

Troy woman rates high on the list of local players

THE BRIDGE CROWD



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"The shell must break before the bird can fly." — Alfred Lord Tennyson

Today it seems especially appropriate that on the eve of the MBA Vincent Remy Motor City Regional, we should salute the one who partnered the legend that Michigan's oldest and most famous yearly tournament is memorialized for.

As early as anyone can remember, Joan Remy Moore of Troy has always been an extremely fine player. Certainly her many years as Vince's mate in marriage and match play gained for her much expertise and admiration, but it would be unjust not to acknowledge her profound dedication and discipline, which in itself generated a considerable share of her skill.

Three of our game's finest speak with unrestrained esteem for her game. Marilyn Maddock will tell you, "No one plays their cards better." Phil Leon says, "Joan creates declarer mistakes when defending." Marty Hirschman's praise is commensurate, "Her uncommon concentration at the table is on a par with Nicklaus on a tough put." Her equals are like minded. "Unquestionably, Michigan's best woman player."

The October issue of the American Contract Bridge League Bulletin places her 30th on the list of North America's all-time top 100 life masters, with 16,287 points. That's a rare and enviable accomplishment and a tribute to her ability. Yet Joan still sets aside a good share of time for her wonderful husband Dick, substitute teaching, and representing our district on the ACBL board of directors — a job that in itself today is laden with a complex number of significant concerns considering the league's divisive direction and administrative inclinations.

Today's hand from Joan's gallery of great defensive achievements is typical of the advantage she will take of card situations and bidding sequences that most often spell doom for the declarer.

S W N Joan
1NT — 2NT —
3NT — DBL
Passed out

N/S Vulnerable

J 6 5 4
4 3 2
J 10 7 5
3 2

Q 9 7
K 10 8
K 9 8 3
J 9 8

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K 10
A Q 9 6 5
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K 7 6 5 4

A 8 3 2
J 7
A Q 4 2
A Q 10

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Asks about age discrimination



RENEE MAHLER

Q. Recently I applied for a job and did not get it. I am a 68-year-old single woman, college graduate, am in good health and want and need to work. I had all the qualifications required for the position I applied for, yet when they asked my age, I wasn't even granted an interview. I sincerely believe that the reason was my age, and I am just angry enough to want to complain about the situation. I know there is a law against age discrimination but don't know where to register my complaint.

Worst Pills Best Pills II is a recent publication from Public Citizen. This book describes more than 340 drugs that are often prescribed for older adults, included in the book is a worksheet for evaluating medicines and a section on determining the risk for side effects from these medications. There is also information on generic substitutes for many of these costly drugs. To order this book, write to Public Citizen, Worst Pills Best Pills II, 2000 P St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Cost is \$15 per copy.

Renee Mahler is a gerontologist and the director of communications and admission at a Rochester Hills nursing facility. She is a former member of the Michigan State Commission on Services to the Aging. To leave a message for Mahler, from a touch-tone phone, call 953-2047, mailbox 1863. Send your questions to her at the Observer & Eccentric, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.



Meyer-Weglarz

Stefani Meyer and Michael Weglarz will exchange wedding vows in early December at St. Alexander's Church in Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edward Meyer of Livonia. She is a graduate of Madonna College and is employed at the Area Agency on Aging in Southfield.

Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Weglarz of Franklin. He is a graduate of Central Michigan University and is employed at Business Resources Inc. in Southfield.



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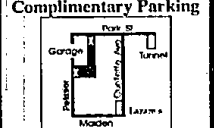
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