

FASHION CALENDAR

FRIDAY, NOV. 12

Ellen Tracy
Ellen Tracy Focus Day 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sportshop in Leisure, Level Two, at Neiman Marcus at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

AT JACOBSON'S

Jacobson's celebrates its 125th anniversary with a host of activities. Authentic period costumes circa 1860s from Meadow Brook Theatre will be on display through Saturday, Nov. 20, in Jacobson's Apparel Store in Birmingham.

SATURDAY, NOV. 13

Fur coats
Informal modeling and special ordering of the newest styles in fur coats noon to 4 p.m. in Fur Salon at Hudson's at Oakland Mall in Troy.

Holiday and resort
A-Line Anne Klein Holiday and Resort '93 Fashion Focus Day with special representative in Casual Sportswear, second floor, at Saks Fifth Avenue at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

Roz & Sherm
First arrivals for resort informally modeled noon to 4 p.m. at Roz & Sherm at Bloomfield Plaza in Bloomfield Township.

Swimwear styles
Annual Gutter trunk show featuring swimwear styles for 1994, with representative Barry Rosen 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Don Thomas Sportshaus at Bloomfield Plaza in Bloomfield Township.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17

'Mistletoe Madness'
Fashions, feasting and shop-

ping at "Mistletoe Madness" to benefit the Junior League of Birmingham 7-10 p.m. at Saks Fifth Avenue at the Somerset Collection in Troy. Tickets are \$100, \$75 and \$35. For more information call 646-2613.

Leiber handbags
Judith Leiber Holiday '93 Collection of handbags on first floor at Saks Fifth Avenue at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

THURSDAY, NOV. 18

Ellen Tracy
Company Ellen Tracy Fashion Focus Day with special representative Karen Riordan in casual sportswear, second floor, at Saks Fifth Avenue at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

Donna Karan
Donna Karan Resort trunk show with representative visit 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Informal modeling 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Designer Sportswear, Level Three, at Neiman Marcus at the Somerset Collection in Troy. Emmanuel stock show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sportshop, Level Two.

Knits for resort
Trunk showing of Helen HSU collection of knits for resort 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Saturday, Nov. 20, at Roz & Sherm at Bloomfield Plaza in Bloomfield Township.

The Boardwalk
Informal modeling of fashions from Marguerite noon to 2 p.m. at Stage & Co. restaurant at the Boardwalk shopping center on Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield.

hours per week between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. A six-week commitment is desired. For more information contact Mary Maurice at 350-3030.

A woman to be reckoned with



THE BRIDGE CROWD
"Taint what a bridge player knows that usually hurts them. It's what they know that just ain't so that hurts them." — Peter Finley Dunne

Once upon a time it was a wonder when a glamorous slender femme thought as well as she ought to, which often caused her admirers to have a limited respect for the fair lady's intellect. "Tis no longer so, and today's column will substantiate why that's so.

It's everyday fare for a woman today to be gifted in mind, manner and enhancement. One among us of substantial talent is the striking Mrs. Howard Weiner of Southfield. Judi, as she is fondly known among family, friends and the bridge universe, has become one of our first-class women players since her inaugural call to the game some two score or so more years ago.

She attributes this to her desire to thrive, and to Howard, who is one of our more exciting virtuosos playing today. With a beguiling smile, she acknowledges that fine tuning her technique did precipitate a wee bit of tribulation, but in retrospect the achievement was the culmination of much effort well spent.

The year 1993 has been Mrs. Weiner's year of glorious accomplishment. As bridge partners, she and Howard have captured three prestigious regionals from Bermuda in February to Saginaw in June. But the plume de plume was her victory with the women in May for the Wolverine Flighted Swiss Teams.

She was partnered with Suzy Burger, Brenda Bryant, Susan Cooper and Lynne Schaefer, and the women beat the best teams the men could muster to capture that spectacular event. On that occasion even the always-composed Howard couldn't hide his pride when he learned that his lovely bride was a winner.

Today's hand is from that event Judi generated successfully through a maze of difficult decisions in partnership with Suzy. Their opponents playing the same cards in the closed room found the same contract but were unable to handle the obstacles successfully.

Judi	W	Suzy	E
1♥	—	2♦	—
2♠	—	3♣	—
4♦	—	4♥	—
4NT	—	5♥	—
6♥	—	—	—

Both Vulnerable	Q 2		
	A 7 6		
	A 10 9 5		
	K 9 6 5		

J 7 5	Suzy	10 6 4 3
4 3		Q J 5
Q 8 7 4 3	W	K 6 2
Q J 10	Judi	4 3 2

A K 9 8	
K 10 9 8 2	
J	
A 8 7	W, led 10♦

When Suzy's 13 were tabled, Judi immediately recognized she was at least one trick short of fulfillment unless a trump honor was singleton on her left or the queen. Jack were doubleton, and that was most unlikely. That difficulty coupled with the obvious club loser seemed to

spell doom and her heart, a horrible negative swing.

It was too late to wish differently, but for a fleeting moment she silently reprimanded herself for not passing four hearts. How was she to manufacture a 12th trick? Hope alone couldn't do it, but coupled with a miracle lie in the out cards, there was a pretty but slim chance of achievement.

She won the club ace in her hand and at trick (2) (3), played the ace, king of trumps, but nothing good came of it. Now she thought to herself, if the trump queen were on her right and that hand was 4-3-3-3, there was a delicate but exquisite play. So be it, she said to herself, let's see!

At trick (4), her diamond jack to the ace and a diamond ruff. Next, a heart to dummy's queen and back to her ace, king and a heart ruff. At (10), a diamond ruff and a club to dummy's king. Now the moment of expectation! At trick (12), Judi called for dummy's last diamond, and it mattered not what east chose to do. If he ruffed with the high trump queen, Judi pitched her losing club, and if he pitched his club queen, our heroine ruffed with her heart 10 and gave up the trump loser at trick (13).

As I said, the striking Judi Weiner has a mind, manner and enhancement. You've just witnessed the pretty coup en passant executed by one of our loveliest players.

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, mailbox 1853.

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