

You learn a lot by playing an expert AAUW announces its book sale dates



THE BRIDGE CROWD
After you have reached a certain plateau in your development toward becoming an expert, a single day's play across the table from one is worth more than 10 years of additional study.

In the 68-year history of contract bridge, the United States has produced more world masters than any other country. Italy would be a close second and Britain a distant third. The rest of Europe would be fourth, with France contributing much of that talent. South America, the Near and Far East, Israel, Australia and Canada are also strong. The man who led the way, but certainly there have been some superb women recipients of this distinguished rank.

Our Barbara Frank of Southfield is the conspicuous mother of one. Judi Radin of Manhattan has been playing our game almost since she stopped bouncing on her mother's knee. The last 15 years she has been numbered among the world's best, representing our country successfully in many international events. That kind of competition is severe, and nothing is won by gifts, which is so common at lower levels of play.

Radin has many talents at the table, that have been heralded. An uncommon one is the speed of her estimation, perception and then meticulous play, even against the most challenging of card circumstances. Only the memorable Oswald Jacoby and today's famous Zia play at such a pace, which is phenomenal, for the correct play is often perplexing and questionable.

The great players tend to congregate. New York is one of the spots in their geography where that happens, for there is always a first-class game available.

Recently, Alan Truscott reported in his New York Times column a hand that Radin played in such a game. It is my guess that many of the best would fall this difficulty, for the victorious way subtly becomes apparent only after the seventh trick has been played.

East's pre-empt gave our star much to consider. If she had conceived that East was being extravagant, she might have passed in hopes her partner could reopen the bidding with a double, but that was wishful thinking. As Truscott pointed out, reverse the North and West hands and N/S have a choice of many alarms. As the cards are, Radin's caution proved right, as the game was in danger, even though she had 25

W - Passed Out
N -
E 3+1
Jud: 3NT

Both Vulnerable

♠ 10 9 8 5
♥ J 8 7 3
♦ 6 5
♣ 8 7 2

♠ Q J 6 4
♥ Q 5
♦ 4 2
♣ Q 6 4 3

W N E
W J E
♠ AK
♥ AK 6
♦ A 10 8 3
♣ AK 10 5

♠ 7 3 2
♥ 10 9 4 2
♦ K Q J 9 7
♣ 9

W led ♦ 4

high card points.

Radin ducked the first diamond, and East switched to the club nine, which she won. There were seven obvious winners and an eighth when at trick (3) and (4) she played her high hearts, felling West's queen. West she cashed her spade winners and diamond, noting that the dave-devil on her left had bid a five-card suit vulnerable.

At trick (8), she crossed to dummy's heart jack and led a spade, as she realized West was 4-2-5. West then scored both his spades and at trick (11) his club queen, which Radin ducked, but patience paid dividends for at trick (12) he had to lead his club jack-six into declarer's king-10 and nine carefully earned winners. My suggestion would be that if asked, you politely refrain playing in this caliber of game.

Woody Boyd teaches local bridge classes and is a life master. He lives in Bloomfield Township. To leave a message for Boyd, from a touch-tone phone, call 953-2047, Ext. 1853.

The Birmingham Branch of the American Association of University Women will hold its annual used book and record sale Friday-Monday, Sept. 17-20, at the Bloomfield Hills Masonic Temple, on the west side of Woodward Avenue between Quarton and Lone Pine roads.

The AAUW book sale starts Friday, Sept. 17, with a \$5 admission "First Choice Opportunity Preview" 6:30-9 p.m. (members and families free). The rest of the hours are Saturday, Sept. 18, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 19, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.; and Monday, Sept. 20, 9 a.m. to noon.

"This year the sale has an unusually fine selection of mysteries and current novels, also many children's books," said Martha Baur, publicity chairman. "The Special Department has more books than usual of special interest in very good condition." Among the collectibles, she said, is a collection of Americana recipes with pictures, in a cookbook written by actor Vincent Price and his wife.

Thousands of books will be available at bargain prices. This is the 66th year of the book sale, which has been held at the Masonic Temple since the late 1960s. Proceeds go toward local scholarships and other community projects.

Forum to highlight the working parent

The National Council of Jewish Women and the Marriott Corp. are launching a national public service campaign today in more than 300 communities throughout the United States.

In celebration of the Day of the Working Parent campaign, NCJW-Greater Detroit Section, with co-sponsor Ameritech, is hosting an information and skill-building symposium today in downtown Birmingham called "Walking the High Wire: Balancing Work and Family Responsibilities," to help working families adjust to life in the 1990s.

The program will be held 6:30-9 p.m. at The Community House, 390 S. Bates, between Brown Street and Maple Road, in Birmingham. There is no charge for the event, which is open to everyone. Registration is required by calling the NCJW office at 253-6000.

The forum will feature keynote speaker Marilyn Levin, director of programming development of the Merrill Palmer Institute, and panelists Wendy Shepherd-Bates, childcare consultant; James McGuire, director of planning and advocacy for the Area Agency on Aging; Marijana Milo, director of the childcare center at Henry Ford Hospital; Judith Pauli, RN, of Sinal Hospital's department of psychiatry; and Deborah Gordon, a partner at the law firm, Stark and Gordon, P.C.

Levin will provide an overview on balancing work and family. McGuire will speak about resources for aging parents.

YMCA holds nights for Indian programs

The Birmingham YMCA will hold recruitment nights for its Indian Programs at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the Birmingham Family YMCA, 400 E. Lincoln, and 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20, at the First Presbyterian Church of Troy, 4328 Livermors.

For more information contact Char Govan at the Birmingham YMCA, 644-9036.

The Indian programs presented by the YMCA are designed to develop parent/child understanding, companionship and communication. An important aspect of the program is spending quality time together.

Based on the family-oriented love of American Indians, tribes are formed of six to 10 parents and their children. Group activities consist of small monthly meetings, lore and craft making, weekend campouts in all-weather cabins, field trips and Federation-sponsored events where all tribes may participate.

Author to sign her books 'Living Together Trap'

Author Rosanne Rosen will do a book signing for her new book "The Living Together Trap: Everything Women and Men Should Know" 1-3 p.m. Friday at Waldenbooks, 214 W. Maple, Birmingham.

Rosen is a free-lance writer and author whose first book "Marriage Secrets: How to Have a Lifetime Love Affair" was released in April of this year. "The Living Together Trap" was released in August by New Horizon Press.

More than 50 of Rosen's first-person essays and feature articles have appeared in newspapers and other national and regional publications including Michigan Woman magazine.

"The Living Together Trap" uncovers the myths and realities of this contemporary love relationship. More than three million unmarried heterosexual couples in the United States currently live together.

For her book, Rosen extensively interviewed men and women from many backgrounds, ages and economic groups who have experienced live-in relationships. Only a minority of live-in lovers she interviewed claimed a sustained successful relationship.

Some other findings revealed in "The Living Together Trap" include: why couples who live together divorce at a significantly higher rate than those who do not cohabit prior to marriage; why men in a live-in relationship are not monogamous and why women too have their extra-live-in affairs; how moving in often means exchanging love for debt, preventing the easy escape one might seek down the road; why women tend to suffer the most after the failure of a live-in relationship, and how men and women can protect themselves against the pitfalls of living together.

Metro Detroit: the newspaper circulation story

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