March Madness “Hoop”la

Tournament Schedule

Monday, March 6
1:30 Charity Foundation Stratified Pairs
7:30 Education Foundation Stratified Pairs
Education Foundation Bracketed Knockouts

Tuesday, March 7
9:00 Side Game Series I
10:00 & 3:00 Stratified Senior Pairs
1:30 & 7:30 Stratified Open Pairs
Side Game Series II
7:30 Stratified Swiss Team 1-Session

Wednesday, March 8
9:00 Compact KO I (Sessions 1 & 2)
Side Game Series I
10:00 & 3:00 Stratified Senior Pairs
1:30 & 7:30 Stratified Open Pairs
Side Game Series II
7:30 Stratified Swiss Team 1-Session

Thursday, March 9
9:00 Compact KO I (Sessions 3 & 4)
Side Game Series I
10:00 & 3:00 Stratified Open Pairs
1:30 & 7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams
1:30 & 7:30 Side Game Series II
7:30 Stratified Swiss Team 1-Session

Friday, March 10
9:00 Compact KO II (Sessions 1 & 2)
Side Game Series I
10:00 & 3:00 Stratified Senior Pairs
1:30 & 7:30 Stratified Open Pairs
Side Game Series III
7:30 Stratified Board-A-Match Team 1-Session

Saturday, March 11
9:00 Compact KO II (Sessions 3 & 4)
Side Game Series I
1:30 & 7:30 Stratification Pairs, A/AX Plays Separately
Stratified B/C/D Pairs, played separate from Flight A
Compact KO 3
Side Game Series III
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams 1-Session

Sunday, March 12
11:00 Stratification Open Swiss Teams
A: 3000 +, AX: 0-3000 Play Separate
Stratified B/C/D Swiss Teams
B: 750-2000; C: 300-750; D: 0-300

Regional Knockout Schedule

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Intermediate/Newcomer Program

(I/N) Events for 299er Players
Pair Entries for I/N games are $10.00/person/session
All masterpoints are red points.
ACBL members with 0-5 masterpoints play free.
Guest Speaker Program. See Daily Bulletin for details.

Monday 7:30 I/N Stratified Charity Pairs
Tuesday through Friday
1:30 & 7:30 Single Sessions
I/N Stratified Pairs 0-20, 20-50, 100-200, 200-300

Saturday 1:30 & 7:30 Single Sessions
49er Pairs Stratified 0-20, 20-50
299er Stratified Pairs 0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Sunday 11:00 am & 2:00
299er Stratified Swiss Teams,
0-50, 50-100, 100-200, 200-300
2 Single Sessions, More Points
For Your Dining Pleasure…

Whether you choose an elegant setting, rustic look, or a 60’s era steakhouse, the foods of Lake Geneva area are all excellent. Join us for all our great Friday Night Fish Fry’s. Hours of operation & availability of entertainment can vary. Please call ahead. The restaurants listed below are alphabetical in order.

R=Reservations  B=Breakfast  L=Lunch  FFF=Friday Night Fish Fry  SBR=Sunday Brunch  C=Cocktails  Br=Beer  E=Entertainment  D=Dinner

LAKE GENEVA PIE COMPANY
150 E. Geneva Square, Lake Geneva, WI 53147. Phone: (262) 248-5100
Old fashioned fruit pies baked fresh daily. Over 30 varieties of fruit or cream pies. Available by the slice to eat in, or whole pies to go. Luncheon sandwiches, quiche, soups made daily - ice cream and smoothies also available. Open Monday through Saturday until 5 or 6 p.m., and Sunday 10-3. B,L

LATIMER HOUSE
523 E. Walworth, Delavan, WI 53115. (262) 728-7674.

MAC’S DIXIE ROADHOUSE
300 Wrigley Drive, Lake Geneva, WI 53147. (262) 348-0222.
Cajun and Southern Style Cuisine at its best, as well as twenty different flavors of Buffalo Wings. Great Ribs and Fried Chicken along with great homemade desserts. We have fantastic views of beautiful Geneva Lake in a very casual atmosphere, and offer a Friday Fish Fry and Sunday Brunch. Serving lunch and dinner 7 days a week. We also offer a full service catering option for any type of event providing all types of cuisine. C,FFF,L,D,O,LV,SBR

THE ORIGINAL CHICAGO PIZZA COMPANY
Located in downtown Lake Geneva, Chicago Pizza Co. has thin crust, pan or stuffed pizzas. Come in and we’ll make one up for you. Dine in- Carry out- Delivery. 150 Center St., Lake Geneva, WI 53147. (262) 248-8544. L, D

POPEYE’S CASUAL DINING
811 Wrigley Dr., Lake Geneva, WI 53147. (262) 248-4381.
Casual Dining with a Spectacular View of Geneva Lake. Full menu including our Famous Broccoli-Cheese Soup and Award-Winning Homemade Apple Pie. Featuring Flame Roasted Chicken, Pig and Lamb on our Outdoor BBQ Pit ALL SUMMER. L,D,C,FFF,Br,LV

THE RED GERANIUM RESTAURANT
Hwy. 50 East & North Edwards Blvd., Lake Geneva, WI 53147. (262) 248-3637. Intimate dining. Classy Casual. American-Continental Cuisine. Specializing in steaks, lobster, and fresh seafood on an open-hearth grill. We also have an extensive wine list featuring over 20 wines by the glass. Mon.-Sat. luncheon 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Dinner begins at 5:00 p.m. Sunday features a light luncheon/plated brunch from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner from 4:00 p.m. Reservations recommended. L,D,C

SMOKEY’S BAR-B-QUE HOUSE
Located at Timber Ridge Lodge at Grand Geneva, this full service family style restaurant features traditional BBQ fare like ribs, chicken and pulled pork as well as steaks, fish, and salads. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. 7020 Grand Geneva Way at Hwy 50 East & Hwy 12, Lake Geneva, WI. (262) 248-8811 or (800) 558-3417. B,L,D,C,Br

TACO BELL, QSR, INC.
Taco Bell is a quick service Mexican Restaurant that features a $.99 Value Menu and Chalupas, Gorditas, and Encharrritos (Beef Only). Fast service in a clean and friendly environment.

YO SHI RESTAURANT
1823 East Geneva St., Delavan, WI 53115. (262) 740-2223.
Serving contemporary Japanese cuisine in an authentic casual environment. Aficionados can choose from the popular hibachi grill, outstanding sushi, or a selection of teriyaki, tempura or varied menu. Open seven days a week, Sunday to Thursday 11a.m.-10p.m., Friday and Saturday 11a.m.-11p.m. L,D,C
Opening Lead: ♠ 6
Sometimes it’s just not your day. And sometimes it is. Try to come up with a rational explanation of how North-South achieved plus 550 on this deal from a world team championship. The star of today’s “it’s just not my day” was sitting East. He opened 2NT in third chair and soon thereafter found the opponents in 5♦ after a misunderstanding. South meant 3♦ as natural, but North thought it showed the majors. South corrected 4♣ to 5♣ and I don’t think anyone could blame East for doubling.

West led a diamond. Declarer was able to ruff two hearts in dummy, the king falling third. So he lost only two trump tricks. Only a trump lead could stop 5♣ but poor West didn’t have any.

At the other table, South passed the 2NT opening bid and West used Stayman, and rebid 3NT. South led a club. East won and led a diamond. South won the ace and continued clubs. East won, cashed the king of spades, seeing South’s void, led two rounds of diamonds and finessed North’s jack of spades. Then he cashed the ace of spades, led his last diamond to dummy and claimed 10 tricks. No problem. Little did he realize that at the other table, it was not East’s day.

Rules for Frequent Flyers

No flight ever leaves on time unless you are running late and need the delay to make the flight.

If you are running late for a flight, it will depart from the farthest gate within the terminal.

If you arrive very early for a flight, it inevitably will be delayed.

Flights never leave from Gate #1 at any terminal in the world.

If you must work on your flight, you will experience turbulence as soon as you touch pen to paper. Or start to drink your coffee.

Only passengers seated in window seats ever have to get up to go to the lavatory.

The crying baby on board your flight is always seated next to you.

The less carryon luggage space available on an aircraft, the more carryon luggage passengers will bring aboard.

Bon Voyage!!!

Congratulations to our own Harriette Buckman

Well-known, well liked, local bridge teacher and promoter, Harriette Buckman, is the 2006-2007 ACBL President. We will see less of her this year because, by necessity, she will be flying around the United States paying visits to all areas the ACBL serves. We will miss her smiling face.

On the other hand, she is a wonderful ambassador for the ACBL and for the upcoming 2006 Chicago Summer NABC.

In addition to taking the reins at the ACBL, Harriette was given the Harmon Wilkes award from Unit 123 at the annual Unit dinner and meeting in January. This award is given to a player who exemplifies the highest ethics at the table and the best behavior in all situations.

Harriette has done a great job over the years boosting interest in the game of bridge. She has taught several novices in the area to play and they all love her and credit her with their love of the game.

In the past, Harriette has served as a volunteer on the CCBA board of directors. She is currently the District 13 representative to the ACBL Board of Directors.

All of these positions take time and energy. Her dedication is well rewarded with these kudos.

Congratulations Harriette!
Terence Reese (1913-1996), of London, England and latterly of Hove, was the finest player produced by Great Britain and one of the very best the world has seen.

Reese was one of the creators of and the first to write a book about the Acol System, which though refined over the years is still the standard domestic system in Britain today. He also wrote more than 100 other books and would almost certainly win a vote for best bridge writer of all time. Two of his books on play, The Expert Game and Reese On Play are regarded as classics and would be on many people's lists of ten 'must read' titles for the aspiring expert.

Reese was bridge correspondent of the Observer newspaper, the London Evening News (later the Evening Standard) and a number of periodicals. He was editor of British Bridge World from 1955 to 1962 and conducted regular radio programs about bridge. Blessed with a dry or sometimes acerbic wit, he was a regular and popular commentator at major international championships when he was not playing or acting as a non-playing captain.

As well as being one of the founding fathers of the Acol System, Reese also created a highly artificial bidding system called the Little Major, which he played at the top level. Supposedly, this was developed as a protest at the growing complexity and proliferation of destructive methods of bidding in the international game, but if so it had no positive effect, rather adding fuel to a movement that had already developed a life of its own.

As a player, Reese won more than twenty national titles including the Gold Cup, the British national teams championship, eight times. He won four European Open Teams Championships and one Bermuda Bowl in 1955, the only time to date that Britain has won an Open World Championship. He was also World Partner Contest Champion in 1961 and won the Sunday Times Invitational Pairs event in 1964.

For many years Terence's partnership with Boris Schapiro was considered close to the best in the world. Then in 1965 the international career of both Reese and Schapiro came to a shocking end. While representing Great Britain in the Bermuda Bowl in Buenos Aires, Argentina, they were accused of cheating by the American team and bridge columnist of the New York Times, Alan Truscott, an ex-patriate Englishman.

The substance of the accusation was that the British pair were holding their cards in different ways on different hands, with a different number of fingers showing, sometimes spread and sometimes together. After comparing findings, the observers suggested that the information being passed was the number of cards held in the heart suit.

After having observers watching subsequent sessions, the World Bridge Federation called a meeting of the Appeals Committee and confronted the pair, both of whom denied the allegations. Despite their denials, the WBF Executive voted 10-0 with one abstention (Perroux, the Italian npc) that Reese/Schapiro were guilty. The evidence was turned over to the British Bridge League and Great Britain conceded all their matches in the championship.

After seeing the WBF report, the BBL set up an independent enquiry headed by Sir John Foster, Queen’s Counsel, and General Lord Bourne. After more than ten months' deliberation, the Foster report found Reese/Schapiro not guilty of cheating. The reasoning behind this was that there appeared to be little or no internal technical evidence within the hands and play to suggest that the pair were profiting from any such signals.

Subsequently, the WBF reaffirmed their verdict made in Buenos Aires that cheating had occurred. In 1968 the BBL inquired as to whether a team including Reese/Schapiro would be acceptable at that year's Olympiad and were told no. Accordingly, Britain did not send a team. Later that same year the WBF Executive restored Reese/Schapiro to good standing on the grounds that their three year ban had been sufficient punishment. Neither, however, represented Britain again and their domestic appearances together had also almost come to an end.

Were they cheating? We are unlikely to ever be certain, though everyone has pretty entrenched views one way or the other. Reese and Truscott each wrote a book about the affair - reading them you might think they were discussing two totally different incidents.

There are considerable pressures in top-level bridge and success can bring financial rewards as well as trophies, so some will always be tempted. The observations of the different ways of holding cards are significant and if there was a correlation with the number of hearts held it looks damning, and yet there is so (Continued on page 5)
much more useful information that could be passed once a pair decides to cheat, so why choose the number of hearts in the hand?

My Reese hand is a beautiful example of a psychological ploy to give an extra chance of making a contract.

Reese played 4♣ on the lead of ♠K. He ducked but won the club continuation, then cashed the ace and king of spades and the ace of diamonds. If the hand with the master trump also holds three or more diamonds the contract makes legitimately, but we can see that on the actual layout East can ruff the third diamond and lead a club to defeat the game.

Terence found a way to pull the wool over the eyes of the poor East player. After the ♦A he led ♦7 to the king then played ♦10 off the table as though hoping to take a ruffing finesse to establish a diamond trick. East fell for it, discarding. Winning the ♦Q, Reese wasted no time in crossing to ♦A to pitch his losing club on the ♦J and made his 'impossible' contract.

It is true that if East/West play length signals East should know how many diamonds declarer has and therefore know to ruff the third diamond, but it is a lot easier to say that than it is to actually do it at the table. None of us are used to playing against such tricky opponents.

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**What Time Is It?**

On some air bases the military is on one side of the field and civilian aircraft use the other side of the field, with the control tower in the middle.

One day the tower received a call from an aircraft asking, "What time is it?"

The tower responded, "Who is calling?"

The aircraft replied, "What difference does it make?"

The tower replied, "It makes a lot of difference.
If you're a United Airlines Flight, it's 3 o'clock.
If you're an Air Force flight, it's 1500.
If you're a Navy flight, it's 6 bells.
If you're an Army flight, the big hand is on the 12 and the little hand is on the 3.
If you're a Marine Corps flight, it's Thursday afternoon."

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**Attention: IRS**

Enclosed is my 2001 tax return & payment. Please take note of the attached article from USA Today newspaper. In the article, you will see that the Pentagon is paying $171.50 for hammers and NASA has paid $600.00 for a toilet seat.

Please find enclosed four toilet seats (value $2400) and six hammers (value $1029). This brings my total payment to $3429.00. Please note the overpayment of $22.00 and apply it to the "Presidential Election Fund," as noted on my return. Might I suggest you the send the above mentioned fund a 1.5 inch screw." (See attached article...HUD paid $22.00 for a 1.5 inch phillips head screw.)

It has been a pleasure to pay my tax bill this year, and I look forward to paying it again next year.

Sincerely,

A satisfied taxpayer
Bridge Joke ...

A doctor is called away from a bridge tournament to tend to an emergency. There is still the last board to play. He asks a kibitzer who knows nothing about the game to take his place. The kibitzer is told: "Just bid what you've got and follow suit". The kibitzer, sitting South, thereupon generates the following bidding sequence:

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This is the deal:

- ♠ A9
- ♥ AKQ65
- ♦ AK
- ♣ QT54
- ♠ KQT8
- ♥ JT97
- ♦ QT
- ♣ KJ8

South took the lead of the king of spades with the ace, cashed the ace and king of trumps, came to hand with the ace of clubs and played all his diamonds. On the last one, West was hopelessly squeezed in hearts and spades, and ultimately discarded a heart, whereupon South made the last four tricks in hearts.

When the opposition saw South's hand, they called the director, who asked for an explanation of the bidding, and got the following reply: "I was told to bid what I've got, and I have one club, two spades, 3 hearts and 7 diamonds!"

Tournament Information

No Smoking Policy: No smoking is allowed in the convention center lobby, washrooms, fire exits, or service areas.

Partnerships: Singles should check in at the partnership desk in the foyer outside the playing area 45 minutes before game time to allow the partnership people time to arrange partners. Carl Sharp is in charge of partnerships and will do his best to arrange suitable liaisons. The desk will be open prior to the morning, afternoon, and evening sessions. Partners are guaranteed for most 99er events. If no one is at the desk, leave a note, or contact Carl in person please.

Hospitality and Information Desk: The Hospitality desk is located in the foyer outside the playing area. Check there for hand records, tournament schedules, area info, and your copy of the March Madness Hoop-la each morning.

A bulletin box on the desk is available for you to submit any interesting hands, amusing bridge-related stories, or puzzles for publication. If you become a new life master while at the tournament, please drop a note in the bulletin box. Include the event so we know how you went over the top.

Hospitality hours for pick up of prizes and registration gifts will be posted on a sign in the foyer. Check it daily because the hours may change on a day to day basis.

Recorder Slips, should you need them, are available from the directors.

Score Corrections: For pair events, the score correction period expires at the start of the next session. For the last session of an event, the correction period expires after twenty-four hours or thirty minutes after the end of the tournament, whichever is earlier. See the director as soon as possible if you discover an error in your score. The appeal period for a director's ruling expires thirty minutes after the completion of the session.

Tournament Committee:
Tom Sucher, Tournament Chairman
Carl Sharp, Partnerships
Kay Hathaway, Hospitality
Angie Clark, I/N
Ron Johnston, Director in Charge
Suzi Subeck, Daily Bulletin
Chicago Quips and Quotes...

The Chicago Tribune has come out against syphilis. Bet you 8 to 5 syphilis will win. - - - Anonymous, 1940

Chicago is an October sort of city even in spring. - - - Nelson Algren, Newsweek, August 13, 1984

Loving Chicago is like loving a woman with a broken nose. - - - Nelson Algren

I'm a little hoarse tonight. I've been living in Chicago for the past two months, and you know how it is, yelling for help on the way home every night. Things are so tough in Chicago that at Easter time, for bunnies the little kids use porcupines. - - - Fred Allen, Much Ado About Me, 1956

Sharks are as tough as those football fans who take their shirts off during games in Chicago in January, only more intelligent. - - - Dave Barry "Sex and the Single Amoeba: What Every Teen Should Know"

No realistic, sane person goes around Chicago without protection. - - - Saul Bellow

I adore Chicago. It is the pulse of America. - - - Sarah Bernhardt

It's a 106 miles to Chicago, we've got a full tank of gas, half a pack of cigarettes; it's dark and we're wearing sun glasses. Hit it! - - - The Blues Brothers

Perhaps the most typically American place in America. - - - James Bryce, 1888

I am going to St. Petersburg, Florida, tomorrow. Let the worthy citizens of Chicago get their liquor the best they can. I'm sick of the job--it's a thankless one and full of grief. I've been spending the best years of my life as a public benefactor. - - - Al Capone, 1927

Chicago is a city of contradictions, of private visions haphazardly overlaid and linked together. If the city was unhappy with itself yesterday--and invariably it was--it will reinvent itself today. - - - Pat Colander "A Metropolis of No Little Plans" NY Times 5 May 85

I miss everything about Chicago, except January and February. - - - Gary Cole

Could anything be more indicative of a slight but general insanity than the aspect of the crowd on the streets of Chicago? Charles Horton Cooley "Human Nature and the Social Order," 1902

Chicago is the product of modern capitalism, and, like other great commercial centers, is unfit for human habitation. - - - Eugene Debs, 1908

That's great advertising when you can turn Chicago into a city you'd want to spend more than three hours in. - - - Jerry Della Femina

There's only one thing for Chicago to do, and that's to move to a better neighborhood. - - - Herman Fetzer

Chicago, Chicago, that toddlin' town. - - - Fred Fisher "Chicago," (1922)

You walk out of the Amphitheatre after watching the Rolling Stones perform and suddenly the Chicago Stockyards smell clean and good by comparison. - - - Tom Fitzpatrick

A facade of skyscrapers facing a lake and behind the facade, every type of dubiousness. - - - E.M. Forster

I don't have any great love for Chicago. What the hell, a childhood around Douglas Park isn't very memorable. I remember the street fights and how you were afraid to cross the bridge 'cause the Irish kid on the other side would beat your head in. I left Chicago a long time ago. - - - 'King of Swing' Benny Goodman, 1976

A lot of real Chicago lives in the neighborhood taverns. It is the mixed German and Irish and Polish gift to the city, a bit of the old country grafted into a strong new plant in the new. - - - Bill Granger, 1983

In most places in the country, voting is looked upon as a right and a duty, but in Chicago it's a sport. In Chicago not only your vote counts, but all kinds of other votes--kids, dead folks, and so on. - - - Dick Gregory, Dick Gregory's Political Primer, 1972

The last copy of the Chicago Daily News I picked up had three crime stories on its front page. But by comparison to the gaudy days, this is small-time stuff. Chicago is as full of crooks as a saw with teeth, but the era when they ruled the city is gone forever. - - - John Gunther, Inside U.S.A, 1947

Chicago sounds rough to the maker of verse. One comfort we have -- Cincinnati sounds worse. - - - Oliver Wendell Holmes, January, 1880

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I think that’s how Chicago got started. A bunch of people in New York said, “Gee, I’m enjoying the crime and the poverty, but it just isn’t cold enough. Let’s go west.” — Richard Jeni

I have struck a city - a real city - and they call it Chicago. . . . I urgently desire never to see it again. It is inhabited by savages. — Rudyard Kipling, 1891

I’ve reported murders, scandals, marriages, premieres and national political conventions. I’ve been amused, intrigued, outraged, enthralled and exasperated by Chicago. And I’ve come to love this American giant, viewing it as the most misunderstood, most underrated city in the world. There is none other quite like my City of Big Shoulders. — Irv Kupcinet, who began Kup’s Column in 1941

Chicago - a pompous Milwaukee. — Leonard Louis Levinson

Chicago seems a big city instead of merely a large place. — A. J. Liebling, first to designate Chicago "The Second City," 1949

Chicago was a town where nobody could forget how the money was made. It was picked up from floors still slippery with blood. — Norman Mailer, Miami and the Siege of Chicago, 1968

New York is one of the capitals of the world and Los Angeles is a constellation of plastic, San Francisco is a lady, Boston has become Urban Renewal, Philadelphia and Baltimore and Washington wink like dull diamonds in the smog of Eastern Megalopolis, and New Orleans is unremarkable past the French Quarter. Detroit is a one-trade town, Pittsburgh has lost its golden triangle, St. Louis has become the golden arch of the corporation, and nights in Kansas City close early. The oil depletion allowance makes Houston and Dallas naught but checkerboards for this sort of game. But Chicago is a great American city. Perhaps it is the last of the great American cities. — Norman Mailer, Miami and the Siege of Chicago, 1968

I like to go to Marshall Field’s in Chicago just to see how many things there are in the world that I do not want. — Mother Mary Madeleva, My First Seventy Years, 1959

There was no need to inform us of the protocol involved. We were from Chicago and knew all about cement. — Groucho Marx, pressing his hands into the cement at Grauman’s Chinese Theater in Hollywood.

I give you Chicago. It is not London and Harvard. It is not Paris and buttermilk. It is American in every chitling and sparerib. It is alive from snout to tail. — H. L. Mencken

Chicago is unique. It is the only completely corrupt city in America. — Charles Merriam, unsuccessful mayoral candidate in 1911

Anywhere in the world you hear a Chicago bluesman play, it’s a Chicago sound born and bred. — Ralph Metcalfe

Hell has been described as a pocket edition of Chicago. — Ashley Montagu "The American Way Of Life," 1967


Chicago has a strange metaphysical elegance of death about it. — Claes Oldenburg

There are almost no beautiful cities in America, though there are many beautiful parts of cities, and some sections that are glorious without being beautiful, like downtown Chicago. Cities are too big and too rich for beauty; they have outgrown themselves too many times. — Noel Perrin, Third Person Rural, 1983

It is wonderful to be here in the great state of Chicago... — Dan Quayle

It’s one of the most progressive cities in the world. Shooting is only a sideline. — Will Rogers, June 22, 1930

Here is the difference between Dante, Milton, and me. They wrote about hell and never saw the place. I wrote about Chicago after looking the town over for years and years. — Carl Sandburg, in Harry Golden, Carl Sandburg, 1961

Hog butcher for the world,
Tool maker, stacker of wheat,
Player with railroads and the nation’s freight handler;
Stormy, husky, brawling,
City of big shoulders. — Carl Sandburg, "Chicago," 1916

In the twilight, it was a vision of power. — Upton Sinclair, "The Jungle"

First in violence, deepest in dirt, lawless, unlovely, ill-smelling, irreverent, new; an overgrown gawk of a —

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village, the "tough" among cities, a spectacle for the nation. - - - Lincoln Steffens, "The Shame of the Cities," 1904

Chicago will give you a chance. The sporting spirit is the spirit of Chicago.
- - - Lincoln Steffens “The Autobiography of Lincoln Steffens,” 1931

Chicago is not the most corrupt American city. It’s the most theatrically corrupt. - - - Studs Terkel, 1978
It is hopeless for the occasional visitor to try to keep up with Chicago—she outgrows his prophecies faster than he can make them. She is always a novelty; for she is never the Chicago you saw when you passed through the last time. - - - Mark Twain "Life On The Mississippi," 1883

Satan (impatiently) to Newcomer: The trouble with you Chicago people is, that you think you are the best people down here; whereas you are merely the most numerous.
- - - Mark Twain “Pudd’nhead Wilson’s New Calendar,” 1897

We struck the home trail now, and in a few hours were in that astonishing Chicago—a city where they are always rubbing a lamp, and fetching up the genii, and contriving and achieving new impossibilities. It is hopeless for the occasional visitor to try to keep up with Chicago—she outgrows her prophecies faster than she can make them. She is always a novelty; for she is never the Chicago you saw when you passed through the last time. - - - Mark Twain “Life on the Mississippi,” 1883

Chicago, mistress of the lakes,
Controller of our inland trade,
The freest city of our states,
What wondrous strides thy fame has made! - - - Charles Frederick White "To Chicago"

Your machinery is beautiful. Your society people have apologized to me for the envious ridicule with which your newspapers have referred to me. Your newspapers are comic but never amusing. Your Water Tower is a castellated monstrosity with pepperboxes stuck all over it. I am amazed that any people could so abuse Gothic art and make a structure not like a water tower but like a tower of a medieval castle. It should be torn down. It is a shame to spend so much money on buildings with such an unsatisfactory result. Your city looks positively dreary. - - - Oscar Wilde, February 13, 1882

My first day in Chicago, September 4, 1983. I set foot in this city, and just walking down the street, it was like roots, like the motherland. I knew I belonged here. - - - Oprah Winfrey

Germany was the cause of Hitler as much as Chicago is responsible for the Chicago Tribune.
- - - Alexander Woollcott, 1943

Then stand to your glasses steady
And drink to your comrade’s eyes
Here’s a toast to the dead already
And hurrah for the next who dies.
- - - Drinking song popularized by Chicago reporters at the Whitechapel Club, Chicago’s informal version of Washington’s Gridiron Club

Editors note: The “Chicago” theme in these newsletters is in honor of the upcoming 2006 Chicago Summer NABC. We are promoting the city. It has a rich heritage that dates back for years. We think you should be as proud of it as we are, and as anxious as we are to share it with our bridge-playing cronies who will be coming here for the Nationals in July.

The more we know about the city, the more we can share it with others.
And the more they know, the more they will want to be part of the fun.

Talk up the tournament to everyone you see here. It promises to be truly outstanding. The committee has been working for six years to bring you the best possible experience.

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All the contacts and committee chairs are listed there plus more information on what to see and do in Chicago. Bring the whole family in July. We have something for everyone!
Four people from different companies stopped at Tony's for lunch yesterday. They'd heard about this fabulous new sandwich shop and opted to give it a try. While each worked for a different company, the four had been friends for years and so stayed to eat lunch together at Tony's shop, rather than returning to work to eat alone. Determine the name of the company each friend worked for, the type of sandwich and the bread each ordered, and what each friend had to drink.

1. Sara didn't work at Archway. The women didn’t order fruit juice.

2. The four friends could be described as the person who worked at JasperNet, the person who ate roast beef, the person who drank iced tea, and the person who got oatmeal bread.

3. The vegetarian sandwich, which wasn't on white bread, was ordered by the person who worked at Archway.

4. The person who worked at BMD got his sandwich with wheat bread. Mike didn't work for JasperNet and didn’t drink iced tea.

5. The person who worked at JasperNet didn’t get water to drink. Bob, who didn’t drink milk, had his sandwich on a bagel.

6. The ham & cheese sandwich was ordered with the milk. Amy got a pastrami sandwich. The person who worked at Twixt had a sandwich on oatmeal bread.
Timing Is Everything by Rikard Greenberg, the Campanile Housecat

One of the latest issues of “Cats Weekly” has an interesting feature on how regular meals can almost guarantee a long and healthy life for your average feline. I must admit that Hana, my human food provider, does not often give me reasons for complaint on this issue and I am happy to bestow upon her the occasional purr to signify my appreciation for her efforts. Lately however her work seems to be slipping: breakfast milk is just a tad too cold, afternoon meals are sometimes 5-10 minutes late and service in general takes a definite downturn when she hosts her twice weekly bridge afternoons.

Take last Thursday, for instance. I woke up around 2 pm rather groggy after the previous night celebrations for the start of the Chinese year of the cat and I dragged myself rather gingerly to my food corner for a light snack. To my utter astonishment I saw there that yesterday’s half-eaten tuna steak was still in my plate! I stormed into the living room and found Hana and her friends happily giggling away, sipping tea and exchanging gossip while playing bridge. “This is hopeless” I thought to myself “She won’t get up until the game is finished”.

I noticed to my relief that the rubber was almost over so there was nothing to do but to sit and wait. The next hand was dealt and bid with commendable speed:

West          North     East       South   
Sonia         Liora     Ruth       Hana
2♣           Pass       Pass       Pass
Pass           Pass       Pass       Pass

I could see what the problem was: if the clubs split normally she could easily make 7 clubs ruffing a heart in dummy. Shaking her head wistfully, she took the ♥K with her ♥A and quickly started cashing her clubs, noting that everyone followed to the first round.

On the second round West showed out and Hana suddenly realized that the fourth trick had to be won perforce by dummy, with no further entry back to hand to cash the remaining club.

Here is the complete hand:

♥ AKOJ
♥ 6
♥ AK75
♥ AQ98
♠ T87
♥ KQJ75
♥ QT98
♣ 5
♠ 65
♥ A83
♠ 643
♣ K7643

The next few hands were uneventful and my thoughts went back to the 6NT. Was there a way to make it after all? Of course there was! One of the fundamental axioms of bridge reminds us that “It is vital to make a plan at trick one”. This is a great hand to demonstrate how, even when the first action looks completely obvious, it is very wise to pause and heed such advice. If Hana had stopped for a moment and concentrated on the task at hand rather than day-dreaming on the might-have been of getting to a cold grand slam, she would have seen the potential blockage in diamonds and realized that the only way to avoid that danger is to simply duck the ♥K! She can now pitch on the ♥A that troublesome fourth club from dummy, claim her twelve tricks and finally get going with preparing me some tasty morsels for me to feast on.

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1956 Trivia in Honor of the CCBA's 50th Anniversary!

Answer to yesterday’s trivia question: November 6, 1956

1956 World Events Trivia:

- Cuban revolution begins
- Elvis Presley records “Hound Dog”
- Summer Olympic Games held in Melbourne/Stockholm
- Winter Olympic Games held in Cortina d’Ampezzo

1956 Daily Trivia Question... answer to appear in tomorrow’s Hoop-la:

What movie won the best film award at the Academy Awards and who produced it?

SUMMER NABC ALERT: There will be a meeting of all committee chairs on Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Westgate room. A full breakfast will be served. All chairs are expected to attend. Please let us know if you will NOT be able to participate.

In addition, there will be another meeting at the May District Regional in Lake Geneva. More info on that will be available at a later date. Please plan to attend BOTH meetings as the time is drawing nearer to the actual event. Thank you ... Jackie Addis and Marilynn Charlson

Harriette Buckman, ACBL President, has suggested that we make Friday, July 14th, local spirit day at the Nationals. She is asking that anyone who helped support the tournament by purchasing a T-shirt please wear it to the game that day. The sea of colors will be a great promo for the next ten days! Thanks to all of you for your support. Stand up and be counted in this public display of enthusiasm.

Jackie Addis and Marilynn Charlson, NABC co-chairs, want to remind everyone that they are still selling decks of Nationals playing cards (1.50 per deck individually or 1.20/deck in lots of 12.) They are also selling signed and numbered limited edition NABC logo posters, perfect for framing (see exhibit in the selling area outside the playing area any time during this tournament). These posters will make great souvenirs of the upcoming event. They are priced at $25 each and come in handy, easy to transport tubes. The third NABC article for sale are the aforementioned T-shirts. If you want to get in on the July 14th promotion, you can purchase a shirt for the measly price of $6.00. Proceeds from all sales go to benefit the 2006 Summer Nationals. Your support is greatly appreciated! Thanks in advance!!

Hospitality is O’”Kay” With Us!

Kay Hathaway, hospitality chairman, reports that players coming to the hospitality desk will receive a free pen, as a registration gift. Also, there will be fruit -- plus complimentary coffee/decaff/tea at the beginning of the morning games. Today is "Food-On-Us" for the Seniors. Participants playing in the Senior Pairs will receive $6 worth of food tickets - to be used at the Concession Stand or as a discount on food at any of the Grand Geneva's restaurants. Since the Seniors aren't always around for late-night hospitality, this is something we can do for them.

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You are North

Dealer: E All Vul.

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Strong players look ahead in the bidding or play of the hand and anticipate problems. Most investors focus too much on what has happened recently in the stock market.

NewArc helps its clients look ahead.
A Hand from the Knockouts:

This is a hand from the first round of the Monday night knockout. Can you get to 7♥ on a combined 26 high card points?

At our table, South opened 1♥. West interfered with a preemptive 4♠. North was boxed-in. She could no longer bid a Jacoby 2NT to find out more about partner’s hand. Since this hand is worth about 18 points in support of hearts (15 highs and a singleton), Blackwood seemed like the simple solution.

North bid 4NT ... key card in hearts. East interfered with 5♥. If there had been no interference, South would have responded 5NT showing two keycards and a void. Over that bid, North would have bid 6♣, asking for the king of clubs. Now South would automatically bid the grand holding that card.

If South did have the king of clubs, but did have the king of diamonds, he would bid 6♥ to show that card in case a pitch of a club on a diamond is what North desired.

After the interference, does 5NT still show two keycards and a void? It probably should. There is no other meaning for the bid, and, as on this hand, it is really important for partner to know. You can still use DOPI or DEPO to show the number of aces when you do not have a useful void.

Signage...

Tom Sucher, tournament chair, reports that people keep coming up to him to tell him how much they love the signs around the room. Tom wants to thank Suzi Subeck for her creativity! It decorates the playing area and gets everyone in the mood for the CCBA 50th Anniversary celebration on Saturday night.

Oops... we goofed!! In Monday’s bulletin, the dates for the upcoming Chicago NABC were incorrectly reported as June 13-23... The CORRECT dates should read July 13-23.
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A Little St. Paddy's Day Humor...

Six retired Irishmen were playing poker in O'Leary’s apartment when Paddy Murphy loses $500 on a single hand, clutches his chest and drops dead at the table. Showing respect for their fallen brother, the other five continue playing standing up. Michael O’Conner looks around and asks, "Oh, me boys, someone got’s to tell Paddy’s wife. Who will it be?" They draw straws. Paul Gallagher picks the short one. They tell him to be discreet be gentle, don’t make a bad situation any worse. "Discreet??? I’m the most discreet Irishmen you’ll ever meet. Discretion is me middle name. Leave it to me." Gallagher goes over to Murphy’s house and knocks on the door. Mrs. Murphy answers and asks what he wants. Gallagher declares: "Your husband just lost $500 and is afraid to come home." "Tell him to drop dead!”, says Murphy's
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