

August 17-23



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Daily Bulletin

Welcome to the Gateway to the West Regional!

Welcome

The members of Greater St. Louis Unit 143 welcome you to the Gateway to the West Regional.

Your Tournament Team



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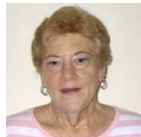
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Not pictured: Milt Zlatic, Web Bulletin & Recorder



New Life Masters

None yet...

Daily Hospitality



Complimentary Parking & Free Coffee

As part of our daily hospitality, we are pleased to offer you free coffee *while it lasts* at the start of each session in the main playing area.

Each time you leave the lot you will need a ticket to open the gate. Pick up your ticket at the Director's table in the Main Playing area.

Late Night Hospitality



St. Louis offers serous hospitality for all. Join us for snacks after the evening session. **Tonight's treat: Chat & Snack** on International Cheeses, breads and rolls with spreads, and fresh fruit.

Partnership Desk



Looking for a Partner? Or Teammates?

The Partnership desk opens one hour before each session morning, afternoons, and evenings. It is located in the main hallway. It will close 15 minutes before each event to allow volunteers to get to their tables. The same desk is used for ALL players in any event.

Photographer



Attention Winners! New Life Masters, I/N winners and all event winners will be photographed in the main hallway near the Photography poster from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., and 11:00 – 11:30 p.m. starting Tuesday morning. We really want to publicize your success, so be sure to stop by.

Today's Events

Series 1 Open Pairs

BRACKATED KO #1 continued

BRACKETED KO #2

Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs

Stratified Swiss

Sessions 2-4 of 4

Sessions 2 & 3 & 4

Sessions 1 & 2

Single Sessions

Single Session

9 AM, 1 PM & 7:30 PM

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7:30 PM

Tuesday Speakers: Orly Room

Karen Walker "THE Essential Bridge Skill: Counting the Hand - Part 1" (Wednesday - Part 2)

12:45 PM

Mike Flader Ruling the Game

6:45 PM

KOs matched by random draw every round and guaranteed to finish in four rounds. Compact KO teams limited to 4 members. Unless otherwise indicated, master point ranges for stratified events will be 2000/750/300. Strata-Flighted events: A = 3000+, 0-3000; B/C/D = 0-300/750. Gold Point Events in ALL CAPS. Under 200 MP events stratified: 20/100/200.

Entry Fee\$



The entry fee is \$12/player/session for all events. Intermediate/Novice pair game fee is \$10/player/session. Student Discounts: Our Regional offers a 50% discount on each full session at each Regional event for full-time students ages 25 and under with ID proof. Be sure to inform the director when purchasing the entry.



Prize Desk

There will be First Overall trophies for ALL Intermediate/Novice events. We will give Section Top Awards for any Pairs event. Prizes will be awarded from results posted in the Daily Bulletin. The only exception will be awards for the Sunday events; they must be picked up within one hour of the end of the event. **No prizes will be mailed.** The prize table is located in the main hallway. It will be open one hour prior to the afternoon and evening sessions Tuesday through Saturday, and one hour prior to morning sessions Wednesday through Saturday. The prize table will close promptly 15 minutes prior to the sessions in order to allow our volunteers to get to their games. You can help us greatly if you can tell us the day, session, and type of event, the section letter and direction of your section top. No prize can be awarded until the directors have officially certified the results.

Players with Non-ACBL Masterpoints

Players with non-ACBL Masterpoints must inform the director before entering any Flighted, Stratified, or Bracketed event. Failure to do so may result in disqualifications and loss of any MPs won.

Hotel Information

We are at the:
Renaissance St. Louis Hotel Airport
9801 Natural Bridge Rd.
St. Louis, MO, 63130
Phone: 314-429-1100
Fax: 314-429-3625
Toll free: 888-340-2594 You get the special bridge rate and your Marriot Rewards credit.
High-speed internet is available in all rooms with free in-room coffee. An ATM is on site. Check out time is Noon.



Lost and Found



Check with a Director at the head table in the main playing area or with the Front Desk as some items found may be turned in to Hotel Security.



First Aid/Medical Service

For immediate care in case of an emergency, contact any director, or Unit Board Member, or Hotel employee and an EMT will be summoned.

Restaurants



Come by the Partnership desk for info on area restaurants, address, and phone numbers.

Ground Transportation



Contact front desk or doorman for hotel shuttle or taxis or call 314-993-TAXI. The region's light rail connects downtown to the airport; there is a convenient MetroLink stop at the airport.

Turn Them OFF! Please and Thank You!!!



Except for health-related equipment or by permission of the Director-In-Charge of the tournament or event, **cell phones, audible pagers, or any similar communication equipment MAY NOT be operated or operable in the playing area during a session of play.** If you are expecting an emergency call, you may leave your phone at the director's station.



Smoking Policy

This is a NO SMOKING tournament and hotel. You may smoke outside the hotel entrances. Please use provided receptacles. Hospitality breaks will be provided.

Area Attractions



Visit the www.unit143.org Homepage for a link for your friends and family to do in St. Louis while you are playing bridge. The top attractions are, of course, the Gateway Arch and the A-B Clydesdales.



Hotel Restaurant

Starbucks coffee is available in main lobby.
Daily Dinner Specials in the Main Dining Room

Tuesday

Grilled Chicken Breast with Honey Dijon Sauce
Horseradish Mashed Potatoes
Broccoli and Carrots

Wednesday

Pan Seared Salmon with
Jasmine Rice
Sautéed Spinach

Thursday

6 oz. Strip Steak with Marsala Sauce
Roasted Red Potatoes
Green Beans

Friday

Pasta Primavera with Grilled Chicken
Garlic Bread

Saturday

Pork Chop with Sweet Molasses
Sweet Potato Mash
Brussels Sprouts

\$15.95 per person, plus tax



Cash Concessions

Where

- Main playing area

When

- Tuesday thru Saturday 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
- Sunday 11am – 4pm Swiss Team Play-through

What

- Hot and cold sandwiches @ \$3.00 to \$4.00
- Individual Bags of Potato Chips @ \$1.00
- Whole Fresh Fruit/Including Bananas @ \$1.00
- Cookie @ \$1.00
- Assorted Soft Drinks (Heavy Diet Coke) @ \$2.50
- Assorted Bottled Juices & Bottled Water @ \$2.50
- Fresh Fruit Bowl @ \$3.00

Today's Puzzles



Tentaizu

In each of the grids on this puzzle, stars are hiding in 10 of the 49 squares. Your task is to determine the positions of the 10 stars.

Tentaizu 2

				0		
	2		3			2
1		2		1	1	
	3					
		4				
	1					

Sudoku 1 Yesterday's Solution

9	4	1	5	2	7	3	6	8
2	6	3	1	8	9	7	5	4
5	8	7	6	3	4	9	2	1
4	3	2	8	9	6	1	7	5
1	9	6	7	4	5	8	3	2
7	5	8	3	1	2	4	9	6
8	1	5	2	7	3	6	4	9
6	7	4	9	5	8	2	1	3
3	2	9	4	6	1	5	8	7

Sudoku 2 - Hard

			7	3				5
3	4		5	8	2		1	6
	6	5	4	1		8	3	2
	5		3	7		2	8	
			6	2				
	3	1	8	9			5	
5						1	2	
4	2		1	5			6	3
				6				

Hand of the Day

Looking at all the hands, can you make this 6 NT contract against any defense?

6 NT by South

♠ 9 8 7 6
♥ 4
♦ A K 7
♣ 9 8 7 6 5

♠ J 5 4 3 2
♥ 3 2
♦ 3 2
♣ J 4 3 2



♠ A K 10
♥ A K Q 5
♦ 6 5 4
♣ A K 10

Lead: ♠ 3

♠ Q
♥ J 10 9 8 7 6
♦ Q J 10 9 8
♣ Q



Zero Tolerance Policy



Be cool! Bridge is fun.

We are committed to improving acceptable player behavior at all times. The ultimate purpose of the Z-T policy is to create a much more pleasant atmosphere in our game. We are attempting to eradicate unacceptable behavior in order to make the game of bridge more enjoyable for all.

If a player at the table behaves in an unacceptable manner, the director should be called **immediately**. Annoying behavior, embarrassing remarks, or any other conduct which might interfere with the enjoyment of the game is specifically prohibited; the director has the authority to assess disciplinary penalties.

Meet Your Directors

Chris Patrias, Head Director

- Rick Beye
- Donna Coker
- David Cotterman
- Judy Cotterman
- Michael Flader
- Ron Johnston
- Charles MacCracken
- Richard Mueller
- Tom Whitesides



Donna Coker, Rick Beye, & Mike Flader



Recorder Forms

Recorder forms are available from the Head Director. Milt Zlatic is the District 8 Recorder.

Daily Bulletins & Results

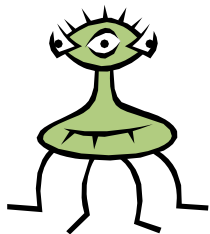
Bulletins will be available in the main hallway each morning.

Bulletins and daily results can be found at www.unit143.org. Results will be posted online late, late, late each night. Daily Bulletins will be uploaded each morning.

Did you see a great play? Have an amusing anecdote? Know someone who passed a bridge milestone while at our Regional?

Contact The Daily Bulletin editor and the tournament photographer in the playing area or leave a message in the basket if you have news for the Bulletin. We love to bring you your news and photos. New Life Masters, please give us your home town & the event that put you over.

Novice Players Page



TOP 5 BRIDGE MONSTER MYTHS . . . DEBUNKED

Part 1 of 5: It's bad to lead away from a King!

There are hands where any lead would be bad! True, you could be leading into declarer's A-Q, giving a free finesse. But if partner has the Ace or the Queen, your King will quickly set up for defensive purposes. You will hear more experienced players say, "It's bad to lead away from a king when it's wrong." **But leading away from a King is better than leading away from a Queen, and leading from a Queen is better than leading from a Jack (do you realize how long it takes to set up a Jack?) and so on.** The better your honor is – the faster it will set up, which is what you are trying to do on opening lead – set up tricks for your side, the defense.



Is My Bid Forcing?

You and your partner have the following auction:

<u>You</u>	<u>LHO</u>	<u>Partner</u>	<u>RHO</u>
1C	Pass	1H	Pass
1NT	Pass	3H	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Your partner gets a shocked look on her face when you pass her jump to 3 Hearts. "But... I jumped!" she laments. **Old suits are not forcing** and since you had already mentioned hearts, your jump was in an old suit. Also, since you limited your hand by rebidding 1NT, only a jump in a new suit would have been forcing at that point. "But, I jumped!" she repeated, shaking her head.

It doesn't matter, folks. When you repeat a suit already mentioned before in the auction, it is *not* forcing. Look at this auction:

<u>You</u>	<u>LHO</u>	<u>Partner</u>	<u>RHO</u>
1C	Pass	1H	Pass
3C	Pass	??	

Can partner pass your 3C bid? Yes, because it is in an old suit. Clubs have been mentioned twice. Now consider these two auctions:

<u>You</u>	<u>LHO</u>	<u>Partner</u>	<u>RHO</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>LHO</u>	<u>Partner</u>	<u>RHO</u>
1C	Pass	1H	Pass	1C	Pass	1H	Pass
1S	Pass	2D	Pass	1NT	Pass	2D	Pass
??				??			

Can you pass? No, you have to bid again! Partner has rebid a new suit and neither of you has limited your hand by bidding no-trump.

When your rebid is 1NT, is partner's 2D bid forcing? No, it is not forcing. If partner has enough to push to game partner has to jump right to game or jump in a new suit.

A new suit by an unpassed responder is forcing unless the opener or responder has limited his hand by bidding 1 NT.

Monday's Results

Session 1

KNOCK OUT 1

BRACKET 1

13 Tables

Cookie Potter - Kenneth Bland, Ed Schulte, Ron Ashbacher, Joseph Godefrin

vs

William Doroshov, David Caprera, Gary Cohler, Nancy Popkin, James Ward, Alan Popkin

Colby Vernay, Donald Stack, Mark Kessler, Alan Stout, Allan Siebert,

vs

Mike Cappelletti,; Allison Howard, Robert Teel Jr - Jane Teel, Lee Hastings, Elaine Said,

Dennis Spencer - Gloria Spitzer - Linda Leinicke, Eunice Garrison

vs

John Russell, Valentin Kovachev, Tom Oppenheimer, Alan Wienman, Chuck Said

Jacob Morgan, James Melville, Will Engel, Joshua Stark, Suzanne Dunn

vs

Ed Howard, Dennis Goldston, Paul White, Karen Erlanger, John Burgener

BRACKET 2

9 Tables

Jenny Hulsey - Ruby Killebrew, Sue Ritter, Tish Davis

vs

Susan Perez,; John Samsel, Leonard Gross - Hugh Williams

vs

Jennifer Luner, Bob Bainter, Marilyn Nesbit, Ed Hale

John Kinst, David Mook, James McKinney, W Harris Jr

vs

Chris Champion - Wendy Turk, Susan Krassy, Cheryl Schwartz

vs

John Weber, Percy Wu, Daryl Fisher, Linda Hughes

BRACKET 3

9 Tables

Dolores Hill, Brenda Hoffman, Gayle McLean, Ann Ruwitch,

vs

Laura Raczek, Carrie Touslee, Ruben Egeberg, Sarah Dotson

vs

Ron Sholes - Larry Wilcox, Margaret Hansell,; Dariel Richardson

Mary Ann Seng - Dee Cassidy - Julia Bomalaski - R Jane Witte, Polly Schwartzmiller,

Vs

Ronnie Frank, Judith Inker, Veena Uberoi, Charles Keltner

vs

Janice Hazel - Rosemarie Laursen - Carol Duren, Betty Anderson,

BRACKET 4

15 Tables

Julie Behrens - Irene Adams - Charlotte Jung, David Shanahan

vs

Louann Yates - Susan Feinour, Mary Butler - Nora Burst

Charles Starovasnik - Barbara Reid, Margaret Bauman -Robert Bauman,

vs

Bud Hawkins, Verdene Twomey, Vivienne Hertz, Wayne Sprehe,

Homer Nash Jr - Jo Ellen Montgomery - Gwen Schneider, Dorothy Sealy

vs

Edward Wang, Paul Rezabek Jr, David Drennan, Daniel Spangler

Elizabeth Wood - Elizabeth Freeman - Patti Disbrow, Mary Rassieur

vs

James Nunn, Jerome Shen, Carol Hamilton, John Antognoli

BRACKET 5

16 Tables

Barbara Simpson, Jeanne Netherton, Vernon Meadows, Helen Thalhammer

vs

Rosemary Bamberg, Connie Hearing, Patricia Levy - Barbara Watson,

Charles Bretzke Jr - Marie Bretzke, Donald Klingsick, Susan Pensoneau

vs

Alan Lemley, Suzanne Martin, Joan Wieber, Mary Smith

Carol Warner, Fairview Hgts IL; Hatchie Greene, Saint Louis MO;

Melvin Patterson, Omaha NE; Mary Ann Mitchell, Eureka MO

vs

Roy Coplen, Michael Hughes, John Robey, Thomas Collins

Judith Renken, Doris Schwartz - Phyllis Tirmenstein, Maureen Swihart

vs

Jeff Kopolow, David Sterneck - Sharyn Kessler - Marie Heubel, Chesterfield MO

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Gateway to the West Regional

Series 1 Open Pairs

Session 1 of 4 Games

7:30 PM

15.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.79	1			Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR; Michael McGuire, Hernando MS	67.15%
2.84	2			Sheldon Margulis, Saint Louis MO; Susan Grauer, Aurora CO	64.10%
3.03	3	1		Stephen Zenk - Mark Ludwig, Maryland Hts MO	62.50%
1.63	4			Shelba Parmley - Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK	61.22%
1.20	5			Michael Flader, Eagan MN; Hong Liu, Frontenac MO	60.74%
0.79	6/7			Norman Athy - Allyson Wolfe, Saint Louis MO	57.69%
0.79	6/7			Nancy Spear, Shawnee Mission KS; Jim Russell, Bradenton FL	57.69%
2.88		2	1	Jay D Shah, St Louis MO; Jo-Ellyn Ryall, Saint Louis MO	56.73%
2.16		3	2	Robert Paluczak, O'Fallon MO; Matthew Robb, Saint Louis MO	56.57%
1.62		4	3	Julia Torres - H Clark Pollard, Florissant MO	54.33%
1.48		5	4	Karen Anderson, Batavia IL; Neil Whittle, Carol Stream IL	50.00%
0.91		6	5	Marshall Hankins - Sandra Hankins, O Fallon MO	49.20%



1st in C - Jo-Ellyn Ryall & Jay Shah

Wednesday, August 19

CHARITY SERIES 4 Open Pairs

Session 1 of 4

9 AM

COMPACT KO #1

Session 1 of 2

9 AM

SERIES 2 Open Pairs

Sessions 1 & 2 of 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

BRACKETED KO #2 continued

Sessions 3 & 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

BRACKETED KO #3

Sessions 1 & 2

1 PM & 7:30 PM

Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs

Single Sessions

1 PM & 7:30 PM

STRATIFIED SWISS TEAM

Single Session

7:30 PM

Thursday, August 20

CHARITY SERIES 4 Open Pair

Session 2 of 4

9 AM

COMPACT KO #1

Session 2 of 2

9 AM

SERIES 2 Open Pairs

Sessions 3 & 4 of 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

BRACKETED KO #3 continued

Sessions 3 & 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

BRACKETED KO #4

Sessions 1 & 2

1 PM & 7:30 PM

Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs

Single Sessions

1 PM & 7:30 PM

STRATIFIED SWISS TEAM

Single Session

7:30 PM

Friday, August 21

CHARITY SERIES 4 Open Pair

Session 3 of 4

9 AM

COMPACT KO #2

Session 1 of 2

9 AM

SERIES 3 Open Pairs

Sessions 1 & 2 of 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

BRACKETED KO #4 continued

Sessions 3 & 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

BRACKETED KO #5

Sessions 1 & 2

1 PM & 7:30 PM

OPEN PAIRS

2 Sessions

1 PM & 7:30 PM

Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs

Single Sessions

1 PM & 7:30 PM

STRATIFIED SWISS TEAM

Single Session

7:30 PM

Zip KO

Single Session

Late Night

Saturday, August 22

CHARITY SERIES 4 Open Pairs

Session 4 of 4

9 AM

COMPACT KO #2

Session 2 of 2

9 AM

SERIES 3 Open Pairs

Sessions 3 & 4 of 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

BRACKETED KO #5 continued

Sessions 3 & 4

1 PM & 7:30 PM

OPEN PAIRS STRATI-FLIGHTED A, B/C/D

2 Sessions

1 PM & 7:30 PM

FLIGHT A UNLIMITED: Qualifying with Barometer Final

Single Sessions

1 PM & 7:30 PM

Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs

Single Sessions

1 PM & 7:30 PM

Sunday, August 23

STRATI-FLIGHTED SWISS A

Single Session

10:30 AM & TBA*

STRAT-FLIGHTED SWISS B/C/D

Single Session

10:30 AM & TBA*

FAST PAIRS

2 Sessions

10:30 AM & TBA*

* finish by 6 PM

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