Next stop: Toronto

Hop aboard the ACBL train as it leaves Kansas City tonight. Next stop: Toronto and the Summer NABC, scheduled July 19-29 at the Holiday Inn on King, Renaissance and Royal York.

The usual NABC+ events – the six-session Life Master Pairs for the von Zedtwitz Gold Cup, the Spingold Knockout Teams, the Warag Women’s Knockout Teams, the Mixed Board-a-Match Teams – are scheduled.

In addition, there are events for players of every experience level – single-session games in the Intermediate/Newcomer section, two-session Stratified Open and Senior Pairs, bracketed knockout teams. U.S. citizens are reminded to bring (preferably) their passport or photo ID.

There’s plenty to do and see in Toronto, one of the best-ever sites for a North American Bridge Championship. Yonge Street, the longest street in the world, offers some of the best shopping in the world. There are Blue Jays stadium, the CN Tower, Second City and Casa Loma, a mansion given to the city. In addition, Mama Mia and The Lion King will both be playing in Toronto during the NABC.

FYI: At this time, the exchange rate is very good for every $1.00 in U.S. funds, you receive about $1.55 in Canadian funds. At this rate, you can’t afford to stay home.

District 6 leads B & C

District 6 players lead the qualifiers in both flights B and C of the North American Open Pairs.

In Flight B, Weizhong Bao and Kefu Xu tallied 787.50 matchpoints in Saturday’s second qualifying session to 787 for Kurt Schaeffer and Kerry Holloway. John Samsel and Mike Giacaman are third with 758.50 matchpoints in Saturday’s two qualifying sessions to 787 for Kurt Schaeffer and Kerry Holloway. John Samsel and Mike Giacaman are third with 758.50 matchpoints.

In Flight C, Jian-Jian Wang and Hailong Ao have a 5 Victory Point lead over Kathie Wei-Sender after yesterday’s qualifying. Eleven points further back was the Lynn Baker squad.

Cayne leads Swiss

The James Cayne team played tough throughout the Open Swiss Teams qualifying, outdistancing the runner-up Ross Grabel team by 17 Victory Points. Of course this margin will be reduced by the carryover formula, but Cayne will still have a good edge going into today’s final two sessions.

Playing with Cayne are Steve Weinstein, Grant Baze, Michael Seamon, Robert Levin and Mike Passell. Grabel’s squad consists of Jon Wittes, Garey Hayden and Michael Whitman.

Jackson leads by 5

Joan Jackson will lead an all-star team into today’s final two sessions of the Women’s Swiss Team. Jackson had a 5 Victory Point lead over Kathie Wei-Sender after yesterday’s qualifying. Eleven points further back was the Lynn Baker squad.

Playing with Jackson are Petra Hamman, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Brede, Robin Klar and Connie Goldberg. On the Wei-Sender team are Betty Ann Kennedy, Jill Levin, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow and Juanita Chambers.

Mexico to honor George Rosenkranz

President Vincente Fox of Mexico will present the Dr. Leceaga Award to George Rosenkranz at a special ceremony in Mexico City on April 5. This is the most prestigious award given by Mexico for contributions to the improvement of world health. Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland of Norway, director-general of the World Health Organization, will be present.

This will mark the first recognition by Mexico of Rosenkranz’s contributions to world health. He was the inventor of the birth control pill and he developed the industrial method of distributing cortisone.

Rosenkranz winners: Adam Zmudzinski, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki and Aleksander Petrunin

The four-man team captained by Andrew Gromov of Russia outscored the George Rosenkranz team 55-20 in the second quarter of the Vanderbilt to take a lead they would not relinquish. The final tally: Gromov 150, Rosenkranz 119.

Gromov played with Aleksander Petrunin and Polish champions Cezary Balicki and Adam Zmudzinski. Their opponents were Rosenkranz, Sam Lev, John Mohan and Polish champions Piotr Gawrys and Jacek Pszczola.

The Vanderbilt was a replay of the Open Board-a-Match Teams at the 2000 Fall NABC in Birmingham where Gromov & Co. won the event – less than a board ahead of Rosenkranz, Lev, Mohan, Gawrys, Pszczola and Eddie Wold.

This was the second North American championship for the Russians and the third for the Poles, who won the Spingold in 1997. The Poles, both Grand Masters in the World Bridge Federation, have an impressive record in international competition: first in the Transnational Teams in Bermuda in 2000, second in the World Team Olympiad in the Netherlands, also in 2000, a second and a third in the Bermuda Bowl, a second in the Rosenblum Teams and a third in the World Open Pairs.

The Russians were members of the team that surprised the world by finishing tied for fifth in the World Team Olympiad in Greece in 1996. Gromov was third in the 2000 World Individual and third in the European Mixed Teams. Petrunin finished third in the World Juniors.
False sense of security

Fred Gitelman gave his opponent a false sense of security on Board 16 from the second final session of Open Pairs II.

Dir: West       ♠ 9 8 5       ♥ K 10 2       ♦ 7 5 4 2
Val: E-W       ♣ K 5 6 3       ♦ A 6 10 9 8 7
All Pass

Fred was a misprint – his ace!

Moss started off with his top clubs, and declarer ruffed the second. He crossed to dummy with the ♥K and led the ♦Q, which rode around. When declarer called for the ♦J, Gitelman put in the queen and declarer took his ace. He led the ♦10 and overtook in dummy with the jack, and Gitelman won his ace. That’s not a misprint – his ace!

Now declarer knew where the ♦Q was, so he won the heart return and drove Gitelman’s ♥K. Fred returned another heart, forcing declarer to ruff. Declarer called for the ♥K, which held. Gitelman’s play had worked magnificently – he won the queen and cashed a heart for down one and a fine score.

Freed tried a different play on Board 6 from the same session.

Dir: East       ♠ K 4       ♥ A
Val: E-W       ♣ A 10 4       ♦ 9 8 6 5 3
All Pass

West North East South
Pass Pass Pass 3

Moss led a heart to dummy’s ace and declarer called for the ♥K. Ducked. Declarer switched to a club, and declarer played the ♥Q, noting the ♥K. Fred then ruffed out the ♥K. Then I went on the same hand in the Open Pairs II qualifying.

The following is Barry’s personal report.

The President’s Cup, the prize for winning the North American Open Pairs Flight C event, was presented in 1942 by Morgan Howard, who was ACBL president that year. Past winners:

1988 - Brad Moss, Aaron Silverstein
1989 - Warren King, Jeffrey Brown
1990 - Philip Leung, Moske Harel
1991 - Eric Greco, Philip Greco
1992 - Gail Joelson, Alan Kasner
1993 - Mark Michele, Everett Boyer
1994 - Wezhong Bao, Jingdong Guo
1995 - Edward Lee, Brett Roby
1996 - Yue Zuo, Ruoyu Fan
1997 - Thomas Franklin, Michael Coker
1998 - Tien-Chun Yang, Fang Wu
1999 - James Gunn, Harry Shaffer
2000 - Meredith Beck, John Johnson

World-Wide Bridge Contest

The World-Wide Bridge Contest, which will take place June 1 and 2, offers players everywhere the opportunity to complete with players from many nations all over the world.

This is the game that is scored across the world. Your score on every board is compared with every other score in the whole world on that deal. Hundreds of ACBL clubs will run heats.

On the road again

Chris Patriots and John Ashton have taken their show on the road again – they debuted as the Spring directing team in Vancouver in 1999, repeated their performance in Cincinnati in 2000 and are again playing to packed houses here in Kansas City. Their office is in the line of traffic from the Hyatt.

On South’s last trick, he turned another heart, forcing declarer to ruff. Declarer finesse. What’s this? How can Gitelman have the queen in dummy?

Patrias is from St. Louis and Ashton is from Portland OR, which means they work together only at the North American Bridge Championships. “We get along quite well,” said Patrias. “He (Ashton) gets to pick the music.”

But not very far,” quips Patrias.

Ashton ignores the interruption. “We chose ‘Hoffa’ for Chris because when you send him an e-mail, you get no reply and you naturally think he’s fallen off the face of the earth.”

Two happy surprises

Jo Morse didn’t think much of her chances in her ♥ contract on Board 14 of the first qualifying session of the Women’s Pairs but she was agreeably surprised. Morse was playing with Susie Miller.

Dir: East       ♠ K 7 5 4       ♥ J 10 8 3
Val: None       ♦ J 10 7 4
All Pass

West North East South
Pass Pass Pass 3

Morse put in her ♥Q, which held the trick. She led the ♥A, won by South with the ♥Q. South continued with the ♦10, ruffed in dummy and overruffed by North, who returned a heart.

Suddenly, Morse was ready to claim – her ♥Q was good and she could play a diamond to dummy’s ace and pitch her losing diamonds on the ♥A ♥Q. Making four for plus 420 and 47.5 out of 51 matchpoints.

That was very good, but Barry Rigal did even better on the same hand in the Open Pairs II qualifying. The following is Barry’s personal report.

How do you fancy your chances as E-W in four of a major? Obviously 4♥ looks terrible, especially on a diamond lead. The defense can set the contract two tricks easily enough, I’d guess. And ♥ doesn’t look a lot better, does it? This was our auction, with me sitting East.

West North East South Pass Pass Pass Pass
All Pass

On the ♥K lead I took the ace and unsuspectingly led a second club. North pitched a diamond as South won the trick cheaply. South should have returned a club – that surely sets the contract by trick or two. Instead South made the decision to return a low diamond. I ran this to my queen and cashed the ♥A.

When the ♥Q fell it looked as if trumps had to be 4-1. I crossed to the ♥A and ruffed out the ♥K. Then I went back to the ♥A and played the ♥J to pitch a club. I ruffed a spade and a diamond, and this was the ending:

♥ J 10 7       ♥ 9
♥ 3 2
♥ K
♥ 9
♥ 7
♥ 6

I led a spade from dummy. When North ruffed high I pitched my club. Then I took the finesse in the two-card ending to score up plus 450.

Bridgecamp USA has more pluses

Yesterday’s half-page ad for Bridgecamp USA was correct, but a few important details were omitted. The stay at the SPA includes lunch buffets, evening dinners, late-night desserts as well as the subjects mentioned: lavish breakfasts, full use of Spa facilities, lectures, panel shows and ACBL-sanctioned Silver Point duplicate.

www.bridgecamp.org

Canada in Venice Cup

Canada’s team in the Venice Cup at the world championship in Bali this fall will consist of Sharyn Reas, Daonna Gordon, Ina Demme, Katie Thorpe (playing captained by Tristan Cimon and Martine LaCroix). They defeated Mexico in the battle to be the third team to represent Zone 2 (North America). Two American teams also will be in Bali.
Kansas City Blues
By Aviv Shahaf

It’s 7:00 in the morning and I’m sitting at the e-brige Headquarters listening to John Lee Hooker playing the blues. Cards are still floating in the air around me.

The Vanderbilt semifinal match between the Rosbon and Rosenkranz teams ended only a short time ago.

John Lee Hooker is playing some wonderful blues and it makes me feel a bit sad. It’s 2:00 in the morning and I’m sitting at the e-brige Headquarters listening to John Lee Hooker play some wonderful blues.

I feel a bit sad because one of the bravest women I know came up a little bit short of reaching the Vanderbilt final. It was a hard-fought match full of long, drawn-out battles.

I was kidding the open room where Geir Helgemo and Tony Forrester were practicing magic against Jazek Pszczoła - Pol Grywys in the first quarter and Sam Lev - John Mohan in the second half of the match.

Watch what happened on board 11.

Board 11 Pszczoła

Dlr: South ♠ J 10 8 7 6 5
Val: None
K 4 3
Q 7 2
K 10 8 7 6
A Q 8
J 10 9 5 4 3

Helgemo

Forrester

♠ J 3
♥ A Q 9 2
♥ 7 6
♥ J 7 5
♥ 7 6
♥ J 10 9 5
♥ 7 5
♥ K 10 9 8 2
♥ Q 7 5
♥ K 10
♥ J 9 8 7
♥ J 9 8 7 6
♥ K 10 9 8 7
♥ J 9 8 7 6 5
♥ A 9 8 7 6 5
♥ K 10 9 8 7 6 5

Grywys

♠ K 4
♥ Q 1 5 3
♥ A K 10 Q 9 8 7 6 5
♥ 3
♥ J 9 8
♥ K 10 9 8 7 6 5
♥ J 9 8

Forrester

Helgemo

♠ K 7 4
♥ A K Q 3 2
♥ A 9 7 2
♥ A Q 1 0 2

Board 63

Dlr: South ♠ J 10 6 3
Val N-S ♥ J 8 6 4
♥ 4
♥ K 9 6

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Mohan showed he knows a thing or two about magic by refusing the tempting spade finesse and instead leading a low club from dummy. He was home when both minor suits behaved. It’s 5:00 in the morning and I still hear the blues even though I’ve put my head up for a few days. I’m not that sad any more because I watched Tony’s promise of some club values. The 4 spade was already cast and he got all he needed – the queen of trumps.

Poor Gawrys! Who can blame him for getting the jack and Geir played a heart, clearing the suit. When he found out about the spell was already cast and he got all he needed – the queen of trumps.

Declarer was in dummy and had to guess the position. Mohan showed he knows a thing or two about magic by refusing the tempting spade finesse and instead leading a low club from dummy. He was home when both minor suits behaved. It’s 5:00 in the morning and I still hear the blues even though I’ve put my head up for a few days. I’m not that sad any more because I watched Tony’s promise of some club values. The 4 spade was already cast and he got all he needed – the queen of trumps.

At the other table West won the ♦ with the ace and that gave declarer no losing options – no swing.

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It’s 7:00 in the morning and I still hear the blues even though John Lee Hooker has finished his set and has gone to bed hours ago. I’m not that sad any more because I know that there is still a lot of magic in this wonderful game. I’m sure Rita and her shining knights will keep casting spells until they bring home the trophy.

Good morning, Kansas City! It’s time for me to go to bed.
Appeals Case 6

Subject: Tempo
Event: Vanderbilt KO Teams, March 19, Round of 64 - Final Session
Bd: 2
John Sutherlin
Dir: East
◆ A 10 8 2
Val: N/S
◆ A K J 6
◆ K 17 3
DAC: Q 3 6 2
David Better
Ron Gerard
Dakie Goecker
◆ Q 9 6 4 3
◆ Q 9 8
◆ 3 6
◆ 2
◆ 1
◆ 10 5 4 2
◆ 6
West North East South
Pass
Pass
3NT
All Pass
(1) Break in tempo

The Facts: 3NT made three, +600 for N/S. The Director was called when North bid 3NT. There was an agreed break in tempo (1 minute) before the 3NT bid. The Director ruled that pass was a logical alternative for North and changed the contract to 3NT made three, +110 for N/S.

The Appeal: N/S appealed the Director’s ruling. The W/E captain (Michael Diesel) also attended the hearing. At the table, North believed that with his multiple stoppers in the opponent’s suit, 3NT would offer sufficient play relative to the chances of 3NT making it justify attempting to make a game contract. N/S argued that E/W had ample opportunity to achieve a good result against 3NT and that they earned their –600 through poor defense. The play had been as follows (underlined card left):

West North East South
1♣
Dbl
1♥
2♣
Pass
2NT
Pass
3♣(1)
Pass
3NT
All Pass

E/W believed that South’s slow 3♣ bid suggested North’s 3NT bid and that passing 3♣ was a logical alternative. East thought it very unlikely that North had all three of the missing high hearts, which meant that his heart shift at trick five cost a trick. He said that he had considered his defense carefully, though perhaps not optimally, and believed that declarer could always make nine tricks after winning the A ♠ by virtue of an end position against West. N/S use a Multi 2 opening so South could have held a normal weak two-bid in diamonds. Had West doubled 2♥ it would not have been a support double, so East did not know that his partner had fewer than three hearts.

The Committee Decision: An in-tempo 3♣ bid by South would have shown minimum values for his 2NT bid, and a hand unsuitable for notrump (perhaps as little as the actual South hand without the Q). South’s break in tempo suggested his hand would be more suitable for notrump than North would normally expect, thus indicating North’s 3NT bid. North had already shown his values as with his previous calls and could not reasonably hope to take nine tricks opposite a weak hand with long diamonds. As a pass by North was deemed to be a logical alternative to 3NT, it was imposed on him. E/W had the chance to get a good score against 3NT with better defense. In particular, even after the heart shift at trick five East should have continued with the 1♥ at trick seven, after which the defense could probably have gotten the 10 ♥ and Passed it – and East had to.

Appeals Case 7

Subject: Unauthorized information
Event: NABC Mixed Pairs, March 21, First Final Session
Bd: 12
Win Allegaert
Dir: West
◆ 10 7 4 3
Val: N-S
◆ 3 2
◆ 4 3
◆ A 9 6 3
Hamish Bennett
◆ K 2
◆ J 10 5
◆ Q 8 2
◆ J 8 5 4
Trudt Nigut
◆ Q 16 5
◆ A 95 K
◆ K 2
◆ A 9 K
Judy Bianco
◆ A 9
◆ Q K 9 6 4
◆ 10 7
◆ 10
West North East South
Pass
Pass
1NT(1)
2♣(2)
Pass
2♣(3)
Pass
Dbl
Pass
Pass
Pass
All Pass
(1) Announced: 10-12
(2) Altered: single suit
(3) Altered: requiered

The Facts: 2♣ went down one, +100 for E/W. The opening lead was the 7♥. The Director was called at the end of the hand. N/S stated that after the hand was played, East admitted that she forgot their agreement to play 10-12 notrump. N/S believed that the announcement awoke East to her mistake and she had no further action. The Director ruled that pass was not a logical alternative and allowed the table result to stand.

The Appeal: N/S appealed the Director’s ruling and were the only players to attend the hearing. N/S believed that pass was a logical alternative for East.

The Committee Decision: The Committee established that there was unauthorized information conveyed by the required announcement of the 1NT range. While several members of the Committee concurred with the directing staff that the double in passout seat was “automatic,” after discussion it was agreed that this was not so automatic that it could be permitted under Law 73C after the wake-up call. The Committee therefore canceled East’s balancing double and changed the contract to 2♥ made two, +110 for N/S. The Committee noted that E/W’s absence prevented them from finding the answers to several questions, such as the meaning of actions by West over 2♥ or why East had forgotten their methods on other occasions.

DIC of Event: Henry Cukoff
Committee: Henry Beth (chair), Mark Bartusek, Sid Brownstein, Doug Heron, Peggy Sutherland

How to make 2♥

Justin Hackett and his father Paul found a strange way to get to and make 2♥. This was the bidding:

Pass
Pass
1NT
2♥
Pass
Dbl
Pass
Pass

OK, that’s the way to get to the right contract – have the opponents make an insufficient bid and then accept it. But Justin had only seven tricks in sight. What to do?

On the second trick, Justin led the trump 6 and passed it – and East discarded a club. “No hearts, part-pass?” asked West, Yes, East had a heart, but it was the 4 so he won the trick. The 2♥ became a penalty card. So Justin led the 9♥ and passed it – and East had to play the penalty card.

So Justin made his contract as a result of an insufficient bid and a penalty card.
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Final Standings in Vanderbilt KO Teams

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**Possibilities**

By Barry Rigal

This board (in the final session of the Women's Pairs and Open Pairs II) offered a lot of possibilities in the play of ♠ doubled. At our table, I reached ♦ as East without ever bidding hearts.

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**West**

- 2♣
- 2♠
- 3♣ (1) 2♣
- 4♠
- 5♠

**East**

- 2♣
- 2♠
- 3♣ (1)
- 4♠
- 5♠

**South**

- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区

**North**

- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区

**Pass**

- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区

**SOUTH**

- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区
- 1产区

**Vanderbilt**

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GOLDER TROPHY goes to Flight B victors

Winners of the North American Open Pairs Flight B will have their names inscribed on the Golder Cup and will also receive a certificate of recognition. The trophy is presented in memory of Benjamin M. Golder (1894-1946) of Philadelphia, who died the day before the close of his term as 1946 ACBL president.

Past winners:

1992 Peter Worley, Kevin Young
1993 Robert Sewell, Paul Janicki
1994 Brendan Dempsey, Ian Crowe
1995 Jay Levy, William Rushmore
1996 Robert Johnson, David Rosenstein
1997 Bill Drewett, Kirk Twiss
1998 Andy Beneschan, Brian Gilbert
1999 Argas Kaufman, Greg Burch
2000 Hal Hindman, Mark Chen

Goodwill message

As we prepare to leave this wonderful Kansas City NABC, let's all take an extra moment to say "thank you" to our hosts. The hospitality and entertainment have been spectacular.

I look forward to seeing you at the Summer NABC in Toronto.

Aileen Osofsky, Chair
National Goodwill Committee

Is this yours?

Found in the Regency Ballroom at the Hyatt: a change purse containing a substantial amount of money. If you can claim/identify, see Sol Weinstein in the Regency Ballroom today.
Hamman still the best

Bob Hamman still is #1 in the world according to the latest rankings submitted by the World Bridge Federation. He has a substantial lead over teammate Eric Rodwell, who is second, and teammate Jeff Meckstroth, who is third. Other North Americans in the top 50: 2nd, Woody Ruck; 3rd, Nick Nickell and Richard Freeman; 4th, Larry Katz; 5th, Larry Cohen; 28th, Michael Rosenberg; 31st, Peter Weischt; 33, Zia Mahmod; 35, Paul Soloway.

Morning Compact Knockouts Consolation

Bracket 1 A 8 Teams
1. Jerry Clerkin, North Vernon IN; Brian Kelly, Denver CO; Virginia Lifton, Marco Island FL; Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA
2. Dennis Goldston - Christina Champion - Chris Senior Sr, Alexandria VA
3. Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN; Gary Mehlin, Waterloo IA
4. Ron Woodsum, Houston TX; A Kieffer-Veriga, Roseville MN
5. Al Spaet, Woodland Hills CA; Mark Schreiber, Van Nuys CA
7. Bill Harrington - Ramona Harrington, Boone IA
8. Marian Wascher - Ruth Hanna - Betty O'Brien, Omaha NE; Darlene Rischling, Papillion NE

Bracket 1 B 8 Teams
1. Jerry Clerkin, North Vernon IN; Brian Kelly, Denver CO; Virginia Lifton, Marco Island FL; Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA
2. John Herriot, Los Angeles CA; Mannschrack, Virginia Beach VA; John Herriot, Los Angeles CA; McDunphy, Missouri City MO
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6. Bill Barnow - Louise Barnow, Shawnee Mission KS; Darlene Rischling, Papillion NE; Daniel Groves, Carle Place NY; Lila Jones - Betty Ruff - Paul Miller, St Louis MO
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Tip Swiss

Uchenna Aagoju, Elmont NY; Michael Wickham, Naperville IL; David Shipman, Olathe KS; Susan Gooen, Scarsdale NY
Leon Fisher, Milian MI; Michael Abramson, Akron OH; Christopher Davis, Sparks NV; Henry Wong, Medford MA
Alisha HUDSON, Walnut Grove CA; Andre Steinheirler, Oakland CA; Stacey HUE - Jeremy HUE, Pleasant Hill CA
Martha Lucas Kaplan, Lake Charles LA; Henry Casper - Tom BATTLE, Toronto ON; Mike Ratson, Austin TX
Chuck CHANG - Jonathan ROSENFELD, Evanston IL; Jonathan Leffel, Oak Park IL; Drew Becker, Mequon WI
Marjorie MICHIELIN, Los Angeles CA; Brenda Montague, Swampscott MA; Pierce Smith, Rutland VT; Stephen Gladyszczak, Chelsea MA

Morning Side Game Series Pairs

1st morning Side Game Series Pairs
1. Ron Woodsum, Houston TX; A Kieffer-Veriga, Roseville MN 264.50
2. Bill Barnow - Louise Barnow, Shawnee Mission KS 259.00
3. John Herriot, Los Angeles CA; Mannschrack, Virginia Beach VA; John Herriot, Los Angeles CA; McDunphy, Missouri City MO 253.50
4. Rupinder Mahoy, Kokomo IN; Gary Mehlin, Waterloo IA 250.50
5. Paul Kloer, Nisswa MN; Lloyd Granen, Minneapolis MN 249.50
6. Gail Hawkins - Loughery Hawkins, Saint Charles MO 245.00
7. Nathanael Walters, Lake Kiowa TX; John Blount, Shawnee Mission KS 230.00
8. Caty Callahan - Joan Prather, Lake Quivira KS 227.00
10. John Barnow, Shawnee Mission KS; Barbara Simpson, Godfrey IL; Linda Brazier, Moro IL; Mary Cavanaugh - Marilyn Davis Hennon, Overland Park KS 223.50
11. Colleen Bolen, Gibsonia PA; Margie Tiglio, Allison Park PA 208.00
**TODAY’S SCHEDULE**

*Unless otherwise noted, strat breaks for Stratified Open, Stratified Senior and Stratified Round-n-Match team events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C (0-500). Breaks for Strat-Flighted Open events are: A (unlimited), B (750-1500), C (300-750), D (0-300). Breaks for Continuous Pairs and single-session open events are: A (750+), B (0-750).**

**Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.**

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