



# QuickTrick



THE EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS BRIDGE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER + SUMMER 2011

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## NEWS TO NOTE

### EMBA Board & Officers

Nominations for officers' 1-year term and board members' 3-year term beginning January 2012 were reported on May 15<sup>th</sup> by the Elections Committee. See page 4 for the official election slate.

### Quick Trick Distribution

The informal survey results are in and expenses are going up (of course). Direct mailing of Quick Trick will be an 'Opt-In' choice, with copies available at Clubs and tournaments. See page 6.

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### EMBA Officers:

President: James Rasmussen  
Vice President: William Hunter  
Secretary: Carolyn Weiser  
Treasurer: Don Levy



## District 25 Senior Regional – Record Attendance

Helen Pawlowski, the District 25 Tournament Manager, reported a new attendance record, 1102 tables, for the Senior Regional held April 27 to May 1 at the recently renovated Resort and Conference Center in Hyannis. Many players commented on the spacious and bright playing areas and the hotel's good service.



Players looking for adventure found the site's proximity to a wide variety of local restaurants and quaint shops very convenient. All this and GREAT hospitality is reason to look forward to another good time in Hyannis in 2012.

The District 25 Summer Regional in Sturbridge, Mass., June 22-26, will be wrapped up before you read this, and don't miss the Fiesta Regional in Warwick, Rhode Island, in August. Visit [www.nebridge.org](http://www.nebridge.org) for news.

## EMBA Team Wins Grand National Teams Flight B



Congratulations to the EMBA Flight B team captained by Brian Duran: **Brian Duran** of Somerville, **Gloria Tsoi** of Arlington, **Ivanie Yeo** of Brighton, and **Lon Sunshine** of Framingham.

## Memorial Day Tournament, ACEC Watertown

A new collection of many winners, strong showings in the 299er field, and a repeat win in the Open Pairs for star players returning to the game. Details and more photos on Page 3.



### Be Prepared !

To be “at the table” is such an important part of bridge success. What I love about the diagrammed deal is that it illustrates so well how great success can result from aggressive, alert and creative action, and how great failure can ensue from not being alert as to what might be going on. The victors for this hand are none other than EMBA Caddyman Suzanne Cunningham and EMBA Webmaster Bob Bertoni.

Suzanne and Bob recently won a single-session event at the Louisville Spring NABC in March with a whopping 73% game – one of the biggest sessions in the entire tournament. On this hand, Suzanne set things in motion with an aggressive and slightly unorthodox 3♣ bid in first seat. Her bid might have backfired (I wouldn't recommend preempting with a broken 6-card suit as a matter of course), but on this hand it worked like a charm, coupled with her partner's creative action. Bob could see that a hand with a lot of clubs, a singleton heart, and no first or second round control in the other suits meant that the opponents could make at least a game in hearts – quite possibly a slam. Problem was, he had no idea what his opponents could make; he realized that raising clubs to a high level could push them into a contract that they were cold for, but might not bid on their own. His psychic 3♥ bid really muddied the waters and was a pretty spiffy, quick thinking trick. Now, if Bob had thought a long time before bidding 3♥ or before pulling the double of 3♥ to 4♣, he could have either lost his advantage right away or been accused of coffee-housing, most likely losing the gain a short while later in committee. So, Suzanne had to be prepared to step out at the start of the bidding and risk going for a big number, and Bob had to be prepared to bid in tempo and with conviction, as if he really did have a forcing bid with hearts.

#### NORTH

♠ 10873

♥ Q

♦ QJ98

♣ Q1072

#### WEST

♠ J542

♥ AJ108632

♦ 4

♣ 9

#### EAST

♠ AKQ

♥ K975

♦ A1065

♣ A5

#### SOUTH

♠ 96

♥ 4

♦ K732

♣ KJ8643

#### Matchpoints

Neither Vul

Dealer South

#### North

3♥!

4♣

#### East

Dbl

Dbl

#### South

3♣

Pass

All Pass

#### West

Pass

Pass

Opening Lead – 4♦

Finally, and this may be the most important lesson, is that the opponents had to be prepared. Even the best pairs seldom have methods to differentiate between natural bids and cue bids in competition. While West might want to bid 4♥ naturally over 4♣ doubled, he had no way of being sure that his partner wouldn't treat it as a forcing cue bid. East also must have been concerned that passing 4♣ without doubling might let North-South off the hook – unpunished on a hand where they could easily be going for a big number – while East-West might not have a makeable game. One approach to solve this dilemma is to agree that after a double of a forcing bid (3♥), subsequent passes (such as of 4♣x) are forcing, and any bids on the second round of bidding by the responder would be natural, even those in a secondary suit bid by the opponents. You and your favorite partners should discuss what you might do in situations like this, in order to avoid confusion and avoid being swindled.

Today's Shark's Pointers are: -

Be aggressive, Be alert, Be creative,  
and most of all – **BE PREPARED!**



## ♠ ♥ Recent Winners ♦ ♣

### EMBA Memorial Day Sectional

Karen (Kate) McCallum is no stranger to the winners circle, a World Grand Master and many time National Champion. She played with Cenk Tuncok in the Saturday Stratified Pairs and they won by 16.5 MP with a 63.47% game.



Cenk recently returned to bridge after a many years hiatus, and what a return! In April he won the Flight A Open Pairs with Ron Mak, and in May returned with McCallum to win back to back. Cenk has opened a bridge club in Amesbury, so it would seem he is here to stay.

On Sunday, Zach Grossack captained his team (Saul Agranoff, Stuart Whittle, Joyce Pearson, Zach Grossack) to a 4 VP win in the A/X Swiss.



The A/X flight had 18 tables and the quality of the field was second to none. Though attendance was a bit down due to the holiday Weekend, the A/X event was tougher than ever with many teams warming up for the Regional in June. It's rare that an X team steps up to win Flight A in EMBA, as the A fields are very strong, so kudos to this team for taking it all!

The B/C/D Flight of the Sunday Swiss was won by the team of Emily Shen, Vincent Koon Kam King, Jeffrey Scott, and Brian Duran. The 299er field was bested by the team of Michael Williams, Benson Ho, Steven Diamond, and Sarah Widhu.

Friday Open Pairs: Mark Aquino, Robert McCaw

Friday 299ers: Elizabeth Paige, Brenda Hussey

Sat. AM 299er: Maureen Berggren, Brenda Hussey

Sat. PM 299er: Sam Shoushtarian, Priscilla Loring

### North American Pairs 2011-12 It's One for the Money...



#### NAP Qualifying Games : June July & Aug

Qualify in your club for the District 25 NAP Finals

#### Sturbridge (Mass.) Host Hotel

October 15-16, 2011

Flt A Open, Flt B <2000, Flt C <500 (Non LM)

Play against players of your own level and you may win lots of money to play in National Finals in **Memphis, TN** - March 2012

- \$700 each 1st place player, each flight
- \$300 each 2nd place player, each flight
- \$100 each 3rd place player (District funds)

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## EMBA CALENDAR & TOURNAMENT NOTES

Visit [www.acblemba.org](http://www.acblemba.org) for the latest calendar information

### STaC Week July 1-7 2011

#### Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>

Day game @ Brewster-Seaside, Bridge Spot, Harriett Leavitt, Newton-Reyim, Puritan (499er), Westwood  
Evening game @ Bridge Spot

#### Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Day game @ Bridge Spot, Puritan, Westwood  
Evening game @ Bridge Spot

#### Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>

Day game @ Westwood, Bridge Spot (Swiss Teams)

#### Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

Day game @ Bridge Spot, Harriett Leavitt, Newton-Reyim, Puritan, Westwood; No game @ Oak Street  
Evening game @ Aliyah-Needham, Bridge Spot, Dartmouth, Westwood

#### Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>

Day game @ Bridge Spot, Puritan, Rock Harbor, Westwood  
Evening game @ Bridge Spot, MIT, Harriett-Leavitt, Newton-Reyim

#### Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>

Day game @ Bridge Spot, Harriett-Leavitt, Dartmouth, Newton-Reyim, Puritan (Swiss), Westwood  
Evening game @ Bridge Spot (non-LM), Hamilton, Westwood, Winchester

#### Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>

Day game @ Bridge Spot, Newton-Reyim, Puritan, Westwood  
Evening game @ Bridge Spot, Newton-Reyim

### Summer Sectional August 5-7 2011

Armenian Cultural & Educational Center  
47 Nichols Avenue  
Watertown, MA  
(Emergency ONLY: 978-852-4666)

#### Friday, August 5 7:30 PM

Stratified Pairs, single session  
A: Open B: <2000 C: <750  
299er Pairs, single session

#### Saturday, Aug. 6 10:30 AM

Thomas Wilder Flighted Pairs  
A: Open B: <2000 C: <750  
0-49er Pairs, single session  
299er Pairs, single session  
Open Pairs, single session -  
(stratified by partnership average)

Buy a sandwich or salad or BYO  
Short break between sessions

#### Saturday, Aug. 6 3:00 PM

Wilder Flighted Pairs, 2nd session  
299er Pairs, single session  
Open Pairs, single session -  
(stratified by partnership average)

#### Sunday, August 7 10:30 AM

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (8 rds)  
A/X flight - A: Open, X: <4000  
B/C/D flt - B:2000, C:750, D:300  
(playthrough with lunch break,  
pizza included with entry fee)  
299er Swiss Teams (4 matches)

#### Tournament Hosts:

Paul Harris, Cilla Borrás, Christine Halkiotis, Diogo Teixeira, Aline & David Sullivan

**Partnership Help** is available at the playing site, or explore online at [www.partnershipdesk.com](http://www.partnershipdesk.com)

### ♣ EMBA CLUB NEWS ♣

#### Newton Bridge Club in July

The Wednesday morning game of the Newton Bridge Club is moving as of July 6<sup>th</sup> to Temple Reyim, 1860 Washington Street, Newton.

#### EMBA Elections Committee

Nominees for Officers of EMBA for a 1-year term starting Jan. 1, 2012 are:

|            |                |
|------------|----------------|
| President  | Jim Rasmussen  |
| Vice Pres. | Bill Hunter    |
| Secretary  | Carolyn Weiser |
| Treasurer  | Don Levy       |

Nominees for EMBA Board positions for a 3-year term starting Jan. 1, 2012 are as follows:

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Jane Adams       |             |
| David Aronson    | (incumbent) |
| Terry Kay Bargar |             |
| Cecilla Borrás   | (incumbent) |
| Tim Hill         |             |
| Bob McCaw        |             |
| Neil Montague    | (incumbent) |
| Adam Parrish     |             |
| Carole Weinstein | (incumbent) |

Respectfully submitted May 15<sup>th</sup> by Roy Green, Elections Committee

#### What's Beyond Happiness?

An article by John Tierney was published on May 17, 2011 in the New York Times, with the intriguing title "*A New Gauge to See What's Beyond Happiness*". One of the questions raised is "why did some people keep joylessly playing Bridge?" It's worth your while to track down the article and read it - with your partner, of course!

| July          |  | 6 Sat  | Bridge Spot *No game   | September      |  |
|---------------|--|--------|--|----------------|--|
| 1 - 7         | <b>STaC Week – see Page 4</b>  | 8 Mon  | Newton@Reyim *NAP<br>Oak St. *NAP Puritan *NAP<br>Bridge Spot NAP<br>Dartmouth NAP<br>Aliyah-Needham – No game           | 1 Thu          | Newton@Reyim IF  |
| 8 Fri         | Newton@Reyim *NAP-H.ac.P<br>Puritan *499er, Bridge Spot<br>NAP                                       | 9 Tue  | Puritan *NAP, Bridge Spot<br>NAP, MIT NAP,<br>Newton@Reyim – No game   | 2 Fri          | Newton@Reyim *H.acr.P<br>Puritan *499er  |
| 9 Sat         | Westwood *NAP  | 10 Wed | Newton@Reyim *NAP,<br>Puritan *NAP, Winchester<br>CC ST  | 5 Mon          | Harriet-Leavitt *CC Newton-<br>Reyim *IF Puritan *CC Oak St<br>& Aliyah-Needham No game  |
| 10 Sun        | Westwood *NAP  | 11 Thu | Newton@Reyim *NAP,<br>Puritan *NAP, Brewster-<br>Nauset CC, Bridge Spot NAP,<br>Newton@Reyim Ch ST                       | 6 Tue          | Puritan *CC Bridge Spot ICC  |
| 11 Mon        | Newton@Reyim *NAP Aliyah-<br>Needham NAP Bridge Spot<br>NAP Dartmouth NAP<br>Westwood *NAP, NAP      | 12 Fri | Brewster Seaside *ST,<br>Newton@Reyim *Ch ST,<br>Puritan *NAP 499er, Bridge<br>Spot NAP                                  | 7 Wed          | Dartmouth *IF Newt-Reyim *IF<br>IMP Puritan *CC Hamilton CC  |
| 12 Tue        | Rock Harbor *ST Westwood<br>*NAP Bridge Spot NAP<br>Harriet-Leavitt NAP MIT NAP<br>Newton@Reyim NAP  | 13 Sat | Puritan *NAP   | 8 Thu          | Newton-Reyim *IF, CC<br>Puritan *CC  |
| 13 Wed        | Dartmouth *NAP Newton@<br>Reyim *NAP Hamilton NAP<br>MidCape CC Westwood *NAP,<br>NAP Winchester NAP | 15 Mon | Newton@Reyim *CC,<br>Aliyah-Needham NAP,<br>Bridge Spot ChC  | 9 Fri          | Newton-Reyim *IF<br>Puritan *CC 499er  |
| 14 Thu        | Newton@Reyim *UW Puritan<br>*UW Bridge Spot NAP<br>Newton@Reyim NAP                                  | 16 Tue | Bridge Spot ChC,<br>Newton@Reyim NAP   | 10 Sat         | Westwood *IF Puritan 10:15a<br>*CC BBQ, 2:30p *ChC   |
| 15 Fri        | Brewster Seaside *NAP<br>Newton@Reyim *Ch Puritan<br>*499er Bridge Spot NAP                          | 17 Wed | Dartmouth *NAP<br>Hamilton NAP   | 11 Sun         | Bridge Spot *199er Party<br>Westwood *IF   |
| 17 Sun        | Bridge Spot *199er party   | 18 Thu | Newton@Reyim *Ch<br>Bridge Spot ChC  | 12 Mon         | Newton-Reyim *IF ST Puritan,<br>Westwood *IF, IF Aliyah-<br>Needham IF Dartmouth CC  |
| 18 Mon        | Newton@Reyim *Ch Puritan<br>*NAP Aliyah-Needham NAP<br>Bridge Spot ChC                               | 19 Fri | *UW @ Brewster-Seaside,<br>Bridge Spot, Harriett Leavitt,<br>Newton@Reyim, Westwood<br>Puritan *499er<br>Bridge Spot NAP | 13 Tue         | Rock Harbor *ST Westwd *IF<br>UW @ Bridge Spot, Harriett<br>Leavitt, MIT, Newton@Reyim   |
| 19 Tue        | Puritan *NAP Bridge Spot ChC<br>Newton@Reyim Ch ST   | 20 Sat | Westwood *NAP  | 14 Wed         | Dartmouth *CC Newton-<br>Reyim *CC Puritan *IF<br>Westwood *IF,IF Hamilton IM<br>MidCape IM Winchester IM                      |
| 20 Wed        | Dartmouth *NAP Puritan *NAP<br>Newton@Reyim *Ch  | 21 Sun | Bridge Spot *199er Party,<br>Westwood *NAP   | 15 Thu         | Newton-Reyim *CC, IF IMP<br>Puritan *IF Westwood *IF   |
| 21 Thu        | Newton@Reyim *NAP, Ch<br>Puritan *NAP Bridge Spot ChC  | 22 Mon | Bridge Spot *CC, CC<br>Newton@Reyim *NAP<br>Oak Street *CC<br>Westwood *NAP, NAP Aliyah-<br>Needham Ch Dartmouth NAP     | 16 Fri         | Newton@Reyim *IF<br>Puritan *IF 499er<br>Westwood *IF  |
| 22 Fri        | Newton@Reyim *NAP Puritan<br>*NAP 499er Bridge Spot ACBL<br>IFG Westwood ACBL IFG                    | 23 Tue | Bridge Spot *CC, CC<br>Rock Harbor *NAP<br>Westwood *NAP MIT NAP<br>Newton-Reyim Ch                                      | 17 Sat         | Puritan *IF  |
| 23 Sat        | Puritan *NAP   | 24 Wed | Bridge Spot *CC Newton-<br>Reyim *Ch ST Westwood<br>*NAP, NAP Winchester NAP   | 17 Sat         | <b>Indian Summer Sectional</b><br>Woodford's Club, Portland ME   |
| 25 Mon        | Newton@Reyim *NAP Aliyah-<br>Needham NAP Bridge Spot<br>NAP Dartmouth NAP                            | 25 Thu | Bridge Spot *CC, CC<br>Newton@Reyim *NAP, NAP<br>Westwood *NAP   | 18 Sun         |  |
| 26 Tue        | MIT *Lesson Rock Harbor *NAP<br>Bridge Spot *NAP MIT NAP<br>Newton@Reyim NAP                         | 26 Fri | Brewster-Seaside *CC Bridge<br>Spot *CC, CC Newton@Reyim<br>*NAP Puritan *499er<br>Westwood *NAP                         | 19 Mon         | Bridge Spot *UW<br>Harriett Leavitt *UW<br>Newton@Reyim *UW<br>Oak Street *UW Puritan *UW<br>Dartmouth IF<br>Aliyah-Needham CC |
| 27 Wed        | Newton@Reyim *NAP<br>Puritan *Mentor   | 29 Mon | Bridge Spot *ICC, NAP<br>Newton@Reyim *ICC Aliyah-<br>Needham NAP  | 20 Tue         | Puritan *IF Harriett Leavitt CC<br>Newton@Reyim IF ST  |
| 28 Thu        | Newton@Reyim *NAP, NAP<br>Bridge Spot NAP  | 30 Tue | MIT *Lesson Bridge Spot NAP<br>Newton@Reyim NAP  | 21 Wed         | Newton@Reyim *IF Puritan<br>*Mentor Winchester ICC   |
| 29 Fri        | Puritan *499er   | 31 Wed | Dartmouth *NAP Newton-<br>Reyim *NAP, Puritan *Mentor  | 22 Thu         | Newton@Reyim *IF   |
| 29 Fri        | Bridge Spot *ChC, ChC<br>Newton@Reyim No game  |        |  | 23 Fri         | Newton@Reyim *CC<br>Puritan *499er   |
| 29 Wed        | Bridge Spot *ChC   |        |  | 26 Mon         | Aliyah-Needham No game<br>Bridge Spot ChC  |
| <b>August</b> |  |        |  | 27 Tue         | MIT CC Newton@Reyim IF   |
| 1 Mon         | Newton@Reyim *Ch   |        |  | 28 Wed         | Bridge Spot *UW Dartmouth<br>*UW Puritan *UW<br>Newton@Reyim* No game  |
| 2 Tue         | Bridge Spot *UW Puritan<br>*UW Rock Harbor *UW<br>Newton@Reyim CC                                    |        |  | 29 Thu         | Newton@Reyim No games  |
| 3 Wed         | Dartmouth *ICC<br>Hamilton ChC   |        |  | 30 Fri         | Newton@Reyim* No game<br>Puritan *499er  |
| 5 Fri         | Brewster Seaside *NAP<br>Newton@Reyim *NAP H.acr.P<br>Puritan *499er<br>Bridge Spot – No game        |        |  | <b>October</b> |  |
|               |  |        |  | 1 Sat          | <b>EMBA Cape Cod Sectional</b><br>Sandwich, MA   |
|               |  |        |  | 2 Sun          | <b>WMBA Fall Sectional</b><br>Springfield, MA  |

Legend -

NAP N.Am.Pairs qual.  
UW Unit-Wide game

\* Day/Morning game  
CC Club Championship  
Ch Charity game

ChC Charity Club Championship  
H.acr.P Hands Across the Pond

ICC Inter-Club Championship  
IF International Fund game

## QUICK TRICK DISTRIBUTION CHANGES

EMBA has printed and mailed Quick Trick quarterly to each member in EMBA over the last many years. The increasing costs of doing this, coupled with many changes in technology and indeed the way people now receive information in their lives, has encouraged the EMBA Board to re-examine the methodology and effect some changes.

A budgetary look at EMBA finances will show that we spend 45% or more of our discretionary income on this line item alone. The following is the intention of the EMBA Board:

Quick Trick will continue to be printed quarterly in black & white, in similar numbers to the current distribution (3200 copies).

1. Once a year the election issue will be mailed to all current EMBA Members as we do now. This edition will include the EMBA mail-in ballot and candidate statements.
2. Printed copies of Quick Trick will be bulk mailed and/or delivered to all sanctioned clubs in EMBA for players to pick up and take home or pass along to prospective members.
3. Quick Trick will be available online for download or reading in full color PDF format (rather than the black and white print version) on the EMBA website, [www.acblemba.org](http://www.acblemba.org) immediately upon publication.
4. Quick Trick will be available at all EMBA Tournaments and events for members to take home a printed copy.
5. We will look to distribute Quick Trick to non-traditional venues like senior centers, community centers, and schools, especially those participating in the Bridge In School program.
6. OPT-IN to have Quick Trick mailed to your home will be available for any member who requests it. To continue to have EMBA directly mail every copy to your home, please fill out send in the form below:

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**Mail To:**

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Swampscott, MA 01917**

### Parking at EMBA Sectionals ACEC in Watertown

As most regular tournament participants already know, the Watertown Police have begun issuing parking tickets during our Saturday pair games if cars are parked at meters that have not been fed. We are asking your help in maximizing the number of cars that are able to use the ACEC lot by filling all of the double spaces in the back of the lot. Players planning to play two sessions should park in the back of the double spaces and players playing only the first session should park in front of cars already parked in the back of the double spaces. We will have volunteers in the lot to assist with this tandem parking arrangement. This will enable us to park 15 to 20 more cars.

We have also confirmed with the Watertown police that if you have a visible handicap placard in your car that you are exempt from having to pay the meters in Watertown. Thus if you have a handicap placard and are able to park at a meter, please do so. Thank you for your cooperation.

### EMBA Unit Events

Unit-Wide day games are being held at clubs on Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Friday August 19<sup>th</sup>, Monday September 19<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday September 28<sup>th</sup>. Evening Unit-Wide games are scheduled for Tuesday September 13<sup>th</sup>. International Fund games (IF) are scheduled for many clubs in September.

### ACBL District 25 Events

North American Pairs (NAP) qualifying games are being held in almost every club during the months of July and August. See the listings on page 5 for specific dates and locations.

### Ethel Keohane Senior Regional – MP Top 10

The Senior Regional in April was a successful return to the Resort and Conference Center, conveniently located at the foot of Main Street in Hyannis, MA. The events provided fertile ground for our players. Here is the Top 10 list of the Master Point winners:

|    | <u>Total</u> | <u>Gold</u> | <u>Red</u> | <u>Silver</u> |                                 |
|----|--------------|-------------|------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 1  | 52.13        | 51.54       | 0.59       |               | John Malley, Pascoag RI         |
| 2  | 52.13        | 51.54       | 0.59       |               | Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT |
| 3  | 52.13        | 51.54       | 0.59       |               | Daniel Colatosti, Boca Raton FL |
| 4  | 51.84        | 51.54       | 0.30       |               | Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA      |
| 5  | 51.83        | 51.54       | 0.29       |               | John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT   |
| 6  | 45.73        | 26.11       | 2.01       | 17.61         | Frank Hacker, Barre VT          |
| 7  | 45.73        | 26.11       | 2.01       | 17.61         | Philip Sharpsteen, Jericho VT   |
| 8  | 44.56        | 42.55       | 2.01       |               | William Hunter, Peabody MA      |
| 9  | 42.97        | 28.47       |            | 14.50         | Margie Sullivan, Sagamore Beach |
| 10 | 42.97        | 28.47       |            | 14.50         | Stephen Rzewski, South Dennis   |

### EMBA Committees & Coordinators for 2011

|                                  |                                |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Appeals Committee                | Lloyd Arvedon                  |
| Audit                            | David Aronson                  |
| Bobbye Jardine Award             | Millie Ring                    |
| Caddymaster                      | Suzanne Cunningham             |
| Conduct and Ethics               | Neil Montague                  |
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| Finance                          | Haven Sharaf                   |
| District Executive Committee     | Mark Aquino &<br>Jim Rasmussen |
| District Nominating Committee    | Brenda Montague                |
| Membership                       | Millie Ring                    |
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| Quick Trick Board Liaison        | Jan Smola                      |
| Quick Trick Calendar Coordinator | Rich Stevens                   |
| Recorder                         | Don Caplin                     |
| Seeding                          | Sheila Gabay                   |
| Special (Unit) Game Coordinator  | Saul Agranoff                  |
| Site Coordinator                 | Amnon Gabay                    |
| STAC Coordinator                 | Carole Carlson                 |
| Tournament Committee             | Bill Hunter                    |
| Unit Address List                | Carolyn Weiser                 |
| Unit Tournament Coordinator      | Carolyn Weiser                 |
| Unit Electronic Contact          | Carolyn Weiser                 |
| Webmaster                        | Bob Bertoni                    |



### In Memoriam

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## TOURNAMENT TRAIL

### **NHBA Summer Sectional**

July 16 - 17, 2011  
Hudson VFW Hudson, NH

### **ACBL Summer Nationals**

July 21 - 31, 2011  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

### **EMBA Summer Sectional**

August 5 - 7, 2011  
ACEC Watertown, MA

### **District 25 Fiesta Regional**

August 29 - Sept. 4, 2011  
Crowne Plaza Warwick, RI

### **EMBA Cape Cod Sectional**

Oct. 1 - 2, 2011  
Sandwich, MA

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - James Rasmussen

Advances in technology have changed many aspects of our organized bridge activities. We now have pre-duplicated hands, computer programs to quickly tabulate scores and assign next round opponents, and a website that contains up-to-date information of interest to EMBA members and local bridge players.

One area that has not changed in many years is the way that EMBA publishes and mails this newsletter. The Quick Trick is a key way in which we inform and communicate with all of our members. At the present time all members receive a hard copy of the newsletter even though it also can be read on the website in full color, usually several weeks earlier. Printing and mailing costs for the Quick Trick currently constitute close to 45% of EMBA's discretionary budget (i.e., non-tournament related expenses), and they have been rising. As part of our efforts to keep card fees as low as possible for our sectional tournaments, the EMBA Board is planning to alter the way that the Quick Trick is distributed, beginning next year.

Those of you who would like to continue receiving a copy of the Quick Trick through the mail will be able to do so by sending us the "Opt-In" form found in this or a future issue of the newsletter. Printed copies also will be made available at EMBA tournaments and at most clubs. Please take the time to read the details of the Opt-In proposal contained in this issue, and let us know if you wish to take advantage of the Opt-In option.