

♠ ♥ The Bridge Buff ♦ ♣

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Brian Meyer, Editor

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This year is beginning to wind down. There are only three more Unit events to attend to: the September Sectional, the Whist Club Unit Game in November and the Unit Annual Meeting in December.

Joyce Kindt and Donna Steffan did another terrific job on the July Pro-Am game. When I hear them speak about the difficulties they encountered along the way trying to ensure that there was enough food for the "Taste of Buffalo" and attempting to make favorable Pro-Am partner pairings so that everyone has a good time, it makes all of us wonder why the heck they would ever run this event more than once. But they say that they love it and are rewarded by having the non-Life Masters thank them for letting them play in the event and begging to have it run again makes it all worth it.

This year we took a loss on the Pro-Am game of about \$150. This can all be accounted for by the increase in the cost of renting the space to hold the game, with Saturday being more expensive than any other day because we are in competition for the space with weddings. Many of the games and events that we host are subsidized by the Unit. There have been complaints about the Summer Event (read picnic) as being no longer free to all members. The Unit took a loss of three dollars per person on the food alone, not including directors' fees, or any of the other costs of running the two games. We also sustained a loss on the Charity Wine and Cheese Game, because of the donation to Hospice, and will again on the Annual Meeting as \$2 per person does not begin to cover the expense of the food or the game. But this is business as usual. We do not expect to make money on Unit games, and are happy when we do; our

chief money earners are the Sectionals if they are well attended and we do not incur the expense of hiring an out-of-the-area director. The Unit receives a mere \$3.50 per person from your ACBL dues.

Banchetti by Rizzo, a new location for us, was the setting for the Summer Event. We heard nothing but praise for the site and will be returning there again next year. I cannot ladle enough praise on Paul Libby for a doing a great job. He had a committee but he did the lion share of the workload. To assume chairpersonship of such a large event in his first year on the Board, says loads about both his ability for organization and willingness to go beyond that which is required. A truly awesome job Paul.

Coming Events:

It's time once again for the **Margaret McCarthy Sectional** on **September 12-14** at the **Ellicott Creek Fire Hall**. This is the same location that we have had for the last several Annual Meetings. Game times are at 1:00 and 7:00 on Friday with hospitality to follow, Saturday at 10:30 and 3:30 with bagels before the morning session and the Swiss teams will begin on Sunday at 11:00 am with doughnuts preceding the game.

The **Spooktacular Buffalo Regional** will be held at the **Adam's Mark Hotel** from **October 28 – November 2**. Check fliers and inside this issue for events and times.

The **Whist Club Unit Game** will be held at the **Zion Church of Christ** on Koenig Ave. on **November 8 at 7:30 p.m.** It will be an **Imp Pairs Game** with the scoring a little different than matchpoints; masterpoints will still be awarded, however, in the usual manner.

Block in the date, **December 14**, for the **Unit 116 Annual Meeting** and elections to the Board. Candidates for the four openings are listed elsewhere in this issue.

Kathy Pollock, President Unit 116

299er SECTIONAL**Friday Pairs**

A	B	C
1	1	Edie Moran, Sue O'Connor
2		Edward Borosky, Elsie Rogers
3		Patricia & Michael Weber
4	2	Allen Beroza, Barbara Pieterse
5		Mary E. Strassburg, Janis Smith
6		Fran Kurtz, Alberta Brown
	3	Teresa Fraas, Elaine Universal

Saturday Pairs

A	B	C
1		Allen Beroza, Fran Kurtz
2		Patricia & Michael Weber
3	1	John Ricotta, Kirk Larson
4		Alice Szmanda, Edward Borosky
6	2	Aage Pettersen, Craig Schmidt
	3	Georgia Kells, Gina Cambell
	4	Walt Olozewski, Mahendra Rana
	5	Bob Rivard, Ethel Schippnick

Sunday Swiss Teams

A	B	
1	1	Teresa Fraas, Brian & Elaine Universal, John Kirsits
2		Brian Heaphy, Fran Kurtz, Scott & Jean Wilson

HUNT VALLEY REGIONAL**Tuesday Eve BAM Teams**

3/4	Eugene Harvey, James Gullo, Jerry Geiger, T. Carter
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Mon Open KO Bracket 2

3/4	Eugene Harvey, Jerry Geiger, James Gullo; J. Green
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Mystery Team Event from Website

5	Eugene Harvey, James Gullo, Jerry Geiger, J. Geist
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Wednesday Zip KO'S

1	James Gullo, Jerry Geiger, Eugene Harvey, J. Geist
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Thursday Swiss Teams

6B	Eugene Harvey, James Gullo, B. Quaster, C. Maddux
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Friday Side Pairs

5A/2B	James Gullo, C. Wilkinson
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SECAUCUS REGIONAL**Mon-Tue KOs - Bracket 1**

2	Eugene Harvey, Brian Meyer, Brian Mampe, Jerry Geiger
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Wed-Thu KOs - Bracket 1

2	Jerry Geiger, Brian Mampe, Eugene Harvey, Brian Meyer
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Compact KOs - Bracket 2

1	Jerry Geiger, Brian Mampe, C. Kofron, J. Bartow
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DISTRICT 5 OLYMPIAD**Saturday Evening Stratified Pairs**

2A	John Bielinski, Eugene Harvey
3A	Joanne Kelley, Alberta Brown
5A/1B	Allen Beroza, Diane Jeffrey

Silver Medal Winners

John Bielinski and Eugene Harvey

Bronze Medal Winners

Joanne Kelley and Alberta Brown

Non-medal Olympic achievement

Allen Beroza and Diane Jeffrey

LONG BEACH NATIONALS**Friday Pairs**

10	Marcia Freed, Sharon Benz
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Saturday Flight A/X Pairs

6	John Toy, John Conway
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Life Master Pairs (NATIONAL)

22	K. Cohen, Dan Gerstman
25	J. Hurd, Joel Wooldridge

Tuesday Flight A/X Pairs

6	P. Yates, John Toy
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Mini Spingold I

9/16	Jill & Pow Wooldridge, Sharon Benz, Judith Marshall
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IMP Pairs (NATIONAL)

24	Joel Wooldridge, J. Hurd
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FAST PAIRS (NATIONAL)

1	J. Hurd, Joel Wooldridge
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WORLD JUNIOR TEAMS

Congratulations to Joel Wooldridge and his teammates from USA2 who brought home the Bronze medal from the recent World Junior Teams Championships in Paris.

I am still seeking a story or two as this edition goes to print. In the semi-finals, Joel's team was down 90 at halftime to Italy, and down nearly 60 after three quarters. They mounted an enormous comeback, and ended up just short, losing by 1/2 an Imp! UGH! In the run for the Bronze medal, his team readily dispatched Poland.

So Long, Teammate!

Your editor was playing on a team with Jerry Geiger, Eugene Harvey, and Brian Mampe, at the Secaucus Regional in August when we lost Phyllis Post (August 4th). The director in charge wrote this wonderful article on the front page of the daily bulletin at our request:

A special remembrance

Written by: Doug Grove, D5 Director

This week, a team from the Buffalo area is dedicating their efforts to honor the memory of Phyllis Post. Phyllis was a close friend and former teammate who passed away recently. No doubt she would be pleased, both by their tribute and their performance - already the team has placed 2nd in the top bracket of two consecutive KO events. (1/2 of us went on to win the 2nd bracket of the compact KO Friday)

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

Unit 116 Elections are coming in December. Your current ballot includes (in alphabetical order):

John Bielinski	Dan Gerstman
Joanne Kelley	Kathy Pollock
Eric Shreiber	Donna Steffan

They will each have a snippet of information about themselves in the next Buff! I cannot emphasize how important voting is. If you do not vote, please do not complain. You can affect change in this Unit only by making

your choices for the board, and then telling them your thoughts with regard to any bridge related issues.

Hey, I paid my money, too!

By: Jerry Geiger

While playing in Gatlinburg, I picked up this hand at favorable vulnerability. LHO was the dealer.

S: --- H: 542 D: 7 C: KJT865432

LHO	Pard	RHO	Me
1D	3S	4NT	?

After a little bit of thought I decided, what the hell, and bid 7 Clubs! LHO goes into the tank and finally passes and RHO doubles ending the auction.

Partner tabled:

QT98653 97 93 97 (ed note: **yikes!**)

This seems like a great contract, as I know that our partners can make 6D, 6H or 7NT from my left or 7D, 7H or 7NT from my right. So, I go for 1100 after great defense.

LHO:	AJ	KQJT6	QT8642	void
RHO:	K742	A82	AKJ5	AQ

Moral of the story? My bubble finally burst, when we got back to our teammates' table and they only were in 5D making six. That is somewhat how the week went. (ed note: are you sure you weren't in Buffalo?)

The Pro-Am revisited!

By: Joyce Kindt and Donna Steffan

This year's Pro-am was another smashing success. Many thanks to the following pros for their participation: Bob Andersen, Bill Bascom, John Bielinski, Dorothy Boyd, Pat Burns, Bev Dale, Luke Danielson, Betty Dorio, Bill Finkelstein, Gerry Fried, Inge Gallant, Jeanne Gladysz, Dot Grosicki, Jim Gullo, Bert Hargesheimer, Eugene Harvey, Ann Hoylman, Cliff Kaylor, Joanne Kelley, Christy Kellogg, Mike Kisiel, Alex Kowal, Stan Kozlowski, Jay Levy, Alice Lind, Mary Ludwiczak, Shirley Lyth, John (Continued at top of the next page)

Marvin, Wil McLaren, Louise Mink, Art Morth, Mary Ellen Mulhern, Betty Murphy, Bob Olin, Vince Pesce, Mark Pascale, Kathy Pollock, Jim Reineck, Joan Rose, Marianne Rindfleisch, Mike Ryan, Carolyn Siracuse, Charlie Tripi, & John Ziemer.

Thanks to ALL the AM's who helped carry their respective Pros to victory. The food, once again, was outstanding. We enjoy organizing this event and hope that you will be willing to participate again next year! THANK YOU!

North American Open Pairs District 5 Qualifier

October 18-19, 2003
Avalon Hotel in Downtown Erie
16 West 10th Street, Erie PA 16501
814-459-2220 or 800-922-5011

Open to all District 5 members who have qualified at the club level. You will enjoy a weekend of good competition and hospitality with a chance to win a trip to the NABC finals in Reno, Nevada.

Flight A = Unlimited (Midchart allowed)
Flight B = 0-2000 MP
Flight C = Non Life Master (< than 500 points)

Saturday, October 18, at 1:00 PM and TBA
Sunday, October 19, at 10:00 AM and TBA

For information call Pat Chisholm at 330-468-6569 or email patchiz@cs.com

THROWING US AN OFFSPEED CURVE BALL
Upcoming unit games will feature new scoring styles! Yes, for the first time in quite a while, our Unit has decided to tinker with the scoring on a couple of events, allowing you the player to enjoy more facets of this exciting game.

The November Unit Game hosted by the Whist Club will feature an IMP pairs scoring format. The February Unit Team game will feature Board-A-Match (BAM) scoring.

BE THERE FOR THE IMP PAIRS NOVEMBER 8TH

Tournament Scoring: MP vs IMP

Matchpoints and IMPs are two types of tournament scoring. In matchpoints, your board results are compared to everyone else's results. You get one matchpoint for each pair you beat, and one-half matchpoint for each pair you tie. The size of the difference in scores does not matter. Here is an example. Let's say you and your partner are sitting East-West and score +420 on Board 1. Let's also say there are 9 other East-Wests in the field who will play the exact same board and get their own results.

Pair #	Result	Matchpoints(for you)
Pair 1 (you)	+420	n/a
Pair 2	+420	+0.5
Pair 3	-100	+1.0
Pair 4	-50	+1.0
Pair 5	+450	+0.0
Pair 6	+450	+0.0
Pair 7	-150	+1.0
Pair 8	+50	+1.0
Pair 9	+420	+0.5
Pair 10	+420	+0.5

		+5.5

So on this board, you would receive 5.5 matchpoints out of 10, or 55%. 50% is average, so 55% is a good score. Your objective is to get as many matchpoints as possible on each board.

At IMP pairs, your IMP score is dependent on the size of the score difference between you and the field (as it would be in a team event versus the other team). You can find a convenient IMP-scale on the back of your convention card. You would calculate your IMPs based on comparing your score to the average of all results for that board.

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IN THE NEXT EDITION:

- Results from: Pro-Am and Summer Fling
- Results from the McCarthy Sectional
- The next online bidding poll (electronic)
- The Election Campaign Speeches
- More useful bridge club schedules!

On the above board, the field average (not including your score) is:

Pair 2 +420

Pair 3 -100

Pair 4 -50

Pair 5 +450

Pair 6 +450

Pair 7 -150

Pair 8 +50

Pair 9 +420

Pair 10 +420

+1510 divided by 9 = 212.22

. Thus, you find your net IMPS by subtracting the average from your score on the hand. 420 (your score) minus 212.22 = 207.78. 207.78 converts to 5 IMPs. You win 5 IMPs. This scores identically to a team game, however there are more scores which make up the 'datum' (the number which your score is compared to). The strategy in IMP pairs is the same in IMP teams - you are awarded to bidding close games. Overtricks are of a lesser significance (unlike matchpoints). For a look at B-A-M teams, check out the November-December Buff.

Sunshine, on my shoulder...

The Unit now has a sunshine committee that is being chaired by Joyce Kindt. Joyce would like to receive calls (she does not have email) with info about anyone who is sick or anyone who has passed away. She can be reached at: 693-1331.

ETHICS and ETIQUETTE Part Deux

By: Mike Ryan

As you all know, not bidding in tempo happens to be one of my frequent problems. Certainly, you are entitled time to think. However, a "longer-than-usual" pause preceding an action in the bidding or play can inappropriately convey information to partner. If the pause is followed by a positive action, usually no harm results to the opponents. The ethics of the game require that partner not take cognizance of any information that might be conveyed by the break in tempo. There are many other

instances where inadvertent or inappropriate communication of information can arise. Placing your hand on a bid, retracting the bid, etc. is a common example. Play of the cards should be made without emphasis, gesture, or mannerism, and to the extent feasible, at a uniform rate. If you are prone to these bad habits you should make a conscientious effort to improve your conduct of bidding and play.

An outstanding example of ethical conduct involved our own Dan Gerstman in the North American Open Swiss Teams event at the recent Philadelphia NABC. Dan's team had qualified for the final but Dan and his partner noted a scoring error in their favor. They reported the error, which resulted in their team failing to qualify by a margin of 1 Victory Point!

Etiquette

A player should maintain a courteous attitude toward partner and the opponents. Any remarks or actions that might cause annoyance or embarrassment to another player, or that might interfere with another player's enjoyment of the game, are to be avoided. As a matter of courtesy, a player should refrain from:

- paying insufficient attention;
- making gratuitous comments during the play as to the auction or the contract;
- detaching a card from the hand before it is that player's turn;
- mixing the cards together before the result has been agreed to;
- indicating any approval or disapproval of a call or play;
- indicating the expectation or intention of winning or losing a trick before play to that trick has been completed;
- commenting or acting during the auction or play to call attention to a significant occurrence, or to the number of tricks still required for success.

Folks - courtesy goes a long way. It's "Director, please" and "caddie please".

Also - we cannot see voices, so when you call us, please keep your hand raised!!!

THE AMHERST BRIDGE CLUB PRESENTS:**"AN INTRODUCTION TO DUPLICATE"**

EVERY TUESDAY EVENING FROM 7:00 - 9:30
This Program Is Designed for Those Players
Who Have Not Played in a Formal Duplicate
Game Before



A MINI-LESSON WILL BE GIVEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SESSION EXPLAINING A TOPIC IN DUPLICATE BRIDGE.

MATERIAL COVERED WILL INCLUDE BIDDING BOXES, THE CONVENTION CARD, SCORING, VULNERABILITY, THE MOVEMENT, AND DIRECTOR'S RULINGS.

AFTER THE MINI-LESSON, A SHORTENED DUPLICATE BRIDGE GAME WILL BE PLAYED OFFERING ACBL MASTERPOINTS.

THREE INSTRUCTORS WILL BE AVAILABLE. PLAYERS SHOULD ASK ABOUT BIDS OR PLAY DURING THE GAME.

This Is an Ideal Opportunity for Party Bridge Players to See What Duplicate Is All About!

EACH SESSION IS ONLY \$5.00 -- NO PARTNER IS NECESSARY

THE AMHERST BRIDGE CLUB IS LOCATED DOWNSTAIRS AT THE GAME ZONE 3860 SHERIDAN DRIVE AT HARLEM ROAD (JUST WEST OF THE 290). FOR FURTHER INFO CALL BILL AT 836-7016; OR, EMAIL BILLFINK1234@HOTMAIL.COM



REFRESHMENTS SERVED



Recently, the building that houses the Game Zone and the Amherst Bridge Club was sold.

However, the Game Zone has signed a new lease and has renewed its commitment to the club.

While the current location is ideal in many respects, an active search continues for a more accessible site.

AMHERST BRIDGE CLUB**DAILY SCHEDULE:**

Individuals who show up at least 15 minutes before any game will have a partner available.

ALL GAMES STRATIFIED -- \$5.00 A SESSION -- AIR CONDITIONED -- LIGHTED PARKING

TUESDAY

10:25AM	LECTURE BY DOROTHY BOYD
11:00AM	NON-LIFE MASTER PAIRS
7:30PM	INTRO TO DUPLICATE

WEDNESDAY

11:00AM	STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS
7:30PM	STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS

THURSDAY

11:00AM	STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS
6:55PM	GUEST LECTURE SERIES
7:30PM	INTERMEDIATE PAIRS

(1,000 MASTERPOINTS OR LESS)

FRIDAY

7:30PM	STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS
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(WITH HAND RECORDS)

SATURDAY

11:30AM	STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS
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The Amherst Bridge Club is looking for players interested serving as a mentor to new duplicate players (commitment is for two sessions only) and/or serving as an occasional substitute.

AMHERST BRIDGE CLUB SELECTED SPECIAL EVENTS

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS

More Masterpoints & Overall Awards

Tues, September 2, 11am NON-LIFE MASTER

Thurs, September 4, 11am STRATIFIED OPEN

Thurs, September 18, 7:30pm INTERMEDIATE - LESS THAN 1,000 MASTERPOINTS

Wed September 24, 730pm STRATIFIED OPEN

CLUB APPRECIATION PAIRS

Masterpoint Awards the Same As a Unit Game

Wednesday, Oct 1 7:30pm STRATIFIED OPEN

Thursday, Oct 2 11am STRATIFIED OPEN

Wednesday, Oct 8 11am STRATIFIED OPEN

Thursday, Oct 16 7:30pm INTERMEDIATE - LESS THAN 1,000 MASTERPOINTS

Saturday, Oct 18 11:30am STRATIFIED OPEN

Tuesday, Oct 21 11am NON-LIFE MASTER

Friday, Oct 24 7:30pm STRATIFIED OPEN

GOLD POINTS AWARDED AT THE CLUB

Wednesday, September 10 at 7:30PM
ACBL-WIDE INSTANT MATCHPOINT PAIRS
Hand Records and Analysis Booklets
(\$3 additional charge)

Sunday Evening in October (date TBA)
STRATIFIED CLUB APPRECIATION TEAM GAME
WITH GOLD POINTS (no additional charge)

Did you know that you can check your masterpoints online? You can also compare yourself with your favorite partner in the Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney races online! For more information on these and other topics, go to:

<http://www.acbl.org>

The Community Bridge Club!

Work on the Community Bridge Club is progressing.

1) Open Houses are being held during September to inform you about the status of the Club and to ask for your support. Volunteers, Members and Investors are needed. Please call Judi Fischer (688 8236) or Inge Gallant (652 4913) or Claire Gareleck (835 0635) if you are able to attend one of these Open Houses. (If one of us can't answer, please try another.)

Thursday, September 4th 7pm
Claire Gareleck's in Snyder

Sunday, September 7th 1pm
Inge Gallant's in Elma

Tuesday, September 16th 7pm
Claire Gareleck's in Snyder

Tuesday, September 23rd 1pm
Judi Fischer's in Williamsville

Thursday, October 2nd 7pm
Judi Fischer's in Williamsville

2) A web site and email list have been created. The URL for the web site is <http://unit116bridge.tripod.com> We have posted details there, and will add further information as we have it. The bulletin board, yahoo community bridge, can be accessed from the 'Contact Us' page of the web site. Once you have signed up for the email list, future access is easy.

3) The ACBL has given us a set of model bylaws for operating a Club, and we have utilized their extensive web site <http://www.acbl.org> for guidance and ideas. We have met with Paul Thurston in St. Catherine's as well as local directors to gain their perspective and priorities.

4) The law firm of William C Moran & Associates, PC has been hired to incorporate the Club in a not-for-profit form. Bylaws are being written to have the Club managed by an elected Board. Structure will be in place to allow many people to contribute their talents and energy to make the Club successful.

5) Several realtors are working with us to find a suitable property. Details are being worked out, including rehabbing to suit our particular needs, length of lease, and amount of deposit required. There are many properties available, and we are confident that we can find a suitable one, fitting into the proposed budget, and in a location acceptable to most players.

6) A vigorous campaign to recruit new players as well as teaching programs for all levels of expertise will be implemented.

IMPs, none vul.

B)	Kxx	Kxxxx	Kxxxx	void
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	
----	1C	pass	1H	
pass	1S	pass	??????	

MP, both vul

C)	Qxxx	xx	Qxx	Axxx
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	
----	1H	2NT(!)	pass	
3C	DbI	pass	??????	

(!) - SHOWS MINORS

IMPs, both vul

D)	Qxx	Tx	Tx	AJxxxx
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	
-----	1NT	pass	??????	

That's it! I will come up with some more problems as I continue to butcher the bidding with my own partners!

ADVERTISING WITH THE BRIDGE BUFF

A recent article in the bridge buff listed the prices as well as sizes for advertising with us. That is true, for the hardcopy. The electronic copy, however, is significantly less expensive. If you run your own business, or would like to 'announce' that you are attending a tournament in Timbuktu and would like a partner or something to that effect, feel free to drop the editor a line. The_bridge_buff@yahoo.com should be able to accommodate you. Get your business published to all readers of the electronic copy of the Buff!

ATTENTION - EARLY DEADLINE DATE!

The Buffalo Regional will be upon us before we know it! I cannot both play in the Regional and work on the Buff, thus, you will need to have any submissions to me by October 22nd (3 days early). I am sorry, but **any submissions** after October 22nd will not be printed until the New Year edition.

THE BRIDGE BUFF BIDDING CHALLENGE!

This (online ONLY) column will focus on bidding a given hand, similar to the bridge bidding problems in the monthly ACBL Bulletin. We will have an out-of-town scorer for each problem who will also give commentary for each bid, etc. Please respond via the internet (the_bridge_buff@yahoo.com) with your bids for any (preferably ALL) of the below hands. Along with your chosen bid please explain the rationale behind the call. If the call is conventional in your methods, make certain you mention that as well. Players who score the most points will be eligible for a year-end prize. See if you can score higher than your favorite partner! In each case, you are south.

Four problems for the month of September:

IMPs, none vul.

A)	Axx	K	AKxxxx	xxx
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	
----	1C	pass	1D	
1H	2S	4H	?????	

Spooktacular Buffalo Regional 2003

Adam's Mark Hotel

Buffalo NY ♣ October 28th to November 2nd

TUESDAY, October 28th

Ghostly Bracketed KO's 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd of 4 sessions	9:00A	1:30P	7:30P
Tuesday Stratified Open Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Non-Life Master Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Goblin Series Pairs		1:30P	7:30P

WEDNESDAY, October 29th

Ghostly Bracketed KO's 4 th session	9:00A		
Black Cat Bracketed Handicapped KO's 1 st and 2 nd of 4 sessions		1:30P	7:30P
Wednesday Stratified Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Non-Life Master Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Goblin Series Pairs		1:30P	7:30P

THURSDAY, October 30th

Jack O Lantern AM Bracketed KO's 1 st of 4 Sessions	9:00A		
Black Cat Bracketed Handicapped KO's 3 rd and 4 th of 4 sessions		1:30P	7:30P
Haunted House Stratified Open Swiss Teams		1:30P	7:30P
Broomstick Stratified Open Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Non-Life Master Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Goblin Series Pairs		1:30P	7:30P

FRIDAY, October 31st

Jack O Lantern AM Bracketed KO's 2 nd of 4 Sessions	9:00A		
Trick or Treat Bracketed KO's 1 st and 2 nd of 4 sessions		1:30P	7:30P
Friday Stratified Open Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Friday Stratified Senior Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Non-Life Master Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Friday/Saturday Series Pairs		1:30P	7:30P

SATURDAY, November 1st

Jack O Lantern AM Bracketed KO's 3 rd of 4 Sessions	9:00A		
Trick or Treat Bracketed KO's 3 rd and 4 th of 4 sessions		1:30P	7:30P
Saturday Stratiflighted Open Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Non-Life Master Pairs		1:30P	7:30P
Friday/Saturday Series Pairs		1:30P	7:30P

SUNDAY, November 2nd

Jack O Lantern AM Bracketed KO's 4 th of 4 Sessions	8:00A		
Sunday Stratiflighted Swiss Teams PLAYTHROUGH 7-7 Board Matches	11:00A		

Future Life Master Pairs

Daily, Stratified
Single Session Events
MP Limits 0-50 50-100 100-300

Series Pairs

Each session stratified for overall awards (red points).
Gold Points for open section top and overall awards (must play at least 2 session in same event).

Lose and Snooze Zip KO's

Friday and Saturday evenings

Stratified Events

Stratum "A" 1500+
Stratum "B" 500-1500
Stratum "C" 0-500

Stratiflighted Events

Stratum "A1" 3000+
Stratum "A2" 0-3000

Stratum "B" 1000-2000
Stratum "C" 500-1000
Stratum "D" 0-500

Partnerships

Mike (The Matchmaker) Ryan
716 626 9332 or 716 645 2774 Ext 1130
E-Mail meryan@eng.buffalo.edu

Hotel Information

Adam's Mark Hotel
120 Church Street
Buffalo, New York
1 800 444 ADAM

Ask for BRIDGE rate
\$88.00 Single or Double (available until
September 28th)

Tournament Information

Pat Rasmus 716 649 4634
E-Mail prasmus@adelphia.net
John Toy 716 885 5364
E-Mail johntoy@msn.com

Canadian Players Discount

Contact Pat Rasmus by Oct. 15th
for discounts

Margaret McCarthy

Buffalo Sectional

September 12-14, 2003

At the Ellicott Creek Fire Co.

25 Ellicott Creek Rd. S, West Amherst, NY

Friday Events:

Stratified Open Pairs

Stratified 299er Pairs

1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

All events are single sessions

Saturday Events:

Stratified Open Pairs

Stratified 299er Pairs

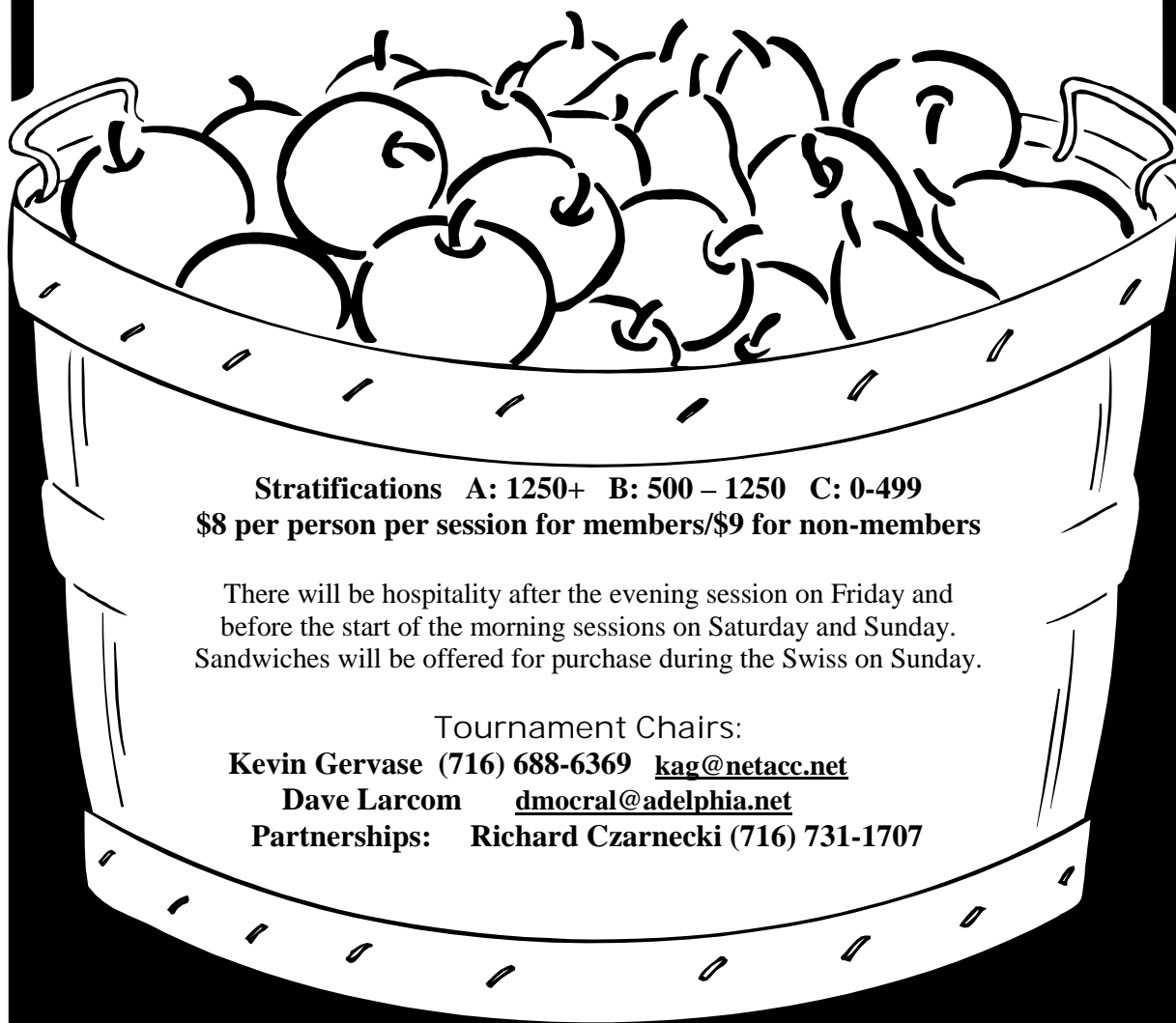
10:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.

All events are single sessions

Sunday Events:

Stratified 299er Swiss Teams 11:00 a.m. (single session)

Strataflighted Swiss Teams 11:00 a.m. (playthrough)



Stratifications A: 1250+ B: 500 – 1250 C: 0-499

\$8 per person per session for members/\$9 for non-members

There will be hospitality after the evening session on Friday and before the start of the morning sessions on Saturday and Sunday. Sandwiches will be offered for purchase during the Swiss on Sunday.

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