

# DAILY



# BULLETIN

March 10-20, 2005

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Editors: Brent Manley and Paul Linxwiler

## District 13 claims Flight A NAP crown



CEO Jay Baum and Pittsburgh Mayor Tom Murphy.

### Mayor, PNC chairman open Spring NABC

The ACBL gained two honorary members Thursday night as Pittsburgh Mayor Tom Murphy and PNC Bank Chairman Jim Rohr helped kick off the 2005 Spring NABC.

ACBL President Roger Smith presented Rohr, whose bank is the lead sponsor of the tournament, with an honorary membership, while Jay Baum, ACBL's chief executive, did the same for Murphy.

Murphy kicked off the evening's play with words familiar to most players: "Don't shuffle, don't deal - just play!"

Rohr confessed that he doesn't play, but his wife, Sharon, will be a daily participant in the NABC.

Murphy said he hasn't played cards in years, but he said he and his wife at one time were avid bridge players. "For many years," he said, "we never had a television set."

Murphy told the open-night crowd that the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, where the tournament is being played, is the largest "green" building in the United States. A building is designated as "green" if it meets high environmental standards. Murphy also pointed out that the second largest "green" building in American happens to be the PNC Building, home of the tournament's main sponsor.



David Yang and Nikolay Demirev were victors in the North American Pairs, Flight A. The duo represented District 13.

The Chicago-based pair of David Yang and Nikolay Demirev convincingly won the North American Pairs Flight A, finishing two boards ahead of the competition.

Yang is a professor of electronics at the University of Illinois who originally hails from Taipei.

Demirev is a transplant from Bulgaria where he was an M.D., but who now is a mental health counselor and ESL instructor.

Yang and Demirev have played seriously as a partnership for only the last few months, yet they have each previously enjoyed high-level bridge success. Yang won a prize-money bridge individual game in Los Angeles in 2001. This is his first North American title. Demirev now has

two NABC wins, his first being the National IMP Pairs at the 2003 Summer NABC in New York with partner Jiang Gu.

Yang and Demirev were in third place after the two-session qualifying game, and played solidly throughout the two-session final. Their total was 414.89.

In second with 390.99 was the District 19 pair of Dan Jacob and Bryan Maksymetz, both of British Columbia.

Close behind (1.59 matchpoints) in third was the District 7 duo of Bill Wisdom and Randy Joyce, both of North Carolina.

Flights B and C of the North American Pairs will be contested on the last weekend of the Pittsburgh NABC.

## Free lessons, bridge for new players

New players with 0-5 and 0-49 masterpoints will be treated to a free bridge lesson by Jerry Helms at 10 a.m. Saturday, followed by a free bridge game at 1 p.m. in Rooms 319-321 at the Convention Center.

Between sessions on Saturday, there will be

a cocktail party and book signing by Barbara Seagram. Another free lesson (by Marti Ronemus) is scheduled for Sunday, and Seagram follows with a third free lesson on Monday. See Special Events on page 2.

## Welcome to the Spring NABC



Welcome to the Spring 2005 North American Bridge Championships. The tournament committee is thrilled that you have chosen Pittsburgh as your bridge-travel destination. As you will soon discover, our tournament has much

to offer — first-rate bridge fun for beginners to world champs and everyone in between, great entertainment and delicious late-night snacks.

The city of Pittsburgh itself is a marvel to behold! Be sure you take some time to see this wonderful city and take in some of its amazing

restaurants and shops.

Please let us know if you need assistance. Visit our information booth on the third-floor pre-function area of the David L. Lawrence Convention Center if you have questions.

The tournament staff and our generous sponsors have gone all out to make sure that Pittsburgh will be the most enjoyable bridge experience ever. There are contests every day (at all times of the day!) for every level of player.

Good luck to everyone. Have a great time at the table!

Roni Gitchel  
Tournament Chairman

## Pendant for first LM



The first person to report to the Daily Bulletin about making Life Master will receive a 14K gold pendant from the Bridge Gold Group, now selling a variety of bridge jewelry at the ACBL Product Store.

The Bridge Gold Group has pendants, rings, pins and cufflinks for all ACBL ranks, including Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs winners. Generic ACBL pendants, pins and rings are also available.

The winner of the pendant will be determined by the Daily Bulletin staff, whose decision will be final. Only one pendant will be awarded.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

#### Friday, March 11

- 9 a.m. - Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP)** with Donna Compton. Third session of the ACBL's popular 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge successfully. Butler Room, Westin Hotel.
- 9 a.m. - Noon **Better Bridge Accredited Teacher Course** with Teri Atkinson. Third session of a nine-hour course that will show you a new way to introduce bridge to the absolute beginner. Rooms 401 - 402, Convention Center.
- 10 a.m. - Noon **School Bridge Lesson Program.** Join Charlotte Blaiss, Director of Junior Activities, and Julie Greenberg, Director of Education, for an informative session on teaching in schools and the school program funded by the ACBL and the ACBL Educational Foundation. Somerset West, Westin Hotel.
- 4:30 - 6 p.m. **Reception for Teachers and Club Officials.** This is the ACBL's thank you reception for the teachers and club officials who work so hard to recruit and retain our members. Westmoreland Room, Westin Hotel.

#### Saturday, March 12

- 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Guaranteed Club Growth and Prosperity.** Want lots of new players? Excitement? Growth? Prosperity? Come to our newest seminar, conducted by Marti Ronemus, and explore four no-fail marketing strategies. Butler East, Westin Hotel.

- 10 a.m. **ACBL Laws Commission meeting.** Second floor, Westin, Somerset East Room.
- 10 a.m. - Noon **Free Bridge Lesson** with Jerry Helms. Helms, well-known teacher and Bridge Bulletin columnist, presents a fun bridge lesson for intermediate and newer players. His topic: *Taking your tricks — the art of making your partner's bad bids look good.* Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.
- 1 - 3 p.m. **Bridge Plus+.** 14 deals, no card fee. Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.
- 5 - 6 p.m. **Newcomer Reception.** Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.

#### Sunday, March 13

- 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. **Board of Governors Meeting.** Rooms 301 - 308, Convention Center.
- 10 a.m. - Noon **Get online with Bridge Base.** Don't miss this opportunity to meet with Fred Gitelman, creator of the ACBL's Learn to Play Bridge program. Cambria East, Westin Hotel.
- 10 a.m. - Noon **Easybridge! Workshop.** Marti Ronemus, Easybridge! Program Director and Bridge Bulletin columnist, offers a free bridge lesson for intermediate and newer players. Her topic: *Long Suits – Better Than Money!* Games for players with 0 - 50 masterpoints: 12:30 p.m., Easybridge! Game; 3 p.m., open game. Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.

### BRIDGE TALKS

#### Friday, March 11

- 12:15 p.m. **Intermediate-Newcomer Speakers Program:** Jerry Helms, *Jerry-isms.* Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.
- 6:45 p.m. **Intermediate-Newcomer Speakers Program:** Larry Cohen, *The Real Deal.* Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.

#### Saturday, March 12

- 12:15 p.m. **Intermediate-Newcomer Speakers Program:** Barbara Seagram, *Plan your Play.* Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.

- 6:45 p.m. **Intermediate-Newcomer Speakers Program:** Marti Ronemus, *A Real Circus.* Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.

#### Sunday, March 13

- 12:15 p.m. **Intermediate-Newcomer Speakers Program:** Harriette Buckman, *R&R – Rights & Responsibilities.* Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.
- 6:45 p.m. **Intermediate-Newcomer Speakers Program:** Bruce Reeve, *Care and Feeding of your Favorite Pet.* Rooms 319 - 321, Convention Center.

### LATE NIGHT / ENTERTAINMENT

#### Friday, March 11

- 5 - 7:30 p.m. **Cabaret featuring Karen Dryer.** Vocals and piano. Fourth floor foyer.
- 11 p.m. - 1 a.m. **Big Band dance** with the Tuesday Night Big Band (16-piece swing band). Rooms 403 - 405.

#### Saturday, March 12

- 5 - 7:30 p.m. **Cabaret featuring Karen Dryer.** Vocals and piano. Fourth floor foyer.

- 11 p.m. - 1 a.m. **Poker tournament:** Texas Hold-'Em. Prizes galore. Rooms 403 - 405.

#### Sunday, March 13

- 5 - 7:30 p.m. **Cabaret featuring Karen Dryer.** Vocals and piano. Fourth floor foyer.
- 11 p.m. - 1 a.m. **Jazz ensemble,** the Karen Dryer Trio. Piano, bass, drums. Rooms 403 - 405.

### Pittsburgh NABC Hotel Shuttle Service:

#### Friday, March 11 – Saturday, March 19

Departure from the main entrance of the Omni William Penn to the East Lobby entrance of the David Lawrence Convention Center every 15 minutes beginning at 8:30 a.m. until 12 midnight. More frequent departures between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

#### Sunday, March 20

Departure from the main entrance of the Omni William Penn to the East Lobby entrance of the David Lawrence Convention Center every 15 minutes from 9 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.

Round trips from/to the Omni William Penn will take 15 minutes or less. Returns from the convention center will run every 15 minutes at: :10, :25, :40 and :55 past the hour.

### Dress-up night

Players are encouraged to dress up for the evening session Saturday, March 12. This is a regular feature of all NABCs.

### Hans Bethe

Hans A. Bethe, who helped create the atomic bomb among many achievements in physics, died at his home in Ithaca NY on Sunday at the age of 98. He was the father of ACBL member Henry Bethe. The elder Bethe taught at Cornell University in

Ithaca for 70 years. He reportedly was one of the first recruits of J. Robert Oppenheimer for the Manhattan Project to build the atomic bomb. Later, he spoke out against many new arms proposals.

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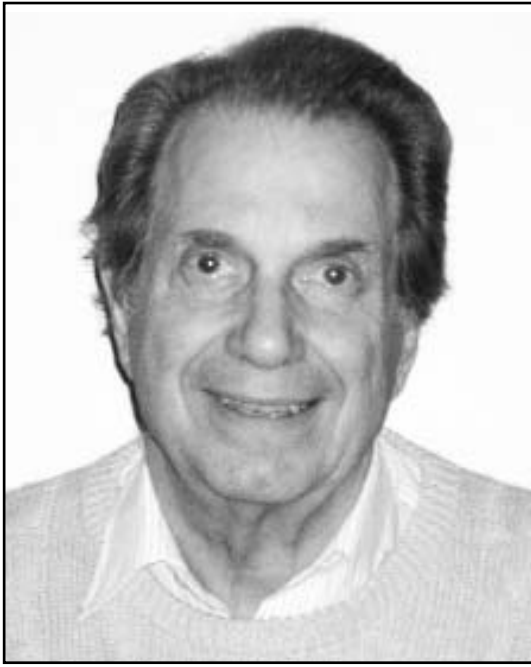
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# JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

## Duplicate experiences

By Marshall Pearlman



### Calling the director

When it comes to calling a tournament director, most of us have similar feelings about it. We think we know the rules and don't really need one. If we made the error, we are somewhat embarrassed. If the opponent made it, we don't want to feel tacky or nit-picky. In any case, calls are made far less often than they should be, and frequently with more emotional consequences than one would like.

The fact is that even the simple rules are often more involved than we think. We

need the director to make rulings immediately because many situations cannot be corrected retroactively. The best time to call is *now*.

Now we come to the real crux. Calling the director is a routine activity. It does not imply a lack of character or moral rightness, it does not impugn your family background, and it does not label anyone as criminal or accuser.

It is simply a request for information and/or action by the TD when there has been an irregularity. *Just that and no more.*

So it will remain if each of us takes it in that spirit and detaches it from any moral implications. Those who play sports know that, for example, in soccer the referee makes rulings constantly. The players accept these as a matter of course and play on. That's what we must do.

It is every player's right (some would say obligation) to call the TD whenever he chooses. To react negatively when someone does this shows a lack of courtesy. It is that reaction, not the call itself, that upsets some players.

Sometimes it is hard to accept the ruling, and occasionally there is disagreement on the facts. But we must learn to accept the decision of the director graciously and play on.



Lastly, how we call the director makes a big difference.

Yelling, "Director!" in a loud, harsh voice while glaring at the possible offender is not recommended. Try calmly stating, "I think I would like the director" or "We need the director," followed by "Director, please." This will set a much better tone to what happens next.

Starting now, why not try to change your attitude about director calls. Accept them as part of the game whichever side you are on. Courtesy and respect for fellow players will make your sessions much more enjoyable.

## Thinking bridge

Eddie Kantar has agreed to supply a daily bridge column aimed specifically at newer players. Enjoy!

By Eddie Kantar

Dir: North ♠ A J 7  
 Vul: Both ♥ Q 8 3  
 ♦ A J 10 7 6 5  
 ♣ K

♠ 4 3 2                      ♠ 5  
 ♥ 2                          ♥ A K J 10 9 7  
 ♦ K Q                        ♦ 9 8 4 2  
 ♣ J 8 7 5 4 3 2            ♣ 10 9

                                ♠ K Q 10 9 8 6  
                                 ♥ 6 5 4  
                                 ♦ 3  
                                 ♣ A Q 6

West	North	East	South
	1♦	2♥	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			
Opening lead: ♥2			

**Bidding commentary:** East's 2♥ weak jump overcall is comparable to a weak two-bid — basically a reasonable six-card suit with 6-9 HCP. It frequently serves as a good lead director. South's two level major-suit response of 2♠ guarantees at least five spades and 11 or more HCP.

**Lead Commentary:** Painfully obvious. Some players will lead a singleton even when they don't have one!

**Defensive commentary:** East wins the first trick as cheaply as possible and continues with the top two hearts. West anticipates making two discards. Why not discard the ♦K Q so a diamond can be ruffed at trick four? After all, declarer may have a singleton diamond and no diamond trick may be forthcoming. That is not only the best defense, it is the only defense that defeats 4♠.

When several discards can be envisioned, consider discarding from shortness, putting yourself in a position to ruff the suit you are discarding.



## Welcome, new players

By Pat Rasmus

Intermediate/Newcomer Coordinator

Welcome to the Spring NABC in Pittsburgh. I am thrilled you could be here. Many wonderful events have been planned to make this a memorable experience for you.

The first weekend of the tournament is packed with excitement.

Check out the Saturday schedule: free lesson with Jerry Helms at 10 a.m., free bridge games for players with 0-5 and -49 masterpoints at 1 p.m. and a cocktail party and book signing with Barbara Seagram between sessions. Marti Ronemus will offer a free bridge lesson on Sunday at 10 a.m.

Seagram will follow on Monday with a free bridge lesson at 10 a.m.

Don't worry if you don't have a partner — we have one standing by for the 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. sessions each day.

On Wednesday, there is a special two-session 49er Pairs with a great opportunity for you to win gold points.

Finally, players with fewer than 100 masterpoints who play in any game the first weekend will receive a coupon for one-half off any game on the second weekend.

I will be at the I/N Desk each day. Stop by and say hello and pick up your registration gift. I look forward to meeting you.

Cartoon by Jude Goodwin

## School Bridge Lesson Program Friday, March 11



Join the Education Department for an informative session on teaching in the schools and the school program funded by the ACBL and the ACBL Education Foundation. Kitty Cooper will talk about and demonstrate her lesson plans for schools.

Fee: FREE • Time: 10 a.m. to noon • Site: Somerset W, Westin Hotel

# National Appeals Committee Roster and Schedule for the Pittsburgh NABC

**Director**  
Alan LeBendig

**Chairman**  
Barry Rigal

**Appeals Vice Chairman**  
Michael Huston

Appeals will be held after the evening session in Room 406 of the Convention Center.

## BLUE TEAM

### Team Leaders

Michael Huston, Joplin MO  
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### Vice Chairman

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### Team Members

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John Solodar, Florida  
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Kathy Sulgrove  
Riggs Thayer, San Diego CA  
Jon Wittes, Claremont CA  
(Howard Weinstein)

### On duty

Sunday, March 13  
Wednesday, March 16  
Saturday, March 19

## WHITE TEAM

### Team Leaders

Doug Doub, West Hartford CT  
Richard Popper Wilmington DE

### Vice Chairmen

Karen Allison, Las Vegas NV  
Jeff Polisner, Walnut Creek CA

### Team Members

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Jeff Roman  
Bob Schwartz, San Pedro CA  
Joann Sprung Philadelphia PA  
Steve Weinstein, Glen Ridge NJ  
Chris Willenken NY NY  
(Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL)

### On duty

Saturday, March 12  
Tuesday, March 15  
Friday, March 18

## RED TEAM

### Team Leaders

Ron Gerard, White Plains NY  
Mark Bartusek S. Barbara CA

### Vice Chairman

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Bill Passell, Coral Springs FL  
Marlene Passell, Coral Springs FL  
Lou Reich, Wheaton MD  
Becky Rogers, Las Vegas NV  
Bob White  
Eddie Wold, Houston TX

### On duty

Friday, March 11  
Monday, March 14  
Thursday, March 17

## Parking information

Convention Center Parking is \$10 daily with no in/out privileges. Remember that the Pittsburgh Home and Garden Show will be in the convention center through Sunday, March 13, so give yourself plenty of time to find a spot.

Parking in the lot at 11th and Smallman is \$7 a day. 11th is the street just east of the convention center. There is a lot at 15th and Smallman, priced at \$5 a day. Your Pittsburgh host committee is providing a parking shuttle from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 4:30 p.m. until midnight each day during the NABC. These lots require payment upon entrance. If you are parking for more than one day, please advise the attendant and pay the entire fee upon entering the lot. The lots are attended until midnight during the week and until 1 a.m. on the weekend. Cars may depart the lot at any time of day.

If you park at the Westin, self-parking is \$20 up to 24 hours with no in/out privileges. Valet parking is \$22 for 8 to 24 hours.

### Pittsburgh NABC Parking Shuttle Service:

Shuttle service will be provided from the open air parking lot at 15th and Smallman Streets. Departures every 10 minutes from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. to midnight.

## Goodwill Message

Welcome to Pittsburgh and the Spring 2005 North American Bridge Championships. Tournament chairman Roni Gitchel and her group of volunteers, staff and sponsors have gone all out to make sure that Pittsburgh will be one of your most enjoyable bridge experiences ever.

I look forward to seeing (and greeting) you at the table.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman  
National Goodwill Committee



**NEW!**

## Saturday, March 12

Want lots of new players?  
Excitement? Growth? Prosperity?  
Explore four, no-fail marketing strategies that will work for your club. Hands-on workshop with Marti Ronemus

**Fee:** \$25 at door  
**Location:** Butler E Room, Westin Hotel  
**Time:** 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12**

**Free Lesson — with Jerry Helms**

**Topic: Taking Your Tricks — The Art of Making Your Partner's Bad Bids Look Good.**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 13**

**Free Lesson — Easybridge Workshop with Marti Ronemus**

**Topic: Long Suits — Better Than Money! Complete with Handouts.**

**MONDAY, MARCH 14**

**Free Lesson — with Barbara Seagram**

**Topic: Defense Against Suit Contracts Complete with Handouts.**



Rooms 319-321  
Convention Center  
Time: 10am-noon

**Three Super Mornings!**



Thomas Hyde, Willimantic CT; Edwin Lewis III, Bolton CT; Betty Bronstein, Buffalo NY; Dolores Schwartz, Pittsford NY

vs
Judy Stein, Laporte PA; Antonio Bersani, Montoursville PA; David Marcello - Mitchell Marcello, Williamsport PA

Mary Bell - Sheila Bello - Carole Fox - Carolyn Leaf, Lexington KY

vs
James Rudolph - Adrienne Rudolph - Jerry Thornton, Ann Arbor MI; Barbara Pofcher, Auburndale MA

Bracket 4 16 Teams

Dick Wilson - Charles Adrion - Norman Gath - Marilyn Goldman, Rochester NY

vs
Donald Toy, Adrian PA; Cleman Rosenberger Jr, Kittanning PA; A Martin - C Nicholas Tredennick, Butler PA

Andy McKinnon, Lawrenceville GA; Joy Smith, Huntingdon VY PA; Thomas Racciatti, Minneapolis MN; Matthew Duffy, Edina MN

vs
Margaret Clark, Fairport NY; Beatrice Stevens - Mary Moran, Altoona PA; Jean Mowry, Rochester NY

Paul Fireman - Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA; Rhoda Klayman, Newton MA; Paula Abend, Jamaica Plain MA

vs
Gary Thomas, Noblesville IN; Midori Wakabayashi, Leominster MA; Edward Pollock, Hilton Head SC; Catherine Neddenriep, Bluffton SC

Connie Dugger, Birmingham MI; Alice Fillingame, Midway GA; Terry T Brown, Rochester Hills MI; William Connellan, Rochester MI

150 Pairs

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for 150 Pairs.

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS

Table of Educational Foundation Stratified Open Pairs with names and percentages.

22 Pairs

Table with columns A, B, C and scores for 22 Pairs.

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION 299ER PAIRS

Table of Educational Foundation 299er Pairs with names and percentages.

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REGIONALS NOT TO BE MISSED



MAY 25 - MAY 30, 2005 EASTERN STATES REGIONAL

New York, New York
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ads in March & April Bulletin

JUNE 13 - 19, 2005 RACE FOR THE POINTS REGIONAL

Saratoga Springs, New York
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Bridge Room Rate: \$109
3 Bracketed KOs; 1 Compact KO
Free dinner between sessions on Fri
Free Parking
More Info: www.bridge-district3.org
ads in April & May Bulletins

JUNE 28 - JULY 4, 2005 SPECIAL JULY 4th SPECTACULAR

White Plains, New York
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Bridge Room Rate: \$99
4-session Open Swiss; 3 Bracketed KOs
2 Compact KOs
Free Parking
More Info: www.bridge-district3.org
ads in April & May Bulletins



**TODAY'S BRIDGE EVENTS**

See page 2 for other events

**Today is Peter Mollemet Day**  
**0-5 Newcomer players play free today.**

\*Unless otherwise noted, strat breaks for Stratified Open and Stratified Senior events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C (0-500).  
 \*\*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
<b>Friday, March 11, 9 a.m.</b>				
ACBL Educational Foundation Bracketed KO Teams	2nd	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16
Jim Shaw Morning Side Game Series I* The Grille on Seventh	1st single session	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16
Stratified 299er Pairs	single	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$13	\$15
<b>Friday, March 11, 10 a.m. &amp; 3 p.m.</b>				
Stratified Senior Pairs*	1-2	Room 408	\$14	\$16
<b>Friday, March 11, 1 &amp; 7:30 p.m.</b>				
Silodor Open Pairs I <i>2 qualifying sessions, 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	Room 303	\$16.50	
Pittsburgh Pirates Stratified Open Pairs*	1-2	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16
Howard Lebow Bracketed KO Teams I <i>(Continues Saturday)</i>	1-2	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16
Eat'N'Park Friday-Saturday Side Game Series*	1st single session	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16
Len Picone 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	Room 319	\$13	\$15
Len Picone 0-20 Pairs	single	Room 319	\$13	\$13
Len Picone 0-5 Pairs	single	Room 319	Free!	Free!
<b>Friday, March 11, 7:30 p.m.</b>				
Eat'N'Park Friday-Saturday Side Game Series*	2nd single session	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$14	\$16
Dave Shenefiel Swiss Teams*	single	3rd Floor Ballroom	\$13	\$15
Bill Booth Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Room 319	\$13	\$15
Len Picone 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	Room 319	\$13	\$15
Len Picone 0-20 Pairs	single	Room 319	\$13	\$13
Len Picone 0-5 Pairs	single	Room 319	Free!	Free!
<b>Friday, March 11, 11:30 p.m.</b>				
Peter Mollemet Zip Swiss Teams	single	Room 319	\$13	\$15

Note: Entry for the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams required by 8 p.m. Saturday.

Tomorrow's schedule is on page 7.

**Today's Sponsors and Memorials**

**Grille on Seventh**  
 Casual Dining At Its Best

**Eat'N'Park**

**Pittsburgh Pirates**  
 Home of the 2006 All Star Game

**Howard Lebow**  
 In memory of Howard, one of Pittsburgh's most talented bridge players. Remembered by Ralph Katz, Sister, Marilyn Stack and Mother, Bernice.

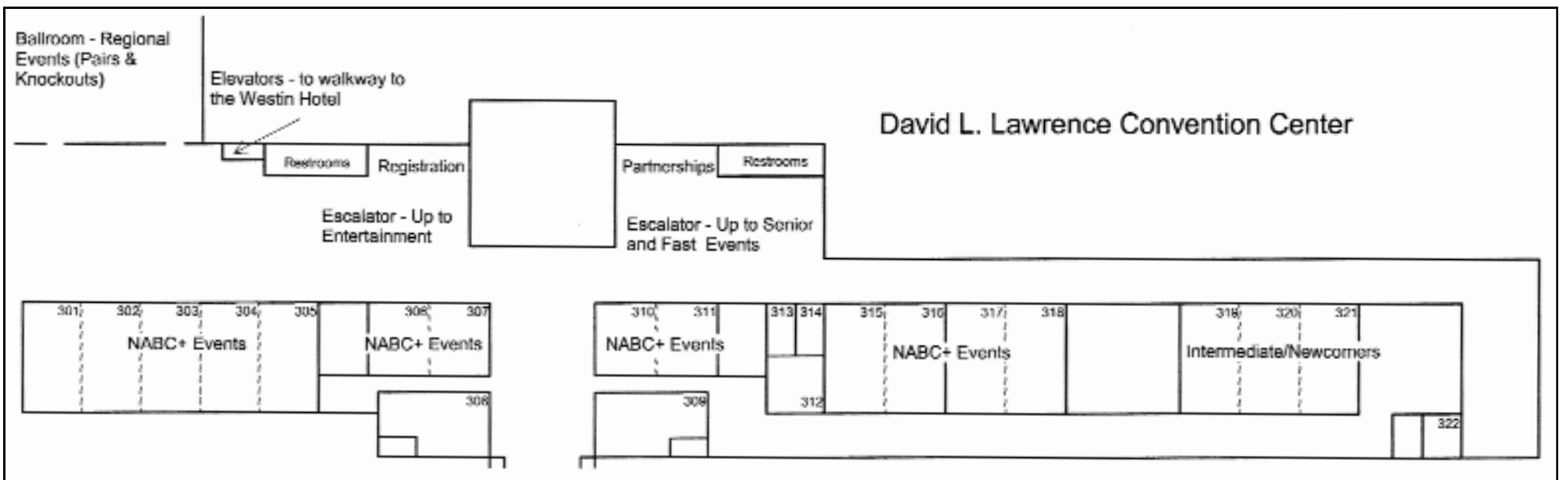
**Peter Mollemet**  
 In memory of Peter: Bridge player, National Director, ACBL Web Mmaster, "Cuz", and most of all, Dear Friend. Missed by everyone.

**Len Picone**  
 Len loved dancing, opera, bridge, tennis, his children, his wife and all people. And all the people loved him. Remembered by his wife, Jean

**Jim Shaw**  
 In memory of Jim: A loving father, husband and an enthusiastic bridge player. Remembered by his wife, Sylvia

**Dave Shenefiel**  
 Dave, Pittsburgh's "Pie Man": Always friendly, always fun. Always the best partner to his wife, Mary Alice. We will always remember him. Mary Lou D'Altorio, JoAnne Zambroski, Mary Anne McNeirney, Jean Picone.

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