

Bridge

The squeeze play in bridge forces an opponent to discard a winner or potential winners. The threat card is any card that will take a trick provided the opponent is forced to unguard that suit. A squeeze requires at least two threats, at least one of which must be accompanied by a winner. The hand in the diagram has such a position. Anita Schuster of West Bloomfield recently became a Life Master. She was second overall at the regional tournament held earlier this summer in Grand Rapids.

♠ J 6 5
♥ K 9 4 2
♦ Q 7 6 5 4
♣ A J 10 2
SOUTH
♠ K J 10 2
♥ A J 8 6
♦ A Q
♣ A 2
North Deals
Final Contract Clubs doubled
Opening lead nine spades.

Prospects for making three clubs doubled looked dim, but Anita didn't give up. The spade opening was won by East and a slow diamond return; the queen winning. A spade to the queen, East ruffing. Another diamond to the ace. Declarer played a high spade and East again ruffed. Another diamond return, and South ruffed. The club ace was cashed; the spade jack was played. Anita discarding a spade from dummy. East could trump with the seven of clubs, but that was the last trick for the defense.

Anita confessed that the diamond return made it easy. She ruffed in her hand, cashed the ace of hearts, ruffed a heart and the dummy was now high. She pointed out the squeeze. If East had returned a trump, Dummy must win the king, and now play trump. East has both the king, queen of hearts and the king of diamonds.

He cannot protect both suits. At trick ten he can discard a heart, but at trick eleven, if he discards a heart, declarer's ace and jack are good, and if he discards a diamond, dummy's ten is high.

Recent Winners. COMMUNITY HOUSE, July 26, N-S (1) Anita Schuster, Mitch Chandler (2) Lottie Lee, Shahan Kafavian; E-W (1) Earl Halert, Wayne Lee (2) Ron Rogalski, Bernie Weinstein. NOVICE, July 26, N-S (1) Ann Hansen, Madge Ziesow (2) Lois Booth, Ann Boslough; E-W (1) Mary Liddle, Janet Lyle (2) Pauline Jason, Irene Varley, Mary Kelly, Blondell Kern. BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD, July 28, N-S (1) Jack Daley, Ralph Tyson (2) J. E. Ker, Ben Pam; E-W (1) Harry Philip, Martha Sewell (2) Sophia Acker, Teas Stevenson. FRIENDLY, July 30, N-S (1) Leah Galloway, Nell Parsons (2) Virginia Flick, Dorothy Kelly; E-W (1) Anne Hamperian, Anne Teranes (2) Laurie Hill, Florence Malbin. SOMERSET PARK, July 30, Olympiad Fund (1) Pearl MacRae, Wayne Lee (2) Lottie Lee, Marie Stemmler (3) Mr. and Mrs. Paul

Van Roekel (4) Mr. and Mrs. David Buskirk. BRIDGE GAMES Birmingham COMMUNITY HOUSE, Monday, 7:45 p.m., 280 S. Bates, Kay, Ernie Clinton, 626-0271. NOVICE game, Monday, 9:30 a.m., Betty Pope, 644-2473. BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD, Wednesday, 7:45 p.m., 400 E. Lincoln, Ed Clarke, MI 6-8794. Southfield CIVIC CENTER, Tuesday, 11 a.m., Saturday, 1 p.m., 26000 Evergreen, Joyce Krout, 642-9779. THURSDAY MORNING, 10:45 a.m., 26000 Evergreen, Millie Hollis, FE 2-4871. WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 7:45 p.m., 26000 Evergreen, Rose Schultz, 352-5595. MAYFAIR, Friday, 8 p.m., Twelve Mile, Marian and Al Collins, 626-2109.

Troy SOMERSET PARK, Friday, 8 p.m., Somerset Community House, Kay and Ernie Clinton, 626-0271. FRIENDLY, Wednesday, Friday, 11 a.m., Somerset Community House, Lullie Brunk, 646-0271, Joyce Krout, 642-9779. Rochester ROCHESTER, Tuesday, 7:45 p.m., Oakland University, Fern and Bill Richmond, 651-6063. West Bloomfield WALLED LAKE, Monday, 7:30 p.m., Kerk School, Rosemary Casper, 363-3496. DRAKE HOUSE, Tuesday, Noon, Rosemary Casper, 363-3496.



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Auxiliary gives gift to Center

The Farmington Area Joyce Auxiliary, a long-time supporter of the Farmington Community Center, made another gift to the center this spring. Harriet Reed, representing the group, presented Alberta Taylor, director of the center, with a gift of card tables to be used in the center on Farmington Road, just north of Ten Mile.



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