuch</li> <li>2001 1. Bernie Mayer, David Cohen<br/>2. Jim Betts, Ross Holden</li> <li>2002 1. Calvin Cobb, Chip King<br/>2. Bob Sturm, Tom Marcelino</li> <li>2003 1. Gus Haggstrom, Mitchell Tuller<br/>2. Maureen Warman, Jessica Lai</li> <li>2004 1. Matthew Bresler, Steve Winer<br/>2. Larry Goldstein, David Katzman</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2005 1. Ellen Cohen, Genny Whitaker<br/>2. William Mauldin, David Bahn</li> <li>2006 1. Honor Mogul, Leonard Dubin<br/>2. John Ullman, Don Recht</li> <li>2007 1. Tom Graff, Roger Koeppel<br/>2. Sean Gannon, Rick Gannon</li> <li>2008 1. Terri Miladinovich, Mitch Miladinovich<br/>2. Connie Jones, Mel Fineberg</li> <li>2009 1. Roy Robson, Kenneth Marshall<br/>2. Nick Trobovic, Richard Malus</li> <li>2010 1. Jim Baker, Gwen Baker<br/>2. Lenny Li, Brian Hamrick</li> <li>2011 1. William Sigward, George Trost<br/>2. David Denomy, Allan Thomas</li> </ul> |
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## North American Bridge Championships

### Fall

**REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS.** This NABC+ event is contested for the Reisinger Trophy (originally the Chicago Trophy until 1965). It is a six-session Open Team-of-Four event scored by Board-a-Match with two qualifying sessions, two semifinal sessions and two final sessions. It was contested as a four-session championship until 1966.

- 1929 1. Max M. Cohen, Louis J. Haddad, Robert W. Halpin, Nils M. Wester  
2. Carlton R. Drake, James Kelly, Paul D. Parcells, Charles Rilling
- 1930 1. William K. Barrett, W. James Carpenter, Ely Culbertson, Johnny Rau  
2. Mary Clement, Dorothy Rice Sims, P. Hal Sims, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1931 1. Elizabeth Banfield, Cmdr. Winfield S. Liggett, Jr., Frances Newman, George Unger  
2. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims
- 1932 1. B. Jay Becker, S. Garton Churchill, George Reith, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Ely Culbertson, Michael T. Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore A. Lightner
- 1933 1. Charles A. Hall, Albert Steiner, Philip Steiner, Richard M. Wildberg  
2. B. Jay Becker, S. Garton Churchill, P. Hal Sims, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1934 1. Henry S. Dinkelspiel, Jr., Lewis M. Jaeger, Bernard Rabinowitz, Maurice Seiler  
2. Theodore A. Lightner, Merwyn D. Maier, Jean P. Mattheys, Sherman Stearns
- 1935 1. F. Roland Buck, Joseph E. Cain, Lawrence J. Welch, Edson Wood  
2. Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson, Richard L. Frey, Albert H. Morehead
- 1936 1. Marge Anderson, Donald G. Farquharson, Mrs. J. A. Faulkner, Percy E. Sheardown  
2. Arthur Glatt, Laura Heiner, John R. Smith, Albert Weiss
- 1937 1. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon, Sally Young  
2. Oscar J. Brotman, William Perry, Alvin Roth, S. S. Vorzimer
- 1938 1. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon, Sally Young  
2. A. Mitchell Barnes, Mary Clement, Benedict Jarmel, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1939 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon, Sally Young  
2-4. Jack Cushing, Seymour Kaplan, Al Leibowitz, Edward N. Marcus  
2-4. Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn D. Maier, Robert A. McPherran, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2-4. Henry Auslander, Joseph Davis, Jacob D. Lindy, Catherine W. Samberg
- 1940 1. Harry Feinberg, Jeff Glick, Maury J. Glick, Louis Newman  
2. Alfred R. Dick, C. William Potts, James Sheern, Edward R. Thomas
- 1941 1. Peter A. Leventritt, Simon Rossant, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
2. A. Mitchell Barnes, S. Garton Churchill, Lee Hazen, Charles S. Lochridge, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1942 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, John R. Crawford  
2. S. Garton Churchill, Harry Fishbein, Lee Hazen, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1943 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel  
2. Samuel Katz, Bertram Lebharr, Jr., Peter A. Leventritt, Simon Rossant
- 1944 1. Simon Becker, Peggy Golder, Ruth Sherman, Charles J. Solomon  
2. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
- 1945 1. Lee Hazen, George Rapée, Samuel M. Stayman, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Ambrose Casner, Harold Harkavy, Ralph Hirschberg, Harold Ogust, Jack Shore
- 1946 1. A. Mitchell Barnes, John R. Crawford, Alvin Roth, Edith Seligman  
2. Simon Becker, Stanley Fenkel, Fred Karpin, Louis Newman
- 1947 1. Paula Bacher, Jane Jaeger, Kay Rhodes, Sally Young  
2-3. John R. Crawford, Theodore A. Lightner, George Rapée, Samuel M. Stayman  
2-3. Robert Appleyard, Morris Berliant, Malcolm A. Lightman, Simon Rossant
- 1948 1. J. George Boeckh, C. Bruce Elliott, Agnes Gordon, Charlotte Sidway  
2. John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1949 1. Lee Hazen, Larry Hirsch, Richard Kahn, Peter A. Leventritt, Jack Shore  
2-3. Sidney Aronson, Emily Folline, Benjamin O. Johnson, Ludwig Kabakjian, Edward N. Marcus  
2-3. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal, Elmer I. Schwartz

- 1950 1. B. Jay Becker, Myron F. Field, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel  
2. John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Edward N. Marcus, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1951 1. Corti Boland, C. Bruce Elliot, Micky M. Miller, Percy E. Sheardown  
2. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Myron F. Field, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
- 1952 1. Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone  
2. Edward H. Cohen, Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Elmer I. Schwartz
- 1953 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Samuel M. Stayman  
2. Harry Fishbein, Peter A. Leventritt, Ruth Sherman, Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Solomon
- 1954 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor  
2. Israel Cohen, Paul Kibler, Alvin Roth, William Seamon
- 1955 1. Ben Fain, George Heath, Paul Hodge, Jim Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby  
2. William V. Lipton, Victor Mitchell, W. Miller Nelson, Joseph G. Ripstra
- 1956 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor  
2. Ben Fain, Paul Hodge, Oswald Jacoby, Dick Sutton
- 1957 1. Charles H. Goren, Harold Ogust, Bill Root, Howard Schenken, Helen Sobel  
2. Robert Y. Barrett, Ben Fain, Harry Fishbein, John Gerber, Paul Hodge
- 1958 1. Leonard B. Harmon, Ralph Hirschberg, Edgar Kaplan, Alfred Sheinwold, Ivar Stakgold  
2. Arthur M. Miller, John H. Moran, David Strasberg, Jay Wendt
- 1959 1. Lewis L. Mathe, Donald A. Oakie, Meyer Schleifer, Edward O. Taylor  
2. Harry Fishbein, John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Charles J. Solomon
- 1960 1. Ollie Adams, William Hann, Sidney H. Lazard, Lewis L. Mathe  
2. Oswald Jacoby, Mervin Key, Bobby Nail, Curtis K. Smith
- 1961 1. John R. Crawford, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone  
2-3. Charles Coon, Robert F. Jordan, Eric R. Murray, Arthur G. Robinson  
2-3. Harold Guiver, Carol Sanders, Thomas K. Sanders, Mike Shuman
- 1962 1-2. Paul Allinger, Harold Guiver, Lewis L. Mathe, Ron Von der Porten, Erik Paulsen, Edward O. Taylor  
1-2. Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Donald P. Krauss, Marshall Miles, Billy Eisenberg
- 1963 1. Charles H. Goren, Peter A. Leventritt, Harold Ogust, Howard Schenken  
2. Donald R. Faskow, William L. Flannery, Herbert Sachs, Paul Swanson
- 1964 1. John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Mervin Key, Harold Rockaway  
2. Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Cliff Russell, Curtis K. Smith, Bobby Wolff, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1965 1. Eddie Kantar, Mike Lawrence, Marshall Miles, Lew Stansby  
2. Michael Engel, Phil Feldesman, Richard Freeman, Ira Rubin
- 1966 1. Robert F. Jordan, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Arthur G. Robinson  
2-3. Gerald Bare, Harold Guiver, Lewis L. Mathe, Mike McMahan, Erik Paulsen, Hugh Ross  
2-3. Bill Root, Alvin Roth, Bee Schenken, Howard Schenken
- 1967 1. Robert F. Jordan, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Arthur G. Robinson, Bill Root, Alvin Roth  
2. Steve Altman, Mike Becker, Charles Peres, Dan Rotman
- 1968 1. Kyle Larsen, Erik Paulsen, Peter A. Pender, Hugh Ross, Howard Schenken  
2. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Sidney H. Lazard, George Rapée
- 1969 1. Phil Feldesman, William Grieve, Ira Rubin, Jeff Westheimer  
2. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Sami R. Kehela, Sidney H. Lazard, Eric R. Murray, George Rapée
- 1970 1-2. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff  
1-2. Grant Baze, Antonio H. Dionisi, William Grieve, Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender, George Rapée
- 1971 1. William Grieve, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Donald P. Krauss, Lewis L. Mathe, George Rapée  
2. Grant Baze, Antonio H. Dionisi, Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender
- 1972 1. Lou Bluhm, Steve Goldberg, Steven J. Parker, Steve Robinson  
2. William Grieve, Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray, George Rapée
- 1973 1. Larry T. Cohen, Dr. Richard H. Katz, Bud Reinhold, Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel  
2. Jack Blair, Byron L. Greenberg, Thomas K. Sanders, Paul Swanson
- 1974 1. Fred Hamilton, Erik Paulsen, Hugh Ross, Ira Rubin  
2. Stephen Goldstein, Marc Jacobus, J. Merrill, Steve Sion, Judi Solodar

- 1975 1. Fred Hamilton, Erik Paulsen, Hugh Ross, Ira Rubin  
2. Richard E. Doughty, Frank Hoadley, Jack LaNoue, Sidney H. Lazard
- 1976 1. Malcolm Brachman, Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway  
2. Matt Granovetter, Robert H. Lipsitz, Steven J. Parker, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1977 1. Jimmy Cayne, Alan Greenberg, Jim Jacoby, Kyle Larsen, Mike Lawrence  
2. Matt Granovetter, Robert H. Lipsitz, Neil Silverman, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1978 1. Ira G. Corn, Jr., Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman, Ira Rubin, Bobby Wolff  
2. Allan Graves, Gaylor Kastle, Mark Lair, George Mittelman, Barney O'Malia, Ron Smith
- 1979 1-2. Russ Arnold, Bobby Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Bud Reinhold, Eric Rodwell  
1-2. Ira G. Corn, Jr., Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman, Ira Rubin, Bobby Wolff
- 1980 1. Ron Andersen, Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Mike Lawrence, Paul Soloway  
2-3. Mark Lair, Jeff Meckstroth, Mike Passell, Eric Rodwell, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold  
2-3. Roy Fox, Ed Manfield, Paul Swanson, Kit Woolsey
- 1981 1. Chip Martel, Peter A. Pender, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby  
2-3. Roger Bates, Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne, Billy Eisenberg, Alan Greenberg  
2-3. Evan Bailey, L. Andrew Campbell, Joel Hoersch, David J. Weiss
- 1982 1. Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay  
2. Mark Molson, Eric Kokish, Paul J. Lewis, Robert Lebi, George Mittelman, Drew Cannell
- 1983 1. Oswald Jacoby, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek  
2-3. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker, Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Mike Lawrence, Peter Weichsel  
2-3. Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Peter A. Pender, Hugh Ross
- 1984 1-4. Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay  
1-4. Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein, Allan Stauber, Mike Smolen  
1-4. Samuel M. Stayman, Richard Reisig, George Tornay, Saul Bronstein  
1-4. Jim Robison, Jon Wittes, Ross Gabel, Stelios Touchtidis
- 1985 1-2. Chip Martel, Peter A. Pender, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby  
1-2. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, Larry Cohen
- 1986 1. Steve Robinson, Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter Boyd, Peter A. Pender, Lew Stansby  
2. Bud Reinhold, Ron Andersen, Thomas K. Sanders, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman
- 1987 1. Zia Mahmood, Jaggy Shivdasani, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith  
2. Walter Johnson, Mark Cohen, Ralph Katz, Bill Pollack, David Berkowitz, Howard Weinstein
- 1988 1. Jimmy Cayne, Bob Hamman, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Chuck Burger, Bobby Wolff  
2. Tom Fox, Dick Melson, Jim Hall, David Lehman
- 1989 1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Sam Lev, Chris Compton, Mark Molson  
2. Jillian Blanchard, Bob Blanchard, Jon Greenspan, Kerri Shuman, Margie Gwozdzensky, Glenn Eisenstein
- 1990 1. Richard Pavlicek, Bill Root, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Brian Glubok  
2. Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair, Eddie Wold
- 1991 1. Cliff Russell, Sam Lev, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Marty Bergen, Björn Fallenius  
2. Mike Cappelletti, Jr., Mike Cappelletti, Sr., Lawrence Hicks, Rob Crawford
- 1992 1. Jimmy Cayne, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Chuck Burger, Gabriel Chagas, Marcelo Branco  
2. Jim Mahaffey, Alan Sontag, Eddie Kantar, Ron Andersen, Tony Forrester
- 1993 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair
- 1994 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Chuck Burger, Paul Soloway
- 1995 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Peter Nagy, Bruce Ferguson, Howard Weinstein, Ralph Katz, Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein
- 1996 1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Mark Feldman, Chuck Burger, Michael Seamon, Mike Passell, Alan Sontag
- 1997 1. Bart Bramley, Howard Weinstein, Sidney H. Lazard, Steve Garner  
2. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Adam Zmudzinski, Marek Szymanowski, Marcin Lesniewski, Cezary Balicki
- 1998 1. Rita Shugart, Andrew Robson, Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester  
2. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag

- 1999 1. Rita Shugart, Andrew Robson, Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester  
2. Dana DeFalco, Giorgio Duboin, Guido Ferraro, Norberto Bocchi
- 2000 1. George Jacobs, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin  
2. Mike Cappelletti Jr., Gary Cohler, Richard Finberg, Mark Lair, Jerry Goldfein
- 2001 1. Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, Howard Weinstein, Steve Garner  
2. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin
- 2002 1. Steve Landen, Dan Morse, Bobby Wolff, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Adam Wildavsky, Doug Doub  
2. Richard Schwartz, Mike Becker, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg
- 2003 1. Malcolm Brachman, Geoff Hampson, Eric Greco, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold  
2. Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
- 2004 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Richard Schwartz, Massimo Lanzarotti, Andrea Buratti, Mike Becker, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz
- 2005 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. George Jacobs, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Ralph Katz, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg
- 2006 1. Jacek Pszczola, Joe Grue, Gary Cohler, Curtis Cheek  
2. Russ Ekeblad, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman
- 2007 1. Jimmy Cayne, Michael Seamon, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes  
2. Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Aubrey Strul, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Mike Becker
- 2008 1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Roy Welland, Brian Glubok, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith, Howard Weinstein, Steve Garner
- 2009 1. Nick Nickell, Ralph Katz, Bob Hamman, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Michal Kwiecien, Alexander Smirnov, Rafal Jagniewski, Josef Piekarek
- 2010 1. Jimmy Cayne, Giorgio Duboin, Lorenzo Lauria, Michael Seamon, Antonio Sementa, Alfredo Versace  
2. Steve Garner, Christal Henner-Welland, Josef Piekarek, Alexander Smirnov, Howard Weinstein, Roy Welland



**KAPLAN BLUE RIBBON PAIRS.** This NABC+ event is contested for the Cavendish Trophy. It is a six-session pair event with two qualifying sessions. Entry is restricted to winners and runners-up in regional championships and high finishers in North American Championships, members of current Grand National District Championship teams, members of current official teams representing the ACBL or member countries of the ACBL, together with the top 100 lifetime masterpoint holders.

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| 1963 1. B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden        | 1986 1. Bob Hamman, Ron Von der Porten    |
| 2. Harold Harkavy, Cliff Russell             | 2. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield               |
| 1964 1. Bob Hamman, Lewis L. Mathe           | 1987 1. Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein     |
| 2. Gunther Polak, Robert G. Sharp            | 2. Kerri Shuman, Bobby Levin              |
| 1965 1. Chuck Henke, John H. Moran           | 1988 1. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen      |
| 2. Mike Lawrence, Ron Von der Porten         | 2. Bobby Levin, Ron Smith                 |
| 1966 1. Charles Coon, Richard Zeckhauser     | 1989 1. Mark Molson, Robert Lebi          |
| 2. Leland Ferer, Gratian Goldstein           | 2. Gaylor Kasle, Roger Bates              |
| 1967 1. Sami R. Kehela, Baron Wolf Lebovic   | 1990 1. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield          |
| 2. Phil Feldesman, Lewis L. Mathe            | 2. Brian Glubok, Sam Lev                  |
| 1968 1. Larry T. Cohen, Dr. Richard H. Katz  | 1991 1. Bob Hamman, Nick Nickell          |
| 2. Bobby Goldman, Mike Lawrence              | 2. Mark Tolliver, Marc Zwerling           |
| 1969 1. Eric Paulsen, Alex Tschekaloff       | 1992 1. Haig Tchamitch, Adam Wildavsky    |
| 2-4. Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray          | 2. Brad Moss, Rev Murthy                  |
| 2-4. Tom Hodapp, Robert F. Morris            | 1993 1. Bob Hamman, Michael Rosenberg     |
| 2-4. Larry T. Cohen, Dr. Richard H. Katz     | 2. Martin De Bruin, Steve Price           |
| 1970 1. Chuck Burger, Ira Rubin              | 1994 1. Mark Lair, Alexander Weiland      |
| 2. Richard Freeman, Cliff Russell            | 2. Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein          |
| 1971 1. Roger Bates, John M. Grantham        | 1995 1. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen   |
| 2. Hermine Baron, Mike Lawrence              | 2. Paul Kiefer, Jerry Helms               |
| 1972 1. Richard Khautin, Warren Kornfeld     | 1996 1. Jim Krekorian, Bob Blanchard      |
| 2. Garey Hayden, Mark Lair                   | 2. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz        |
| 1973 1. Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey          | 1997 1. Adam Wildavsky, Allan Falk        |
| 2. Kathie Cappelletti, Mike Cappelletti, Sr. | 2. Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester           |
| 1974 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay             | 1998 1. Zia Mahmood, Howard Weinstein     |
| 2. Roger Bates, George Rosenkranz            | 2. Eric Rodwell, Marty Seligman           |
| 1975 1. Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey          | 1999 1. Jill Meyers, John Mohan           |
| 2. Ron Andersen, Hugh C. MacLean             | 2. John Sutherlin, Russ Ekeblad           |
| 1976 1. Jay Apfelbaum, Bill Edelstein        | 2000 1. Richard Coren, Marc Jacobus       |
| 2. Jim Jacoby, David Berkowitz               | 2. Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein           |
| 1977 1. Lou Bluhm, Thomas K. Sanders         | 2001 1. Salvador Assael, Nafiz Zorlu      |
| 2. Kathie Cappelletti, Mike Cappelletti, Sr. | 2. Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Steve Landen      |
| 1978 1. Ron Andersen, David Berkowitz        | 2002 1. Sidney H. Lazard, Bart Bramley    |
| 2. Ted Horning, Peter Nagy                   | 2. Kit Woolsey, Fred Stewart              |
| 1979 1. Bobby Levin, Ron Smith               | 2003 1. Michael Seamon, Geir Helgemo      |
| 2. James Bennett, Chester Davis              | 2. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson              |
| 1980 1. Warren Rosner, Allan Stauber         | 2004 1. Tarek Sadek, Walid Elahmady       |
| 2. Dan Morse, Bobby Nail                     | 2. Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein           |
| 1981 1. Larry N. Cohen, Ron Gerard           | 2005 1. Gavin Wolpert, Jenny Ryman        |
| 2. Chip Martel, Lew Stansby                  | 2. Sabine Auken, Daniela von Arnim        |
| 1982 1. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth        | 2006 1. Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes     |
| 2-3. Bob Blanchard, Drew Casen               | 2. Drew Casen, Jim Krekorian              |
| 2-3. Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson              | 2007 1. Steve Landen, Pratap Rajadhyaksha |
| 1983 1. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen         | 2. Ernesto Muzzio, Alejandro Bianchedi    |
| 2. Peter Weichsel, Mike Lawrence             | 2008 1. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth     |
| 1984 1-2. Jack E. Kennedy, Bobby Wolff       | 2. Martin Deknijff, Frederic Wrang        |
| 1-2. David Funk, Mark Lair                   | 2009 1. Björn Fallenius, Bart Bramley     |
| 1985 1. Eric Rodwell, Walter Johnson         | 2. John Hurd, Joel Wooldridge             |
| 2. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield                  | 2010 1. Jay Borker, Jan Jansma            |
|  | 2. Sjoert Brink, Bas Drijver              |

**NAIL LIFE MASTER PAIRS**, formerly Life Master Open Pairs and Life Master Men's Pairs. This four-session NABC+ event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions is restricted to Life Masters. This event is contested for the Nail trophy. Before 1963 it was restricted to National Masters and players of higher rank. It was a men's event until 1990 when it became an open event.

- 1961 1. G. Gard Hays, Max Manchester  
2. Martin J. Cohn, Hampton Hume
- 1962 1. Sam Fuoto, Victor Mitchell  
2. Hal Kandler, Kelsey Petterson
- 1963 1. Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray  
2. Harry Fishbein, Charles J. Solomon
- 1964 1. Charles Coon, Bobby Goldman  
2-3. Mervin Key, Harold Rockaway  
2-3. Jack Blair, William Christian
- 1965 1. Paul Soloway, Alex Tschekaloff  
2. Edgar Kaplan, Victor Mitchell
- 1966 1. Carl J. Hudecek, Ray Zoller  
2. Gaylor Kasle, Ed Theus
- 1967 1. Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender  
2. Donald R. Faskow, William L. Flannery
- 1968 1. Henry Bethe, John Solodar  
2. Don Pearson, John Swanson
- 1969 1. Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne  
2. Norman H. Fischer, Christopher G. Jeans
- 1970 1. Ron Andersen, Hugh C. MacLean  
2. Curtis K. Smith, E. Lowell Yost
- 1971 1. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel  
2. Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1972 1. Leslie C. Bart, Marc Jacobus  
2. Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
- 1973 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay  
2. Roxy Violin, Ed Weiner
- 1974 1. Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail  
2. John Gerber, Daniel Kaim
- 1975 1. Steve Lapides, Walt Walvick  
2. Marc Culberson, Robert Visokey
- 1976 1. Roger Bates, John Mohan  
2. Steve Altman, Thomas M. Smith
- 1977 1. David Hoffner, David Schroeder  
2. Roger Bates, John Mohan
- 1978 1. Norm Coombs, Tom Hodapp  
2. Kevin Castner, Mike Lawrence
- 1979 1. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Zeke Jabbour, Dennis McGarry
- 1980 1. Craig Janitschke, Jan Janitschke  
2. Bob Hamman, Paul Swanson
- 1981 1. Roger Abelson, Mike Levinson  
2. Bob Hamman, Donald P. Krauss
- 1982 1. Robert H. Lipsitz, Dan Gerstman  
2. Lewis L. Mathe, Harold Guiver
- 1983 1. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Mitch Chandler, Cliff Bishop
- 1984 1. P.O. Sundelin, Peter A. Pender  
2. Jim Becker, Howard Chandross
- 1985 1. John Mohan, Roger Bates  
2. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth

- 1986 1. Jim Krekorian, Paul Kiefer  
2. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen
- 1987 1. Bart Bramley, Lou Bluhm  
2. Leslie West, David Ashley
- 1988 1. Bobby Levin, Larry T. Cohen  
2. Glenn Lublin, Peter Boyd
- 1989 1. Steve Lapides, Walt Walvick  
2. Peter Weichsel, Roger Stern

In 1990 the event became the Life Master Open Pairs.

- 1990 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross  
2. Tommy Gullberg, Michael Polowan
  - 1991 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross  
2. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz
  - 1992 1. Michael Kamil, Michael Rosenberg  
2. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
  - 1993 1. Brad Moss, Rev Murthy  
2. Ed Nagy, Jeff Polisner
  - 1994 1. Bobby Levin, Dr. Richard H. Katz  
2. Michael Polowan, Steve Robinson
  - 1995 1. John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley  
2. Mark Itabashi, Gene Simpson
  - 1996 1. Walter Schafer, Ron L. Smith  
2. Michael Schreiber, Curtis Cheek
  - 1997 1. Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett  
2. Dennis Kasle, Garey Hayden
  - 1998 1. JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby  
2. Ron Smith, Richard Schwartz
  - 1999 1. Paul Soloway, Steve Catlett  
2. Lew Stansby, JoAnna Stansby
  - 2000 1. Jill Meyers, Steve Garner  
2. Zia Mahmood, Chuck Burger
  - 2001 1. Piotr Gawrys, Jacek Pszczola  
2. Zia Mahmood, Sidney H. Lazard
  - 2002 1. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson  
2. Larry N. Cohen, Steve Weinstein
  - 2003 1. Jo Morse, Kyle Larsen  
2. Fred Gitelman, Jay Borker
- In 2004 the event became known as the Nail Life Master Pairs.
- 2004 1. Richard Pavlicek, Rich Pavlicek Jr.  
2. Jonathan Green, Mark Aquino
  - 2005 1. Zia Mahmood, Jill Meyers  
2. Bobby Levin, Louk Verhees
  - 2006 1. Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein  
2. John Armstrong, Paul Hackett
  - 2007 1. Zia Mahmood, Björn Fallenius  
2. Michael Prahin, Alex Perlin
  - 2008 1. Nikolay Demirev, Ralph Katz  
2. Eric Rodwell, John Diamond
  - 2009 1. Tor Helness, Martin Andresen  
2. Hemant Lall, Justin Lall
  - 2010 1. Kazuo Furuta, Hiroaki Miura  
2. Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss

**SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMENS PAIRS.** This NABC+ event is contested for the Helen Sobel Smith Trophy. It is a four-session event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions, restricted to Life Masters. Prior to 1963 it was restricted to National Masters and players of higher rank.

- 1961 1. Dorothy Hayden, Helen Portugal  
2. Gratian Goldstein, Jane Mueller
- 1962 1. Barbara Kachmar, Margaret Wagar  
2. Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp
- 1963 1. Anne Burnstein, Hermine Baron  
2. Carrie Arnold, Neva L. Gray
- 1964 1. Margaret Alcorn, Betty Kaplan  
2. Agnes Gordon, Sylvia Stein
- 1965 1. Ann Sheaber, Jan Stone  
2. Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon
- 1966 1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden  
2. Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon
- 1967 1. Nancy Gruver, Sue Sachs  
2. Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon
- 1968 1. Dorothy Talmage, Rhoda Walsh  
2. Katherine Blanchard, Mary Jane Farell
- 1969 1. Gratian Goldstein, Sylvia Stein  
2. Karen Allison, Gladys W. Collier
- 1970 1. Bette L. Cohn, Marietta Passell  
2. Louise Krauss, Betty Mangan
- 1971 1. Ruth Bloomfield, Della Levinson  
2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders
- 1972 1. Amalya Kears, Rhoda Walsh  
2. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott
- 1973 1. Frieda Arst, June Deutsch  
2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport
- 1974 1. Bernice Larson, Joan Stein  
2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport
- 1975 1. Dorothy Moore, Marion Weed  
2. Nancy Gruver, Helen Utegaard
- 1976 1. Barbara Furbeck, Barbara Herr  
2. Carol Crawford, Joan Remey
- 1977 1. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport  
2. Bernadine Jenkins, Joan Remey
- 1978 1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
2. Ann Economidy, Anne Leverone
- 1979 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp  
2. June Deutsch, Sandi Leavitt
- 1980 1. Kathie Cappelletti, Claire Tornay  
2. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp
- 1981 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp  
2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders
- 1982 1. Dorothy Buchanan, Barbara Morris  
2. Mary Albert, Rhoda Walsh
- 1983 1. Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas  
2. Sandra Low, Joan Stein
- 1984 1. Karen Singer, Sharon Soules  
2. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin
- 1985 1. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer  
2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman

- 1986 1. Mickie Kivel, Judi Cody  
2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman
- 1987 1. Jill Meyers, Gaye Herrington  
2. Mary Ann Coyle, Jackie Hess
- 1988 1. Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn  
2. Brenda Keller, Renee Mancuso
- 1989 1. Rhoda Walsh, Sabine Zenkel  
2. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
- 1990 1. Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
2. Barbara Sartorius, Marla Chaiken
- 1991 1. Sue Weinstein, Tobi Deutsch  
2. Janice Seamon, Cheri Bjerkan
- 1992 1. Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen  
2. Sabine Zenkel, Joan Jackson
- 1993 1. Janice Seamon, Sabine Zenkel  
2. Sharon David, Trudi Nugit
- 1994 1. Lynn Deas, Rhoda Kratenstein  
2. Cynthia Balderson, Peg Waller
- 1995 1. Flo Rotman, Susan Miller  
2. Lila Perlstein, Juanita Chambers
- 1996 1. Suzy Burger, Barbara Sion  
2. Judy Randel, Linda Lewis
- 1997 1. Janice Seamon, Sylvia Moss  
2. Linda Perlman, Disa Eythorsdottir
- 1998 1. Sharon Hait, Barbara Sartorius  
2. Shannon Lipscomb, Rhoda Walsh
- 1999 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn  
2. Nell Cahn, Ellen Siebert
- 2000 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn  
2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar
- 2001 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn  
2. Jayne Thomas, Barbara Nudelman
- 2002 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn  
2. Jan George, Roni Gitchel
- 2003 1. Lynn Baker, Kerri Sanborn  
2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar
- 2004 1. Cynthia Hinckley, Diana Schuld  
2. Pamela Granovetter, Migry Zur-Campanile
- 2005 1. Jill Levin, Malle Anadrade  
2. Mildred Breed, Claudette Hartman
- 2006 1. Sara Sivelind, Cecelia Rimstedt  
2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson
- 2007 1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum  
2. YouMei Zhou, Jian Wang
- 2008 1. Betty Ann Kennedy, Lynn Deas  
2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson
- 2009 1. Sue Picus, Shawn Quinn  
2. Victoria Gromova, Tatiana Ponomareva
- 2010 1. Disa Eythorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer  
2. Lynn Deas, Judith Shulman

**MITCHELL OPEN BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS**, formerly Men's Board-a-Match Teams. This four-session NABC+ event consists of two qualifying and two final sessions. It was a men's event until 1990 when it became an open event. This event is contested for the Mitchell Trophy (Goren Trophy until 2004). It was contested as a three-session championship until 1972.

- 1946 1. Maynard Adams, Julius Bank, Arthur Glatt, William McGhee, Albert Weiss  
2. A. Mitchell Barnes, John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor
- 1947 1. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Jack Kravatz, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal  
2. Joseph Cohan, Dr. Louis Mark, Dr. H. Russ Storr, George Unger
- 1948 1. Jack L. Ankus, Jeff Glick, Alvin Landy, John H. Law, Sol Mogal  
2. John R. Crawford, Edward N. Marcus, George Rapée, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1949 1. Muriel Levin, Alphonse Moyse, Jr., Leo Roet, Howard Schenken  
2. Joseph Cohan, Herbert J. Gerst, Jack L. Ankus, William Joseph, Dr. H. Russ Storr
- 1950 1. Edward Burns, John F. Carlin, David C. Carter, A. Richard Revell  
2. Robert Appleyard, Ned Drucker, Fred Hirsch, Milton Moss, Milton Vernoff
- 1951 1. J. Van Brooks, Eugene Dautell, Jack Denny, Ace Gutowsky, Edwin J. Smith  
2. Fred L. Bickel, Joseph J. Foreacre, Robert Lattomus, Ronald Rosenberg
- 1952 1. Charles H. Goren, Oswald Jacoby, Sidney Silodor, Charles J. Solomon, Samuel M. Stayman  
2-3. Samuel Katz, Charles Kuhn, William Seamon, Albert Weiss  
2-3. Harry Fishbein, Harold Harkavy, Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1953 1. Ben Fain, John Gerber, George Heath, Paul Hodge, Harold Rockaway  
2. Cliff Bishop, Harry Fishbein, Arnold Kauder, John H. Moran, Douglas Steen
- 1954 1. Aaron J. Frank, Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal  
2. Henry Chanin, Dr. John Fisher, Jim Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Sidney H. Lazard
- 1955 1. Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Ralph Hirschberg, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth  
2. Charles H. Goren, Peter A. Leventritt, Charles J. Solomon, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1956 1. John R. Crawford, Ben Fain, Paul Hodge, Sidney Silodor  
2-3. Paul Allinger, Dr. John Fisher, Emanuel Hochfeld, Oswald Jacoby, Sidney H. Lazard  
2-3. Barry Crane, Harold Rockaway, Clarence A. Strouse, John H. Toledano
- 1957 1. Lewis L. Mathe, Donald A. Oakie, Meyer Schleifer, Edward O. Taylor  
2. Israel Cohen, Richard Freeman, John C. Kunkel, Alvin Roth, Ivar Stakgold
- 1958 1. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Elmer I. Schwartz, Vic D. Zeve  
2. Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Ralph Hirschberg
- 1959 1. Ollie Adams, Ivan Erdos, Oswald Jacoby, Robert G. Sharp  
2. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone
- 1960 1. Charles Denby, Burrell I. Humphreys, Alan W. Messer, Marty Scheinberg, Robert P. Wakeman  
2-4. Harry Fishbein, John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Charles J. Solomon  
2-4. Wilfred Dumas, Donald McGee, John Siverts, Jerzy Zawisza  
2-4. James R. Hughes, Marvin Paulshock, Eli Reich, Dave Treadwell
- 1961 1. John R. Crawford, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone  
2. Edgar Kaplan, Mervin Key, Sidney H. Lazard, Bobby Nail
- 1962 1-2. Phil Feldesman, Richard Freeman, Victor Mitchell, Eric R. Murray, Samuel M. Stayman  
1-2. Paul Allinger, Harold Guiver, Lewis L. Mathe, Edward O. Taylor
- 1963 1. Phil Feldesman, Victor Mitchell, Samuel M. Stayman, Tobias Stone  
2. B. Jay Becker, Norman Kay, Bill Root, Sol Rubinow, Sidney Silodor
- 1964 1. Ivan Erdos, Harold Guiver, Mike Lawrence, Alfred Sheinwold  
2. Charles Coon, Bobby Nail, Robert Stucker, Frank T. Westcott
- 1965 1. Harry Fishbein, Jeff Rubens, Charles J. Solomon, Roger Stern  
2. Phil Feldesman, Sidney H. Lazard, Victor Mitchell, Dan Rotman, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1966 1. Phil Feldesman, Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay  
2. Antonio H. Dionisi, Jeremy Flint, Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender
- 1967 1. Thomas E. Bussey, Jim R. Dunlap, Lawrence Jolma, Robert P. Patterson, Gary Stark  
2. Ed Barlow, Phil Read, Robert Spots, John Sutherlin

- 1968 1. Ira G. Corn, Jr., Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff  
2. Mike Becker, Charles Coon, Joel Stuart, Peter Weichsel, Richard Zeckhauser
- 1969 1. Chuck Burger, Jimmy Cayne, Alvin Roth, Paul Trent  
2-3. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff  
2-3. Martin J. Cohn, Norman H. Fischer, Charles M. MacCracken, Bill Reister
- 1970 1. Bernie Bergovoy, Donald P. Krauss, Lewis L. Mathe, Don Pearson, John Swanson, Richard Walsh  
2. Eddie Kantar, Kyle Larsen, Paul Soloway, Ron Von der Porten
- 1971 1. Bernie Chazen, Alvin Roth, Alan Sontag, Paul Trent  
2. Gerald Caravelli, Larry T. Cohen, Barry Crane, Dr. John Fisher
- 1972 1. Jack Blair, Jim Jacoby, John Simon, Paul Swanson, Bobby Wolff  
2. Grant Baze, William Grieve, Donald P. Krauss, Lewis L. Mathe, Peter A. Pender, George Rapée
- 1973 1. Garey Hayden, Jim Jacoby, Gaylor Kastle, John Simon, Bobby Wolff  
2-3. Lou Bluhm, Steve Goldberg, Lawrence Gould, Steve Robinson  
2-3. John R. Crawford, Norm Kurlander, Alvin Roth, Cliff Russell, William Seamon
- 1974 1. Ron Andersen, Mark Feldman, Stephen Goldstein, Hugh C. MacLean, Merle Tom  
2-3. Eric Kokish, Steve Robinson, Mike Shuman, Joey Silver  
2-3. Harold Guiver, Marty Shallon, Bill Sides, Mike Smolen
- 1975 1. Matt Granovetter, William Grieve, George Rapée, Ron Rubin  
2. Roger Bates, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, George Rosenkranz
- 1976 1. David Ashley, Paul Heitner, John Lowenthal, Mike Smolen  
2. Bart Bramley, Marvin Herbert, Howard Piltch, Lou Reich, Ira Rubin
- 1977 1. Lou Bluhm, Richard E. Doughty, Bruce Ferguson, Irv Kostal, Sidney H. Lazard, Ron L. Smith, Leslie West  
2. Richard Freeman, Alvin Roth, Cliff Russell, Curtis K. Smith, Merle Tom, Art Waldmann
- 1978 1. Neil Chambers, Eric Kokish, Peter Nagy, Steve Robinson, John Schermer, Kit Woolsey  
2. Steve Garner, David Lehman, Dick Melson, Larry Oakey
- 1979 1. Allan Cokin, Steve Sion, Alan Sontag, Jim Sternberg, Peter Weichsel  
2. Mike Cappelletti, Sr., Ron Feldman, Gary Hann, David Hoffner, Zeke Jabbour, David Sacks
- 1980 1. Bart Bramley, Ross Grabel, William Rosen, Milton Rosenberg, Samuel M. Stayman, George Tornay  
2. Ira G. Corn, Jr., Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman, Ira Rubin, Bobby Wolff
- 1981 1. Marty Bergen, Neil Chambers, Joey Silver, Allan Stauber  
2. Michael Aliotta, Marc Culberson, Jim Gardner, Bert Newman
- 1982 1. David Berkowitz, Matt Granovetter, Harold Lilie, Al Rand  
2. Bob Blanchard, Drew Casen, Chuck Lamprey, Thomas M. Smith
- 1983 1. Thomas K. Sanders, Harold Guiver, Grant Baze, John Sutherlin  
2. Cliff Russell, Bobby Levin, Richard Freeman, Lou Bluhm, John Solodar, Ron Gerard
- 1984 1. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Ron Andersen, Bobby Goldman
- 1985 1. Hal Mouse, Josh Parker, Ron Gerard, Dan Rotman  
2. Roger Bates, John Mohan, Alan Sontag, John Devine
- 1986 1. Gene Freed, Mike Passell, Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey, Mark Lair  
2. Don Caton, Robert Kehoe, Gene Simpson, Bob Teel
- 1987 1. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Ira Chorus, Peter Weichsel, Bobby Levin  
2. Bart Bramley, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein, Lou Bluhm
- 1988 1. Jimmy Cayne, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Mike Passell, Chuck Burger, Mark Lair  
2. Victor Mitchell, Albert Rahmey, Michael Moss, Drew Casen, Howard Hertzberg
- 1989 1. Steve Robinson, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Kit Woolsey  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Lew Stansby, David Berkowitz
- In 1990 the Men's Board-a-Match Teams became the Open Board-a-Match Teams.
- 1990 1. Mark Moss, Robert Thomson, Daniel Molochko, Jack Wholey  
2. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Peter Weichsel, Bobby Levin, Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen
- 1991 1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Jeff Wolfson, David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen  
2. Jim Hall, Tom Fox, Dick Melson, David Lehman

- 1992 1. Dr. Richard H. Katz, Garey Hayden, Wafik Abdou, Ira Cohen  
2. Drew Cannell, Jeff Hand, Claudio Caponi, Steve Hamaoui
- 1993 1. Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair, Mike Passell  
2. Jim Hall, Tom Fox, David Lehman, Dick Melson
- 1994 1. Andy Goodman, Peter Boyd, Ed Manfield, John Mohan, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey  
2. Brian Glubok, Steve Zolotow, Chris Compton, Lew Stansby, Ron Smith
- 1995 1. Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Steve Weinstein, Fred Stewart  
2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Paul Soloway, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Bobby Goldman
- 1996 1. Robert Baldwin, Bobby Levin, Peter Weichsel, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg  
2. David Messop, Paul Hackett, Justin Hackett, Jason Hackett
- 1997 1. Bob Blanchard, Jim Krekorian, Doug Doub, John Rengstorff  
2. Allen Hawkins, Russ Ekeblad, Jim Foster, John Sutherlin, Ron L. Smith
- 1998 1. Grant Baze, Fred Gitelman, George Mittelman, Brad Moss, Michael Whitman  
2. Nick Nickell, Eric Rodwell, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Richard Freeman
- 1999 1. Rita Shugart, Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester, Andrew Robson  
2. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
- 2000 1. Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Petrunin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. Eddie Wold, George Rosenkranz, Sam Lev, John Mohan, Piotr Gawrys, Jacek Pszczola
- 2001 1. Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larsen, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Alan Sontag  
2. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria
- 2002 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria  
2. Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein, Fred Gitelman
- 2003 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria  
2. Sam Lev, Brian Glubok, Michal Kwiecien, Jacek Pszczola, Reese Milner  
(Became Mitchell Open BAM)
- 2004 1. Christal Henner-Welland, Michael Kamil, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes, Peter Bertheau, Fredrik Nystrom  
2. Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
- 2005 1. Roy Welland, Björn Fallenius, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. Michael Whitman, Grant Baze, Steve Beatty, Sam Lev, Jacek Pszczola
- 2006 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood, Steve Weinstein, Bobby Levin  
2. John Onstott, Steve Beatty, Drew Casen, Jim Krekorian, Joergen Molberg, Terje Aa
- 2007 1. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Aubrey Strul, Mike Becker  
2. Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Dubinin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
- 2008 1. Zia Mahmood, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell  
2. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Aubrey Strul, Mike Becker
2009. 1. Jerzy Zaremba, Josef Blass, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Aleksander Dubinin, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. Doug Doub, Craig Gower, Michael Polowan, Adam Wildavsky, Jacob Morgan
- 2010 1. Cezary Balicki, Josef Blass, Aleksander Dubinin, Andrew Gromov, Marcin Lesniewski, Adam Zmudzinski  
2. Rob Brady, D Dong, Alan Kleist, Howard Liu

**MARSHA MAY STERNBERG WOMENS BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS**, formerly Women's Board-a-Match Teams. This four-session NABC+ event has two qualifying and two final sessions. This event is contested for the Marsha May Sternberg Trophy.

- 1986 1. Lisa Berkowitz, Dorothy Truscott, Joyce Lilie, Jan Martel  
2-4. Eunice Portnoy, Halina Jamner, Genevieve Geiger, Madelynn Treitel  
2-4. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Greenberg, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy  
2-4. Rozanne Pollack, Roberta Epstein, Judy Tucker, Stasha Cohen, Sue Picus, Karen Allison
- 1987 1. Shirley Edelson, Donna Bailey, Lynn Blumenthal, Janice Randles  
2-3. Rozanne Pollack, Randi Montin, Stasha Cohen, Pam Wittes, Judy Tucker  
2-3. Lynne Feldman, Ellasue Chaitt, Sharon Osberg, Judi Cody
- 1988 1. Lynne Feldman, Rozanne Pollack, Lisa Berkowitz, Sharon Osberg  
2-3. Mary Jane Farrell, Roberta Epstein, Dorothy Truscott, Gail Greenberg, Kitty Bethe, Susan Green  
2-3. Elspeth Moore, Andy O'Grady, Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn
- 1989 1. Lynne Schaefer, Suzy Berger, Petra Hamman, Joan Jackson  
2. Beverly Rosenberg, Linda Lewis, Mary Hardy, Carol Pincus
- 1990 1-2. Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears, Joyce Lilie, Nancy Alpaugh, Pamela Granovetter, Jo Morse  
1-2. Judy Randel, Sally Woolsey, Broma Lou Reed, Marcia Masterson
- 1991 1. Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerk, Jill Meyers, Kay Schulle  
2. Kathie Wei, Helen Utegaard, Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
- 1992 1. Kathie Wei, Helen Utegaard, Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas  
2. Sally Woolsey, Karen Singer, Dori Cohen, Karen Allison
- 1993 1. Juanita Chambers, Jan Cohen, Margie Gwozdzinsky, GerriAnne Klafter, Shawn Womack  
2. Sharon Colson, Judy Pede, Jean Anderson, Carreen Hinds
- 1994 1. Dorothy Truscott, Disa Eythorsdottir, Mildred Breed, Tobi Deutsch  
2. June Deutsch, Beverly Rosenberg, Carol Pincus, Lynne Feldman
- 1995 1. Kathie Wei-Sender, Sue Sachs, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer  
2. Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Lynne Tarnopol, Rhoda Kratenstein
- 1996 1. Sherie Greenberg, Jyme Schmieder, Fran Dickman, Diane Shannon  
2. Joann Glasson, Jo Ann Sprung, Sue Picus, JoAnna Stansby
- 1997 1. Sue Picus, Connie Goldberg, Rozanne Pollack, Lisa Berkowitz  
2. Tobi Sokolow, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn, Renee Mancuso
- 1998 1. Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn, Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin  
2. Margie Gwozdzinsky, Linda Lewis, Karen Barrett, Susan Wexler
- 1999 1. Lynn Baker, Tobi Sokolow, Karen McCallum, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Janice Seamon-Molson  
2. Susan Miller, Jo Morse, Barbara Sion, Suzy Burger
- 2000 1. Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin, Joan Jackson, Robin Klar, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed  
2. Disa Eythorsdottir, Carol Sanders, Libby Fernandez, Judy Wadas, Valerie Westheimer
- 2001 1. Valerie Westheimer, Disa Eythorsdottir, Carol Simon, Rozanne Pollack  
2. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Jill Meyers, Irina Levitina, Randi Montin, Kerri Sanborn
- 2002 1. Valerie Westheimer, Disa Eythorsdottir, Judi Radin, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed  
2. Lynn Baker, Debbie Rosenberg, Karen McCallum, Kerri Sanborn, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken
- 2003 1. Carlyn Steiner, Marinesa Letizia, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow  
2. Valerie Westheimer, Judi Radin, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn
- 2004 1. Hansa Narasimhan, Sue Picus, Irina Levitina, JoAnna Stansby, Jill Levin, Debbie Rosenberg  
2. Kathy Sulgrove, Pam Wittes, Jo Ann Sprung, Renee Mancuso, Karen Allison, Peggy Sutherlin
- 2005 1. Lynn Baker, Kay Schulle, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken  
2. Jean Talbot, Joan Van Geffen, Sylvia Caley, Marjorie Michelin
- 2006 1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Kerri Sanborn, Irina Levitina  
2. Hansa Narasimhan, JoAnna Stansby, Debbie Rosenberg, Jill Meyers, Jill Levin, Rozanne Pollack
- 2007 1. Ping Zhu, Jian Wang, YouMei Zhou, Ping Wang, Shao Hong Wu  
2. Valerie Westheimer, Migry Zur-Campanile, Disa Eythorsdottir, Jo Ann Sprung
- 2008 1. Kerri Sanborn, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Irina Levitina  
2. Disa Eythorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer, Marion Michielsen, Mieke Wortel

- 2009 1. Sabine Auken, Daniela von Arnim, Benedicte Cronier, Joyce Hampton, Sylvie Willard, Jenny Wolpert  
2. Jill Meyers, Jill Levin, Janice Seamon-Molson, Debbie Rosenberg, Geeske Joel, Tobi Sokolow
- 2010 1. Sabine Auken, Benedicte Cronier, Joyce Hampton, Daniela von Arnim, Sylvie Willard, Jenny Wolpert  
2. Geeske Joel, Jill Levin, Jill Meyers, Debbie Rosenberg, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow



**KEOHANE NORTH AMERICAN SWISS TEAMS** formerly North American Swiss Teams. This six-session NABC+ event has two qualifying sessions, two semifinal sessions and a two-session final with Victory Point scoring. It is contested for the Keohane Trophy.

- 1977 1. Neil Chambers, Jim Donaldson, Bruce Ferguson, Clarence Goppert, John Schermer  
2. Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin, John Herrmann, Kenneth R. Schutze
- 1978 1. Barry Crane, Robert Kehoe, Mike Smolen, Charles Weed, Billy Cohen  
2. Ira Chorush, Thomas Peters, Ely Solomon, John Zilic, Virginia Zilic
- 1979 1. Hermine Baron, R. Jay Becker, Paul Ivaska, Jim Robison  
2. Gerald Caravelli, Mark Cohen, Ralph Katz, Harvey Miller, Kenneth R. Schutze, Russell Shoup
- 1980 1-2. Steve Becker, Philip Cowan, Richard DeMartino, Judy Rich  
1-2. Dale Beers, William Epperson, Dave Furman, Dave Treitel
- 1981 1. Ron Beall, Bob Etter, Ann Jacobson, Robert Thomson  
2. Lea DuPont, Benito Garozzo, Glenn Lublin, Claire Tornay
- 1982 1. Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden, Garnet Snyder, Martha Beecher, David Ashley, Dave Treadwell  
2. Andy Bernstein, Jim Foster, Thomas K. Sanders, John Sutherlin
- 1983 1. Sylvia Summers, Harve Waken, Robert Radwin, Gene Simpson, Steve Sturm  
2-3. Philip Cowan, Michael Kopera, Alan Miller, John Heller, George Berger  
2-3. Richard Capps, John Onstott, Dan Requard, Syd Levey
- 1984 1. Grant Baze, Rhoda Walsh, Lea DuPont, Benito Garozzo  
2. William Laubenheimer, Stephen Kanzee, Marc Renson, Hamish Bennett
- 1985 1. Jack Coleman, Rhoda Walsh, Jim Jacoby, Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden  
2. Nadine Wood, Jonathan Steinberg, Eric Hochman, Mike Cappelletti, Sr.
- 1986 1. Marc Jacobus, Joey Silver, Jim McDonough, George Mittelman, Allan Graves  
2. Jack Coleman, Rhoda Walsh, Mark Itabashi, Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden
- 1987 1. Henry Bethe, Kitty Bethe, Alan Truscott, Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
2. Jill Meyers, Beverly Rosenberg, Stelios Touchtidis, Steve Cohen, Pam Wittes, Carol Pincus
- 1988 1. John Zilic, David Siebert, Allan Siebert, Sylvia Summers, Paul Munafo  
2. Rita Rand, Gerald Caravelli, Joel Friedberg, Ethan Stein, Jerry Goldfein
- 1989 1. Eugene Gardner, Kenneth Meyer, Ed Shapiro, Bruce Silverstein  
2. Joel Friedberg, Rita Rand, Ethan Stein, Gerald Caravelli, Jerry Goldfein
- 1990 1-2. Larry Mori, Kitty Bethe, Juanita Chambers, Jim Robison  
1-2. George Rosenkranz, Miguel Reygadas, Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden, Roger Bates, John Grantham
- 1991 1. Keith Wilson, Gary Peterson, Dennis Hesthaven, Ralph Letizia, Benton Wheeler  
2. Jack Coleman, Judi Radin, Fred Hamilton, Dennis Sorensen, Mike Shuman
- 1992 1. Lewis Kaplan, Boris Baran, Geoff Hampson, Mark Molson, Mark Stein  
2. Jack Coleman, Mike Shuman, Larry T. Cohen, Dan Rotman, Fred Hamilton
- 1993 1. Alan LeBendig, Tom Clarke, Joe Quinn, Shawn Womack  
2. Lynn Blumenthal, Steve Bruno, Loren Hawkins, Darrell Keel, Sue Lyski
- 1994 1. Jack Coleman, Drew Cannell, Mark Molson, Boris Baran, Mark Stein  
2. Barry Rigal, Jo Ann Manfield, Alan Truscott, Dorothy Truscott  
(Became Keohane North American Swiss)
- 1995 1. Jack Coleman, Drew Cannell, Mark Molson, Boris Baran, Mark Stein  
2. Irina Levitina, Judy Tucker, Benito Garozzo, Lea Dupont, Karen Allison, Mike Ledeen
- 1996 1. Rita Rand, Gerald Caravelli, Arnie Fisher, Steve Garner, Richard Colker  
2. John Begley, Mike Lawrence, John Sutherlin, Dan Morse, Hugh Ross
- 1997 1. John Malley, Daniel Colatosti, William Hunter, Shome Mukherjee  
2. Jacob Podbilevich, Gonzalo Herrera, Jim Looby, Cameron Doner
- 1998 1. Steve Beatty, John Onstott, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair  
2. Jack Coleman, Chris Compton, Boris Baran, Mike Shuman, Mark Molson
- 1999 1. David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen, Jeff Wolfson, Niel Silverman  
2. Billy Miller, Curtis Cheek, Brian Gunnell, Kyle Larsen

- 2000 1. Steve Cooper, Kitty Munson-Cooper, Mel Colchamiro, Betty Bloom, Steve Bloom  
2. Benito Garozzo, Lea Dupont, Steve Levinson, Barnet Shenkin
- 2001 1. Richard Coren, Billy Eisenberg, Larry T. Cohen, Drew Casen  
2. Richard Halperin, Colin Powell, Leonard Ernst, Paul Erb, George Pisk
- 2002 1. Mark Gordon, Rick Zucker, Win Allegaert, Jaggy Shivdasani, Mark Molson, Boris Baran  
2. Robert Hollman, Marc Jacobus, Gaylor Kasle, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson
- 2003 1. David Siebert, Allan Siebert, Greg Hinze, Nagy Kamel  
2. Ron Feldman, B. Wayne Stuart, Steve Cohen, Drew Casen, Larry T. Cohen, Wafik Abdou
- 2004 1. Larry Mori, Venkatrao Koneru, Martin Fleisher, Vincent Demuy, Barnet Shenkin, Gavin Wolpert  
2. Piotr Tuszynski, Jaraslaw Piasecki, Farid Assemi, Eduard Wojewoda, Waldemar Frukacz, Apolinary Kowalski
- 2005 1. Barry Rigal, Pamela Granovetter, Joe Quinn, Shawn Quinn, Becky Rogers, Renee Mancuso  
2. Dan Morse, Ira Hessel, Nagy Kamel, Greg Hinze
- 2006 1. Tony Kasday, Disa Eythorsdottir, Jon Baldursson, Thorlakur Jonsson, Bjarni Einarsson, SigurBjörn Haraldsson  
2. Carolyn Lynch, Dennid Dawson, Eddie Wold, Mike Passell, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz
- 2007 1. Larry Mori, Leonard Melander, Kelly Hwang, Rick Kaye, Kazuo Furuta, Hiroki Yokoi  
2. William Watson, Ed Barlow, Bill Harker, Ronald Powell, Yul Inn, Rob Stevens
- 2008 1. Carolyn Lynch, Mike Passell, Joe Grue, Curtis Cheek, Bart Bramley, Eddie Wold  
2. Waldemar Frukacz, Ron Zambonini, Krzysztof Kotorowicz, Jacek Kalita
- 2009 1. Cezary Balicki, Mike Passell, Andrew Gromov, Adam Zmudzinski, Carolyn Lynch, Aleksander Dubinin  
2. Justin Lall, Hemant Lall, Judy Bianco, Jaggy Shivdasani, Lapt Chan, Winthrop Allegaert
- 2010 1. Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin, Mike Levine, Dennis McGarry, Chuck Said, David Siebert  
2. Josef Blass, Rafal Jagniewski, Krzysztow Jassem, Michal Kwiecien, Krzysztow Martens

**BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS**, formerly Senior Knockout Teams. This NABC+ knockout event is limited to players 55 and older. The event was renamed in 2010 to honor Grant Baze.

- 1994 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Richard Hunt, Dan Morse, Chuck Said, John Sutherlin  
2. Duncan Phillips, Robert Ryder, Howard Hertzberg, Hamish Bennett, Joan Remy Moore, William Esberg
- 1995 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Billy Eisenberg, Thomas K. Sanders, Benito Garozzo  
2. Norm Coombs, Leonard Ernst, Michael Slaven, Richard Hart, Loren Hawkins, Don Brock
- 1996 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Thomas K. Sanders, Billy Eisenberg, Mary Chilcote, Fred Hamilton  
2. Howard Hertzberg, Robert Ryder, William Esberg, Simon Kantor, Marty Baff
- 1997 1. Bob Carteaux, David Adams, Al Childs, Ralph Cohen, Chuck Said  
2. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Jim Linhart, Russ Arnold, P.O. Sundelin, Arnie Fisher
- 1998 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Thomas K. Sanders, Arnie Fisher, Fred Hamilton, Chuck Said  
2. Gene Freed, Gene Simpson, James Koley, Syd Levey, Simon Kantor
- 1999 1. Jim Sternberg, Bernie Chazen, Allan Cokin, Billy Eisenberg, Richard Reisig, Robert H. Lipsitz  
2. Richard Budd, Shome Mukherjee, Robert Ryder, William Hunter
- 2000 1. Richard Budd, Shome Mukherjee, Robert Ryder, William Hunter, Richard DeMartino, Pat McDevitt  
2. Jim Sternberg, Allan Cokin, Chuck Burger, Richard Reisig, Bernie Chazen, Robert H. Lipsitz
- 2001 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, P.O. Sundelin, Arnie Fisher  
2. Gene Simpson, Hamish Bennett, Billy Eisenberg, Joe Kivel, Jim Robison, Chris Larsen
- 2002 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, P.O. Sundelin, Arnie Fisher  
2. Lewis Finkel, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Bernie Miller
- 2003 1. Dennis Dawson, Clement Jackson, John Sutherlin, Bobby Wolff, John Mohan, Dan Morse  
2. Pat McDevitt, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Richard Demartino
- 2004 1. Tony Ames, John Koch, Mary Egan, Rod Beery  
2. Hamish Bennett, Frances Dickman, Chris Larsen, Gene Simpson, Mike Shuman, Bruce Noda
- 2005 1. Morris Chang, Bobby Wolff, Neil Chambers, John Schermer  
2. Don Stack, Alan Stout, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, James Nash, Pierre Flatowicz
- 2006 1. Amos Kaminski, Melih Ozdil, Pinhas Romik, Yeshayahu Levit, George Mittelman  
2. Gene Freed, Fred Hamilton, Arnie Fisher, Jim Tritt, Paul Ivaska, Tony Kasday
- 2007 1. Bruce Ferguson, Dennis Clerkin, Brenda Keller, Jerry Clerkin, Robert Hollman  
2. Zeke Jabbour, Chuck Said, Allan Siebert, Dan Morse, Bobby Wolff, Mike Levine
- 2008 1. P.O. Sundelin, Matt Granovetter, Fred Chang, John Carruthers, Reese Milner, Sam Lev  
2. Richard DeMartino, John Stiefel, Geof Brod, Pat McDevitt
- 2009 1. Melih Ozdil, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Carolyn Lynch, Garey Hayden  
2. Amos Kaminski, Allan Graves, George Mittelman, Fred Hamilton, Arnie Fisher
- 2010 1. Roger Bates, Drew Casen, Marc Jacobus, Jim Krekorian, Eddie Wold  
2. Dan Gerstman, Steve Landen, Dan Morse, Fred Stewart, John Sutherlin, Kit Woolsey

**MINI-BLUE RIBBON PAIRS.** This four-session NABC event is limited to players with fewer than 5000 masterpoints. The contest features a two-session qualifier and a two-session final.

- 2005 1. Martin Harris, Jacob Morgan  
2. Frank Wharton, Paul Walker
- 2006 1. Joe Houde, Divakar Bhargava  
2. John Klayman, Lawrence Lau
- 2007 1. Patricia Menefee, Andre De Leon  
2. Metin Gokcen, Sadik Arf
- 2008 1. Chris Cottman, Roger Cottman  
2. Arnie Maki, Gene Maki
- 2009 1. Harold Huffaker, Ronald Huffaker  
2. Gerrie Owen, Leonard Schaen
- 2010 1. Mark Jones, Doug Levene  
2. Dean Panagopoulos, Yiji Starr

**MANFIELD NON-LIFE MASTER PAIRS**, formerly Miles Non-Life Master Pairs. This four-session NABC event has two qualifying and two final sessions. Renamed in 2010 to honor Ed Manfield, this event is contested for the Manfield Trophy.

- 1981 1. Lin Goldstein, Shirlee Shaw  
2. Ray Kuntz, Alex Stagner
- 1982 1. Paul Bratton, Robert Bernhard  
2. Yale Mallinger, G. LeBlanc
- 1983 1. Moses Ma, Philips Santosa  
2. Wally Weaver, Michael Lewis
- 1984 1. Sumner Steinfeldt, Nancy Muehter  
2. Albert Rahmey, Jeanne Rahmey
- 1985 1. Hank Hristienko, Zbigniew Radwanski  
2. Linda Hendrickson, Wendy Haisley
- 1986 1. Lanier Hurdle, Mike Hurdle  
2. John Diamond, Andy Chesterton
- 1987 1. Anthony Trafecanty, Michael Trafecanty  
2. David Marx, Judy Levi
- 1988 1. Sharon Tuggle, Tom Tuggle  
2. Steve Clements, Nicholas Rogers
- 1989 1. Jay Berke, Thomas Halton  
2. Charles A. Carpenter, Edward Crane
- 1990 1. Metin Uz, Jeffrey Naiman  
2. Anlin Xu, Huichun Zhao
- 1991 1. Daryl Hicks, Charles Papp  
2. Sakiko Naito, Toru Amano
- 1992 1. Cordelia Menges, Audrey Robb  
2. Millie Huneycutt, Stuart Perlman
- 1993 1. Bob Ehrlick, Clark Millikan  
2. Jordan Lampe, Kingsum Chow
- 1994 1. Jean Cheui Hsung, Edmund Chen  
2. Tom Knier, Jon Weinberg
- 1995 1. Michael McNamara, David Liss  
2. Dayn Beam, Jim Alison

- 1996 1. Yoko Saito, Michiko Kondo  
2. Anthony Hurwitz, Adam Barron
- 1997 1. Michel Levin, Alan Carpenter  
2. Gregory Berry, Jay Segal
- 1998 1. John Cobb, John Markey  
2. Andy Muenz, Bob Zehm
- 1999 1. Igor Savchenko, Aviv Shahaf  
2. Andy Latto, Lawrence Latto
- 2000 1. Ernie Fusco, Sherry Fusco  
2. Mike Albert, Andrew Reiger
- 2001 1. Mark Minzner, Aaron Craig  
2. Warren Williams, Bill Filip
- 2002 1. Paul Fagan, Ted Wilson  
2. Dale Shepherd, Sumit Daftuar
- 2003 1. John Bondurant, Paul Horn  
2. Elaine Wood, Claes Melin
- 2004 1. Jadwiga Polujan, Bernie Weiss  
2. William Thorp, Dana Point
- 2005 1. Mike Develin, John Barth  
2. Cassandra Spain, Karen Gurwitz
- 2006 1. Bob Bertoni, Bill Nason  
2. Ivan Stoimirov, Nevena Stoimirov
- 2007 1. Metin Gokcen, Sadik Arf  
2. Kevin Shuie, Dan Joo
- 2008 1. Debbie Crisfield, Karen Haines  
2. Lunhui Lin, Dawei Qi
- 2009 1. Stephen Drodge, Dan Emmons  
2. John Naber, Sandra Naber
- 2010 1. Roger Pryor, Dianne Pryor  
2. Brandon Harper, Ryan Miller

**NATIONAL 99ERS PAIRS.** A two-session NABC event limited to players with fewer than 100 masterpoints formerly contested for the Fifth Chair Trophy.

- 1998 1-2. Larry Pack, Rick Wollner  
1-2. Carol Robertson, Eileen Schrampf
- 1999 1. Jason Woolever, Qixiang Sun  
2. Ross Richardson, Daniel Lawrence
- 2000 1. Eileen Aronovitch, Martin Aronovitch  
2. Richard Weinberg, Jane Stockard
- 2001 1. Bob Quinlan, Tom Morton  
2. Carl Bowman, Marilyn Bowman
- 2002 1. Jeff Kaldem, MaryBelle Hoenig  
2. Robert Lumbert, Jocelyn Krug
- 2003 1. David Copi, Sam Copi  
2. Jane Murtishaw, Howard Lindsey
- 2004 1. Ray Wise, Janet Kay  
2. Kim Gilman, Kathy Gilman

- 2005 1. Eric Rolfe, Kathy Rolfe  
2. Ronald Bunnell, Barbara Bunnell
- 2006 1. Shen Wan, Yihan Xiong  
2. Douglas Neel, Catherine Hess
- 2007 1. Rebecca Anspach, Nicholas Erpelding  
2. Philip Scatena, Carl Sutherland
- 2008 1. Stephen Drodge, Andrew Rodriquez  
2. Sandra Naber, John Naber
- 2009 1. Malvina Aljure, Elsa Castillo  
2. Bruce Hanson, Barbara Hanson
- 2010 1. Pat Grams, Chuck Grams  
2-3. Suzanne Batt, Kathleen Smith  
2-3. Will Sutherland, Ann Sutherland

**BERMUDA BOWL QUALIFIERS**

- 1950 John Crawford, Charles Goren, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor, Samuel Stayman  
1951 B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Samuel Stayman, npc Julius Rosenblum  
1953 B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, Theodore Lightner, George Rapée, Howard Schenken, Samuel Stayman, npc Joseph Cohan  
1954 Cliff Bishop, Milton Ellenby, Lew Mathe, Don Oakie, William Rosen, Douglas Steen, npc Benjamin Johnson  
1955 Cliff Bishop, Milton Ellenby, Lew Mathe, John Moran, William Rosen, Alvin Roth, npc Peter Leventritt  
1956 Myron Field, Charles Goren, Lee Hazen, Richard Kahn, Charles Solomon, Samuel Stayman, npc Jeff Glick  
1957 Charles Goren, Boris Koytchou, Peter Leventritt, Harold Ogust, William Seamon, Helen Sobel, npc Rufus Miles  
1958 B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapée, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone, npc J.G. Ripstra  
1959 Harry Fishbein, Sam Fry, Leonard Harmon, Lee Hazen, Sidney Lazard, Ivan Stakgold, npc Charles Solomon  
1961 John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Norman Kay, Peter Leventritt, Sidney Silodor, Howard Schenken, npc Frank Westcott  
1962 Charles Coon, Mervin Key, Lew Mathe, Bobby Nail, Eric Murray, Ron von der Porten, npc John Gerber  
1963 James Jacoby, Robert Jordan, Peter Leventritt, Bobby Nail, Arthur Robinson, Howard Schenken, npc John Gerber  
1965 Howard Schenken, Peter Leventritt, Ivan Erdos, Kelsey Petterson, B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden, npc John Gerber  
1966 Phil Feldesman, Bob Hamman, Sami Kehela, Lew Mathe, Eric Murray, Ira Rubin, npc Julius Rosenblum  
1967 Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Sami Kehela, Eric Murray, William Root, Alvin Roth, npc Julius Rosenblum  
1969 Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Sidney Lazard, George Rapée, npc Oswald Jacoby  
1970 Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, James Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff, npc Oswald Jacoby  
1971 ACES: Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, James Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff, npc Oswald Jacoby  
NORTH AMERICA: Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Donald Krauss, Lew Mathe, John Swanson, Richard Walsh, npc Lee Hazen  
1973 ACES: Mark Blumenthal, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, James Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff, npc Ira Corn  
NORTH AMERICA: B. Jay Becker, Michael Becker, Andrew Bernstein, Jeff Rubens, Paul Soloway, John Swanson, npc Roger Stern  
1974 Mark Blumenthal, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Sami Kehela, Eric Murray, Bobby Wolff, npc Ira Corn  
1975 Billy Eisenberg, Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Paul Soloway, John Swanson, Bobby Wolff, npc Alfred Sheinwold  
1976 Billy Eisenberg, Fred Hamilton, Erik Paulsen, Hugh Ross, Ira Rubin, Paul Soloway, npc Dan Morse  
1977 DEFENDING CHAMPIONS: Fred Hamilton, Mike Passell, Erik Paulsen, Hugh Ross, Ira Rubin, Ron von der Porten, npc Jerome Silverman  
NORTH AMERICA: Bill Eisenberg, Bob Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Paul Soloway, John Swanson, Bobby Wolff, npc Roger Stern  
1979 Malcolm Brachman, Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, npc Ed Theus  
1981 Russ Arnold, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Bud Reinhold, Eric Rodwell, John Solodar, npc Thomas Sanders  
1983 USA1: Michael Becker, Bob Hamman, Ron Rubin, Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel, Bobby Wolff, npc Joe Musumeci  
USA2: James Jacoby, Jeff Meckstroth, George Rosenkranz, Eric Rodwell, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold, npc James Zimmerman  
1985 Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Peter Pender, Hugh Ross, npc Alfred Scheinwold  
1987 Mike Lawrence, Hugh Ross, Bob Hamman, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Bobby Wolff, npc Dan Morse  
1991 USA1: Robert Barr, Harold Stengel, Bernard Miller, Alan Sontag, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, npc Robert Rosen  
USA2: Bart Bramley, Mark Feldman, Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein, Alexander Ornstein, Jeff Ferro, npc Hugh Ross;  
1993 USA1: Mike Becker, Ron Rubin, Bobby Levin, Peter Weichsel, Russ Ekeblad, Ron Sukoneck, npc Jeff Wolfson;  
USA2: Cliff Russell, Sam Lev, David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, npc Bob Rosen  
Mexico: Gonzalo Herrera, Miriam Rosenberg, Nancy Gerson, Alicia Duran, npc Beatriz Herrera  
1995 USA1: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, npc Edgar Kaplan  
USA2: Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman  
1997 USA1: Seymon Deutsch, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg  
USA2: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, npc Walt Walvick  
1999 USA1: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, npc Sidney Lazard  
USA2: Jeff Wolfson, Neil Silverman, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, npc Mike Becker

- 2001 USA1: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, npc Donald Krauss  
USA2: Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larsen, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, npc Jan Martel, coach Fred Gitelman
- 2003 USA1: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, npc Sidney Lazard  
USA2: Doug Doub, Steve Landen, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Adam Wildavsky, Bobby Wolff, npc Ralph Cohen, coach Geoff Hampson
- 2005 USA1: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, npc Sidney Lazard, coach Eric Kokish  
USA2: Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss, Geoff Hampson, Eric Greco, Russ Ekeblad, Ron Rubin, npc Steve Landen, coach Sheri Winestock
- 2007 USA1: Steve Garner, George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Howard Weinstein, npc Jan Martel, coach Chip Martel  
USA2: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, npc Sidney Lazard, coach Eric Kokish
- 2009 USA1: Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson, Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky, Fred Stewart, Kit Woolsey, npc Howard Weinstein  
USA2: Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Ralph Katz, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, npc Donna Compton, coach Eric Kokish
- 2011 USA1: Marty Fleisher, Michael Kamil, Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby  
USA2: Kevin Bathurst, Daniel Zagorin, Joe Grue, Justin Lall, John Hurd, Joel Wooldridge

### **OPEN TEAM OLYMPIAD QUALIFIERS**

- 1960 VANDERBILT 1: John Crawford, Tobias Stone, B. Jay Becker, George Rapée, Sidney Silodor, Norman Kay, npc Julius Rosenblum  
VANDERBILT 2: Don Oakie, Meyer Schleifer, Leonard Harmon, Ivar Stakgold, Sidney Lazard, William Hanna, npc Harry Fishbein.  
SPINGOLD 1: Oswald Jacoby, Ira Rubin, Samuel Stayman, Morton Rubinow, Victor Mitchell, William Grieve, npc Ben Johnson  
SPINGOLD 2: Charles Goren, Helen Sobel, Howard Schenken, Harold Ogust, Lew Mathe, Paul Allinger, npc R.L. Miles  
CANADA: Eric Murray, Percy Sheardown, C.B. Elliott, Harry Bork, Sami Kehela, Bruce Gowdy, npc N.M Burns
- 1964 UNITED STATES: Bob Hamman, Robert Jordan, Donald Krauss, Victor Mitchell, Arthur Robinson, Samuel Stayman, npc Frank Westcott  
CANADA: Ralph Cohen, R. Forbes, Sam Gold, Jack Howell, Sami Kehela, Eric Murray, npc A.M. Lando. Bermuda: Norman Bach, Malcolm Martin, W.G. Rosner, Tony Saunders, Bill Tucker, Peter Willcocks, npc Alan Truscott
- 1968 UNITED STATES: Robert Jordan, Norman Kay, William Root, Edgar Kaplan, Arthur Robinson, Alvin Roth, npc Julius Rosenblum.  
CANADA: Bruce Elliott, William Crissey, Eric Murray, Gerald Charney, Sami Kehela, Percy Sheardown, npc Albert Lando.  
BERMUDA: Mrs. Norman Bach, Hugh Barr, Thomas Lines, Norman Bach, Tracy Denninger, Malcolm Martin, npc Dudley Cooper
- 1972 UNITED STATES: Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, James Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Paul Soloway, Bobby Wolff.  
CANADA: Gerry Charney, Bill Crissey, Bruce Gowdy, Sami Kehela, Eric Murray, Duncan Phillips, npc Al Lando.  
BERMUDA: Tracy Denninger, H.B. Eve, M. M. Lewis, M.V.D. Martin, Ernie Owen, Tony Saunders, npc D.G. Cooper
- 1976 UNITED STATES: Bill Eisenberg, Fred Hamilton, Paul Soloway, Ira Rubin, Hugh Ross, Erik Paulsen, npc Dan Morse  
CANADA: Bruce Gowdy, Karen Allison, Franco Bandoni, Don Cowan, Eric Murray, Sami Kehela, npc Baron Wolf Lebovic.  
BERMUDA: Mal Martin, Tracy Denninger, Malcolm Lewis, Ernie Owen, Joe Wakefield, Colin Millington, npc Tony Saunders.
- 1980 UNITED STATES: Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman, Mike Passell, Ira Rubin, Paul Soloway, Bobby Wolff, npc Ira Corn.  
BERMUDA: Alan Douglas, David Ezekiel, Colin Millington, Ernie Owen, Charles Vaucrosson, Joe Wakefield, npc Jack Rhind.
- 1984 UNITED STATES: Ron Andersen, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Paul Soloway, npc Ed Theus.  
BERMUDA: David Ezekiel, Colin Millington, Alan Douglas, Charles Vaucrosson, Jean Johnson, Frank Wharton, npc Jack Rhind

- 1988 UNITED STATES: Seymon Deutsch, Bob Hamman, James Jacoby, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Bobby Wolff, npc Dan Morse.  
BERMUDA: Paul Below, John Burville, Alan Douglas, Ian Harvey, David Pereira, Charles Vaucrosson, npc Jack Rhind
- 1992 UNITED STATES: Seymon Deutsch, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Michael Rosenberg, Bobby Wolff, npc Dan Morse.
- 1996 UNITED STATES: Gerald Caravelli, Gary Cohler, Steve Garner, Jerry Goldfein, Jack Oest, Larry Robbins  
MEXICO: Gonzalo Herrera, Miguel Reygadas, George Rosenkranz, Edith Rosenkranz  
BERMUDA: John Burrville, Jean Johnson, David Pereura, Vera Petty, Joe Wakefield, Margie Way
- 2000 USA: George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Steve Garner, Steve Weinstein, David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen  
MEXICO: Moises Ades, Gonzalo Herrera, Enrico Pagani, Jacobo Podbilewicz, Maurico Smid, npc Ana Luisa Hernandez  
BERMUDA: David Cordon, Vera Petty, David Schroeder, Roman Smolski, David Sykes, Charles Vaucrosson, npc Edna Clay
- 2004 USA: Björn Fallenius, Roy Welland, Steve Weinstein, Bobby Levin, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, coach Fred Gitelman, npc Sheri Winestock
- 2008 USA: Chris Compton, Bob Hamman, Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, coach Eric Kokish, npc Donna Compton

### VENICE CUP QUALIFIERS

- 1974 Bette Cohn, Emma Jean Hawes, Betty Ann Kennedy, Marietta Passell, Carol Sanders, Dorothy Truscott, npc Ruth McConnell
- 1976 Emma Jean Hawes, Betty Ann Kennedy, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Carol Sanders, Dorothy Truscott, npc Ruth McConnell
- 1978 Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Truscott, npc Ruth McConnell
- 1981 Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp, Betty Ann Kennedy, Judi Radin, Carol Sanders, Kathie Wei, npc Ron Andersen
- 1985 NORTH AMERICA I: Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Greenberg, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, npc Dan Morse.  
NORTH AMERICA II: Edith Freilich, Nancy Gruver, Mary Jane Farell, Helen Utegaard, Beverly Rosenberg, Carol Pincus, npc Stelios Touchtidis
- 1987 NORTH AMERICA I: Jo Morse, Sue Sachs, Cindy Bernstein, Sally Wheeler, Sharon Osberg, Peggy Sutherlin, npc John Sutherlin.  
NORTH AMERICA II: Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkan, Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, npc Carol Sanders
- 1989 USA: Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Kitty Bethe, Margie Gwozdzinsky, Karen McCallum, Kerri Shuman, npc Dorothy Truscott.
- 1991 USA I: Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkan, Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Pam Wittes, Randi Montin, npc Ron Andersen.  
USA II: Lynn Deas, Stasha Cohen, Sharon Osberg, Sue Picus, Nell Cahn, Nancy Passell, npc Kathie Wei.
- 1993 USA I: Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Helen Utegaard, Kathie Wei-Sender, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, npc Sue Sachs.  
USA II: Jill Meyers, Kay Schulle, Kerri Sanborn, Karen McCallum, Sharon Osberg, Sue Picus, npc Jo Morse
- 1995 USA I: Karen McCallum, Kitty Munson-Cooper, Rozanne Pollack, Carol Simon, Sue Picus, Kerri Sanborn, npc Steve Sanborn  
USA II: Mildred Breed, Amalya Kears, Jacqui Mitchell, Jo Morse, Joyce Lilie, Tobi Sokolow, npc Phillip Alder
- 1997 USA I: Marinesa Letizia, Lisa Berkowitz, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Tobi Sokolow, Mildred Breed, npc Sue Picus  
USA II: Kathie Wei-Sender, Sue Sachs, Juanita Chambers, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Kerri Sanborn
- 1999 USA I: Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson, Renee Mancuso, Shawn Quinn, npc Ron Smith  
USA II: Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Sue Picus, Lisa Berkowitz, Rozanne Pollack, Connie Goldberg, npc Karen Allison
- 2001 USA I: Lynn Baker, Irina Levitina, Randi Montin, Karen McCallum, Kerri Sanborn, Jill Meyers  
USA II: Petra Hamman, Joan Jackson, Robin Klar, Kay Schulle, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed
- 2003 USA I: Betty Ann Kennedy, Jill Levin, Sue Picus, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow, Kathie Wei-Sender, npc Kent Massie  
USA II: Cheri Bjerkan, Stasha Cohen, Renee Mancuso, Becky Rogers, Sue Weinstein, Pam Wittes, npc Sheri Winestock
- 2005 USA I: Jill Levin, Irina Levitina, Hansa Narasimhan, Sue Picus, Debbie Rosenberg, Joanna Stansby, coach Michael Rosenberg, npc Rozanne Pollack  
USA II: Karen Allison, Renee Mancuso, Jo Ann Sprung, Kathy Sulgrove, Peggy Sutherlin, Pam Wittes, npc Joan Jackson

- 2007 USA I: Jill Levin, Irina Levitina, Jill Meyers, Hansa Narasimhan, Debbie Rosenberg, Joanna Stansby, npc Gail Greenberg  
USA II: Cheri Bjerkan, Disa Eythorsdottir, Sue Picus, Rozanne Pollack, Shawn Quinn, Kerri Sanborn, npc Betty Ann Kennedy
- 2009 USA I: Lynn Baker, Lynn Deas, Irina Levitina, Karen McCallum, Beth Palmer, Kerri Sanborn, npc Sam Dinkin  
USA II: Connie Goldberg, Renee Mancuso, Shawn Quinn, Jo Ann Sprung, Peggy Sutherlin, Pam Wittes, npc Danny Sprung
- 2011 USA I: Migry Zur-Campanile, JoAnna Stansby, Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss  
USA II: Geeske Joel, Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson, Debbie Rosenberg, Jill Levin, Jill Meyers

### **WOMENS TEAM OLYMPIAD QUALIFIERS**

- 1960 Malvine Klausner, Helen Portugal, Sylvia Schwartz, Agnes Gordon, Dorothy Hayden, Jo Sharp, npc Charles Solomon
- 1964 USA: Agnes Gordon, Muriel Kaplan, Alicia Kempner, Helen Portugal, Stella Rebner, Jan Stone, npc Paul Hodge.  
CANADA: Cecile Fisher, Louise Mark, Joyce Philips, Frances Pielsticker, Mimi Roncarelli, Helen Smith, npc Baron Wolf Lebovic.  
BERMUDA: Mrs. Colin Anderson, Mrs. Norman Bach, Mrs. Brownlow Eve, Mrs. Roland Lines, Mrs. T.H. Lines, Mrs. W.G. Rosser, npc Dudley Cooper
- 1968 USA: Hermine Baron, Emma Jean Hawes, Sue Sachs, Nancy Gruver, Dorothy Hayden, Rhoda Walsh, npc Margaret Wagar.  
CANADA: Mary Bowden, Maureen O'Brien, Mary Paul, Louise Mark, Jackie Begin, Vi Broad, npc Baron Wolf Lebovic.  
BERMUDA: Captain Mrs. Roland Lines, Mrs. Hugh Barr, Mrs. Brownlow Eve, Mrs. James Murray, Mrs. Dudley Cooper, Mrs. Thomas Lines
- 1972 USA: Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Peggy Solomon, Dorothy Truscott, npc Margaret Wagar.  
CANADA: Jackie Begin, Moselle Berger, Irene Hodgson, Sharyn Linkovsky, Mary Paul, Mrs. David Saltsman, npc Aaron Goodman.  
BERMUDA: Mrs. Brownlow Eve, Mrs. F. Jackson, Mrs. B. Kahn, Mrs. Roland Lines, Mrs. Thomas Lines, Mrs. W.A. Rosser, npc Arthur Eccles
- 1976 USA: Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Truscott, npc Ruth McConnell.  
CANADA: Diana Gordon, Irene Hodsdon, Sydney Isaacs, Marilyn Pearce, Sharyn Kokish, Francine Cimon, npc Peter Nagy.
- 1980 USA: Dorothy Truscott, Emma Jean Hawes, Gail Moss, Jacqui Mitchell, Mary Jane Farell, Marilyn Johnson, npc Ruth McConnell.  
CANADA: Karen Allison, Pamela Bridson, Francine Cimon, Diana Gordon, Sharyn Kokish, Mary Paul, npc Georges Hania.
- 1984 USA: Gail Moss, Judi Radin, Kathie Wei, Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders, Jacqui Mitchell, npc Jim Zimmerman.
- 1988 USA: Edith Freilich, Carol Pincus, Beverly Rosenberg, Kerri Shuman, Helen Utegaard, Rhoda Walsh, npc Grant Baze.
- 1992 USA: Jo Morse, Joyce Lilie, Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears, Tobi Deutsch, Mildred Breed, npc Rebecca Rogers.
- 1996 USA: Gail Greenberg, Jill Levin, Irina Levitina, Shawn Quinn, Lynn Deas, Juanita Chambers
- 2000 USA: Petra Hamman, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed, Peggy Sutherlin, Joan Jackson, Robin Klar
- 2004 USA: Marinesa Letizia, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow, Carlyn Steiner, coach Jan Martel, npc Jill Levin
- 2008 USA: Mildred Breed, Marinesa Letizia, Sylvia Moss, Judi Radin, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow, npc Sue Picus



## SENIOR BOWL QUALIFIERS

- 2001 USA I: Fred Hamilton, Dan Morse, Steve Robinson, John Sutherlin, Bobby Wolff, Kit Woolsey, npc Betty Ann Kennedy  
USA II: Grant Baze, Gene Freed, Garey Hayden, Joseph Kivel, Chris Larsen, John Onstott
- 2003 USA I: Roger Bates, Grant Baze, Garey Hayden, Gaylor Kasle, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey  
USA II: Dennis Dawson, Arnie Fisher, Zeke Jabbour, Clement Jackson, John Mohan, John Sutherlin, npc Carolyn Lynch
- 2005 USA I: Roger Bates, Garey Hayden, Rose Meltzer, Alan Sontag, Lew Stansby, Peter Weichsel, coach Chip Martel, npc Jan Martel  
USA II: Billy Eisenberg, Sam Lev, Zia Mahmood, Reese Milner, John Mohan, Mark Molson, coach Jacek Pszczola, npc Gene Freed
- 2007 USA I: Dan Gerstman, Gaylor Kasle, Dan Morse, Russ Arnold, John Sutherlin, Bobby Wolff, npc Donna Compton  
USA II: Roger Bates, Grant Baze, Bart Bramley, Rose Meltzer, Alan Sontag, Lew Stansby, coach Patty Magnus, npc Kyle Larsen
- 2009 USA I: Arnie Fisher, Fred Hamilton, Dan Morse, John Solodar, Paul Swanson, Bobby Wolff, npc Betty Ann Kennedy  
USA II: David Berkowitz, Dan Gerstman, Mark Lair, Carolyn Lynch, Mike Passell, John Sutherlin, npc Lisa Berkowitz
- 2011 USA I: Dan Morse, Fred Hamilton, Richard Schwartz, Arnie Fisher, Bobby Wolff, Lewis Finkel  
USA II: Gaylor Kasle, Neil Chambers, John Schermer, Larry Kozlove, Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd

## SENIOR TEAM OLYMPIAD QUALIFIERS

- 2000 Dan Morse, John Mohan, Steve Robinson, John Sutherlin, Bobby Wolff, Kit Woolsey
- 2004 Leo Bell, Neil Chambers, John Schermer, John Onstott, Jim Robison, Marshall Miles
- 2008 Grant Baze, Billy Eisenberg, Russ Ekeblad, Matt Granovetter, Sam Lev, Reese Milner, coach Patty Magnus, npc Jacek Pszczola

## WORLD JUNIOR/YOUTH TEAMS QUALIFIERS

- 1987 Guy Doherty, Jon Heller, Asya Kamsky, Aaron Silverstein, Billy Hsieh, npc Matt Guagliardo
- 1989 Larry Hicks, Mike Cappelletti, James Baker, David Williams, Michael Klein, David Rowntree, npc Billy Eisenberg
- 1991 USA I: Brad Moss, Leni Holtz, Rev Murthy, Mike Cappelletti, David Rowntree, Michael Klein, npc Bobby Wolff  
USA 2: Jeff Ferro, Wayne Stuart, John Diamond, Brian Platnick, Martha Benson (now Katz), Tricia Thomas, npc Chip Martel  
CANADA: Mark Caplan, Eric Sutherland, Fred Gitelman, Geoff Hampson, Bronia Gmach, Mike Roberts, npc John Carruthers
- 1993 USA I: Eric Greco, Kevin Wilson, Jeff Ferro, Leni Holtz, Debbie Zuckerberg (now Rosenberg), Rich Pavlicek, npc Chip Martel  
USA II: Sam Dinkin, Michael Shuster, Albert Tom, Doug Hsieh, Eric Secan, John Fout, npc Jan Martel  
CANADA: Geoff Hampson, Bronia Gmach, Eric Sutherland, Mike Roberts, Jeffery Blond, Nicholas L'Ecuyer, npc John Carruthers
- 1995 USA I: Steve Altus, Varis Carey, Eric Greco, Andrew Moss, Kevin Wilson, npc Steve Robinson  
USA II: Tom Carmichael, Joel Wooldridge, Rich Pavlicek, Blair Seidler, Michael Shuster, Eric Secan, npc Robert Rosen
- 1997 USA I: Varis Carey, Sam Hirschman, Joel Singer, Michael Shuster, Andrew Lewis, Mark Paltrowitz, npc Steve Altus  
USA II: Tom Carmichael, Eric Greco, Scott Lewis, Shannon Lipscomb (now Cappelletti), Chris Willenken, Joel Wooldridge, npc Robert Rosen
- 1999 USA I: Kevin Bathurst, Lisa Kow, John Hurd, Brian Meyer, Alan Epley, Michael Kitces  
USA II: Tom Carmichael, Eric Greco, Chris Wiegand, David Wiegand, Chris Willenken, Joel Wooldridge
- 2001 USA I: Brad Campbell, Joe Grue, John Hurd, John Kranyak, Kent Mignocchi, Joel Wooldridge, coach Dennis McGarry, npc Robert Rosen  
USA II: Kevin Bathurst, Paul Bethe, Jason Feldman, Ari Greenberg, Chris Lubesnik, Todd Wolford, npc Henry Bethe
- 2003 USA I: Meredith Beck, Lisa Burton, Robert Glickman, Joon Pakk, Lindsay Pearlman, Xing Yuan, coach Shannon Cappelletti, npc Mike Cappelletti  
USA II: Kevin Bathurst, Joe Grue, John Hurd, John Kranyak, Kent Mignocchi, Joel Wooldridge, coach Andy O'Grady, npc Robert Rosen
- 2004 USA BLUE: Meredith Beck, Lisa Burton, Robert Glickman, Matt Meckstroth, Lindsay Pearlman, Xing Yuan, coach Kevin Wilson, npc Mike Cappelletti  
USA RED: Jeremy Fournier, Marc Glickman, Justin Lall, Eric Mayefsky, Dan Recht, Scott Waldron Jr., coach Jeff Roman, npc Blair Seidler
- 2005 USA I: Ari Greenberg, Joe Grue, John Hurd, John Kranyak, Joel Wooldridge, Justin Lall, npc Robert Rosen  
USA II: Tim Crank, Charlie Garrod, Andrew Hurd, Jon Rice, Mike Rice, Noble Shore, npc Steve Robinson

- 2006 USA I: Joshua Donn, Jason Feldman, Ari Greenberg, Joe Grue, Justin Lall, John Kranyak, npc Robert Rosen  
 USA II: John Barth, Mike Develin, Michael Gill, Jon Rice, Mike Rice, Noble Shore, npc Mike Cappelletti  
 USA BLUE: Robert Glickman, Daniel Goldfein, Sam Katz, Matt Meckstroth, coach Dr. Jim Sternberg, npc Kevin Wilson  
 USA RED: David Bahn, Meredith Beck, Jason Chiu, Kevin Dwyer, Jeremy Fournier, Owen Lien
- 2008 Shane Blanchard, Victor Chubukov, Kevin Fay, Jeremy Fournier, Roger Lee, Eric Mayefsky, coach JoAnna Stansby, npc Lew Stansby  
 USA U21: Zach Brescoll, Angela Collura, Matthew Cory, Kevin Dwyer, Sam Katz, Owen Lien, npc Howard Weinstein
- 2010 USA I: Marius Agica, Jason Chiu, Kevin Fay, Jeremy Fournier, Roger Lee, Dan Wolkowitz  
 USA II: Zach Brescoll, Kevin Dwyer, Daniel Goldfein, Sam Katz, Owen Lien, Matt Meckstroth  
 USA I U21: Adam Grossack, Alex Hudson, Adam Kaplan, John Marriott, Jourdain Patchett, Jesse Stern  
 USA II U21: Kendrick Chow, Murphy Green, Andrew Jeng, Richard Jeng, Zandy Rizzo, Jimmy Wang, coach Jenni Carmichael
- 2011 USA U26: Roger Lee, Dan Wolkowitz, Jeremy Fournier, Mitch Towner, Owen Lien, Kevin Dwyer  
 USA U21: Adam Grossack, Adam Kaplan, Anam Tebha, Zach Brescoll, Dan Emmons, Stephen Drodge

## CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (CNTC)

The first official Canadian National Team Championship was held in Toronto in 1980. However, there were three previous playoffs to select a team for international competition.

- 1968 Eric R. Murray, Sami Kehela, Percy E. Sheardown, C. Bruce Elliott  
 1971 Bruce Gowdy, Duncan Phillips, Gerry Charney, Bill Crissey  
 1977 Don Cowan, Mike Cummings, Maurice Paul, Mary Paul  
 1980 Allan Graves, George Mittelman, Eric Kokish, Peter Nagy, Eric R. Murray, Sami Kehela  
 1981 Allan Graves, George Mittelman, Eric Kokish, Peter Nagy, Eric R. Murray, Sami Kehela  
 1982 Nick Gartaganis, Zygmunt Marcinski, Gordon Crispin, Vojtech Pomykalski  
 1983 Mark Molson, Boris Baran, Allan Graves, George Mittelman, John Guoba, John Carruthers  
 1984 Subhash Gupta, Doran Flock, Gordon Campbell, Mike Chomyn, Bryan Maksymetz, Drew Cannell  
 1985 Boris Baran, Mark Molson, Eric Kokish, George Mittelman, Pascal Menachi, Mark Stein  
 1986 Michael Schoenborn, Harmon Edgar, Arno Hobart, Martin Kirr, Greg Carroll, David Turner, Laurie McIntyre npc  
 1987 Mark Molson, Boris Baran, John Guoba, John Carruthers, Eric R. Murray  
 1988 Maurice Larochelle, Jean Bernier, Andre Laliberte, Jacques Laliberte, Raymond Fortin, Kamel Fergani  
 1989 Mark Molson, Boris Baran, George Mittelman, Arno Hobart, Martin Kirr, Billy Cohen  
 1990 Doug Heron, David Willis, John Valliant, Mike Betts, Randy Bennett, Ed Zaluski  
 1991 Ed Bridson, John Gowdy, David Lindop, Geoff Hampson, Boris Baran, Mark Molson  
 1992 Jim McAvoy, Duncan Smith, Michael Strebinger, Peter Herold, Jim Dickie, Bruce Ferguson  
 1993 Mike Cafferata, Mike Kenny, Mary Paul, David Colbert, Michael Roche, Chris Hough  
 1994 Joey Silver, Fred Gitelman, George Mittelman, Mark Molson, Eric Kokish  
 1995 Joey Silver, Fred Gitelman, George Mittelman, Mark Molson, Eric Kokish, Boris Baran  
 1996 Nadar Hanna, Doug Fraser, Michael Roche, Jim Green, Paul Thurston, Rick Delogu  
 1997 Gordon McOrmand, Michael Hargreaves, Allan Graves, Joey Silver  
 1998 Gordon McOrmand, Michael Hargreaves, Allan Graves, Joey Silver, Bryan Maksymetz  
 1999 Robert Lebi, Nadar Hanna, Drew Cannell, John Carruthers  
 2000 Kamel Fergani, Nicholas L'Ecuyer, Doug Fraser, Jeffery Blond, Darren Wolpert, Jurek Czyzowicz  
 2001 Judith Gartaganis, Nicholas Gartaganis, Gordon Campbell, Keith Balcombe  
 2002 Bryan Maksymetz, Allan Graves, Gordon McOrmond, Dan Jacob  
 2003 Kamel Fergani, Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Jurek Czyzowicz, Darren Wolpert, Gavin Wolpert, Vincent Demuy  
 2004 Ray Jotcham, Lewis Richardson, Jim Priebe, Steve Mackay, David Lindop, Mike Cummings  
 2005 John Carruthers, Joey Silver, George Mittelman, Arno Hobart, Boris Baran, Allan Graves  
 2006 Bryan Maksymetz, Dan Jacob, Doug Fraser, Michael Gamble, Robert Lebi, Sandra Fraser  
 2007 Waldemar Frukacz, Piotr Klimowicz, Hervé Chatagnier, Rene Pelletier, Jeffrey Smith, David Sabourin  
 2008 Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Marc-Andre Fourcaudot, Kamel Fergani, Dan Jacob, Robert Lebi, Vincent Demuy  
 2009 Dan Korbel, David Grainger, Nick L'Ecuyer, Kamel Fergani, Darren Wolpert, and Jurek Czyzowicz  
 2010 Judith Gartaganis, Nicholas Gartaganis, Gordon Campbell, Piotr Klimowicz  
 2011 Doug Baxter, David Lindop, Mike Hargreaves, Jim McAvoy, Michael Roche, John Rayner

### **CANADIAN WOMENS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (CWTC).**

1984	Diana Gordon, Sharyn Kokish, Francine Cimon, Sandra Fraser, Catherine Thorpe, Mary Paul
1985	Anna Boivin, Renee Mancuso, Rhoda Habert, Beverly Kraft, Nancy Koffler, Barbara Saltsman
1986	Mary Paul, Francine Cimon, Katie Thorpe, Gloria Silverman, Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon
1987	Mary Paul, Francine Cimon, Katie Thorpe, Gloria Silverman, Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon
1988	Mary Paul, Francine Cimon, Katie Thorpe, Gloria Silverman, Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon
1989	Kathy Adachi, Ina Anderson, Pat Landau, Joyce Peters, Marge Neate, Alison Dorosh
1990	Mary Paul, Francine Cimon, Katie Thorpe, Gloria Silverman, Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon
1991	Mary Paul, Francine Cimon, Katie Thorpe, Gloria Silverman, Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon
1992	Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon, Beverly Kraft, Rhoda Habert
1993	Judy Harris, Barbara Kupkee, Anne Pilon, Diane Christianson
1994	Gloria Silverman, Joan Eaton, Roisin O'Hara, Barbara Clinton
1995	Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon, Barbara Saltsman, Beverly Kraft, Rhoda Habert, Francine Cimon
1996	Sharyn Reus, Diana Gordon, Barbara Saltsman, Beverly Kraft, Rhoda Habert, Francine Cimon
1997	June Pocock, Mary Lou Bert, Kathy Adachi, Leslie Gold
1998	Diana Gordon, Sheri Winestock, Beverly Kraft, Rhoda Habert, Francine Cimon, Barbara Saltsman
1999	Diana Gordon, Katie Thorpe, Beverly Kraft, Francine Cimon, Martine Lacroix, Rhoda Habert
2000	Diana Gordon, Katie Thorpe, Beverly Kraft, Francine Cimon, Martine Lacroix, Rhoda Habert
2001	Solange Bouchard, Lise Lapointe, Patricia Gagnon, Marcelle Tremblay, Pascale Gaudreault, Martine Lacroix
2002	Pat Lopushinsky, Susan Culham, Lorna McDonald, Kismet Fung
2003	Beverly Kraft, Brenda Bryant, Diana Gordon, Joan Eaton, Barbara Clinton, Francine Cimon
2004	Ina Demme, Hazel Wolpert, Irene Hodgson, Linda Lee
2005	Francine Cimon, Linda Lee, Beverley Kraft, Joan Eaton, Diana Gordon, Barbara Clinton
2006	Rhonda Foster, Marcia Christie, Heather Pecket, Pamela Nisbet
2007	Sylvia Caley, Isabelle Smith, Julie Fajgelzon, Pamela Nisbet
2008	Pamela Nisbet, Karen Cumpstone, Martine Lacroix, Pascale Gaudreault, Susan Culham, Kismet Fung
2009	Pamela Nisbet, Karen Cumpstone, Joan Eaton, Barbara Clinton, Kismet Fung, Susan Culham
2010	Susan Culham, Pamela Nisbet, Francine Cimon, Kismet Fung, Sondra Blank, Isabelle Smith
2011	Joan Eaton, Sandra Fraser, Karen Cumpstone, Katrin Litwin

### **CANADIAN OPEN PAIR CHAMPIONSHIP (COPC)**

1985	Boris Baran, Mark Molson	1999	Dan Jacob, Lawrence Hicks
1986	Gary Whiteman, Ken Warren	2000	David McLellan, William Treble
1987	Maurice de la Salle, Mark Chalfin	2001	Jean Gastonguay, Andre Chartrand
1988	John Valliant, David Willis	2002	David McLellan, William Treble
1989	Ron Borg, Michael Strebinger	2003	John Rayner, John Duquette
1990	Katie Thorpe, John Carruthers	2004	Jurek Czyzowicz, Darren Wolpert
1991	Michael Cafferata, Ken Warren	2005	Waldemar Frukacz, Pierre Daigneault
1992	Pierre Treuil, John Zaluski	2006	Rashid Khan, Bradley Bart
1993	Pierre Treuil, John Zaluski	2007	Kamel Fergani, Pierre Daigneault
1994	Dick Anderson, Peter Basarsky	2008	Cameron Doner, Bradley Bart
1995	Jim Reigel, Pierre Treuil	2009	Bob Todd, Douglas Fisher
1996	Dave Willias, John Valliant	2010	Naveed Ather, Lino D'Souza
1997	Michael Betts, Randy Bennett	2011	Dave Smith, Doran Flock
1998	Douglas Heron, Alex Heron, Jr.		

## CANADIAN SENIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (CSTC)

2000	Peter Schwartz, Ralph Cohen, André Laliberté, Fred Hoffer, Jon Robinson
2004	Andre Laliberte, Fred Hoffer, Jon Robinson, Don Piafsky
2005	Michael Cummings - David Lindop, Toronto ON; John Bowman - Bill Bowman, Ottawa ON
2006	Peter Clark, Richard Lesage, Carole Klein, Michael Schleifer
2007	John Carruthers, Joey Silver, Boris Baran, Eric R. Murray, Don Piafsky, Fred Hoffer
2008	Bill Bowman, Ed Zaluski, Stephen Brown, John Bowman, Jurek Czyzowicz
2009	Arno Hobart, Martin Kirr, John Carruthers, Michael Schoenborn, Boris Baran, Joseph Silver
2010	Eric Murray, John Gowdy, Michael Schoenborn, Boris Baran, Joey Silver, John Carruthers
2011	Jurek Czyzowicz, Dan Jacob, Michael Schoenborn, Boris Baran, Fred Hoffer, Don Piafsky

**NABC+ AND NABC EVENTS** - No longer contested.

**NORTH AMERICAN ROOKIE PAIRS.** This contest was designed exclusively for new recruits. To be eligible each player had to have fewer than 20 masterpoints. The winning pair from each of the 25 ACBL Districts and one pair at large competed for the title at the Fall North American Championships.

1979	1. David Chen, Paul Chen 2. Walter Bell, David Kresge	1985	1. Cindy Cummins, Kathy Gostin 2. John Nigrelli, Richard Grady
1980	1. Peter Ngan, Sunny Ngan 2. Thomas Sproule, Thomas Suman	1986	1. Fay Velquth, Judy Gaardner 2. Marcelle Cousineau, Joannine Charron
1981	1. George Berfield, Pat Chatta 2. John Kissell, John Levengood	1987	1. Jan Mozen, David Peters 2. Chris Roberts, Mark Hunsaker
1982	1. Russell Boyle, Kent Ritchie 2. Richard Clark, Rose Allard	1988	1. Jeffrey Katz, Jeff Kallenback 2. Daniel Fox, Peter Fox
1983	1. Anthony Cannaverde, Joseph Marciano 2. Carol Knechtges, Dorothy Vader	1989	1. Peter Hudson, Terrance Hill 2. Josephine Peterson, Mary Voss
1984	1. Peggi Brimacombe, Dick Brimacombe 2. Marc Labovitz, Magdy Maximos	1990	1. Mike Nadler, Ari Greenberg 2. Mark Weckworth, Perry Khakhar

**NORTH AMERICAN 49ER PAIRS.** This NABC event formerly known as the North American Rookie Pairs was changed in 1991 so that all players with fewer than 50 masterpoints were eligible to compete for the chance to represent their district in the North American final at the Fall North American Championships.

1991	1. Roy Johnson, Virginia Johnson 2. Bea Williamson, Billie Reece
1992	1. Josh Shanes, Jordan Karol 2. Mike Boyle, Mick Riccio
1993	1. Beverly Ballard, Donna Gilliam 2. Dennis Gamble, Gordon Murray

**NATIONAL 49ers PAIRS.** This NABC event, limited to players with fewer than 50 masterpoints, was contested from 1998 until 2007. Winners were awarded the Fifth Chair Trophy

- 1998 1. Roberta Lyon, Jim Washburn  
2. Lois MacMillan, Marsh MacMillan  
1999 1. Linda C. Bell, Kristina Bohdanowicz  
2. David Hooey, Kas Dykstra  
2000 1. Daniel Taylor, Judith Hunt  
2. Frank Paynter, Jo Ann Paynter  
2001 1. John Balog, Bill Nabors  
2. Wanda Brooks, Jim Rinck  
2002 1. Brian Duran, Stephen McDevitt  
2. John Redford, Tricia Bradford  
2003 1. Paul Weintraub, Marilyn Weintraub  
2. Barbara Albert, Judith Broder

- 2004 1. Candy Carlton, Terry Carlton  
2. Kay Jenkins, Cary Jenkins  
2005 1. James McKay, Hans Verveer  
2. Bernie Weiss, Joan Dixon  
2006 1. Eric Steg, Jim Thompson  
2. Nadine Barker, Suzie Herman  
2007 1. Ann Gruver, Sara Fabik  
2. Eric Bardin, James Carey

**MASTERS INDIVIDUAL.** This event was contested for the Karn Tropy (1931-1933) and the Steiner Trophy from 1934.

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| 1931 1. Willard S. Karn          | 2. Richard L. Frey    | 1947 1. Charles J. Solomon | 2. Jack Cushing                   |
| 1932 1. Howard Schenken          | 2. David Burnstine    | 1948 1. B. Jay Becker      | 2. Myron Field                    |
| 1933 1. David Burnstine          | 2. Elinor Murdoch     | 1949 1. George Rapée       | 2. B. Jay Becker                  |
| 1934 1. Elinor Murdoch           | 2. B. Jay Becker      | 1950 1. Morrie Elis        | 2. Robert Appleyard               |
| 1935 1. Oswald Jacoby            | 2. David Burnstine    | 1951 1. Sidney Silodor     | 2. John R. Crawford               |
| 1936 1. Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz | 2. Merwyn D. Maier    | 1952 1. Harry Fishbein     | 2. Peter A. Leventritt            |
| 1937 1. B. Jay Becker            | 2. George Unger       | 1953 1. Tobias Stone       | 2. Larry Hirsch                   |
| 1938 1. Richard Ecker, Jr.       | 2. Harry Fishbein     | 1954 1. Edward Burns       | 2. F. Ayres Bombeck               |
| 1939 1. Merwyn D. Maier          | 2. Alvin Landy        | 1955 1. Norman Kay         | 2-3. Alvin Roth,<br>B. Jay Becker |
| 1940 1. Morrie Elis              | 2. Lee Hazen          | 1956 1. John R. Crawford   | 2. Robert Appleyard               |
| 1941 1. Lee Hazen                | 2. B. Jay Becker      | 1957 1. Edgar Kaplan       | 2. Dr. Ernest E. Karshmer         |
| 1942 1. Harry Fishbein           | 2. Olive Peterson     | 1958 1. Sylvia Stein       | 2. John R. Crawford               |
| 1943 1. Alvin Roth               | 2. Charles J. Solomon | 1959 1. Leo Pressburg      | 2. Frank L. Jackson               |
| 1944 1. George Rapée             | 2. Robert D. Chatkin  | 1960 1. Robert Reynolds    | 2. Arthur Robinson                |
| 1945 1. Charles H. Goren         | 2. Albert Weiss       |                            |                                   |
| 1946 1. Robert A. McPherran      | 2. Morrie Elis        |                            |                                   |

**NON-LIFE MASTER SWISS TEAMS.** This NABC event consisting of two qualifying and two final sessions was contested from 1982-1997.

- 1982 1. Jay Feldman, Bill Carnes, David Rinehart, Gordon Grossetta, Norval Baran, Bill Brown  
2. Donna Burt, Ron Woodsum, Leonard Smith, John Shelley
- 1983 1. Ani Deshpande, Joel Guthmann, Dan Dennehy, Martha Benson  
2. Rob Brown, Deborah Gattas, Jean Choi, Warren Fukushima
- 1984 1. Larry Lerner, David Grossman, Jackie Saltman, Brian Gunnell  
2. Phil Articola, Harry Sapienza, Ken Harkness, Bill Anspach, Ben Brill, Paul McMullin
- 1985 1. Dorothy Shorts, John Shorts, Patricia Rasmus, Richard Rasmus  
2-3. Dudley Hemphill, Phil Clayton, David Chyan, Bob Price  
2-3. Charles Hopkins, Tom Smith, Esfandiar Khazai, Jo Schachner, Barbara Barnett, Edie Eastman
- 1986 1. Walter Bell, David Kresge, Bob Klotz, John Dickenson  
2. Michael Chelst, Ellen Klosson, Lois Tenkin, Bob Bell
- 1987 1. Elaine Pettius, Judy Beul, Jim Beul, Steve Albin  
2-3. Frances Schminky, Jane Baker, George Perry, Helen Perry  
2-3. Michael Cheng, Ransone Price, John Diamond, David Cheng
- 1988 1. Andrew Moss, Amy Nellissen, Barry Margolius, Iain Abrahams  
2. Chris Roberts, W. Aeschbacher, Candy Carlson, Roberto Scaramuzzi, David Marker, Mark Hunsaker
- 1989 1. Tom Gittings, Charles Sheaff, Lavern Wiebe, David Suplinski  
2. Marcia Plonsker, Deanne Fox, Nancy Weil, Marilyn Kroll
- 1990 1. Wayne Oden, Daniel Jackson, Randy Paul, Larry Flowers  
2. Thomas Courtney, David Pickering, Tommy Thompson, James Tieman
- 1991 1. Steve Wood, Linda Wood, Beverly Whitehorn, Gene Nobles  
2. Karen Berkowitz, Richard Clayton, James Raiford, Darl Brooks, Alan Hayman, Ernest Campbell
- 1992 1. Dennis Hsu, Adam Weisz-Margulesku, Feng Lu, Xiaodong Zhang  
2. Darren Wolpert, Hazel Wolpert, M. Salamone, Sam Yoga
- 1993 1. Douglas Crispell, Nicholas Straguzzi, Robert Browne, Paul Gorman  
2. Michael Veve, Curtis Lending, Robert Zier, James Witting, Stephen Bunning
- 1994 1. Fred Nickerson, Joan Nickerson, Corey Cole, Richard Aronson  
2. Andy Clough, Daniel Hugh-Jones, Rufeng Li, Chaoming Zhang
- 1995 1. Jim Strachan, Ken Trock, Jeff Rubenstein, Jack Brauner  
2. Marlon Mundt, Andrew Cohen, Harvey Jaffe, Michael Kerr
- 1996 1. Dan Webster, Kristin Orians, Kelvin Raywood, Hing Kong Ho  
2-3. David Moss, Kevin Casey, John Galatti, Andrew Rosenthal  
2-3. Zongyi Li, Feng Xiao, Li Ping Wang, Mei Jin
- 1997 1. Paul Perkowski, Denis Murphy, Bonnie Bagley, John Ledet  
2. Peter Grenier, Frank Bischoff, Lynn Wood, Wanda Blankenship

**SENIOR AND ADVANCED SENIOR MASTERS PAIRS.** This four-session event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions was contested for the R. L. Miles Trophy through 1975.

- 1950 1. John Winsten, Mrs. John Winsten  
2-3. Dorothy E. Berning, Sims Gaynor  
2-3. Dorsey W. Brooks, Fred Gregorich
- 1951 1. Ben Fain, Julius L. Rosenblum  
2. Dorothy Glick, Aaron Ritter
- 1952 1. Elaine Lee, Harry Feinberg  
2. Betty Harding, Arline van Ness
- 1953 1-2. Dr. Robert M. Lloyd, Elfric H. Martin  
1-2. Margaret L. Fisher, Kiffin Rockwell
- 1954 1. Armand Fahrner, Richard B. Troxel  
2. Richard G. Lesko, Paul A. Schwarz
- 1955 1. Stanley Rappaport, Herschel Wolpert  
2. Robert Sitnek, Betty Windley
- 1956 1. Nat Gerstman, Emilie Nevins  
2. George Ateljevich, Robert E. Herb
- 1957 1-2. Arnold Levine, Harold Solof  
1-2. Daniel J. Conroy, William T. Dean
- 1958 1. Fritz J. Hopf, Mrs. Fritz J. Hopf  
2. Allan R. Cohen, Herbert C. Wilton
- 1959 1. Victor Lohmann, Robert L. Muires  
2. Ira Ewen, Thomas C. Griffin
- 1960 1. Lillian Hilbert, Forest Lowe  
2. Ruth Roe, Stephen Roe
- 1961 1. Amos Brown, Mark D. Mohr  
2. Dr. Ronald Forbes, Jack Howell
- 1962 1. Leon Shore, George Tornay  
2. Richard Dufour, Hugh C. MacLean

- 1963 1. Gerard Hallee, Paul Soloway  
2. Frank Adams, Max Neiman
- 1964 1. Mrs. R. Gust, Jr., Mrs. Leslie Wilcox  
2. Gerald Caravelli, Alan Levine
- 1965 1. Muriel Levin, Delle Levinson  
2. Don Guerin, Charlotte Sturm
- 1966 1. Carla Gross, Budd Pries  
2. Steve Goldstein, Ron Rubin
- 1967 1. Alvin Levy, Harold Thaw  
2. Maryanne Drury, Kenneth Kadis
- 1968 1. Henry Greenberg, John Landon  
2. Howard Abrams, Jim Crumacker
- 1969 1. Col. William B. Foster, Bobbie Foster  
2. Judy Carmena, Proctor Hawkins
- 1970 1. Michael Krevor, James Lewis  
2. Dennis McGarry, Louis Reich
- 1971 1. William L. Geleerd, Jr., Marc S. Passman  
2. Bert Newman, Dave Turner
- 1972 1. Chris Patrias, Dr. Wen Y. Yue  
2. Robert Bell, Jeff Hall
- 1973 1. Joel Friedberg, Harry Looks  
2. William Post, Alvin Swonger
- 1974 1. Dale Beers, Dave Silberstein  
2. Ethan Stein, Karen Swenson
- 1975 1. Kitty Munson, Robert Schachter  
2. John Brady, Patricia Murphy

**OPEN PAIRS.** This four-session NABC+ open pair event was the first national open pairs championship. It was contested for the Cavendish Trophy until 1962. Although the event continued to be played until 1971, it became a NABC rated event in 1963 with the introduction of the Blue Ribbon Pairs.

- 1928 1. Theodore A. Lightner, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Ely and Josephine Culbertson
- 1929 1-2. William McKenney, Ralph Richards  
1-2. Hortense Evans, Mrs. Sidney Lovell
- 1930 1. Louise W. Bright, P.S. Germain  
2. B. Foster, Ann W. Loftus
- 1931 1. Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims  
2. Olga Hilliard, Louis H. Watson
- 1932 1. Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims  
2. Oswald Jacoby, Louis H. Watson
- 1933 1. Charles A. Hall, Richard M. Wildberg  
2. Sam Fry Jr., Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1934 1. Charles S. Lochridge, Johnny Rau  
2. Harry Fishbein, Herman Goldberg
- 1935 1. Edward Hymes, Jr., Oswald Jacoby  
2. Paul D. Parcells, Charles Rilling
- 1936 1. Walter Jacobs, Ralph Kempner  
2. Allyne Paris, John R. Smith
- 1937 1. A. Mitchell Barnes, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz  
2. Phil Abramsohn, Harry Fishbein
- 1938 1. Frank E. Bubna, Mollie Funk  
2. Alphonse Moyse Jr., Helen Sobel
- 1939 1. Walter Jacobs, Albert Weiss  
2. Phil Abramsohn, Morrie Elis
- 1940 1. Charles H. Goren, Helen Sobel  
2. Henry Chanin, Harry Fishbein
- 1941 1. Sidney Silodor, Sally Young  
2. Phil Abramsohn, Harry Fishbein
- 1942 1. Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone  
2. Harry Fishbein, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1943 1. Ruth Goldberg, Edith Seligman  
2. Ned Drucker, Milton Moss
- 1944 1. Ambrose Casner, Ralph Hirshberg  
2. Aaron Frank, Arthur S. Goldsmith
- 1945 1. Jane Jaeger, Lewis M. Jaeger  
2. William Levin, Leo Roet

- 1946 1. B. Jay Becker, Sidney Silodor  
2. David and Frances Carter
- 1947 1. Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
2. Sam Fry Jr., Ruth Sherman
- 1948 1. Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar  
2. Peter A. Leventritt, Edson Wood
- 1949 1. Gardner E. Goldsmith, Charles Whitebrook  
2. B. Jay Becker, Simon Becker
- 1950 1. Mark Kelliher, Jack Kushner  
2. Leo Roet, Edson Wood
- 1951 1. Arthur Glatt, Albert Weiss  
2. Richard Kahn, Peter A. Leventritt
- 1952 1. Israel Cohen, Vic D. Zeve  
2. Paula Bacher, Leo Roet
- 1953 1. Byron Greenberg, Harold Rockaway  
2. David C. Carter, Curtis K. Smith
- 1954 1. George Heath, Paul Hodge  
2. F. Ayres Bombeck, David C. Carter
- 1955 1. Milton Q. Ellenby, Emanuel Hochfield  
2. Barbara Brier, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1956 1. Ben Fain, Paul Hodge  
2. Norman Kay, Charles J. Solomon
- 1957 1. Lewis L. Mathe, Edward O. Taylor  
2. Paul Allinger, Sidney H. Lazard
- 1958 1. Dr. John Fisher, Emma Jean Hawes  
2. Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone
- 1959 1. Morton Rubinow, Samuel M. Stayman  
2. William Grieve, Emanuel Hochfield
- 1960 1. Oswald Jacoby, Curtis K. Smith  
2. Simon Becker, Eugene Davidson
- 1961 1. Phil Feldesman, Ira Rubin  
2. Jack Blair, Robert Strucker
- 1962 1. B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden  
2. Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles



**OPEN PAIRS (1963-1971) SECONDARY CHAMPIONSHIP.** With the introduction of the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 1963, this former NABC+ was reclassified as a NABC event. This four-session (two qualifying and two final) event was contested at the Fall NABC by an impressively large field until its conclusion in 1971. The smallest field to compete in this event after it lost its NABC+ was 280 pairs in 1963. The Blue Ribbon Pairs only had 84 pairs in play in 1963. The largest field was 638 pairs in 1965.

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| 1963 1. Armand Barfus, Ronald Schonan        | 1968 1. Ann Kluewer, Richard Dallas     |
| 2. Dorothy Park, Robert Rothlein             | 2. Gary Stark, Jacqueline Stark         |
| 1964 1. Sami R. Kehela, Carol Sanders        | 1969 1. Robert Ryder, Barbara Birnholtz |
| 2. Jack Blair, Gloria Cronin                 | 2. Dean Darling, Tom Lyons              |
| 1965 1. Harold Feldstein, Gretchen Feldstein | 1970 1. William B. Johnson, Paul Burka  |
| 2. Joe Jabon, Darryl Pedersen                | 2. Ron LaCour, Al Childs                |
| 1966 1. John Zilic, David Joyce              | 1971 1. Joe Titone, Irv Kostal          |
| 2. James Klein, David Garbett                | 2. Charles Harvey, Kenneth Waitt        |
| 1967 1. John Wachter, Dr. Richard H. Katz    |   |
| 2. Don Hocevar, Phil Leon                    |   |

**SUB-SENIOR MASTERS TEAMS** formerly National Non-Masters Teams-of-Four and National Amateur Team-of-Four. This event was contested for the Rothschild Trophy 1938-1971. A two-session Board-A-Match event limited to players with fewer than 100 masterpoints.

- 1938 1. Anne Rosenfeld, Mrs. E.M. Goddard, Mrs. B.D. Lavine, Mrs H. A. Steiner
- 2. Judge A. Del Mar, V. Miller, A. Dickman, L.C. Levy
- 1939 1. Mabel Ervin, Ruth Horn, Valerie Klein, Gussie Planco
- 2. B. Foer, J. Presser, C. Friedman, E. Sirota
- 1940 1. A.R. Dick, C. William Potts, James T. Sheern, Jr., Edward R. Thomas
- 2-3. Mrs. E. Russell, Mrs. A. Leary, Mrs. S. Fry, Mrs. M.D. Maier
- 2-3. B. Hirshberg, E. Apfelbaum, H. Apfelbaum, J. Van Moppes
- 1941 1. William Cheeks, Mrs. William Cheeks, J.J. Wallendorf, Mrs. J.J. Wallendorf
- 2. Mrs. B. Levine, M. Levine, Mrs. E.M. Goddard, Mrs. H.A. Steiner
- 1942 1. Mrs. Julius Daub, Arthur Jarmel, Morris Strauss, Mrs. C. Van Slochem
- 2. Mrs. F. Lasarow, W.V. Kirk, J. Berson, M. Rubenfeld
- 1943 1. Harold Frankenheimer, Mrs. A.P. Hess, Ruth Rice, Fred Slater
- 2. Ernest Theimer, G.R. Wolff, David Goertner, E.G. Sheck
- 1944 1. Richard Adams, Mrs. Richard Adams, Sigmund Freisinger, E.L. Saqui
- 2. G. Moore, Mrs. M. Aricson, E.H. Brown, J.A. Scarlett
- 1945 1. Lester Doyle, David Goertner, Lee Sager, Ernest Theimer
- 2. E.O. Dunaway, J.F. Eck, C.B. Groden, Dr. William V. Lipton
- 1946 1. Dr. Kalman Apfel, Lawrence Blum, Charles Lembeck, Oscar Yablon
- 2. H. Mallison, N. Zampino, W. Yablon, M. Roth
- 1947 1. Augusta Cantor, Andy Gabrilovitch, Victor Mitchell, Henry Mullaney
- 2. Edith W. Hertz, Eric E. Bohm, Andrew J. Arkin, Ed Kaplan
- 1948 1-2. Melvin Dagovitz, Robert Jonsei, N. Kaufman, Paul Sugar, Joseph Weiner
- 1-2. Ethel Daybach, H. N. Daybach, Dr. A.G. Engel, D.G. Horwitz
- 1949 1. Mrs. B. Gumbin, Jack Gumbin, Bud Randall, M.H. Daskais
- 2. John Millerd, James Millerd, Robert Casement, Ed Del Beccaro
- 1950 1. Leslie Craig, Louis McLean, Dr. Henry Goldman, I.E. Davis
- 2-4. John McGerver, Paul Schwartz, Fred Sorensen, G.E. Young
- 2-4. Stanley Schwartz, Jr., Jack Jay, F.G. Westreich, M. Robert Louis
- 2-4. Katherine Moeheing, G.T. Humphreys, J.R. Hughes, C.B. Miller
- 1951 1. Clifton Lovenberg, Mrs. Clifton Lovenberg, Dr. Seward Transue, Mrs. Seward Transue
- 2. W. B. Joachim, Alex Tschekaloff, G.E. Thompson, C.W. Allen
- 1952 1. Paul Gabel, Dr. Milton Levitan, Stanley Schwartz, Jr., Frank Westreich
- 2. T. Boggin, A Sapowit, T. Van Greyans, C. Kish

**SUB NATIONAL MASTER PAIRS** formerly Non Masters Pairs and National Amateur Pair Championship. This event was contested for the Kem Card Trophy. This event was limited to players with fewer than 50 masterpoints.

1937 Lt R.A. Cook, Lt. C.W. Humphreys  
 1938 Mr. & Mrs. Edward W. Perry  
 1939 Mrs. E.Q. Crane, Mrs. R.H. Rishell  
 1940 Sally Gross, Polly Campbell  
 1941 Raymond Farber, Hal L. Oliver  
 1942 Ken Cadwallader, Arthur Waterbury  
 1943 Dr. Max Mitchell, Herbert Stein  
 1944 J.O. and Marie Gaynor  
 1945 C. Jack Bonney, Bernard P. Lampert  
 1946 Fletcher Henderson, Barton Bonds  
 1947 Mrs. M.D. Abuhove, Mrs. Richard Miller  
 1948 Horace Loomis, J.G. McKay  
 1949 Stan Anderson, Don Kenner  
 1950 Mrs. J.E. Morris, Mrs. W. Simpson

1951 Mrs. W.D. Selikoff, Henry Blumenschine  
 1952 Jessie S. Moore, Leonard Hawkins  
 1953 Roger Sarfaty, Steve Greenberg  
 1954 E.J. Early, Dr. Stephen S. Gernazian  
 1955 Elzworth Esh, Mrs. A.E. Esh  
 1956 Mrs. Melvin Cohen, Mrs. Milton Sharfstein  
 1957 Capt. William Ginn, Richard Mayer  
 1958 Dr. Norman Bolton, Dr. Richard Menczer  
 Named changed to Sub-National Master Pairs  
 1959 Donald Harris, Herbert Royal  
 1960 Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Stephens  
 1961 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Russell  
 1962 Carl Berggren, Roger Putnam Jr.

**HILLIARD MIXED PAIRS.** This was the original NABC+ mixed pair event. It was replaced by the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1946. The Hilliard Mixed Pairs continued to be contested as a NABC+ event at Bridge Week until 1957. With the creation of the Spring NABC in 1958, this event was put back on the ACBL calendar and was contested until 1962 as a three-session NABC+ event. In 1963 the Hilliard mixed pairs became a two-session secondary event.

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| 1931 1. Lewis R Ayres, Mrs. J S Jones Jr.<br>2. Oswald Jacoby, Elinor Murdoch          | 1948 1. E. Miller, V. Leonard<br>2. Harriet Rethers, Dan Westerfield                |
| 1932 1. Charles S. Lochridge, Mrs. N. N. Newman<br>2. B. Jay Becker, Mrs. E.C. Kaiser  | 1949 1. Arnold & Mary Jane Kauder<br>2. Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Murphy                     |
| 1933 1. F. Levy, Margaret Wagar<br>2. Dr. J.C McClelland, Helen White                  | 1950 1. Robert Street, Venita Street<br>2. Arnold Kauder, Mary Jane Kauder          |
| 1934 1. Richard Kahn, Mrs. T Greenbaum<br>2. Charles H. Goren, Sally Young             | 1951 1. Morris Portugal, Helen Portugal<br>2. Mrs. A. G. Whitehead, Dan Westerfield |
| 1935 1. Louis J. Haddad, Hortense Evans<br>2. Maury J Glick, Florence Stratford        | 1952 1. James Dunn, Kay Dunn<br>2. Malvine Klausner, Dr. Edward Frischauer          |
| 1936 1. Wingate Bixby, Mrs. D.M. Healy<br>2. Arthur Glatt, Laura Heiner                | 1953 1. Morris Portugal, Helen Portugal<br>2. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Bierman              |
| 1937 1. Harry Fishbein, Mrs. S. Rush<br>2. J. Slutt, Mrs. H. E. Latter                 | 1954 1. James Dunn, Kay Dunn<br>2. Mrs. M Lorber, E. Hatcher                        |
| 1938 1. Fred D. Kaplan, Mrs. S. Rush<br>2. Robert Appleyard, Lottie Zetosch            | 1955 1. James Dunn, Kay Dunn<br>2. Hortense Evans, Barry Crane                      |
| 1939 1. L. H. Fremont, Florence Stratford<br>2. Oswald Jacoby, Louise Wainwright       | 1956 1. John W. Hancock, Ruth Million<br>2. Tobias Stone, Jan Stone                 |
| 1940 1. Sidney Silodor, Sally Young<br>2. Robert A. McPherran, Helen Sobel             | 1957 1. Bob Adams, Marilyn Johnson<br>2. Arnold Kauder, Mary Jane Kauder            |
| 1941 1. Jeff Glick, Vera Glick<br>2. Harry Feinberg, Mrs. A Bryant                     | 1958 1. John Gerber, Phyllis Novak<br>2. Dr & Mrs W.A. Clunie                       |
| 1942 1. Harry Fishbein, Ruth Sherman<br>2. John R. Crawford, Olive Peterson            | 1959 1. Mary Jane Farell, Alvin Roth<br>2-3. Lewis L. Mathe & Eugenie Mathe         |
| 1943 1. Charles H. Goren, Olive Peterson<br>2. Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Golder        | 2-3. Ivan Erdos & Mrs. S. Wantanabe   |
| 1944 1. Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel<br>2. Peter A. Leventritt, Josephine Gutman        | 1960 1. Ed Rosen, Shirlee Harris<br>2. Edgar Simon, Mrs. Benton Brandon             |
| 1945 1. John R. Crawford, Margaret Wagar<br>2. Irving Deuter, Mrs. Marjorie Perlmutter | 1961 1. Thomas K. Sanders, Carol Sanders<br>2. Robert F. Jordan, Hermine Baron      |
| 1946 1. Harry Fishbein, Paula Bacher<br>2. Norman Perlstein and Mrs. Norman Perlstein  | 1962 1-2. Ed Rosen, Shirlee Harris<br>1-2. Jesse Cook, Grant Marsee                 |
| 1947 1. Meyer Schleifer, Betty Bysshe<br>2. Helen Cale, Jack Ehrlenbach                |   |

**MARCUS CUP.** Formerly an important two-session Board-a-Match event for players with 100 or more masterpoints contested at the Summer NABC from 1953-1978. From 1946 to 1953, this event was contested for the Faber Cup.

1946	Charles Groden, Harold Harkavy, Elinor Murdoch, Jack Shore
1947	Jack Cushing, Charles Saunders, Howard Zacks, Helen Zacks
1948	Maynard Adams, F. Ayres Bombeck, Bobby Nail, Edson Wood
1949	H. Sanborn Brown, John F. Carlin, Sam Delott, Irving Deuter
1950	Gretchen Feldstein, Gratian Goldstein, Helen Lackman, Herman Lackman
1951	Dorothy E. Berning, Jack Cushing, Jay T. Feigus, Sims Gaynor (tied with) Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal
1952	Warren Blank, J. George Boeckh, Jack Denny, Duke Dautell, Jerome Jacobs
1953	Lee Hazen, Richard Kahn, Edgar Kaplan, Dr. William V. Lipton, Ruth Sherman; (tied with) Israel Cohen, Richard Freeman, Fred Karpin, Mike Michaels
1954	Gerald Ackerman, Leonard Karp, Gwen Montgomery, Robert Rice
1955	John Gerber, Jim Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Paul Hodge, Walter Wolff, Jr.
1956	A.H. Brown, Mrs. A.H. Brown, Richard Hart, F. Bert Powley
1957	John H. Moran, Bill Root, Peggy Rotzell, Robert Sitnek
1958	Jackie Begin, Barbara Brier, Maurice Paul, Peter A. Pender; (tied with) Fred Berger, Dr. John Fisher, Emma Jean Hawes, Margaret Wager (and) Mrs. J. Theron Brown, Nathan Gerstman, Richard Greene, Frank Nichols, Charles Whitehead
1959	Nathan Gerstman, Mrs. Thomas McKenna, Eric R. Murray, Mrs. William Selikoff, Paul Trent
1960	E.G. Burke, Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, Bill Root, Tobias Stone
1961	Arnold Barfus, Billy Eisenberg, Marty Ginsburg, Jeff Westheimer
1962	Alan Bell, Leona Low, Marc Low, Roger Sarfaty, Richard Vission
1963	Hal Kandler, Jim Linhart, Hugh Ross, Richard Zeckhauser
1964	Jack Marsch, Douglas Thompson, Howard Rubin, Hank Promislow, Helen Promislow
1965	Charles Shannon, Robert Hathaway, Ron Andersen, Darrell Penrod
1966	Mr. & Mrs Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, Harvey Cohen
1967	Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Solomon, Harry Fishbein, Julius L. Rosenblum, Sylvia Stein

**SENIOR MASTERS INDIVIDUAL.** This event was contested for the Beynon Trophy from 1947 until 1960.

1947	1. Albert Weiss	2. Preston Ellett
1948	1. Nat Agran	2. Sidney Aronson
1949	1. Clagett Bowie	2. Fred Karpin
1950	1. Abe Goldstein	2. Fred Karpin
1951	1. James Epstein	2. Harry Bork
1952	1. Harvey Cohen	2. Joseph Stedem
1953	1. William Adams	2. N. B. Walts
1954	1. Donald Rutstein	2. Robert Ludwig
1955	1. W.W. Williams Jr.	2. Isadore Rosenberg
1956	1. Marjorie Salisbury	2. A.K. Darby
1957	1. Phil Feldesman	2. Hubert Deri
1958	1. R Norman Miller	2. H. Tann
1959	1. Thomas B. Commander	2. Anna Filipcic
1960	1. Margaret Pell	2. Alex Lillico

**NATIONAL OPEN INDIVIDUAL.** This NABC+ event was contested for the Baird Trophy at the Fall NABCs until 1957. It was moved to the spring schedule in 1958 and was contested until 1980. It became a secondary event in 1961.

1945	1. Ted Samuels	2. Joseph Foreacre
1946	1. Mrs. A Schlorel Smith	2. Lawrence Held
1947	1. Ludwig Kabakjian	2. Dr. H. Russ Storr & Emily Folline
1948	1. Otto Matthes	2. S. Alden Perrine
1949	1. Solomon Seidman	2. A.E. Cohn
1950	1. Emily Folline	2. Joe Jabon
1951	1. Tracy Denninger	2. Mrs. George H. Berry
1952	1-2. Fred L. Blackmon & Nathan W. White (tie)	
1953	1. Nancy McCrackin	2. Roy Ritter
1954	1. Dr. Kermit Chadwick	2. Fred Root
1955	1. Morton Rubinow	2. Hap Harter
1956	1. Said Haddad	2. Israel Cohen
1957	1. Walter Wallace	2. Robert G. Sharp
1958	1. Frances Robinson	2. Jules Chodak
1959	1. Joe Jabon	2. Lloyd Patrick
1960	1. Don Wolfson	2. Mrs. L.L. Mason
Became a secondary event		
1961	1. Carmen Woolsey	2. Leonard Luther
1962	1. Isabelle Alcone	2. Earle Collins
1963	1. Donald Geers	2. Bertha Richter & Marjorie Haldeman (tie)
1964	1. Viola Kushner	2. Robert Chapman
1965	1. Baron Wolf Lebovic	2. Dr. Fred Patterson
1966	1. James Miller	2. Frederica Goldberg
1967	1. Carl F.Cronemiller	2. Herbert Schaffer
1968	1. Solveg Parkas	2. Donald Hallman
1969	1. Richard Fortune	2. Alex Kisin
1970	1. Alice Wick	2. Fred Dong
1971	1. Phyllis E. Clark	2. Laj Batra
1972	1. Lilo Grubner	2. Mary Steger
1973	1. Eleanor Dalton	2. Lilo Grubner
1974	1. Norman F. Brooks	2. Julia Rhoades
1975	not contested	
1976	1. John Pranter	2. Jack Breen
1977	1. J.M. Ferguson	2. Jeff Commons
1978	1. Marc Poe	2. Harry Lipton
1979	1. Paul Christ	2. Russell Hill
1980	1. Carrie Estill	2. Jeffrey Hack

# APPENDIX II

## MASTERPOINT CONTESTS

### BARRY CRANE TOP 500

This trophy is presented to the ACBL member who has accumulated the most masterpoints during the calendar year. Originally the McKenney Trophy, it was put into play by William E. McKenney, ACBL executive secretary. It was known as the McKenney Trophy contest from 1937-1981. When the list was expanded to include the leading 500 players it was called the Top 500 from 1982-1985. It became the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1986. Crane, who was murdered in July 1985, was ACBL's top masterpoint holder and was acknowledge by his peers to be unequalled as a masterpoint winner and a matchpoint player. His influence on the race was dominant for more than three decades.

1937 Charles Goren	1951 Charles Goren	457*	1972 John Fisher	1387	1993 Jeff Meckstroth	1950
1938 Morrie Elis	1952 Barry Crane	604*	1973 Barry Crane	1562*	1994 Richard Hunt	3146
1939 Merwyn Maier	1953 William Rosen	470	1974 Kerri Shuman	1619*	1995 Jeff Meckstroth	2385
1940 Morrie Elis	1954 David Carter	468	1975 Barry Crane	1547	Eddie Wold	2385
1941 Helen Sobel	1955 Norman Kay	519	1976 Mike Passell	1815*	1996 Ron Andersen	2370
1942 Helen Sobel	1956 Tobias Stone	791*	1977 Ron Andersen	2009*	1997 Randy Pettit	2117
1943 Charles Goren	1957 Edgar Kaplan	808*	1978 Barry Crane	1790	1998 Paul Soloway	2564
1944 Helen Sobel	1958 Len Harmon	768	1979 Clarence Goppert	2118*	1999 Jim Barrow	3584*
1945 Charles Goren	1959 Oswald Jacoby	784	1980 Ron Andersen	2725*	2000 Jeff Meckstroth	2493
1946 Sidney Silodor	1960 Robert Jordan	873*	1981 Mel Skolnik	2421	2001 Jeff Meckstroth	2523
1947 Charles Goren	1961 Oswald Jacoby	735	1982 Eddie Wold	2016	2002 Jeff Meckstroth	2749
	1962 Oswald Jacoby	713	1983 Ron Andersen	2994*	2003 Eddie Wold	3098
	1963 Oswald Jacoby	1034*	1984 Grant Baze	3270*	2004 Eric Rodwell	3297
	1964 Hermine Baron	1370*	1985 Grant Baze	2209	2005 Alan Stout	3137
	1965 Peter Rank	1141	1986 Ron Andersen	2521	2006 Jeff Meckstroth	2885
	1966 Peter Pender	1282	1987 Grant Baze	1923	2007 Jeff Meckstroth	2530
	1967 Barry Crane	1309	1988 Jim Jacoby	2223	2008 Jeff Meckstroth	3519
	1968 Paul Soloway	981	1989 Zeke Jabbour	2468	2009 Jeff Meckstroth	3189
1948 Charles Goren	1969 Paul Soloway	1434*	1990 Mark Lair	2624	2010 Jeff Meckstroth	2755
1949 Charles Goren	1970 Hermine Baron	1399	1991 Jim Becker	2914		
1950 Charles Goren	1971 Barry Crane	1443*	1992 Dennis Sorensen	2745		

The following are the victors since 1947, together with their point totals. An asterisk indicates the record was broken that year.

## ACBL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

This recognition goes to the contestant who earns the most masterpoints in NABC+ events at the three NABC tournaments each year. The winners are awarded the Soloway Trophy.

1990	Bob Hamman	1997	Bart Bramley	2005	Zia Mahmood
1991	Zia Mahmood	1998	Paul Soloway	2006	Bob Hamman
1992	Jeff Meckstroth	1999	John Mohan	2007	Roy Welland
1993	Bob Hamman	2000	Zia Mahmood	2008	Eric Rodwell
1994	Michael Rosenberg	2001	Ralph Katz	2009	Jeff Meckstroth
1995	Steve Weinstein	2002	Larry Cohen	2010	Brad Moss
	Fred Stewart	2003	Michael Rosenberg		
1996	Zia Mahmood	2004	Jeff Meckstroth		

## NORTH AMERICAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY WINNERS

**MOTT-SMITH TROPHY.** This trophy is awarded every year to the player with the best overall individual performance record in the Spring North American Bridge Championships. Donated by friends in memory of Geoffrey Mott-Smith in 1961, it was made retroactive to 1958 to include all the winners.

1958	Ivar Stakgold	The following are the Mott-Smith Trophy winners since 1969 together with their point totals. An asterisk indicates the record was broken that year.	1983	Mike Passell	214		Claudio Nunes	364*
1959	Lew Mathe		1984	Lew Stansby	172	2005	Eddie Wold	282
1960	Norman Kay		1985	Jeff Meckstroth	196	2006	Fred Chang	347.5
1961	Robert Jordan		1986	Lew Stansby	207	2007	Roy Welland	380*
1962	Robert Jordan		1987	Steve Robinson	200	2008	Krzysztof	
1963	Sidney Silodor			Peter Boyd	200		Martens	257.5
	Norman Kay		1988	Roger Bates	193		Krzysztof Jassem	257.5
1964	Lew Mathe		1989	Eddie Wold	167	2009	Jeff Meckstroth	304.92
1965	Phil Feldesman		1990	John Sutherlin	300*	2010	Tor Helness	320.59
1966	Phil Feldesman		1991	Zia Mahmood	183	2011	Joel	
1967	Lew Mathe		1992	Roger Bates	186		Wooldridge	454.31*
1968	Norman Kay		1993	Michael Seamon	196			
		1969	Sue Sachs	168	1994	Chip Martel	250	
		1970	Barry Crane	155	1995	Michael Polowan	242	
		1971	Barry Crane	135	1996	Zia Mahmood	252	
		1972	Paul Swanson	159	1997	Bart Bramley	292	
			Jack Blair	159	1998	Eddie Wold	243	
		1973	Robert Wolff	233*	1999	Petra Hamman	265	
		1974	Ron Andersen	250*	2000	Jeff Meckstroth	313*	
		1975	Roger Bates	203	2001	Jill Meyers	234	
		1976	Larry Cohen	225	2002	Paul Soloway	357*	
		1977	Mark Blumenthal	200	2003	Geoff Hampson	317	
		1978	Mike Passell	250*	2004	Fulvio Fantoni	364*	
		1979	Jeff Meckstroth	215				
		1980	Jeff Meckstroth	173				
			Eric Rodwell	173				
		1981	Allan Stauber	166				
		1982	Dave Berkowitz	198				
			Harold Lillie	198				

**FISHBEIN TROPHY.** This trophy is awarded every year to the player with the best overall individual performance record in the Summer North American Bridge Championships. The trophy, in memory of Sally Fishbein, was donated by ACBL in recognition of the untiring efforts of Harry Fishbein who served as Treasurer of ACBL and refused to accept the customary compensation. He insisted that the trophy honor his late wife.

1952	John Crawford	1967	Phil Feldesman	177	1990	Ron Rubin	227	2005	Geoff Hampson	348
1953	Milton Ellenby	1968	Jim Jacoby	205		Michael Becker	227	2006	Björn Fallenius	365
1954	David Carter	1969	Bob Hamman	180	1991	Eric Rodwell	278	2007	Jeff Meckstroth	385
1955	Paul Hodge	1970	Dave Strasberg	155	1992	Juanita Chambers	182		Eric Rodwell	385
1956	Tobias Stone	1971	Barbara Rappaport	187	1993	John Sutherlin	233	2008	Migry Zur-	
1957	John Crawford	1972	B.Jay Becker	179	1994	Lynn Deas	238		Campanile	270
1958	Helen Sobel	1973	Richard Katz	199	1995	Nick Nickell	253	2009	John Hurd	335
1959	Ira Rubin	1974	Richard Shepherd	162		Richard Freeman	253	2010	Brad Moss/	
1960	Boris Koytchou	1975	Grant Baze	176	1996	Jeff Meckstroth	269		Eric Greco	301.82
1961	Marshall Miles	1976	Richard Katz	219	1997	Steve Garner	247	2011	David	
1962	Ira Rubin	1977	Ken Cohen	198	1998	Paul Soloway	281*		Berkowitz	332.50
1963	Alvin Roth	1978	Mike Passell	215	1999	Eric Rodwell	348*			
		1979	Bobby Wolff	179	2000	Rose Meltzer	315			
		1980	Peter Weichsel	194		Kyle Larsen	315			
		1981	Ralph Katz	236*		Peter Weichsel	315			
		1982	Mike Smolen	221		Lew Stansby	315			
		1983	Bob Hamman	280*		Chip Martel	315			
		1984	Steve Sion	271	2001	Ralph Katz	384*			
		1985	Bill Passell	225	2002	Tobi Sokolow	304			
		1986	Mark Lair	187	2003	Michael				
		1987	Danny Rotman	188		Rosenberg	392.5*			
1964	Percy Sheardown	223*	1988	Helen Utegaard	168	2004	Jeff Meckstroth	350		
1965	Alvin Roth	210	1989	Zeke Jabbour	198		Eric Rodwell	350		
1966	Alvin Roth	186								

The following are the Fishbein Trophy winners since 1964 together with their point totals. An asterisk indicates the record was broken that year.



**GOREN TROPHY (until 2008 the LOU HERMAN TROPHY).** This trophy is awarded to the player with the best overall individual performance record at the Fall North American Championships. It was donated by Sally Lipton, formerly Mrs. Lou Herman, of New York, in memory of her husband. In 2008, the Herman Trophy was renamed for Paul Soloway and replaced by the Goren Trophy.

1952	Al Roth	211	1983	Marty Bergen	233*	2001	George Jacobs	333.75
1953	John Crawford	144	1984	Grant Baze	200		Alfredo Versace	333.75
1954	Paul Hodge	155	1985	Eric Rodwell	365*	2002	Dan Morse	388.81
1955	Milt Ellenby	144	1986	Kit Woolsey		2003	Geoff Hampson	374.79
1956	Paul Hodge	150		Ed Manfield	212	2004	Jeff Meckstroth	381.17
1957	Lew Mathe		1987	Jill Meyers	176	2005	Zia Mahmood	416.88
1958	Sylvia Stein	154	1988	Bob Hamman	270	2006	Drew Casen	334.13
1959	Morton Rubinow	150	1989	Mark Molson	254		Jim Krekorian	334.13
1960	Oswald Jacoby	181	1990	Eddie Wold	276	2007	Lew Stansby	375.28
1961	Phil Feldesman	207	1991	David Berkowitz	357	In 2008, the Lou Herman Trophy was replaced by the Goren Trophy.		
1962	Marshall Miles	202	1992	Haig Tchamitch	202			
The following are the Herman Trophy winners since 1962 with their point totals. An asterisk indicates the record was broken that year.			1993	Bob Hamman	355			
			1994	Mark Lair	365*	2008	Eric Rodwell	632.75*
			1995	Jeff Meckstroth	407*	2009	Jeff Meckstroth	377.66
1963	Eric Murray	211	1996	Michael Rosenberg	445*	2010	Steve Garner	326.20
1964	Harold Rockaway	180	1997	Bart Bramley	320			
				Sidney Lazard	320			
			1998	Eric Rodwell	329			
			1999	Geir Helgemo	449*			
			2000	George Jacobs	365			
			1982	Jeff Meckstroth				
				Eric Rodwell	191			
			1977	John Mohan	160			
			1978	Bob Hamman	165			
			1979	Robert Levin	233*			
			1980	Jeff Meckstroth	225			
			1981	Chip Martel	224			
			1976	Paul Soloway	199			
			1975	Walt Walvick	171			
			1974	Fred Hamilton	202			
			1973	Larry Cohen	207			
			1972	Steve Robinson	181			
			1971	John Grantham	150			
			1970	Ira Rubin				
				Chuck Burger	154			
			1969	Sylvia Stein	150			
			1968	Henry Bethe	144			
			1967	Sami Kehela	155			
			1966	Charles Coon	144			
			1965	Mike Lawrence	211			

## ACBL MINI-McKENNEY CONTESTS

### Rookie (0-5 Masterpoints)

1975	Robert Blanchard	164	1985	Elizabeth Rice	156	1993	Niles Brown	328	2003	Renlu Wang	496
1976	Carolyn Behr	176		Harry Falk	156	1994	Jay Gibson	320	2004	Jennylee Mealer	281.77
1977	Jim Sternberg	377	1986	Richard Kennedy	148	1995	John Kokuba	457	2005	Kathy Stanford	363.60
1978	Bob Rosen	216	1987	John Blubaugh	141	1996	James Satterfield	273	2006	Eric Seig	355.65
1979	Cameron Cotton	190	1988	Norris "Pete"		1997	Nick Bykov	363	2007	Linda Bush	250.91
1980	Alan Kleist	262		Peterson	119	1998	Brad Campbell	187	2008	Sankar Reddy	300.48
1981	Rick Purdy	123	1989	Donald Geerhart	137	1999	Greg Bruce	236	2009	Kimberly	
1982	Arif Janjua	146	1990	Joel Wooldridge	301	2000	Mac Busby	416		Whipple	335.27
1983	Joe Barnard	295	1991	John Cook	129	2001	Bruce Saber	300	2010	Neeta Mone	200.01
1984	Barbara Larson	116	1992	Leslie Shafer	181	2002	Gary Ge	264			

### Junior Master (5-20 Masterpoints)

1975	Jim Prentice	161	1985	Connie Hicks	167	1996	Jeff Smith	335	2005	Darko	
1976	Janice Seamon	153	1986	Yvonne Hernandez	224	1997	Michael Lohman	188		Jevremovic	228.60
1977	Craig Harrison	265	1987	Michel Bertrand	133	1998	Betty Haggard	170	2006	Michael	
1978	Marc Arbour	201	1988	Manuel Urrizola	204	1999	James Welch	370		Sherman	321.34
1979	Elisabeth		1989	Tom Barlow	215	2000	Ahmed Sorothia	266	2007	Virginia	
	Brenhouse	255	1990	John Fout	228	2001	Carolyn Ekherth	239		Gregory	370.23
1980	Mary Wolf	183	1991	Yann Ozenne	159	2002	Gary Thomas	215	2008	Lenore	
1981	George Landreth	388	1992	Charles Donahue	289	2003	James Melville	341		Cavallero	280.99
1982	Alan Watson	291	1993	Nancy Freeman	226	2004	Paul "Tony"		2009	Cookie Potter	354.07
1983	Robert Batoff	148	1994	Michael Papangelis	384		Wolf	209.75	2010	Becky Bien	334.32
1984	Paul Ford	201	1995	James Barry	209						

### Club Master (20-50 Masterpoints)

1975	Jeff Overby	231	1985	Charlie Cargile	205	1995	Gaylord Bermaas	273	2005	Pamela Leggett	348.29
1976	Milton Stern	306	1986	Robert Cohen	239	1996	Elwin Brown	288	2006	Jian Wang	466.64
1977	John D. Jones	364	1987	Sorin Samanta	190	1997	Amelia Fraser	243	2007	Tammy Pepper	368.79
1978	Ross Taylor	282	1988	Earle Davidoff	234	1998	Ron Rose	308	2008	Allison Howard	376.39
1979	Bruce Rogoff	223	1989	Robert Cranor	166	1999	Frederico Kladt	312	2009	Lynn Fort III	294.81
1980	Bill Weakley	237	1990	David Yang	313	2000	Elizabeth Dressler	310	2010	Sharon Tomnitz	221.10
1981	Robert Bobker	262	1991	Sean Ganness	326	2001	Daniel Korbel	580			
1982	Lele Dean	166	1992	Charles James	223	2002	Carolyn Lynch	491			
1983	Moses Ma	335	1993	Jeffrey Figgins	241	2003	Larry Mohr	393			
1984	Cynthia Handy	254	1994	Gerald Collier	291	2004	Erin Grove	315.91			

### Sectional Master (50-100 Masterpoints)

1975	Claudia Zucker	214	1985	Alan Benaroya	460	1995	Everett Wong	411	2005	Robert Hampton	790.48
1976	Stasha Wroblewski	365	1986	Christopher Bohan	372	1996	Sam Graham	349	2006	Bob Allard	407.39
1977	Lynn Deas	360	1987	Robert Crawford	401	1997	Thompson Jin	302	2007	Weidong Pei	455.89
1978	Mark Bartusek	479	1988	Michael Klein	357	1998	Lev Pinsky	310	2008	Raphael	
1979	Dan Jacob	296	1989	Jaf Chiang	350	1999	Tim Crank	374		Schreiber	451.41
1980	Keith Woolf	422	1990	Hirsch Davis	251	2000	Carole Stuenkel	350	2009	Kenneth	
1981	Andrew Kaufman	304	1991	Stephen Williams	339	2001	Larry Barr	385		Wagner, Jr.	347.00
1982	Charlie Ju	309	1992	Murray Johnstone	289	2002	Robert Quinlan	388	2010	Polly Siegel	330.98
1983	Mark Lewis	244	1993	Marshall Hall	340	2003	Carolyn Lynch	618			
1984	Sharon Meng	224	1994	Mark McCarthy	311	2004	Alex Hong	1036.49			

### Regional Master (100-200 Masterpoints)

1975	Allan Feineman	508	1985	Andrew Greenberg	397	1995	John Atteridg	668	2005	Billie Hedberg	382.75
1976	Shirley Boice	359	1986	Elizabeth Rice	633	1996	John Anderson	440	2006	Dayou Zhou	520.62
1977	Jeff Corbin	427	1987	Brenda Wiseman	281	1997	Jean Cole	638	2007	Atsuko	
1978	Keith Balcombe	426	1988	John Blubaugh	329	1998	Wildon Barker	455		Kurishima	351.93
1979	Juanita Skelton	628	1989	Jade Barrett	214	1999	James Breihan	351	2008	Susan Adamson	333.39
1980	Chris Kaufman	305	1990	Qiang Wang	309	2000	Jim Eastham	538	2009	Robert Hope	368.65
1981	Mary Wolf	363	1991	Gary Brown	644	2001	Marc Glickman	416	2010	Stephen	
1982	Sylvia Summers	356	1992	Vicki Smith	278	2002	Kyle Mattis	521		Apodaca	771.49
1983	David Funk	321	1993	Mary Keeler	396	2003	John Bronson	706			
1984	Robert Batoff	322	1994	Linda Hempel	415	2004	Sharon Goldberg	488.56			

### NABC Master (200-300)

1975	Troy Horton	493	1984	Emily Oglesby	473	1995	Peter Cheung	678	2005	Paul Wright	744.58
1976	Claudia Zucker		1985	Jack Coleman	676	1996	James Barry	641	2006	Jeffery Boak	590.02
	Feagin	442	1986	Charlie Cargile	514	1997	Max Limbocker	416	2007	Mike Smith	500.22
1977	Fran Dolmage	380	1987	Mary Keenan	548	1998	Ed Hagerman	491	2008	Michael Myers	426.35
1978	Mike Hansen	342	1988	Dale Andersen	295	1999	Michael Lucy	446	2009	Lenore	
1979	Ken Chen	401	1989	Geoff Hampson	464	2000	Raymond			Cavallero	437.58
1980	Elisabeth		1990	Lin-Huan Chen	463		Spaulding	488	2010	Doug Dey	427.82
	Brenhouse	781	1991	Eric Greco	557	2001	Robert Hollow	887			
1981	Chris Hough	342	1992	George Jacobs	482	2002	Grant Peacock	1179			
1982	Sally Alsfelder	483	1993	Donald Mamula	336	2003	Steven Norvich	1023			
1983	Alan Kleist	540	1994	Shannon Lipscomb	475	2004	Carolyn Lynch	1090.07			

### 300-500 Masterpoints

1993	not awarded		1997	Sam Graham	753	2002	Michael T. Pierce	622	2007	Michael	
1994	John Paul		1998	Paul Hook	563	2003	Chiye Horiguchi	555		Sherman	854.10
	McNamee	336	1999	Scott Sterns	613	2004	Virginia Cave	680.04	2008	Garth Yettick	1063.04
1995	John Bridgewater	649	2000	James Welch	618	2005	Linda Luther	558.85	2009	Allison Howard	836.89
1996	Barbara Benbow	605	2001	F Marion Fletcher	478	2006	Joyce Hampton	909.71	2010	Charlie Burns	630.91

### 500-1000 Masterpoints

1993	Sean Ganness	997	1998	James Barry	1117	2003	Elbert Moore	977	2008	Weidong Pei	829.96
1994	Shelia Gabay	617	1999	Alan Goldenberg	720	2004	Charles Gill	820.28	2009	Tammy Moll	1161.00
1995	Mark Novisoff	1958	2000	John Villman	1213	2005	Ed Freeman	783.25	2010	Sankar Reddy	605.74
1996	Jason Ciano	590	2001	Peggy Allen	673	2006	Phyllis Fireman	742.17			
1997	Paul Lewis	804	2002	Mac Busby	1280	2007	Anne Dawson	1419.97			

### 1000-2500 Masterpoints

1993	Paul Kinney	867	1998	Robin Klar	1147	2003	Vincent Demuy	1192	2008	Robert Todd	1559.99
1994	Richard Hunt	3146	1999	Joseph Shea	913	2004	Vincent Demuy	1359.83	2009	Lewis	
1995	John Fout	1206	2000	Andy Stark	1083	2005	Will Engel	915.16		Gamerman	1316.34
1996	Gerald Sosler	837	2001	Jay Mann	1394	2006	V Everett Boyer	835.41	2010	Stan Tulin	1366.81
1997	Brian Gunnell	916	2002	Peggy Allen	1110	2007	Richard Healms	1407.33			

### 2500-5000 Masterpoints

1993	Jim Reiman	1189	1998	Richard Holmes	1193	2003	Gavin Wolpert	1202	2008	Greg House	1491.50
1994	Geoff Hampson	1574	1999	Shelia Gabay	1074	2004	Ian Boyd	1492.40	2009	Robert Todd	1508.85
1995	Stephen Levy	1884	2000	Kathy Newman	1718	2005	Jacob Morgan	1766.54	2010	Hannah Moon	1334.95
1996	John Fout	2199	2001	Marjorie Michelin	1258	2006	Robert Hollow	1217.04			
1997	Hans Jacobs	1145	2002	Jay Mann	1494	2007	Rick Rowland	1144.11			

### 5000-7500 Masterpoints

This category was for 5000-10,000 masterpoints until 2005.

1993	not awarded		1998	Geoff Hampson	1820	2003	Billy Miller	1712	2007	Jacob Morgan	1694.26
1994	Alan Susskind	1571	1999	Jim Barrow	3584	2004	Ken Gee	2115.54	2008	Jacob Morgan	1866.36
1995	Mike Cappelletti Jr	1580	2000	Bart Newman	1719	2005	Rumen		2009	David Caprera	1379.15
1996	Geoff Hampson	1451	2001	Curtis Cheek	1731		Trendafilov	1625.35	2010	Pamela	
1997	Randy Pettit	2117	2002	Ken Gee	2066	2006	Joe Grue	1897.84		Granovetter	1480.01

### 7500-10,000 Masterpoints

2005	Barry Harper	1581.79	2008	Gavin Wolpert	1793.67
2006	Tony Kasday	1759.04	2009	Jacob Morgan	1849.97
2007	Joe Grue	2013.63	2010	Valentin Kovachev	1545.11

### 10,000+ Masterpoints

2005	Alan Stout	3137.12	2008	Jeff Meckstroth	3519.42
2006	Jeff Meckstroth	2884.54	2009	Jeff Meckstroth	3188.58
2007	Jeff Meckstroth	2530.33	2010	Jeff Meckstroth	2755.13

## THE HELEN SHANBROM ACE OF CLUBS CONTESTS

### Rookie (0-5 Masterpoints)

1984	Myrna Blaufarb	60	1991	Wayne Karson	59	1998	James Quibley	97	2005	Patrick Murray	119.44
1985	Lapt Chan	72	1992	Gregory Robbins	80	1999	Terrence Griffin	129	2006	Bruno Lachance	147.22
1986	Roy Welland	94	1993	Rod Organt	109	2000	Claude Cote	125	2007	Claudette	
1987	Richard Gamble	87	1994	Anand Nuggihalli	92	2001	Bruce Saiber	86		Desroches	127.93
1988	Norris Peterson	65	1995	Gilbert Guydos	81	2002	Robin Brown	102	2008	Albert Cookson	132.90
1989	Robert Kast	95	1996	Tom Harbin	137	2003	Bennie Brown	99	2009	Yannis Karabelas	189.11
1990	Ralph Mastrangelo	90	1997	Rene Jobin	90	2004	Jennylee Mealer	185	2010	John Jaquish	109.37

### Ace of Clubs 5-20 formerly Junior Master (5-20 Masterpoints)

1984	Alice Lahoud	60	1991	Martin Saffian	60	1998	Dan Kosman	83	2005	Mary Beeching	131.93
1985	Charles Marsh	60	1992	Martin Marinov	113	1999	Louis Sucheston	93	2006	David Stone	139.21
1986	Ralph McAuley	71	1993	David Brown	77	2000	Bill Linskey	82	2007	Bonnie Rosen	134.63
1987	Michel Bertrand	93	1994	Michael Papangelis	156	2001	George Kitchen	109	2008	Charles	
1988	Manuel Urrizola	118	1995	Robert Walsh	100	2002	Gautam Merchant	118		Christmas	143.21
1989	Tom Koch	93	1996	Barney Oppedahl	114	2003	Virginia Hauser	101	2009	Russ Rojakovick	194.25
1990	Tom Cannon	141	1997	Gary Sullivan	95	2004	Kimberly Johnson	106	2010	Bill Boardman	183.02

### Ace of Clubs 20-50 formerly Club Master (20-50 Masterpoints)

1984	Donald Gifford	80	1991	Hugh Morrison	92	1998	Lionel Venditti	162	2005	Sondra Blank	155.13
1985	Manny Kussack	91	1992	Greg Reich	120	1999	Jacques Gagnon	144	2006	Larry Kroll	148.24
1986	Ron Lucas	111	1993	Jeffrey Figgins	141	2000	Faylene Shark	141	2007	Stanley Stankus	136.68
1987	Sorin Samanta	149	1994	Harry Wesley	123	2001	John Burdon	243	2008	Gary Cohen	157.27
1988	Earle Davidoff	118	1995	William Clegg	193	2002	Robert Bigoni	176	2009	Lynn Fort III	208.64
1989	Jeffrey Baillet	89	1996	Claire Alpert	156	2003	C. Stuart Nahles	154	2010	Sharon Tomnitz	169.35
1990	David Gurvich	97	1997	Therese Samson	116	2004	James Moran	115.28			

### Ace of Clubs 50-100 formerly Sectional Master (50-100 Masterpoints)

1984	Jay Goldman	99	1992	Jack Chao	142	2000	Terrence Griffin	201	2007	Aster Wu	200.08
1985	Esther Bigio	102	1993	Irving Klein	139	2001	Sara Low	208	2008	Raphael	
1986	Marc Poupart	117	1994	Michel Duval	143	2002	Robert Quinlan	170		Schreiber	211.55
1987	Sandra Nyman	106	1995	Carl Wolinski	171	2003	Abraham Abdo	154	2009	Kenneth	
1988	Paul Streigle	90	1996	John McNamara	155	2004	Ricki Rogers			Wagner Jr.	281.47
1989	Henry Barksdale	131	1997	Bob Durand	144		Gordon	167.15	2010	Gregory	
1990	Madeleine Taeni	112	1998	Jeffery Myers	125	2005	Pierre Rossignol	201.41		Sucec Sr.	176.88
1991	Tom Finley	133	1999	Lionel Venditti	236	2006	Daniel Schmidt	213.27			

### Ace of Clubs 100-200 formerly Regional Master (100-200 Masterpoints)

1984	Sadru Visram	140	1991	Ralph Mastrangelo	201	1998	Rachid Benzakour	162	2005	Tony Lipsky	241.80
1985	John Sensale	92	1992	Hugh Morrison	162	1999	Gilbert April	150	2006	Dayou Zhou	286.29
1986	Esther Bigio	120	1993	Jackie Rowe	161	2000	Robert Kenney	168	2007	Alan Horowitz	244.64
1987	Andrea Hayman	149	1994	David Brown	183	2001	Patricia Hays	171	2008	Stanley Stankus	218.41
1988	Morris Biale	160	1995	Janette Carter	212	2002	Zack Wilde	157	2009	Charles Christmas	257.52
1989	Joyce Collos	149	1996	Roger Maurer	239	2003	Robert Bigoni	200	2010	Anyemarie	
1990	Joyce Collos	172	1997	John McNamara	260	2004	Maher Saleh	188.68		Weaver	258.84

**Ace of Clubs 200-300 formerly NABC Master (200-Life Master)**

1984	Aaron Brody	139	1991	Dixie Hsu	168	1998	William Clegg	205	2005	Jon Yinger	209.02
1985	Sadru Visram	153	1992	Madeleine Taeni	157	1999	Jon Yinger	201	2006	Lewis	
1986	Earl Ziskin	138	1993	Hugh Morrison	183	2000	Lionel Venditti	234		Gamerman	217.59
1987	Marc Poupart	176	1994	Robert Mault	190	2001	Jon Yinger	178	2007	Jean-Nil Chabot	157.68
1988	Malle Andrade	191	1995	Terry Byrne	176	2002	Nathan Rosen	263	2008	Jim Bean	225.77
1989	Morris Biale	158	1996	Charles Clarke	177	2003	Anita Knaysi	215	2009	Elaine Chan	263.79
1990	Alan Hayman	188	1997	William Clegg	190	2004	Jon Yinger	191.72	2010	James Barush	232.54

**Ace of Clubs 300-500 formerly Life Master****Through 1992 all Life Master ranks were included**

1984	Sallie Landa	174	Starting in 1993, this category included only those Life Masters who had not yet advanced to Bronze Life Master.		1997	William White	179	<b>In 2006, this category was no longer limited to Life Masters. It is now based solely on masterpoints (300-500)</b>			
1985	Gayle Rubens	199			1998	Edwin Siegel	170				
1986	Susi Katz	231			1999	Leon Kluger	138				
1987	Hugh Montague	274			2000	Vincent Grande	170				
1988	Andy Tarkington	254			2001	Terrence Griffin	226				
1989	Helen Shanbrom	356	1993	Claude Rouleau	165	2002	David Spicuzza	155	2006	Pierre Rossignol	225.45
1990	Helen Shanbrom		1994	Yannis Yannakis	172	2003	Marianne Handler	194	2007	Eylene Blume	194.75
1991	Helen Shanbrom	326	1995	Michael Papangelis	207	2004	Douglas Kramer	215.05	2008	Bridgette Pitt	315.07
1992	Helen Shanbrom	351	1996	Adruen Boisclair	212	2005	Lee Caryer	217.07	2009	Michael Greenhut	314.82
									2010	Kenneth Wagner, Jr.	286.13
<b>Age of Clubs 500-1000 formerly Bronze Life Master</b>											

**Ace of Clubs 500-1000 formerly Bronze Life Master**

1993	Christian Chantigny	220	2000	Claude Morissette	279	<b>In 2006, this category was no longer limited to Life Masters. It is based only on masterpoints (500-1000)</b>	2008	Harvey Hoffenberg	358.26
1994	Brad Stevens	236	2001	Richard Gittner	262		2009	Harvey Hoffenberg	385.87
1995	Sam Yoga	253	2002	Norm Gordon	311		2010	Charles Christmas	322.50
1996	John Laufer	232	2003	Jacques Gagnon	269				
1997	R.J. Maurer	272	2004	Nathan Rosen	239.57	2006	David Babcock	294.25	
1998	R.J. Maurer	253	2005	Sheldon Zimmerman	269.92	2007	Marlene Beckenstein	328.76	
1999	Bernard Turenne	305							

**Ace of Clubs 1000-2500 formerly Silver Life Master**

1993	Paul Kenney	289	1999	Normand Houle	280	<b>In 2006, this category was no longer limited to Life Masters. It is based only on masterpoints (1000-2500)</b>	2008	Bella		
1994	Christian Chantigny	316	2000	Bernard Turenne	305			Ionis-Sorren	657.69	
			2001	Bernard Tureene	258			2009	Jennylee Mealer	479.61
1995	Claude Laberge	287	2002	Kay Bass	284			2010	Zita Lechter	397.01
1996	Shelia Gabay	351	2003	Tom Buttle	283					
1997	James Polites	247	2004	Ruth Feinstein	275.17	2006	Brenda Klinker	371.86		
1998	R.F. Smith	304	2005	Budak Barkan	294.50	2007	Randy Berseth	395.77		

**Ace of Clubs 2500-5000 formerly Gold Life Master (2500-5000)**

1993	Charles Drum	265	2000	Shelly Salvi	414	<b>In 2006, this category was no longer limited to Life Masters. It is based only on masterpoints (2500-5000)</b>	2008	Richard Gross	572.12	
1994	Paul Kinney	292	2001	Gundrun Wallace	393		2009	Bella		
1995	Dudley Camacho	343	2002	Edith Denenberg	355			Ionis-Sorren	748.06	
1996	Claude Laberge	320	2003	Esther Bankuti	351		2010	Bella		
1997	Shelia Gabay	362	2004	Sonia Kaplan	327.75	2006	Mariano Garcia	514.84	Ionis-Sorren	755.78
1998	Shelia Gabay	372	2005	Phyllis Yates	347.39	2007	Karen Ewald	411.13		
1999	Shelia Gabay	394								

### **Ace of Clubs 5000-7500 formerly Diamond life Master (5000-10,000)**

1993	Frances Silby	291	1999	Paul Kinney	348
1994	Frances Silby	345	2000	Shelia Gabay	430
1995	Frances Silby	342	2001	Shelia Gabay	460
1996	Frances Silby	330	2002	Shelia Gabay	445
1997	Paul Kinney	363	2003	Shelia Gabay	470
1998	Paul Kinney	320	2004	Shelia Gabay	504

In 2005, the masterpoint range for the Diamond Life Master category was changed to 5000-7500.

2005	Esther Bankuti	356
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In 2006, the Life Master restriction was removed and the category was based only on masterpoints.

2006	Edith Denenberg	419.72
2007	Edith Denenberg	420.34
2008	Edith Denenberg	635.19
2009	Jesse Reisman	466.25
2010	Jesus Arias	541.12

### **Ace of Clubs 7,500-10,000 formerly Emerald Life Master**

2005	Selena Swanson	
	John Swanson	315.64

In 2006, the Life Master restriction was removed and the category was based only on masterpoints.

2006	Heather Peckett	318.91
2007	Selena Swanson	
	John Swanson	292.83
2008	Heather Peckett	379.98
2009	Edith Denenberg	712.36
2010	Edith Denenberg	665.16

### **Platinum Life Master (10,000)**

This category only existed for one year. It was combined with the Grand Life Master race in 2006.

2005	Shelia Gabay	523.96
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### **Ace of Clubs 10,000+ formerly Grand Life Master**

1993	Helen Shanbrom	419	2003	Helen Shanbrom	373	<b>In 2006, this category combined with the Platinum category and was awarded on masterpoints only (10,000+)</b>
1994	Helen Shanbrom	427	2004	Helen Shanbrom	347	
1995	Helen Shanbrom	448				
1996	Helen Shanbrom	401				
1997	Helen Shanbrom	362	<b>In 2005, this category was distinguished from the Platinum category by means of a national title.</b>			
1998	Helen Shanbrom	267				2006 Ken Cohen 659.27
1999	Helen Shanbrom	296				2007 Ken Cohen 567.96
2000	Helen Shanbrom	304				2008 Helen Shanbrom 780.51
2001	Helen Shanbrom	359	2005	William Hunter	567.96	2009 Helen Shanbrom 826.07
2002	Helen Shanbrom	379				2010 Helen Shanbrom 744.70

## SENIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR

This distinction is awarded annually to the player age 55 or older who earns the most masterpoints in senior competition in a calendar year. Winners have their names engraved on the Burns Trophy. This trophy was designated in 1993 to honor avid bridge player George Burns, an all-time great of television, radio, and cinema.

1989	Homer Shoop	233	1996	Steve Lawrence	591	2003	John Sutherlin	340	2008	Richard	
1990	Homer Shoop	819	1997	Robert Ryder	989	2004	Hamish Bennett	374.83		DeMartino	244.76
1991	Mike Shuman	638	1998	Ed Weiss	498	2005	Gene Freed	293.69	2009	Fred Hamilton	265.38
1992	Loren Lange	616	1999	Donald Turner	571	2006	Lowell Andrews	273.90	2010	Richard	
1993	Liane Slack	547	2000	Lowell Andrews	384	2007	Richard			DeMartino	238.92
1994	Wayne Hascall	1249	2001	Hamish Bennett	352		DeMartino	252.11			
1995	Zeke Jabbour	654	2002	Lowell Andrews	336						

## JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR

The Junior Player of the Year award was established in 1990. The competition to determine the junior player who can win the most masterpoints in a single year is restricted to contestants 25 or younger who had not reached their 26th birthday as of Dec. 31 of the previous year. Winners are awarded the Landy Trophy.

1990	Sabine Zenkel	633	1996	Michael Schuster	803	2002	Grant Peacock	1179	2008	Gavin Wolpert	1793.67
1991	Leni Holtz	688	1997	Michael Schuster	685	2003	Gavin Wolpert	1202	2009	Kevin Dwyer	1302.68
1992	Geoff Hampson	658	1998	Kent Mignocchi	1040	2004	Ian Boyd	1492.40	2010	Kevin Dwyer	1306.13
1993	Eric Greco	770	1999	Kent Mignocchi	732	2005	Joe Grue	1503.52			
1994	Geoff Hampson	1574	2000	Kent Mignocchi	820	2006	Joe Grue	1897.84			
1995	Shannon Lipscomb	896	2001	Kent Mignocchi	1148	2007	Joe Grue	2013.63			

## YOUTH PLAYER OF THE YEAR

The Youth Player of the Year award was established in 1990. The competition to determine the youth who can win the most masterpoints in a single year is restricted to contestants 19 or younger who had not reached their 20th birthday as of Dec. 31 of the previous year. The winners:

1990	Brad Moss	385	1996	Joel Wooldridge	598	2002	Gavin Wolpert	667	2008	Owen Lien	667.79
1991	Eric Greco	557	1997	Kent Mignocchi	590	2003	Vincent Demuy	1192	2009	Owen Lien	939.34
1992	Eric Greco	608	1998	Kent Mignocchi	1040	2004	Justin Lall	849.38	2010	Adam Kaplan	778.84
1993	Eric Greco	770	1999	John Kranyak	693	2005	Justin Lall	679.67			
1994	Eric Greco	897	2000	John Kranyak	422	2006	Justin Lall	709.34			
1995	Eric Greco	753	2001	Joe Grue	774	2007	Owen Lien	591.34			

## RICHMOND TROPHY

1974	John Carruthers	522	1984	Mark Molson	679	1995	Ken Warren	1040	2005	Barry Harper	1581.79
1975	Mike Schoenborn	524	1985	Cliff Campbell	552	1996	Martin Caley	772	2006	Barry Harper	1498.36
1976	Bruce Ferguson	929	1986	Cliff Campbell	493	1997	Hans Jacobs	1145	2007	Cameron	
1977	Bruce Ferguson	671	1987	Gary Tomczyk	1071	1998	Ken Gee	1328		Doner	1425.26
1978	Bruce Ferguson	610	1988	Robert Crawford	1400	1999	Ken Gee	1028	2008	Allan Graves	1421.41
1979	Mark Molson	819	1989	Gary Tomczyk	1399	2000	Ken Gee	1346	2009	Barry Harper	1461.81
1980	Mark Molson	599	1991	Cameron Doner	944	2001	Ken Gee	1346	2010	Hannah Moon	1334.95
1981	George Mittelman	681	1992	Cliff Campbell	1561	2002	Ken Gee	2066			
1982	Mark Molson	689	1993	Cliff Campbell	957	2003	Ken Gee	1568			
1983	Mark Molson	784	1994	Martin Caley	791	2004	Ian Boyd	1492.40			



# Player Rankings

Due to the nature of these lists, we have provided links to current rankings.

## World Open Rankings

<http://www.worldbridge1.org/departments/mps/classificationinfo.asp?qcat=O>

## World Women's Rankings

<http://www.worldbridge1.org/departments/mps/classificationinfo.asp?qcat=W>

## World Seniors Rankings

<http://www.worldbridge1.org/departments/mps/classificationinfo.asp?qcat=S>

## World Open Grand Masters

<http://www.worldbridge1.org/departments/mps/mastersinfo.asp?qcat=O>

## World Women Grand Masters

<http://www.worldbridge1.org/departments/mps/mastersinfo.asp?qcat=W>

## ACBL TOP 500

<http://web2.acbl.org/as400/mpraces/mpAwards/lifetime/top200.htm>

## ACBL Grand Life Masters

<http://web2.acbl.org/as400/mpraces/mpAwards/lifetime/grandlms.htm>

## Canadian Top 100

<http://web2.acbl.org/as400/mpraces/mpAwards/lifetime/canadian100.htm>

## Mexican Top 50

<http://web2.acbl.org/as400/mpraces/mpAwards/lifetime/mexicotop50.htm>

## Bermuda Top 25

<http://web2.acbl.org/as400/mpraces/mpAwards/lifetime/bermudatop25.htm>

## ABA Top 200

<http://www.ababridge.org/points.aspx>



# APPENDIX III

# WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

# RESULTS

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## BERMUDA BOWL

### GOLD MEDALISTS

#### 1950 Played in Hamilton, Bermuda

USA

John Crawford  
Charles Goren  
George Rapée  
Howard Schenken  
Sidney Silodor  
Sam Stayman

### SILVER MEDALISTS

GREAT BRITAIN

Maurice Harrison-Gray  
Leslie Dodds  
Nico Gardener  
Kenneth Konstam  
Joel Tarlo  
Louis Tarlo

### BRONZE MEDALISTS

SWEDEN/ICELAND

Dr. Einar Werner  
Gunnar Gudmundsson  
Rudolf Kock  
Nils-Olof Lilliehook  
Einar Thorfinnsson  
Jan Wholin

#### 1951 Played in Naples, Italy

USA

B. Jay Becker  
John Crawford  
George Rapée  
Howard Schenken  
Sam Stayman  
Julius Rosenblum (npc)

ITALY

Paolo Baroni  
Eugenio Chiaradia  
Pietro Forquet  
Mario Franco  
Augusto Ricci  
Guglielmo Siniscalco  
Carl'Alberto Perroux (npc)

#### 1953 Played in New York City, USA

USA

B. Jay Becker  
John Crawford  
Theodore Lightner  
George Rapée  
Howard Schenken  
Sam Stayman  
Joseph Cohan (npc)

SWEDEN

Dr. Einar Werner  
Gunnar Anuldh  
Rudolf Kock  
Robert Larsen  
Nils-Olof Lilliehook  
Jan Wholin

#### 1954 Played in Monte Carlo, Monaco

USA

Cliff Bishop  
Milton Ellenby  
Lew Mathe  
Don Oakie  
Billy Rosen  
Douglas Steen

FRANCE

Jacques Amouraben  
Rene Bacherich  
Jean Besse  
Pierre Ghestem  
Marcel Kornblum  
Karl Schneider (Austria)

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1955 Played in New York City, USA****GREAT BRITAIN**

Leslie Dodds  
 Kenneth Konstam  
 Adam Meredith  
 Jordanis Pavlides  
 Terence Reese  
 Boris Schapiro  
 Reginald Corwen (npc)

**1956 Played in Paris, France****FRANCE**

Rene Bacherich  
 Pierre Ghestem  
 Pierre Jais  
 Roger Lattes  
 Bertrand Romanet  
 Roger Trezel  
 Baron Robert de Nexon (npc)

**1957 Played in New York City, USA****ITALY**

Walter Avarelli  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Guglielmo Siniscalco  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**1958 Played in Como, Italy****ITALY**

Walter Avarelli  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Guglielmo Siniscalco  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**1959 Played In New York City, USA****ITALY**

Walter Avarelli  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Guglielmo Siniscalco  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**SILVER MEDALISTS****USA**

Cliff Bishop  
 Milton Ellenby  
 Lew Mathe  
 John Moran  
 Billy Rosen  
 Al Roth  
 Peter Leventritt (npc)

**USA**

Myron Field  
 Charles Goren  
 Lee Hazen  
 Richard Kahn  
 Charles Solomon  
 Sam Stayman  
 Jeff Glick (npc)

**USA**

Charles Goren  
 Boris Koytchou  
 Peter Leventritt  
 Harold Ogust  
 Billy Seamon  
 Helen Sobel  
 Rufus L. Miles, Jr. (npc)

**USA**

B. Jay Becker  
 John Crawford  
 George Rapée  
 Al Roth  
 Tobias Stone  
 Sidney Silodor  
 J.G. Ripstra (npc)

**USA**

Harry Fishbein  
 Sam Fry, Jr.  
 Leonard Harmon  
 Lee Hazen  
 Sidney Lazard  
 Ivar Stakgold  
 Charles Solomon (npc)

**BRONZE MEDALISTS****ARGENTINA**

Carlos Cabanne  
 Alejandro Castro  
 Alberto Blousson  
 Ricardo Calvente  
 Marcelo Lerner

**ARGENTINA**

Alberto Berisso  
 Alejandro Castro  
 Carlos Dibar  
 Ricardo Calvente  
 Arturo Jaques  
 Egisto Rocchi  
 Dr. Luis Santa Coloma (npc)

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1961 Played in Buenos Aires, Argentina**

## ITALY

Walter Avarelli  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**1962 Played in New York City, USA**

## ITALY

Walter Avarelli  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**1963 Played in St. Vincent, Italy**

## ITALY

Camillo Pabis Ticci  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**1965 Played in Buenos Aires, Argentina**

## ITALY

Camillo Pabis Ticci  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**1966 Played in St. Vincent, Italy**

## ITALY

Camillo Pabis Ticci  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**SILVER MEDALISTS**

## NORTH AMERICA

John Gerber  
 Paul Hodge  
 Norman Kay  
 Peter Leventritt  
 Sidney Silodor  
 Howard Schenken  
 Frank Westcott (npc)

## NORTH AMERICA

Charles Coon  
 Mervin Key  
 Lew Mathe  
 Eric Murray  
 Bobby Nail  
 Ron Von der Porten  
 John Gerber (npc)

## NORTH AMERICA

Jim Jacoby  
 Bobby Jordan  
 Peter Leventritt  
 Bobby Nail  
 Arthur Robinson  
 Howard Schenken  
 John Gerber (npc)

## NORTH AMERICA

Ivan Erdos  
 Kelsey Petterson  
 Peter Leventritt  
 Dorothy Hayden  
 B. Jay Becker  
 Howard Schenken  
 John Gerber (npc)

## NORTH AMERICA

Phil Feldesman  
 Bob Hamman  
 Sami Kehela  
 Eric Murray  
 Lew Mathe  
 Ira Rubin  
 Julius Rosenblum (npc)

**BRONZE MEDALISTS**

## FRANCE

Rene Bacherich  
 Claude Deruy  
 Pierre Ghestem  
 Jose LeDentu  
 Roger Trezel  
 Baron Robert de Nexon (npc)

## GREAT BRITAIN

Nico Gardener  
 Kenneth Konstam  
 Tony Priday  
 Claude Rodrique  
 Albert Rose  
 Alan Truscott  
 Louis Tarlo (npc)

## FRANCE

Rene Bacherich  
 Gerard Desrousseaux  
 Pierre Ghestem  
 Jacques Stetten  
 Dr. Georges Theron  
 Leon Tintner  
 Baron Robert de Nexon (npc)

## ARGENTINA

Luis Attaguile  
 Egisto Rocchi  
 Carlos Cabanne  
 Agustin Santamarina  
 Marcelo Lerner  
 Alberto Berisso  
 Eduardo Marquardt (npc)

## VENEZULA

Roberto Benaim  
 David Berah  
 Mario Onorati  
 Roger Rossignol  
 Renato Straziota  
 Francis Vernon  
 Jean Albert (npc)

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1967 Played in Miami Beach, Florida USA****ITALY**

Camillo Pabis Ticci  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Carl' Alberto Perroux (npc)

**1969 Played in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil****ITALY**

Camillo Pabis Ticci  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Eugenio Chiaradia  
 Massimo D'Alelio  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Angelo Tracanella (npc)

**1970 Played in Stockholm, Sweden****USA**

Billy Eisenberg  
 Bobby Goldman  
 Bob Hamman  
 Jim Jacoby  
 Mike Lawrence  
 Bobby Wolff  
 Oswald Jacoby (npc)

**1971 Played in Taipei, Republic of China****ACES**

Billy Eisenberg  
 Bobby Goldman  
 Bob Hamman  
 Jim Jacoby  
 Mike Lawrence  
 Bobby Wolff  
 Oswald Jacoby (npc)

**1973 Played in Guarujá, Brazil****ITALY**

Giorgio Belladonna  
 Benito Bianchi  
 Pietro Forquet  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Giuseppe Garabello  
 Vito Pittala  
 Sandro Salvetti (npc)

**SILVER MEDALISTS****NORTH AMERICA**

Bill Root  
 Al Roth  
 Sami Kehela  
 Eric Murray  
 Norman Kay  
 Edgar Kaplan  
 Julius Rosenblum (npc)

**TAIWAN**

Frank Huang  
 Patrick Huang  
 C. S. Shen  
 K.W. Shen  
 Kovit Suchartkul  
 M.F. Tai  
 C.C. Wei (npc)

**TAIWAN**

Conrad Cheng  
 Elmer Hsiao  
 Patrick Huang  
 Harry Lin  
 M. F. Tai  
 David Mao (npc)  
 Baard Baardsen (npc)

**FRANCE**

Jean-Michel Boulenger  
 Pierre Jais  
 Jean-Marc Roudinesco  
 Jean-Louis Stoppa  
 Henri Svarc  
 Roger Trezel  
 Rene Huni (npc)

**ACES**

Mark Blumenthal  
 Bobby Goldman  
 Bob Hamman  
 Bobby Wolff  
 Mike Lawrence  
 Jim Jacoby  
 Ira Corn, Jr. (npc)

**BRONZE MEDALISTS****FRANCE**

Jean-Michel Boulenger  
 Jacques Pariente  
 Jean-Marc Roudinesco  
 Jacques Stetten  
 Leon Tintner  
 Henry Svarc  
 Rene Huni (npc)

**NORTH AMERICA**

Billy Eisenberg  
 Bobby Goldman  
 Bob Hamman  
 Eddie Kantar  
 Sidney Lazard  
 George Rapée  
 Oswald Jacoby (npc)

**NORWAY**

Erik Hoie  
 Tore Jensen  
 Knut Koppans  
 Björn Larsen  
 Louis Andre Strom  
 Willy Varnas

**AUSTRALIA**

Jim Borin  
 Norma Borin  
 Dick Cummings  
 Denis Howard  
 Tim Seres  
 Roelof Smilde  
 Jessel Rothfield (npc)

**BRAZIL**

Pedro Paul Assumpcao  
 Marcelo Branco  
 Pedro Branco  
 Gabriel Chagas  
 Gabino Cintra  
 Christiano Fonseca  
 Adelstano Porto D'Ave (npc)

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1974 Played In Venice, Italy**

## ITALY

Giorgio Belladonna  
Benito Bianchi  
Pietro Forquet  
Benito Garozzo  
Soldano de Falco  
Arturo Franco  
Sandro Salvetti (npc)

**1975 Played in Southampton, Bermuda**

## ITALY

Giorgio Belladonna  
Gianfranco Facchini  
Sergio Zucchelli  
Benito Garozzo  
Vito Pittala  
Arturo Franco  
Sandro Salvetti (npc)

**1976 Played in Monte Carlo, Monaco**

## NORTH AMERICA

Billy Eisenberg  
Fred Hamilton  
Erik Paulsen  
Hugh Ross  
Ira Rubin  
Paul Soloway  
Dan Morse (npc)

**1977 Played in Manila, Philippines**

## NORTH AMERICA

Billy Eisenberg  
Bob Hamman  
Eddie Kantar  
Paul Soloway  
John Swanson  
Bobby Wolff  
Roger Stern (npc)

**1979 Played in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil**

## NORTH AMERICA

Malcolm Brachman  
Billy Eisenberg  
Bobby Goldman  
Eddie Kantar  
Mike Passell  
Paul Soloway  
Ed Theus (npc)

**SILVER MEDALISTS**

## NORTH AMERICA

Mark Blumenthal  
Bobby Goldman  
Bob Hamman  
Bobby Wolff  
Sami Kehela  
Eric Murray  
Ira Corn, Jr. (npc)

## NORTH AMERICA

Billy Eisenberg  
Eddie Kantar  
Bob Hamman  
Bobby Wolff  
Paul Soloway  
John Swanson  
Alfred Sheinwold (npc)

## ITALY

Giorgio Belladonna  
Pietro Forquet  
Arturo Franco  
Vito Pittala  
Antonio Vivaldi  
Sandro Salvetti (npc)  
Reuben Kunin (npc)

## USA DEFENDING CHAMPIONS

Fred Hamilton  
Mike Passell  
Erik Paulsen  
Hugh Ross  
Ira Rubin  
Ron Von der Porten  
Jerry Silverman (npc)  
Ed Theus (npc)

## ITALY

Giorgio Belladonna  
Dano De Falco  
Arturo Franco  
Benito Garozzo  
Lorenzo Lauria  
Vito Pittala  
Guido Barbone (npc)

**BRONZE MEDALISTS**

## BRAZIL

Pedro Paul Assumpcao  
Marcelo Branco  
Pedro Branco  
Gabriel Chagas  
Gabino Cintra  
Christiano Fonseca  
Georges Vero (npc)

## FRANCE

Jean-Michel Boulenger  
Michel Lebel  
Francois Leenhardt  
Christian Mari  
Henri Svarc  
Edmond Vial  
Rene Bacherich (npc)

## ISRAEL

Julian Frydrieh  
Michael Hochzeit  
Sam Lev  
Yeshayahu Levit  
Pinhas Romik  
Eliakim Shaufel

## SWEDEN

Anders Brunzell  
Sven-Olof Flodqvist  
Hans Gothe  
Jorgen Lindquist  
Anders Morath  
Per-Olof Sundelin  
Sven-Erik Berglund (npc)

## AUSTRALIA

Jim Borin  
Norma Borin  
Dick Cummings  
Andrew Reiner  
Bob Richman  
Tim Seres  
Denis Howard (npc)

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1981 Played in Port Chester, New York, USA**

USA  
 Bobby Levin  
 Russ Arnold  
 Jeff Meckstroth  
 Eric Rodwell  
 John Solodar  
 Tommy Sanders (npc)

**SILVER MEDALISTS**

PAKISTAN  
 Nishat Abedi  
 Nisar Ahmed  
 Jan-e-Alam Fazli  
 Munir Ata-Ullah  
 Zia Mahmood  
 Masood Salim  
 Sattar Cochinwala (npc)

**BRONZE MEDALISTS**

POLAND  
 Aleksander Jezioro  
 Julian Klukowski  
 Marek Kudla  
 Krzysztof Martens  
 Andrzej Milde  
 Tomasz Przybora  
 Marian Frenkiel (npc)

**1983 Played in Stockholm, Sweden**

USA I  
 Mike Becker  
 Bob Hamman  
 Ron Rubin  
 Alan Sontag  
 Peter Weichsel  
 Bobby Wolff  
 Joe Musumeci (npc)

ITALY  
 Giorgio Belladonna  
 Dano De Falco  
 Arturo Franco  
 Benito Garozzo  
 Lorenzo Lauria  
 Carlo Mosca  
 Filippo Palma (npc)

FRANCE  
 Phillippe Cronier  
 Michel Corn  
 Michel Lebel  
 Herve Mouiel  
 Phillipe Soulet  
 Henri Svarc  
 Pierre Schemeil (npc)

**1985 Played in São Paulo, Brazil**

USA  
 Bob Hamman  
 Bobby Wolff  
 Chip Martel  
 Lew Stansby  
 Hugh Ross  
 Peter Pender  
 Alfred Sheinwold (npc)

AUSTRIA  
 Heinrich Berger  
 Kurt Feichtinger  
 Jan Fucik  
 Wolfgang Meinl  
 Karl Rohan  
 Franz Terraneo  
 Franz Baratta (npc)

ISRAEL  
 David Birman  
 Julian Frydlich  
 Michael Hochzeit  
 Sam Lev  
 Shalom Zeligman  
 Eliakim Shaufel  
 Avrick Peleg (npc)

**1987 Played in Ocho Rios, Jamaica**

USA  
 Mike Lawrence  
 Hugh Ross  
 Bob Hamman  
 Lew Stansby  
 Bobby Wolff  
 Chip Martel  
 Dan Morse (npc)

GREAT BRITAIN  
 Tony Forrester  
 Graham Kirby  
 John Armstrong  
 Rob Sheehan  
 Jeremy Flint  
 Raymond Brock  
 Tony Priday (npc)

SWEDEN  
 Hans Gothe  
 Tommy Gullberg  
 Magnus Lindkvist  
 Björn Fallenius  
 Sven-Olof Flodqvist  
 Per-Olof Sundelin  
 P.D. Lindeberg (npc)

**1989 Played in Perth, Australia**

BRAZIL  
 Marcelo Branco  
 Pedro Paul Branco  
 Carlos Camacho  
 Gabriel Chagas  
 Ricardo Janz  
 Roberto Mello

USA  
 Mike Lawrence  
 Chip Martel  
 Peter Pender  
 Hugh Ross  
 Lew Stansby  
 Kit Woolsey

POLAND  
 Cezary Balicki  
 Julian Klukowski  
 Krzysztof Martens  
 Krysztof Moszczynski  
 Marek Szymanowski  
 Adam Zmudzinski

## **GOLD MEDALISTS**

### **1991 Played in Yokohama, Japan**

#### **ICELAND**

Orn Arnthorsson  
Gudlaugur Johannsson  
Gudmundur Arnarson  
Thorlakur Jonsson  
Jon Baldursson  
Adalsteinn Jorgensen  
Björn Eysteinnsson (npc)

### **1993 Played in Santiago, Chile**

#### **THE NETHERLANDS**

Wubbo de Boer  
Piet Jansen  
Enri Leufkens  
Bauke Muller  
Jan Westerhof  
Berry Westra

### **1995 Played in Beijing, China**

#### **USA2**

Nick Nickell  
Richard Freeman  
Bob Hamman  
Bobby Wolff  
Eric Rodwell  
Jeff Meckstroth

### **1997 Played in Hammamet, Tunisia**

#### **FRANCE**

Paul Chemla  
Alain Levy  
Christian Mari  
Herve Mouiel  
Franck Multon  
Michel Perron

### **2000 Played in Southampton, Bermuda**

#### **USA 1**

Nick Nickell  
Richard Freeman  
Bob Hamman  
Paul Soloway  
Eric Rodwell  
Jeff Meckstroth

## **SILVER MEDALISTS**

#### **POLAND**

Cezary Balicki  
Piotr Gawrys  
Krzysztof Lysocki  
Krzysztof Martens  
Marek Szymanowski  
Adam Zmudzinski

#### **NORWAY**

Terje Aa  
Glenn Grotheim  
Geir Helgemo  
Tor Helness  
Arild Rasmussen  
Jon Sveindal

#### **CANADA**

Boris Baran  
Fred Gitelman  
Eric Kokish  
George Mittelman  
Mark Molson  
Joey Silver

#### **USA 2**

Nick Nickell  
Richard Freeman  
Bob Hamman  
Bobby Wolff  
Eric Rodwell  
Jeff Meckstroth

#### **BRAZIL**

Marcelo Branco  
J.P. Campos  
Gabriel Chagas  
Ricardo Janz  
Roberto Mello  
Miguel Villasboas

## **BRONZE MEDALISTS**

#### **SWEDEN**

Sven-Ake Bjerregard  
Björn Fallenius  
Tommy Gullberg  
Anders Morath  
Mats Nilsland  
Per-Olof Sundelin

#### **BRAZIL**

Marcelo Amaral  
Jose Barbosa  
Pedro Paul Branco  
Carlos Camacho  
Gabriel Chagas  
Roberto Mello

#### **FRANCE**

Paul Chemla  
Philippe Cronier  
Michel Lebel  
Michel Perron  
Robert Reiplinger  
Philippe Soulet

#### **NORWAY**

Terje Aa  
Boye Brogeland  
Glenn Grotheim  
Geir Helgemo  
Tor Helness  
Erik Saelensminde

#### **USA 2**

Chip Martel  
Lew Stansby  
Zia Mahmood  
Michael Rosenberg  
Neil Silverman  
Jeff Wolfson



## **GOLD MEDALISTS**

### **2001 Played in Paris, France**

USA 2

Rose Meltzer

Kyle Larsen

Chip Martel

Alan Sontag

Lew Stansby

Peter Weichsel

## **SILVER MEDALISTS**

NORWAY

Terje Aa

Boye Brogeland

Glenn Grotheim

Geir Helgemo

Tor Helness

Erik Saelensminde

## **BRONZE MEDALISTS**

POLAND

Cezary Balicki

Michal Kwiecien

Marcin Lesniewski

Krzysztof Martens

Jacek Pszczola

Adam Zmudzinski

### **2003 Played in Monte Carlo, Monaco**

USA 1

Nick Nickell

Richard Freeman

Bob Hamman

Paul Soloway

Eric Rodwell

Jeff Meckstroth

ITALY

Norberto Bocchi

Giorgio Duboin

Fulvio Fantoni

Claudio Nunes

Lorenzo Lauria

Alfredo Versace

USA 2

Doug Doub

Steve Landen

Pratap Rajadhyaksha

Adam Wildavsky

### **2005 Played in Estoril, Portugal**

ITALY

Norberto Bocchi

Giorgio Duboin

Fulvio Fantoni

Alfredo Versace

Lorenzo Lauria

Claudio Nunes

USA 1

Nick Nickell

Richard Freeman

Bob Hamman

Paul Soloway

Eric Rodwell

Jeff Meckstroth

USA 2

Fred Gitelman

Brad Moss

Geoff Hampson

Russ Ekeblad

Eric Greco

Ron Rubin

### **2007 Played in Shanghai, China**

NORWAY

Boye Brogeland

Glenn Grotheim

Geir Helgemo

Tor Helness

Erik Saelensminde

Ulf Hakon Tundal

USA 1

Steve Garner

George Jacobs

Ralph Katz

Zia Mahmood

Michael Rosenberg

Howard Weinstein

THE NETHERLANDS

Ton Bakkeren

Huub Bertens

Sojert brink

Bas Drijver

Simon de Wijs

Bauke Muller

### **2009 Played in São Paulo, Brazil**

USA 2

Nick Nickell

Bob Hamman

Zia Mahmood

Jeff Meckstroth

Eric Rodwell

Ralph Katz

ITALY

Antonio Sementa

Giorgio Duboin

Fulvio Fantoni

Claudio Nunes

Lorenzo Lauria

Alfredo Versace

BULGARIA

Victor Aronov

Diyan Danailov

Kalin Karaivanov

Gerogi Karakolev

Julian Stefanov

Roumen Trensafilov

# VENICE CUP

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 1974 Played in Venice, Italy

USA  
Bette Cohn  
Emma Jean Hawes  
Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
Betty Ann Kennedy  
Marietta Passell  
Carol Sanders

### 1976 Played in Monte Carlo, Monaco

USA  
Emma Jean Hawes  
Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
Betty Ann Kennedy  
Carol Sanders  
Gail Moss  
Jacqui Mitchell

### 1978 Played in New Orleans, Louisiana USA

USA  
Mary Jane Farell  
Emma Jean Hawes  
Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
Marilyn Johnson  
Jacqui Mitchell  
Gail Moss

### 1981 Played in New York City, USA

GREAT BRITAIN  
Pat Davies  
Sally Horton  
Sandra Landy  
Sally Sowter

### 1985 Played in São Paulo, Brazil

GREAT BRITAIN  
Pat Davies  
Sally Horton  
Sandra Landy  
Nicola Smith

## SILVER MEDALISTS

ITALY  
Marisa Bianchi  
Luciana Canessa  
Rina Jabes  
Maria Antonietta Robaudo  
Anna Valenti  
Maria Vittoria Venturini

GREAT BRITAIN  
Charley Esterson  
Nicola Gardener  
Fritzi Gordon  
Sandra Landy  
Rixi Marcus  
Rita Oldroyd

ITALY  
Marisa Bianchi  
Luciana Capodanno  
Marisa D'Andrea  
Enrichetta Gut  
Andreina Morini  
Anna Valenti

USA  
Nancy Gruver  
Edith Kemp  
Betty Ann Kennedy  
Judi Radin  
Carol Sanders  
Kathy Wei

USA  
Gail Moss  
Betty Ann Kenndy  
Jacqui Mitchell  
Judi Radin  
Carol Sanders  
Kathie Wei

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

ARGENTINA  
Maria Teresa de Diaz  
Adriana C. de Martinez de Hoz  
Maria Elena Iacapraro  
Marta Matienzo  
Clara Monsegur

BRAZIL  
Agota Mandelot  
Sylvia Mello  
Elisabeth Murtinho  
Suzy Powidzer

FRANCE  
Veronique Bessis  
Ginette Chevalley  
Daniele Gaviard  
Fabienne Pigeaud  
Catherine Saul  
Sylvie Willard

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1987 Played in Ocho Rios, Jamaica**

USA 2

Cheri Bjerkan

Juanita Chambers

Lynn Deas

Beth Palmer

Judi Radin

Kathie Wei

**1989 Played in Perth, Australia**

USA

Kitty Bethe

Lynn Deas

Margie Gwozdzinsky

Karen McCallum

Beth Palmer

Kerri Shuman

**1991 Played in Yokohama, Japan**

USA 2

Nell Cahn

Stasha Cohen

Lynn Deas

Sharon Osberg

Nancy Passell

Sue Picus

**1993 Played in Santiago, Chile**

USA 2

Karen McCallum

Jill Meyers

Sharon Osberg

Sue Picus

Kerri Sanborn

Kay Schulle

**1995 Played in Beijing, China**

GERMANY

Daniela von Arnim

Sabine Auken

Pony Nehmert

Andrea Rauscheid

**SILVER MEDALISTS**

FRANCE

Veronique Bessis

Helen Bordenave

Ginette Chevalley

Benedicte Cronier

Daniele Gaviard

Sylvie Willard

NETHERLANDS

Carla Arnolds

Ellen Bakker

Ine Gielkens

Elly Schippers

Marijke van der Pas

Bep Vriend

AUSTRIA

Gabriele Bamberger

Maria Erhart

Doris Fischer

Terry Weigkticht

GERMANY

Daniela von Arnim

Karin Caesar

Marianne Mogel

Pony Nehmert

Waltraud Vogt

Sabine Auken

USA 1

Karen McCallum

Kitty Munson

Sue Picus

Rozanne Pollack

Kerri Sanborn

Carol Simon

**BRONZE MEDALISTS**

ITALY

Marisa Bianchi

Luciana Capodanno

Marisa D'Andrea

Carla Gianardi

Gabriella Olivieri

Anna Valenti

CANADA

Francine Cimon

Diana Gordon

Mary Paul

Sharyn Reus

Gloria Silverman

Katie Thorpe

CHINA

Gu Ling

Liu Yiqian

Sun Ming

Zhang Yalan

SWEDEN

Lisbeth Astrom

Pyttsi Flodqvist

Linda Langstrom

Catarina Midskog

Bim Odlund

Mari Ryman

FRANCE

Veronique Bessis

Claude Blouquit

Benedicte Cronier

Catherine D'Ovidio

Colette Lise

Sylvie Willard

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1997 Played in Hammamet, Tunisia**

USA 1  
 Lisa Berkowitz  
 Mildred Breed  
 Marinesa Letizia  
 Jill Meyers  
 Randi Montin  
 Tobi Sokolow

**2000 Played in Southampton, Bermuda**

NETHERLANDS  
 Jet Pasman  
 Anneke Simons  
 Martine Verbeek  
 Bep Vriend  
 Marijke van der Pas  
 Weitske van Zwol

**2001 Played in Paris, France**

GERMANY  
 Daniela von Arnim  
 Sabine Auken  
 Pony Nehmert  
 Andrea Rauscheid

**2003 Played in Monte Carlo, Monaco**

USA 1  
 Betty Ann Kennedy  
 Jill Levin  
 Sue Picus  
 Janice Seamon-Molson  
 Tobi Sokolow  
 Kathie Wei-Sender

**2005 Played in Estoril, Portugal**

FRANCE  
 Benedicte Cronier  
 Daniele Gaviard  
 Catherine D'Ovidio  
 Sylvie Willard

**SILVER MEDALISTS**

CHINA  
 Gu Ling  
 Lu Yan  
 Sun Ming  
 Wang Wenfei  
 Zhang Yalan  
 Zhang Yu

USA 1  
 Renee Mancuso  
 Jill Meyers  
 Randi Montin  
 Shawn Quinn  
 Janice Seamon-Molson  
 Tobi Sokolow

FRANCE  
 Veronique Bessis  
 Benedicte Cronier  
 Catherine D'Ovidio  
 Sylvie Willard  
 Shawn Quinn  
 Kay Schulle

CHINA  
 Gu Ling  
 Wang Hongli  
 Wang Liping  
 Wang Wenfei  
 Zhang Yalan  
 Zhang Yu

GERMANY  
 Anja Alberti  
 Daniela von Arnim  
 Sabine Auken  
 Barbara Hackett  
 Pony Nehmert  
 Mirja Schraeverus-Meuer

**BRONZE MEDALISTS**

USA 2  
 Juanita Chambers  
 Lynn Deas  
 Irina Levitina  
 Beth Palmer  
 Kerri Sanborn  
 Kathie Wei

DENMARK  
 Trine Bilde Kofoed  
 Dorte Cilleborg  
 Bettina Kalkerup  
 Kirsten Steen Moller

USA 2  
 Mildred Breed  
 Petra Hamman  
 Joan Jackson  
 Robin Klar

NETHERLANDS  
 Carla Arnolds  
 Jet Pasman  
 Anneke Simons  
 Bep Vriend  
 Marijke van der Pas  
 Wietske van Zwol

NETHERLANDS  
 Carla Arnolds  
 Femke Hoogweg  
 Jet Pasman  
 Anneke Simons  
 Bep Vriend  
 Wietske van Zwol

## **GOLD MEDALISTS**

### **2007 Played in Shanghai, China**

USA 1  
Jill Levin  
Irina Levitina  
Jill Meyers  
Hansa Narasimhan  
Debbie Rosenberg  
JoAnna Stansby

### **2009 Played in São Paulo, Brazil**

CHINA  
Dong Yongling  
Liu Yiqian  
Sun Ming  
Wang Hongli  
Wang Wenfei  
Yan Ru

## **SILVER MEDALISTS**

GERMANY  
Anja Alberti  
Daniela von Arnim  
Sabine Auken  
Barbara Hackett  
Pony Nehmert  
Mirja Scharaverus-Meuer

USA 1  
Lynn Baker  
Lynn Deas  
Irina Levitina  
Karen McCallum  
Beth Palmer  
Kerri Sanborn

## **BRONZE MEDALISTS**

CHINA  
Gu Ling  
Liu Yiqian  
Sun Ming  
Wang Hongli  
Wang Wenfei  
Zhang Yalan

FRANCE  
Daniele Allouche-Gaviard  
Veronique Bessis  
Benedicte Cronier  
Catherine D'Ovidio  
Elisabeth Hugon  
Sylvie Willard

# SENIOR BOWL

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 2000 Played in Southampton, Bermuda

POLAND

Aleksander Jezioro

Julian Klukowski

Janusz Nowak

Stefan Szenberg

Andrzej Wilkosz

## SILVER MEDALISTS

FRANCE

Pierre Adad

Maurice Aujaleu

Claude Delmouly

Jean-Marc Roudenesco

Tang Hou Zou

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

CHINA

Gu Xue Hai

Hsu Chen Ting

Li Jin

Lu Yulin

### 2001 Played in Paris, France

USA

Grant Baze

Gene Freed

Garey Hayden

Joe Kivel

Chris Larsen

John Onstott

POLAND

Wit Klapper

Jerzy Russyan

Stefan Szenberg

Wlodzimierz Wala

Andrzej Wilkosz

Marc Schneider

FRANCE

Pierre Adad

Maurice Aujaleu

Calude Delmouly

Francois Leenhardt

Christian Mari

### 2003 Played in Monte Carlo, Monaco

USA 1

Roger Bates

Grant Baze

Garey Hayden

Gaylor Kasle

Steve Robinson

Kit Woolsey

FRANCE

Pierre Adad

Maurice Aujaleu

Guy Lasserre

Francois Leenhardt

Christian Mari

Philippe Poizat

USA 2

Dennis Dawson

Arnie Fisher

Zeke Jabbour

Clement Jackson

John Mohan

John Sutherlin

### 2005 Played in Estoril, Portugal

USA 1

Roger Bates

Garey Hayden

Rose Meltzer

Alan Sontag

Lew Stansby

Peter Weichsel

INDONESIA

Arwin Budirahardja

Henky Lasut

Eddy Manoppo

Denny Sacul

Munawar Sawiruddin

Amiruddin Yusuf

DENMARK

Jens Auken

Flemming Dahl

Peter Lund

Kirsten Steen Moller

Steen Moller

Georg Norris

### 2007 Played in Shanghai, China

USA 2

Roger Bates

Grant Baze

Bart Bramley

Rose Meltzer

Alan Sontag

Lew Stansby

INDONESIA

Henky Lasut

Anindara Lubis

Eddy Manoppo

Denny Sacul

Munawar Sawirddin

Ferdinand Robert Waluyan

USA 1

Dan Gerstman

Gaylor Kasle

Dan Morse

Ron Smith

John Sutherlin

Bobby Wolff

## **GOLD MEDALISTS**

### **2009 Played in São Paulo, Brazil**

ENGLAND

Paul Hackett

Gunnar Hallberg

Ross Harper

John Holland

David Price

Colin Simpson

## **SILVER MEDALISTS**

POLAND

Julian Klukowski

Apolinary Kowalski

Krzysztof Lasocki

Victor Markowicz

Jacek Romanski

Jerzy Russyan

## **BRONZE MEDALISTS**

INDONESIA

Arianto Karna Djajanegara

Michael Bambang Hartono

Henky Lasut

Eddy Manoppo

Denny Sacul

Munawar Sawiruddin

# WORLD TRANSNATIONAL OPEN TEAMS

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 1997

#### BURGAY

Leandro Burgay  
Dano De Falco  
Marcin Lesniewski  
Carlo Mariani

### 2000

#### MELTZER

Cezary Balicki  
Rose Meltzer  
Alan Sontag  
Peter Weichsel  
Adam Zmudzinski

### 2001

#### BRACHMAN

Diego Brenner  
Gabriel Chagas  
Geoff Hampson  
Mike Passell  
Michael Seamon  
Eddie Wold

### 2003

#### LAVAZZA

Andrea Buratti  
Leandro Burgay  
Mario D'Avossa  
Guido Ferraro  
Massimo Lanzarotti  
Carlo Mariani

### 2005

#### SCHNEIDER

Grant Baze  
Piotr Gawrys  
Marcin Lesniewski  
Peter Schneider

### 2007

#### ZIMMERMANN

Michel Bessis  
Thomas Bessis  
Fulvio Fantoni  
Franck Multon  
Claudio Nunes  
Pierre Zimmermann

## SILVER MEDALISTS

#### JASSEM

Krzysztof Jassem  
Ireneusz Kowalczyk  
Piotr Tuszyński  
Marek Witek

#### MILNER

Fred Gitelman  
Marc Jacobus  
Bobby Levin  
Reese Milner  
Brad Moss

#### BUREAU

Cyril Bureau  
Daniele Gaviard  
Vanessa Reess  
Philippe Selz  
Patrick Sussel  
Israel Yadlin

#### ZHUANG

Fu Zhong  
Shi Haojun  
Wang Weimin  
Zhao Jie

#### SPECTOR

Bart Bramley  
Björn Fallenius  
Mark Feldman  
Chip Martel  
Warren Spector  
Roy Welland

#### RUSSIA

Cezary Balicki  
Alexander Dubinin  
Andrew Gromov  
Victoria Gromova  
Tatiana Ponomareva  
Adam Zmudzinski

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

#### GARDYNIK

Grzegorz Gardynik  
Michael Kwiecien  
Tomasz Przybora  
Jacek Pszczola

#### MIHOV

Kalin Karaivanov  
Vladimir Mihov  
Ivan Nanev  
Borislav Popov  
Jerry Stamatov  
Roumen Trendafilov

#### GRINBERG

Yoram Aviram  
Michael Barel  
Ilan Herbst  
Ophir Herbst  
Doron Yadlin

#### JANSMA

Simon de Wijs  
Jan Jansma  
Bauke Muller  
Louk Verhees Jr.

#### 777

Alexander Dubinin  
Andrew Gromov  
Jouri Khokhlov  
Max Khven

#### GERMANY OPEN

Tomek Gotard  
Jacek Lesniczak  
Josef Piekarek  
Alexander Smirnov



**2009**

**ZIMMERMANN**

Cezary Balicki

Geir Helgemo

Tor Helness

Franck Multon

Pierre Zimmerman

Adam Zmudzinski

**APREO LOGISTIC POLAND**

Krzysztof Buras

Piotr Gawrys

Jacek Kalita

Krzysztof Kotorowicz

Grzegorz Narkiewicz

Jacek Pszczola

**DEUTSCHLAND**

Michael Gromoller

Andreas Kirmse

Josef Piekarek

Alexander Smirnov

# WORLD TEAM OLYMPIAD

## OPEN GOLD MEDALISTS

### 1960 Turin, Italy

FRANCE

Pierre Jais

Roger Trezel

Gerard Bouchtoff

Claude Delmouly

Rene Bacherich

Pierre Ghestem

Baron Robert de Nexon (npc)

### 1964 New York, USA

ITALY

Walter Avarelli

Giorgio Belladonna

Massimo d'Alelio

Pietro Forquet

Benito Garozzo

Camillo Pabis Ticci

Sergio Osella (npc)

### 1968 Deauville, France

ITALY

Walter Avarelli

Giorgio Belladonna

Massimo d'Alelio

Pietro Forquet

Benito Garozzo

Camillo Pabis Ticci

Angelo Tracanella (npc)

### 1972 Miami Beach, Florida, USA

ITALY

Walter Avarelli

Pietro Forquet

Massimo d'Alelio

Benito Garozzo

Giorgio Belladonna

Camillo Pabis Ticci

Umberto Barsotti (npc)

### 1976 Monte Carlo

BRAZIL

Gabino Cintra

Christiano Fonseca

Marcelo Branco

Pedro Paulo Assumpcao

Gabriel Chagas

Sergio Barbosa

Serge Apoteker (npc)

## OPEN SILVER MEDALISTS

GREAT BRITAIN

Terence Reese

Boris Schapiro

Albert Rose

Nico Gardener

Jeremy Flint

Ralph Swimer

Louis Tarlo (npc)

UNITED STATES

Bob Hamman

Robert Jordan

Donald Krauss

Victor Mitchell

Arthur Robinson

Samuel Stayman

Frank Westcott (npc)

UNITED STATES

Robert Jordan

Edgar Kaplan

Norman Kay

Arthur Robinson

William Root

Alvin Roth

Julius Rosenblum (npc)

UNITED STATES

Bobby Goldman

Jim Jacoby

Bob Hamman

Paul Soloway

Mike Lawrence

Bobby Wolff

Lee Hazen (npc)

ITALY

Giorgio Belladonna

Pietro Forquet

Benito Garozzo

Arturo Franco

Carlo Mosca

Silvio Sbarigia

Sandro Salvetti (npc)

## OPEN BRONZE MEDALISTS

USA VANDERBILT 1

John Crawford

Sidney Silodor

B. Jay Becker

Norman Kay

Tobias Stone

George Rapée

Julius Rosenblum (npc)

GREAT BRITAIN

Jeremy Flint

Maurice Harrison-Gray

Kenneth Konstam

Terence Reese

Boris Schapiro

Joel Tarlo

Dr. Sidney Lee (npc)

CANADA

C. Bruce Elliott

William Crissey

Eric Murray

Sami Kehela

Gerald Charney

Percy Sheardown

Albert Lando (npc)

Baron Wolf Lebovic (Asst.)

CANADA

Gerald Charney

William Crissey

Bruce Gowdy

Eric Murray

Sami Kehela

Duncan Phillips

Albert Lando (npc)

GREAT BRITAIN

Jeremy Flint

Irving Rose

Willie Coyle

Robert Sheehan

Tony Priday

Claude Rodrigue

Terence Reese (npc)

**OPEN GOLD MEDALISTS****1980, Valkenburg, The Netherlands**

## FRANCE

Paul Chemla  
Christian Mari  
Michel Lebel  
Michel Perron  
Henri Svarc  
Philippe Soulet

**OPEN SILVER MEDALISTS**

## UNITED STATES

Paul Soloway  
Ira Rubin  
Bob Hamman  
Bobby Wolff  
Fred Hamilton  
Mike Passell  
Ira Corn (npc)

**OPEN BRONZE MEDALISTS**

## NETHERLANDS

Hans Kreijns  
Anton Maas  
Andre Mulder  
Carol van Oppen  
Hans Vergoed  
Rene Zwaan  
Cees Kaiser (npc)

## NORWAY

Jon Aabye  
Per Breck  
Tor Helness  
Reidar Lien  
Harald Nordby  
Leif Erik Stabell  
Svein Rustad (npc)

**1984 Seattle, Washington, USA**

## POLAND

Jacek Romanski  
Krzysztof Martens  
Tomasz Przybora  
Piotr Gawrys  
Piotr Tuszyński  
Marian Trnkiel (npc)  
Pierre Schemeil (npc)

## FRANCE

Paul Chemla  
Michel Perron  
Herve Mouiel  
Henry Szwarc  
Fivo Paladimo  
Felix Covo  
Jens Kruuse (npc)

## DENMARK

Stig Werdelin  
Jens Auker  
Steen Schou  
Johannes Hulgaard  
Peter Schaltz  
Knud-Aage Boesgaard

**1988 Venice, Italy**

## UNITED STATES

Seymon Deutsch  
Jeff Meckstroth  
Eric Rodwell  
Bob Hamman  
Jim Jacoby  
Bobby Wolff  
Dan Morse (npc)

## AUSTRIA

Heinrich Berger  
Jan Fucik  
Alfred Kadlec  
Friedrich Kubac  
Wolfgang Meinel  
Franz Terranao  
Franz Baratta (npc)

## SWEDEN

Björn Fallenius  
Sven-Olof Flodqvist  
Hans Gothe  
Tommy Gullberg  
Magnus Lindkvist  
Per-Olof Sundelin  
P.D. Lindberg (npc)

**1992 Salsomaggiore, Italy**

## FRANCE

Paul Chemla  
Michel Perron  
Herve Mouiel  
Alain Levy  
Pierre Adad  
Maurice Aujaleu  
Jose Damiani (npc)

## UNITED STATES

Bob Hamman  
Bobby Wolff  
Jeff Meckstroth  
Eric Rodwell  
Michael Rosenberg  
Seymon Deutsch  
Dan Morse (npc)

## NETHERLANDS

Wubbo de Boer  
Enri Leufkens  
Bauke Muller  
Berry Westra

**1996 Rhodes, Greece**

## FRANCE

Marc Bompis  
Christian Mari  
Alain Levy  
Herve Mouiel  
Franck Multon  
Henri Svarc

## INDONESIA

Franky Karwur  
Henky Lasut  
Eddy Manoppo  
Denny Sacul  
Dennis Kock-Palmund  
Lauge Schaffer

## DENMARK

Morten Andersen  
Jens Auker  
Lars Blakset  
Soren Christiansen

## OPEN GOLD MEDALISTS

### 2000 Maastricht, Netherlands

ITALY

Norberto Bocchi

Giorgio Duboin

Lorenzo Lauria

Alfredo Versace

C. Mosca (npc)

M.T. Lavazza (coach)

## OPEN SILVER MEDALISTS

POLAND

Krzysztof Jassem

Piotr Tuszynski

Michal Kwiecien

Jacek Pszczola

Cezary Balicki

Adam Zmudzinski

Chip Martel (npc)

## OPEN BRONZE MEDALISTS

USA

David Berkowitz

Larry Cohen

George Jacobs

Steve Garner

Howard Weinstein

Ralph Katz

### 2004 Istanbul, Turkey

ITALY

Norberto Bocchi

Giorgio Duboin

Fulvio Fantoni

Lorenzo Lauria

Claudio Nunes

Alfredo Versace

NETHERLANDS

Sojert Brink

Bas Drijver

Jan Jansma

Ricco van Prooijen

Maarten Schollaardt

Louk Verhees

RUSSIA

Alexander Dubinin

Andrew Gromov

Jouri Khokhlov

Max Khven

Georgi Matushko

Vladimir Rekunov

# WOMENS WORLD TEAM OLYMPIAD

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 1960 Turin, Italy

UNITED ARAB  
REPUBLICS  
Helen Camara  
Aida Choucry  
Samika Fathy  
Loula Gordon  
Josephine Morcos  
Suzanne Naguib  
Sergio de Polo (npc)

### 1964 New York City

GREAT BRITAIN  
Irene (Dimmie) Fleming  
Fritzi Gordon  
Jane Juan  
Rixi Markus  
Mary Moss  
Dorothy Shanahan  
Harold Franklin (npc)

### 1968 Deauville, France

SWEDEN  
Britt Blom  
Karin Eriksson  
Eva Martensson  
Rut Segander  
Gunborg Silborn  
Britta Werner  
Lotty Saaby (npc)

### 1972 Miami Beach, Florida

ITALY  
Marisa Bianchi  
Luciana Canessa  
Rina Jabes  
Maria Antonietta Robaudo  
Anna Valenti  
Maria Vittoria Venturini

### 1976 Monte Carlo, Monaco

ITALY  
Marisa Bianchi  
Lucicna Capodanno  
Marisa D'Andrea  
Rina Jabes  
Anna Valenti  
Maria Antonietta Robaudo

## SILVER MEDALISTS

FRANCE  
Nadine Alexandre  
Annie Chanfray  
Genevieve Morenas  
Esmerian Pouldjian  
Miss Rouviere  
Mrs. Gary

USA  
Agnes Gordon  
Muriel Kaplan  
Alicia Kempner  
Helen Portugal  
Stella Rebner  
Jan Stone

SOUTH AFRICA  
Thelma Beron  
Gerda Goslar  
Rita Jacobson  
Petra Mansell  
Elfreda Sender  
Alma Shneider

SOUTH AFRICA  
Thelma Beron  
Janie Disler  
Gerda Goslar  
Rita Jacobson  
Petra Mansell  
Alam Shneider

GREAT BRITAIN  
Charley Esterson  
Nicola Gardener  
Fritzi Gordon  
Sandra Landy  
Rixi Marcus  
Rita Oldroyd

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

DENMARK  
Otti Damm  
Annelise Faber  
Rigmor Fraenckel  
Lizzie Schaltz  
Gulle Skotte

FRANCE  
Suzanne Baldon  
Annie Chanfray  
Margurite de Gailhard  
Genevieve Morenas  
Marianne Serf

USA  
Hermine Baron  
Nancy Gruver  
Emma Jean Hawes  
Sue Sachs  
Dorothy Hayden  
Rhoda Walsh

USA  
Mary Jane Farell  
Emma Jean Hawes  
Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
Marilyn Johnson  
Jacqui Mitchell  
Peggy Solomon

USA  
Mary Jane Farell  
Emma Jean Hawes  
Dorothy Hayden Truscott  
Marilyn Johnson  
Jacqui Mitchell  
Gail Moss

## **GOLD MEDALISTS**

### **1980 Valkenburg, Netherlands**

USA

Mary Jane Farell

Emma Jean Hawes

Dorothy Hayden Truscott

Marilyn Johnson

Jacqui Mitchell

Gail Moss

### **1984 Seattle, Washington**

UNITED STATES

Gail Moss

Judi Radin

Kathie Wei

Betty Ann Kennedy

Carol Sanders

Jacqui Mitchell

Jim Zimmerman (npc)

### **1988 Venice, Italy**

DENMARK

Kristin Moeller

Dorthe Shaltz

Bettina Kalkerup

Charlotte Palmund

Trine Dahl

Judy Norris

Inger Lindegaard, npc

### **1992 Salsomaggiore, Italy**

AUSTRIA

Terry Weigkricht

Doris Fischer

Maria Erhart

Barbara Lindinger

Jovanka Smederevac

Herta Gyimesi

### **1996 Rhodes, Greece**

USA

Jill Blanchard

Juanita Chambers

Lynn Deas

Gail Greenberg

Irina Levitina

Shawn Quinn

## **SILVER MEDALISTS**

ITALY

Marisa Bianchi

Luciana Capodanno

Marisa D'Andrea

Enrichetta Gut

Andreina Morini

Anna Valenti

GREAT BRITAIN

Pat Davies

Sally Horton

Sandra Landy

Nicola Smith

Marijke van der Pas

Bep Vriend

GREAT BRITAIN

Michelle Brunner

Pat Davies

Sandra Landy

Liz McGowan

Sandra Penfold

Nicola Smith

GREAT BRITAIN

Pat Davies

Michelle Handley

Sandra Landy

Liz McGowan

Sandra Penfold

Nicola Smith

CHINA

Gu Ling

Sun Ming

Wang Hongli

Wang Wenfei

Zhang Yalan

Zhang Yu

## **BRONZE MEDALISTS**

GREAT BRITAIN

Nicola Gardener

Sandra Landy

Rita Oldroyd

Sally Sowter

NETHERLANDS

Marijke Erich

Petra Kaas

Laura Lor

Elly Schippers

BULGARIA

Navena Deleva

Maria Garvalova

Albena Krasteva

Matilda Poplilov

FRANCE

Daniele Avon

Veronique Bessis

Anne-Claude de l'Epine

Elisabeth Delor

Colette Lise

Sylvie Willard

CANADA

Francine Cimon

Diana Gordon

Rhoda Habert

Beverly Kraft

Sharyn Reus

Barbara Saltsman

## **GOLD MEDALISTS**

### **2000 Maastricht, Netherlands**

USA  
Mildred Breed  
Petra Hamman  
Joan Jackson  
Robin Klar  
Shawn Quinn  
Peggy Sutherlin

### **2004 Istanbul, Turkey**

RUSSIA  
Olga Galaktionova  
Victoria Gromova  
Natalia Karpenko  
Maria Lebedeva  
Titiana Ponomareva  
Irina Vasilkova

## **SILVER MEDALISTS**

CANADA  
Francine Cimon  
Diana Gordon  
Rhoda Habert  
Beverly Kraft  
Martine Lacroix  
Katie Thorpe

USA  
Marinesa Letizia  
Jill Meyers  
Randi Montin  
Janice Seamon-Molson  
Tobi Sokolow  
Carlyn Steiner

## **BRONZE MEDALISTS**

GERMANY  
Sabine Auken  
Katrin Farwig  
Pony Nehmert  
Andrea Rauscheid  
Barbara Stawowy  
Daniela von Arnim

ENGLAND  
Sally Brock  
Michelle Brunner  
Heather Dhondy  
Rhona Goldenfield  
Nicola Smith  
Kitty Teltscher

# WORLD TEAM OLYMPIAD SENIOR TEAMS

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 2000 Played in Maastricht, Netherlands

USA  
John Mohan  
Dan Morse  
Steve Robinson  
John Sutherlin  
Bobby Wolff  
Kit Woolsey

## SILVER MEDALISTS

FRANCE  
Pierre Adad  
Maurice Aujaleu  
Claude Delmouly  
Francois Leenhardt  
Christian Mari  
Jean-Marc Roudenesco

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

SWEDEN  
Lars Alfredsson  
Lars Backstrom  
Sture Ekberg  
Hans Gothe  
Hans-Olof Hallen  
Anders Morath

### 2004 Played In Istanbul, Turkey

USA  
Leo Bell  
Neil Chambers  
Marshall Miles  
John Onstott  
John Schermer  
Jim Robison

NETHERLANDS  
Willem Boegem  
Nico Doremans  
Onno Janssens  
Jaap Trouwborst  
Dirk Schroeder  
Horst-Dieter Uhlmann

GERMANY  
Hans Humberg  
Reiner Marsal  
Goran Mattsson  
Werner Schenider



# ROSENBLUM CUP TEAMS

## GOLD MEDALISTS

**1978 Played in New Orleans, Louisiana. Poland defeated Brazil 164-80.**

POLAND (FRENKIEL)

Marian Frenkiel

Andrzej Macieszczyk

Andrzej Wilkosz

Janusz Polec

## SILVER MEDALISTS

BRAZIL (CHAGAS)

Gabriel Chagas

Pedro Paulo Assumpcao

Gabino Cintra

Marcelo Branco

Roberto Taunay

Sergio Barbosa

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

USA (HAMMAN)

Bob Hamman

Dan Morse

Cliff Russell

Curtis Smith

Eddie Wold

Bobby Wolff

FRANCE (CHEMLA)

Paul Chemla

Michel Lebel

Christian Mari

Michel Perron

**1982 Played in Biarritz, France. France defeated the United States, 178-161.**

FRANCE (SCHEMEIL)

Michel Lebel

Philippe Soulet

Dominique Pilon

Albert Feigenbaum

Pierre Schemeil (npc)

UNITED STATES (MARTEL)

Chip Martel

Lew Stansby

Peter Pender

Hugh Ross

Kit Woolsey

Ed Manfield

CANADA (ANDREWS)

Allan Graves

Sami Kehela

Eric Murray

Eric Kokish

Peter Nagy

George Mittelman

**1986 Played in Miami Beach, Florida. United States defeated Pakistan, 357-207.**

UNITED STATES (ROBINSON)

Neil Silverman

Ed Manfield

Peter Boyd

Steve Robinson

Bob Lipsitz

Kit Woolsey

PAKISTAN (MAHMOOD)

Nishat Abedi

Nisai Ahmed

Zia Mahmood

Jan-e-Alam Fazli

SWEDEN (FALLENIOUS)

Björn Fallenius

Magnus Lindkvist

Mats Nilsland

Andres Wirgren

**1990 Played in Geneva, Switzerland. Germany defeated United States, 145-132.**

GERMANY (LUDWIG)

Bernhard Ludwig

Jocken Bitschene

Georg Nippgen

Roland Rokowsky

UNITED STATES (MOSS)

Mike Moss

Charles Coon

Michael Seamon

Drew Casen

George Mittelman

Mark Molson

CANADA (STEIN)

Boris Baran

Arno Hobart

Martin Kirr

Eric Kokish

Ron Sukoneck

John Sutherlin

USA (RAPÉE)

Russ Ekeblad

Dan Morse

George Rapée

John Solodar

**1994 Played in Albuquerque New Mexico, USA**

USA (DEUTSCH)

Roger Bates

Seymon Deutsch

Gaylor Kasle

Chip Martel

Michael Rosenberg

Lew Stansby

POLAND (OTVOSI)

Cezary Balicki

Piotr Gawrys

Krzysztof Lasocki

Adam Zmudzinski

ISRAEL (LEVIT)

Dani Cohen

Avi Kalish

Yeshayahu Levit

Leonid Podgur

SWEDEN (AUBY)

Daniel Auby

Thomas Brenning

Tommy Gullberg

Morten Gustawsson

**GOLD MEDALISTS****1998 Played in Lille, France**

ITALY (ANGELINI)

Andrea Buratti

Massimo Lanzarotti

Lorenzo Lauria

Antonio Sementa

Alfredo Versace

**SILVER MEDALISTS**

BRAZIL (CHAGAS)

Marcelo Branco

J.P. Campos

Gabriel Chagas

Miguel Villasboas

**BRONZE MEDALISTS**

SWEDEN (LINDKVIST) USA (BRAMLEY)

Björn Fallenius

Bart Bramley

Peter Fredin

Drew Casen

Magnus Lindkvist

Steve Garner

Mats Nilslund

Sidney Lazard

Bill Pollack

Howard Weinstein

**2002 Played in Montreal, Canada**

ITALY (LAVAZZA)

Norberto Bocchi

Giorgio Duboin

Lorenzo Lauria

Alfredo Versace

INDONESIA (MUNAWAR)

Taufik Gautama Asbi

Franky Karwur

Henky Lasut

Eddy Manoppo

Denny Sacul

Robert Parasian Tobing

POLAND/ITALY (BURGAY)

Cezary Balicki

Leandro Burgay

Michal Kwiecien

Carlo Mariani

Jacek Pszczola

Adam Zmudzinski

**2006 Played in Verona, Italy**

USA/NORWAY (MELTZER)

Roger Bates

Geir Helgemo

Tor Helnrss

Kyle Larsen

Rose Meltzer

Alan Sontag

SWEDEN/USA (HENNER)

Peter Bertheau

Peter Fredin

Christal Henner-Welland

Marc Jacobus

Magnus Lindkvist

Fredrik Nystrom

ISRAEL/TURKEY (YADLIN)

Eldad Ginossar

Avi Kalish

Melih Ozdil

Leonid Podgur

Doron Yadlin

Israel Yadlin

**2010 Played in Philadelphia USA**

USA (DIAMOND)

John Diamond

Brian Platnick

Brad Moss

Fred Gitelman

Geoff Hampson

Eric Greco

USA (NICKELL)

Nick Nickell

Bob Hamman

Ralph Katz

Jeff Meckstroth

Eric Rodwell

Zia Mahmood

ITALY/NORWAY/France  
(ZIMMERMANN)

Pierre Zimmermann

Fulvio Fantoni

Geir Helgemo

Tor Helness

Franck Multon

Claudio Nunes

# MCCONNELL CUP

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 1994 Played in Albuquerque, New Mexico USA

USA (LETIZIA)  
Jill Blanchard  
Marinesa Letizia  
Sue Picus  
Rozanne Pollack  
Judi Radin

## SILVER MEDALISTS

USA (WOOLSEY)  
Karen Allison  
JoAnne Casen  
Dori Cohen  
Joann Glasson  
JoAnn Manfield  
Sally Woolsey

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

USA (ALDER)	USA (TORNAY)
Mildred Breed	Judi Cody
Tobi Deutsch	Shelly Lapkoff
Amalya Kears	Linda Perlman
Joyce Lilie	JoAnna Stansby
Jacqui Mitchell	Carlyn Steiner
Jo Morse	Calire Tornay

### 1998 Played In Lille, France

AUSTRIA (ERHART)  
Maria Erhart  
Doris Fischer  
Sylvia Terraneo  
Terry Weigkricht

GERMANY (AUKEN)  
Sabine Auker  
Katrin Farwig  
Barbara Stawowy  
Daniela von Arnim

USA (TRUSCOTT)	USA (WOOD)
Jill Meyers	Mickie Kivel
Shawn Quinn	Ellee Lewis
Carol Sanders	Terry Michaels
Tobi Sokolow	Claire Tornay
JoAnn Sprung	Nadine Wood
Dorothy Truscott	

### 2002 Played in Montreal, Canada

USA (SANBORN)  
Lynn Deas  
Irina Levitina  
Jill Meyers  
Randi Montin  
Beth Palmer  
Kerri Sanborn

USA (RADIN)  
Mildred Breed  
Rozanne Pollack  
Shawn Quinn  
Judi Radin  
Valerie Westheimer

FRANCE (BESSIS)  
Veronique Bessis  
Benedicte Cronier  
Catherine D'Ovidio  
Sylvie Willard

### 2006 Played in Verona, Italy

USA/RUSSIA (STEINER)  
Victoria Gromova  
Marinesa Letizia  
Tatiana Ponomareva  
Janice Seamon-Molson  
Tobi Sokolow  
Carlyn Steiner

USA (NARASIMHAN)  
Jill Levin  
Irina Levitina  
Jill Meyers  
Hansa Narasimhan  
Debbie Rosenberg  
JoAnna Stansby

SWEDEN (KATT-BRIDGE)  
Katherine Bertheau  
Catarina Midskog  
Jenny Wolpert  
Mari Ryman

### 2010 Played in Philadelphia, USA

CHINA LADIES  
Xuefeng Feng  
Ling Gu  
Yan Lu  
Ming Sun  
Yanhui Sun  
Hongli Wang

NETHERLANDS  
Carla Arnolds  
Jet Pasman  
Anneke Simons  
Martine Verbeek  
Bep Vriend  
Wietske van Zwol

USA/FRANCE/RUSSIA (FIREMAN)  
Shannon Cappelletti  
Catherine D'Ovidio  
Phyllis Fireman  
Daniele Gaviard  
Victoria Gromova  
Tatiana Ponomareva

# WORLD SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS RAND CUP

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 1994 Played in Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

AUSTRIA/NETHERLANDS/

ISRAEL (ROHAN)

Franz Baratta

Bob Kaiser

Kees Kaiser

Moshe Katz

Nissan Rand

Karl Rohan

## SILVER MEDALISTS

USA (LEVINE)

Russ Arnold

Billy Eisenberg

Fred Hamilton

Zeke Jabbour

Mike Levine

Tommy Sanders

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

USA/CANADA (RYDER)

Howard Hertzberg

Duncan Phillips

Robert Ryder

Bill Solomon

### 1998 Played in Lille, France

AUSTRIA/BULGARIA/

ISRAEL (ROHAN)

Franz Baratta

Christo Drumev

Moshe Katz

Nissan Rand

Karl Rohan

POLAND (SZENBERG)

Aleksander Jezioro

Julian Klukowski

Stefan Szenberg

Andrzej Wilkosz

Kazimierz Puczynski

Włodzimierz Stobiecki

POLAND (ORLOW)

Ceslaw Czyzkowski

Waclaw Janicki

Andrzej Milde

Jozef Pochron

### 2002 Played in Montreal, Canada

USA/CANADA (HOLT)

Boris Baran

Joe Godefrin

Diana Holt

George Mittelman

Ed Schulte

USA (FREED)

Nels Erickson

Lew Finkel

Gene Freed

Joe Kivel

Chris Larsen

Bernie Miller

NETHERLANDS (SCHIPPERS)

Jan Willem Bomhof

Roald Ramer

Elly Schippers

Henk Schippers

### 2006 Played in Verona, Italy

POLAND/USA/ISRAEL

(MARKOWICZ)

Aleksander Jezioro

Julian Klukowski

Victor Markowicz

Victor Melman

Jerzy Zaremba

Shalom Zeligman

USA (FINKEL)

Lew Finkel

Gaylor Kasle

John Mohan

John Sutherlin

Roald Ramer

Jaap Trouwborst

NETHERLANDS 1

Willem Boegem

Nico Doremans

Onno Janssens

Nico Klaver

### 2010 Played in Philadelphia, PA, USA

ENGLAND/USA (HACKETT)

Paul Hackett

Gunnar Hallberg

Garey Hayden

John Holland

Reese Milner

TEAM MARKOWICZ

Julian Klukowski

Victor Markowicz

Victor Melman

Roald Ramer

Jerzy Russyan

Shalom Zeligman

INDONESIA (GABRIAL UI)

Michael Bambang Hartono

Henky Lasut

Eddy Manoppo

Denny Sacul

Munawar Sawiruddun

## WORLD OPEN PAIRS

	GOLD MEDALISTS	SILVER MEDALISTS	BRONZE MEDALISTS
<b>1962</b>	FRANCE Pierre Jais Roger Trezel	GREAT BRITAIN Terence Reese Boris Schapiro	FRANCE Rene Bacherich Pierre Ghestem
<b>1966</b>	NETHERLANDS Bob Slavenburg Hans Kreyns	USA Dr. John Fisher Jim Jacoby	USA B. Jay Becker Dorothy Truscott
<b>1970</b>	AUSTRIA Fritz Babsch Peter Manhardt	ITALY Benito Garozzo Frederico Mayer	ITALY William Saulino Italo Zanasi
<b>1974</b>	USA Bob Hamman Bobby Wolff	ITALY Leandro Burgay Antonio Abato	ITALY Frederico De Paula Italo Zanasi
<b>1978</b>	BRAZIL Marcelo Branco Gabino Cintra	CANADA Eric Kokish Peter Nagy	USA John Mohan Roger Bates
<b>1982</b>	USA Chip Martel Lew Stansby	THE NETHERLANDS Max Rebatu Anton Maas	BRAZIL Gabriel Chagas Roberto Mello
<b>1986</b>	USA Eric Rodwell Jeff Meckstroth	AUSTRIA Heinrich Berger Wolfgang Meinl	AUSTRALIA Steve Burgess Paul Marston
<b>1990</b>	BRAZIL Gabriel Chagas Marcela Branco	USA Ralph Katz Peter Nagy	POLAND Cezary Balicki Adam Zmudzinski
<b>1994</b>	POLAND Marcin Lesniewski Marek Szymanowski	USA Bob Hamman Michael Rosenberg	THE NETHERLANDS Eric Kirchhoff Magnus Lindkvist
<b>1998</b>	POLAND Michal Kwiecien Jacek Pszczola	USA David Berkowitz Larry Cohen	SWEDEN Peter Fredin Magnus Lindkvist
<b>2002</b>	ITALY Claudio Nunes Fulvio Fantoni	USA Zia Mahmood Michael Rosenberg	BRAZIL Diego Brenner Gabriel Chagas
<b>2006</b>	CHINA Fu Zhong Jack Zhao	USA Bobby Levin Steve Weinstein	ITALY Fulvio Fantoni Claudio Nunes
<b>2010</b>	USA Bobby Levin Steve Weinstein	SWEDEN Björn Fallenius Peter Fredin	GERMANY Josef Piekarek Alexander Smirnov

# WORLD WOMENS PAIRS

	GOLD MEDALISTS	SILVER MEDALISTS	BRONZE MEDALISTS
1962	GREAT BRITAIN Rixi Markus Fritzi Gordon	FRANCE Fanny Pariente Marianne Serf	USA Helen Portugal Dorothy Hayden
1966	GREAT BRITAIN Joan Durran Jane Juan	USA Sue Sachs Nancy Gruver	USA Mary Jane Farell Peggy Solomon
1970	USA Mary Jane Farell Marilyn Johnson	GREAT BRITAIN Rixi Markus Fritzi Gordon	SWEDEN Brit Blom Gunborg Silborn
1974	GREAT BRITAIN Fritzi Gordon Rixi Markus	SOUTH AFRICA Gerda Goslar Rita Jacobsen	USA Emma Jean Hawes Dorothy Hayden Truscott
1978	USA Kathie Wei Judi Radin	USA Betty Ann Kennedy Carol Sanders	FRANCE Claude Blouquet Elisabeth Delor
1982	USA Carol Sanders Betty Ann Kennedy	USA Lynn Deas Beth Palmer	UNITED KINGDOM Sally Horton Sandra Landy
1986	USA Amalya Kears Jacqui Mitchell	DENMARK Charlotte Palmund Bettina Kalkerup	UNITED KINGDOM Sally Horton Sandra Landy
1990	USA Kerri Shuman Karen McCallum	USA Kathie Wei Judi Radin	THE NETHERLANDS Carla Arnold Bep Vriend
1994	THE NETHERLANDS Carla Arnold Bep Vriend	FRANCE Veronique Bessis Catherine Saul	USA Lynn Deas Beth Palmer
1998	USA Jill Meyers Shawn Quinn	GERMANY Daniela von Arnim Sabine Auken	FRANCE Veronique Bessis Catherine D'Ovidio
2002	USA Karen McCallum Debbie Rosenberg	FRANCE Blandine de Heredia Anne-Frederique Levy	USA Kerri Sanborn Irina Levitina
2006	USA Irina Levitina Kerri Sanborn	CHINA Wang Hongli Wang Wei Fei	GERMANY/USA Sabine Auken Janice Seamon-Molson.
2010	USA Beth Palmer Lynn Deas	CANADA Susan Culham Kismet Fung	THE NETHERLANDS Carla Arnold Bep Vriend

## WORLD MIXED PAIRS

	GOLD MEDALISTS	SILVER MEDALISTS	BRONZE MEDALISTS
<b>1966</b>	USA Mary Jane Farell Ivan Erdos	GREAT BRITAIN Joan Duran Maurice Weissberger	ITALY Nuccia Zeppegno Vito Pittala
<b>1970</b>	USA Barbara Brier Waldemar von Zedtwitz	GREAT BRITAIN Rixi Markus Georges Catzefflis	ISRAEL Rima Sinder Michael Hochzeit
<b>1974</b>	SWITZERLAND Loula Gordon Tony Trad	USA Jacqui Mitchell James Cayne	FRANCE Nadine Cohen Edmond Vial
<b>1978</b>	USA Barry Crane Kerri Shuman	USA Jim Jacoby Heitie Noland	USA Carol Sanders Lou Bluhm
<b>1982</b>	CANADA Diana Gordon George Mittelman	USA Peggy Sutherlin John Sutherlin	FRANCE Isabelle Viennois Jean-Louis Viennois
<b>1986</b>	USA Pam Wittes Jon Wittes	USA Bob Hamman Kerri Shuman	USA Rozanne Pollack Bill Pollack
<b>1990</b>	USA Juanita Chambers Peter Weichsel	SWEDEN Lars Anderson Eva-Liss Gothe	USA Kathie Walvick Walt Walvick
<b>1994</b>	POLAND Danuta Hochecker Apolinary Kowalski	GERMANY/USA Sabine Zenkel Bob Hamman	POLAND Ewa Harasimowicz Marcin Lesniewski
<b>1998</b>	ITALY Enza Rossano Antonio Vivaldi	FRANCE Claude Blouquit Marc Bompis	GERMANY/DENMARK Sabine Auken Jens Auken
<b>2002</b>	USA Becky Rogers Jeff Meckstroth	FRANCE Elisabeth Hugon Jean-Jacques Palau	GERMANY/DENMARK Sabine Auken Jens Auken
<b>2006</b>	USA Karen McCallum Matt Granovetter	USA Jill Levin Bobby Levin	USA JoAnna Stansby Lew Stansby
<b>2010</b>	USA/ITALY Donna Compton Fulvio Fantoni	CANADA/USA Kismet Fung Brian Glubok	USA Joan Lewis Robert Hopkins

## WORLD MIXED TEAMS

	GOLD MEDALISTS	SILVER MEDALISTS	BRONZE MEDALISTS
1962	GREAT BRITAIN Rixi Markus Fritzi Gordon Boris Schapiro Nico Gardener Nicolas Svostin	THE NETHERLANDS Jopie Westerveld Dicky Hoogenkamp Herman Filarski A. Kornlijnsliper	BELGIUM Louis Bogaerts Count Claude de Hemricourt Helen Kover Simon Moulia
1972	USA (JACOBY) Nancy Alpaugh Bobby Goldman Jim Jacoby Heitie Noland Betsey Wolff Bobby Wolff	USA (ROTH) Gail Moss Mike Moss Al Roth Barbara Rappaport	USA/CANADA (SCHWENKE) Sheila Forbes Bob Hamman Shirley Neilson Jack Schwenke
1974	USA (MORSE) Jo Morse Steve Robinson Steve Parker Bob Lipsitz Peggy Lipsitz	USA (STAYMAN) Tubby Stayman Vic Mitchell Jacqui Mitchell James Cayne Matt Granovetter	USA (CAPPELLETTI) Mike Cappelletti Sr. Kathy Cappelletti Bob Lewis Anne Veren
1996	ICELAND/UK (HEATHER) Jon Baldursson Heather Dhondy Björn Eysteinnsson Adalsteinn Jorgensen Liz McGowan	USA (FELDMAN) Mark Feldman Sharon Osberg Bill Pollack Rozanne Pollack	FRANCE (NAHMENS) Pierre Adad Christine Nahmens Alain Nahmens Elisabeth Schaufelberger
2000	USA/ISRAEL/POLAND (E-BRIDGE) Piotr Gawrys Sam Lev Irina Levitina Jill Meyers John Mohan Migry Zur-Campanile	FRANCE (BESSIS) Michel Bessis Veronique Bessis Paul Chemla Catherine D'Ovidio Sascha Wernle	AUSTRIA (WERNLE) Doris Fischer Andreas Gloyer Martin Schifko Jovanka Smederevac
2004	FRANCE/GERMANY/USA (AUKEN) Sabine Auken Paul Chemla Catherine D'Ovidio Zia Mahmood Wang Weimin Zhou Qinghong	BULGARIA (BATOV) Vasil Batov Steliana Ivanova Ralitza Mircheva Julian Stefanov	CHINA (Zhang) Fu Zhong Lu Yan Sun Meng Wang Liping



<b>2008</b>	CHINESE TAIPEI (YEH BROS)	RUSSIA	CHINA (A-EVERTRUST HOLDING CO)
	Fang-Wen Gong	Sviatlana Badrankova	Bing Du
	Sheau-Fong Hu	Alexander Dubinin	Lin Gan
	Gloria Meng	Andrew Gromov	Xu Hou
	Chih-kuo Shen	Victoria Gromova	Yan Huang
	Juei-Yu Shih	Tatiana Ponomareva	Rongqiang Lin
	Chin Yeh	Victoria Volina	Zheng Jun Shi

## WORLD SENIOR PAIRS

### GOLD MEDALISTS

#### 1990

GREAT BRITAIN

Albert Dormer

Alan Hiron

#### 1994

USA

Hamish Bennett

Fred Hamilton

#### 1998

UNITED KINGDOM

Irving Gordon

Boris Schapiro

#### 2002

BULGARIA

Christo Drumev

Ivan Tanev

#### 2006

NETHERLANDS

Nico Klaver

Roald Ramer

#### 2010

USA

Rich DeMartino

Patrick McDevitt

### SILVER MEDALISTS

NETHERLANDS

Kees Kaiser

Jaap Kokkes

USA

Simon Kantor

Murray Melton

USA

Lea DuPont

Benito Garozzo

CANADA

Bruce Gowdy

Arno Hobart

POLAND

Aleksander Jezioro

Julian Klukowski

JAPAN

Kyoko Ohno

Akihiko Yamada

### BRONZE MEDALISTS

AUSTRIA

Franz Beratta

Karl Rohan

CANADA

Duncan Phillips

Bill Solomon

GERMANY

Burghard von Alvensleben

Walter Hoger

USA

John Mohan

Claude Vogel

GERMANY

Reiner Marsal

Entscho Wladow

USA

Farid Assemi

Edward Wojewoda

# WORLD JUNIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

## GOLD MEDALISTS

### 1987 Played in Amsterdam, Netherlands

#### NETHERLANDS

Wubbo de Boer  
Jan Jansma  
Enri Leufkens  
Marcel Jooijen  
Rob van Wel  
Berry Westra

## SILVER MEDALISTS

#### FRANCE

Benedicte Cronier  
Alexis Damamme  
Christian Desrousseaux  
Franck Multon  
Jean-Christophe Quantin

## BRONZE MEDALISTS

#### USA

Guy Doherty  
Jon Heller  
Billy Hsieh  
Asya Kamsky  
Aaron Silverstein

### 1989 Played in Nottingham, England

#### GREAT BRITAIN

John Hobson  
Derrick Patterson  
John Pottage  
Andrew Robson  
Gerald Tredinnick  
Stuart Tredinnick

#### ARGENTINA

Alejandro Bianchedi  
Marcelo Cloppet  
Juan Quitegi  
Claudio Varela  
Jean-Christophe Quantin

#### FRANCE

Alexis Damamme  
Christian Desrousseaux  
Pierre-Jean Louchart  
Franck Multon

### 1991 Played in Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

#### USA 2

Martha Benson  
John Diamond  
Jeff Ferro  
Brian Platnick  
Wayne Stuart  
Debbie Zuckerberg

#### CANADA

Mark Caplan  
Fred Gitelman  
Bronia Gmach  
Geoff Hampson  
Michael Roberts  
Eric Sutherland

#### AUSTRALIA

Robert Fruewirth  
Matthew Mullamphy  
Peter Newman  
John Spooner  
Ben Thompson  
Jim Wallis

### 1993 Played in Arhus, Denmark

#### GERMANY

Guido Hopfenheit  
Marcus Joest  
Klaus Reps  
Roland Rohowsky

#### NORWAY

Lasse Aaseng  
Geir Helgemo  
Svein Gunnar Karlberg  
Espen Kvam  
Jorgen Molberg  
Kurt-Ove Thomassen

#### USA 1

Jeff Ferro  
Eric Greco  
Leni Holtz  
Rich Pavlicek Jr.  
Kevin Wilson  
Debbie Zuckerberg

### 1995 Played in Bali, Indonesia

#### GREAT BRITAIN

Jeffrey Allerton  
Danny Davies  
Jason Hackett  
Justin Hackett  
Phil Souter  
Tom Townsend

#### NEW ZEALAND

David Ackerley  
Ashley Bach  
Ishmael Del'Monte  
Nigel Kearney  
Charles Ker  
Scott Smithy

#### DENMARK

Freddy Brondum  
Mathias Bruun  
Nicolai Kampmann  
Lars Lund Madsen  
Morten Lund Madsen  
Jacob Ron

**GOLD MEDALISTS****SILVER MEDALISTS****BRONZE MEDALISTS****1997 Played in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada****DENMARK**

Freddy Brondum  
 Mik Kristensen  
 Lars Lund Madsen  
 Morten Lund Madsen  
 Mikkel Bensby Nohr  
 Jacob Ron

**NORWAY**

Boye Brogeland  
 Thomas Charlsen  
 Espen Erichsen  
 Christer Kristoffersen  
 Björn Morten Mathisen  
 Oyvind Saur

**RUSSIA**

Arseni Chour  
 Youri Khiouppenen  
 Jouri Khokhlov  
 Dmitri Lobov  
 Alexander Petrunin  
 Boris Sazonov

**1999 Played in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA****ITALY**

Bernardo Biondo  
 Mario D'Avossa  
 Riccardo Intonti  
 Matteo Mallardi

**USA 2**

Tom Carmichael  
 Eric Greco  
 Chris Willenken  
 Joel Wooldridge

**DENMARK**

Gregers Bjarnarson  
 Anders Hagen  
 Kasper Konow  
 Mik Kristensen  
 Morten Lund Madsen  
 Mikkel Bensby Nohr

**2001 Played in Mangaratiba, Brazil****USA 1**

Brad Campbell  
 Joe Grue  
 John Hurd  
 John Kranyak  
 Kent Mignocchi  
 Joel Wooldridge

**ISRAEL**

Asaf Amit  
 Inon Liran  
 Yossi Roll  
 Ranny Schneider  
 Yaniv Vax  
 Aran Warzawsky

**DENMARK**

Michael Askgaard  
 Gregers Bjarnarson  
 Kare Gjaldbaek  
 Jonas Houmoller  
 Andreas Marquardsen  
 Martin Schaltz

**2003 Played in St. Cloud, Paris, France****ITALY**

Furio Di Bello  
 Stelio De Bello  
 Ruggiero Guariglia  
 Fabio Lo Presti  
 Francesco Mazzadi  
 Stefano Uccello

**DENMARK**

Kare Gjaldbaek  
 Boje Henriksen  
 Bjorg Houmoller  
 Jonas Houmoller  
 Andreas Marquardsen  
 Martin Schaltz

**USA 2**

Kevin Bathurst  
 Joe Grue  
 John Hurd  
 John Kranyak  
 Kent Mignocchi  
 Joel Wooldridge

**2005 Played in Sydney, Australia****USA 1**

Ari Greenberg  
 Joe Grue  
 John Hurd  
 John Kranyak  
 Kent Mignocchi  
 Joel Wooldridge

**POLAND**

Konrad Araszkievicz  
 Krzysztof Buras  
 Jacek Kalita  
 Krzysztof Kotorowicz  
 Piotr Madry  
 Wojciech Strzemiński

**CANADA**

Tim Capes  
 Vincent Demuy  
 David Grainger  
 Charles Halasi  
 Daniel Lavee  
 Gavin Wolpert

**GOLD MEDALISTS****SILVER MEDALISTS****BRONZE MEDALISTS****2006 Played in Bangkok, Thailand**

USA 1

John Donn

Jason Feldman

Ari Greenberg

Joe Grue

John Kranyak

Justin Lall

ITALY

Andrea Boldrini

Stelio Di Bello

Francesco Ferrari

Fabio Lo Presti

Alberto Sangiorgio

Matteo Sbarigia

SINGAPORE

Alex Loh

Choon Chou

Kelvin Ng

Hua Poon

Fabian Tan

Li Yu Tan

**2010 Played in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA**

ISRAEL

Eliran Argelazi

Alon Birman

Lotan Fisher

Ron Schwartz

Bar Tarnovski

FRANCE

Thomas Bessis

Christophe Grosset

Nicolas Lhuissier

Cedric Lorenzini

Quentin Robert

Fredrick Volcker

CHINA

Yichao Chen

Junjie Hu

Zisu Lin

Yinghao Liu

Yinpei Shao

Zi Zhuo

# WORLD MIND SPORTS GAMES

## OPEN TEAMS

### GOLD MEDALISTS

**2008**

ITALY

Giorgio Duboin

Fulvio Fantoni

Lorenzo Lauria

Claudio Nunes

Antonio Sementa

Alfredo Versace

### SILVER MEDALISTS

ENGLAND

David Gold

Jason Hackett

Justin Hackett

Artur Malinowski

Nicklas Sandqvist

Tom Townsend

### BRONZE MEDALISTS

NORWAY

Terje Aa

Glenn Groetheim

Geir Helgemo

Tor Helness

Jorgen Molberg

Ulf Haakon Tundal

## WOMEN'S TEAMS

### GOLD MEDALISTS

**2008**

ENGLAND

Sally Brock

Heather Dhondy

Catherine Draper

Anne Rosen

Navena Senior

Nicola Smith

### SILVER MEDALISTS

CHINA

Ling Gu

Yi Qian Liu

Ming Sun

Hongli Wang

Wenfei Wang

Yalan Zhang

### BRONZE MEDALISTS

USA

Mildred Breed

Marinesa Letizia

Sylvia Moss

Judi Radin

Janice Seamon-Molson

Tobi Sokolow

## SENIOR TEAMS

### GOLD MEDALISTS

**2008**

JAPAN

Hiroya Abe

Makoto Hirata

Masayuki Ino

Yoshiyuki Nakamura

Kyoko Ohno

Akihiko Yamada

### SILVER MEDALISTS

USA

Grant Baze

Billy Eisenberg

Russ Ekeblad

Matt Granovetter

Sam Lev

Reese Milner

### BRONZE MEDALISTS

INDONESIA

Henky Lasut

Eddy Manoppo

Denny Sacul

Munawar Sawiruddin

Michael Hartono

Ferdinand Waluyan

## UNDER 28 TEAMS

### GOLD MEDALISTS

**2008**

NORWAY

Sverre Johan Aal

Erik Eide

Jorn Arlid Ringseth

Fredrik Simonsen

### SILVER MEDALISTS

POLAND

Konrad Araszkiewicz

Lukasz Brede

Krzysztof Buras

Jacek Kalita

Jakub Kotorowicz

Krzysztof Kotorowicz

### BRONZE MEDALISTS

CHINA

Xin Li

Yinghao Liu

Jing Liu

Ming Sheng

Zhenguo Wu

Yizhuo Zhang

## UNDER 26 TEAMS

**2008**

DENMARK

Dennis Bilde

Anne-Sofie Houlberg

Jonas Houmoller

Emil Jepsen

Lars Kirkegaard Nielsen

Martin Schaltz

POLAND

Piotr Nawrocki

Michal Nowosadzki

Przemyslaw Piotrowski

Jan Sikora

Artur Wasiak

Piotr Wiankowski

NORWAY

Erik Berg

Ivar Berg

Petter Eide

Espen Lindqvist

Allan Livgard

Tor Ove Reistad

## UNDER 21 TEAMS

**2008**

FRANCE

Marion Canonne

Pierre Franceschetti

Alexandre Kilani

Aymeric Lebatteux

Nicolas Lhuissier

Cedric Lorenzini

ENGLAND

Adam Hickman

Edward Jones

Daniel McIntosh

Robert Myers

Thomas Paske

Benjamin Paske

CHINA

Yichao Chen

Simin Chen

Chunhui Dong

Junjie Hu

Yujie Jiang

Qi Song

## OPEN INDIVIDUAL

### GOLD MEDALIST

**2008**

Tor Helness (Norway)

### SILVER MEDALIST

Geir Helgemo (Norway)

### BRONZE MEDALIST

Andrew Gromov (Russia)

## WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL

**2008**

Catarina Midskog (Sweden)

Anne-Frederique Levy (France)

Yan Ru (People's Republic  
of China)

## **YOUTH INDIVIDUAL**

### **GOLD MEDALIST**

**2008**

Salih Murat Anter (Turkey)

### **SILVER MEDALIST**

Radu Nistor (Romania)

### **BRONZE MEDALIST**

Lars Arthur Johansen (Norway)

## **YOUTH PAIRS**

**2008**

**TURKEY**

Mehmet Remzi Sakirler

Melih Osman Sen

**ISRAEL**

Lotan Fisher

Ron Haim-Schwartz

**POLAND**

Joanna Krawczyk

Piotr Tuczynski