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# POST MORTEM

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## All the news that fits in print

í í í í by arlene port

Lou and I take turns writing the front page of the Post Mortem. I love it when my turn comes around, mostly because Lou doesn't get to make fun of me. Soí í ...Lou, be afraid!! (*I'm shaking in my shoes...Lou*)

If you were at the Roni Regional, then you know that it was simply fantastic. Everything about the tournament was a success. We were up 100 tables over last year. The òLearn Bridge in One Dayö class had 53 very happy participants and best of all, everyone had a good time. Thanks go to Lou Joseph and Mary Carns, tournament chairs and those famous caterers, Kan and Barbara Bergman. Jane Marshall, and Darlene Mannheimer, partnership, and all of the volunteers who helped with the bridge class.

**NOW HEAR THIS!!** The Pro-Am is packed and ready to go Wednesday, October 10 at the Rodef Shalom Temple. We have 3 sections but will accommodate a few more, so if you haven't signed up, call Jane Marshall. She will take care of you. Also, the Instant Matchpoints Event is on October 4 at the Glenshaw Moose and includes a pot luck dinner, with the òpotsö brought by attendees. It is always a festive, wonderful affair.

The Pittsburgh Bridge Association - Is there anything as great as that? Seriously, we have so much going on, including the fall sectional in November. (see the flyer in the Post Mortem) Our Friday evening Unit game is becoming more successful, each week, thanks to Jane Marshall. If you would like to play and you need a partner, call Jane and she will find you one. And of course, our lesson series is beginning on October 15. If you know anyone who is interested in learning how to play, have them call.

Make certain you read the Roni Regional winners which are in this issue. Lou will probably report the winners in Swahili so that no one will recognize my name. Just so you don't know, my name in Swahili is: òIwონmorethanloudidö (*don't be so proud, so did everyone else!* - Lou)

In the meantime **BOO!** Have a great Halloween.

Hospitality  
 All Sessions!

# PITTSBURGH Fall Sectional

## Friday, November 9

1:30 PM Stratified Open Pairs (1 session)  
 Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session)  
 7:30 PM Stratified Open Pairs (1 session)  
 Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session)  
 Single Session Swiss Teams

## Saturday, November 10

11:00 AM Stratified Open Pairs (1 session)  
 Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session)  
 Compact Handicapped KO Teams  
 (1st of 2 sessions)  
 4:00 PM Lunch on Us between Sessions!!  
 Stratified Open Pairs (1 session)  
 Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session)  
 Compact Handicapped KO Teams  
 (2nd of 2 sessions)  
 Single Session Swiss Teams

## Sunday, November 11

11:00 AM Stratified Open Swiss Teams  
 (7 rounds of 7 boards)  
 Stratified 299er Swiss Teams  
 (6 rounds of 6 boards)  
 Separate Play-through Events/  
 30 point VP scale

**Open 299er**  
 A: 2000+ D: 200-300  
 B: 750-2000 E: 50-200  
 C: 0-750 F: 0-50  
 All Strats in All 299er Strats at  
 Events by Avg. Mps Director's Discretion

November 9-11, 2012

Masonic Center North

3579 Masonic Way  
 Pittsburgh, PA 15237

**Partnerships:**  
 Jane Marshall: 412-371-4067

**Newcomers & 299ers:**  
 Darlene Mannheimer  
 412-343-0419

**Tournament Chairs:**  
 Bill Seran

Carole Shanahan  
 412-364-0302  
 412-952-3583

**Director in Charge:** Mike Roberts  
 Sanction # 51211095

**Pairs Entries \$12 pp.**  
 Open Swiss Teams \$100/team  
 299er Swiss \$ 50/team  
 Non & Unpaid ACBL Members  
 \$1 additional per session  
 Student Discount \$5 per Session



Lesson from an Expert\*

Friday @ 6:45 PM  
 Saturday @ 3:15 PM  
 \* Not necessarily the Expert shown above

**Full Newcomer / NILM Schedule:**  
 Newcomer / 299er Pairs -  
 Both Sessions Friday & Saturday  
 PLUS Special Swiss on Sunday!  
 Play ONLY against other New Players  
 Contact Darlene for  
 Partners & Team-building!  
 Full Schedule & Directions at  
[www.pittsburghbridge.org](http://www.pittsburghbridge.org)



# LESSONS

Pittsburgh Bridge Association



The PBA Lesson Series Continues...  
 Seven Consecutive Mondays, Starting October 15, 2012  
 @ Congregation Rodef Shalom 9AM - 11AM

Two Separate Concurrent Classes...

**Beginning Bridge: Bridge Basics #1.** A class for those who wish to learn how to play bridge with a solid foundation. This course will use *Bridge Basics #1* by Audrey Grant. Taught by Lou Joseph.

**The Next Step:** A special series for the advancing player. Classes include: Basic Defense, Play of the hand at No Trump; Play of the hand in a suit; negative doubles; Bidding and responding to opening 2C openers; Transfers; Jacoby 2NT. (no textbook required) Taught by Arlene Port

Tuition \$70 for each 7-week class. Textbook for Bridge #1 \$12—if needed  
 Advance Registration Requested - Complete & Mail this Form  
 Or Register Online: [www.pittsburghbridge.org/classreg.htm](http://www.pittsburghbridge.org/classreg.htm)  
 For Details, Call Arlene at 412-521-3637;  
 or Email [printsus@verizon.net](mailto:printsus@verizon.net)

Improving your game makes both you & your partner happy!!!  
 Please accept this reservation for the PBA Bridge School, Fall 2012  
 Bridge Basics#1  Advancing Player  I need a Textbook

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to the PITTSBURGH BRIDGE ASSOCIATION at  
 \$70.00 per person (plus \$12 textbook if needed) Classes will be limited,  
 and applications are accepted on a "First Come, First Served" basis

Classes Held at:  
 Rodef Shalom Synagogue  
 4905 Fifth Ave, Pgh, PA 15213

Form and Payment to:  
 The Pittsburgh Bridge Association  
 c/o Arlene Port  
 5447 Hobart Street Pgh, PA 15217

## "RONI" LABOR DAY REGIONAL RESULTS 08-27-2012 thru 09-03-2012

### TUE CHARITY PAIRS

- A B C  
 1 E Itkin - H Nelson  
 2 A Williams - E Retetagos  
 3 1 G Gilligan - R Zimmermann  
 2 1 B Shah - M Cohen  
 3 2 B Logan - R Logan  
 3 B Day - R Kleinmann

### WED AM SIDE GAME

- A B  
 1 P Kyper - D Wick  
 2 1 J Thaubald - F Abdalla  
 2/3 M Marshall - S Hotchkiss  
 2/3 S Ma - C Lu

### WED AFT SIDE GAME

- A B C  
 1 1 P Rubin - M Rubin  
 2/3 2/3 D Bloom - V De Jong  
 2/3 2/3 R Grassel - J Zaccardi  
 1/3 C Conaway - M Babbit  
 1/3 F Chapman - J Rubinstein  
 1/3 J Thaubald - F Abdalla

### WED AFT 299'er

- A B C  
 1 D Wiest - N Diever  
 2 1 1 B Weinstein - J Kahn  
 3 2 J Purvis - V Evanko  
 3 2 J Thelkeld - S McCall  
 3 C Croushore - A Urban

### WED OPEN PAIRS

- A B C  
 1 D Faskow - J Albright  
 2 1 J Davis - D Kirsch  
 3 2 D Ruppert - L Hackenburg II  
 3 J Crowley - H Feldman  
 1 C Shanahan - W Seran  
 2 D Livingston - J Livingston  
 3 K Kreps - R Carter

### WED SIDE SWISS

- A B C  
 1 B Bergman, K Bergman,  
 H Nelson, E Itkin  
 2 J Marshall, R Franck,  
 F Schenck, D Roseberry  
 3 P Benedict, L Jones, B Fudor,  
 G Carns  
 1 1 M Marshall, S Hotchkiss,  
 S Ma, C Lu  
 2 G Depner, S Dillon, F Tito,  
 C Benedict  
 3 S Golier, J Skirboll, R Rutter,  
 C Evashavik

### WED EVE SIDE GAME

- A B C  
 1 R Sachs - A Williams  
 2 C Sullivan - J Sullivan  
 3 1 1 B Leonard - J Wise  
 2 2 J Crowe - L Di Vittis  
 3 3 J McCormick - R Haas

### WED EVE 299'er

- A B C  
 1 1 1 L Porter - H Allen  
 2 C Bundy - G Bundy Jr  
 3 2 2 J Thelkeld - S McCall  
 3 J Purvis - V Evanko

### TUE/WED KO BRACKET I

- 1 H Sachs, S Ruskin, B Ellis,  
 E Lazarus  
 2 A Graves, R Frobouck, R Smith,  
 B Jenkins, B Cohen

### TUE/WED KO BRACKET II

- 1 S Portnoy, J Phillips, S Brand  
 M Retetagos  
 2 M Creager, L Jones, F Howard,  
 D Millsap

### TUE/WED KO BRACKET III

- 1 G Spine, Jr, B Spine, ML Spine,  
 E Elikan  
 2 D Mannheimer, A Mannheimer,  
 D Turacy Sr, G Retos

### WED COMPACT KO BRACKET I

- 1 G Hallberg, M Seligman,  
 D Simson, K Eichenbaum  
 2 A Ulke, H Haffner, J Haffner,  
 A Snort

### WED COMPACT KO BRACKET 2

- 1 S Wozniak, E Collins, R Hughes,  
 KJ Hellman  
 2 C Custer, R Heasley III, D Kelly,  
 S Rabovsky

### WED COMPACT KO BRACKET 3

- 1 H Balph, R Patterson, R Neafach,  
 J Baseman  
 2 J Wright, B Wright, W Toler,  
 A Kostell

### THU AFT SIDE GAME

- A B C  
 1 K Bergman - B Bergman  
 2 R Neuhart - B Neuhart  
 3 1 S Metzger - R Sheldon  
 2 L Finegold - L Margolis  
 3/4 A Lowenstein - F Brody  
 3/4 P Silver - P Rosenberg  
 2 P Berkowitz - M Goldman  
 3 P Miller - R Burrows Cont pg 5

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**THU AFT 299'er**

- A B C**  
 1 1 1 C Croushore - A Urban  
 2 2 2 D Wyke - C Pattison  
 3 3 3 B Weinstein - P Heinz

**THU EVE SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1 1 S Golier - J Ludwig  
 2 2 F Prus - D Frohlich  
 3 J Sullivan - C Sullivan  
 3 1 T Glass - L Puntureri

**THU EVE 299'er**

- A B C**  
 1 C Bundy - G Bundy Jr  
 2 1 K Kreps - R Kramer  
 3 2 1 ML Katz - S Jones  
 3 2 L Carey - A Plunkett

**THU SIDE SWISS**

- A B C**  
 1 R Raf, R Cappelli, B Lippitt,  
 L Melander  
 2 B Belardi, C Powell, A Williams,  
 S Fairchild  
 3 J Goodykoontz, V Goodykoontz,  
 J Marshall, S Lordi  
 1 P McFarlane, C Whitney, N Ogan  
 J Pivarski Jr  
 2 J Le Blond, R Gupta, R Logan,  
 D Averbach  
 3 1 M Marshall, S Hotchkiss, S Ma,  
 C Lu  
 2 J Wright, B Wright, W Toler,  
 A Kostell  
 3 N Carbone, E Carbone, G Perez,  
 J Szymecki

**THU OPEN PAIRS**

- A B C**  
 1 G Carns - MP Carns  
 2 1 R Rajkumar - R Brady  
 3 R Franck - J Klein  
 2 R Gallucci - S Gallucci  
 3 1 G Goetz Jr - J Bernot  
 2 D Piovano - M Sobey  
 3 J Fox - F Siffrim

**THU AM SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1/2 1/2 B Abraham - M Kramer  
 1/2 1/2 1 M Goldman - P Berkowitz

**FRI AM SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1 D Pierce - J Overcashier  
 2 K O'Brien - L Flanger

**FRI AFT SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1 1 1 A Tung - C Bonfiglio  
 2 T Trifan - C Reitz  
 3 J Overcashier - J Tscholl  
 2 A Bonneau - ML D'Altorio  
 3 P Madsen - C Madsen  
 2 K Shipkovitz - J Baseman  
 3 A Lowestein - E Feldman

**FRI AFT 299'er**

- A B C**  
 1 1 1 R Cohen - M Wallach  
 2 2 C Larson - S Dahlie  
 3 N Zweig - N Chernow  
 3 2 C Conaway - S Scheessele  
 3 B Weinstein - J Kahn

**FRI EVE SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1 E Hargesheimer III - C Kellogg  
 2 R Neuhart - B Neuhart  
 3 M Creager - K Kranyak  
 1 F Prus - D Frohlich  
 2 M Rulin - M Mazer  
 3 M Rubin - P Rubin  
 1 J Smith - F McCarren  
 2 J Bracket - P Bachman

**FRI EVE 299'er**

- A B C**  
 1 1 1 D Wyke - C Pattison  
 2 2 C Larson - S Dahlie  
 3 J Wendelkin - G Cable  
 3 2 M Frizzi - B King

**FRI GOLD RUSH PAIRS**

- B C**  
 1 1 J Thaubald - F Abdalla  
 2 2 G Perez - J Szymecki  
 3 E Dylewski - S Dylewski  
 3 G Hetzer - S Eskew

**THU-FRI AM SWISS TEAMS**

- A B C**  
 1/2 R Frobouck, A Graves, R Smith,  
 B Cohen  
 1/2 G Hallberg, D Simson,  
 M Seligman, K Eichenbaum  
 3 J Assini, S Stark, B Jenkins,  
 D Roseberry, J Levy  
 1 M Creager, F Howard, L Jones,  
 D Millsap

**FRI OPEN SWISS TEAMS**

- A B C**  
 1 J Prior, D Averbach, C Boyd,  
 E Catalfamo  
 2/4 A Tessler, J Sauro, A Firko,  
 B Newman  
 2/4 F Schenker, J Levy, D Pierce,  
 D Roseberry  
 2/4 K Bergman, B Bergman,  
 H Haffner, J Haffner  
 2 1 M Gladfelter, MJ Gladfelter,  
 R Ramey, S Allison  
 2 E Collins, R Hughes, S Wozniak,  
 KJ Hellman  
 3 F Mason, D Dyer, K Kreutzberg,  
 T Sanzone

**FRI EVE SIDE SWISS**

- A B**  
 1 D Faskow, J Albright, D Lazarus,  
 E Lazarus  
 1 B Bozick, S Pollak, B Logan,  
 R Logan

**THU-FRI KO BRACKET 1**

- 1 A Graves, R Frobouck, B Cohen,  
 R Smith  
 2 G Hallberg, M Seligman,  
 D Simson, K Eichenbaum

**THU-FRI KO BRACKET 2**

- 1 F Howard, C Scholl, L Jones,  
 D Millsap  
 2 S Konig, K Bock, L Igiel,  
 P Geinzer, S Harris

**THU-FRI KO BRACKET 3**

- 1 B Leonard, J Wise, M Fezar,  
 H Churchill  
 2 L King, S King, M Hardy,  
 P Andrews

**SAT AFT 299'er**

- A B C**  
 1 J Borland - J Jacobs  
 2 1 N Simon - R Simon  
 3 S Kausler - D Hoover  
 2 1 B Weinstein - P Heinz  
 3 B Sautter - G O'Connor  
 2 J Discoll - J Collins  
 3/4 M Frizzi - R Zoretech  
 3/4 M Hardy - P Andrews

**SAT AFT SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1 1 1 D Sterrett - KJ Hellman  
 2 2 2 J Brackett - P Bachman  
 3 3 S Metzger - R Sheldon  
 3 L Fried - G Small

**SAT SIDE SWISS**

- A B C**  
 1 1 1 F Mason, D Dyer, K Kreutzberg,  
 T Sanzone  
 2 2 2 M Gladfelter, MJ Gladfelter,  
 R Ramey, S Allison  
 3 3 S Bussan, N Evans, S Lundstrom,  
 B Schidlowski

**SAT EVE SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1 J Padgug - R Padgug  
 2 1 1 J Sinder - N Potter  
 3 2 KJ Hellman - D Sterrett  
 3 2 D Hoover - S Kausler

**SAT OPEN PAIRS**

- A B C**  
 1 D Faskow - J Albright  
 2 A Tessler - B Newman  
 3 J Zimmerman - P Grover  
 1 J Pruitt - C Woolwine  
 2 S Shi - A Prairie  
 3 R Zimmermann - G Gilligan  
 1 S Robertson - K Robertson  
 2 T Trifan - A Trifan  
 3 J Holst - J Courtright

**SAT-SUN KO BRACKET 1**

- 1 A Graves, R Frobouck, R Smith  
 B Cohen  
 2 A Frankel, H Bauman,  
 D Lazarus, E Lazarus

**SAT-SUN KO BRACKET 2**

- 1 W Lindgren, S Steiner, E Itkin,  
 H Nelson  
 2 L Jones, D Millsap, P Merker,  
 N Hartung

**SAT-SUN KO BRACKET 3**

- 1 A Cockburn, T Hodous, V Kane,  
 A Fusco  
 2 J Otte, T Kessler, J Picone,  
 J Typanski

**SUN AM SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1/2 S Irish - M Sylvester  
 1/2 1 A Budlum - S Kelly  
 3 2 R Bodrogi-Podoaba - M Lipp

**SUN AFT SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
 1 J Toy - J Zimmerman  
 2 MP Carns - W Holt  
 3 M Klamp - C Urbaneck  
 1 R Bodrogi-Podoaba - M Lipp  
 2 ML D'Altorio - R Zack  
 3 S Metzger - R Sheldon  
 1 R Padgug - T Tjader  
 2 C & S Schwarzwaelder

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**SUN A/X PAIRS**

- A X**  
1 S Westine - PJ Prahbu  
2/3 B Olmstead - L Rafferty  
2/3 1 R Zimmermann - S Nolan  
2 C Mody - B Merkich  
3 C Boyd - B Boyd

**SUN EVE SIDE GAME**

- A B C**  
1 G Subt - P Young  
2 D Hess - R Tate  
3 1 L Fried - G Small  
2 J Fox - F Siffrinn  
3 1 G Marcus - S Robovsky  
2 M Frizzi - B King

**SUN AFT 299'er**

- A B C**  
1 1 1 S Catz - I Oakes  
2 2 2 E Goldthwait - R Goldthwait  
3 3 3 ML Katz - E Levine

**SUN GOLD RUSH PAIRS**

- B C**  
1 I Baxter - G Alius  
2 W Grant - J Goodman  
3 1 D Ragland - S Bellner  
2 C Bonnette - M Graham  
3 J Thelkeld - S McCall

**SUN SIDE SWISS**

- A B C**  
1 F Tseng, B&S Grzegorzewski, S Irish  
2 K & B Bergman, R Franck, J Marshall  
3 J Bernhard, D Manneheimer,  
F Howard, P Becker  
1 D Averbach, L Igiel, A Bonneau,  
B McElhaney  
2 1 C Beardmore, D Fishbeck,  
T Murray, P Sostarich  
2 K Bock, N Aquino, D Pittman, D Collura

**AFT SIDE SERIES OVERALLS**

- 1/2 R Sheldon/S Metzger  
3/4 J Zaccardi/R Grassel

**EVE SIDE SERIES OVERALLS**

- 1 P Young  
2/3 C Sullivan/J Sullivan

**SUN COMPACT KO BRACKET 1**

- 1 J Bachelder, J Martin, A Tessler, B Newman  
2 F Schenker, F Prus, F Walters, A UnimPORTant

**SUN COMPACT KO BRACKET 2**

- 1 R Brady, R Rajkumar, S Shi, A Prairie  
2 D Ruppert, S Veauthier, B Greenspan, H Ellis

**SUN A/X SWISS TEAMS**

- A X**  
1 H & J Haffner, F Walters, A Porthole  
2 A Graves, R Frobouck, R Smith,  
B Cohen  
3 1 R Brady, A Prairie, S Shi, R Rajkuman  
2 A Williams, M Retetagos, F Prus,  
F Schenker  
3 N Hartung, P Merker, D Millsap,  
L Jones

**SUN B?C?D SWISS TEAMS**

- B C D**  
1 S & W Lippy, C Mody, B Merkich  
2 S Bussan, N Evans, S Lundstrum,  
B Schidlowski  
3 J Bernhard, F Howard, C Bolen,  
L Hanna  
1 1 C Lu, S Ma, M Strebel, N Warner  
2 2 D Kelly, R Furis, J Mujwit, R Gavert  
3 D Collura, K Bock, J Zakor, G Strieter  
3 M & MJ Gladfelter, R Romey,  
S Allison

***Congratulations to (almost) all the winners. I apologize for the font being so small, but it is the only way we could fit all the results in. Of course, there was no point in making Arlene's name any smaller - I probably should have just left her off the list....***

The Bylaws of the Pittsburgh Bridge Association call for up to a 20 member Board of Directors, with each Director serving a two-year term. Terms are staggered, and up to 10 members are to be elected each year. For 2012, seven Board members terms are expiring. If you would like to run for the Board of Directors, you need to submit a nominating petition, signed by ten members of the Pittsburgh Bridge Association. The deadline for submitting nominating petitions is 10/10/2010. In the last few years, we have had fewer nominations than there were Board seats to fill, and there has been no need to hold an election. If more than ten nominating petitions are received, an election will be held on at the Fall Sectional, to select the members of the Board who will serve from 2010 until 2013. Please submit any nominating petitions to Board President Asim Ulke or Elections Chair Phyllis Silver, or any current board member. The following board members terms are expiring:

*Ken Bergman Bill Holt Lou Joseph Maryanne McNeirney Marilyn Painter Bill Seran Carole Shanahan*

**IN MEMORY**

**Joe Brady** died in September. Joe was a very special person. No one really seems to know how many years he was a member of the PBA, but he definitely played here for at least 50 years and was one of the top 5 remaining long time Pittsburgh bridge players. There's no doubt he was a wonderful player, having won a national event with Marge Tamres in 1997. I never saw him yell at his partners and if they criticized him, he never said a word. Nothing bothered him at the bridge table. He came to have a good time and he did.

Bridge skill was not the only thing that made Joe special. He was a such a nice person who was always willing to share his knowledge of bridge or finance or anything that required his expertise. He wanted everyone to be a good bridge player. He was a gentle man who had so much to offer.

For the last 14 years, Joe was my bridge partner. We hardly ever missed a Wednesday and I always enjoyed myself. Every time I complained about a hand or a bid, he just ignored me. (does that work? - Lou) It was great because he never got mad at me. I miss him so much and I am certain everyone in our unit feels the same.

**GOODBY JOE. IT WAS AN HONOR TO KNOW YOU.**

Jim Reich's mother passed away. Jim and I used to compare mothers, because they were close in age - over 100. I know how difficult it is to lose someone at any age, no matter how old they are. Our condolences to Jim, his wife, Joan and his family.

**POST CARDS**

Gail Hastings wants to thank everyone who called, wrote, visited, made a nuisance of themselves (that's for Jim, her husband) or did anything else to speed her recovery from her fall. The Doctor gave her a clean bill of health on her last visit!

***Election: Saturday, Nov 10 2012***

*Petitions Due By: Oct 10 2012*

**INTERNET POST**

You are South, playing IMP's with N/S VUL.

You hold:

S ----  
 H A 8 6 4 2  
 D A 5  
 C J 10 8 6 4 2

The Bidding is:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
-----	-----	PASS	2S
PASS	3S	?	

What do you bid?

**Asim Ulke 3NT.** Over partner's expected 4D, I bid 4H. If partner bids 5D, I take a bathroom brake.

**Bill Holt: Pass.** We don't have the ammo to fight this battle at the 4-level if partner could not overcall 2NT. Double buys either -530 or a probable 4d bid which I won't like. I am not strong enough, nor are my suits good enough to overcall. So the thing to do is apologize & surrender.

**Gail Carns: X (double)** If I would bid over 2S p p then I bid over 2S p 3S. Also over 4D by partner I bid 4H expecting partner to know I have Hs and Cs

**Fred Schenker 4C.** I don't think x is right. Pard did not have enough to overcall 2N, so I don't think we are missing a game. If pard can't stand Cs, I would expect a 4D bid, which I would correct to 4H. In this case, I would expect pard's shape to be 4-3-4-2 or 4-3-5-1. If pard has a good hand with Cs, I would expect a raise to 5. We may be missing a H fit, but there are too many bad things that could happen if I start with a double.

**Steve Nolan 3NT.** It will be obvious to partner from his own holding that this cannot be a natural bid. If I had a single-suited hand, I would have bid my suit; if I had all three, I would have doubled. Therefore this bid shows a two-suiter. Partner can pass or bid a suit. If he bids, I'll pass 4H, raise 4C to 5 or bid 4H over 4D.

**Jane Marshall 4NT.** I am asking partner to bid his lowest 3-card suit. If he bids 5D, I will bid 5H. (The opponents have a fit, we have a fit I am short in spades.

**Jim Bachelder Pass,** partner passed in first seat and passed again. Why do I want to come in now, at unfavorable vulnerability, and look for a place to play at the four level? Also, partner might pass and they'll make it.

**PJ Prabu Pass.** It may be our hand, but it is not clear that we have a game. Partner may have four spades and hence could be short in my suits. Both my suits being very poor, I am not venturing in at the 4-level.

**Paul Caplan: Pass.** This hand can be a total misfit with the wrong vul. if partner wants to compete a balancing double does not promise 4 hearts. Partner may have a spade stack and wish to defend which maybe the only plus score for n-s.

**Trudy Cohn: I bid 3 NT** which is obviously for two suits. If partner bids Diamonds, I will bid hearts and my shape should be known at that point

**Ernie Retetagos: . Pass!!** Are you kidding? If I can't open one club, I'm certainly not forcing to the 4 level, Partner has spade length, but not enough strength to bid 2 NT.

**Stan Ruskin .I pass.** I can't think of anything else to do. Something strange is going on and I will wait for partner to clarify. I have what partner thinks I have - plus more distribution. If it our hand somewhere partner will clarify. He Must know that I have 0 or 1 spade Maximum and a lot of hearts and A maximum of 10 points. Let him move.

**Marvin Rulin Double.** I'm torn between double and pass. I have only 9 HCP but my spade void is huge. Partner passed over west's preempt. East 's bid can be just interference or a moderate point count .Double allows partner to pass if he has spade tricks (very possible) or hopefully show a 4 card heart suit. I don't want to be shut out of the bidding.

**Florine Walters Double.** All options are open. If partner passes the double, I do have two quick tricks.

**Herb Sachs: Pass** Obviously I am missing something here. My partner is vulnerable also and alive with some spade length and probably some diamond length but failed to act over two spades-maybe 4-1-5-3 distribution. A small plus or a small minus in three spades versus what? Perhaps a huge number! I pass.

**Eric Ruben: 4H,** and since you asked, I will bid 5C also, unless partner doubles 4S. We have a fit somewhere and I don't feel like being pushed around today.

**Robert Zimmermann: Pass.** North could not take an action over 2S, so anything I bid will propel them to a 4S contract that will likely make.

INTERNET POST  
 HOW EXPERTS VOTED

Steve Beatty	3NT
David Berkowitz	4H
Augie Boehm	D
Bart Bramley	3NT
Larry Cohen	3NT
Billy Eisenberg	4C
Russ Ekeblad	4C
Mark Feldman	4C
Ross Gabel	P
Allan Graves	4H
Barbara Haberman	D
Carl Hudecek	P
Sami Kehela	4C
Danny Kleinman	3NT
Eric Kokish	D
Mark Lair	D
Sidney Lazard	4C
Pratap Rajadhyasksha	3NT
Arthur Robinson	P
Jeff Rubens	D
Ira Rubin	P
Harry Steiner	D
Robert Wolfff	4C
Kit Woolsey	D

**INTERNET POST RESULTS:**

BID	Nat.	Pgh	Award
Dbl	7	3	100
3NT	5	3	90
4C	6	1	80
4H	2	1	70
PASS	4	8	40
4S	0	0	30
4NT	0	1	10

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				4 Instant Match-Point game at Glenshaw Moose 6:15 PM!!!	5 PBA Club Appreciation Pairs	6 NAOP at Erie, PA Masonic Gm Can. Unit 229
7	8 JCC Can.	9	10 PRO-AM Game at Rodef Shalom 6:15 PM!!!	11	12 PBA Club Appreciation Swiss & Bd Mtg	13
14	15 Rodef Club App	16	17	18	19 PBA Club Championship	20
21	22	23	24 JCC Club appreciation	25	26 PBA Unit Championship	27
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**FIRST AT THE POST**

**70% GAMES**

Pat Katz and Marcella Apter Rodef 72.67%  
 Allen Cohen and Lois Cohen Rodef 199ers 72.57%

**3 IN A ROW**

Harold Haffner JCC Wechsler Judy Haffner JCC Wechsler

**2 IN A ROW**

Joanne Zambroski M Frazier DBC Judy Sonon M Frazier DBC  
*(Note:) They have won 2 in a row several times but the results were unreported*  
 Connie Hoechstetter, Moon DBC Barb Bergman Moon DBC  
 Sue Lordi Moon DBC Marvin Rulin Mon. Rodef  
 Sandy Spear-Brand Mon Rodef Terry Barker SHNLM Thu  
 Kay Klink SHNLM Thu Barb Bergman Allegh North  
 Lorraine Hanna Allegh North

**THREE MONTHS AT A GLANCE**

NOVEMBER 2012

- 02 Unit Championship
- 09 PBA Fall Sectional @ Masonic Center
- 16 Unit Championship & Annual Membership Meeting
- 23 Open Pairs
- 30 Unit Championship SWISS TEAM & PBA Board Meeting (if required)

DECEMBER 2012

- 06 PBA STaC Pairs & PBA HOLIDAY PARTY - Thursday, Glenshaw Moose
- 07 PBA StaC Pairs
- 14 Unit Championship SWISS TEAMS
- 21 Open Pairs
- 28 Open Pairs

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