

Keenans have a pleasing way of playing bridge

THE BRIDGE CROWD



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"We need a reason to speak, but none to be silent." — Thomas Fuller

"If you generously consent to share your happiness, you will be envied a little, but forgiven for having so much." — Emily Dickinson

It seems to me that Tom and Mary Jane Keenan, now of Rochester Hills but earlier of the east side, personify much that is most delightful about our game. Both enjoy a quiet way of playing which lends to a very pleasant environment, but I know of no partnership participating that is more pleasing to oppose.

On occasion, Tom has been unjustly accused of giving opponents his silent, studious stare, but that's his disguise for hiding a wonderful sense of humor. As Tom readily acknowledges, "Mary Jane's vivacious fun-loving charm is just enough for our partnership, and anything I could add would contribute little." With a twinkle, Tom will quietly tell you that years ago he agreed to stay out of the kitchen and, in return, Mary Jane was made captain of the team.

The duplicate world was handsomely membered when four or

Mary	E	Tom	W
1♦	—	1♥	—
2♠	—	3♠	—
4♣	—	4♥	—
4NT	—	5♣	—
6♠	—	—	—

N/S vulnerable	♠ A Q 10 9 ♥ K Q ♦ A Q 10 7 ♣ A 10 2	♠ 6 3 2 ♥ 8 7 4 2 ♦ K 5 3 ♣ Q J 9
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♠ 8 4 ♥ 6 3 ♦ 9 8 6 4 2 ♣ K 8 7 5	Mary W Tom E	♠ K J 7 5 ♥ A Q J 10 5 ♦ J ♣ 6 4 3
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E. led ♠ Q

five years ago the Keenans made the transition from party bridge to our game. That decision has resulted in the Keenans rapidly gathering sufficient points to be crowned life masters at the Bowling

Green sectional in the summer of '91.

Today's hand is one of those, how high do you go successfully? The Keenans handled it quite nicely at Dave and Judy Buskirk's Saturday-night Summit Mull club game.

Mary Jane bid her handsome 19 high card hand superbly. Many have a tendency to bid two no trump on North's second call (which also shows 18-19 H.C.P.), but unless you play check backs, the Keenans might have missed the superb spade fit. Once Tom rebid his hearts after showing the spade fit, Mary Jane was slam bound holding key (quick-taking tricks) high cards. She knew her heart king was priceless.

East's opening lead could be expected, but it left no room for error. At trick (2), the diamond ace and a diamond ruff. At trick (4-6), the spade king and a spade to the ace for a second diamond ruff with the spade jack. At (7), dummy's low heart to the king and extract East's last trump. Run the hearts in dummy pitching a diamond and two clubs. In all, Mary Jane won six spades, five hearts and two minor suit ace for 13. Tom wondered why she didn't bid it if she could play that good, but no one was in seven and only one other declarer matched Mary Jane's technique. Surprisingly, half the field wasn't in the fine slam, which just goes to show you how important your confidence in partner's bids must be to succeed.

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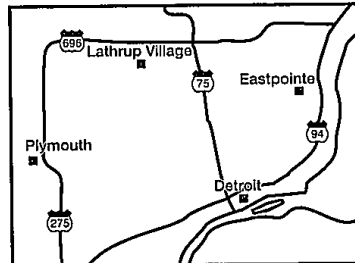
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