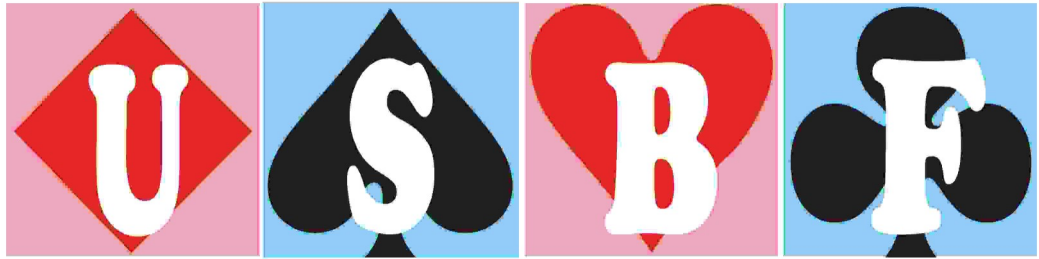


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Time Date	9:15 am Tuesday – Saturday 10 am Sunday	1:30 pm	7:00 pm
Mon. 10/8	Today: 1:30 Charity Game and Chat Bridge in the McKnight Ballroom (2 nd floor)	Pre-Tournament Stratified Charity Pairs Chat Bridge Pairs	Esta Van Zandt KO #1 (1st session of 4) Evening Side Game Series I/N Single Session Charity Pairs (0-5 mps free)
Tues. 10/9	7:00 PM Esta Van Zandt KO (1 st of 4 sessions) McKnight Ballroom Evening Side Game Series Intermediate/Newcomers (0-299) in the V-One Suite 1 st Floor Candy at the Information Desk	Esta Van Zandt KO #1 (2nd of 4) Morning Side Game Series I/N Single Session	Esta Van Zandt KO #1 (3rd of 4) KO #2 (1st session of 4) Open Pairs (0-2000, 2000+) Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750) Afternoon Side Game Series I/N Single Session
Wed. 10/10	Morning Swiss #1 (1st session) Jeannette Wier Choice Pairs (play any 2 of 3) Morning Side Game Series I/N Single Session	KO #2 (3rd session of 4) KO #3 (1st session of 4) Jeannette Wier Choice Pairs (play any 2 of 3) Afternoon Side Game Series I/N Single Session	Esta Van Zandt KO #1 (final) KO #2 (2nd session of 4) Open Pairs (0-2000, 2000+) Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750) Evening Side Game Series Single Session Swiss Team I/N Single Session
Thurs 10/11	Morning Swiss #1 (2nd session) Morning Side Game Series I/N Single Session	KO #3 (3rd session of 4) 2 session Swiss Team – session 1 Open IMP Pairs (0-2000, 2000+) Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750) Afternoon Side Game Series I/N Single Session	KO #2 (final) KO #3 (2nd session of 4) Jeannette Wier Choice Pairs (play any 2 of 3) Evening Side Game Series Single Session Swiss Team I/N Single Session
Fri 10/12	Morning Swiss #2 (1st Session) Choice Pairs (play 2 of 3) Morning Side Game Series I/N Single Session	St. Paul KO #4 (1st session of 4) Choice Pairs (play 2 of 3) Afternoon Side Game Series I/N Single Session	KO #3 (final) Swiss Team – Session 2 Open IMP Pairs (0-2000, 2000+) Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750) Evening Side Game Series Single Session Swiss Team I/N Single Session
Sat 10/13	Morning Swiss #2 (2nd Session) Morning Side Game Series I/N Single Session	St. Paul KO #4 (3rd session of 4) Kivel Electric Compact KO (1st sess) Harold Dodson Open Pairs (0-2000, 2000+) Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750) Afternoon Side Game Series I/N Single Session	St. Paul KO #4 (2nd session of 4) Choice Pairs (play 2 of 3) Evening Side Game Series Single Session Swiss Team I/N Single Session
Sun 10/14 10 am	Roger Anderson Aide-de-camp Stratiflighted SwissTeams play through Flight A/AX (3000+ and 0-3000) Strats B/C/D (1000-2000, 500-1000, 0-500) I/N Swiss Teams (2 single session events- 2nd session begins approx 1:45 pm)		



Intermediate - Newcomer Program (0-300)
Pre-tournament Chat Bridge Session 1:30 pm on Monday (\$1)
Monday 7:00 pm (Free for 0-5 master points)
Tues. through Saturday 9:15 am 1:30, 7:00 single session pairs
Sunday Swiss Team (2 single sessions) 10 am and TBA (approx 1:45 pm)
I/N Strats: 0-50, 50-100, 100-200, 200-300
A separate 0-49 section will be played if there are sufficient tables for a game.
Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday afternoon and evening play in the Gold Rush Pairs (\$12/session)

DINING AROUND ST. PAUL



Senor Wong
St. Paul · 111 E. Kellogg Blvd.
651-224-2019 · Moderate

Chin's
St. Paul · 9955 Hudson Road
651-702-5404

Grand Shanghai Restaurant
St. Paul · 1328 Grand Avenue
651-698-1901

Hunan Palace
St. Paul · 7061 10th St. N.
651-735-7306

Leeann Chin
St. Paul · 2162 Snelling Ave. N.
651-631-9112 · Inexpensive

Leeann Chin
St. Paul · 1785 Radio Drive
651-501-1949 · Inexpensive

Little Szechuan
St. Paul · 422 University Ave.
651-222-1333

Ming's Garden
St. Paul · 1540 White Bear Ave.
651-776-2039

North China Restaurant
St. Paul · 3070 White Bear Ave.
651-770-7873

Matty B's Supper Club
St. Paul · 354 N. Wabasha St.
651-291-0404 · Moderate

Pop!! Restaurant
St. Paul · 6 West 6th Street
651-228-1002 · Moderate

W.A. Frost & Company
St. Paul · 374 Selby Avenue
651-224-5715 · Expensive

M ST. Cafe
St. Paul · 350 Market Street
651-228-3855 · Moderate

Muffuletta
St. Paul · 2260 Como Avenue
651-644-9116 · Moderate

Red's Savoy Inn and Restaurant
St. Paul · 421 Seventh St. E.
651-227-1437 · Moderate

Axel's Bonfire
St. Paul · 1555 Cliff Road
651-452-0200

Axel's Bonfire
St. Paul · 850 Grand Avenue
651-312-1299

Axel's Bonfire
St. Paul · 1424 Weir Drive
651-736-0085

Downtowner Woodfire Grill
St. Paul · 253 West 7th Street
651-228-9500

Green Mill
St. Paul · 1940 Rahncliff Court
651-686-7000 · Moderate

Red's Savoy Inn and Restaurant
St. Paul · 421 Seventh St. E.
651-227-1437 · Moderate

Grecco's
St. Croix Falls · 115 Washington Ave.
715-483-5003 · Moderate

Forepaugh's
St. Paul · 276 S. Exchange St.
651-224-5606 · Moderate

Salut Bar Americain
St. Paul · 917 Grand Avenue
651-917-2345 · Moderate

Acropolis Inn
St. Paul · 748 Grand Avenue
651-298-0151 · Moderate

Bierstube
St. Paul · 2670 County Rd. E E.
651-773-5854

Bierstube
St. Paul · 7121 10th St. N.
651-731-8381

India Palace
St. Paul · 8362 Tamarack Village
651-731-6300

O'Malley's Irish Pub
St. Paul · 1775 Radio Drive
651-578-7007

Sambol Restaurant
St. Paul · 1260 Town Center Dr.
651-688-8686

Shish
St. Paul · 1668 Grand Avenue
651-690-2212

The Taste of India
St. Paul · 1745 Cope Ave. E.
651-773-5477

A Rebours
St. Paul · 410 Saint Peter St.
651-665-0656

Il Vesco Vino
St. Paul · 579 Selby Avenue
651-222-7000 · Moderate

Luci Ancora
St. Paul · 2060 Randolph Avenue
651-698-6889 · Moderate

Ristorante Luci
Saint Paul · 470 Cleveland Ave.
651-699-8258 · Moderate

Scusi
St. Paul · 1806 St. Clair Ave.
651-789-7007 · Moderate

Red's Savoy Inn and Restaurant
St. Paul · 421 Seventh St. E.
651-227-1437 · Moderate

Trattoria Da Vinci
St. Paul · 400 Sibley Street
651-222-4050 · Moderate

Buca di Beppo
St. Paul · 2728 Gannon Road
651-772-4388 · Inexpensive

Pazzaluna Urban Italian Restaurant & Bar
St. Paul · 360 Saint Peter St.
651-223-7000 · Expensive

D'amico & Sons
St. Paul · 975 Grand Avenue
651-227-9933

Donatelli's
St. Paul · 2692 E. County Rd. East
651-777-9199

Italian Pie Shoppe
St. Paul · 1670 Grand Avenue
651-221-0093

Old Chicago/Rock Bottom Restaurant
St. Paul · 1312 Town Centre Dr.
651-688-0882 · Inexpensive

Barrio Tequila
St. Paul · 235 East 6th Street
612-333-9953 · Moderate

Pop!! Restaurant
St. Paul · 6 West 6th Street
651-228-1002 · Moderate

Boca Chica Restaurante
St. Paul · 11 Cesar Chavez
651-222-8499

Bennett's Chop and Railhouse
St. Paul · 1305 West 7th Street
651-228-1408 · Moderate

St. Paul Grill and Bar
St. Paul · 350 Market Street
651-224-7455 · Expensive

St. Paul Grill and Bar
St. Paul · 350 Market Street
651-224-7455 · Expensive

Outback Steakhouse
St. Paul · 1770 Beam Avenue
651-748-0661 · Moderate

Outback Steakhouse
St. Paul · 2181 Snelling Ave. N.
651-697-1224 · Moderate

Red Lobster
St. Paul · 2330 Prior Ave. N.
952-888-8102 · Moderate

Red Lobster
St. Paul · 2925 White Bear Ave. N.
651-770-8825 · Moderate

The Best Steak House
St. Paul · 1676 White Bear Ave.
651-776-5419

Timber Lodge Steakhouse
St. Paul · 8340 City Centre Dr.
651-735-3900

Cherokee
St. Paul · 886 Smith Avenue
651-457-2729

Red Lobster
St. Paul · 8350 3rd Ave. N.
651-264-0151 · Moderate

The Original Gabe's By The Park
St. Paul · 991 N. Lexington Pkwy.
651-646-3066 · Moderate

Esta Van Zandt

(KO #1) M-Tu

Esta Venetia Van Zandt, one of the top players of the Southwest and a two-time North American champion, died April 19, 2008 in Houston. Born in Calcutta, India, Van Zandt was the only child of Seemah and Sam Silliman. She came to the US in 1946 after marrying a young US Air Force navigator, Kenneth Ray Van Zandt. An avid bridge player, she became a Life Master in 1962. She was the first female Grand Life Master in Houston. Her North American titles were the Rockwell Mixed Pairs with Jim Zimmerman and the Chicago Mixed Board-a-Match Teams, both in 1981.

Kay Johnson of Houston was a friend and admirer of Van Zandt. Johnson recalled that Van Zandt made trips with students and friends, even when she was ill. "To Esta, there was family, friends, church and bridge, so there was not much room for anything else." Johnson said, "She was a person who stood out in a crowd. She was a leader and teacher who was dedicated to improvement and enjoyment of the game. In the last days of her life, although bedridden, she would call late at night for the day's results at the Bridge Studio. She wanted the details of all the activities and the interaction of her many friends. We will all miss her and know that she is organizing a game in heaven."

Things to Do in St. Paul

Como Park Zoo & Conservatory, 1225 Estabrook Dr St. Paul, MN

Strolling through the lush, colorful, and ever-changing gardens at the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory (formerly Como Park Conservatory), it's clear why more than 300 couples a year choose the Como Park for weddings. Gardens to walk through, fountains, a large pond with huge Koi fish, a small water play area for young children. ...

Science Museum of Minnesota, 120 Kellogg Blvd St. Paul, MN

This hands-on museum, beautifully situated on the bluffs of the Mississippi River, is a playground... I breezed through the three floors in less than an hour and had plenty of time to see the exhibits .

Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Blvd W St. Paul, MN

The Minnesota Historical Society is chief caretaker of Minnesota's

Twin City Model Railroad Museum, 1021 Bandana Boulevard East Suite 222 Saint Paul MN

Train-loving kids will swoon over the wonderful 3,000-square-foot O-scale operational model railroad here. On Saturdays they have two Thomas the Train setups for the young kids to play with.

James J. Hill House, 240 Summit Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota

Guides lead tours that help you imagine family and servant life in the Gilded Age mansion. Free street parking is adequate.

Wabasha Street Caves. 215 Wabasha St S, Saint Paul, Minnesota

In the 1920s and 1930s, St. Paul was known as a safe haven for many of the country's most notorious hoodlums... The tour hosts are friendly but not pros.

Schubert Club Museum of Musical Instruments, 75 West Fifth St, St Paul, MN

Rice Park nearby is also worth strolling through.

Cathedral of St. Paul, 175 West Kellogg Boulevard Saint Paul MN

Built in 1915 on the highest point in the city, this cathedral is one of the largest in the country. The only disappointing part of the experience was the attendants.

Minnesota Children's Museum, 10 W Seventh St, Saint Paul, MN

collections: Burrow through a giant anthill, take the stage in a music studio, get nose-to-beak with a toucan. The Minnesota Children's Museum is a five-story indoor playground featuring dozens of activities

Gibbs Farm Museum, 2097 W Larpenteur Ave, St Paul, MN

A remnant of our native and pioneer past right in the middle of the metro.

Les Bolstad Univ. of Mn Golf Course

2275 Larpenteur Ave W, Saint Paul, Minnesota

The course is pretty well maintained, has a nice mature layout. Pace of play was really good and the staff was friendly .

Saint Paul Gangster Tours, 215 Wabasha Street, Saint Paul, Minnesota

Overall the tour is a great, entertaining way to delve into St. Paul

Alexander Ramsey House, 265 S Exchange St, Saint Paul, Minnesota

The Ramsey House is one of the best preserved Victorian houses in the country---

Highland National Golf Course, 1403 Montreal Ave, Saint Paul

For a public executive course, Highland 9 is well maintained and fun to get out and play.

Fort Snelling Golf Course, 6399 Fort Snelling Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota Fort Snelling's 9 hole doesn't cheat you on distance - a full 2700 yards off the white tees, it provides for plenty of experience.

Minnesota State Capitol, 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. St. Paul, MN

Beautiful domed building in heart of St. Paul. On Interstate 94 for easy access. Limited parking available....

History Center Museum, 345 W Kellogg Blvd, Saint Paul, Minnesota

Landmark Center, 75 W 5th St, St Paul, MN

Since it is free , it's a great way to kill an hour or so out of the rain or cold

Como Golf Course

1431 North Lexington Parkway, Saint Paul, Minnesota

Jackson Street Roundhouse, 193 Pennsylvania Ave East, Saint Paul

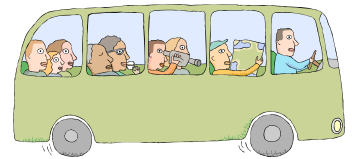
If your child loves trains this place is fantastic.

My boys have always been fascinated by trains, and seeing real trains was awesome.

Phalen Park Golf Course, St. Paul, Minnesota

Well maintained, friendly and helpful staff and a lovely walk.

Back 9 is pretty tough. Too many trees and blind tee shots.



Free Lunch Menu:
Tuesday – Soup and Sandwiches
Wednesday – Grilled chicken breast and vegetable pasta and salad
Thursday – Assorted wraps and pasta salad buffet
Friday—Ham, Turkey or Roast Beef Sandwich, Chips and Coleslaw
Saturday – Char-broiled burgers with potato salad and chips

Tuesday Hospitality:
Free Coffee Morning and Afternoon
Free Lunch – Soup and Sandwich buffet

Daily Door Prizes in the Open Games

Monday: Bridge tote bag with pen and note pad



Tuesday: \$25 gift card from Machine Shed, bridge tote bag, pen and note pad, free play at TCBC



Wednesday: Famous Dave's BBQ sauce and meat rub, Bridge tote bag, pen and note pad, free play at TCBC

Thursday: drink bottle with straw from N. St. Paul, Carl Pavano autographed baseball, free play at TCBC



Friday: Famous Dave's BBQ sauce and meat rub, drink bottle with straw from N. St. Paul, coffee cup from Anchor Bank, free play at TCBC

Saturday: bridge tote bag, pen and note pad, bridge key chain, metal coffee cup from Anchor Bank, free play at TCBC

Sunday: Famous Dave's BBQ sauce and meat rub, drink bottle with straw from N. St. Paul, bridge tote with pen and note pad, free play at TCBC

We have certificates from Green Mill that offer 20% discount if group spends \$25 +.

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Each partnership must have two identically filled-out convention cards on the table at all times.

Turn off your cell phones!
Penalties will be assessed if phones ring in the playing area ... whether or not they are answered!



Welcome to the 2012 US Bridge Federation Regional Bridge Tournament sponsored by MN Units 103 & 178!

We are delighted that you are here to enjoy 6.5 days of fun-filled bridge events. The USBF Regional is a special event given to our units to help raise funds for the teams that represent the USA in international competition. We are honored that Ben Kristenson, a young bridge star from Duluth, MN, represented the USA in China this past July.

We have a new venue, the Holiday Inn East St. Paul and we hope you enjoy this new site for this regional. The space is more limited than our Ramada MOA site by the airport but we are sure you will enjoy its well-lit ballroom and wide hallways. We have taken over one of the hotel's restaurants on the first floor for Intermediate Newcomer games.

We have team games and pair games every day of the tournament. If you need a partner or teammates please leave your name at the Partnership Desk on the 2nd Floor so the volunteers can help match you up.

Please enjoy the Hospitality at the tournament which includes free coffee mornings and afternoons and free lunch on Tuesday -Saturday. There is a nominal charge for lunch on Sunday.

If you are an out of town guest, take advantage of our dinner shuttle by signing up at the Information desk each day.

Stop by the tables of our vendors who are selling all made in the USA merchandise and support the bookseller who is here to help you improve your bridge game.

The free mini-lesson **Speakers Series for newer players** will be held in the **V-One Room** Tuesday - Saturday from 12:15-12:45 pm. Additionally, from 12:45- 1:15pm in the McKnight Ballroom, there will be interesting and informative bridge topics from some of the best players in the country(world) theTwin Cities to help you see how other people prepare for the competition and do their best at the table.

The two-session Gold Rush Pairs for players with 0-750 master points are offered Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Winning your section or placing overall pays gold points. Also regionally rated morning Swiss Teams are Wednesday/ Thursday or Friday/Saturday and there is a 2 session Swiss Team on Thursday afternoon and evening.

We have many generous sponsors for this tournament and want to thank everyone who contributed: MN Units 103 and 178 and Nebraska Units 184 and 241; Kivel Electric; and games honoring Roger Anderson and Harold Dodson and a memorial game for Jeannette Wier.

Have a wonderful time, meet new people and win lots of master points! Let us know if there is anything we can do to improve your experience at the tournament. Have fun - welcome to the Minnesota USBF Regional.

Patti Stuhlman, Sue Jackson, Wayne Gergen, Co-Chairs

Puzzle Page ...

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Sudoku 1

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Sudoku 2

**Answers
on Bottom
of Page**

Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.
 I would ask God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.
 We live in a society where pizza gets to your house before the police.
 Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
 If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.
 We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
 War does not determine who is right - only who is left.
 Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
 Children: You spend the first 2 years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next 16 years telling them to sit down and shut-up.

One Liners
spend the next

Vendors at the USBF Regional All "Made in the USA"

Margarete Lucht, Candle Maker

Margarete came to MN from Germany many years ago. She started as a hobby beekeeper at Richardson Nature Center. This hobby led her into candle making and her business "HoneyGlow" evolved. People love to buy her non-toxic candles made of pure beeswax. They burn with no smoke: she uses pure cotton wicks. Her candles are naturally scented with honey and are made in MN.

Cassie Tyler, Seamstress (Jackets by Cassie)

Cassie Tyler has designed and made clothing since she was a teenager. She started quilting 4 years ago and enjoys the vivid colors of the fabrics. She has been

married 40 years and lives in Elk River, MN.

Char Thelen, American Doll clothes

Char retired after 33 years of teaching at the elementary level. She dabbles in sewing and enjoys the challenge of creating something different. Doll clothes, baby items, and bunny apparel are her forte. She lives in Monticello, MN with her husband of 34 years.

Donna Peterson, Quilts by Donna

Donna has been crafting for 40 years. She has taught knitting, crocheting and quilting. She owned and operated a quilt shop for 6 years and now runs a quilting business from her home. Donna lives in rural Monticello with her husband, Scott.

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

Sudoku 2 Solution

Jeremy Lewis, Bridge Book Desk

Buy any 2 books and get a discount of 10% off both books. Four great books to look for: How to *Play Like and Expert without having to Be One* by Mel Colchamiro; *The Rodwell Files* by Eric Rodwell; 2009 Book of the Year: *A Bridge to Inspired Declarer Play* by Julian Laderman and 2010 Book of the Year: *Take all Your Chances* by Eddie Kantar.

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Sudoku 1 Solution

MN USBF Regional Bridge Tournament October 8-14, 2012

Committees, Hospitality and Events at the Tournament

Caddies – Chair Verda Gould

youth caddies - weekend - the Retired Aquatennial Senior Organization caddies Monday through Friday.

Partnership – Chair Maureen Weiman

Volunteers work 45 minutes before game time. 1 volunteer before morning game, 2 volunteers before afternoon, 1 volunteer before evening session Maureen is matching people before the tournament for those who have asked for partners. She has also recruited standby partners for each session so that we will be able to match the maximum number of people.

Information Desk – Chair Wayne Gergen -- Bridge Center of St. Paul

Volunteers work 45 minutes before game time to answer questions about the tournament and local restaurants, etc. – Candy is available at the Info Desk. Convention card holders are for sale \$2 -- flyers and restaurant guides on table. 1 volunteer in the morning, 2 before the afternoon and evening sessions A sign up sheet for the Restaurant Shuttle (for out of town guests) will be at the Info Desk every day Tuesday through Saturday. Solicit door prizes from the restaurants.

Hospitality and Hotel Liaison – Patti Stuhlman

Coordinate the lunch between the morning and afternoon sessions Free AM and afternoon Coffee, Snack Bar Liaison,

Dinner Shuttle – Sue and Steve Jackson A sign up sheet for the Restaurant Shuttle (for out of town guests) will be at the Info Desk every day Tuesday through Saturday.

Signage – Stephanie and Larry Miller

Chat Bridge – Jean Boettcher and Stephanie Miller

Bridge Discussion Coordinator – Chair Mike Cassel

– 12:15-12:45 pm Wednesday-Saturday will organize the speakers for the daily Lesson series.

Intermediate Newcomers Program – Chairs Larry and Stephanie Miller

Publicity, New Player Helpers, distribute trophies; Monday – Free Newcomers Game for 0-5. Coordinate the speakers program and I/N door prizes.

Raffle of Ipad – Stephanie and Larry Miller

Properties – Chair John Ferguson

120 tables to be delivered, set-up and returned and 400 bidding boxes. Recruit people for set up and take down.

Sue Jackson -- Scoremate system from Mpls and St. Paul

Daily Bulletin – Suzi Subeck, editor

Each day assembles the daily bulletin. Please submit any information that you would like to see in the Daily bulletin.

Vendors and Bookseller – Mary and Larry McIntyre – recruit vendors and bookseller for the tournament.

Seeding Committee – Chair Steve Gaynor Plan seeding for pair events to assure more even distribution of the sections.

Appeals Committee – Chair John Koch Convene appeals committees when needed at the tournament.

PR – Chair Nancy Glenn and Annie Schaeffer

Send flyers to clubs in the district; distributed them at the Mpls. and St. Paul Bridge Centers. Flyers at the district tournaments. Distribute I/N flyers to 199 games and lessons.

General Coordination – Organization and Troubleshooting – Patti Stuhlman, Wayne Gergen and Sue Jackson

Ad in the August ACBL bulletin. Hotel liaison; budget; office supplies; support for committees Compose the email blast sent out from the ACBL to neighboring districts.

Daily Upstairs Mini-Lesson Schedule

Time: 12:15 pm to 12:40 pm.

In the main playing area

Wednesday , 10/10,

Howie Weinstein/Steve Garner, Q & A with World Class “ex-Locals”

Thursday , 10/11, Mike Cassel

An Intro to Getting into the Bidding, by Bill Treble

Friday, 5/25 John Koch

Un-Conventional Doubles

Saturday,5/26 Curt and Ben Kristensen

The Junior Program and Bridge in China



A Raffle to Benefit the USBF Regional

A new iPad could be yours.

Buy a \$5 raffle ticket at the information desk

The proceeds from the raffle help us offer hospitality for the USBF Regional

A Hand from the Recent Tai Chang World Youth Team Championships

Board 5
 Dealer: N
 N/S Vul.
 ♠ AK65
 ♥ 7
 ♦ 84
 ♣ AKQ952

♠ J7
 ♥ KQT983
 ♦ A3
 ♣ T74



♠ Q9
 ♥ 6542
 ♦ KJT765
 ♣ 3

♠ T8432
 ♥ AJ
 ♦ Q92
 ♣ J86

West	North	East	South
Lhuissier	Dodge	Franceschetti	Gannon
	1C	3D	Pass
Pass	3S	Pass	4D
Double	Pass	Pass	4H
Pass	5C	Pass	5S
All Pass			

Wang	Coudert	Wang	Lorenzini
	1C	3D	Pass
Pass	3S	Pass	4S
All Pass			

Stephen Dodge and Sean Gannon of the USA2 Junior team bid one level too high to a contract of five spades on this deal from the August World Youth Team Championships in Tai Chang. It took excellent defense to defeat this contract.

Dodge and Gannon's opponents, Pierre Franceschetti, and Nicolas Lhuissier, of France, exhibited fine technique to force an uppercut that allowed Dodge to collect only ten tricks: Pierre led the seven of diamonds to his partner's ace. Nicolas continued with a diamond to Pierre's king. Pierre led a third round of diamonds, Nicolas ruffing with his jack! (Ed note: Not necessary since the seven would have forced the same honor from Dodge... but Lhuissier did not know that for certain.) Dodge was forced to overruff, establishing young Pierre's queen of spades as the setting trick.

In real life, Dodge had no chance at this point. As declarer, however, he was not aware of the position. If he could find now singleton queen with either opponent, or singleton nine on his left, he could come to eleven tricks. This is likely a 2-1 play since there are two singleton queens that make the hand for him and only one singleton nine that does the same. At the table, he went to dummy with a heart and led the ten of spades. This lost to the queen and he was down one.

In the other room, Coudert and Lorenzini bid to game, giving up on the possibility of slam at the four level. Wang led his singleton club in an effort to take four tricks, however, the favorable spade split combined with the long running club suit, produced thirteen tricks for Coudert.

The result: 13 IMPs to France

Board 16
 Dealer: W
 E/W Vul.
 ♠ J8643
 ♥ A6
 ♦ T8
 ♣ JT54

♠ AT52
 ♥ K52
 ♦ KQ543
 ♣ Q



♠ K9
 ♥ JT93
 ♦ J92
 ♣ A832

♠ Q7
 ♥ Q874
 ♦ A76
 ♣ K976

In the same match, France drew blood again on Board 16. Lhuissier and Franceschetti bid to 3NT while Wang and Wang stopped in a safe 1NT. It is only 14 opposite 9 points and, in reality, 3NT can be defeated on any reasonable lead short of a small club.

The problem is that a small club is so normal!!

At both tables, the auction started out: 1D-P-1H-P-1S-P-1NT... The Wangs, quite reasonably passed it out there, while the French West tried 2H with his K52 of hearts and his singleton club queen. East read this as forward going and jumped to game in NT.

Clearly both auctions scream for a club lead.

Dutifully, both Souths led the six of clubs, fourth from their longest and strongest suit. Unfortunately for them, a low club was the only lead to give declarer his second club trick before the ace of diamonds was disengaged...

And it was the only route to nine tricks.

The result: 10 IMPs to France

Puzzle Page ...

A new cooking class, part of the adult education program, started on Monday night at the local high school. Skip, the class teacher and a professional chef, was bubbling over with enthusiasm for his new class and new chance to teach others his love of cooking. He admitted it was the first time he'd tried teaching a formal class but he joked that he had lots of on-the-job experience training the kitchen staff at his restaurant. The first night was just an introduction to the class, what he hoped to cover, and a chance for him to get an idea of the skill level of his five students. He was delighted to find out that he had a group of students who already knew their way around a kitchen. So, for the next class, he asked them to bring a couple of their favorite things with them. Determine the full name of each person, one of their favorite seasonings and the favorite recipe each made with that seasoning.

1. The one who loved paprika made delicious vegetable lasagna, but it wasn't Arthur.
2. Stan, whose last name wasn't Night, didn't cook with spearmint.
3. Mr. Bradley loved cooking with cinnamon. Jake, whose last name wasn't Manor, loved to cook with basil but his favorite recipe wasn't grilled swordfish.
4. Paul made hobo potatoes but not using spearmint. Arthur's last name wasn't Night.
5. Frank Jones didn't make grilled swordfish. Stan, whose last name wasn't Manor, made an awesome slow roasted pork loin but not using sage.
6. Mr. Summer, whose first name wasn't Arthur, made a great seasoned chicken but not using sage.

	Bradley	Jones	Manor	Night	Summer	Basil	Cinnamon	Sage	Paprika	Spearmint	Grilled swordfish	Hobo potatoes	Roasted pork	Seasoned chicken	Vegetable lasagne
Arthur															
Frank															
Jake															
Paul															
Stan															
Grilled swordfish															
Hobo potatoes															
Roasted pork															
Seasoned chicken															
Vegetable lasagne															
Basil															
Cinnamon															
Sage															
Paprika															
Spearmint															

First Name	Last Name	Seasoning	Snack
Arthur			
Frank			
Jake			
Paul			
Stan			

(Answer on Page 9)

A Hand from the Recent Lille Mind Sports Games

Board 27 ♠ KQJ9852
 Dealer: S ♥ J3
 None Vul. ♦

♣ KT42

♠ T
 ♥ 752
 ♦ JT96
 ♣ J8763



♠ 76
 ♥ QT4
 ♦ AKQ87
 ♣ AQ9

♠ A43
 ♥ AK986
 ♦ 5432
 ♣ 5

West	North	East	South
Gartaganis	H Lall	Gartaganis	P Hamman
Pass	1S	2D	1H
4D	4NT	Pass	Double
Pass	6S	All Pass	5H

Pepsi	Wolpert	Wortel	Wolpert
Pass	1S	Double	1H
2C	4D	Double	Redouble (support)
All Pass			4S

In the recent TransNational Mixed Teams in Lille, France, two very experienced pairs of excellent international players took very different views on Board 27. Hemant Lall and Petra Hamman were extremely aggressive on their combined 21 high card points to bid the cold spade slam. Darrin Wolpert and his mother, Hazel, were less aggressive, but still aggressive to bid the 21 point major suit game!

At Hamman's table, Gartaganis led the king of diamonds. Hamman ruffed. She played a heart to dummy to lead the singleton club toward her king. East won the king with the ace and shifted to a trump. Hamman won, played a heart to dummy, pulled the last trump, ruffed a heart and claimed twelve tricks.

At the other table, Wortel led a spade. Wolpert won the king in hand, cashed ace of hearts, king of hearts, and a small heart on which he pitched a low club. Wortel won the heart queen and Wolpert claimed eleven tricks. Wolpert was hoping hearts didn't split so the slam was not cold on a trump lead. Had Wolpert trumped the last heart, he could concede a club and return to dummy with a club ruff to collect all twelve tricks.

The result: 11 IMPs to Hamman/Lall

About the UNITED STATES BRIDGE FEDERATION:

The UNITED STATES BRIDGE FEDERATION was formed in 2001, for the primary purposes of selecting and supporting United States teams in International Competition and supporting the World Bridge Federation in its efforts to obtain Olympic recognition for bridge. After making a significant effort to promote bridge as an Olympic Sport, including sending a team to the Salt Lake City IOC in 2002, USBF now focuses on selecting teams for International competition, by holding the United States Bridge Championships (aka the International Team Trials) for Open, Women, Senior and Junior teams, and on providing training and support for United States teams in International competition. The USBF was originally formed by the ACBL and the ABA. It now receives support for United States International Teams from the ACBL International Fund and ACBL Junior Fund. It is otherwise self-supporting, with support coming from membership dues, contributions and entry fees for the USBCs... as well as fees from its annual Regional (as this one!!)

Joan Gerard, USBF President, wants to thank the many volunteers from District 14 who are making this 2012 Regional a reality. She hopes that both District 14 and the USBF will benefit from the experience.



Some members of the USBF Board of Directors will be with us the week: Among them, Minnesota native, Howie Weinstein. Have fun and win lots of masterpoints!!

Joan Gerard

Tues-Saturday: Restaurant Shuttle

If you are from out of state and without a car, we have a small number of volunteers available to drive you to a some area restaurants for dinner (Sunsets, Axel's Bonfire, The Machine Shed, Outback Steakhouse, Olive Garden, Champps, Taste of Thai, and Chili's). You must sign up for this service by 1:15 each day at the information desk.

Stan	Bradley	Cinnamon	Pork
Paul	Night	Sage	Potatoes
Jake	Summer	Basil	Chicken
Frank	Jones	Paprika	Lasagne
Arthur	Manor	Spearmint	Swordfish
First Name	Last Name	Seasoning	Snack

Baseball Jokes

According to the *Chicago Tribune*, the following statistic was given in the press notes for the June 7 Chicago-Oakland game:

The Oakland Athletics are 32-0 in games in which they have scored more runs than their opponents.

A conceited new rookie was pitching his first game. He walked the first five men he faced and the manager took him out of the game. The rookie slammed his glove on the ground as he yelled, "Damn it, the jerk took me out when I had a no-hitter going."

A couple of Yogi Berra's teammates on the Yankees ball club swear that one night the stocky catcher was horrified to see a baby toppling off the roof of a cottage across the way from him. Yogi dashed over and made a miraculous catch - but then force of habit proved too much for him. He straightened up and threw the baby to second base.

A doctor at an insane asylum decided to take his patients to a baseball game.

For weeks in advance, he coached his patients to respond to his commands.

When the day of the game arrived, everything seemed to be going well. As the National Anthem started.....the doctor yelled, "Up Nuts" And the patients complied by standing up.

After the anthem ...he yelled, "Down Nuts". And they all sat back down in their seats.

After a home run was hit, the doctor yelled, "Cheer Nuts". They all brokeout into applause and cheered.

When the umpire made a particularly bad call against the star of the home team, the Doctor yelled, "Booooo Nuts!!!" and they all started booing and cat calling.

Thinking things were going very well. The doctor decided to go get a beer and a hot dog, leaving his assistant in charge.

When he returned, there was a riot in progress. Finding his assistant, the doctor asked, "What in the world happened?"

The assistant replied, "Well, everything was going just fine till a vendor passed by and yelled PEANUTS!"

A man walks into a bar with a dog. The bartender says, "You can't bring that dog in here."

"You don't understand," says the man. "This is no regular dog, he can talk."

"Listen, pal," says the bartender. "If that dog can talk, I'll give you a hundred bucks."

The man puts the dog on a stool, and asks him, "What's on top of a house?"

"Roof!"

"Right. And what's on the outside of a tree?"

"Bark!"

"And who's the greatest baseball player of all time?"

"Ruth!"

"I guess you've heard enough," says the man. "I'll take the hundred in twenties."

The bartender is furious. "Listen, pal," he says, "get out of here before I belt you."

As soon as they're on the street, the dog turns to the man and says, "Do you think I should have said 'DiMaggio'?"

Comedian Rich Hall said he figured out why Pete Rose isn't in the Hall of Fame.

"Pete was probably sitting in some bar and told this guy he wouldn't make the Hall of Fame."

"That's crazy," the guy replies, "Of course, you can get in. Look at all the records you set"

"Bet you a million bucks I don't get elected."

It was so foggy today that the Cubs couldn't even see who was beating them.

MLB is deciding whether or not to reinstate Pete Rose in the 98 season.

When asked about it, Rose said, "I hope they do, cause I've got \$50 riding on it."

One Day the Devil challenged the Lord to a baseball game.

Smiling the Lord proclaimed, "You don't have a chance, I have Babe Ruth, Mickey Mantle, and all the greatest players up here".

"Yes", snickered the devil, "but I have all the umpires."

One morning in elementary school, the students were going to a geography class. The teacher wanted to show the students where cities and states are.

The teacher asks the class, "Does anyone know where Pittsburgh is?" Billy raises up his hand and says, "Yeah, Pennsylvania!". The teacher replies, "Very good, Billy!, now can anyone tell me were Detroit is?"

Suzy raises her hand and says, "That's in Michigan!" The teacher again says, "Very good."

Trying to confuse the children, she now asks, "Where's Kansas City?" Tommy raises his hand and says, "Oh Oh Pick me!!!, I know?" The teacher says, "OK, Tommy where is Kansas City?"

"Last place."

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