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Day Three RR Results

Red Sox

We Remember:



Team Name	Total	14	15	16	7	11	8	5	6	4	3	9	10	12	1	13	2
14. Rosenthal	191.11		6.57	14.54	13.72	0.45	12.18	18.97	10.00	19.66	19.44	6.86	17.84	11.14	15.97	9.23	14.54
15. Sanborn	187.50	13.43		9.61	7.82	2.00	13.72	12.51	17.34	7.82	5.20	15.29	16.39	15.75	13.14	18.15	19.33
16. Sprung	176.94	5.46	10.39		10.39	8.15	2.32	19.66	12.51	4.95	10.39	8.15	13.72	17.68	16.78	16.39	20.00
7. Greenspan	173.70	6.28	12.18	9.61		16.59	12.83	1.56	13.14	13.72	14.54	14.80	8.86	6.57	14.54	15.97	12.51
11. Nickell	172.00	19.55	18.00	11.85	3.41		3.82	16.97	8.15	6.86	5.72	14.80	16.39	6.57	6.28	15.05	18.58
8. Levine	163.65	7.82	6.28	17.68	7.17	16.18		6.86	9.61	4.48	13.43	7.17	12.51	14.28	14.54	16.78	8.86
5. Donn	158.47	1.03	7.49	0.34	18.44	3.03	13.14		6.28	14.28	16.59	10.00	16.97	10.77	10.39	11.14	18.58
6. Donner	152.02	10.00	2.66	7.49	6.86	11.85	10.39	13.72		6.28	3.82	15.29	10.39	6.57	8.86	17.84	20.00
4. Dawson	147.79	0.34	12.18	15.05	6.28	13.14	15.52	5.72	13.72		6.57	9.61	2.16	7.82	8.50	19.33	11.85
3. Compton	145.41	0.56	14.80	9.61	5.46	14.28	6.57	3.41	16.18	13.43		15.75	1.42	2.00	16.18	6.00	19.76
9. Lo	143.42	13.14	4.71	11.85	5.20	5.20	12.83	10.00	4.71	10.39	4.25		10.00	16.39	7.82	7.17	19.76
10. Merblum	143.01	2.16	3.61	6.28	11.14	3.61	7.49	3.03	9.61	17.84	18.58	10.00		10.00	12.83	12.83	14.00
12. Rasmussen	128.79	8.86	4.25	2.32	13.43	13.43	5.72	9.23	13.43	12.18	18.00	3.61	10.00		3.41	5.20	5.72
1. Baker	117.03	4.03	6.86	3.22	5.46	13.72	5.46	9.61	11.14	11.50	3.82	12.18	7.17	16.59		4.71	1.56
13. Reynolds	107.82	10.77	1.85	3.61	4.03	4.95	3.22	8.86	2.16	0.67	14.00	12.83	7.17	14.80	15.29		3.61
2. Bishel	91.34	5.46	0.67	0.00	7.49	1.42	11.14	1.42	0.00	8.15	0.24	0.24	6.00	14.28	18.44	16.39	

Yankees

Team Name	Total	25	29	35	34	23	26	30	28	32	27	21	36	31	22	33	24
25. Fleisher	208.56		13.72	4.71	15.52	15.52	14.54	15.52	10.77	10.00	20.00	16.59	15.29	10.77	12.51	19.10	14.00
29. Lebowitz	187.34	6.28		8.15	7.82	7.82	19.33	13.72	10.39	17.68	8.50	7.49	10.39	18.97	15.97	18.44	16.39
35. Spector	171.49	15.29	11.85		4.71	5.20	17.34	6.57	14.80	4.48	15.97	4.48	16.97	18.00	2.66	16.39	16.78
34. Simson	158.60	3.48	12.18	15.29		5.20	13.43	10.39	9.23	15.29	4.71	8.86	14.54	7.17	3.61	16.78	18.44
23. Blanchard	155.95	4.48	12.18	14.80	14.80		8.50	8.15	12.83	1.42	10.39	7.49	11.14	6.86	18.58	8.15	16.18
26. Hill	149.97	5.46	0.67	2.66	6.57	11.50		17.68	1.29	15.75	16.59	12.51	12.83	16.18	11.14	6.00	13.14
30. Lewis	149.41	4.48	6.28	13.43	9.61	11.85	2.32		2.66	14.80	15.52	16.39	13.43	0.56	19.22	13.14	5.72
28. Lall	147.44	9.23	9.61	5.20	10.77	7.17	18.71	17.34		3.82	5.46	11.50	13.14	6.28	12.51	2.16	14.54
32. Liu	145.28	10.00	2.32	15.52	4.71	18.58	4.25	5.20	16.18		1.85	3.22	4.03	17.84	16.78	14.80	10.00
27. Joel	142.92	0.00	11.50	4.03	15.29	9.61	3.41	4.48	14.54	18.15		13.14	12.83	13.14	12.83	5.72	4.25
21. Bell	141.26	3.41	12.51	15.52	11.14	12.51	7.49	3.61	8.50	16.78	6.86		4.25	18.00	4.71	5.20	10.77
36. Wu	135.44	4.71	9.61	3.03	5.46	8.86	7.17	6.57	6.86	15.97	7.17	15.75		7.17	14.00	15.29	7.82
31. Lin	134.59	9.23	1.03	2.00	12.83	13.14	3.82	19.44	13.72	2.16	6.86	2.00	12.83		13.14	17.68	4.71
22. Bitterman	128.16	7.49	4.03	17.34	16.39	1.42	8.86	0.78	7.49	3.22	7.17	15.29	6.00	6.86		9.23	16.59
33. Schireson	123.77	0.90	1.56	3.61	3.22	11.85	14.00	6.86	17.84	5.20	14.28	14.80	4.71	2.32	10.77		11.85
24. Donnelly	118.82	6.00	3.61	3.22	1.56	3.82	6.86	14.28	5.46	10.00	15.75	9.23	12.18	15.29	3.41	8.15	

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Today's RR:
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Donner
Dawson
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Lewis
Lall
Liu
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Good Luck to All!

UNITED STATES BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

**This Just In...
Justin Lall Online Teams 2**

Teams Entered...

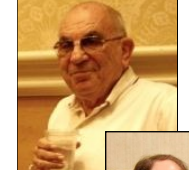
"TRIALS" AND TRIBULATIONS—PRE-BULLETIN

Teams in Alphabetical Order within RR Groups:

Baker	Lynn Baker, Capt Sam Dinkin Tobi Sokolow	Karen McCallum Michael Shuster David Sokolow
Bell	Leo Bell, Capt Bill Harker Bob Thomson	Cris Barrere Mark Ralph Bob Etter
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Lewis	Linda Lewis, Capt Ron Smith Mitch Dunitz	Marc Jacobus Billy Cohen Paul Lewis
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Lo	Ai-Tai Lo, Capt Jiang Gu Andrew Stark	Alex Kolesnik Alex Perlin Franco Baseggio
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Rasmussen	Jim Rasmussen, Capt Carrie Liu	Maxim Silin Anton Tsyppin
Reynolds	Tom Reynolds, Capt Bill Hall Joe Viola	Lance Kerr Randy Howard John Jones
Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt Chris Willenken David Berkowitz	Aaron Silverstein Eldad Ginossar Migry Campanile
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Schireson	Max Schireson, Capt Randal Burns John Miller	Cadir Lee Lynn Shannon
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Wu	Weishu Wu, Capt Brian Zhang Jiang Chen	Qiang Zhang Peter Sun Jane Wang

RED SOX	YANKEES
Baker	Bell
Bishel	Bitterman
Compton	Blanchard
Dawson	Donnelly
Donn	Fleisher
Donner	Hill
Greenspan	Joel
Levine	Lall
Lo	Lebowitz
Merblum	Lewis
Nickell	Lin
Rasmussen	Liu
Reynolds	Schireson
Rosenthal	Simson
Sanborn	Spector
Sprung	Wu



Tournament Schedule

USBF 10 Board victory Point Scale

ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 1			
DAY	DATE	TIME - EST	BOARDS
FRIDAY	FEB 12	12:45 PM	CAPTAINS' MEETING WITH DIC (ON ZOOM)
FRIDAY	FEB 12	1:00 - 2:15	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10
		2:35 - 3:50	ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20
		4:10 - 5:25	ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 BREAK
		6:20 - 7:35	ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40
		7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
SATURDAY	FEB 13	1:00 - 2:15	ROUND 6 - BOARDS 51-60
		2:35 - 3:50	ROUND 7 - BOARDS 61-70
		4:10 - 5:25	ROUND 8 - BOARDS 71-80 BREAK
		6:20 - 7:35	ROUND 9 - BOARDS 1-10
		7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 10 - BOARDS 11-20
SUNDAY	FEB 14	1:00 - 2:15	ROUND 11 - BOARDS 21-30
		2:35 - 3:50	ROUND 12 - BOARDS 31-40
		4:10 - 5:25	ROUND 13 - BOARDS 41-50 BREAK
		6:20 - 7:35	ROUND 14 - BOARDS 51-60
		7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 15 - BOARDS 61-70
ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 2			
MONDAY	FEB 15	1:00 - 2:15 2:35 - 3:50 4:10 - 5:25 6:20 - 7:35 7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10 ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20 ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 BREAK ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40 ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
ROUND OF 16			
FRIDAY	FEB 26	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
QUARTERFINAL			
SATURDAY	FEB 27	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
SEMIFINAL			
SUNDAY	FEB 28	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
FINAL (WILL CHANGE IF TEAMS WANT 60 OR 64 BOARDS)			
MONDAY	MAR 1	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56

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

Ethics Statement

Ethics - We're not trying to provide the same security for this event as we have for online events to select USBF International teams. However, the provisions of the USBF General Conditions of Contest regarding ethical obligations and possible penalties apply to this event. The USBF has appointed an Ethics Investigation Committee that will review any complaints about ethics violations. If the EIC concludes that a player or pair was acting unethically, they will report to the USBF Board of Directors, who may place a player on probation, suspend, or expel a player for cause.

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

System Regulations & Conditions of Contest

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



Kibitzing on VuGraph...

THERE WILL BE DELAYED KIBITZING FOR ALL OF THE JLALL2 EVENT.

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE ROUND ROBIN (EST)

The schedule will be the same each day:

Round 1: 2:30 pm

Round 2: 4:05 pm

Round 3: 6:15 pm

Round 4: 7:50 pm

Round 5: 9:25 pm

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE KO (EST)

Quarter 1: 1:15 pm

Quarter 2: 3:15 pm

BREAK

Quarter 3: 7:15

Quarter 4: 9:15



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

To kibitz, go to [the RealBridge kibitzing website](#), enter your name and click on Log In. That will take you to a screen where you can select the event to kibitz.

After you select Kibitz JLall Online Teams #2, you will be taken to a lobby where you will see a list of tables on the left and a chat box and list of people in the lobby on the right. The table listing shows the team & player names at each table, as well as the board and trick that table is on (that's in the middle of the table, immediately under the table number). Click on a table to kibitz it.

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

There is a chat window on the right of the screen (if your browser window isn't large enough to show it, you can click on the "chat" icon immediately above the UNDO button to open the chat window.

Some things you can do to get more information:

If there is an asterisk next to a bid, that means it was Alerted or Explained. Click on the bid to see the explanation if there was one.

-- "Rewind" the play using the slider underneath the "table" with hand diagram. just move the vertical handle on the slider to the left to go to earlier tricks.

-- Click on the "Scores" button to the left of the South player's name, you will get a scorecard for the match so far. You can use this to get lots of information:

----Click on a board number to see the hand record and results at all the tables.

----You can click on a number in a yellow box to get to the hand record from some screens.

----In the hand record screen, click on a result to see the bidding and play at a specific table.

--In the upper left corner:

----Click on the yellow box with 4 little boxes to get the match scores for all the matches (that will be IMPs and will not include scores from previous rounds).

----Click on the yellow box with 3 bulleted lines to get Cross-IMPs for the pairs (for this match only).

The Scores information is also available in the lobby using the button at the upper right.

TIMING OF DELAY

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

The first half KO matches will be delayed until each board has been played at all tables, so there may sometimes be a period when nothing new is being shown. **The second half of the KO matches will be delayed until the quarter has been completed. 3rd quarter kibitzing will start at 7:15 EST.**

The Fleisher team got off to a quick start. In their 11th round match against the Joel team, Fleisher won IMPs on every board and the final score was 78-0.

Bd	Table 25	Lead	NS	EW	Table 26	Lead	NS	EW	MP	
21	3NT+2 N	♥A	660		3♣+1 N	♦5	130		11	
22	5♦-2 E	♣A	200		3♦+1 E	♦8		130	8	
23	4♠-1 E	♥K	100		4♠= E	♥K		620	12	
24	4♥= S	♠K	420		4♥-1 W	♣A	50		9	
25	3NT+1 E	♠2		630	4♥+1 E	♥5		650	1	
26	3♥= S	♦3	140		3♦= E	♥Q		110	6	
27	3♣-3 W	♠2	150		2♣X-1 W	♦7	100		2	
28	4♠+3 W	♠2		510	6♠= W	♦6		980	10	
29	2♠-2 E	♣3	200		2♠+1 E	♦A		140	8	
30	4♥-1 E	♠4	50		4♠X-3 S	♥A		500	11	
Total									78	0

Board 24 shows the disparity of results that can occur after a Multi 2D opening. At both tables, West opened 2D showing a major suit weak two. North doubled showing 13-15 balanced or a very strong hand (18+). The East players took very different views.

Steve Beatty took a dim view of his hand, apparently assuming that Fred Stewart's 2D bid was based on a heart suit. Steve bid 2S (pass or correct) planning to pass Stewart's anticipated 3H response. Brad Moss bid 3H with the South hand and North, Joe Grue, cuebid 3S. Brad bought the contract in 4H.

The defense started with two rounds of spades. Brad trumped the second spade and advanced the DJ. Stewart covered and Beatty won his ace. Beatty exited with a diamond. Brad won the DT, played a heart to the ace and a heart back to Beatty's king. A diamond was returned. Moss trumped the diamond, drew the trump and took the rest of the tricks when clubs split 2-2.

It was not a great game, but when everything split, 18 HCP and a seven card trump fit produced the necessary ten tricks for +420.

Bart Bramley took a more aggressive stance when he bid 3H (pass or correct). If Kit Woolsey's suit was spades, E/W had a ten or eleven card fit and Bart was willing to play at the four-level.

Woolsey corrected to 3S and Bramley bid the spade game.

Will Watson led a high club. Fearing that cashing a second club would set up a diamond discard if declarer held three clubs to the ten, Will switched to a diamond. Woolsey won the queen of diamonds, drew trump and exited with a club. Watson won the club, cashed the HA and exited with a heart. Woolsey cashed the DA and played a diamond to Watson's king. Will was forced to yield a ruff-and-sluff. 4S was defeated one trick.

9 IMPS to Fleisher.

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

BEEF GOULASH

Servings: 6-8

1 - 4 pound (1.8 kg) boneless beef chuck-eye roast, trimmed of excess fat and cut into 1 1/2-inch cubes

1 teaspoon (5 ml) salt

1 (12-ounce) (330 ml) jar roasted red peppers, drained and rinsed

1/3 cup (36 grams) sweet paprika

3 tablespoons (45 ml) tomato paste

3 tablespoons (45 ml) olive oil

4 large yellow onions, diced

1 tablespoon (15 ml) balsamic vinegar

1 teaspoon (5 ml) caraway seeds

4 large carrots, peeled and cut into 1-inch-thick rounds

3 celery ribs, sliced into 1-inch pieces

1 bay leaf

1/2 cup (120 ml) beef stock

Finishing:

Salt and white pepper

Zest of one lemon

1/4 cup (15 grams) Italian parsley, finely chopped

1/3 (80 ml) cup sour cream

Directions:

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F.

Sprinkle beef with salt and let sit for 15 minutes.

Place roasted peppers, paprika and tomato paste in food processor and blend until smooth, scraping down sides a few times to incorporate.

Heat a large Dutch oven to medium-high and add the oil, onions and 1 teaspoon salt. Cook until the onions are golden, about 5 - 8 minutes. Add the blended pepper paste and cook for a couple of minutes.

Add the balsamic vinegar, caraway seeds, beef, carrots, celery, bay leaf and stock. Using a rubber spatula, scrape down the sides of the pot.

Cover the pot with foil and the lid, and transfer to the oven.

Cook until the meat is almost tender, about 2 to 2½ hours, stirring a couple of times during the cooking. Feel free to add a little more stock if it looks like the meat is drying out.

When the meat is tender, remove the pan from the oven and skim off any excess oil and discard the bay leaf. Season with salt and white pepper to taste, stir and fold in the lemon zest, parsley and sour cream and serve with the spätzle, egg noodles or boiled potatoes.



HOMEMADE SPÄTZLE

2-1/2 cups (300 grams) All Purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon (2 ml) salt
Pinch white pepper
1/4 teaspoon (1 ml) nutmeg
1 cup (240 ml) sour cream
4 large eggs
3 egg yolks
3 tablespoons (45 ml) light olive oil
4 tablespoons (60 ml) unsalted butter
1/4 cup (15 grams) Italian parsley, finely chopped



Directions:

In a large bowl, combine the flour, salt, pepper, and nutmeg. In another mixing bowl, whisk the eggs, egg yolks and sour cream together. Make a well in the center of the dry ingredients and pour in the egg/sour cream mixture. Gradually draw in the flour from the sides and combine well; the dough should be smooth and thick. Let the dough rest for at least 1 hour or overnight.

Bring 4 quarts of water and 1 tablespoon of salt to a boil in Dutch oven, then reduce to a simmer.

Hold a Spätzle maker or large holed colander over the simmering water and push the dough through the holes. Try not to overcrowd the pan. Boil for 3 minutes, the spätzle should be floating on the surface, stirring gently to prevent sticking. Using a slotted spoon, transfer spätzle immediately with slotted spoon to bowl of ice water. Make 2 more batches in same manner. When spätzle is cool to touch, drain well and toss with 3 tablespoons olive oil.

In a large frying pan over high heat, add the butter. When it starts to bubble, add the spätzle and cook, without moving pan, until the undersides are brown, about 2 minutes. Toss and cook for another minute or two. Season to taste with salt and white pepper. Sprinkle with parsley and serve.

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- What did the Buddhist say to the hot dog vendor?
"Make me one with everything."
- Queue is spelled just with Q and four silent letters.
No, it's not. They're just waiting their turn.
- Two men walk into a bar. One says, "I'll have some H2O."
The other says, "I'll have some H2O, too."
The second man died.
- A man is talking to God. "God, how long is a million years?"
God answers, "To me, it's about a minute."
"God, how much is a million dollars?"
"To me, it's a penny."
"God, may I have a penny?"
"Wait a minute."
- You're a 10 on the pH scale.
Because you're basic.



Tongue in Cheek?

EGGPLANT PARMESAN

Servings: 6

3 pounds (1.36 kg) eggplant, unpeeled, halved lengthwise, and sliced 1/4 to 1/3 inch thick
3/4 cup (180 ml) good olive oil
3 tablespoons (7.2 grams) minced fresh thyme
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
3 cups (720 ml) marinara sauce, (homemade or Rao's)
18 slices fresh mozzarella
12 oz. (350 grams) grated fontina
1 (5.2) oz. (150 grams) pkg. Boursin cheese
3/4 cup (68 grams) grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese
2 cups (40 grams) fresh basil leaves, torn
6 slices white sandwich bread, cubed 1/2 inch
6 tablespoons (45 ml) butter
1 spring fresh thyme
1 garlic clove, peeled and bashed

For serving:

2 cups (480 ml) marina sauce
1/2 cup (120 ml) good quality pesto (optional)



Directions:

Pre-heat oven 400 degrees F.

Lay the eggplant in one layer on three sheet pans and brush each side with olive oil. Season with salt and pepper. Bake for 15 minutes. Remove trays from oven. Turn the slices over and rotate the trays 180 degrees and place back in the oven and bake for another 10 minutes or until tender.

In a 10 x 14 x 2-inch baking dish, spoon one cup of the sauce and spread evenly on the bottom. Place a third of the eggplant on top in one layer. Scatter a third of the basil, a third of all the cheeses on top. Repeat twice, starting with the marinara sauce and ending with the parmesan, making sure each layer is evenly distributed.

Place cubed bread in a bowl.

Over low heat, melt the butter in a small saucepan with fresh thyme and garlic, and let it cook for a few minutes. Fish out the thyme and discard. Pour the melted butter mixture over the bread cubes and toss evenly to coat. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Spread the seasoned bread mixture evenly over the eggplant. Place on a baking tray and bake for 20 - 30 minutes. Let rest 10 minutes to help cheese settle before serving.

To serve, add 1/2 cup warmed marinara sauce to a plate, top with slice eggplant Parmesan and drizzle the pesto around the sides.

Sudoku

5			4					2
1				3	8			
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	3				2			
7			6	5				3
9	6							5
3					4		7	

Sudoku 1

SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on page 11

C+	Augustus	Leroy	14 minutes
D	Severus	Catherine	12 minutes
A-	Maximus	Harriet	10 minutes
A	Tactus	Faye	8 minutes
C-	Claudius	Gina	6 minutes

Sudoku 2

		7		5	2	9		
		3		6				5
8		6			1			
1								
		4	6			7		
3							8	
	8		2			4		9
		1						
9						1	3	6

Answers on Page 13



Not Valentine's Day?
Then what the heck!
I'll retreat back
To my place in the deck!

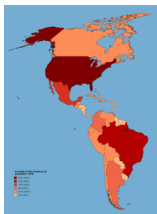
- A German walks into a bar and asks for a martini. The bartender asks, "Dry?" The German replies, "Nein, just one."
- Did you hear about the weekly poker game with Vasco da Gama, Christopher Columbus, Leif Erikson, and Francisco Pizarro? They can never seem to beat the Straights of Magellan.
- Who here can tell me the distance from Betelgeuse to Procyon using a standard chart?" About an inch and a half.



Fun and Games Page


E L I Z A R B N B L A H E B M R J
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G M E N U C D Y A J M I X H M P S
R R A Z I U U Y A N V T O A S H B
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PERU
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URUGUAY
VENEZUELA

	Names					Emperors					Grades				
	Catherine	Faye	Gina	Harriet	Leroy	Augustus	Claudius	Maximus	Severus	Tacitus	A	A-	C+	C-	D
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					14 minutes										

Answer on Page 9

1. The presenter who gave the presentation on Tacitus spoke 4 minutes less than the student who gave the presentation on Severus..
2. The student who got the C- spoke for a somewhat shorter time than Harriet..
3. The presenter who got the A- spoke 4 minutes more than the student who gave the presentation on Claudius..
4. Neither the student who gave the presentation on Tacitus nor the student who spoke for 10 minutes was Gina..
5. Harriet got the A-..
6. Of the presenter who got the D and the student who gave the presentation on Maximus, one was Catherine and the other spoke for 10 minutes..
7. The presenter who spoke for 14 minutes didn't get the D..
8. The student who got the C+, the student who gave the presentation on Tacitus, Gina and Catherine were all different students..
9. The student who gave the presentation on Severus was either Harriet or the presenter who spoke for 12 minutes..
10. Faye didn't talk about Augustus..
11. The presenter who spoke for 8 minutes got the A..



Meet the Players

Allan Falk is a 1972 graduate of Yale Law School, who was admitted to the State Bar of Michigan the same year and has been practicing law since that time. Falk previously graduated from Michigan State University, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and other honorary societies, was named a Woodrow Wilson fellow, and participated in Delta Phi Epsilon foreign service honorary. He has also attended courses at Leningrad (now St. Petersburg) State University and is an honors graduate of the U.S. Army Air Defense School.

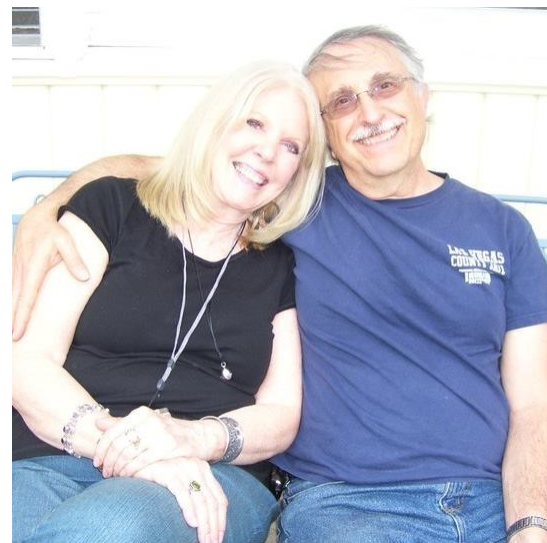
In 1977, Falk was the first lawyer in the country after the *Aboud* decision to formally challenge the use of mandatory bar dues by a unified bar organization. His pleadings and briefs were later borrowed by challengers, and used successfully, in New Mexico, Montana, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, California, and Wisconsin. The motivation for this initial objection to mandatory State Bar of Michigan dues was Falk's successful lobbying, as a member of Common Cause of Michigan, for open meetings and other political reform legislation. The state Bar opposed these reforms and used his dues in its attempt to thwart him.

Falk, however, believes that some activities of the State Bar are worthwhile, although most could be better accomplished by a voluntary organization. He has served for more than six years on the Professional and Judicial Ethics Committee and the appellate Court Administration Committee of the State Bar of Michigan. He is also a North American bridge champion, author of three books on the subject, and a member of the International Bridge Press Association.

Allan is married to bridge player, Jackie DeRouin.

Allan has served as a volunteer to the ACBL in all sorts of advisory positions to the Ethical Oversight Committee and the Online Ethical Oversight Committee. He is always willing to assist in any way he can.

In this event, Allan is playing as a member of the Simson squad!



Puzzle Answers:

6	1	3	5	2	9	8	7	4
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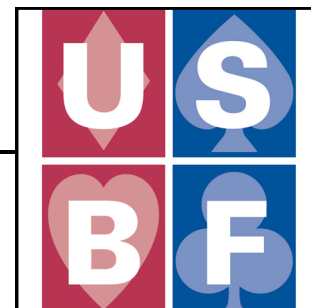
Sudoku

on page 9

Puzzle 1 on left

Puzzle 2 on right

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8	2	5	6	4	9	1	3	7
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7	4	2	1	9	3	6	5	8
5	6	7	8	3	9	1	2	4
3	1	5	4	8	7	6	3	2
9	6	3	2	5	8	1	7	4



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We hope you will join us.

On Board 31 in the 12th round, 30 out of 32 pairs played in 4S, most taking eleven tricks. Michael Rosenberg and Ralph Katz found the lead of the CQ to hold declarer to ten tricks.

At all but three tables, E/W were silent throughout the auction. Kerri Sanborn opened a weak 2H with the West hand and when North jumped to 4S, the auction ended. At two tables the E/W pairs played specialized destructive 2H bids. The results were not pretty.

 W Radu Nistor ♠ Q2 ♥ Q10752 ♦ J2 ♣ KJ93	♠ AJ1076543 ♥ A6 ♦ A ♣ 84	N Chris Compton E Julian Rotaru																	
	♠ 9 ♥ J9 ♦ K10985 ♣ A10765	♠ K8 ♥ K843 ♦ Q7643 ♣ Q2	<table border="1"> <tr><th>W</th><th>N</th><th>E</th><th>S</th></tr> <tr><td>2♥</td><td>4♠</td><td>5♥</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>P</td><td>X</td><td>P</td><td>P</td></tr> <tr><td>P</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>	W	N	E	S	2♥	4♠	5♥	P	P	X	P	P	P			
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Andy Goodman S																			

In the Compton/Donner match, Radu Nistor opened 2H showing five hearts and a four-card or longer minor with 5-10 HCP. Chris Compton overcalled 4S with the North hand.

Disdaining “the law” (of total tricks), Julian Rotaru bid 5H. Compton doubled with his three aces.

The defense was accurate. Compton cashed the DA and the SA. He led a second spade for Andy Goodman to ruff. Andy cashed the CA and the DK on which Compton discarded his remaining club. Goodman led a club for Compton to ruff and the trump ace produced the defenders’ seventh trick. N/S +1100

10 IMPs to Compton when their counterparts were in 4S making five at the other table.

 W Maxim Silin ♠ Q2 ♥ Q10752 ♦ J2 ♣ KJ93	♠ AJ1076543 ♥ A6 ♦ A ♣ 84	N Alex Kolesnik E Carrie Liu																	
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2♥	4♠	5♥	X																
P	P	P																	
Ai-Tai Lo S																			

In the Lo/Rasmussen match, Maxim Silin opened 2H showing five hearts of any quality and 3-9 HCP.

Alex Kolesnik jumped to 4S with the North hand and Carrie Liu tried 5H.

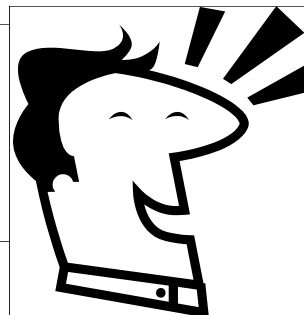
Ai-Tai Lo doubled and, again, the defense was accurate. Kolesnik started with the DA and switched to a club. Ai-Tai won the CA and returned a spade.

Alex won the SA and gave Ai-Tai his spade ruff. Lo cashed the DK on which Kolesnik discarded his club. Lo led a club for Kolesnik to trump. Kolesnik led another spade, trumped by South and over-ruffed by declarer. The trump ace was cashed... again for +1100

10 IMPs to Lo when their counterparts were in 4S making five at the other table.

What happened to the astronaut who stepped on chewing gum?
He got stuck in Orbit!

What do astronauts wear to keep warm?
Apollo-neck sweaters!



 Bd 39, Dir S 3NT-2 W	♠ QJ7543 ♥ J53 ♦ QJ10 ♣ J	N Marty Fleisher Peter Weichsel E												
W Bob Hamman ♠ K2 ♥ AQ72 ♦ 864 ♣ Q987		♠ 10 ♥ K864 ♦ K2 ♣ AK10643												
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P	2♦	3♠	P											
3NT	P	P	P											

On Board 39, E/W can easily make 4H or 5C. Five tables played in 3NT from the West hand. Four tables took eleven tricks on a spade lead.

The fifth pair...

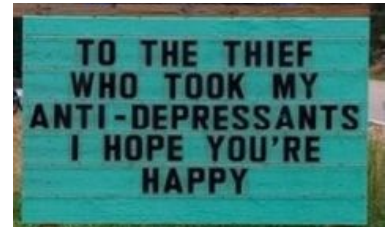
In the Fleisher /Lall match, Marty Fleisher found the killing lead of the diamond queen.

Bob Hamman covered with the king and Chip Martel won the ace and returned a diamond to Marty. Fleisher cashed the third diamond and lead a spade to Martel, who took two more diamond tricks to defeat 3NT by two tricks.

 Bd 39, Dir S 4♠X-1 N	♠ QJ7543 ♥ J53 ♦ QJ10 ♣ J	N Naren Gupta Joe Grue E												
W Brad Moss ♠ K2 ♥ AQ72 ♦ 864 ♣ Q987		♠ 10 ♥ K864 ♦ K2 ♣ AK10643												
 0 0 Zia Mahmood S	♠ A986 ♥ 109 ♦ A9753 ♣ 52	<table border="1"> <tr><td>W</td><td>N</td><td>E</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td>P</td><td>2♠</td><td>X</td><td>4♠</td></tr> <tr><td>X</td><td>P</td><td>P</td><td>P</td></tr> </table>	W	N	E	S	P	2♠	X	4♠	X	P	P	P
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P	2♠	X	4♠											
X	P	P	P											

+200 was worth 9 IMPs when in the other room, Zia/Gupta played 4SX with N/S cards and were defeated one trick.

Joe Grue started with two rounds of clubs, trumped by declarer. Gupta finessed the spade losing to Moss's king. Brad cashed two rounds of hearts and defeated the contract.



Hand 1: Doug Simson (N) vs Joe Grue (E). Board 57, Dlr N. Contract: 6♣= E. Cards: ♠63, ♥K92, ♦J109642, ♣KQ. Grue's hand: ♠AK97, ♥Q, ♦875, ♣AJ1062. Aker's hand: ♠—, ♥AJ10765, ♦AQ, ♣98543. Score: 0-0.

Grue/Moss were one of 12 pairs to bid and make the club slam off one keycard, the trump queen and two outside kings.

Moss's 4C bid was forcing. Grue's 4D bid was RKC. Grue never thought they could get too high with 4H, 4S, 4NT and 5C available as responses. Of course, when you least expect it... partner bids 5S showing two and a void without the trump queen ...

Aker led the SJ, ruffed in dummy. Grue led a trump from dummy and the hand was an easy make when Simson followed with the queen.

At the other table, Casen/Krekorian stopped in 5C after Martel bid 4S over 1C, leaving no ace-ask to investigate for slam. 5C made six. 13 IMPs to Fleisher

Hand 2: Marty Fleisher (N) vs Jim Krekorian (E). Board 57, Dlr N. Contract: 5♣+1 E. Cards: ♠63, ♥K92, ♦J109642, ♣KQ. Krekorian's hand: ♠AK97, ♥Q, ♦875, ♣AJ1062. Martel's hand: ♠—, ♥AJ10765, ♦AQ, ♣98543. Score: 0-0.

Hand 3: Lance Kerr (N) vs Bobby Levin (E). Board 57, Dlr N. Contract: 4♠-5 S. Cards: ♠63, ♥K92, ♦J109642, ♣KQ. Levin's hand: ♠AK97, ♥Q, ♦875, ♣AJ1062. Reynolds's hand: ♠—, ♥AJ10765, ♦AQ, ♣98543. Score: 0-0.

On this same board, look what happened to Levin and Weinstein... 2D showed 5-6 D, 2-3 H, 2-3 S, 8-10 HCP... Levin couldn't get into the auction after Kerr's opening. 4S went down FIVE NV ... 9 IMPs to Reynolds

Sam Dinkin & Michael Shuster	6♣= E	♦K	1370
Charley Seelbach & Blaine Mullins	6♣= E	♦3	1370
David Berkowitz & Migry Campanile	6♣= E	♦K	1370
Bill Harker & Bob Etter	6♣= E	♠10	1370
Ron Smith & Billy Cohen	6♣= E	♦K	1370
Jerry Helms & Ed Schulte	6♣= E	♦K	1370
Fred Chang & Bob Blanchard	6♣= E	♦K	1370
Joe Grue & Brad Moss	6♣= E	♠J	1370
Kevin Bathurst & John Hurd	6♣= E	♠Q	1370
Emma Kolesnik & Amber Lin	6♣= W	♠6	1370
Jeff Wolfson & Steve Garner	6♣X= E	♠Q	1540
Adam Kaplan & Christian Jolly	6♣X= E	♠2	1540

Hand 1: Mike Passell (W) vs Mark Lair (E). Board 51, Dlr S. 6♦ = S. North: ♠—, ♥1054, ♦K6432, ♣AK1096. South: ♠K10842, ♥KJ986, ♦97, ♣2. Dummy: ♠AQ73, ♥AQ32, ♦AJ5, ♣Q7. Contract: 2NT. Score: 0-0.

	W	N	E	S
				2NT
P	3♠*	P		3NT*
P	4♠*	P		5♦
P	5NT	P		6♦
P	P	P		

2NT (20-21)
3S forces 3NT
4S shows minors with short spades

Hand 2: Bob Etter (W) vs Bill Harker (E). Board 51, Dlr S. 6♦ = S. North: ♠—, ♥1054, ♦K6432, ♣AK1096. South: ♠K10842, ♥KJ986, ♦97, ♣2. Dummy: ♠AQ73, ♥AQ32, ♦AJ5, ♣Q7. Contract: 2NT. Score: 0-0.

	W	N	E	S
				2NT
P	3♠*	P		3NT
P	4♠*	P		5♦
P	6♦	P		P
P				

2NT (20-21)
3S is minor suit Stayman
4S shows short spades

Eight pairs declared 6D and received the C2 lead. The C9 held the first trick.

At six tables, South had opened 1D and West cuebid to show his major two-suiter. At those six tables, declarer banked on the diamond length with East and finessed for the queen of trump to make 6D.

Ifty Baqai and Anam Tebha each chose to open an out-of-range 2NT with the 19 HCP balanced South hand. At both tables, North showed both minors with short spades. Both declarers made 6D without finessing for the queen of trump.

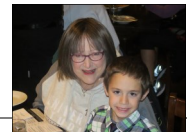
After winning the C9, Ifty played a diamond to the ace and a diamond to the king. This was followed by a club to the queen and a spade was trumped in dummy. The ace and king of clubs were cashed and a club was trumped in hand. The SA was cashed and another spade was trumped in dummy. A heart was led to the ace and a third spade was ruffed. East won the trump queen at trick thirteen.

Hand 3: Mike Passell (W) vs Mark Lair (E). Board 51, Dlr S. 6♦ = S. North: ♠—, ♥10, ♦—, ♣— (K, Q). South: ♠—, ♥—, ♦—, ♣— (K, 6, 9). Dummy: ♠—, ♥Q, ♦—, ♣— (K, 6, 9). Contract: 6♦. Score: 12-0.

	W	N	E	S
				2NT
P	3♠*	P		3NT*
P	4♠*	P		5♦
P	5NT	P		6♦
P	P	P		

Anam followed the identical line.

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



Limey Jack...

Hallo Yanks:

Limey Jack almost ran the table, while Howie Dung had the most confusing and daft affront to Robert Frost.

Whilst the top 5 get to rest and the bottom 6 catch the 8:10 from Charing Cross, the middle quintet from each bracket gird for battle. Six squads of the ten will move ahead with Levine seeming to be the favourite. Meanwhile, Joel herself was surprised and had to cancel her British Folklore class on the morrow.

Limey Jack would like to have bagsy (Ed note: shotgun) for the match between Hill and Lewis. They had virtually identical scores, but Lewis will need to beat Hill to survive.

There will be a couple of chock-a-block days but Limey Jack will help you take it to the punter. Stay far away from the Dung fellow as he would be chuffed to find his piehole with his fork. Donner fared well so far but will need to play like dog's bollocks to move on. Joel has a pair constantly faff-faffing (Ed note: Taking too much time) and when they meet Lall the Earth might fall into the Sun. Watch for slow play penalties against Weichsel, Beatty and Stewart.

The survivors are Levine, Donn, Donner, Hill, Lewis, and Liu.

Cheers

Howie Doing...

Round Robin Two,
Four teams will fall.
Six will be left
To play in the Lall!

Two of the teams
Sure to go on...
One would be Lewis.
The other is Donn.

They'll join team Joel,
Team Levine, too,
To play in two weeks
'Gainst Lall and 'gainst Liu!

Good bye team Dawson;
Good bye team Hill;
Practice online
And hone up your skill.

Donner and Compton,
Get the heave ho.
I am quite sorry
To see you all go!

Stay safe and stay healthy
That is your task.
Please get a shot.
And please wear a mask.

Till the 26th...
I remain Howie Doing!

