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The Daily Hand-Out

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Daily Hand-Out!
Pick up your copy
at the hospitality
desk in the foyer.

Central States Regional

Grand Geneva Resort and Spa, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin on Route 50, one half mile east of Route 12.

Monday, October 24

7:30 0-299er Stratified Pairs
7:30 Stratified Education Charity Pair
Education Charity Knockout

Tuesday, October 25

9:30 Morning Side Game Series
9:30, 2:00, 7:30 Players' Choice Stratified Pairs**
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series I, Sessions 1 & 2
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams 1 Session

Wednesday, October 26

9:30 Morning Compact Knockout 1 & 2
9:30 Morning Side Game Series
9:30, 2:00, 7:30 Players' Choice Stratified Pairs**
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series I, Sessions 3 & 4
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams 1 session

Thursday, October 27

9:30 Morning Compact Knockout 3 & 4
9:30 Morning Side Game Series
2:00, 7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams
2:00 Side Game Series II, Session 1
7:30 Side Game Series II, Session 2
Stratified Swiss Teams 1 Session

Friday, October 28

9:30 Morning Swiss Teams, Session 1
9:30 Morning Side Game Series
9:30, 2:00, 7:30 Players' Choice Stratified Pairs**
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series II, Sessions 3 & 4
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams 1 session

Saturday, October 29

9:30 Morning Swiss Teams, Session 2
9:30 Morning Side Game Series
2:00, 7:30 Stratiflighted Pairs, A/AX Plays
2:00, 7:30 Gold Rush Pairs
(B: 300-750; C: 0-300)
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series II, Sessions 5 & 6
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams 1 Session

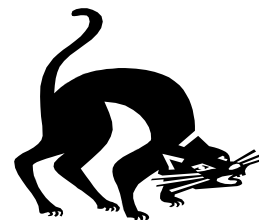
Sunday, October 30

10:00 Stratiflighted AX Swiss Teams, Playthrough, 20 VP*
B/C/D Swiss Teams*

**9:30, 2:00, 7:30 Players' Choice Stratified Pairs
Play any 2 of the 3 sessions...
You must specify which two when purchasing your entry!

Stratification: A 2000+, B:
750-2000, C: 0-750
*Stratiflighted: A: 3000+, AX:
0-3000: 40% of field for
higher awards; Play Separate
*B: 750-2000; C: 300-750;
D: 0-300

Masterpoint Averaging is in
effect for all Pair Games and
Swiss Team Events where
permitted.



Intermediate/Novice Events

Monday 7:30 pm

I/N Stratified Charity Pairs
Stratified Pairs 0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Tuesday through Friday 9:30, 2:00 & 7:30 pm

Single Sessions
I/N Stratified Pairs 0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Saturday 9:30

Single Session
299er Stratified Pairs 0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Sunday 10 am & 2 pm

299er Stratified Swiss Teams,
0-100, 100-200, 200-300
Two Single Sessions, More Points

Free Intermediate/Novice Dinner (Thursday between sessions)

Daily Speakers

Registration Gifts

Tournament Committee:

Editor: Suzi Subeck
Tournament Chairperson: Lynn Patinkin
Partnership Chairman: Carl Sharp
I/N Program: Angie Clark
Hospitality: Adrienne Cohen

Saturday, October 29:

District 13 Board Meeting

All District Board members are
expected to attend. A full breakfast
will be served before the meeting in
the hotel coffee shop at 9:30 a.m.

Regional Knockout Schedule

*Compact Knockout

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
9:30		A2	MC1*	MC1*	MC2*	MC2*
2:00		A3	C1	C3	E1	E3
		B1	B3			Compact KO 3
7:30	A1	A4	C2	C4	E2	E4
		B2	B4			Compact KO 3
One-Session Evening Games						
7:30		Swiss	Swiss	Swiss	Swiss	Swiss

Where to Eat in Lake Geneva

The hotel has three restaurants if you just want to stick around here: **The Grill** for steak and seafood, and **The Grand Café**, a coffee shop with a menu and often a buffet, and **Brissago** for Italian!

The **Grand Café** features nightly specials for bridge players. You can find more information on these specials in your *Daily Hand-Outs* or you can check on the bulletin board in the foyer outside the playing area.

If you have a car, there are several excellent choices in the downtown Lake Geneva area. **Houlihans** is nearby with great fajitas and burgers, as well as pasta and other dinner entrees. It is open late, so make it your choice for after-the-evening-session entertainment.

Popeyes is located on the lake. They serve a broccoli cheese soup to die for and great burgers. The restaurant is open from 11-10 Sunday through Thursday and 11-11 Friday and Saturday.

Bottles Restaurant & Catering Co., 259 Broad Street, Lake Geneva, 262-248-2020, features dining with a European flair. The cool, spacious forest green interior is unique and charming while the food is excellent. Homemade specialties include soups, deli sandwiches, baja rolls, salads, quiches & more. Closed Tue.



Welcome to Lake Geneva

Lynn Patinkin, tournament chairman, is pleased to welcome you back to beautiful Lake Geneva.

Lake Geneva is always at its best in fall.

We want you to play in lots of events and win lots of masterpoints...

But... in the event you are knocked out of something ... or simply choose to take time away from the bridge table, the Grand Geneva offers many spectacular activities.

There are two championship 18 hole golf courses. There are lighted tennis courts. There is a wonderful indoor swimming pool.

Across from the playing site, there is a fitness center and spa.

Down the road a bit (but still on the property), there is a complete indoor water park.

If you've brought the family, you will be glad you did. They will be well entertained.

In town, there are several boutique shopping options. There are movie theaters.

And, last but not least, there are several excellent dining choices. To aid you in your decisions, we

will feature daily restaurant reviews in the Hand-Out and you can feel free to ask the locals for their personal favorites.

On the bridge side of things...

We have the usual full compliment of knockouts and team games and pair games.

In addition, we are offering (for the first time ever at Central States), the famous Gold Rush Pairs for 750's and under on Saturday.

We have registration gifts when you sign up at the information desk.

The daily bulletin is available and ready for pick-up each morning BEFORE game time.

Our "famous" hospitality suite will be open after the evening sessions Tuesday through Saturday nights with snacks, wine, beer and soda.

We want you to have a great time.

We want you to tell your friends.

We're really, really glad you're here and we pledge to do what we can to make your stay better each year!! See you at the bridge tables!

Lynn

Protect Your Queens from Jennbridge by Jennifer Jones

Larry H. and I kept executing endplays in our STAC matchpoint game on 8/26--for down one!

- ♠ K7
- ♥ 742
- ♦ AQ763
- ♣ 1082

Not much of a hand, but LHO opens 1S, partner doubles and RHO passes. I start with a jump to 3 diamonds, waiting to hear what partner will do. He bids 3 spades and I bid 3NT. The queen of spades is led and I see the following:

- ♠ A 9 2
 - ♥ A Q 9 3
 - ♦ 9 4
 - ♣ A Q 6 4
-
- ♠ K 7
 - ♥ 7 4 2
 - ♦ A Q 7 6 3
 - ♣ 10 8 2

Pick up your registration gifts at the Information and Registration desk please... Convention card holders with tournament stickers... also the "hot off the presses" 2012 CCBA calendar!!

Finessing opportunities all over the place, but not an obvious source of tricks. If I duck a spade, I won't have an entry to my hand to get to the diamonds even if I were to manage to set them up. I need to look elsewhere for tricks.

I win the spade king and lead a club. LHO plays the king and I win the ace. I now try a diamond finesse which loses. I duck the spade return and then win the ace, pitching a diamond while RHO plays an encouraging heart.

I inadvertently lead a heart from my hand and RHO states: "I'll accept that." Clearly she likes hearts, and as I don't have anything better to do, I stay the course and insert the 9. She wins the 10 and returns a club which I win in hand with the 8, LHO showing out.

I am getting a count on the hand and it is not pretty. These cards remain:

- ♠
 - ♥ AQ3
 - ♦ 9
 - ♣ Q6
-
- ♠
 - ♥ 74
 - ♦ A76
 - ♣ 10

Lost or Found items should be taken to the Information Desk and a form should be completed to insure proper return of items. Thank you. The tournament committee

I have scored 4 tricks, and the two red aces plus the club queen bring the total to 7. I'll try to scramble an 8th trick.

I lead another heart and LHO shows out. I now know that RHO started with 5 hearts and 5 clubs. I win the heart ace and return to my hand with the diamond ace, forcing a discard (a club) from RHO.

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Next comes a club to the queen and I exit with a club. RHO wins, and with only hearts remaining, cashes the king and is forced to give me my 8th trick with the heart queen.

Nice endplay, below-average result. We have 25 points between us, but all the suits break miserably and some East-West pairs are getting in trouble bidding too many spades.

Here are all the hands:

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South Deals	♥ A Q 9 3					
None Vul	♦ 9 4					
	♣ A Q 6 4					
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	♠ K 7					
	♥ 7 4 2					
	♦ A Q 7 6 3					
	♣ 10 8 2					

It was important to not sacrifice the queen of hearts but to try to arrange an endplay so that it would be a winner.

A group of 15-year-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Dairy Queen next to the Ocean View restaurant because they had only \$6.00 among them and Jimmy Johnson, the cute boy in Social Studies, lived on that street.

10 years later, the group of 25-year-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the beer was cheap, the restaurant offered free snacks, the band was good, there was no cover and there were lots of cute guys..

10 years later, the group of 35-year-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the cosmos were good, it was right near the gym and, if they went late enough, there wouldn't be too many whiny little kids.

10 years later, the group of 45-year-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner.. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the martinis were big and the waiters had tight pants and nice buns.

10 years later, the group of 55-year-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the prices were reasonable, the wine list was good, the restaurant had windows that opened (in case of hot flashes), and fish is good for cholesterol.

10 years later, the group of 65-year-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the lighting was good and the restaurant had an early bird special.

10 years later, the group of 75-years-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the food was not too spicy and the restaurant was handicapped-accessible.

10 years later, the group of 85-years-old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View restaurant because they had never been there before.

Halloween Humor...

- Q. What do goblins and ghosts drink when they're hot and thirsty on Halloween? A. Ghou-aid!!!
- Q. What is a Mummie's favorite type of music? A. Wrap!!!!
- Q. Why do demons and ghouls hang out together? A. Because demons are a ghouls best friend!
- Q. What's a monster's favorite bean? A. A human bean.
- Q. Why can't the boy ghost have babies? A. Because he has a Hallo-weenie.
- Q. What do you call a witch who lives at the beach? A. A sand-witch.
- Q. Where does a ghost go on Saturday night? A. Anywhere where he can boo-gie.
- Q. What did the skeleton say to the vampire? A. You suck.
- Q. What do ghosts say when something is really neat? A. Ghoul
- Q. Why did the ghost go into the bar? A. For the Boos.
- Q. Why was the girl afraid of the vampire? A. He was all bite and no bark.
- Q. Why did the game warden arrest the ghost? A. He didn't have a haunting license.
- Q. Why didn't the skeleton dance at the party? A. He had no body to dance with.
- Q. Where does Count Dracula usually eat his lunch? A. At the casketeria.
- Q. What happens when a ghost gets lost in the fog? A. He is mist.
- Q. Where did the goblin throw the football? A. Over the ghou- line.
- Q. Why doesn't Dracula mind the doctor looking at his throat. A. Because of the coffin.
- Q. Why is a ghost such a messy eater? A. Because he is always a goblin.
- Q. What do you call a goblin who gets too close to a bonfire? A. A toasty ghosty.
- Q. Why did the Vampire read the Wall Street Journal? Q. He heard it had great circulation.
- Q. What tops off a ghost's ice cream sundae? A. Whipped scream.
- Q. What do you give a skeleton for valentine's day? A. Bone-bones in a heart shaped box.
- Q. What are ghosts' favorite kind of streets? A. Dead ends
- Q. What is a vampires favorite holiday? A. Fangsgiving
- Q. What kind of makeup do ghosts wear? A. Mas-scare-a.
- Q. Why did the skeleton cross the road? A. To go to the body shop.
- Q. What happens when two vampires meet? A. It was love at first bite!
- Q. Who was the most famous ghost detective? A. Sherlock Moans.
- Q. What do you call two spiders that just got married? A. Newlywebbed
- Q. What is a ghosts favorite place on the web? A. www.halloween.com!
- Q. Who was the most famous witch detective? A. Warlock Holmes
- Q. What did the ghost say to the man at the coffee shop? A. Scream or sugar!
- Q. Who was the most famous skeleton detective? A. Sherlock Bones.
- Q. Who was the most famous French skeleton? A. Napoleon bone-apart
- Q. Which building does Dracula visit in New York? A. The Vampire State Building.
- Q. Where do most werewolves live? A. In howllywood, California
- Q. Where do most goblins live? A. in North and South Scarolina.
- Q. Where does a ghost refuel his porche? A. At a ghashtly station.
- Q. What do Italian's eat on Halloween? A. Fettucinni Afraid-o (Ha ha ha)
- Q. Why did the skeleton go disco dancing? A. to see the boogy man.
- Q. What do witches use in their hair? A. scare-spray
- Q. What do you call a little monsters parents A. mummy and deady
- Q. What do you get when you cross a black cat with a lemon. A. sour-puss
- Q. How do you scare a mummy A. with a yummy dummy in a crash test crummy.
- Q. What do you get when you cross a vampire with the internet? A. blood-thirsty hacker baby
- Q. What do you get when you cross a pumpkin with a skwaush? A. a squashed pumpkin pie.
- Q. Why do ghosts shiver and moan? A. It's drafty under that sheet.
- Q. What instrument do skeleton play? A: Trom-BONE.
- Q. What do ghosts eat for breakfast? A. Boo-Berries.

Hands of the Day from Matthew Granovetter

Dealer: W ♠ 4
 N/S Vul. ♥ A K 9 8
 ♦ K 8 5 3
 ♣ K 6 5 2

♠ K Q J 10 5 2	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> N ↑ </div>	♠ 7 6 3
♥ J 7 6 5		♥ 10 4 3
♦ 4		♦ 10 9 7 6
♣ 10 8		♣ 9 7 3

♠ A 9 8
 ♥ Q 2
 ♦ A Q J 2
 ♣ A Q J 4

West	North	East	South
2♠	double	pass	3♠
pass	4♥	pass	4NT
pass	5♦	pass	5NT
pass	6♠	pass	7NT
pass	pass	pass	

Opening Lead: ♠K

Usually I feature players in the South seat, which is declarer's seat in bridge columns. But today I thought I'd tell you a good story about the time Kathie Wei-Sender was dummy and watched as her partner, not a particularly strong player, made 7NT on a squeeze, without knowing what he was doing. The hand took place right after New Year's Day in 1998.

Kathie, by the way, won the United States Women's Team Trials in 2002, with Betty Ann Kennedy, Jill Levin, Sue Picus, Tobi Sokolow and Janice Seamon-Molson. Her team will be one of two teams representing America in this year's Venice Cup world championships in Monte Carlo. Back to the story, Kathie doubled West's weak two-bid and South bid 3♠. Over Kathie's 4♥, South didn't know how to proceed, so he just launched into Blackwood and bid a grand slam in notrump. The grand slam should have been bid in clubs or diamonds, where a spade ruff would be the thirteenth winner.

The good news was that West held 100 honors in spades along with four hearts. South won the king lead with the ace, cashed the queen of hearts, stopped, thought about it, and then proceeded to cash his eight minor-suit winners, ending in his hand. Strangely enough, from South's perspective, West discarded the ten, jack and queen of spades! He couldn't believe it, but his 9-8 of spades were high. He tabled his hand and said, "We were lucky, Kathie, someone made a mistake."

"No," said West. "You squeezed me."

"But I only had the 9-8 of spades," said South.

Kathie said, "That's a sign that it's going to be a very good year!"

Dealer: S ♠ K 10 2
 All Vul. ♥ K 9 8 3
 ♦ K 9 2
 ♣ 9 4 2

♠ Q	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> N ↑ </div>	♠ J 7 6 5 3
♥ A Q 10 2		♥ 7
♦ 7 5 4 3		♦ J 8 6
♣ 7 6 5 3		♣ K Q J 8

♠ A 9 8 4
 ♥ J 6 5 4
 ♦ A Q 10
 ♣ A 10

West	North	East	South
--	--	--	1NT
pass	2♣	pass	2♥
pass	3♥	pass	4♥
pass	pass	pass	

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Remember: Bridge is a timed event. Keep up the pace of the event. You will have more time for dinner, drinks and discussion after the session!

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Opening Lead: ♣5

Sometimes I kibitz my friends when I'm not playing. I watched today's hand at a tournament in St. Louis.

Jimmy Cayne, former Chairman of the Board at Bear Stearns stock brokerage house in New York, was South. He opened 1NT and, after a Stayman auction, reached 4♥.

The decision to accept game, I think, was a good one. Despite only 15 highcard points, the South hand has a doubleton club and prime values for a heart contract.

West led a club, and when dummy came down with 4-3-3-3 shape, I saw from my kibitzer's chair that it was a poor contract. When kibitzing I like to decide how I would play the hand, so I made a quick analysis. I mentally ducked the club, won the continuation, led a heart to the king, hoping it would win, cashed three diamonds, ruffed a club, and led another trump.

If everything goes well, I thought, someone may win a doubleton queen or ace of hearts and be endplayed, forced to break spades. Then I sat back and watched Jimmy play it.

He won the first trick and led a trump at trick two. When West played the 2, Jimmy called for the 8. That worked nicely!

A club was led and East won and returned a club for South to ruff. Jimmy then cashed three diamond tricks and led a spade to the king.

The ten of spades was led next for a finesse, ruffed by West with the ten of hearts. That was the second trick for the defenders, and all they could get was one more trump trick (the ace), for plus 620.

Seeing all the hands, I considered how my line of play would have worked. When I lead the second round of trumps, West wins three trump tricks, cashes a diamond and a club, for down three!

"Nicely played," I said. "To tell you the truth, I had a slightly different line of play in mind."

Tournament Information

No Smoking Policy: No smoking is allowed in the convention center, lobby, washrooms, fire exits, or service areas. Smokers must go outside to puff.

Partnerships: Singles should check in at the partnership desk 45 minutes before game time to allow those attending to arrange partnerships. **Carl Sharp** is in charge of the partnership desk and will do his best to arrange suitable liaisons. The desk will be open prior to the morning, afternoon, and evening sessions. If no one is at the desk, leave a note, or contact Carl in person please.

Partnership Desk/Daily Bulletin Distribution: Check the Partnership Desk for hand records, tournament schedules, area info, and pick up your copy of the **Daily Hand-Out** each morning.

A bulletin box on the table is available for you to submit any interesting hands, amusing bridge-related stories, or puzzles for publication in the daily bulletins. If you become a new life master while at the tournament, please drop a note in the bulletin box. Include your name, home town, and the event in which you went over please.

Check your *Daily Hand-out* for specific hospitality information for the weekend and any other special events or tournament news during your stay.

Recorder Slips, should you need them (and we hope you don't), 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 Chairman:

Lynn Patinkin

Hospitality: Adrienne Cohen

Director in Charge: Rick Beye

Partnerships: Carl Sharp

Newcomer Chairman: Angie Clark

Daily **Hand-Out** Editor: Suzi Subeck

Blonde Jokes...

A blonde walks into a library.

"PLEASE CAN I HAVE A CHEESEBURGER?!" she shouts at the top of her lungs.

"Mam, this is a library," the librarian says.

"Oh, sorry," she whispers. "Please can I have a cheeseburger?"

Q: Why don't blonds make ice cubes?

A: Because they don't know the recipe.

A blonde and brunette are having tea when suddenly the phone rings. The blonde picks it up and immediately starts crying.

Her brunette friend asks her, "Why are you crying dear?"

Blonde says, "Because my mom just called and said that my father just died. "I'm so sorry," says the brunette.

The blonde finally stops crying, when the phone rings again. She picks it up and starts crying again.

The brunette asks again what's wrong, to which the blonde replies, "My brother just called and said that his father died too."

The two blonds have met and one of them says, "Yesterday, during the blackout I got stuck in a lift for three hours!"

"It's nothing. I was standing on an escalator for three hours!", says other blonde.

I came over to my blonde friend the other day and said, "Hey look a dead bird."

She looked up in the sky and said, "Where?"

Q: How many blondes does it take to change a lightbulb?

A: 100, 1 to hold the lightbulb & 99 to turn the house.

Q: What happened to the blonde at the soccer stadium?

A: She drowned in the Mexican wave.

College teacher: What's the capital of Texas?

Blonde: T

During a recent password audit, it was found that a blonde was using the following password:
MickeyMinniePlutoHueyLouieDeweyDonaldGoofy

When asked why such a big password, she said that it had to be at least 8 characters long.

Hilarious Quotes...

By all means, marry. If you get a good wife, you'll be happy. If you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher ... and that is a good thing for any man. - Socrates

Son, if you really want something in this life, you have to work for it. Now quiet! They're about to announce the lottery numbers. - Homer Simpson

I am not a vegetarian because I love animals; I am a vegetarian because I hate plants. - A. Whitney Brown
Personally, I don't think there's intelligent life on other planets. Why should other planets be any different from this one? - Bob Monkhouse

I did not have three thousand pairs of shoes, I had one thousand and sixty. - Imelda Marcos

I love Mickey Mouse more than any woman I have ever known. - Walt Disney

I'm not going to have some reporters pawing through our papers. We are the president. - Hillary Clinton.

I would never die for my beliefs because I might be wrong. - Bertrand Russell

Life is not so bad if you have plenty of luck, a good physique and not too much imagination. - Christopher Isherwood

I never think of the future - it comes soon enough. - Albert Einstein

I don't think anyone should write their autobiography until after they're dead. - Samuel Goldwyn

I do not like broccoli. And I haven't liked it since I was a little kid and my mother made me eat it. And I'm President of the United States and I'm not going to eat any more broccoli. - George Bush.

Without censorship, things can get terribly confused in the public mind. -- General William Westmoreland
I like marriage. The idea. - Toni Morrison

Sometimes, when I look at my children, I say to myself, "Lillian, you should have remained a virgin." - Lillian Carter (mother of Jimmy Carter).

I can't even get three weeks off to have cosmetic surgery. - Paul Lynde

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe. - Albert Einstein

I can resist everything except temptation. - Oscar Wilde.

Honesty is the best policy - when there is money in it. - Mark Twain

Ninety percent of the politicians give the other ten percent a bad reputation. - Henry Kissinger.

I refuse to join any club that would have me as a member. - Groucho Marx

I am not afraid of death, I just don't want to be there when it happens. - Woody Allen

Bart, with \$10,000, we'd be millionaires! We could buy all kinds of useful things like.. love! - Homer J Simpson.

To cease smoking is the easiest thing. I ought to know. I've done it a thousand times. - Mark Twain.

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I'm in no condition to drive...wait! I shouldn't listen to myself, I'm drunk! - Homer J. Simpson

People think it must be fun to be a super genius, but they don't realize how hard it is to put up with all the idiots in the world - Calvin.

Advertisements contain the only truths to be relied on in a newspaper. - Mark Twain

Why does Sea World have a seafood restaurant?? I'm halfway through my fish burger and I realize, Oh man.. I could be eating a slow learner. - Lyndon B. Johnson

Halloween Funnies...

On Halloween night three vampires go into a bar and order a few drinks.

1st vampire says, "I'll have a glass of O Positive."

2nd vampire says, "I'll have a glass of O Positive, too!"

3rd vampire says, "I'm the designated driver so I'll just have a glass of plasma."

The waitress turns toward the bartender and yells,

"Gimme two bloods and one blood lite!"

Why did the vampire go to the orthodontist?

To improve his bite.

Why do witches use brooms to fly on?

Because vacuum cleaners are too heavy.

How do witches keep their hair in place while flying?

With scare spray.

What do you get when you cross a werewolf and a vampire?

A fur coat that fangs around your neck.

Do zombies eat popcorn with their fingers?

No, they eat the fingers separately.

Why don't skeletons ever go out on the town?

Because they don't have any body to go out with.

What did the ghost eat at his birthday party?

I scream!

What would a monster's psychiatrist be called?

Shrinkenstein.

What did one ghost say to the other ghost?

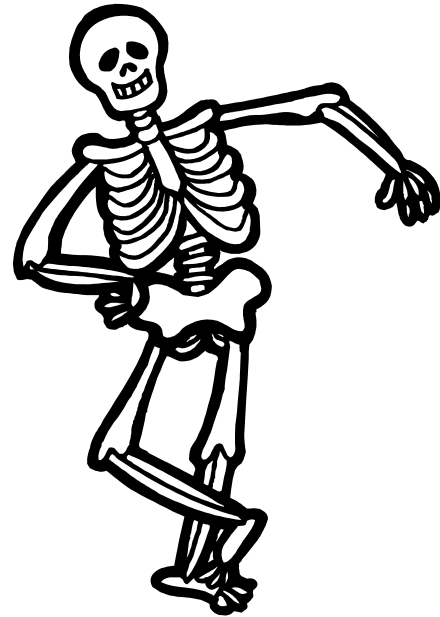
"Do you believe in people?"

Why do mummies have trouble keeping friends?

They're so wrapped up in themselves.

What kind of streets do zombies like the best?

Dead ends.



Answers to Puzzle on page 14:
Rhonda Dart, maple tree, in the backyard, Friday
Sally Frost, ash tree, by the patio, Monday
Tracy Grand, cherry tree, in the garden,
Wednesday
Wanda Best, spruce tree, in the front yard,
Thursday

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What does the papa ghost say to his family when driving?
Fasten your sheet belts.

What is a vampire's favorite mode of transportation?
A blood vessel.

What is a ghost's favorite mode of transportation?
A scareplane.

What type of dog do vampire's like the best?
Bloodhounds.

What is a skeleton's favorite musical instrument?
A trombone.

Why do vampires need mouthwash?
They have bat breath.

What's a vampire's favorite fast food?
A guy with very high blood pressure.

Why did the Vampire subscribe to the Wall Street Journal?
He heard it had great circulation.

Why was the skeleton afraid to cross the road?
It had no guts.

How do monsters tell their future?
They read their horrorscope.

What do zombies like to eat at a cook out?
Halloweenies.

What is Dracula's favorite kind of coffee?
Decoffinated.

What did the mother ghost say to her son?
Don't spook unless you are spooked to.

Where do fasionable ghosts shop for sheets?
At bootiques.

What ride do spirits like best at the amusement park?
The roller ghooster.

Why did the skeleton climb a tree?
Because a dog was after its bones.

What do you do when 50 zombies surround your house?
Hope it's Halloween.

What did the witch say to the midget vampire skeleton?
Bony little bloodsucker, aren't you?

Why did the Cyclops have to close his school?
He only had one pupil.
Why isn't Dracula invited to many Halloween parties?
Because he's a pain in the neck.

Who is a skeleton's favorite emperor.
Napoleon Boneaparte.

Why did the vampires cancel their baseball game?
They couldn't find their bats.

What did the skeleton say to the bartender?
I'll have two beers and a mop.

What did the mummy say to the detective?
Let's wrap this case up.

Where was satan's son born?
Deathlehem.

Why can't skeletons play music in church?
Because they have no organs.

How do you tell twin witches apart?
You can't tell which which is which.



E	V	B	C	G	D	F	H	I
H	G	F	V	B	I	E	C	D
D	C	I	H	E	F	G	A	B
G	F	A	D	H	C	B	E	I
C	F	G	E	A	I	D	B	H
I	H	E	F	G	B	A	D	C
A	H	E	C	B	E	H	F	D
F	G	D	E	I	H	C	B	A
B	C	I	F	A	D	H	E	G

Answers to Today's AlphaSudoku...
On page 12
No peeking please!!

Sudoku

Answer on page 11

	E		A			C		
	B	C		I	E	G	D	
F		I				E		
	A		B			H		
H			E		I			C
		B			D		F	
		A				I		D
	C	E	I	B		F	G	
		F			C		A	

Middle age is when you are warned to slow down by a doctor instead of a policeman.

Two bankers are in a bank when armed robbers burst in.

While several of the robbers take the money from the tellers, others line the customers, including the bankers, up against a wall, and proceed to take their jewelry, wallets and watches.

While this is going on banker number one puts something in banker number two's hand. Without looking down, banker number two whispers, 'What is this?' to which banker number one replies, 'It's that \$50 I owe you.'

A battle weary American soldier boarded a crowded train in in London during the early days of post-WWII, only to discover he was unable to find a place to sit.

As he walked the length of the train, he noticed a small white dog curled up on one of the seats.

A large, well dressed woman sat in the seat next to the dog.

The man hovered near the seat, hoping the woman would take the hint, but she pointedly ignored him.

"Excuse me, Ma'am," the soldier finally spoke, "Is this your dog?"

Would you mind holding it on your lap so that I may sit down?"

The woman raised her icy gaze to the young man and said in a haughty British accent, "Oh! You Americans. You are so rude. Fluffy is in that seat, and I see no reason why she should give up her comfort for you."

The exhausted soldier nodded, picked up the small dog ... leaned over ... opened the window of the moving train and tossed the dog out.

The woman gaped and spluttered in horrified indignation, and the man sitting across from her lowered his newspaper.

"You Americans", he said, "You drive on the wrong side of the road ... You eat with the wrong fork ... and you just threw the wrong bitch out the window."

Be sure to turn off your cell phones in the playing area. There is a penalty if they ring during the game!

Be sure you and partner have two identically filled out convention cards on the table at all times for your opponents' perusal!

WinterFest



Chicago Sectional

January 27-29, 2012

Chevy Chase Country Club - Wheeling, IL
1000 North Milwaukee Avenue, Wheeling

Friday, January 27

2:00 ACBL Charity Education Foundation Stratified Pairs
7:30 Chicago Invitational Pairs **Qualifying Round**
(Matchpoint scoring) **** requires pre-registration****
Stratified Open Pairs

Saturday, January 28

9 :30 Pair/Team-Scored Game
2:00 Chicago Invitational Pairs **Finals**
(Barometer scoring)
Stratified Open Pairs
5:30 Annual Dinner and Meeting
8:00 Stratified Pair/Team with BAM Scoring
Stratified Board-A-Match Teams

Sunday, January 29

10:00 Stratified Swiss Teams, Playthrough
Swiss Team Averaging
7 boards, 7 matches, 20 VP scoring

**Join us January 28 at 5:30 p.m.
for the Annual
CCBA Dinner and Meeting.**

**Send your check (\$20 per ticket)
made payable to the CCBA to**

Les Kent
2802 S. Briarwood Drive West
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
by January 20.

**Tables of 10 may be reserved
if prepaid by January 20.**

**Tickets will be held for pickup at
the tournament site.**

**Tickets are limited.
Reserve yours now!**



Stratification:
A: 2000+
B: 750-2000
C : 0-750

Events for I/N Players (0-300 Masterpoints)

Stratification:

0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Friday, January 27

9:30 Stratified Pairs
2:00 Stratified Pairs
7:30 Stratified Pairs

Saturday, January 28

2:00 Stratified Pairs
8:00 Stratified Pairs

Sunday, January 29

10:00 Stratified Swiss Teams
(2 sessions)

More chances for Silver Points

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**Events may be combined depending on attendance.
Mid-Chart Conventions allowed in the Invitational Pairs.
Masterpoint Averaging when Allowed.**

Puzzle Page ...

Sally and three of her friends decided to plant a new tree in their yard to celebrate Arbor Day. The new trees would each be put in a different area of their yards. As it happened each friend bought a different kind of tree and planted the new tree on a different day of the week. From the clues below, determine the full names of each friend, what kind of tree each bought, where in the yard it was planted, and on what day of the week each tree was planted.

1. Wanda, whose last name wasn't Frost, didn't plant her spruce tree by the patio.
2. Tracy planted her tree before Mrs. Dart but after the woman who planted the ash tree.
3. Mrs. Best, whose first name wasn't Sally, planted her tree in the front yard, but not on Friday.
4. Rhonda didn't plant her tree on Monday.
5. Mrs. Grand planted her tree before the woman who planted her tree in the back yard. Rhonda didn't plant the cherry tree.

The trees were planted, in chronological order, as follows: Mrs. Frost, in the garden, Wanda, the maple tree.

	Best	Dart	Frost	Grand	ash tree	cherry tree	maple tree	spruce tree	by the garden	by the patio	in the back yard	in the front yard	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Rhonda																
Sally																
Tracy																
Wanda																
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maple tree																
spruce tree																

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First name	Last name	Type of tree	Location	Day of the week

FallFest

Silver Point Sectional

November 11 - 13, 2011

Lindner Conference Center
660 E. Butterfield Road, Lombard, IL

(On the campus of Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, E. of Yorktown Mall at traffic light)



Friday, November 11

9:30 a.m. Pair/Teams (Team scored as BAM)
2:00 p.m. Pair/Teams (Team scored as BAM)
7:30 p.m. Pair/Teams (Team scored as BAM)

Saturday, November 12

9:30 a.m. Bracketed Silver Point Knockout, Round 1
2:00 p.m. Stratified Open Pairs
Bracketed Silver Point Knockouts, Round 2
7:30 p.m. Bracketed Silver Point Knockout, Finals
Bracketed Silver Point Knockout, Playoff for 3/4
Pair/Team Game scored as Pairs/BAM Teams

Sunday, November 13

10:00 a.m. Stratified Swiss Teams, Playthrough
299er Stratified Swiss Teams:
0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Stratification:

A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750
All Future Masters: 0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Masterpoint averaging when allowed in pair and team events!!

Great Playing Site
Free Parking
Great Hospitality



0-299 "I/N" Schedule

Friday, November 11

9:30 a.m. I/N Stratified Pairs
2:00 p.m. I/N Stratified Pairs
7:30 p.m. I/N Stratified Pairs

Saturday, November 12

2:00 p.m. I/N Stratified Pairs
7:30 p.m. I/N Stratified Pairs

Sunday, November 13

10:00 a.m. 299er Stratified Swiss
Teams
0-100, 100-200, 200-299

Tournament Chairperson

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Come to the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Hospitality Suite:

Tuesday night through Saturday night, Room 2018 will serve as the CME hospitality suite from 10:30 p.m. to midnight. Please join us for a drink and snack food and a chance to discuss the day's hands!

FYI: The Chicago Mercantile Exchange is sponsoring a portion of our tournament and we are grateful for the generous contribution.

Husband says; "When I'm gone you'll never find another man like me".

Wife replied; "What makes you think I'd want another man like you!"

When I was young I used to pray for a bike, then I realized that God doesn't work that way, so I stole a bike and prayed for forgiveness.

Innkeeper: The room is \$15. a night. It's \$5 if you make your own bed.

Guest: I'll make my own bed.

Innkeeper: Good. I'll get you some nails and wood.

In the first year of marriage, the man speaks and the woman listens. In the second year, the woman speaks and the man listens. In the third year, they both speak and the neighbors listen.

NAOP Winners ... Congratulations and Good Luck!

Flight A Finals - 11.0 Tables

MPs	Rank	Names	Score
24.00	1	Dick Bruno, Des Plaines IL; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL	59.26%
18.00	2	Elaine Morrison, Lake Bluff IL; David Joyce, Kenilworth IL	58.52%
13.50	3	Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL; L James Phillips, Chicago IL	56.83%
10.13	4	Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL	56.47%
7.59	5	Patrick Borman, Milwaukee WI; Donald Croysdale, Menomonee Falls WI	54.11%
5.70	6	Yvette Neary, Mequon WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI	53.66%
4.27	7	Jerry Jackson, Wood Dale IL; Jerry Poliquin, Gurnee IL	53.18%
3.20	8	Marian Krasowski, Prospect Hts IL; Romuald Mindak, Elmwood Park IL	52.80%

Flight B Finals - 11.5 Tables

MPs	Rank	Names	Score
16.00	1	James Hudson, Elmhurst IL; Stanislaw Kolesnik, Elmwood Park IL	58.82%
12.00	2	Sheldon Natenberg, Glenview IL; Jonathan Kurasch, Northbrook IL	58.71%
9.00	3	Wieslaw Kalita, Woodridge IL; Maciej Jaworski, River Grove IL	58.31%
6.75	4	Jonathan Greiman, Mokena IL; Tom Willson, Chicago IL	54.99%
5.06	5	Elizabeth Wachowicz - Zenon Wachowicz, Buffalo Grove IL	54.90%
3.80	6	Jim Jackson, Amasa MI; Denise Hoffman, Marquette MI	54.46%
2.85	7	Mark Fischler, Warrenville IL; Ping Hu, Naperville IL	54.39%

Flight C Finals - 6.5 Tables

MPs	Rank	Names	Score
10.00	1	Eric Neumann, Downers Grove IL; Judy Zhu, Naperville IL	59.79%
7.50	2	Shengke Wang, Bolingbrook IL; Meiheng Shi, Naperville IL	58.77%
5.63	3	Zachary Madden - Jared Bass, Chicago IL	58.09%
4.22	4	Shawn Drenning - Kevin Choi, Chicago IL	54.87%
3.16	5	Jerome Scholle - Jeff Cianci, Chicago IL	53.96%