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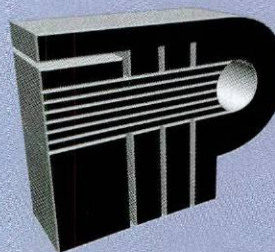
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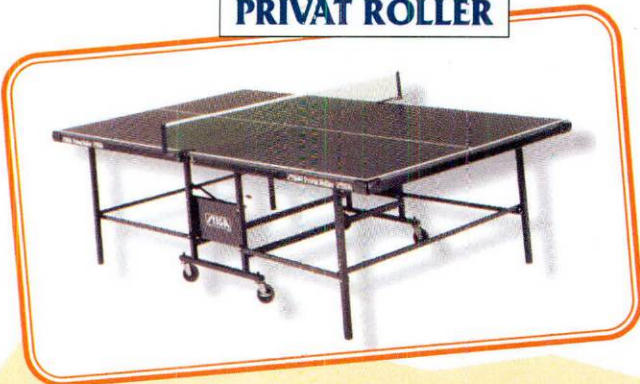


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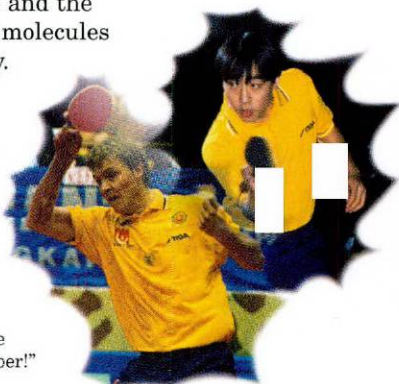
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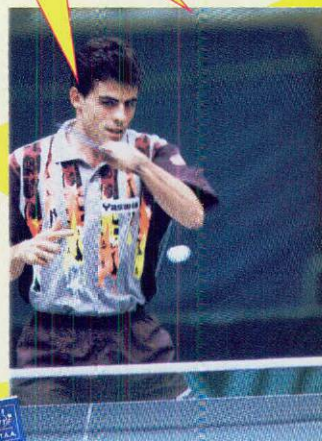
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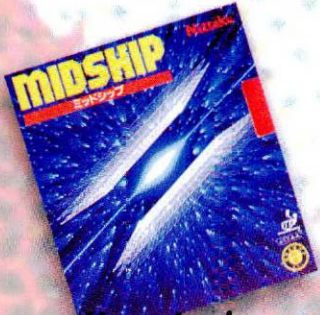
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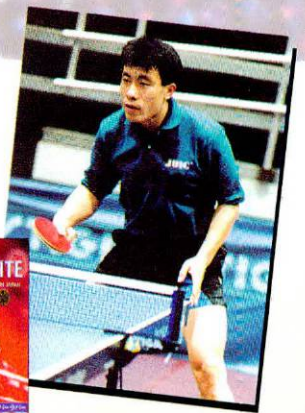
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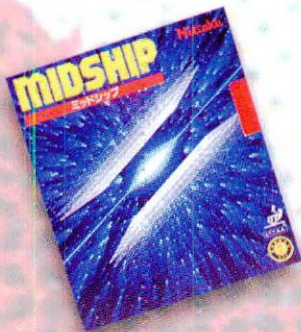
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Editor's Report

By Larry Hodges



I'm back! After three years of purgatory in the real world (OK, most of it as a full-time table tennis coach, so not really the "real world"), I was rehired as editor of *USATT Magazine*. My previous tenure was from 1991-95. Since that time, I've picked up a master's degree in journalism, edited several magazines and on-line publications (both TT and non-TT), worked nearly two years as a full-time table tennis coach, began to put together table tennis web pages, and then spent the last year as a full-time programmer during my visit to the real world. However, table tennis is, and always has been, my #1. (For a more complete round-up of my table tennis background, go to my web page at www.erols.com/ttworld/larry.htm.)

I was hired two weeks after the U.S. Open, so in some ways this issue is rather rushed. I would have liked to have solicited articles, photos and ads at the Open, but at the time I was merely a player, coach and reporter – you'll see my U.S. Open write-ups of men's and women's singles, doubles and teams, as well as the profile of Ulpiano Santo, the oldest player there. There's also a coaching article that I wrote before I knew I would be editor, and one that I co-wrote with Sean Lonergan.

Many thanks to Advertising Manager, Lori Pfister and to Margaret Smith, both of whose help in putting this issue together was greatly appreciated.

My goal is to make the magazine an upbeat product full of player profiles, coaching articles, international results, great photos, and general table tennis news. If you have any suggestions on how to reach this goal, or would like to contribute articles or photos, please contact me at ttworld@erols.com, 301-460-7906 (ph), 301-460-7960 (fax – call if line is busy), or 14355 Georgia Ave., Apt. 101, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

USATT INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RESIGNS

Linda Gleeson, USATT Interim Executive Director, announced to the Board on July 14 her resignation effective July 31, 1999. Linda has worked for USATT for ten years and will be sorely missed. Linda issued the following statement:

"I leave with fond memories and appreciation for the support I've received, the friendships I've made and the growth I've personally experienced in working for USA Table Tennis.

"In the ten years I've worked for this sport, I've seen tremendous strides accomplished through the dedicated commitment and actions of your Boards, Executive Directors, staff and volunteers. You should be proud of how far you've come and I know you'll continue to do well.

"I leave you in good hands with a competent and hard-working staff and dedicated Board. I wish you continued success."

The USATT Executive Director Search Committee, chaired by Dennis Taylor, is already interviewing prospective Executive Directors, and one will most likely be hired by the time you read this. Check www.usatt.org for more information.

TABLE TENNIS ON TV IN THE U.S.!!!

(Courtesy of ITTF)

The ITTF Marketing Division has made an agreement with Fox Sports World, which includes an agreement to broadcast table tennis in the U.S. Fox will broadcast the ITTF Pro Tour & Pro Tour Grand Finals in their network in the U.S., Fox Sports International, and in their Latin American Network, Fox Sports Latin America, Brazil excluded. Check local listings, or call Fox at 202-895-3200 for scheduling. The ITTF will try to publicize the TV listings on their home page, www.ittf.com. Keep track, and give Fox Sports your positive opinion on the programs!



They Said It!

By Larry Hodges

"That's the idea!" -Tim Boggan, when told by the editor that there wouldn't be room for anything else in the magazine if everything he wrote was published.

Overheard at the U.S. Open

"I lose to her every time." -Gao Jun, just before playing Chen Jing in the semifinals of the U.S. Open. Gao won.

"I've never seen such power!" -Olivier Marmaruk of France, after losing to U.S. Open Men's Singles Champion Chiang Peng-Lung of Taiwan in the semifinals.

"Most of them probably haven't played on cement since they were juniors." -U.S. Team Member Todd Sweeris of international players playing first-round matches on cement at the U.S. Open.

"The most ill-considered and ridiculous rule ever passed." -Matthew Syed of England, of the new rules lowering the length/width ratio of long pips.

"I've been playing over 80 for eleven years!" -91-year-old Ulpiano Santo at the U.S. Open, complaining that there is no over 85 or over 90 event. He also spoke of an opponent who dropped dead during one over 80 final, giving Santo the title.

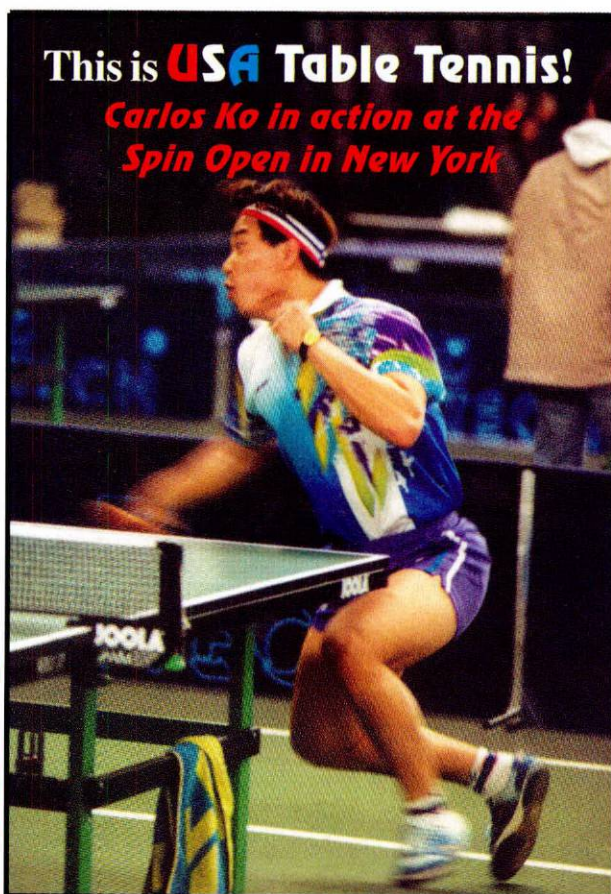


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USA SWEEPS ALL FOUR

GOLDS AT PAN AMS!

Winnipeg, Canada ★★★ July 24-30, 1999

Congratulations to USA Team Members David Zhuang, Eric Owens, Todd Sweeris, Gao Jun, Amy Feng and Tawny Banh!

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Complete results, coverage and photos in next issue - final results came in just as we were going to press!

MEN'S TEAMS

FINAL: USA d. Argentina 3-2

Liu Song (ARG) d. Eric Owens (USA), 12, 10;

Todd Sweeris (USA) d. Juan Frery (ARG), 12, 8;

Owens/Zhuang (USA) d. Frery/Tabachnik (ARG), 9, 16;

David Zhuang (USA) d. Pablo Tabachnik (ARG), 12, 14.

Semifinals: USA d. Canada 3-0; Argentina d. Brazil 3-1

WOMEN'S TEAMS

FINAL: USA d. Canada 3-0

Gao Jun (USA) d. Lijuan Geng (CAN), 21, -11, 17;

Tawny Banh (USA) d. Chris Xu (CAN), 17, -19, 22;

Amy Feng/Banh (USA) d. Geng/Petra Cada (CAN), -20, 15, 13.

Semifinals: USA d. Chile 3-0; Canada d. Brazil 3-0

MEN'S SINGLES

FINAL: David Zhuang (USA) d. Liu Song (ARG), 21,-22,20,20; **SF:** Zhuang d. J.A. Gamba Said (CHI), 20,9,14; Song d. F. Arado De Armas (CUB), -20,11,12,10; **QF:** J.A. Gamba Said d. R.E. Sosa Sanchez, 19,9,-18,15; **Zhuang** d. P. Peter-Paul (CAN), 14,16,16; Arado De Armas d. **Todd Sweeris (USA)**, 17, -16, 19, 16; Song d. Hugo Hoyama (BRA), 22,-11,-11,8,18; **8ths:** Sosa Sanchez d. C. Alvarado Perilla (COL), -21,11,19,18; Gamba d. Pablo Tabachnik (BRA), 16, -16, 15, -14, 16; Peter-Paul d. Thiago Monteiro (BRA), 16,-22,16,-14,20; **Zhuang** d. Dexter St. Louis (TRI), -16,15,16,-14,9; **Sweeris** d. David Fernandez (PUR), 12,11,19; Arado De Armas d. **Eric Owens (USA)**, 11,-17,17,14; Song d. Horatio Pinteá (CAN), 17,14,19; Hoyama d. A. Morales Marengo (CHI), 16,13,17; **16ths:** **Sweeris** d. Arado De Armas (CUB), 18,-13,14,-19,10; Alvarado Perilla d. Juan Frery (ARG), 9,15, -15,15; St. Louis d. Xavier Therien (CAN), 13,12,10; Morales d. Guillermo Muyoó (MEX), 17,11,-21,-18,22.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

FINAL: Gao Jun (USA) d. Lijuan Geng (CAN), 16,-19,-14,18,2 (not a typo!); **SF:** Gao d. Petra Cada (CAN), 8,7,11; Geng d. **Amy Feng (USA)**, 14,14,-14,10; **QF:** Gao d. Lyanne Kosaka (BRA), 8,5,15; **Feng** d. **Tawny Banh (USA)**, 19,16,13; Cada d. Chris Xu (CAN), -16,5,8,14; Geng d. Ligia Silva (BRA), 11,7,10; **8ths:** **Banh** d. Olate Rodriguez (CHI), 17,-17,14,8; Cada d. Maricel Ramirez (CUB), 18,-16,-17,13,17; Lyanne Kosaka d. S.L. Tepez Cancino (CHI), 19,12,18; Silva d. M. Armas Nuyez, 16,12,9.

World Rankings

Through July 15, 1999, including U.S. Open

U.S. Open Men's Singles Champion Chiang Peng-Lung of Taiwan went up 3 spots to #20; U.S. Open Men's Singles Finalist Chang Yuan-Su of Taiwan, U.S. Open Men's Singles Finalist, only went up 4 spots, from 109 to 105, due to his two losses to Shinnosuke Kiho of Japan - then ranked #162, now #151. U.S. Open Women's Singles Champion NI Xia Lian remained unchanged at #7. Fan Yiyong, living in Oregon, still does not have a world ranking, due to a lack of international play - he didn't have enough "significant" matches at the Open. Of special interest: the end of an era. Dan Seemiller, ranked as high as #19 in the 1970s, ranked #280 in the previous listing, and now the USA Men's Coach ... is off the list. (See USA players below in bold - including several with first-time rankings ever - congratulations!)

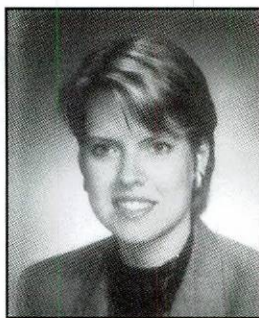
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3	LI Ju	CHN	3	KONG Linghui	CHN
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5	GOTSCH Qianghong	GER	5	WALDNER Jan-Ove	SWE
6	YANG Ying	CHN	6	WANG Liqin	CHN
7	NI Xia Lian	LUX	7	KIM Taek Soo	KOR
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President's Report

By Sheri Soderberg Pittman



Life can be like a ping pong ball; it goes up and down, sometimes unpredictably. Shortly after we, as a nation, mourned the tragic losses of John F. Kennedy, Jr., Carolyn Bessette Kennedy and her sister Lauren, we, as the national governing body of table tennis, experienced the euphoria of capturing all of the available gold medals at the Pan Am Games. I was fortunate to have been able to attend the team competition of the event.

Our two coaches, Dan Seemiller and Theodor Gheorghe, who I am more likely to refer to as Danny and Doru, have done a wonderful job bringing cohesion and a sense of possibility to the team. They make a perfect pair. Danny has an infectious fighting spirit coupled with his own battle stories. Doru is the quiet type who instills a sense of determination in the players on the women's team. Together, along with the national team leader Bob Fox, they have brought up the confidence level of our team to help us achieve a first-ever sweep of all four medals (men's and women's team titles and men's and women's singles titles).

I commend our players, David Zhuang, Eric Owens, Todd Sweeris, Gao Jun, Amy Feng and Tawny Banh for their team spirit and excellent play. The biggest fans who deserve some credit for their rousing cheering and flag waving were Greg Miller and Len Witz of Minnesota. Connie and Dell Sweeris conveyed parental pride to all of our players. Aly Salam, Dr. Michael Scott, Tom Miller, Tim Boggan and Rufford Harrison expanded the scope of Team USA's cheering section. This was especially helpful when we were outnumbered in the matches against Canada.

As time marches by and we get closer and closer to the objective our association has enunciated to the USOC, to have Olympic medal contenders by the year 2008, this achievement breathes new life into our association's mission.

As the president, I am entrusted with the responsibility of making sure that our association stays on track (or gets on track) to meet our goals. I am enthusiastic to have inherited this formidable task and am working with them to create an even stronger, in the vernacular of the USOC, "athlete development pipeline."


Every year USATT prepares a set of definable high performance markers as part of

the USOC centralized funding mechanism. Danny and Doru will oversee the first two markers, which pertain to elite athlete development and our national coaching competency program. Our third marker concerns tournament software development and implementation. The fourth marker calls for a comprehensive membership recruiting and club enhancement program. The fifth marker is typically what is known as a "performance" marker because it requires us to strive for performance goals that we would consider difficult, but do-able. In this case, winning a gold medal at the Pan Am Games, was accomplished with quadruple finesse.

For the rest of the year, and particularly while we are still in the process of trying to find our next executive director, I will be focusing my energies on making sure that our association stays on track to meet all requirements for successful completion of each of our 1999 markers.

At the U.S. Open and Pan Am Games, I was able to talk with Canadian representatives about harnessing our resources for the good of North America. Expect to see new information on this subject soon. Right now, as I prepare this report, I am getting ready to attend the World Championships. I look forward to having the opportunity to discuss exchange programs and other joint endeavors that will ultimately benefit USATT.

As our association becomes more aggressive and more focused on its big picture, USATT's need for volunteers increases. Please contact me if you are interested in contributing your talents to the growth of USA Table Tennis.

At the same time, I request your patience as the Board continues our executive director search. With this issue, we bid a sad farewell to the Interim Executive Director, Linda Gleeson. During my first two months as president, she and the rest of the staff have exemplified a strong commitment to assisting with as smooth a transition as possible. I also would like to thank the Immediate-Past President, Jim McQueen, for continuing to stay involved. Lastly, I hope that everyone enjoys the new look of the magazine, with Larry Hodges' return to the editor's position. 

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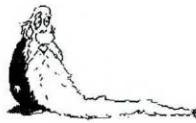
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KEITH ALBAN

ON TRACK TO NEW HEIGHTS

By Alan Williams

Keith Alban at 15 already claims an impressive string of accomplishments, a string that got no shorter with his performance at the 1999 U.S. Open in Fort Lauderdale. What's next for the boy who's won everything? Sweden.

"Sean Lonergan helped us get in touch with the Angby Club of Sweden back in 1997," Keith's mom, Ronnie, recalls, "because Keith had just hit the ceiling here. There was just not enough competition to help him grow."

No brag, just fact. In 1995, at the age of 11, Keith scored an unprecedented series of Junior victories, winning the U.S. Open U-12, U-14 and U-16 titles. With his parents' support and the coaching of the legendary Marty Prager and Terese Terranova, Keith had in three years gone from interested child to Junior Olympic Champ to a sweep of three age groups at the U.S. Open. "If Keith will do the work, I can show him the rest," Prager had promised, truthfully as it turns out.

Now Keith pursues his HS diploma through correspondence courses in Sweden as he rooms with the Morin family and their son Robin, another table tennis hopeful. Both Robin, "like a brother to me," and Keith came back to Florida last month to test themselves against the U.S. Open competition. The result is a clear indication that Keith Alban is 'still on track' to be a U.S. Olympian.

Alban won the U-16 Boy's Singles, with straight game wins over Jamaica's Alphanso Murray in the quarters, Indiana's Mark Hazinski in the semis, and Californian Terrence Lee in the Final.

Alban won the U-18 Men's Singles, with a three-gamer against Hazinski in the quarters, a 12,-18,16 win over the Pride of Georgia, T.J. Beebe, in the semis, and a straight-game win in the final against his Swedish housemate, Robin Morin.

Alban won the All-Star Junior Men's title by disposing of Terrence Lee, T.J. Beebe and Freddie Gabriel, losing only one game from the quarters onward.

But most impressive, and the best indication that Alban may be ready for

that Olympic team spot, was his performance in the National All-Star Men's event. Keith took a three-straight victory against U.S. Men's Team Member Barney Reed, Jr. to reach the quarterfinals. Then he triumphed over Abass Ekun, the muscular New Yorker, by scores of -6, 13, 14, 11. His reward for these outstanding victories was a semis match with Cheng Yinghua. Cheng decided not to oblige youth on that day, and the aging warrior finally vanquished the upset-minded teen, 6, 15, 11.

Cheng went on to win the event in a final with Todd Sweeris. Sweeris had this to say about Alban. "He's 2550 ... right now." No one argued with Todd's assertion. (News flash: Alban's new rating after the U.S. Open is 2537, making him #16 in the country.)

Keith's parents are content with their decision of two years past to allow their son to train in Sweden. What began as a 10-week trial has lengthened into a full-blown attempt for Olympic status. Keith's mother Ronnie points to several factors that make the Swedish environment more effective for Junior training.

"It's the sheer number of good players in Sweden that is the main difference. We have maybe half a dozen top juniors between 15 and 18 years old. In Sweden there must be 100. In season, (September to April) there are many tournaments each weekend, and the events are carrying 30 to 40 players each. At really big tournaments, like Safir, which attracts an International field, there were 100 players in the U-15."

"League play is another difference between the state of the sport in America and in Sweden. Since his arrival there, Keith has been playing in Division 3, but when he returns this fall he'll play in Division 1. That's just a notch below the elite division, which includes Waldner and Persson. They also have more international play for juniors. Robin, for instance, represented Sweden this year in match play in France, Slovakia and Luxembourg. Training methods are similar, but the increased match play and



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its frequency makes a decisive difference."

Ronnie points out that Sweden uses a ranking, rather than a rating system, an approach she considers superior. "Rankings come out every three months, and are less prone to fluctuations than our system. You can have several bad losses without much change in your ranking. There is less pressure on the Swedes."

Keith is making good progress on his schoolwork – in fact, Mom wishes he would slow down somewhat. The Swedes allow students from the 10th grade forward to schedule less time in school by eliminating gym, study hall and lunch, freeing their mornings for table tennis instruction.

Ronnie Alban added this statement about the contrast in the sport between the two countries. "You don't need a population the size of China for the sport to be popular. Sweden's population is about the same as New York City's. But they do recruit in the schools. They have hundreds of good clubs, with fine coaches in each. If we could have an equal number of good clubs, we could form successful leagues as well. We need to follow the Swedish example and allow our juniors to train with the top players, the National Team, and the best coaches. Our juniors have to be exposed to more styles of play. They need more international match experience, on a regular basis. Our high-level training needs to be more consistent."

From an 8-year-old boy with an interest in 'ping-pong,' to an 11-year-old junior record-breaker to a 15-year-old Olympic hopeful, Keith Alban is still on track. There was no indication from his performance in Fort Lauderdale that this train is slowing down. And if that track runs through Sweden, that's just where the train will go. 🏓

Ulpiano Santo

THE SENIOR SENIOR

By Larry Hodges

Flash back to North Carolina, circa 1979, where this writer regularly saw Ulpiano Santo at the monthly tournaments at the Butterfly Table Tennis Club in Wilson. Santo was the oldest player at the tournaments, and just about the oldest player around anywhere. He was regularly acknowledged as the model of what others hoped they'd be doing when they too were that old.

Flash back to the present, 20 years later, circa 1999, and Santo is still the oldest player around. Only now he's the oldest at the U.S. Open, at the Nationals, and just about everywhere else, at 91. When asked about his performance at these tournaments, he has one thing to say: "Why no over 85 or over 90 event? I've been playing over 80 for eleven years!"

It's not that Santo hasn't won many of these events. Between the U.S. Open,

U.S. Nationals, the U.S. Meiklejohn Senior Championships and the U.S. Senior Olympics, he's won over 70 three times, over 75 three times, and over 80 five times. He lamented about the one where he was up 20-15 championship point, but did not win. He also notes that in one final, his opponent dropped dead during the match, giving him the title.

Santo didn't start playing table tennis until he was 40 or 50 years old – he's not sure exactly when. He first started competing in national tournaments at the 1980 U.S. Nationals. His first memory of table tennis was seeing an exhibition by Lazlo Bellak in 1936. 45 years later, Santo would play Bellak at the 1981 U.S. Open. (He didn't win against the three-years younger Bellak.)

Ulpiano grew up in the Philippines, a territory of the U.S. during his youth. He

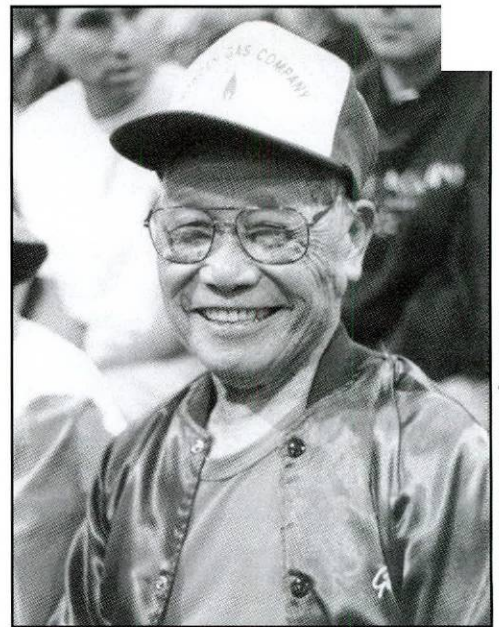


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joined the U.S. Navy in 1929 (where he would eventually become a chief steward), and emigrated to the U.S. in 1930. He met and married his wife, Pequita, 60 years ago in Puerto Rico, and they are still married – with Pequita attending the U.S. Open with him. He retired to Chesapeake, Virginia in 1956 after 27 years in the navy – 43 years ago!

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Training For The Pan Am Trials

By Eric Owens, U.S. Pan Am and National Team Member

My preparation for the 1999 Pan Am and national team trials took me to two distinct places. The dates of the trials were March 3-7, and I wanted two solid months of pre-paration. On January 3rd I started my journey.

The first place I went to was China. The Chinese have been on top for a while so I wanted to see for myself what type of training they did. One thing I can say is that they train like professionals. We trained a minimum of six hours a day, seven days a week. We did a variety of footwork, serve and attack, and multiball drills. The practice they do is precisely what you need to improve your game. I stayed there for one month and played against every possible style you could imagine.

After the intense training, I wanted to compete and try to implement what I had learned. I figured the best place to compete was Sweden. I went to Sweden on February 2nd. I was there for three weeks and played a tournament every weekend. The place I trained was the Halmstad club, home of Jorgen Persson and Fredrik Hakansson. Although I only got to train with these two occasionally, the other training partners were great. But I felt that I had had enough training for now. I wanted to compete.

The first tournament I played in was Safir, which is one of the biggest tournaments in Sweden. I played great, reaching the finals of Class One. The next weekend I played in a league match with my good friend and teammate Randy Cohen. Things didn't go so well there. I played two matches, losing them both. With the disappointing play, and only one competition and two weeks before the trials, I had to work on my weaknesses.

The last tournament was Boras. I played all right but was not yet satisfied. I returned to the States two days later on February 25th. I had six days to prepare. Due to the extreme travel and time differences, my body felt exhausted. I felt the best way to prepare for the trials was to rest physically and get mentally prepared. My father, Kenny Owens, was coming in to give me physical therapy during the trials.

I hired Christian Lillieroos. I had been working with Christian tactically since the nationals so I knew I was ready. I felt that I had done everything possible to prepare. I just hoped that all this effort would pay off. And it did!

I played my best ever and finished 2nd, which is the highest place finish in a trials that I've ever had. That meant that I would get to take part in the upcoming Pan Am Games and World Championships.

Barney Reed, also a team member, and I set out the very next day for the English Open. After two months of hard training and thirteen best of five matches, I have to admit I did not feel like playing. But because of the new national team coach, Dan Seemiller, and his motivating force, I got the desire to play again.

I felt I played well, but the competition there was too tough. I lost in the qualifying group. The tournament was awesome. Most of the top players in the world were there. I needed some more training if I was going to compete with them.

I flew back from England and two days later flew to Merida Mexico for the Merida Open. Razvan Cretu and I represented the U.S. There were players from North, South, and Latin America, including Horatio Pintea and Dennis Su from Canada. Again the training paid off.

I won both singles and doubles with partner Razvan. I beat Horatio Pintea for the first time in the semifinal 3-1, and teammate Razvan in the final 3-1. It was a good payday of \$1200.

After all this I needed to take a little time off. The next three weeks I just played a few times a week and did some physical training to stay in shape. After the rest period, my desire to train came back intensified. I was more motivated than ever before.

To prepare for the 1999 Pan Am Games, the place I definitely needed to go was China. This time it was going to be for two months, April 15 – June 11, right before the national team training camp.

The training in China was very similar to the first trip. The schedule was a little different because the university students had class in the morning. So there was training in the afternoon and

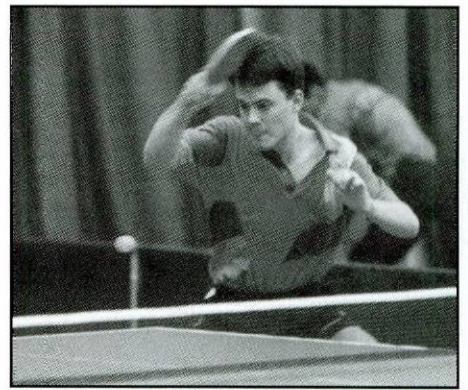


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Eric Owens in Action

evening. I took advantage of this by practicing my serves almost every morning from 9 to 10:30 am.

We practiced from 2:30 till 5:30 and from 7:00 to 9:00. I found this very difficult because of the little rest period in between. But it was a great way to improve my endurance.

Most of the drills that we did consisted of speed and footwork training. We would usually do one footwork drill and then move on to serve and attack. Each drill we did was 15 minutes in length and we did two drills each and then took a break. After the break we switched partners to play against another style.

We started the second part with serve and attack. We finished the morning practice by playing winner table. Winner table consisted of five games from 10 all. If you won, you moved to the table to the right; if you lost, you moved to the left.

In the evening practice we would start with a different footwork drill, and then move on to serve and attack. The second half of practice we did multiball. We did five buckets each, 250 balls per bucket. The drills all focused on speed and footwork. That is pretty much what we did every day, with some slight variations.

I felt that my game has benefited more from this training than from anywhere else in the world. I now understand how the Chinese develop so many great players. If you do this for years on end you can't help but be good.

If anybody is seeking a place to train, I highly recommend China. I know the benefit will be as great for you as it was for me. If you can't go to China, then maybe you can implement some of these training methods in your practice. I hope some of these ideas will help your game, and I wish you the best for your training. 🏓

Club of the Month:

THE NEW SAN DIEGO TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

By Pat Ramsey,
*SDTTA Public Relations and
Communications Director*

The San Diego Table Tennis Association has been in existence for 40 years, proudly celebrating that milestone this year. After many years of anticipation and another full year of construction, we are finally in our new and permanent home at the Balboa Park Activity Center. This \$4.5 million building is the first constructed in Balboa Park in more than 30 years and is the pride of the city of San Diego.


Table tennis, volleyball and badminton will occupy the 38,000 square feet the building has to offer. Along with the main playing arena, there is a large hotel-type lobby with a desk managed by a city employee, shower rooms available for men and women, separate locked storage units to hold equipment for individual sports, and two newly landscaped courtyards, both front and back, to welcome picnics and relaxation.

The walls were designed to look like marble, even though they are concrete. Large intake and outtake fans rest at both ends of the building. On cold nights, the gymnasium is heated overhead. The high-tech wood flooring is layered underneath with rubber feet to give as it is walked and played upon. The city's yearly Science Fair and Rummage Sale will also be hosted in this facility.

The Balboa Park Activity Center was dedicated by Mayor Susan Golding Saturday, April 24. SDTTA President Stan Wishniowski was one of the many dignitaries on hand who had the chance to deliver an appreciation speech. The city hosted an Open House after the ribbon-cutting ceremony, where cake and refreshments were served in the courtyard of the facility.

Olympic athletes showed off their skills in exhibitions, including our own Louie Kerekes and Women's Table Tennis Olympic Champion, Wei Wang. Mike Dempsey, our resident USA and nine-time World Wheelchair Champion, was playfully coerced from the audience to participate in the exhibition.

SDTTA's Pam Ramsey teamed up with Wei Wang in a women vs. men doubles match. Tom Sistrunk, owner of Encinitas Table Tennis Supplies, offered table tennis supplies for sale at the grand opening event. Gil Simons, who founded the San Diego Table Tennis Association 40 years ago this year, was invited to attend the day's ceremonies.

Overall, the day was one of celebration and the SDTTA was proud to see more than 50 of its members in attendance. All the hard work and planning of the Balboa Park Activity Center had finally become a reality and we are ready to play! 

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Traverse City, Michigan

May 14-16, 1999

By Larry Hodges

Forty-four golfers/table tennis players congregated at the High Pointe Golf Course (ranked #74 in the U.S.) in Traverse City, Michigan for the annual "2 Much Fun Golf and Table Tennis Weekend Retreat." With golf all day on Friday and Saturday, a table tennis doubles tournament on Saturday night, a USATT sanctioned (and rated) tournament on Sunday, and 18 more holes of golf Sunday afternoon/night, it was a loooooong weekend. (One golfer proved it is possible to play 63 holes of golf in one day!)

Most of the players stayed at the Shoreside Inn, a golf-oriented Inn by the Grand Traverse Bay. The Inn's owners, the father & son team of Fred and Larry Van Zandt, lead a life of golfing paradise when not running the inn and acting as great and friendly guides to local golf.

Some of the "celebrity" table tennis players golfing included Dan (5x U.S. Men's Singles Champion) and Randy Seemiller, Dell & Connie Sweeris (many-times U.S. Team members and U.S. Mixed Doubles Champions, with Connie the 1971 U.S. Women's Singles Champion), Mike Veillette, Chip Coulter, Mark Nordby (a former golf instructor!), TG Enterprises owner Guenther Schroeder, and Bill Lesner (1971 U.S. Junior Champion). Todd Sweeris was also coming, but wrenched his back in a table tennis session two days before and had to drop out at the last minute.

For the table tennis tournament, players were divided into six groups, A-F. Dan Seemiller easily won the "A" division over Mike Veillette, who upset Randy Seemiller for second place. Dell Sweeris and Chip Coulter won the doubles tournament. Complete singles results follow.




1971 U.S. Women's Champion Connie Sweeris in the sand trap on 18.

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- A. 1st Dan Seemiller 2nd Mike Veillette
- B. 1st Paul Everts 2nd Guenther Schroeder
- C. 1st Norbert Brauner 2nd Dennis Miller
- D. 1st Larry Garland 2nd Giancarlo Anselmo
- E. 1st Gene Poole 2nd Mike Meindersma
- F. 1st Steve Knoll 2nd Darrell Phelps Jr.

In the 4-person team golf "scramble" on Saturday, the heavily favored team of Seemiller & Seemiller, Coulter and Nordby had to settle for a 3-way tie for first place, with three teams ending up 6 under par. Also at six under par were the team of Don Hayden, Ben Croftchik, Mike Meindersma and Don Piche, and the team of Kevin Johnson, John Jessup, Dave Toski and Roger Hayes.

The event was organized by High Pointe Golf Course owner (and table tennis player) Don Hayden, Dan Seemiller and Mike Veillette. Look for the ad for next year's "2 Much Fun Golf & Table Tennis Weekend Retreat" in *USATT Magazine*, and come join the fun! 

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THE PORTLAND-HOUSTON JUNIOR EXCHANGE

By Terry Canup

Table tennis in Houston is flourishing! In the midst of three weeks of consecutive tournaments, (Chinese Community, Vietnamese Community, & USATT) and a very active spring league, the HTTC and Portland TTC brought their junior programs together. Regional Coaches Tim Titrud, from Portland, and Viktor Subonj from Houston coordinated the effort.

The idea was formed at the last USATT National Coaching Seminar in Colorado Springs. The purpose is to give the juniors more events to play in and more goals to focus on. "If we can get them excited and keep them interested," Viktor said, "then we can only help the sport."

"The kids trained hard and were really focused over the last three weeks because they knew they had a chance to come to Houston," commented Tim. Both agreed that it gives the juniors more competition within their own age groups, which is something they crave.

The first exchange saw six juniors come to Houston. The next phase is for Houston to send a group to the great northwest.

The free seminar, May 29 through June 2, featured 4 days of intensive training, letting both coaches work with all of the kids. Group clinics and individual training was used during the mini-camp. Competitions were held in quickness and racing as well. The seminar culminated in club to club team competition followed by a USATT sanctioned round robin.

The timing of the seminar also gave the juniors an opportunity



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Back row, L-R: Oregon Coach Tim Titrud, Chris Conrad, Roland Wang, Arlen Yan, Hwang We Seung, Texas Coach Viktor Subonj (TX). Front: Daniel Avezbaki, Ori Melnik, Timmy Wang, Tony Tidrud, Howard Lamb, Cameron Woelfer, Amy Titrud.

to watch the Vietnamese tournament and gave those training for the following week's HTTC Round Robin the chance to catch a little glimpse of the future of table tennis.

It would not have been possible without the generous help of the HTTC and supporting volunteers and parents. Portland's juniors were hosted by willing Houston families and HTTC members added financial support to the program.

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Interview with USATT President SHERI SODERBERG PITTMAN

By Tim Boggan

Tim: So Sheri, since no woman in the 70-year-history of organized table tennis in the U.S. has ever been an Association President, does your ascension to the office seem like a dream, or the result of a natural progression?

Sheri: A natural progression. I've always viewed myself as a contributor to our sport. And, if you ask, I'll tell you why that's made my presidency seem more like a natural progression than an out-of-the-blue dream-come-true.

Tim: I'll ask, you tell.

Sheri: I grew up going to Charlie Disney's club in my hometown of Minneapolis where my brothers also played. Charlie and Don Larson, the co-owner of what was then known as Magoo's, promoted – what we kids then could only instinctively understand – table tennis not just for fun, or solely for one's own competitive pleasure, but also for the enjoyment of others.

Tim: How so?

Sheri: Well, they instilled in us societal values – we kids would answer the phone, help paint the place, promote club leagues for high school students, participate in exhibitions, and support other clubs in the area by going to out-of-town tournaments. And we always looked forward to reading *Topics* – the magazine you edited, because we could learn about table tennis all over the world. In those days, when the magazine arrived, it was an event.

Tim: I remember when you were a teenager you joined us, or at least talked with us, on the picket line at the '76 Philadelphia U.S. Open when a group of us refused to play and were protesting the paltry \$1,500 prize money. Were you old enough then to see *that* as a societal action?

Sheri: I was 14 then, and I knew your actions were very controversial, so I'm pretty sure I didn't actually join the picket line. But I remember I wanted to listen to both sides of the argument. And I still always do want to hear both sides of any USATT argument or controversy, regardless of the position I might at the moment hold. After all, as a lawyer, I've been trained to consider different points of view.

Tim: Disney seemed to me to be more on the promoters' side than the players' – which of course was understandable, since he himself always tried so hard to promote the Sport. Could you really identify with the players' frustrations? Forgive me, but, uh, were you ever a player? I've no image of you even holding a racket.

Sheri: When I was young, it was kind of an anomaly for girls to play sports. A lot of the guys at the club, including some of my bro-

thers, used to insist that no one ever watched the girls or women play because the boys and men were always so much better. I liked the game, though, so I wanted to play and get involved. From the 7th through the 12th grade I was the Minnesota Girl's Champion each year for my grade. I also won matches against some players who went on to become well known – Brandon Olson, who became a U.S. World Team member, and Mitch Seidenfeld, who holds a World Championship title. At the national level, I enjoyed playing junior mixed doubles with Johnny Stillions, who I miss very much to this day.

Tim: I can see how the tragic loss of him still makes you sad.

Sheri: He was a great friend and he would be really proud to know that I went on to become president of our beloved sport.

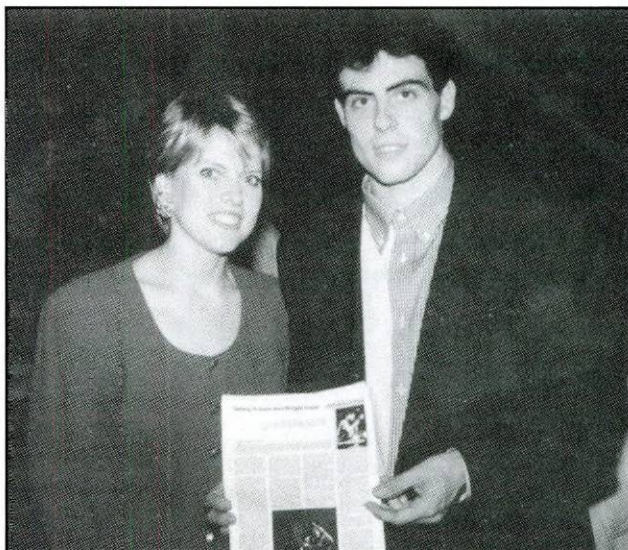
Tim: I'm sure he would be proud. I'd like to hear how you came to have the background that would help you lead the Board of Directors of an Olympic Sport. You had an excellent education, I assume, supportive parents, and in time an encouraging husband?

Sheri: Yes, that's true. I went to Catholic schools from grade school all the way through Georgetown University Law Center. Even the college I attended was Jesuit, Santa Clara University, which is south of San Francisco. Incidentally, I have a lot of wonderful memories of playing table tennis at Sam Lima's Club. I was a Liberal Arts student, an English major – and, as my father put it, I was learning something about life while preparing to go on to another level – graduate school – to make a career for myself.

Tim: An English major! To think I might have had you in class! Why did you become an English major, and what do you remember reading?

Sheri: I liked reading and writing. I was interested in the formation of a person and books often reveal these details. One of my favorite classes in college was a course on Thomas Merton.

Tim: Ah, a modern-day St. Augustine – the



Sheri with France's 1993 World Men's Singles Champion Jean-Philippe Gatién, who is holding up Sheri's profile of him in the Nov/Dec 1990 issue of *Table Tennis Topics*.

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worldly young man who in his mid-20's joined a Trappist monastery. You, yourself, have a monkish side? If so, it's certainly not one given to vows of silence.

Sheri: Oh, you know me so well. And, actually, Merton did not experience the usual monk's life either. Of course, since his days were to be spent in contemplation, he viewed his writing as a distraction that intruded upon his relationship with God. But Merton's urge to write was so strong that the artist in him began to surface. When Merton confessed his urge to write, he was confused by his Superior's directive. Instead of being scolded, he was given what he considered to be an even worse punishment – he was told to continue to write. And so we have his books, including his autobiography, *The Seven Storey Mountain*, and I have my connecting memories.

Tim: Name one, pray tell.

Sheri: I took a "Modern Dance" course in college and wrote a paper relating Merton, Contemplative Zen, and Martha Graham. I was often proud of the papers I wrote and the work I did in college.

Tim: Another memory comes quickly to mind?

Sheri: Well, this wasn't a paper, but it was something I said in class one day. It was a revelation even to the professor. It was in a course called "The Nature of Literature," in which, among other things, we read Shakespeare's *Othello*. I cited the language in the play that showed how Othello and his jealous betrayer,

Iago, who eventually tricked Othello into strangling his wife Desdemona, had actually made a figurative marital vow themselves. And I remember my professor taking the pen out of his pocket and writing in his book a note on what I had said. That was a big academic thrill.

Tim: Heavy stuff – you *were* learning about life. So you graduated, and...?

Sheri: After graduating in '83, I went to Washington, D.C., where almost all of my siblings were then living. In the winter of '84, Walter "Fritz" Mondale, who'd been Vice-President under Jimmy Carter, was running against Ronald Reagan for the Presidency, and my dad was on his Advisory Board. So, since Mondale's strategy was to try to blitz the early states, he sent busloads of supporters up to New Hampshire –

Tim: And you, I gather, were one of those supporters?

Sheri: Yes, I was getting a taste of politics, of people working together to try to accomplish definable ends. And then into my life, on that Feb. 26, 1984 bus I was on, stepped Charlie, and when I first saw him, I said to myself, "That man is going to be an important person in my life." He too, it turned out, was working in Washington for Congressman John Spratt from South Carolina.

Tim: Of course you began seeing quite a bit of one another?

Sheri: Yes, only there was one big problem – Charlie had already committed himself to going into the Peace Corps in Africa, to Gabon, for two years beginning that June.

Tim: So the lovers parted?

Sheri: Charlie did have second thoughts shortly after we met. "Maybe I won't go," he once said to me. But I urged him to. I said, "Look, I can't compete with a dream. This is a dream of yours. Don't give it up. If you don't go, you might regret it. And then you'd look at me every day and say to yourself, 'Was she worth the dream I gave up?' and it would be very hard for our relationship to survive that." So, off he went, with my encouragement.

Tim: When did you see him again?

Sheri: I wanted to meet Charlie some months later, at Christmas time, in Greece. But he said, "Come to Gabon." So I did. Shortly after I arrived, he led me to a couch, with both of his hands outreached to my two hands. He was so serious. And he asked me, "Would you please join me here? Say you will."

Tim: And did you?

Sheri: Yes, but I didn't want to just "go" to Gabon. I wanted to have work to do when I got there, so I felt better when we cleared the way for me to become an in-country enrollee in the Peace Corps.

Tim: So you went, being an independent woman, to equatorial Africa to live, and then what happened? Did you get married in Africa?

Sheri: No, the Peace Corps Director there told us to get married there. His problem was that so many unmarried men and women wanted to pair off, be posted together, that he couldn't accommodate them all, and if we, Charlie and Sheri, weren't going to marry, he'd be accused of "favoring" us over others. But it was quite a big deal to me because the one thing my parents had made clear about a wedding is that they wanted to plan it. So, even though we were ready to do it sooner, we came back during the summer break in 1986 and were married on July 27.

Tim: So after Gabon and Georgetown, you now had the time and the desire to get more involved in table tennis. How did that come about?

Sheri: At the 1990 Tournament of Champions in Baltimore – the one that combined the U.S. Open with the World Veteran's and a junior tournament – I enjoyed being part of your Reportorial staff. It was fun that summer, interviewing top European players like Belgium's Jean-Michel Saive and France's Jean-Philippe Gatien. I also had a very interesting conversation with Sean O'Neill at that tournament that we later



Sheri (L), at 14, talking to Players' Association President Fernando Roberts (far right) at the picket line of the players' strike at the 1976 U.S. Open in Philadelphia. Middle two are Roger Kennedy (son of former USATT Executive Vice President Gus Kennedy) and Apichart Sears.

recaptured on tape. These interviews prompted me to begin looking for opportunities to do profiles of other world-class players.

Tim: I remember a number of those – I particularly liked the one you did on Hong Kong's Lo Chuen Tsung. Have you any other personal favorite?

Sheri: Lo's an incredible person with a gripping life story. I also liked interviewing Croatia's Zoran Primorac. I had seen a tape of the world championships and noticed what appeared to be him openly crying after Yugoslavia lost in the final of the team competition. When he talked with me, he showed this very emotional side and spoke freely. I liked that open vulnerability and his willingness to talk about it. And, as I interviewed one player after another and wrote articles that captured their essence without sharing details about their lives that they asked me not to write about, I gained credibility with many of them. If you were to ask me what was the most memorable moment of any of these interviews, though, it occurred when I was interviewing France's not-yet World Champion Jean-Philippe Gatien. He kept emphasizing how important "regularity" was ... until, finally too amused to continue, I explained to him the meaning anyone from the U.S. would immediately give to that word.

Tim: In getting these players, and of course some of our own, to talk seriously to you, you learned about many of the problems facing them, and, perhaps conversely, those facing the leaders of their Associations?

Sheri: Yes, Saive, for instance, was the President of the CTPP, the Players Association, and when he and others urged me to write about this or that, I became interested in investigating issues that affected Associations everywhere. Soon people were saying to me, "You ought to be a USATT Board member."

Tim: And so you became one, started paying your dues in 1993 as Vice President.

Sheri: I did, and I suffered too – even cried on one occasion because I didn't feel the Board had much of a heart.

Tim: But then you came back on the Board in '98, and now, after being elected USATT President, you've made history.

Sheri: Yes, and after I'm president, I'd like the history of my administration to show that I didn't abuse my presidential power and that I worked successfully with both an astute executive director and a strong Board of Directors. If I can do that balancing act for the good of USA Table Tennis, I'll have nothing to cry about.

HISTORIC TABLE TENNIS DOUBLES TEAM

By Michael J. Scott, M.D., *Chairman, USA Sports Science Committee*



L-R: Coach Zvi Raz (ISR), Zion Ghora (ISR), Dr. Michael Scott (USA) and Abdelgader Abulebda (PAL)

The 1999 Special Olympics Games, held in Raleigh, NC, June 26th to July 4th, had 7,000 athletes with various degrees of mental disability from 150 countries. It was the largest athletic event anywhere in the world in 1999. Table Tennis had a total of 195 players.

Approximately 170 million people, or 3% of the world population, have mental retardation which can be the result of any disorder that impairs the brain's proper functioning. The etiology varies: some genetic, some traumatic, etc.

During the Games a historic, dramatic episode demonstrated how sport transcends all barriers despite any national, political, or religious differences. This specific event, in my estimation, bridged a wider, deeper, and more politically sensitive chasm than what "Ping Pong Diplomacy" accomplished in the 1970's.

Long-standing bitter political enemies Palestine and Israel, while preparing for the Special Olympics, shared a common Table Tennis practice venue in Israel.

During these practice sessions Mr. Zvi Raz, an Israeli coach, observed that his male player and a Palestinian male player of approximately equal skill were without doubles partners. With some temerity he approached the Palestinian coach and suggested that they enter a combined doubles team ... Much to his surprise the Palestinian Table Tennis Delegate approved of this novel suggestion. Unfortunately, a few days later Mr. Raz was informed that a superior Palestinian Delegate had disapproved of this combination. Undaunted, Mr. Raz then appealed this unfavorable decision to an even higher Palestinian official. After a suspense of several weeks, Palestinian approval was granted for this unprecedented combined Israeli-Palestinian Table Tennis Team.

They eventually won the Silver Medal in the World Special Olympics Class III Doubles Event. Classes are determined and classified according to the degree of disability. Mr. Dick Evans, a USA International Umpire, officiated

at their initial historic match.

Recall how Arab nations canceled their games against Israel at the '97 World Championships in Manchester rather than compete with them.

Also remember that in the not-too-distant past many of these several thousand Special Olympic Athletes would have been shunned, hidden, or placed in mental institutions. Today they are competitors as athletes in all sports.

At these Special Olympic Games, the athletes clearly demonstrated why they are indeed very SPECIAL people. After having the pleasure of working alongside them, I readily realize that one should not be hoping for more in life, but to be grateful for that you already have. 🏸

NEW USATT RATING SYSTEM

By Dr. David Marcus
for USATT Ratings Committee

The USATT Ratings Committee is quite pleased to present a NEW RATING SYSTEM – the culmination of a two-year, volunteer development effort initiated in response to the comments and suggestions of the membership.

The following information about the new rating system can be found on Dr. Marcus's web site (go to www.davidmarcus.com and click on "USATT Ratings"):

- ♦ "Tutorial on New Rating System" describes how the new rating system works.
- ♦ "Benefits of New Rating System" compares the new rating system with the current USATT rating system.
- ♦ "Improving the Table Tennis Rating System" is the grant proposal that USATT submitted to USOC.
- ♦ Windows application that allows you to view any player's rating history.
- ♦ Tournament rating reports, from both the current rating system and the new rating system, for all tournaments from January 1, 1994 through April 30, 1999.

Those without web access can request printed copies of the tutorial and benefits documents and floppy disks containing the viewer by contacting David Marcus; 25 Beacon St. Apt. 16; Somerville, MA 02143-4336; (617) 492-4317 (H); (781) 942-0080 x2341 (W); davidmarcus@rcn.com.

The decision on whether USATT will adopt the new rating system will be made by the USATT board. 🏸

In Memoriam:

EDDIE BRENNAN (1935-1999)

Eddie Brennan of Detroit, who recently succumbed to colon/liver cancer, was a lifelong table tennis enthusiast who, after withstanding a debilitating auto accident, could still be seen as a spectator at the 1997 Manchester, England World's. For four seasons, from 1949-50 on, he was a top-ranked junior, and later, after becoming Michigan State Champion, was ranked as high as U.S. #6 for the '59-60 season. Remembering him with their reminiscences were longtime fellow players, Chuck Burns, Danny Robbins, and Tommy Waters. –Tim Boggan

In Memoriam:

JOE BUJALSKI (1930-1999)

Joe Bujalski, well-known to many Chicago players, and who, with his combination racket, was always a formidable Over 40/50 player in the early 1980's, especially at Bill and Liz Hornyak's Michigan City, IN Duneland Opens, died this summer of cancer. A friendly, engaging fellow (except if someone tried to tell a Polish joke), he was remembered fondly to me by fellow competitor Joe Baltrus. –Tim Boggan

In Memoriam:

DR. RICHARD JOHN PULS (1925-1999)

Nationally ranked tournament table tennis player Dr. Richard John Puls died June 1 of complications following bypass surgery.

Richard was born on July 14, 1925 in Ft. Worth, Texas to George and Adah Puls. He graduated from Arlington Heights High School in Ft. Worth, attended Texas A&M University and graduated from the University of Texas at Austin. After serving as a naval air force pilot in World War II, he attended Washington University Medical School in St. Louis in 1950.

He was in the private practice of internal medicine in Dallas for more than 40 years and was in active practice at the time of his death.

Immediate family surviving include his wife of 49 years, Mary, and three children and their families.

Memorial contributions may be made to Park Cities Presbyterian Church Foundation, 4307 Newton Court, Dallas, Texas 75219-3152. 🏸

An Official's View

By Dr. Azmy Ibrahim, 1999 U.S. Open Referee

Every year, we offer two umpire's seminars — one at the U.S. Open and the other at the U.S. Nationals. The purpose of these seminars is to keep the umpires and the officials up-to-date.

Case studies, actual situations, recommendations, new rules and regulations are some of the issues presented at these seminars.

It is true that many umpires and officials cannot attend these seminars due to family or personal obligations, work assignments, lack of vacation time, and most frequently, financial hardships. Therefore, I decided to use this article to reach those who did not attend the seminar. The theme is, if you cannot come to the seminar, the seminar will come to you.

The International Table Tennis Federation is deeply concerned about the quality of the umpires and officials, and the ability to apply the rules and regulations of the game. There is a proposal which will be introduced at the coming BGM to form an ITTF Officials Committee, tailored after one which started at the USATT. They will appoint a task force to draft the duties for that committee.

The umpire's seminar this year dealt with several issues. The main one was the jurisdiction of the umpire before, during and after the match. Most umpires are aware of their duties during the match. However, the responsibility of the umpires and officials extends far beyond that.

From the time an umpire or official enters the venue, he or she is in a supervisory duty. Once a player enters the venue, he or she has to abide by the rules and regulations of the tournament.

If an umpire sees a player gluing a racket at the venue, that umpire is required to ask the player to leave the venue. Should an umpire see a player changing clothes in public, the umpire has to ask the player to go to the dressing room.

An umpire can ask a player to refrain from damaging or moving equipment in the venue. In the case that a player refuses to accept the request of the umpire, the umpire shall report to the referee, who may take necessary actions against the player.

An umpire can inspect the venue and bring to the attention of the referee inappropriate lighting, air conditioning, tables, nets, or barriers. At the court of play, the umpire examines the surroundings, the table, net, player's clothes, rackets, numbers, assigned coaches, choices of serves and ends. All of these acts usually take place before the match.

During the match, an umpire is usually following all of the written rules and regulations published in the officials handbooks.

After the match, an umpire may face situations which require action. A player may jump on the table, in joy or anger. Another may take his clothes off in a disrespectful manner. A losing player may throw his/her racket on the table, on the floor, in the surroundings, knock the barriers, argue, threaten, or insult the umpire or his opponent. Some players think that once the match is over, the umpire has no jurisdiction over them. That is not true. In a team match, the umpire can apply the penalty rule. In an individual match, the umpire has to get the attention of the player to refrain from such activities, to inform the referee of the incident, and to write the details on the score sheet. The referee may take the necessary actions toward that player.

Several situations were discussed during the seminar, such as the problem of glue testing while we still have no testing machines, and practicing with an illegal racket during the two minute practice before the match. For more information on those two situations, please refer

to USATT Magazine, May/June issue, page 16.

New issues erupted during the U.S. Open. The first one dealt with the choice of the match ball. The new rule states that players are not allowed to choose balls at the match table. However, if the players come before the match, they may be given the opportunity to choose balls in a different location. Players will choose two balls or three.

At the site of the table the umpire will randomly take out one of the three balls and give it to the players as the ball of the match. In the case that the players did not choose the ball in advance, the umpire shall choose a ball from the box of balls at random, and the players have no right to object to it.

Another serious situation came when some players asked for a redraw. According to the rules, redraw has to be avoided as much as possible. It is allowed only if the absence of seeded players cause serious imbalance to the draw. The draw has two halves — the upper and lower halves. If, for example, three seeded players from the lower half officially withdrew from the tournament, that may cause an imbalance in the draw. Once the event starts, however, there will be no changes or redraws, according to the rules.

At the U.S. Open, we faced a difficult situation. First, we were not formally informed that certain players were not coming to the tournament, including the top two seeds. Since they were on opposite halves of the draw, there was no imbalance to the draw. The prominent players were aware of the situation. That is why none of them showed up at the jury meeting asking for a redraw. All that happened was informal talk asking us to violate or bend the rules, without any proof that the players were not coming.


To add to our predicament, one day before the U.S. Open, we started the North American Championships. There was a meeting between the representatives of U.S. and Canada, and a special draw was made for that tournament. The next day, the representative from Canada came to me and asked for a redraw. The representative claimed that the #2 player from Canada had not shown up, had not registered at the hotel, and had not contacted any of them. To make a long story short, five minutes before the match, that particular player walked to his table and played his match.

I am sharing this story with the umpires and officials to emphasize the fact that there are rules for conducting a redraw, and they are very clear about when we can do what. The fact that someone will walk around in the arena with a piece of paper and a pencil in his hand trying to find out how many flies are in the arena and how many scratches are on the floor, and how many announcements are late does not make that individual knowledgeable about the game. Nobuyuki Shirakawa, an international referee and a member of the ITTF Technical Committee, upon hearing all the discussions about the redraw, asked me to take the tournament rules book and show it to those who were concerned. I did.

It is unfortunate that after four consecutive successful tournaments, all we hear is negativism by a few who make it their jobs to go around fostering unfounded rumors about the draw, hard bat, etc. Our tournaments are unique. We are the only association that holds tournaments with 89 different events, on 82 tables, for 750 players, and allows each player to enter up to eight events.

Of course, there will be some problems. That is why we are there. We need help. If you see something lacking, help us do it. And if you can do it, go ahead, we will sincerely appreciate that.

We need umpires and officials. Come join us, take the exams on the local, regional, national and international levels. If not, you still can volunteer to help others run the tournament, and apply whatever you want to contribute to make the tournament succeed.

Negativism such as that described above does not help in progressing our sport. It will not help the tournaments, USATT, or the players who we are preparing for international levels. Please let us come together to pave the road for a successful USATT. 



EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT SPIN BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK!

By Larry Hodges, *USATT Certified National Coach*

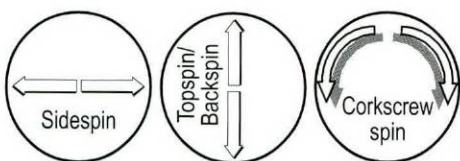
The biggest difference between a serious table tennis player and a basement player is spin. Serious players use spin on both their serves and rallying shots, both to control the ball and to force errors from their opponents. What we are going to do is go over the types, effects and purposes of the various spins, how to create spin, how to read spin, how to handle spin, and how spin actually makes a ball curve in flight.

The Types of Spin

How many basic types of spin are there in table tennis? The most common answer is four: topspin, backspin, and sidespin in both directions. For many players, this is an adequate answer. However, the more correct answer is seven, plus an infinite number of combinations.

The ball can rotate in three different axis that are perpendicular to each other, and the ball can rotate in two directions on each of these axis. Assume you've just hit a ball away from you, and are watching to see how it rotates.

- If the top of the ball is rotating away from you, it is topspin.
- If the bottom of the ball is rotating away from you, it is backspin.
- If the right side of the ball is rotating away from you, it is "right" sidespin.
- If the left side of the ball is rotating away from you, it is "left" sidespin.
- If the ball is spinning clockwise (relative to you), it is "right" corkscrewspin.
- If the ball is spinning counter-clockwise (relative to you), it is "left" corkscrewspin.
- If the ball is not rotating at all, it's no-spin!



No-spin is considered a spin on its own. In fact, if you listen to top players, you'll hear them refer to "heavy no-spin," which sounds rather contradictory! It's actually a no-spin serve that is faked to look like heavy spin (usually backspin).

Corkscrewspin is rarely seen except in serves by advanced players. It generally can only be produced with a high-toss serve. If you ever face this corkscrewspin, read over the difference between sidespin and corkscrewspin carefully. If you imagine the axis of rotation, it's easier to understand. For sidespin, the axis is up and down. For corkscrewspin, the axis points straight at and away from you. (For topspin/backspin, it is left to right.)

For the truly nerdy, there are really 27 specific combinations of spin, by taking every pos-

sible combination of backspin/topspin, sidespin and corkscrewspin, rotating in either direction. (Yes, there are even 8 spins that combine all three – you can do that!) We'll leave it as an exercise to list all 27. (Don't forget no-spin!)

The Effects of Spin

All spins have three major effects: how they travel through the air, how they bounce on the table, and how they bounce off the opponent's racket. Here is a listing of each spin's major effects.

Topspin

- In the air: Curves downward
- Bounce on the table: A low, fast bounce
- Rebound off opponent's racket: Jumps upward and fast

Backspin

- In the air: Tends to float
- Bounce on the table: Ball slows down
- Rebound off opponent's racket: Shoots downward

Sidespin

- In the air: Curves sideways
- Bounce on the table: A slight sideways bounce, but not too much
- Rebound off opponent's racket: bounces sideways

Corkscrewspin

- In the air: light sideways curve
- Bounce on the table: Very sharp sideways bounce
- Rebound off opponent's racket: Not too much effect off opponent's racket, unless opponent's racket is very open or very closed, in which case it bounces sideways

The Purposes of Spin

Spin is used when serving or rallying either to control the ball or force an opponent into error. Let's examine the purposes of each type of spin.

Topspin

When serving, topspin is used primarily to force a high return or a return off the end. If an opponent doesn't make an adjustment (i.e. aim low), the topspin will force either a high return or a return that goes off the end. Often players use a very fast motion to fake a backspin serve, but actually serve topspin, fooling their opponent into an error.

In a rally, topspin makes the ball drop very fast, and so allows a player to hit the ball very hard and still have it drop down and hit the table. Not only does it allow a player to attack a very low ball, but it gives a larger margin for error on all rally shots, with the topspin pulling down balls that would otherwise go off the end. One way of thinking of it is as follows. If you hit a relatively low ball hard but without topspin, the ball might only have enough time to drop so as to hit the last

foot of the table. With topspin, it might be able to drop and hit anywhere on the last three feet. This means your target is three times as large!

Just as when you serve, the topspin you put on the ball will make your opponent to tend to return the ball either high or off the end. The loop drive, which has extreme topspin, is the most important rallying shot in table tennis. It forces an opponent into either a defensive return or a difficult counter-attack.

Backspin

When serving, backspin is used to try to force an opponent into returning the ball into the net. It is also effective in forcing a defensive return that you can attack. Often players fake either topspin, sidespin or no-spin when serving backspin, trying to trick the opponent into an error.

In a rally, backspin is a relatively defensive shot. Against an incoming backspin, a backspin return (a "push") is a way to jockey for position, and against many players, it is quite effective. However, it gives the opponent the opportunity to attack (especially with a loop drive), and so should not be overused.

There are also many defensive players who back off the table and return topspin attacks with backspin ("chop") returns. Again, this gives the opponent the opportunity to attack, but some players do quite well this way, returning ball after ball with backspin until the opponent either misses or gives an easy ball to put away.

Sidespin

Sidespin is used primarily when serving. The purpose is to try to force an opponent into returning the ball off the side, or into returning the ball where you want him to. Also, since sidespin jumps off the paddle relatively quickly, it forces opponents into hitting many off the end as well as off the side. Often sidespin serves are disguised as backspin serves, and opponents push them back, and go off the side. Sidespin is also mixed with topspin when serving to force mistakes – opponents have to worry about going off the side and going off the end.

Sidespin is not used much during a rally except at the higher levels. Top players sidespin loop, sidespin lob and sidespin push. Beginning and intermediate players should learn to do these shots early on as well. That way, when they reach the higher levels, they'll be able to control these shots.

Corkscrewspin

Corkscrewspin is not too common in table tennis, and is usually only used by advanced players when serving. It is difficult to produce except with a high-toss serve (i.e. a serve where the ball is tossed 6-10 feet or more into the air). Sometimes, a player out of position will scoop a ball off the floor, and when the ball hits the table, it jumps sideways because of corkscrewspin. Lobs and counterloops also may have this type of spin.

When done on the serve, it can be very effective. When the ball hits the far side of the table, it

jumps sideways, throwing an opponent off. Additionally, an opponent's instincts for returning corkscrewspin are often off. Suppose you serve with a corkscrewspin so that the ball is rotating clockwise as it travels away from you. If your opponent hits under the ball (a push), the ball will jump to your right. If your opponent hits toward the top of the ball (a drive), the ball will jump to your left. Imagine the rotation of the ball and which way it jumps on contact with an opponent's paddle, and you'll see.

No-spin

No-spin serves are extremely effective because it is relatively easy to fake spin, but put no spin on the ball. If you can convince your opponent to react to a spin that isn't there, you don't need to put spin on the ball.

Most often, players fake a backspin serve, but contact the ball near the handle (where the racket moves slowest) and just pat the ball over the net with a vigorous but non-spin producing serve. If you use a big wrist snap after contact, and a big follow-through, your opponent will probably think there is spin on the ball – when it's actually "heavy no-spin"!

In a rally, no-spin is also used to fool opponents into thinking there is spin on the ball. Most players open their rackets when returning a backspin push, so if you give them a no-spin push, they will pop the ball up. Similarly, you can fool players by using a no-spin loop.

Another good use of no-spin is with a fast serve. If your opponent thinks your fast serve has topspin, he closes his racket slightly. If the serve actually is no-spin, the ball goes into the net. What makes this effective is that the serve must be fast enough so that the opponent doesn't have time to react to the ball's spin (or non-spin).

A ball with spin will jump off the paddle with energy both from the ball's velocity and its spin. A no-spin ball has no spin, and so bounces out slower. This means that players often put no-spin balls in the net because the ball doesn't bounce out as fast as they expect. Similarly, players often put spin balls off the end by not taking the extra bounce from the spin into account.

Creating Spin

Spin is created at two times: when serving, or when rallying. The main difference is that when serving, you are in complete control of the ball – you can toss it up just the way you want to. In a rally, the ball comes at you in different ways that you have to react to.

To create a good spin, you need three things: racket speed, a grazing contact, and a grippy racket surface. (With a non-grippy surface, you can't put as much spin on the ball, but you can return an opponent's spin – but that's not quite the same as creating spin.)

It's important to be loose and relaxed if you want to create a good spin. If your muscles are tight, your muscles won't work together properly, and you'll get little spin. Imagine hitting something with a whip, and then with a rigid stick. Notice how the tip of the whip travels much faster than the tip of the stick? That's the difference between loose, relaxed muscles and stiff (stick-like) muscles.

Service Spin

There are an infinite number of service motions where you can put spin on the ball – but that's outside the context of this article. What we want to go over are the principles behind getting that spin when serving.

To get maximum spin, you should use a grippy inverted surface. A less grippy surface, such as pips-out, can create spin, but substantially less. To really spin that ball, you need a surface that really grips the ball.

You need the racket to really be moving at contact – you want to accelerate the racket through the ball. With whatever service motion you use, you need to start with the arm moving, and then snap the wrist as you contact the ball. Most of the racket speed comes from the wrist – perhaps 70% – so work on using as much wrist as you can.

Lastly, you need to just graze the ball at contact. The finer the contact, the more spin you will get. Top players with really spinny serves can be almost violent as they move their racket to the ball during the serve – yet, since they only graze the ball, the ball moves very slowly, often barely making it to the net. Nearly all of their energy is being used to create spin, not speed. It will take practice. Get a bucket of balls, and go practice!

A good way to practice getting spin on the serve is to serve onto the floor, away from the table. Try to put spin on the ball so the ball bounces sideways or backward on the floor. If you put a good backspin on the ball, it should bounce a few times away from you, come to a stop, then bounce or roll back at you! If you put a good sidespin, it should bounce sideways after a few bounces. Put some targets on the floor and try to spin the ball so it bounces around the targets. (Theoretically, a pure sidespin would not bounce sideways, because its axis of rotation is on the bottom of the ball, so there would be no sideways bounce. However, in bouncing on the table, the axis will move backward, creating a slight corkscrewspin and thus a sideways jump on the second bounce. Isn't that simple?)

Rallying Spin

During a rally, you normally will use mostly topspins and backspins, with an occasional no-spin or sidespin thrown in.

Most drives have some topspin, but when you want to really produce a heavy topspin, you have to loop the ball. To really get a good topspin, you need to use your entire body, like a tennis player. The technique for looping is outside the scope of this article, but the principles are the same as when serving – racket speed, grazing and a grippy surface. Also, see above about relaxed, loose muscles – be a whip, not a stick!

The nice thing about looping, and topspin in general, is that not only does the topspin give you a wider margin for error, but the topspin often sets you up to attack the next ball as well. Especially on the forehand side, players learn to loop or drive the ball over and over until they see an easy ball to put away, or the opponent misses.

Topspin is also used when lobbing. A high ball with a lot of topspin (and often sidespin) can be hard to smash. The topspin makes the ball take a fast bounce off the table, and the topspin will

make it jump out when it hits your racket. At the higher levels, lobbing is one of the most spectacular shots, but it can be quite effective against many players.

Backspin is used during a rally when pushing or chopping. A push is a defensive or neutral backspin shot against an incoming backspin shot. Many players are very good at attacking pushes, so choose when to use this shot carefully. Many players overuse it, especially when returning serves – often trying to push even against a sidespin or topspin serve! (Which leads to disastrous return high in the air, off the end or off the side.) However, a good push can be pretty valuable. The key is to make sure it is an effective push. Learn to put a good backspin on the ball, keep the ball low, and push to a wide angle. You should also learn to push quick off the bounce (so the opponent has less time to react), and perhaps to push short by just touching the ball lightly (so that it bounces very short on the other side of the table, making it hard to attack). At the highest levels, most players often push short. But this is a tricky shot, so I'd recommend learning a good deep push first. If you are pushing deep, try to push very deep, so the ball goes within at least a foot of the endline.

Sidespin is used in rallies mostly by relatively advanced players. It can be used when pushing, blocking, looping or counterlooping. It is used basically to throw the opponent off and force a mistake. (Jan-Ove Waldner, probably the greatest player of all time, is a master at this – he is famous for sidespin blocks and sidespin pushes.) When looping, especially against a block or a topspin (especially when counterlooping), you should usually put some sidespin on the ball, normally so that the ball curves to the left (for righties). A stroke with about 15% sidespin is more natural than trying to loop with pure topspin. Advanced players can sidespin both ways.

Reading Spin

The singles hardest thing to learn to do in table tennis is to learn to read spin, especially against a good serve. Because there are no simple, easy-to-follow methods, it takes a lot of practice and experience. However, many players play for years and never gain this experience because they don't understand the principles of reading spin. Although it is best to read spin from the racket's contact with the ball, you can't always do that perfectly. You should use a number of pieces of "evidence" to really read the spin. What follows are eight factors take into account when trying to read spin, especially when returning serve.

1) *The grippiness of the racket surface the opponent is using.* Inverted racket surfaces usually give the most spin, but inverted surfaces run the range from extremely grippy surfaces that will create huge amounts of spin to very slick surfaces that will not (antispin). Pips-out surfaces will not create as much spin as a grippy inverted surface, but most shorter pips can create a moderate spin. Longer pips normally don't create too much spin. (Note the difference between creating spin and returning an opponent's spin – item 8) below.)

2) *The amount of spin from the racket's contact with the ball.* The amount of spin is related directly to the racket's speed and grazing motion

at contact (in addition to the grippiness of the racket surface). The faster the racket is moving at contact, and the more the racket grazes the ball, the more spin. You should be able to see the racket speed, but make sure you are watching the part of the racket that is actually contacting the ball. Many players use a fast racket motion, making it seem like there is a lot of spin, but contact the ball near the racket's hand, where the racket isn't moving as fast. The result is less spin, which is effective if the opponent thinks there is more spin on the ball.

You can tell how much the opponent has grazed the ball in several ways. First, see how fast the ball came off the racket. If the racket was moving very fast at contact, but the ball came out slowly, the energy had to go somewhere – it went into spin, via a grazing motion. Second, see how the racket approached the ball at contact – you can see if it was a grazing contact, if you watch closely. Third, the sound gives it away. A grazing motion is very quiet, with at most a high-pitched “hissing” sound. If there's a “thumping” sound, there is less spin.

3) *The type of spin from the direction of contact with the ball.*

The type of spin comes directly from the direction the racket is moving at contact with the ball. Often, this is easy to tell – just watch which direction the racket is moving at contact. It gets tricky, however, when the opponent uses a “semi-circular” motion. This means the racket changes direction during the serving motion. Your mission is to try to see what direction the racket was moving at contact.

There are two ways of doing this. First, you can try to get a very short “video” of the contact in your mind, and from that, see what direction the racket was moving at contact. If you can learn to create this video in your mind, soon you'll be able to pick up the contact more consistently. Second, try to see which direction the ball comes off the racket. If it comes up slightly, it is topspin; if it comes off sideways, it is sidespin, etc. However, since the racket may be moving very fast, it is not always that easy to judge this.

In both cases, when you are learning how to read the type of spin, call out to yourself (in your mind or out loud, if your opponent puts up with it!) the type of spin on each serve, until it becomes second nature.

4) *How the ball bounces on the table.* If you aren't sure of the spin from racket contact, you can pick it up from the way the ball bounces on both sides of the table. If the ball has topspin, it will take a low, fast bounce. If it has backspin, it will tend to die and bounce short. If it has sidespin or (especially) corkscrewspin, it will bounce sideways.

5) *How the ball travels through the air.* You can read the ball's spin from its flight in the air. A topspin arcs through the air and drops rapidly. A backspin tends to float, with a flatter arc. A sidespin curves sideways. A corkscrewspin doesn't curve much in the air, but its sideways bounce off the table makes it appear to do so.

6) *Seeing the ball spin (or not spin) itself.* You can read the spin (or non-spin) from the ball itself. Some players can read a no-spin ball by seeing the label. Many advanced players claim to be able to read directly off the ball, most likely from how blurred the ball's label is. This is not

easy to do, and while some players claim they can do this, others claim it is impossible.

7) *Amount and type of spin on previous similar serves/shots.* Even if you can't read the spin from any of the above indicators, you can read it from experience. If you misread a spin one time, the next time you see that motion – even if you can't really read it – you can guess it is the same spin. For example, if you think you see a backspin serve, but every time you return it, it pops up or goes off the end, you are probably misreading a topspin. When you see this “backspin” motion again, put aside your natural reflex, and treat it like a topspin. The major problem with this, of course, is that your opponent might vary the spin with a similar motion – and if you aren't really reading the spin, you'll have great trouble reading any changes. So use past indicators to make corrections to your reading of spin, but only in combination with the above indicators, or as a last resort.

8) In a rally, how much spin was already on the ball, and how much of it is being returned.

If you put spin on the ball, your opponent might simply return your spin back to you. This happens most often if your opponent has a less grippy surface, especially long pips. Surfaces such as long pips (but also short pips and antispin) can return your own spin back to you. For example, if you put a heavy topspin on the ball, a player with long pips can give you all of your spin right back at you without doing much. A player with a more grippy surface can also return your own spin, but to a much lesser degree.

Handling Spin

Handling spin is mostly an exercise in racket angles and stroke direction. For every spin, there is a racket angle that will compensate for it. There is also a stroke direction that will compensate for it. Choosing which to use is the question. In general, use an upward stroke and open racket to compensate for backspin, while using mostly racket angle to compensate for other spins. (Open racket means aim racket upward; closed racket means aim racket downward.)

Against a sidespin, the more aggressive you are, the less the spin will “take” on your racket, and so the less it will affect you. The softer your contact, the more the ball will jump – so tentative players often have more trouble with spin than aggressive players.

When learning to read spin on a serve, it's a good idea to wait on the ball, and take it as late as possible to give yourself more time to react. As you improve, you should start taking the ball quicker. However, even advanced players often take the ball later against a player with tricky serves.

Here is a rundown on how to return the various spins.

Topspin: Close your racket (i.e. aim the hitting surface downward). This will compensate for the tendency to hit the ball of the end or pop it up. Against a heavy topspin, you'll most likely use a simple block to return the shot. Take the ball quick off the bounce – otherwise, you'll have to contend with the ball's low, fast bounce.

Backspin. Open your racket (i.e. aim the hit-

ting surface upward). This will compensate for the tendency to hit the ball into the net. If you are topspinning, stroke upward and lift the ball upward. This is the perfect time to loop with heavy topspin!

Sidespin. Aim the opposite way. A good rule to remember when returning sidespin serves is to aim in the direction the server's racket came from. If you return the sidespin somewhat aggressively with a topspin, you can treat the incoming sidespin almost like it were a topspin, ignoring the sidespin.

Corkscrewspin. Anticipate the sideways bounce on the table, and be in position for it. Don't get too caught up trying to learn how to handle this spin too much as it is usually only seen at the higher levels. However, it is interesting to note that if you push against a corkscrewspin (with an open racket, hitting toward the bottom of the ball), the ball will bounce sideways off the racket. If you topspin it back (with a closed racket, hitting toward the top of the ball), the ball will bounce off your racket in the opposite direction. Imagine the incoming spin and how it will “grab” your racket based on whether you hit toward the top or bottom of the ball, and you'll see this.


Why Does A Spinning Ball Curve In The Air?

Now we get into serious science, so those less science-minded, here's your cue to leave and go practice!

Imagine a ball with topspin. As it travels through the air, the forward movement of the top of the ball forces air forward (or more precisely, slows down the movement of air over the top of the ball). This causes air to be “clumped” together toward the front top of the ball, creating an area of high air density. Similarly, the backward movement of the bottom of the ball pulls air backward quickly, creating an area of low air density toward the front bottom of the ball. The high density air mass at the top of the ball forces the ball downward; the low density air mass at the bottom of the ball “vacuums” it downward. The result: the ball drops. That's what makes a ball with topspin drop. The same applies to all spins, but as the spin orientation changes, the movement of the ball changes. For example, a sidespin creates a high-air density area on one side of the ball, a low-air density on the other, which forces the ball to curve sideways.

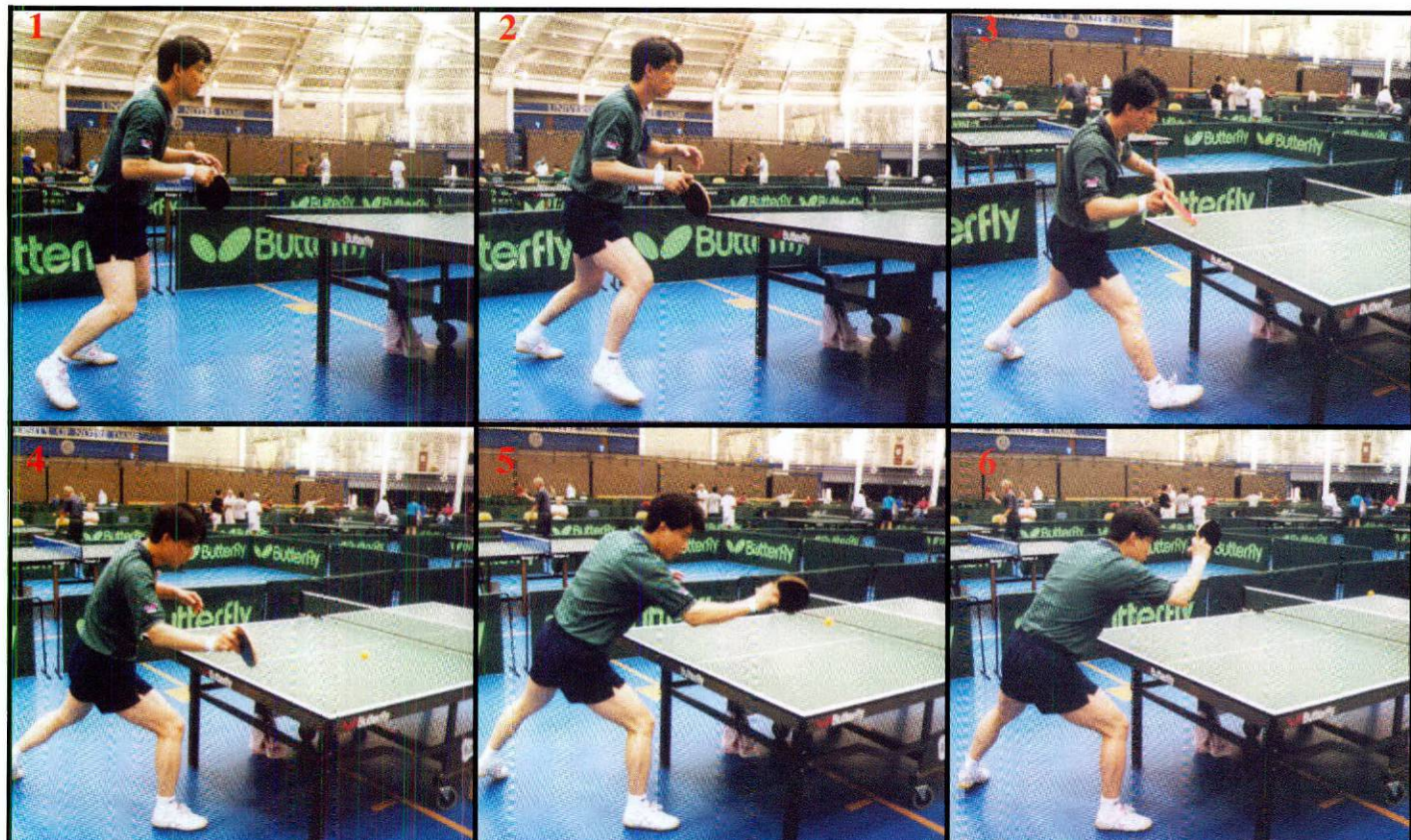
Backspin doesn't really curve up, but that's because of gravity. The backspin is pulling the ball up; gravity is pulling it down. The result is a ball that tends to travel in a line at first (to float) before the backspin is finally overcome by gravity.

Conclusion

Spin is the biggest difference between “basement” stars and advanced players. Players may learn to rally better than others, but if they can't handle spin – or create their own – they're at a huge disadvantage. Learn to use and handle spin, and you'll quickly leave the basement players (and most tournament players) behind. Get Spinning! 

Attacking the Short Ball: The Forehand Flip and Footwork of U.S. and PAN AM CHAMPION **DAVID ZHUANG**

By Richard McAfee, *USATT National Coach*



There are two technical elements to master when executing a forehand flip off of a short serve. First are the mechanics of the stroke itself. Second, and equally important, is the footwork involved. It has been my experience that this is the element that many people neglect when learning this technique. For a great example of proper stroke mechanics and footwork, let's look at U.S. Men's Singles Champion David Zhuang.

Photo 1 – Here David is in his receive ready position. Notice that his weight is evenly distributed and he is leaning noticeable forward. This forward lean allows him to move quickly forward to cover any short ball. It is important to note that he is also well back from the table, thus allowing him ample room to handle any deep serve.

Photo 2 – In this frame, David has recognized a short serve, probably from the first bounce on his opponent's side of the table (close to the net). He has taken a short hop forward with both feet and repositioned himself closer to the table. This is the position that many players mistakenly start off in.

Photo 3 – David has seen the final direction of the short serve and has begun to reposition his right leg under the table. At the same time he has begun the stroke itself. Note the open racket angle, almost like he will push the return.

Photo 4 – In this frame, we can see that David has begun to adjust the racket angle as he reads the amount of spin on the ball.

Photo 5 – David is now in the final position just before striking the ball. Note that his racket is higher than the ball. His racket will continue downward until the ball bounces and then snap up with the ball, making contact at the top of the bounce.

Photo 6 – David has just made contact at the top of the bounce, while the forearm is moving upward. Note the amount of forearm and wrist snap, which is critical for generating power.

Photo 7 – In this frame David is recovering back into a ready position. He has pushed off his right leg to get him back from the table. He is covering an expected crosscourt return by his opponent.



What makes David so good at this technique is not only his stroke but his footwork. You can not go wrong by copying our U.S. Champion's forehand flip.

Practice Tip: When practicing your short serve-return, have your partner randomly mix in long serves. Make sure that your ready position is far enough back from the table so that you can easily handle any long serve. Good luck and Good Flipping! 🏓

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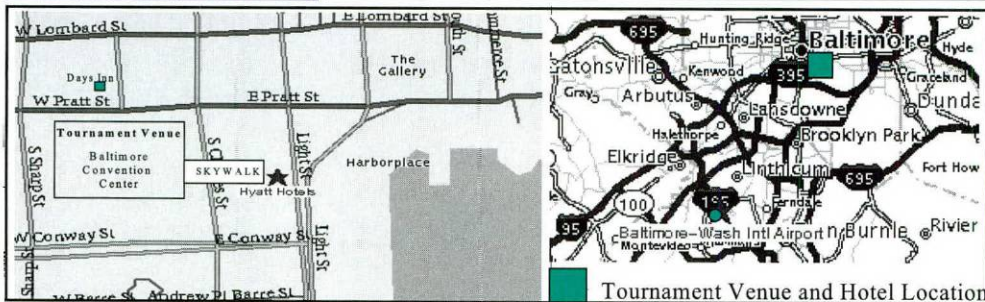
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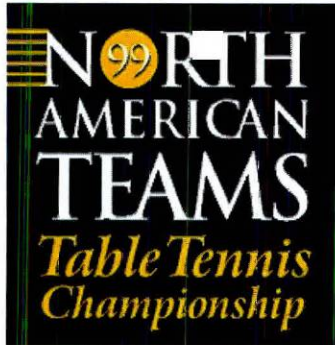
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Men's Singles, Doubles & Teams

By Larry Hodges

MEN'S SINGLES

If the U.S. Open were a cartoon, then the all-Taiwan men's singles final was between Superman and The Flash. Chiang Peng-Lung ("Superman") may be the most powerful player in the game today (it's either him or Kim Taek Soo), and is one of the fastest as well. He made the finals of the Brazil Open the week before, losing in the final in five to Zoran Primorac. Chang Yuan-Su ("The Flash") is inhumanly fast, with perhaps the fastest footwork in the game today. Chiang and Chang are both penhold loopers who, to the casual bystander, play the same. To the more seasoned eye, Chiang has more power, is steadier, and has more control. Chang is faster (despite Chiang's being one of the fastest in the world!), and plays his backhand "jab" block more aggressively – when opponents can find it. To both causal bystander and seasoned eye, they are both powerful looping machines.

"We do five hours of footwork drills every day," said 20-year-old Chang, who had just come off a win over France's Jean-Philippe Gatien (1993 Men's Singles World Champion, currently world #10) a few weeks before at the World Club Championships. He's been on the Taiwan

team since he was 15 after starting to play at age 10. The doubles team of Chang/Chiang, after winning the Qatar Open and getting the bronze medal at the Asian Games, had recently been ranked #1 in the world in doubles (they are currently ranked #2). Chiang, ranked #23 in the world (but probably better than that – he's #4 in points on the ITTF Pro Tour Circuit), was seeded #3, but would soon be the de facto #1 seed; Chang, ranked #109 in the world, would rapidly show that that ranking was not particularly accurate.

It was Chiang, with powers and abilities far beyond the rest of us, who leaped tall buildings and won the tournament over his teammate in the final. Chiang had a tough draw, having to defeat 2-time U.S. Open Men's Singles Champion Cheng Yinghua in the toughest of the quarterfinal match-ups. Cheng had been hired for one month per year for several years to train the Taiwan national team, and has worked extensively with both Chiang and Chang. It would have been nice to have a Cheng/Chiang/Chang final, but only two could make it, and so Cheng was the one to go, 17, 20, 15. (Cheng/Chiang/Chang ... are you starting to see why player numbers are required at the U.S. Open?)

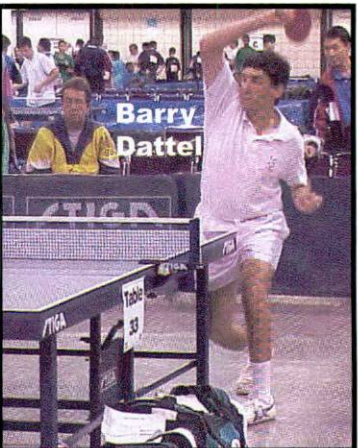
Cheng had had some interesting matches on his way to the quarterfinals. In the 32nds, he'd defeated Canada's Xavier Therien, 9, 8, 10. In the 16ths, he'd defeated Slovakia's Patrick Marek (world #289) by the rather interesting scores of 4, 9, -22, 17 – and Marek had had to come from way behind to get 9 in the second game. "Marek got killed



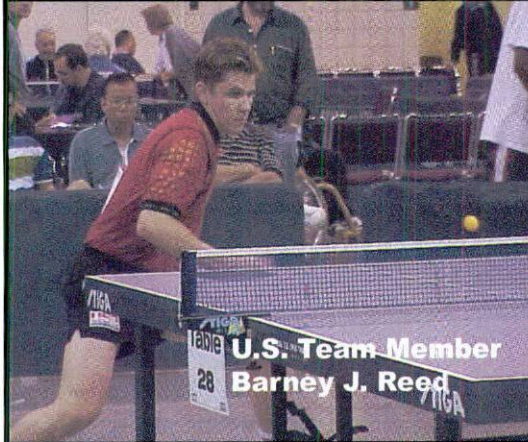
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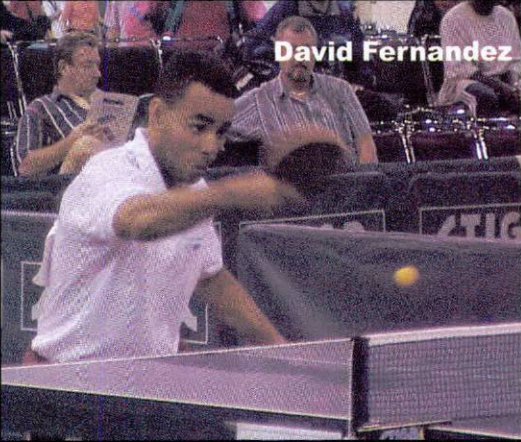
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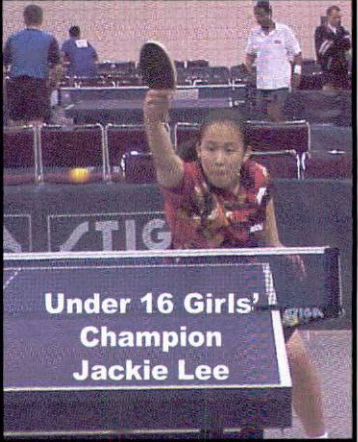
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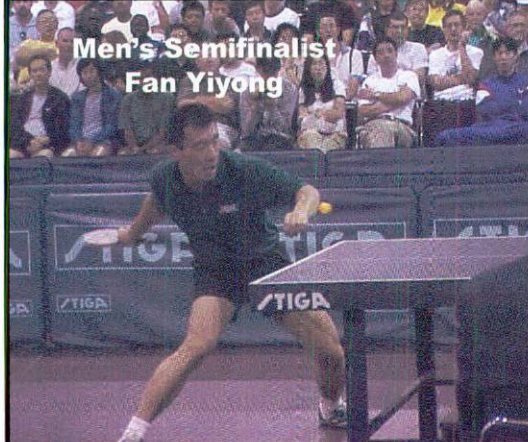
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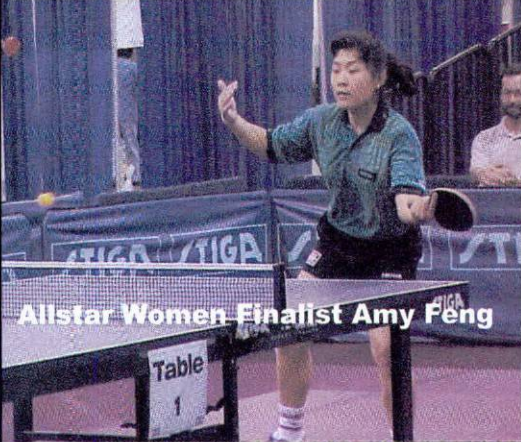
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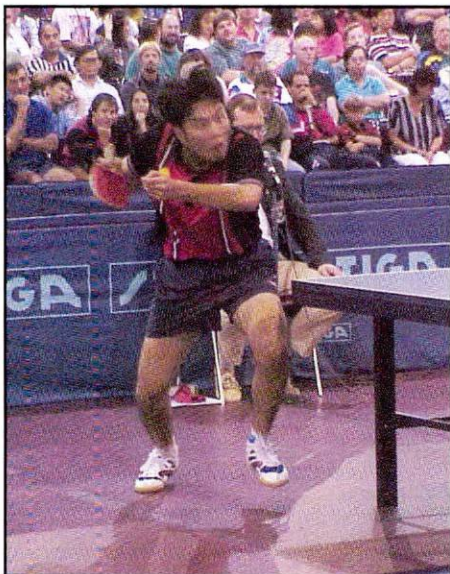
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**Men's Singles Runner-up, Doubles & Team Champion
Chang Yuan-Su of Taiwan**

when he played into Cheng's backhand," said USA Men's Coach Dan Seemiller. "When he began to play into Cheng's forehand, and began to score more, his eyes sort of lit up." But, of course, it's not that Cheng's forehand is weak so much as his backhand is a wall – and so it wasn't enough for Marek. In the 8ths, Cheng had a tough time with lefty world #150 Alex Perry of England's backhand smash, but won all three games, 17, 19, 15.

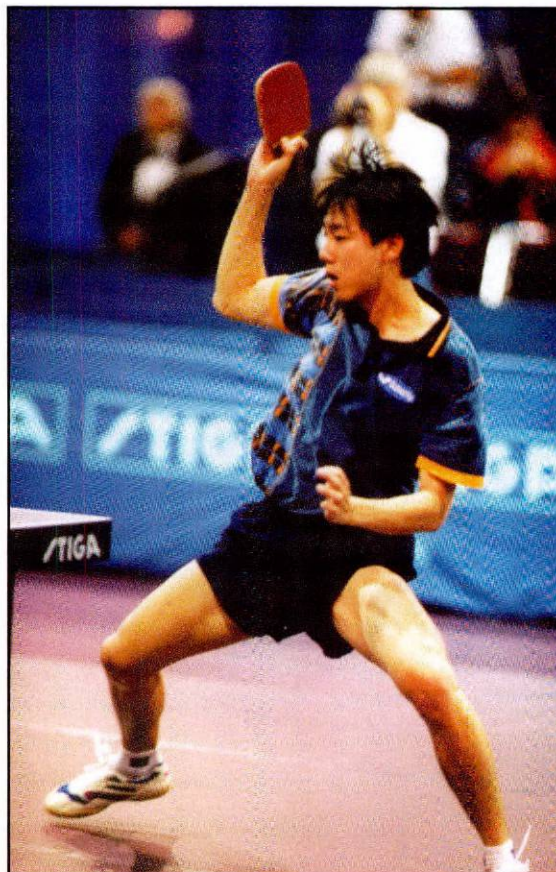
Before playing Cheng Yinghua, Chiang had to play three other USA players. After a first-rounder against Sharad Pandit of Pennsylvania (5, 14, 15), he faced USA Team Member Eric Owens (world #324), who had defeated Japan's Shingo Tsuchihashi the round before in a no-contest 5, 5, 10 match. Against Chiang in the 16ths, Owens actually led much of the

first two games. Coach Seemiller said of Chiang, "He doesn't flip well, and so pushes most serves back. This allowed Eric to overpower him a lot." Following that match, Chiang defeated New York's Abass Ekun at 16, 16, 13. Abass had just come off a spectacular comeback the round before against the Swedish lobber/fisher Adam Rasberg. "This guy's got a great defensive topspin," said Coach Seemiller of Rasberg. Abass battled back after losing the first two games to win this spectacular crowd-pleasing match, -26, -18, 19, 19, 8. After getting lobbed down several times at deuce in the first game, Abass had begun to loop the lobs – and the strategy worked.

After Cheng's exit, Chiang next had to contend with world #61 Olivier Marmaruk of France in the semifinals. Marmaruk had come from behind to defeat Japan's Koji Sanada (world #145) in the quarters, -15, -17, 14, 9, 17, often lobbing Sanada down. Sanada had defeated USA's Razvan Cretu the round before that; Cretu had defeated Florida's Donovan James the round before that; and James had "defeated" the no-show and top seed Jean-Michel Saive the round before that.

"I've never seen such power!" Marmaruk said after his match with Chiang in the semifinals. Not that he didn't put up a resistance; the left-handed Marmaruk, serving inside-out forehand pendulum serves, often started the rally with a strong loop. But he was rarely able to get in a second as Chiang's pure counter-looping power sent Marmaruk straight to the barriers rally after rally in a futile attempt to stay in the point. After getting 17 in the first game, it was all downhill, with Chiang winning 17, 9, 11. Sometimes Chiang seemed the only one not impressed with his performance, as he would often wave his hand over his head in disgust when he missed a shot, a mannerism he did throughout the tournament.

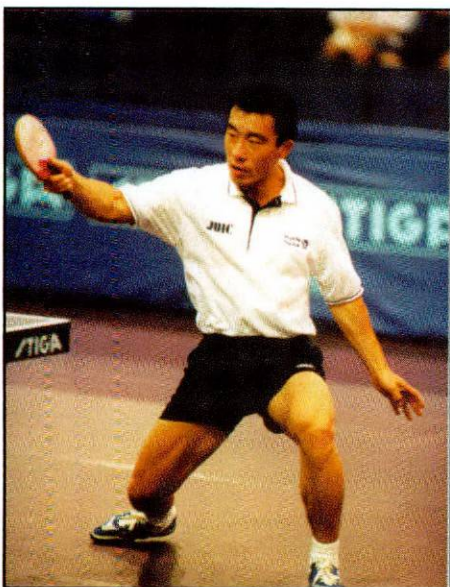
What happened to the first, second and fourth seeds in the tournament, defending Men's Singles & Doubles Champion Jean-Michel Saive, Wang Tao and Johnny Huang, ranked #13, 20 and 25 in the world? Saive's wife was expecting a baby at any time, and so he returned to Europe after the Brazil Open. Wang Tao didn't show up for reasons unknown – his association faxed in a last-minute note on this, but it came in too late. With both of these former World #1 players gone, should the draw be redone? No, said Referee Azmy Ibrahim, because 1) since the players are on opposite sides, the draw is not "unbalanced"; and



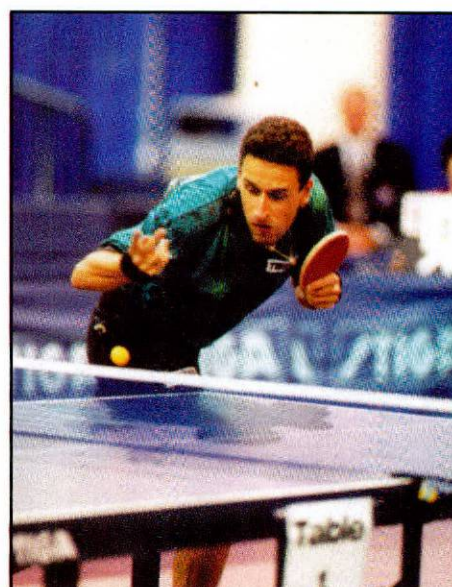
**Men's Singles, Doubles & Team Champion
Chiang Peng-Lung of Taiwan**

2) because they didn't have an official written notice from the players that they were not coming (only word-of-mouth from other players).

"Only at the U.S. Open would they not redo the draw," said third seed Johnny Huang. "Why can't they just get on the phone and call the players and see if they are coming? This would never happen in Europe or Asia – they would redo the draw." In protest, Huang (who



**Men's Singles Semifinalist
Fan Yiyong of USA.**



**Men's Singles Semifinalist
Olivier Marmaruk of France**

would defeat Cheng Yinghua in the North American Men's Singles Final shortly afterwards, a separate event from the U.S. Open) withdrew from the tournament (but not before playing and winning his first-round match against Florida's Nigel Webb). This left third seed Chiang Peng-Lung the highest ranked player left in the draw. It also meant that of the players left, the #1 seed (Chiang Peng-Lung) would play the #4 seed (Cheng Yinghua, world #67) in the quarterfinals.

Neither Cheng nor Chiang were happy about the draw not being redone. Chiang also wasn't happy with all the people walking around as he played his matches, with all of the events scheduled – "Too many events," he said. "Playing in the U.S. Open is like playing in a shopping mall." Johnny Huang and Matthew Syed, upon hearing this comment, agreed that that perfectly described the atmosphere. All three were also disgusted at playing their first-round matches on cement. "Most of them probably haven't played on cement since they were juniors," said U.S. Team Member Todd Sweeris.

Of course, what is to some a negative is to others the "charm" of the U.S. Open. Bjorn Borg had similarly attributed his inability to ever win the U.S. Open Tennis Championships to all the distractions there. However, Chiang was able to ignore the distractions and win.

But with the no-shows and withdrawals, the actual matches played was changed. Chang, scheduled to play Johnny Huang (world #25) in the 8ths, instead faced England's Gareth Herbert (world #374), and won at 14, 8, -19, 12, to advance to the quarterfinals against USA National Men's Singles Champion David Zhuang (world #116).

Zhuang had coasted into the final 16 without losing a game, defeating Robin Morin of Sweden at 13,12,14 in the 32nds and Daisuke Ishida of Japan at 13, 16, 17 in the 16ths. He then upset world #34 Matthew Syed (with the withdrawals and no-shows, now the #2 seed) three straight in the 8ths, 18, 18, 18. Syed is a long piped chopper (well-known in the U.S. for his multiple victories at the Sears Invitational tournaments). According to Coach Seemiller, Zhuang played ex-

remely smart, mixing in loops and no-spin drives, and faking smashes and then drop-shotting, catching Syed on his heels over and over. He handled Syed's very tricky serves very well, and when Syed did attack, he had trouble handling Zhuang's quick block returns. An interesting tactic by Syed was that he often flipped his racket during the rally so that he could use the long pips side on both the forehand and backhand sides to chop back Zhuang's drives.

Also of note was the fact that, due to the changing of the rules regarding the length to width ratio of long pips, Syed is the last player to make a legal shot in international play with the now-illegal extra long pips – the last legal one being a chop with his feint long in the last point of his match with Zhuang. The rule took effect on July 1, but since the U.S. Open started the day before, it was ruled that these pips would be legal throughout the tournament. Somebody on Sunday, July 4, made the last legal shot ever – until and if the rules change again – with extra long pips. (Syed was not happy with this new rule – "The most ill-considered and ridiculous rule ever passed" – and wrote an article on this published in the ITTF Magazine.)

Chang won the first game in his quarterfinal match against Zhuang, but with a very partisan USA crowd cheering him on, Zhuang made it to 19-20 in the second. Chang loops, David kills it – but "The Flash" incredibly runs down the smash, loops it back, and David miss-hits an attempted smash. Up 20-17 in the third, Zhuang almost doesn't hold it, as Chang deuces it to the dismay of the crowd. But Zhuang wins the next two, 22-20 ... but doesn't do so well in the fourth. Match to Chang, 15, 19, -20, 12.

In the semifinals, Chang faces Fan Yiyong, the highest rated player living in the U.S., but with no world ranking. (These American "rankings" are starting to sound like boxing rankings: Fan, the highest rated player living in the U.S.; Cheng Yinghua, the highest world-ranked player and the highest rated player eligible for the USA team; and David Zhuang,

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the National Champion and highest rated player eligible for the Nationals.) Fan almost didn't make it this far. In the 16ths, he'd had some difficulty with Slovakia's Szilard Csolle (world #331), winning at 20, 22, 13. But it was in the 8ths that he was down match point twice in the fifth to Terry Young (world #364) of England, the beneficiary of the Wang Tao no-show. Fan pulls it out, 16, -15, -15, 14, 22, and then pummels world #162 Shinnosuke Kiho of Japan in the quarterfinals, 17, 11, 8. Kiho (who would win under 22 men, defeating Chang in the semifinals at 19, -8, 14) had taken out world #72 Chetan Baboor of India the round before, -21, 8, 14, 23, while Baboor had taken out USA's Todd Sweeris (world #246) the round before that, 10, 18, 15.

The semifinal match between Chang and Fan is probably the match of the tournament (with the possible exception of the Fan-Young match). However, it started as a blow-out, with Chang winning the first two at 14 & 13. In the second, after coming back from down 7-13 to 14-15, he doesn't score another point that game. Fan, now living and coaching full-time in Portland, Oregon, hasn't played this type of competition recently, and the rust shows. He loops from both wings from right over the table, even backhand counterlooping off the bounce. But he seems to go through stretches where he can only make two or three "point-winning" shots in a row – and against Chang, it takes more than that to score a point.

But in the third game, Fan raises his level. Chang is still miraculously running down and counterlooping (and sometimes making fantastic backhand jab-block winners) most of Fan's loops, but the pressure's on now as Fan's attack is continuous – but so is Chang's. They play many of the best points ever played on U.S. soil this game – get the video if you can and go to this game. Fan has a small lead most of the way, but Chang keeps closing the gap. Fan pulls it out, 21-19.

In the fourth, the great points continue. Down 20-18, Chang pulls off an incredible down-the-line counterloop. A jab block later, and it's deuce, to the unhappiness of the USA fans, cheering for Fan and hoping for a fifth game. But it is not to be – after all the great points, it's a huge letdown to all but the Taiwanese when Fan pushes the serve off to lose the game and match, 14, 13, -19, 20.

So the final is an all-Taiwan affair, Chiang Peng-Lung vs. Chang Yuan-Su, Superman vs. The Flash, incredible power and speed vs. incredible speed and power, penhold looper vs. penhold looper. Taiwan, which has already won men's teams and doubles, has

completed a sweep in the men's events. Some-one points out that if Chang were to win, it may knock Chiang down enough notches that he wouldn't automatically qualify for the Olympics. Are they playing for real, or is this just a practice match for them? It's hard to tell from the points. Both are so used to playing each other that they know each other's tricks, and so the points are fast and powerful, with few careless mistakes. Chiang starts out by taking a 9-1, 12-2 lead in the first, and never looks back. "Chang may have faster footwork, but Chiang has better footwork," says California Coach Masaaki Tajima, referring to Chiang's better positioning. Match to the better positioned Taiwanese, 17, 15, 13.

MEN'S DOUBLES

The Canadians Kurt Liu and P. Peter-Paul eked out a 19,-19, 20 win in the quarters over USA's Fan Yiyong and Razvan Cretu, and defeated USA's Cheng Yinghua and Jack Huang in the semifinals in a 20, -17, 10 battle to reach the final. On the other side, the Japanese pair of Yusa and Harada had been involved in a sort of controversy in the quarterfinals against USA's David Zhuang and Todd Sweeris. The Japanese pair led 19-16 in the third when, during a rally, the ball apparently hit one of the Japanese players' shirts. Todd grabbed the ball and stopped the rally, but the umpires didn't see it, and granted the point to the Japanese pair, who denied the ball hit either of their shirts – to the absolute disgust of the Americans and several spectators who said they saw the ball hit the shirt. The American's walked off the court in protest, so match to Japan, -17, 10, 16, sending them into the semifinals against Taiwan.

Chiang Peng-Lung and Chang Yuan-Su, Superman and Flash, weren't satisfied with just the singles and teams championship. How good were the Taiwanese pair, ranked #2 in the world? In the 16ths, they defeated the Puerto Rican team of Juan Revelles and Luis Ruiz at 8 & 6. In the 8ths, they defeated USA's North American Doubles Champions Eric Owens & Barney D. Reed at 5 & 9. The Japanese team of Shinnosuke Kiho and Koji Sanada gave them trouble in the quarterfinals before going down at -17, 14, 18. In the semifinals, Taiwan romped all other the other Japanese team, Yusa/Harada, at 16 & 7, to reach the final, where they easily defeated the Canadians Liu & Peter-Paul at 14 & 12.



When the Taiwan stars played, the Taiwan junior team was always there, clapping in unison.

MEN'S TEAMS

On "Black Wednesday morning" at the Open, both USA I and USA II lost in the first round (8ths) of the men's team competition to teams they could have beaten. USA I (David Zhuang & Todd Sweeris) lost to England I 3-1, with England's lefty Alex Perry winning both of his matches. Todd defeated Darren Blake, but England won the doubles. (England did not play Matthew Syed, their world #34 ace, on their team – to give others experience?)

USA II (Eric Owens, Barney D. Reed, Randy Cohen), with an easier draw than USA I, was upset by Puerto Rico. The first sign of trouble came when the Puerto Rican #2, Gabriel Santiago (who would win the U2400 event without losing a game), upset Owens deuce in the third in the first match (11,-17,21). Then Reed lost to his former live-in practice partner, David Fernandez (who still lives and goes to college in New York City most of the time), 15, -15, 16. But Owens & Reed, the North American doubles champions, should win the doubles – but not this time, losing in three (-11, 15, 16). So both USAs are out of the draw.

The English I team would lose the next round to Taiwan (as would Puerto Rico, to India), but it was the English II team (Terry Young & Gareth Herbert) that came out of nowhere, defeating Japan II 3-2, Slovakia 3-1, and India I 3-2 to advance into the final. India had led England 2-1, but Terry Young defeated the Indian ace, Chetan Baboor (world #72) at 16, -16, 18 to force it into the fifth match, where Gareth Herbert defeated India's #2, Sunil Babras, 16, -19, 8.

On the other half of the draw, Taiwan, with their big guns Chiang Peng-Lung and Chang Yuan-Su (who would soon be the men's singles finalists and doubles champions), advanced to the finals with wins over Guyana, England and Japan – with Japan's Shinnosuke Kiho's -17, 16, 16 win over Chang Taiwan's only blemish. (Chang's only losses this tournament, other than to teammate Chiang in the men's singles final, would be to Kiho, world #162 – here in the teams, and again in the semifinals of men under 22.)

In the final, Chang starts off by defeating Herbert at 11 & 18. Chiang next plays Young, and is down 10-8 in the third. He is visibly unhappy with his play, is waving his arm in the air when he misses a shot. As the players switch sides, the Taiwan junior team files in – nine of them, roughly ages 9-13, in matching uniforms, walking in single file and in perfect unison. They sit down opposite from Chiang's side, and clap in unison each time he scores. Seemingly inspired by this (or not wanting to lose in front of them?), Chiang scores 8 of the next 9 points, and coasts to a -16, 12, 15 win. With the Taiwanese juniors politely clapping every point they win, Taiwan easily wins the doubles at 14 & 8.

Women's Singles, Doubles & Teams

By Larry Hodges

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Some people, watching 1998 & 1999 U.S. Open Women's Singles Champion Xia Lian Ni (world #7) of Luxembourg play, noticed a resemblance between her and a top woman from China from the early 1980s who played in a number of U.S. Opens. Both were penholders with medium-long pips on one side, short pips on the other, and flipped throughout the rally (which is not easy for a penholder – try it). Both used the long pips side about 70% of the time, dead-blocking and rolling ball after ball. Both would suddenly switch to the short pips side to launch all-out point-ending smashes. When I pointed out this fact to U.S. National Women's Singles Champion Gao Jun, who would lose in the women's final here to Ni, she laughed and pointed out that the two were one and the same. In fact, few at the '99 Open realized that 16 years before, as a member of the Chinese National Team, Ni had been the 1983 World Mixed Doubles Champion (with Guo Yuehua). "When I was young," said Ni, who speaks perfect English, which she learned in China and perfected in Luxembourg.

After a number of years on the Chinese National Team, Ni had moved to Germany in 1989, and then to Luxembourg in 1990, and has played on their national team since 1991. She still trains 4-5 times per week, usually one session per day – but more if there is a big tournament coming up.

Winning her second consecutive Open was a nice present for Ni, whose birthday came the day after the final (she seemed disinclined to say which one). It was not an easy draw, with five former U.S. Women's Singles Champions in it (including all four semifinalists). Ni's opponent in the final, Gao Jun, was the 1994 U.S. Open Champion, back when Gao was #3 in the world. In the semifinals, Ni had faced Jing Xu of Taiwan, the 1988 and 1989 champion (then playing for China). In the round before, Jing had faced Lijuan Geng of Canada, the 1995 champion. In the other semifinals, Gao had faced Chen Jing of Taiwan, the 1993 champion. All five of these former U.S. Open Champions were former members of the Chinese National Team – but now USA, Canada, Taiwan and Luxembourg were their homes.

Ni did not lose a game in winning this year. In fact, it took a while before anyone even got double-figures! After a first-round bye, Ni faced Sue-Ann Leong of Aruba in the 16ths: it



Women's Singles & Doubles Champion
Xia Lian Ni of Luxembourg

was a quick 7, 5, 2 execution. In the 8ths, she faced Yuki Fujita of Japan. After two more single digit games, Fujita broke the spell (barely), losing at 6, 9, 10. In the quarters, Ni faced USA's Lily Yip (world #119), who also had not lost a game to this point – with a nice 15, 17, 12 win the round before over England's Kubrat Owolabi (world #199), and a 14, 10, 8 win over Canada's Jo-Annie Gagnon the round before that. Although Lily would challenge Ni in the first game, it would be another straight-game victory for Ni, 18, 10, 14, to move her into the semifinals.

Meanwhile, on the other half, the USA

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Women's Singles Runner-Up,
National Allstar Champion Gao Jun

crowd was getting energized by world #29 Gao Jun's performance. After defeating Aruba's Vivian Leong in the 16ths (4, 6, 11), Canada's Chris Xu in the 8ths (17, 16, 8) and England's looping Nicola Deaton (world #147) in the quarters (10, 8, 14), Gao faced Chen Jing (world #10). Chen was the 1988 Women's Singles Olympic Gold Medalist, the 1993 World Women's Singles Finalist, and (to many), an overwhelming favorite.

Why would Chen Jing be such a favorite, when she and Gao had similar rankings during their careers? Because she was Gao's career nemesis, never losing to her. Before the match, Gao herself didn't seem too confident – said "I lose to her every time." But she played the match of her life (OK, one of them), while Chen didn't. Chen Jing is a left-handed shakehands player with pips on the backhand. She can loop or hit on the forehand, and has devastating power. To stop this onslaught, Gao, a controlling pips-out penholder better known for her blocking than her hitting, would have to be at her best. She was, while Chen was not, so match to Gao, 19, 18, -17, 14. USA is in the finals!

In the other semifinals, Ni faced Jing Xu (world #51), a penhold looper. Xu had barely gotten by USA's Amy Feng in the 8ths – Amy had led 15-14 in the fifth before Xu ran it out to win 16, -15, -14, 17, 16. (Amy had defeated Japan's Ryoko Imasaka at 13, 17, 8 the round before.) In the quarters, Xu had defeated Canada's Lijuan Geng, world #23 (who plays like Deng Yaping – a shakehand hitter, with long pips on the backhand) at -18, 19, 19, 17. Geng had taken out USA's Virginia Sung (world #224) the round before, 14, 7, 23.

In the 1980s, Ni and Xu had been strong rivals on the Chinese team, but Ni seemed to have held her level longer. It turned out to be an easy match for Ni who still had not lost a game, winning at 12, 15, 12.

In the final, Ni won the first two games against Gao relatively easily at 17 & 14 as the two exchanged rapid-fire hits and counter-hits, smashes and quick blocks. In the third, Ni took a 9-0, 13-2 lead – it's all over, right? But Gao scores 8 in a row to pull to 13-10. Most of the points were won by smashes after long rallies. "If I can make my smash, it makes a big difference," said Gao afterwards. "But reading the spin against her is confusing because of her two surfaces."

Ni ends Gao's streak, and then the two trade points. Gao can't seem to pull even, and soon she's serving from down 15-20. Five loooong bang-bang rallies later, and it's 20-20! Deuce! But the crowd's excitement would be short-lived. Seeing enough of these long rallies, Ni serve and kills to get the ad, and quickly smashes out of the rally on Gao's serve to win the tournament. Match and championship to Ni, 17, 14, 20.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Of the four players in the women's doubles final, only Peggy Regenwetter had not won a U.S. Open Women's singles title or been a former member of the Chinese national team. But it was Luxembourg's Regenwetter, along with teammate Xia Lian Ni, who took the title over the Taiwan team of Chen Jing and Jing Xu, 19, -10, 11.

Luxembourg defeated USA's Gao Jun (another former U.S. Open Singles Champion) and Amy Feng in the semifinals, 14 & 20. In the other semifinals, Taiwan defeated Canada's Lijuan Geng (still another former U.S. Open singles champion) and Petra Cada, -15, 19, 11. USA II, Tawny Banh and Lily Yip, lost to Taiwan in the quarterfinals at 18 & 8.

WOMEN'S TEAMS

Of the 11 teams entered in women's teams, five were obviously very strong: Taiwan, Luxembourg, Japan, Canada and USA. The top-seeded team from China did not show. Since China and Luxembourg both had first-round byes in the 8ths, Luxembourg got a quarterfinal default from China and a free ride into the semifinals.

USA I (Gao Jun & Amy Feng) had little trouble with Canada II in the 8ths, and defeated Japan II in the quarters 3-1 (with Amy losing to Naomi Yotsumoto deuce in the third, 13, -20, 21, but Gao winning both her matches and USA winning the doubles easily). In the semifinals, USA I faced the lopsided Luxembourg team.

Luxembourg had Xia Lian Ni, the defending 1998 U.S. Open Women's Singles Champion (which she would soon repeat here). Her partner, Peggy Regenwetter, was a level weaker, but the two were an excellent doubles pair –

they would win the U.S. Open Women's Doubles. Ni had little trouble with Amy, winning at 14 & 12, but Gao had equally little trouble with Peggy, winning at 15 & 10. The all-important doubles match, however, went to Luxembourg, 20 & 10. Ni defeated Gao in the fourth match, 11 & 18, to send Luxembourg into the finals.

On the other half of the draw, Taiwan (Chen Jing & Xu Jing) had defeated USA II (Tawny Banh & Lily Yip) in the 8ths without losing a game. In the quarters, Taiwan defeated the second-seeded Japanese team 3-0, 6-1 in games with the only lost game in doubles. In the semifinals, Taiwan defeated Canada (Petra Cada & Wenxiao Wang) 3-0, also 6-1 in games, with Petra getting a game from Xu. Canada, which sat out their #1 player, Lijuan Geng in all their ties (to give others experience?), had defeated England 3-0 in the quarterfinals, also 6-1 in games (losing a game in doubles). Of course, pretty soon players like Petra will be taking over the reigns of the team – and Petra (who spent most of the last year playing in the Super League in Prague) had wins the day before the U.S. Open began over USA players Amy Feng, Tawny Banh and Lily Yip at the North American Championships – her only loss would be in the semifinals to Lijuan Geng.

In the final, for Luxembourg to win, Ni would probably have to win both, and she and Peggy would have to win doubles. They did win the doubles (13,-11,10), with Ni dwarfed by Peggy and the two tall Taiwanese players, but Ni suffered her only loss of the tournament here to Chen Jing in the second match, 18 & 18. With Chen and Xu both defeating Peggy, Taiwan won the final, 3-1, preventing Ni from sweeping everything this tournament. 🏓

NATIONAL ALLSTARS

By Larry Hodges

National Allstar Men

"There's a storm coming," a top player said, after watching Keith Alban's wins over Barney J. Reed and Abass Ekun in the National Allstar Men – not to mention Keith's sweeping Under 18, Under 16, and Allstar Under 18 Boys' Singles and Under 18 Boys' Teams. The storm may be a few years away still, but 15-year-old Keith was the surprise of the Allstar Men's event, making the semifinals.

Of course, that's when Keith met Cheng Yingwall, I mean Yinghua. The storm is coming, but it's a few years away still, as far as Cheng's concerned, who romped into the final with a 6, 15, 11 win over Keith.

On the other half of the draw, David Zhuang had a tough struggle in the quarters with 16-year-old Sunny Li, but after fighting back from two game points in game four, won it at -18, 17, 21, 7. Todd Sweeris defeated Jack Huang in the quarters, 8, 18, 18, to set up a Zhuang-Sweeris semifinals, a replay of their men's singles final at the U.S. Nationals. Zhuang had a long winning streak going against Sweeris, but it was Todd's turn: -15, 14, 17, 18.

In the final, near the end, Todd said, "It's good to get killed like this sometimes. It keeps you from getting a swelled head." Championship to Cheng, 6, 15, 11.

National Allstar Women

While Amy Feng was battling her way into the final, Gao Wall, I mean Jun, romped, defeating Jane Chui in the quarterfinals at 6, 16, 11, and Lily Yip in the semifinals at 12, 9, 9. Feng, however, had to struggle with Virginia Sung in the quarters (14, 23, -20, 17) and Tawny Banh in the semis (-9, 17, 18, -16, 16). Exhausted and tired (at least one of them), they split the final. 🏓

JUNIOR ACTION AT THE U.S. OPEN

Zeid Shaban (L) of Jordan defeated Kristian Kobes of Slovakia in a truly International Under 10 Boys' Singles Final, while semifinalist Sergey Gutkin of California demonstrates the perfect forehand loop. (Junior write-up on page 38.)



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HARDBAT EVENTS

Hardbat Final Played In Front of Huge Crowd

By Scott Gordon

Ty Hoff and Lily Yip are fast becoming "classic" rivals. Their feature center-court 1999 U.S. Open championship finals encounter last month in Fort Lauderdale was what many are now calling the highlight of the week. In a wildly entertaining 5-game battle that saw Hoff crashing through barriers retrieving and chopping back Yip's unrelenting attack, Ty again emerged victorious. If Houston's 1998 U.S. Open will be long-remembered for "the point" (as umpire Terry Canup dubbed Saive's miraculous lobs at match point against Legout in last year's final), this year's Open will likely long be remembered for "the match."

Lily had made it clear that she was intending to avenge her recent 3-0 1998 U.S. Nationals defeat at the hands of Hoff. She had been taking hardbat seriously. Again she breezed to the final without losing a single game, and again most spectators considered her a heavy favorite. But, unlike Las Vegas, Ty too had reached the finals without losing a single game, and in an arguably tougher draw which included wins over 2400+ Ashu Jain and Meiklejohn hardbat champ Barry Dattel. Lily may have improved, but apparently so had Ty.

The preliminary rounds were not without interest. Hardbat legend Marty Reisman lost a close, lengthy quarterfinal battle to Barry Dattel, whose tenacious comebacks foiled Reisman's impenetrable table game. Ashu Jain narrowly got by Maximo Vasquez in the 8s, 28-in-the-3rd(!), before losing to Hoff. Carlos Ko (2400+) easily reached the quarters, but then lost a close match with Larry Hodges, 14, -13, 18, 12. Yip's crushing 10, 14, 5 quarterfinal win over defensive star Steve Berger must have been intimidating. In the semis, Lily defeated Hodges, 19, 22, 10, and Hoff defeated Dattel, 11, 10, 14, to set up "The Match."

The Hoff-Yip final started quietly, with Ty winning a somewhat lackluster first game 21-13. In the 2nd, Lily's attack improved, and at 14-14 Ty started to play defense. Amazingly, he was able to chop and lob his way to a 20-15 lead. But something magical happened; Lily smashed five straight winners, then won the subsequent deuce battle 24-22 in a thrilling Bergmann-esque comeback. She immediately jumped into the air with a huge victory scream.

It was Lily's first game win over her nemesis after four straight losses, and it was as if a burden had been lifted from her ... the guy was beatable. It showed immediately in her



The Moment of Victory - Ty Hoff defeats Lily Yip in five in the hardbat final.

enthusiastic play. Her attack strengthened, and Ty was frequently pushed back from the table, chopping and lobbing to the delight of a growing crowd. Fans started climbing to the top of the stands, waving to their friends to come see the match. As the crowd grew it became louder, which drew still more spectators. Although the hall was mostly pro-Lily, Ty's incredible and generally point-winning defense gave him another seemingly insurmountable 19-13 lead. Again, Lily's attack kicked in and she reeled off eight straight winners to win game three, 21-19, and go ahead two games to one. Video cameras started sprouting up, and several photographers circled the center court arena.

Ty's mostly-defense strategy continued to work well in game four. 10-5, 13-7, 15-10, 17-13... then the chants of "Lil-ly Lil-ly" started. At 17-14, she smashed an unreturnable ball deep to Ty's backhand that sent him careening through the barrier and landing flat on his back in a failed attempt to return it. A bit shaken, he took a short breather which apparently served him well, as he won four straight points to take game four 21-15 and force a decisive fifth game.

Ty told me after the match that he was becoming badly dehydrated by the fifth game, fearful of drinking too much and becoming nauseous as he had in the Las Vegas final.

It was certainly not apparent, as everything seemed to go his way in the fifth game. He continued his successful mix of attack and defense, and at 8-5 Ty won a tremendous lobbing point which left Lily visibly deflated. Whereas Ty's de-

fense was effective, the same could not be said about Lily, who lost nearly every point when she was driven back. Ty was proving the adage that hardbat play requires both offense and defense, and his more classical style was proving to be the difference. His lead spread to 15-5.

The match was not quite over, though. Lily's streaky game again kicked in, and she took five points in a row to make the score 15-10. The crowd again became excited, as the cheers turned to stomping and rhythmic clapping, the "Lil-ly" chants even occasionally interrupting play. But this time the wiry hardbat specialist from Georgia held on, winning match point at 20-14 in another miraculous defensive point to win the match, 13, -22, -19, 15, 14.

With his gutsy one-hour victory, Ty had pulled the equivalent of a hardbat "grand slam," winning both the Nationals and the Open in succession, as well as wins in hardbat doubles (with partner and cornerman Larry Hodges) in both tournaments. Ty has won all four hardbat championships in the past year!

Again the event drew sizable monetary donations, the center court gladiators earning \$500 and \$300 respectively. There were even enough donations to offer respectable \$120/\$80 prizes to the hardbat doubles winners (Hoff/Hodges over Marty Reisman and Houshang Bozorgzadeh). The hardbat committee wishes to thank Berndt Mann, D.G. Van Vooren, and Don Varian of Hock Table Tennis Company for their especially generous donations.

Committee Meeting Reflects Hardbat Growth

So what is next for classic table tennis? Some exciting developments emerged at the recent USATT hardbat committee meeting:

- The N.A. Teams tournament in November will include a whole day of hardbat-only competition.
- A clever scheduling mechanism may allow this year's Nationals to add a couple of more hardbat events, including rating and age events.
- The upcoming North American Tour tournaments (seven in 2000) will include at least one hardbat event at each stop.
- Interest is growing in standardizing the rubber surface, especially if low-cost Leyland-like rubber is once again produced.
- Hardbat is spreading to Europe, driven largely by author and table tennis player Howard Jacobsen, who came to Florida just to see the hardbat event! Watch for an upcoming article in *New Yorker Magazine*, as well as a novel, and a recent feature article in the European magazine *Swaythling Cup International*.
- The hardbat web page has moved! Now visit: www.hardbat.com. 



U.S. OPEN JUNIOR EVENTS

By Alan Williams

From around the nation and around the world, they brought their enthusiasm, their spirit and their skills. The 1999 U.S. Open Junior events were filled with great play and great fun as the youngsters pitted themselves against their goal, a U.S. Open title.

The U-10 Girls' saw Melissa Valenzuela of Peru, a three-game winner over Raven Williams, take on Rita Wu of Maryland in the semifinals. Melissa captured a 15, 9 victory from Ms. Wu. In the other bracket, New Jersey's Judy Hugh won the war, -21, 12, 20, against her fighting opposition, Claudia R. Sumarriva of Peru. The final saw Ms. Hugh take the title, 19, 17, from Valenzuela. Judy showed great poise in close contests and was rewarded with victory.

The U-10 Boys' Final matched Kristian Kobes of Slovakia with Jordan's Zeid Shaban. Shaban had bested Sergey Gutkin (CA) 17, 13 in his semifinal, while Kristian had an easier time of it with Peru's Franks Kastner, 9, 8. Neither boy had an easy time of it in the final, with Shaban emerging as Champion, 19, -17, 18. Only one point difference in a three-game final!

In the Girls' U-12, two Uruguayans, I-Chen Lee and Chia-Li Hu, met in the semifinals and decided that discretion was the better part of valor. Hu stepped aside and her countrywoman advanced.

No such cooperation in the opposite bracket, where Californian Atha Fong went triple deuce in the third game to defeat U-10 Champ Judy Hugh, 15, -18, 22. The respite must have suited I-Chen Lee, who swept to a first-place finish, 5, 5.

A crowded field of Boys' U-12 narrowed to Eric Finkelstein (NJ), Mikhail Kazantsev (CA), Adam Hugh (NJ) and Giancarlo Cerna (Peru). The good-natured Finkelstein gave his all in a 17, 23 decision for Kazantsev. Adam Hugh showed plenty of fighting spirit when he prevailed 12, -20, 8 over Cerna. These two were fated to meet again. But for now, it was a fist-pumping Adam Hugh who took top honors, 12, 14, against Mikhail, his California counterpart.

The semifinal field in Girl's U-14 were all intent on the title, and they played like it. Jordan's Zeina Shaban went down before Katherine Wu of Maryland, -21, 19, 16, in a war of attrition. Jackie Lee of California faced off with Taipei's Wan-Ling Lo in a see-saw contest that left Jackie behind, -13, 14, 15. After all the drama of the semis, Lo took a straight-

game 10, 14 win from Katherine Wu for the bigger trophy.

A full field of 32 entered Boy's U-14, but the final four were Wallace Lui of California, Santiago Coste of Peru, New York's Pan Lin and the ever-present Adam Hugh. Lui's well-balanced game was cast aside by Santiago's power, 17, 14. Hugh triumphed in straight games also, 17, 12 over Pan Lin. In the final, Coste shook off a first-game loss to deny Hugh his second Junior title, -18, 10, 11. Coste's father, in any language, was radiant with joy over the hard-won victory.

In U-14 doubles, Jordan's Zeid and Zeina Shaban earned a ticket to the final by defeating Jamaica's Earl Taylor and Katharine Williams, 19, -8, 19, in a match where service rotation played a key role. As promised, Hugh and Cerna met again, as Adam and his partner, Yin Wang of Massachusetts, faced the brothers Giancarlo and Aldo. Hugh and Wang lost the

vailed in a -15, 5, 11 win. In the other bracket, Pei Pei Zheng met Kyna Fong and fought the Californian to a 19, -12, 18 result ... for Fong. Do and Fong are not strangers, and clearly know each other's game. They grappled to a 19, -18, 17 tally in the final that handed the title to Kyna Fong in a match that could have gone either way.

Given his strong play, it was no surprise to see Keith Alban march to the final of Boys' U-18. But two players did manage to stretch him to three games, Mark Hazinski with a 15, -18, 10 loss in the quarters, and T.J. Beebe of Georgia, who was stopped by Alban in the semis, 12, -18, 16. Terrence Lee and Robin Morin of Sweden were paired to pick the other finalist. Morin's 17, 13 was enough, but Alban disillusioned his clubmate 12, 15 to win the category.


The National All-Star Junior Women's event brought four excellent young women together in the semis. Stacey Schoenberg, off a -24, 26, 6 win over Mary Lee, faced Michelle Do ... again. Michelle's 16, 12 victory left Stacey determined to train harder. Jackie Lee and Kyna Fong left a 20, 19 scorcher in their wake, with Fong gaining the upper hand. The final was ... Fong and Do ... again! Michelle avenged herself with a 12, 10 victory. Kyna was the U-18 title-holder, but Michelle won the U-18 All-Stars. This was Michelle's turn. It certainly gives you the feeling that we will be seeing this for some time to come.

The National All-Star Junior Men brought a final four of Sunny

Li and Freddie Gabriel in one half, and T.J. Beebe and -surprise! Keith Alban in the other. Freddie's tough three-gamer with Lee McCool had left him primed for Mr. Li, and Sunny fell, 16, 16. T. J. Beebe had advanced past Howard Lamb, but Alban prevailed 14, 17 in the semifinal. Freddie gave Keith a tough match in the final, 20, -16, 15, but Alban won again.

In Junior Men's Teams, USA 1 (Beebe/Gabriel) advanced to the final over Panama. USA 2 (Alban/Li) put Jamaica in their past. In a 3 to 2 victory, Alban and Li took the honors over their countrymen.

The finals of the Junior Women's Teams saw Jackie Lee and Michelle Do post a 3-1 win over Kyna Fong and Stacey Schoenberg. It must have been Michelle's turn again.

From the very young to the nearly Olympic, the Junior events at the U.S. Open displayed the best of American Table Tennis. All the players deserve our applause and appreciation for their fine play and their fine sportsmanship, as do the parents and coaches who accompanied them. 



Michelle Do and Kyna Fong swept National Allstar Girls and Under 18 Girls' Singles, Doubles and Teams.

(More junior photos on page 36.)

first game at 20, and won the second game at 18. Carrying a large lead in the third, Hugh and Wang recovered just in time to stave off the determined Cerna's charge, 18 in the 3rd. Shaban and Shaban couldn't stay with the Wang/Hugh combo in the final, and yielded, 9 & 16.

Pei Pei Zheng, of Texas, had no troubles in the semifinal of Girls' U-16, beating Patricia Figueroa 4, 3. In the opposite bracket, Jackie Lee shrugged off Zeina Shaban, 14, 13. Jackie managed a 21, 17 victory over Pei Pei in the final.

Thirty young men entered the U-16s, but Keith Alban (see profile in this issue) was clearly the class of the field. Seemiller protege Mark Hazinski of Indiana fought to a 14, 13 loss in the semis against Alban. By topping Josue Squilino of Florida, 15, 12, Californian Terrence Lee met Alban in the final. Alban won the category with a 12, 17 straight-gamer over Lee.

The Women's U-18 was hotly contested. In one semifinal, Michelle Do of California had her hands full of the self-exhorting, long-limbed New Yorker, Stacey Schoenberg. Michelle pre-

U.S. OPEN SENIOR EVENTS

By Tim Boggan



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Over 50 Doubles Champions George Brathwaite and Dave Sakai

Roughly 35% of the "Domestic Athletes" in the 1999 U.S. Open entered the 16 Over 40 through 80 events. Cash prizes for those sufficiently expert beyond experience totaled \$4,710.

Men's Over 40 Singles

"Chen" Yinghua - Bye...8, 3...13, 2...2, 7...11, 9 ("a VERY humbling experience," said the under 2100 quarterfinalist who scored 2 and 7) - eased into the final to split the 1st/2nd place prize money. The undefeated finalist, "Jack" Huang (Bye...13, 5...6, 11...12, 7...Def.), says he's getting too old to loop-win anymore. (Except of course when he's with Cheng, as in the \$450 1st-place 40+ Team's, or against him, as in the split-the-1st/2nd place-money in the 40+ Doubles.)

Of course not all the Over 40 Singles matches were runaways.

In the first round, Sweden's Bo Steiner, former Nisse Sandberg's Angby Club associate who's now running his own Vallingby Club for many an Angby veteran, just got by N.Y.'s Jim Beckford deuce in the 3rd. N.J. short-pips-penholder Jumpei Misu stood tall on scoring that 23-21 squeaker over FL's Carlos I. Estrada. And George "The Chief" Brathwaite eked out a (19, -17, 25) thriller from CO's 200-point underdog, Bob Jackson. After that, however, there was only the occasional hand-fight-at-the-precipice moviedom finish. Kazuhiro Ohara (13, -19, 20) adroitly sidestepped Homer Brown's last shuffle and blindsided him to momentary oblivion. Earlier, Homer, teller of tales, was apparently so busy talking to anybody who'd listen - about his new Birmingham-mall BumperNets emporium (5200 sq. ft. of BumperPool, Foosball, Air Hockey, and Table Tennis) - that before he knew it he had to hurry over to the Convention Center for his match. And why didn't he win it? "I didn't have a good breakfast this morning," he said. "Usually I don't lose close matches." But, hey, after 31 straight U.S. Opens, it can happen, huh? - and, optimistic as ever, Homer began again, "I've got five table tennis tables in all, one with enough court

space for the good players, and in order to bring both the kids and their parents in, I..."

The only tense *start* to the third-round matches occurred at the beginning of the Dave Sakai-Larry Thoman match when Sakai, judging that the ball given them wasn't round, requested a new one from the umpire - a request that was denied. Dave, being a politic fellow, didn't argue, simply put his thumb through the ball, and nothing more was said as of course not even the umpire thought they should continue to play with *that*. And yet, as Larry went on to scorch Sakai, smacking in set-ups with backhand abandon, Dave was heard mumbling, as if he might not have been at his best in some other matches too, "I haven't had a tournament like this in 20 years," and Dave's wife Donna was heard echoing aloud, "He hasn't had a tournament like this in 20 years."

In the only tense third-round *match*, Hank McCoullum scored a (-15, 19, 14) upset over Dickie Fleisher. After Hank had walloped in a winner at 19-all in that 2nd game, Dickie, his blister-prone thumb and finger bandaged so as not to lose his grip, might be said to have overplayed his hand. Pluck Dickie had, and pips aplenty, but it was unflustered Hank who pulled in a string of rating points.

Only one more 40's match of note - Barry Dattel's (-12, 19, 23) look-to-the-gods victory over #4 seed Hui Yuan Liu. Barry said Liu's often well-angled long-pips spin/no spin play was in the beginning hard to read. But, on losing the first, he told himself, "Relax. Go for the shots." And go for them he did. At 19-all in the 2nd, he got in a forehand; then the game winner...on a fortuitous net. In the deciding 3rd, still pressured by Liu's strong serve-and-follow threats that could produce quick winners, Dattel hoped to get the ball into play, for then he had the option of opening with his backhand while Liu had always to run around to play his forehand. In the up-in-the-air end-game, Barry played aggressively, and was rewarded by his own fearlessness and Liu's losing graciousness.

All-Star Men Over 40

"Chen" Yinghua (Bye...Def...Def...9, 15) reached the final after playing one match - actually he seemed to be spending more time with neuromuscular therapist Kenny Owens having his muscles loosened, getting his cloggy, old blood to flow, than he did at the table - and again split 1st/2nd place prize money. Finalist Abass Ekun was extended to 3 only in the semi's by #2 seed "Jack" Huang.

Last I heard, Chen had finished *his* coaching duties for the day - I'd seen him working to make a looper out of powerfully built 10-year-old Mingkuang Luo - and he and Jack had left the playing hall to go, as one fellow put it, "on a cruise to nowhere." A local gambling ship had a great buffet, so why not check it out? -

Women's Over 40 Singles

Current U.S. Over 40 Champion Judy Bochenski Hoarfrost, Captained, you might say,

by daughter Megan, added another Major to her list of '90 successes. But her progress wasn't easy, starting from the quarter's against Andrzejewska - whoops! it was so easy to lose one's footing on the slippery concrete floor that Danuta took a tumble on her backside, and, as I can reportorially attest to, it *was* black and blue. Although Andrzejewska was wearing a Tru Fit brace for her table-tennis elbow, it seemed that Judy, a 229-point favorite, in last-minute having to rally to win that first game at 19, was suffering some constriction of her own.

Then against 57-year-old Barbara Kaminsky, who'd prepared for this Open by taking two golds in the Virginia Senior Olympics - table tennis ... and bowling (a 528 series: average game 176) - Judy continued having problems with her forehand. Not only did she lose the first game at deuce but was down 10-4 in the second.

At which point, Barbara's husband Bob, who'd been our U.S. Team Captain to the '73 Sarajevo World's, exercised his authority, rose from courtside to chastise World #34 Matthew Syed who'd started romping round in the adjacent court preparatory to a match. But, ah, little did Bob know that just a few days earlier Matt had an article published in the London *Times* stressing the "poisonous self-doubt" that could hang over a player's head "like a spider above the bed of an arachanaphobe." Had Bob read this, he MIGHT have been aware of the "distress psychology" Matt was speaking of that could now afflict Barbara's winning state of mind. For, sure enough, when Bob, on principle, stopped Barbara's semi's match to insist that the umpire tell Syed in a world-class manner to get the hell off the court and stop distracting the players, Barbara, it turned out, hadn't even been aware of Matt's presence. That she was suddenly very aware of Judy's, however, was never more noticeable, for as Fate would have it, she lost that game, the next, and the match. "Uh, maybe it was a mistake to have intervened," Bob said later.

In the other semi's, former Iranian World Team member Mahin Roufeh's long pips and flat forehand did in the super-fit Suzanna Sanders - but not before Suzanna stubbornly won the 2nd.

The final - with both Hoarfrost and canny combination player Roufeh looking to crack in winning forehands - saw Mahin outscore Judy, but lose the deciding 3rd at 19.

All-Star Women Over 40

Roufeh played only one match (Andrzejewska decided to gingerly sit out her scheduled semi's) - but it was enough to win Mahin the \$100 first prize. "Stupid!" says Judy - and stamps her foot. But that was in her 3-game semi's when, down game-point in the 2nd, she'd misread Kaminsky's pips. In her final with Mahin, did Judy, faltering after taking that first game at deuce, pay any attention to what 1971 U.S. World Team Coach Jack Howard now, at the start of the 3rd, felt free enough to tell her? To combat Mahin's pips-out forehand winners Judy was to engage in over-the-table backhand play, then, with

Mahin anchored in a backhand stance, was to open to the forehand, and take it home from there. But off to a 7-2 lead in the 3rd, Judy played poorly in the end-game as Mahin pulled away for an easy win. "Judy never did like me coaching her," said Jack ruefully.

Over 40 Under 1800 Singles

This 49-entry event offered each competitor three round robin preliminary matches. And yet, strange to say, six eligible players who did not enter this 9:00 a.m. Friday more-play-for-your-money competition were, the day before, perfectly willing to play in the 9:00 a.m. single elimination Over 40 event – where, in each case, they played only one match and did not win a game. Oh well, at least it's easy to understand how in the final Hawk Lee swooped up the "I just ran out of energy" remains of Simon Jacobson, who wished perhaps that he'd played less well, or, rather, fewer matches in other events rather than more.

Men's Over 50 Singles

Very likely the most bizarre exchange of play in the entire Open occurred here in #1 seed Dave Sakai's opening match. There was no umpire. And Dave's opponent was ... me.

Already I was a little edgy, for it was now 6:45 in the evening and my earlier match in this event had been at 2:15. A four-hour wait. Was I expected to have a Happy Hour in that time?

I might preface the about-to-be turn of events by recalling Frank Dwelly's memorable gesture in the 1970 Detroit National's where, leading 4-time U.S. Open Champion Erwin Klein 20-16 in the 5th, he rounds the table, and, shaking hands with Klein, forfeits the match. His explanation? He knew he was going to lose, probably in the next round, but thought Erwin might be able to go all the way. (Just how sporting Bernie Bukiet, whom Klein would beat in 5 before losing to D-J Lee in the semi's, thought this show of generosity, is debatable.)

I might also point out that Dave and I have been friendly for over 30 years, that during that time he'd repeatedly supported me as USATT official and editor, and that I'm indebted to him for being as good a friend to my younger son Eric in recent years as he'd been to him years earlier.

Dave is currently rated at least 300 points higher than I am, and I can recall only once, maybe a quarter of a century ago, beating him, even-up, in a money match (I'd kept trying, for I was getting 10-1 odds, \$100 to \$10). It was thus astonishing to both Dave and me (Dave's wife, Donna, by this time had taken leave of court-side) that here in the 50's in the deciding 3rd I'd come to tie it up at 19-all. Dave couldn't be tighter, and I was playing by instinct. That is, until I suddenly got the notion of giving Dave a serve I'd not given him before – a short nothing ball to his forehand which I hoped would draw a passive return I could attack.

Unlikely, as it might seem, I serve into the net.



Over 40 Women's Champion Judy Hoarfrost. Compare forehand with daughter Adrienne's, pg. 58. Like mother like daughter?

I again serve – wildly, into the barriers. "David," I say, I DID NOT ... DUMP THE ... POINT! It's your ad, 21-20."

"Yes, you did," he says. But he serves (out of turn), wins the point, and the match.

As I round the table and shake hands, he keeps repeating, "You beat me! You beat me!"

Now I ask all sane readers, "Don't YOU believe me?"

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Dave's reaction to this is not what I expect. He comes over to my side of the table, says he can't accept the point. "You dumped it!" he says. "You dumped the point!"

"David," I say, "I did NOT dump the ... point! It's 19-20 your favor."

"Yes, you did," he repeats. "You dumped the point!"

"David," I say, "I didn't."

It's match-point, I serve – and Dave deliberately lofts the ball off my side of the table. Deuce.

The spectators watching think we're having a disagreement, maybe a serious one – but they don't know about what. Are we ... mad?

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U.S. OPEN RATINGS EVENTS


By Larry Hodges

Juan Revelles, Juan Revelles, Juan Revelles ... yes, the Puerto Rican won three rating events, would have won five if he hadn't graciously dropped out of two. He had an old rating that was under 1900 – and tournament rules would not allow him to play in the higher rating events (U2550, U2400), despite his request to do so. So, wanting to play, he enters U1900, U2000, U2100, U2200 and U2300. When it became obvious he was way too strong for most of these events, he dropped U1900 and U2000, while winning the other three. Small consolation to Srinivas Ramanathan (PA), Origene Nyanguile (MD) and Steve Berger (NY), the finalists in U2300, U2200 and U2100, respectively.

While he was winning those three events, his fellow Puerto Rican, Gabriel Santiago, won U2400 over Ramanathan – giving Ramanathan two second place finishes to the Puerto Ricans, plus a second place finish in Foreign Men's Singles (to Sweden's Adam Rasberg). But a win in the Open over Randy Cohen might have consoled Ramanathan, and helped knock his rating into the stratosphere.

Still another Puerto Rican player, 14-year-old Lisa Diaz, won U1150 and made the finals of U1275.

The only other multiple finalist in the rating events was 13-year-old Howard Lamb (TX), the U1900 champion and U2000 finalist.

In the highest event, Brian Pace (FL) overpowered the competition to win U2550 over Shao Yu (NY), 18, 17. 

In the final against Hicks, "The Chief" won the first game with 21-8 ease. But then he unconsciously stopped taking chances, became less and less aggressive? And finally found himself coming into the end-game third having to play Expedite. When was the last time that happened? Easy under these circumstances to make crucial mistakes, and Brathwaite lost the decider 21-18. Dick pointed out to me that, "Yeah, I used to play Expedite a lot before the loop came in." Turns out he's competed in tournaments year after year, uninterrupted for 42 years, ever since 1957!

Women's Over 50 Singles

Barbara Kaminsky (rated 1761), having just spent five days in Naples (that's Naples, FL) swimming, strengthening her arms and legs (and, given all the rain, spending some stormy evenings with her mentor/husband Bob), made a strange recovery in her opening match against CA's Irina Borisova (rated 1460). After losing the first at 18 then winning the 2nd at 8, Barbara is down 11-4 in the 3rd. Panic time! Do something, try anything, even what Bob's told her: play the middle. Whereupon she wins 17 straight.

FL's underrated Jan Kline (928) forced Chile's Maria Cifuentes (1529) into a 24-22 2nd game. Maria then went on to outplay #1 seed Suzanna Sanders. "I'm not satisfied with myself, my game," said Suzanna. "Maybe I've too high expectations. Anyway, I'm putting too much pressure on myself. I should work on my head."

In the other semi's, Andrzejewska, bound up, braced, by wrappings for arm and knee ("I'm scared to remove them - I'm afraid I'll be injured"), waged war with Kaminsky as to who-could-maneuver-best-to-get-in-a-hard-forehand-winner. For two games it was a pip of a fight, then Barbara, though tight, built up a 10-3 lead in the third that was decisive.

In the final, Maria in shades, though intent on keeping play backhand to backhand, couldn't darken Barbara's psyche, and our U.S. Hall of Famer won, as her rating suggested she would, in straight games.

Over 50 Doubles

The Brathwaite/Sakai team struggled, but succeeded. In the quarters, they were 16, 20 challenged when Bard Brenner, paired with Frank Cortes, having gotten by Eric Stamp/Harold Kupferman (-22, 20, 14), swung ever-adventurously on one of his home-run streaks. In the semi's, the practiced pick-hit defensive combination of Dawidowicz and Bob Burke steadily took the 1st from George and Dave. And in the 19, 18 final, Hicks and Brown were stopped from doing further damage only because the experienced winners were able to keep Homer from hitting.

Over 60 Singles

The quarter's of this event were played Saturday afternoon at 2:15. But then the semis and final were, without precedent and so without warning, inconveniently scheduled for Sunday morning - at a time when, if anybody was still watching matches, it'd be the parents of the 10-year-olds playing.

Today, though, you might say Lau was in command of a body that hadn't been commanded on Thursday. After losing to Hicks in the 50's, he was now open-eyed at the ready to beat him, and did, in a strangely contested, or uncontested (14, -6, 10), final. In the semi's, he'd also been able to get balls through Brathwaite for a 14-in-the-3rd win, while Hicks was again outpushing and outpicking Dawidowicz.

Ragnar "Ray" Fahlstrom had his 19, 19 chances against Bohdan in the eighth's, but, perhaps miffed at not being able to substitute an available Nick Mintsiveris for his no-show partner in the 50 Doubles the evening before (after all, he and Nick had come all the way from California) he'd aired his grievance over a Marriott dark beer too many and was just half a step sluggish at the wrong time?

Marv Leff (19, -15, 13) escaped Jerry Marcum, but then went down to Dawidowicz, 19, 19, when Marv, as he put it, kept letting Bohdan pick backhands through him.

I, 19 in the 2nd, got by former U.S. Team Captain/Coach Houshang Bozorgzadeh, now only two years short of retirement from his longtime Mental Health fitness work at the State Hospital in Independence, Iowa. Then, in the quarter's against Brathwaite - though on winning my first point I amazed myself by following with more and more

winners, ran off 11 straight! - alas, I was beaten decisively.

Grady Gordon (1996) dropped a deuce game to Jim Leggett (1639), but - having been bitten on the leg by a small but feisty dog at a recent Family Reunion in Fort Worth - showed no sign of rabies on stepping out to meet Marty Reisman. At last year's Closed Reisman couldn't handle Gordon's combination racket, but here, from 13-all in the 3rd, Marty, topspinning into Grady's backhand, rhythmically outstayed our U.S. Over 70 Champion.

Reisman, however, could be heard lamenting, "My reputation is in tatters" - not because he lost in straight games to Lau in the quarter's, but because of his uncharacteristically undramatic Hardbat loss to Barry Dattel. Perhaps he needs another \$10,000 Challenge Match? ... And perhaps he doesn't?

Over 60 Doubles

Hicks and Mintsiveris beat Brathwaite and Fahlstrom in three. Nick, wearing now not one but two back braces, says he's got to see a specialist. Hicks's steady play seemed a calming influence on him though, and in the 3rd, on taking George's ball, Nick connected for the needed winners. In the semi's, Dick and Nick were in (20, 17) hit-or-miss range with Dawidowicz/Burke; while George and Ray, down 8-2, 10-5, 16-13 in the 3rd against Leff and me, wouldn't remain targeted in our centered sights.

Over 70 Singles

Against Brazil's Helios Bezerra, Harold Kupferman, disgusted at missing high balls and so overhitting the more, had to (19, -19, 17) go back to his sound defense and coolly pick better balls. As for Leon Ruderman - he'd won the first at 10 and was up 5-0 in the second against Georgia's Shaoze Hu - who would think he'd have a problem? Not Leon. His opponent looked frustrated. So Ruderman relaxed - what player wanted to be embarrassed? ... Not Leon. But he was - for he'd tightened to lose the 2nd game at 19, the 3rd at deuce. And Gordon, was he prepared for Hu? "You gotta play this Game with your head, heart, and hands," he was fond of saying. And on losing that 1st game, he'd better. Penholder Hu could pips-place that ball with point-winning accuracy until Grady persisted in forcing play to Hu's forehand and swung the match in his favor.

In the other semi, Kupferman's backhand picks were too much for Lou Radzeli. And, initially, in the final, for Gordon, too. "Harold kept that ball low, and at first I couldn't get a piece of it, couldn't pick it up," Grady said. "It seemed to wobble." But Gordon's patient play eventually prevailed to win him another 70's Singles (and, with Ruderman, another Doubles) Championship.

Over 75 Singles

Radzeli and Freddie Borges advanced out of their round robin to the semi's. And Si Wasserman



Over 50 Men's Singles and Over 60 Doubles Champion Richard Hicks

joined them, thanks to his 20, 19 win over penholder Bob Seifert who, sporting a hip replacement, has returned to the Game after a 44-year absence.

In the 4th round robin grouping, there was a free-for-all. Henry Rubin (1513) was upset by Leo Egel (1145), whom he outscored by 10 points, deuce in the 3rd. But Egel (-18, 21, 16) lost to 91-year-old Ulpiano Santo's spirited rally. Ulpiano, who comes from Dulag on the Gulf of Leyte in the Philippines (that's the next town up from "MacArthur") seems to have picked up the General's "I shall return" line. Here he is at another Major - accompanied of course by wife "Pequita," whom he met while stationed with the U.S. Navy in Puerto Rico 60 years ago. The secret of Ulpiano's vigorous success? Maybe the red wine he makes at home

for a nightly nightcap? Both Santo and Egel were beaten by Bezerra, but when the Brazilian fell 26-24 in the 3rd to Rubin, Henry advanced.

Of the two semis, Borges-Wasserman was the one to talk about, for Freddie had Si 1-0 and 20-14 match point, the checkmate seemingly imminent - and yet Si won the game! ... Only to lose the 3rd at 18. Si said a combination of Borges's backhand-pips play and his own tenuousness accounted for the loss. Radzeli dropped a game to Rubin but wasn't threatened in the 3rd. Louie, when not in Florida during the wintry weather, enjoys coaching as many as "15 little kids" in his Cleveland Green Road Synagogue. "Nobody taught me the Game," he says, "and these kids are as crazy to play as I was."

In the final, Borges played an aggressive but losing 19, 17 match. "Radzeli waits for me to miss," said Freddie with some disdain - as if to say, "If I'm on, he can't win." But perhaps at the moment, Louie, though a few years older, moves a little better than Freddie?

Over 80 Singles

In the absence of Arthur Chase, 82 this July, who, on doctor's orders, had to forgo all his favorite events because of an angiogram he was to take on returning home, it was understood that Radzeli and Ruben would meet in the final. And understood by the Tournament Committee that this Championship would be settled off in a far corner (as if "How fitting!") on Table 80. But this match was not boring and would have been enjoyed by many had it been featured.

Despite Louie's pride in his defense (along of course with that twinkle in his eye when he says something like, "When I mix the spin they despair. They say, 'What are you doing?'"), Ruben clearly didn't find him so formidable. In fact, Henry, up 1-0 and up 19-16 in the 2nd, seemed the winner. Then - what? - he was scared to win? On into the 3rd, they played, both very steady, to another deuce! It little mattered, did it, that Radzeli won?

Eighty-year-old men struggle in their way - have hopes, have fears, like anyone else. Why not let their high seriousness, their show of passion - the example of their enduring life force - be seen?

1999 U.S. OPEN RESULTS

Men's Singles - Final: Chiang Peng-Lung (TPE) d. Chang Yuan-Su (TPE) 17,15,13; **SF:** Chiang d. Olivier Marmurek (FRA) 17,9,11; Chang d. Fan Yiyong (USA) 14,13,-19,21; **QF:** Marmurek d. Koji Sanada (JPN) -15,-17,14,9,17; Chiang d. Cheng Yinghua (USA) 17,20,15; Chang d. David Zhuang (USA) 15,19,-20,12; Fan d. Shinnosuke Kihō (JPN) 17,11,8; **8ths:** Sanada d. Razvan Cretu (USA), 14,10,17; Marmurek d. Pradeeban Peter-Paul (CAN), 11,8,10; Cheng d. Alex Perry (ENG), 17,19,15; Chiang d. Abass Ekun (USA), 16,16,13; Chang d. Gareth Herbert (ENG), 14,8,-19,12; Zhuang d. Matthew Syed (ENG), 18,18,18; Kihō d. Chetan Baboor (IND), -21,8,14,23; Fan d. Terry Young (ENG), 16,-15,-15,14,22

Women's Singles - Final: Xia Lian Ni (LUX) d. Gao Jun (USA) 17,14,20; **SF:** Ni d. Jing Xu (TPE) 12,15,12; Gao d. Chen Jing (TPE) 21,-19,14,18; **QF:** Xia Lian Ni d. Lily Yip (USA) 18,10,14; Jing Xu d. Lijuan Geng (CAN) -18,19,19,17; Gao Jun d. Nicola Deaton (ENG) 10,8,14; Chen Jing d. Marina Kravchenko (ISR) 19,18,-17,14; **8ths:** Xia Lian Ni d. Yuki Fujita (JPN), 6,9,10; Lily Yip d. Kubrat Owolabi (ENG), 15,17,12; Jing Xu d. Amy Feng (USA), 16,-15,-14,17,16; Lijuan Geng d. Virginia Sung (USA), 14,7,23; Gao Jun d. Chris Xu (CAN), 17,16,8; Nicola Deaton d. Claudia Obern (USA), 12,14,18; Marina Kravchenko d. Naoko Taniguchi (JPN), 16,-18,8,20; Chen Jing d. Naomi Yotsumoto (JPN), 15,-16,-18,10,11

Men's Doubles - Final: Chiang/Chang (TPE) d. Peter-Paul/Liu (CAN) 14,12; **SF:** Chiang/Chang d. Yusa/Harada (JPN) 16,7; Peter-Paul/Liu d. Huang/Cheng (USA) 20,-17,10; **QF:** Yusa/Harada d. Zhuang/Sweiris (USA) -17,10,16; Chiang/Chang d. Kihō/Sanada (JPN) -17,14,18; Huang/Cheng (USA) d. Perry/Herbert (ENG) -14,14,18; Peter-Paul/Liu d. Fan/Cretu (USA) 19,-19,20

Women's Doubles - Final: Ni/Regenwetter (LUX) d. Chen/Xu (TPE) 19,-10,11; **SF:** Ni/Regenwetter d. Gao/Feng (USA) 14,20; Chen/Xu d. Geng/Cada (CAN) -15,19,11; **QF:** Ni/Regenwetter d. Wang/Xu (TPE) 14,14; Gao/Feng d. Owolabi/Sung (ENG/USA) 12,11; Geng/Cada d. Deaton/Schwartz (ENG) -21,12,18; Chen/Xu (TPE) d. Banh/Yip (USA) 18,8

Men's Teams - Final: TPE Men d. ENG Men II 3-1; **SF:** ENG Men II d. IND Men I 3-2; TPE Men d. JPN Men I 3-1; **QF:** IND Men I d. PUR Men I 3-1; ENG Men II d. SVK Men 3-1; TPE Men d. ENG Men I 3-1; JPN Men I d. CAN Men I 3-1

Women's Teams - Final: TPE Women d. LUX Women 3-1; **SF:** LUX Women d. USA Women I 3-1; TPE Women d. CAN Women I 3-1; **QF:** LUX Women d. CHN Women by default; USA Women I d. JPN Women II 3-1; CAN Women I d. ENG Women 3-1; TPE Women d. JPN Women I 3-1

Over 40 Men's Teams - Final: USA Senior Men I d. USA Senior Men II 3-1; **SF:** USA Senior Men I d. PER Senior Men 3-0; USA Senior Men II d. PAN Senior Men 3-0

Under 18 Boys' Teams - Final: USA Junior Men II d. USA Junior Men I 3-2; **SF:** USA Junior Men II d. JAM Junior Men I 3-1; USA Junior Men I d. PAN Junior Men 3-1

Under 18 Girls' Teams - Final: USA Junior Women I d. USA Junior Women II 3-1

National All-Star Men - Final: Cheng Yinghua (MD) d. Todd Sweiris (MD) 6,15,11; **SF:** Cheng d. Keith Alban (FL) 6,15,11; Sweiris d. David Zhuang (NJ) -15,14,17,18; **QF:** Cheng d. Razvan Cretu by default; Alban d. Abass Ekun (NY) -6,13,14,11; Sweiris d. Jack Huang (MD) 8,18,18; Zhuang d. Sunny Li (MD) -18,17,21,7

National All-Star Women - Final: Split - Gao Jun (MD) and Amy Feng (GA); **SF:** Gao d. Lily Yip (NJ) 12,9,9; Feng d. Tawny Banh (CA) -9,17,18,-16,16; **QF:** Gao d. Jane Chui (MA) 6,16,11; Yip d. Stacey Lee (CA) 3,9,7; Feng d. Virginia Sung (NY) 14,23,-20,17; Banh d. Vivian Lee (CA) 14,13,16

National All-Star Senior Men Over 40 - Final: Split - Cheng Yinghua (MD) and Abass Ekun (NY); **SF:** Cheng d. Hui Yuan Liu (NY) 9,15; Ekun d. Jack Huang (MD) 15,18,9;

QF: Cheng d. George Brathwaite (NY) by default; Liu d. Richard Hicks (IN) 10,12; Ekun d. David Sakai (MD) by default; Huang d. Barry Dattel (NJ) 11,15

National All-Star Senior Women Over 40 - Final: Mahin Roufeh (TX) d. Judy Hoarfrost (OR) -20,16,14; **SF:** Hoarfrost d. Barbara Kaminsky (VA) 10,-18,12; Roufeh d. Danuta Andrzejewska (FL) by default

Hard Bat Singles - Final: Ty Hoff (GA) d. Lily Yip (NJ) 13,-22,-19,15,14; **SF:** Yip d. Larry Hodges (MD) 19,22,10; Hoff d. Barry Dattel (NJ) 11,10,14; **QF:** Yip d. Steve Berger (NY) 10,14,5; Hodges d. Carlos Ko (NY) 14,-13,18,12; Hoff d. Ashu Jain (NJ) 15,12,23; Dattel d. Marty Reisman (NY) 17,20,-19,16

Hard Bat Doubles - Final: Hoff/Hodges d. Reisman/Bozorgzadeh 10,12; **SF:** Hoff/Hodges d. Boggan/Andrade 8,16; Reisman/Bozorgzadeh d. Clafin/Kressner 14,12; **QF:** Hoff/Hodges d. Beauchamp/Thomas 8,8; Boggan/Andrade d. Varian/Millett -11,19,17; Clafin/Kressner d. Gordon/Waters 22,-13,20; Reisman/Bozorgzadeh d. Kalagher/McDermott 19,19

Over 30 Singles - Final: Cheng Yinghua (MD) d. Horatio Pinteá (CAN) by default; **SF:** Cheng d. Casas (FL) 13,3; Pinteá d. Luis Ruiz (PR) 14,14; **QF:** Cheng d. Thor Truelsen (MN) 5,11; Casas d. Derek May (GA) 8,16; Pinteá d. Alexis Perez (NY) 4,21; Ruiz d. Jack Huang (MD) by default

Over 40 Men - Final: Split - Cheng Yinghua (MD) and Jack Huang (MD); **SF:** Cheng d. Barry Dattel (NJ) 11,9; Huang d. Abass Ekun (NY) by default; **QF:** Cheng d. Larry Thoman (TN) 2,7; Barry Dattel d. Liu (NY) -12,19,23; Ekun d. Gonzalo Ortiz (NY) 12,16; Huang d. Henry McCoullum (PA) 12,7

Over 40 Women - Final: Judy Hoarfrost (OR) d. Mahin Roufeh (TX) 17,-12,19; **SF:** Hoarfrost d. Barbara Kaminsky (VA) -20,17,17; Roufeh d. Suzanna Sanders (FL) 14,-19,15; **QF:** Hoarfrost d. Danuta Andrzejewska (FL) 19,13; Kaminsky d. Maria Cifuentes (CHI) 15,6; Sanders d. Gail Kendall (NY) 6,7; Roufeh d. Benigna Campos (PER) by default

Over 50 Men - Final: Richard Hicks (IN) d. George Brathwaite (NY) -8,17,18; **SF:** Brathwaite d. Jiri Hlava (MA) 18,7; Hicks d. Kwing Yiu Lau (MA) 16,14; **QF:** Hlava d. David Sakai (MD) -12,19,19; Brathwaite d. Homer Brown (AL) 10,13; Yiu Lau d. Nick Mintsiveris (CA) 19,6; Hicks d. Bohdan Dawidowicz (CO) 10,13

Over 50 Women - Final: Barbara Kaminsky (VA) d. Maria Cifuentes (CHI) 17,18; **SF:** Cifuentes d. Suzanna Sanders (FL) 13,17; Kaminsky d. Danuta Andrzejewska (FL) 16,-10,8; **QF:** Sanders d. Gail Kendall (NY) 12,7; Cifuentes d. Jan Cline (FL) 16,22; Andrzejewska d. Violet Bloom (CA) by default; Kaminsky d. Irina Borisova (CA) -18,8,11

Over 60 - Final: Kwing Yiu Lau (MA) d. Richard Hicks (IN) 14,-6,10; **SF:** Hicks d. Bohdan Dawidowicz (CO) 11,11; Lau d. George Brathwaite (NY) 18,-15,14; **QF:** Hicks d. Nick Mintsiveris (CA) 17,6; Dawidowicz d. Leff (FL) 19,19; Brathwaite d. Tim Boggan (NY) 16,14; Lau d. Marty Reisman (NY) 15,14

Over 70 - Final: Grady Gordon (TX) d. Harold Kupferman (NY) -18,15,13; **SF:** Gordon d. Shaoze Hu (GA) -18,15,13; Kupferman d. Louis Radzeli 16,9

Over 75 - Final: Louis Radzeli (OH) d. Fred Borges (CA) 19,17; **SF:** Radzeli d. Henry Rubin (FL) 17,-12,10; Borges d. Si Wasserman (CA) 12,-20,18

Over 80 - Final: Louis Radzeli (OH) d. Henry Rubin (FL) -18,20,20

Over 40 Doubles - Final: Split - Cheng/Sakai and Huang/Liu; **SF:** Cheng/Sakai d. Brown/Hicks 12,13; Huang/Liu d. Ekun/Brathwaite 17,16

Over 50 Doubles - Final: Brathwaite/Sakai d. Brown/Hicks 19,18; **SF:** Brathwaite/Sakai d. Burke/Dawidowicz -15,17,10; Brown/Hicks d. Millett/Leff 13,8

Over 60 Doubles - Final: Hicks/Mintsiveris d. Fahlstrom/Brathwaite 18,-18,11; **SF:** Hicks/Mintsiveris d. Burke/Dawidowicz 20,17; Fahlstrom/Brathwaite d. Leff/Boggan 10,-13,18;

Over 70 Doubles - Final: Gordon/Ruderman d. Radzeli/

Weinberg 8,1

Under 22 Men's Singles - Final: Shinnosuke Kihō (JPN) d. Daisuke Ishida (JPN) 14,15; **SF:** Ishida d. Mitsuhiro Yusa (JPN) 9,19; Kihō d. Yuan-Su Chang (TPE) 19, 8,14; **QF:** Yusa d. Koji Sanada (JPN) 19,-15,17; Ishida d. Gareth Herbert (ENG) 16,16; Kihō d. Takamasa Harada (JPN) 17,10; Chang d. Terry Young (ENG) 11,18

Under 22 Women's Singles - Final: Naomi Yotsumoto (JPN) d. Naomi Izumi (JPN) 7,12; **SF:** Yotsumoto d. Yuki Fujita (JPN) -19,20,10; Tamai d. Kumiko Aono (JPN) 15,18; **QF:** Yotsumoto d. Gagnon (CAN) 3,15; Fujita d. Naoko Taniguchi (JPN) 17,15; Aono d. Kibibi Moseley (USA) 22,19; Tamai d. Wenxiao Wang (CAN) 11,17

National All-Star Under 18 Boys - Final: Keith Alban (FL) d. Freddie Gabriel (CA) 20,-16,15; **SF:** Gabriel d. Sunny Li (MD) 16,16; Alban d. T.J. Beebe (CA) 14,17; **QF:** Li d. David Gruber (TX) by default; Gabriel d. Lee McCool (GA) 13,-19,13; Beebe d. Howard Lamb (12,14); Alban d. Terrence Lee (CA) 14,14

National All-Star Under 18 Girls - Final: Michelle Do (CA) d. Kyna Fong (CA) 12,10; **SF:** Do d. Stacy Schoenberg (NY) 16,12; Fong d. Jackie Lee (CA) 20,1; **QF:** Schoenberg d. Mary Lee (CA) -24,26,6; Fong d. Elysia Gruber (TX) 10,15; Lee d. Judy Hugh (NJ) 9,13

Under 18 Boys' Singles - Final: Keith Alban (FL) d. Robin Morin (SWE) 12,15; **SF:** Alban d. T.J. Beebe (GA) 12,-18,16; Morin d. Terrence Lee (CA) 17,13; **QF:** Alban d. Mark Hazinski (IN) 15,-18,10; Beebe d. Josue Squilino (FL) 15,7; Lee d. Arturo Shiu Pang (PAN) 15,-17,10; Morin d. Freddie Gabriel (CA) 14,14

Under 18 Girls' Singles - Final: Kyna Fong (CA) d. Michelle Do (CA) 19,-18,17; **SF:** Do d. Stacy Schoenberg (NY) -15,5,11; Fong d. Pei Pei Zheng (TX) 19,-12,18; **QF:** Do d. Abrelle Poole (GUY) by default; Schoenberg d. Katherine Wu (MD) 18,17; Fong d. Bertnell Richards (GUY) 18,13; Zheng d. Mary Lee (CA)

Under 16 Boys' Singles - Final: Keith Alban (FL) d. Terrence Lee (CA) 12,17; **SF:** Alban d. Mark Hazinski (IN) 14,13; Lee d. Josue Squilino (FL) 15,12; **QF:** Alban d. Alphanso Murray (JAM) 13,11; Hazinski d. Lou Soo (ME) 5,8; Squilino d. Joy Santiago (FL) 8,11; Lee d. Jaysron Mathilda 15,15

Under 16 Girls' Singles - Final: Jackie Lee (CA) d. Pei Pei Zheng (TX) 21,17; **SF:** Zheng d. Patricia Figueroa (PR) 4,3; Lee d. Zeina Shaban (JOR) 10,11; **QF:** Zheng d. Guadalupe Gomez-Sanchez (PER) 13,11; Figueroa d. Shelley Lee by default; Shaban d. Lisa Diaz (PR) 14,13; Lee d. Wilmarys Sanchez (PR) 6,3

Under 14 Boys' Singles - Final: Santiago Coste (PR) d. Adam Hugh (NJ) -18,10,11; **SF:** Hugh d. Pan Lin (NY) 17,12; Coste d. Wallace Liu (CA) 17,14; **QF:** Hugh d. Thomas Haynes 8,19; Lin d. Howard Lamb (TX) 13,9; Liu d. Yin Wang (MA) 20,20; Coste d. Mikhail Kazantsev (CA) 19,14

Under 14 Girls' Singles - Final: Wan-Ling Lo (TPE) d. Katherine Wu (MD) 10,14; **SF:** Lo d. Jackie Lee (CA) -13,14,15; Wu d. Zeina Shaban (JOR) -21,19,16; **QF:** Lee d. Tzu-Min Wu (TPE) -12,19,17; Lo d. I-Hsuan Hsiao (TPE) 18,22; Shaban d. Yu-Wen Lu (TPE) 16,17; Wu d. Atha Fong 14,14

Under 12 Boys' Singles - Final: Adam Hugh (NJ) d. Mikhail Kazantsev (CA) 12,14; **SF:** Hugh d. Giancarlo Cerna (PER) 12,-20,8; Kazantsev d. Eric Finkelstein (NJ) 17,23; **QF:** Hugh d. Sergey Gutkin (CA) 6,7; Cerna d. Mingkuang Luo (VA) 8,12; Finkelstein d. Ryan Hoarfrost 16,16; Kazantsev d. Joshua Bernstein (FL) 7,17

Under 12 Girls' Singles - Final: I-Chen Lee (TPE) d. Atha Fong (CA) 5,5; **SF:** Lee d. Chia-Li Hu (TPE) by default; Fong d. Judy Hugh (NJ) 15,-18,22; **QF:** Lee d. Zeina Shaban (JOR) 10,11; Hu d. Melissa Valenzuela (PER) 4,11; Fong d. Lindsay Torres (FL) 17,14; Hugh d. Claudia Razzeto Sumarriva (PER) 19,9

Under 10 Boys' Singles - Final: Zeid Shaban (JOR) d. Kristian Kobes (SVK) 19,-17,18; **SF:** Kobes d. Franks

Kastner (PER) 9,8; Shaban d. Sergey Gutkin (CA) 17,13
Under 10 Girls' Singles - Final: Judy Hugh (NJ) d. Melissa Valenzuela (PER) 19,17; **SF:** Hugh d. Claudia Sumarriva (PER) -21,12,20; Valenzuela d. Rita Wu (MD) 15,9

Under 18 Boys' Doubles - Final: Morin/Lee d. Doughlin/Maxius 19,15; **SF:** Doughlin/Maxius d. Shiu Pang/Jimenez - 17,18,19; Morin/Lee d. Strachan/Strachan 4,-23,9

Under 18 Girls' Doubles - Final: Fong/Do d. Poole/Richards by default

Under 16 Doubles - Final: Lee/Hazinski d. Strachan/Murray 10,10; **SF:** Lee/Hazinski d. Bascombe/Doughlin 19,11; Strachan/Murray d. Broderick/Taylor 17,14

Under 14 Doubles - Final: Wang/Hugh d. Shaban/Shaban 9,16; **SF:** Wang/Hugh d. Cerna/Cerna -20,18,18; Shaban/Shaban d. Taylor/Williams 11,19

U2550 Singles - Final: Brian Pace (FL) d. Yu Shao (NY), 17,18; **SF:** Pace d. Ashu Jain (NJ) 18,16; Shao d. Chris Xu (CAN) 16,15; **QF:** Pace d. Sunny Li (MD) 11,15; Jain d. Abass Ekun (NY) 12,19; Shao d. Shashin Shodhan (CA) 18,11; Xu d. Sean Lonergan (MD) 22,17

U2400 Singles - Final: Gabriel Santiago d. Srinivasan Ramanathan (PA) 19,16; **SF:** Santiago d. Xavier Therien (CAN) 18,19; Ramanathan d. Tahl Leibovitz (NY) -14,18,12; **QF:** Therien d. Joseph Dibbs (FL) 15,15; Santiago d. Peter Zajac (CA) 19,14; Leibovitz d. Dickie Fleisher (FL) 16,9; Ramanathan d. Karl Paulin (CAN) 19,17

U2300 Singles - Final: Juan Revelles (PR) d. Srinivasan Ramanathan (PA) 10,13; **SF:** Revelles d. John Wetzler (PA) 8,11; Ramanathan d. Jiri Hlava (MA) 13,-23,4; **QF:** Wetzler d. Randy Hewett (IN) 16,15; Revelles d. Donovan James (FL) 12,10; Ramanathan d. John Beaumont (LA) 6,4; Hlava d. Jacques Casas (FL) -15,15,10

U2200 RR - Final: Juan Revelles (PR) d. Origene Nyanguile (MD) 15,-24,10; **SF:** Nyanguile d. Mark Hazinski (IN) 19,-14,14; Revelles d. Kwong Yiu Lau (MA) -18,15,12; **QF:** Hazinski d. Richard Ginete (MN) 9,16; Nyanguile d. Shuja Jafar-Ali (TN) -12,21,12; Lau d. Jumpei Misu (NJ) -19,26,20; Revelles d. Randy Hewett (IN) 16,-17,16

U2100 RR - Final: Juan Revelles (PR) d. Steve Berger (NY) 14,16; **SF:** Revelles d. Pei Pei Zheng (TX) by default; Berger d. Bohdan Dawidowicz (CO) 8,-19,18; **QF:** Zheng d. Richard Pang (FL) 22,11; Revelles d. Hieu Van Truong 14,18; Dawidowicz d. Norman Bass (CA) 17,-24,15; Berger d. Rafael Flores (FL) -18,18,12

U2000 RR - Final: Chian Pang (TX) d. Howard Lamb (TX) -18,7,13; **SF:** Pang d. Roman Guhr (FL) 18,21; Lamb d. Santiago Coste (PR) 18,17; **QF:** Pang d. Yin Wang (MA) 16,15; Guhr d. Leon Ruderman (CA) 7,18; Lamb d. Adam Brown (AL) 10,15; Coste d. Adam Hugh (NJ) 15,18

U1900 RR - Final: Howard Lamb (TX) d. Santiago Coste (PR) 15,15; **SF:** Coste d. Tom Wintrich 11,12; Lamb d. Sa-Ni Martinez (FL) -11,12,11

U1775 RR - Final: Kirk Mohammed (NY) d. Jerry Vasquez (NY) 19,16; **SF:** Vasquez d. Lee Harper (NV) 8,13; Mohammed d. Mark Herbert (FL) 20,15

U1650 RR - Final: Wallace Liu (CA) d. Lee Harper (NV) -16,16,17; **SF:** Liu d. Kirk Mohammed (NY) -23,18,15; Harper d. Lorin Benedict (CA) 12,-14,11

U1525 RR - Final: Eric Finkelstein (NY) d. Mike Tatusov (MD) -17,18,15; **SF:** Finkelstein d. David Marshall (FL) -14,19,17; Tatusov d. Uri Nathanson (FL) 23,11

U1400 RR - Final: David Marshall (FL) d. Brian Maxwell (NY) by default; **SF:** Maxwell d. Alex Tatusov (MD) 10,7; Marshall d. Sug Chan (FL) 11,8

U1275 RR - Final: Khoi Than (OR) d. Lisa Diaz (PR) 21,19; **SF:** Diaz d. Raynor Lee (FL) 11,14; Than d. Gabor Neznar Jr. (FL) 15,-14,18

U1150 RR - Final: Lisa Diaz (PR) d. Kedar Kirtane (FL) 14,17; **SF:** Kirtane d. Fong Hsu (MD) 12,14; Diaz d. Raynor Lee (FL) -13,18,18

U1000 RR - Final: Joshua Viner (CT) d. Jandon Mitchell (OR) 12,19; **SF:** Viner d. Patricia Figueroa (PR) 12,18;

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Juan Revelles: U2300, U2200, U2100

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Richard Hicks: Over 50 Men's Singles, Over 60 Doubles

Adam Hugh: Under 12 Boys' Singles, Under 14 Boys' Doubles

Kyna Fong: Under 18 Girls' Singles, Under 18 Girls' Doubles

Jackie Lee: Under 16 Girls' Singles, Under 18 Girls' Teams

Joshua Bartel: Men's Standing Disabled Open (Classes 6-10), Under 3700 Doubles

Mitchell d. Khoi Than (OR) 21,19

U2100 Women's RR - Final: Jo-Annie Gagnon (CAN) d. Pei Pei Zheng (TX) -20,17,11; **SF:** Zheng d. Inna Laskova (CT) 19,16

U1800 Over 40 RR - Final: Hawk Lee (CA) d. Simon Jacobson (FL) 17,15; **SF:** Lee d. Larry Hensley (FL) 15,15; Jacobson d. Douglas Haynes (NH) 19,-19,12

U4200 Doubles - Final: Hayes/Ackerman d. Harbeck/Aponte 15,15; **SF:** Harbeck/Aponte d. Chung/Chui 19,-10,15; Hayes/Ackerman d. Master/Nyanguile 11,21

U3700 Doubles - Final: Rempel/Bartel d. Elston/Rautis 22,17; **SF:** Rempel/Bartel d. Beauchamp/Thomas 16,-19,12; Elston/Rautis d. Aki/Fahlstrom -17,18,14

U3200 Doubles - Final: Nathanson/Jacobson d. Keaton/Boyle Sr. 14,16; **SF:** Keaton/Boyle Sr. d. Millett/Alderman; Nathanson/Jacobson d. Despathy/Soo 10,7

Foreign Men's Singles - Final: Adam Rasberg (SWE) d. Srinivasan Ramanathan (PA) 5,18; **SF:** Rasberg d. Robin Morin (SWE) 14,21; Ramanathan d. Jean-Philippe Gagnon (CAN) 20,16

Foreign Women's Singles - Final: Marina Kravchenko (ISR) d. Kibibi Moseley (CA) 8,14; **SF:** Moseley d. Ingela Edman (FL) 19,3; Kravchenko d. Inna Laskova (CT) 13,8

Men's Wheelchair Singles, Classes 1-2 - Final: Antonio Roa (MEX) d. Sergio Lujan (MEX) 18,15; **SF:** Roa d. Jose Marino (ARG) 8,22; Lujan d. Jose Daniel Haylan (ARG) -20,15,18

Men's Wheelchair Singles, Class 3: 1st: Vitaliano Brandoli (ARG); 2nd: Anthony Lara (USA); 3rd: Michael LoRusso (USA)

Men's Wheelchair Singles, Classes 4-5 - Final: Salvatore Caci (ITA) d. Andre Scott (USA) 14,12; **SF:** Caci d. Enrique Tomaseo (ARG) 12,13; Scott d. Mike Dempsey (USA) 7,7

Men's Standing Disabled Singles, Classes 6-7: 1st: Norman Bass (USA); 2nd: Joshua Bartel (USA); 3rd: Michell DiFranco (BRA)

Men's Standing Disabled Singles, Classes 8-10 - Final: Tahl Leibovitz (USA) d. John MacPherson (CAN) 16,17; **SF:** Leibovitz d. Martin Pelletier (CAN) 12,17; MacPherson d. Kent Bishop (CAN) -19,9,18

Men's Class 11 Singles: 1st: M. Higuchi (JPN); 2nd: S.

Tsuchihashi (JPN); 3rd: N. Horiuchi (JPN)

Women's Wheelchair Singles, Classes 1-3: 1st: Alicia DePaul (ARG); 2nd: Jackie DiLorenzo (USA); 3rd: Ruth Rosenbaum (USA)

Women's Wheelchair Singles, Classes 4-5: 1st: Jennifer Johnson (USA); 2nd: Marta Ana Makishi (ARG); 3rd: Sonia Oliveira (BRA)

Women's Singles Class 11: 1st: H. Kimura (JPN); 2nd: H. Chiba (JPN); 3rd: M. Moden (JPN)

Men's Wheelchair Open Singles, Classes 1-5 - Final: Andre Scott (USA) d. Enrique Tomaseo (ARG) 17,18; **SF:** Tomaseo d. Salvatore Caci (ITA) -17,23,23; Scott d. Mike Dempsey (USA) 14,16

Women's Wheelchair Open Singles, Classes 1-5 - Final: Split - Jennifer Johnson (USA) and Terese Terranova (USA); **SF:** Johnson d. Alicia De Paul (ARG) 7,6; Terranova d. Marta Makishi (ARG) 14,-22,14

Men's Standing Disabled Open Singles, Classes 6-10 - Final: Joshua Bartel (USA) d. Norman Bass (USA) 14,16; **SF:** Bass d. John MacPherson (CAN) 17,16; Bartel d. Carlo Di Franco Michell, 18,21

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Men's Singles - Final: Johnny Huang d. Cheng Yinghua, 17, 25, 18; **Stage 3 Results - Group 1:** 1st Cheng Yinghua 2-0 (d. Liu -17,7,14; d. Cohen 6,12,18; 2nd Kurt Liu 1-1 (d. Cohen 18,-31,20,20); 3rd Randy Cohen 0-2; **Group 2 Results:** 1st Johnny Huang 2-0 (d. Sweeris, 18,22,15; d. Zhuang, def.); 2nd Todd Sweeris 1-1 (d. Zhuang, def.); 3rd David Zhuang 0-2.

Women's Singles - Final: Gao Jun d. Lijuan Geng, 12,-16,17,-13,21; **Stage 3 Results - Group 1:** 1st Lijuan Geng 2-0 (d. Cada, 15,18,20; d. Banh, 16,10,18); 2nd Petra Cada 1-1 (d. Banh, -18,18,18,-10,14); 3rd Tawny Banh, 0-2; **Group 2:** 1st Gao Jun 2-0 (d. Xu, 12,13,20; d. Sung, 9,12,16); 2nd Chris Xu 1-1 (d. Sung 19,-12,17,9); 3rd: Virginia Sung 0-3.

Men's Doubles - Final: Kurt Liu/Pradeeban Peter-Paul d. Cheng Yinghua/Jack Huang, 20,-17,10.

Women's Doubles - Final: Gao Jun/Amy Feng d. Lijuan Geng/Petra Cada, def.



1999 North American Men's Champion Johnny Huang

The North American Championships were held this year in conjunction with the U.S. Open. Those Open participants who arrived a day early were treated to a great show by the top male and female players from both the United States and Canada. At stake was not only the North American Continental title, but also an opportunity for the winners to compete in the World Cup.

Stage One

The first stage of play consisted of four round robin groups of men and women. To advance, players had to finish first or second in their group.

In the Women's Event, all of the top seeds advanced without much trouble. The toughest competition was in Group Two between U.S. Team Members Lily Yip and Amy Feng, and Canada's rising star, Petra Cada. Petra, who has been competing in the Super League in Prague, defeated both Lily and Amy. Amy went on to defeat Lily for the second spot in three games. Gao Jun (USA) won Group One, with Wenxiao Wang (CAN) coming in second. It was Chris Xu (CAN) over Tawny Banh (USA) in Group Three and Lijuan Geng (CAN) easily winning Group Four over Virginia Sung (USA).

The Men's Event was far more competitive with a number of upsets and near upsets. Cheng Yinghua (USA) and Johnny Huang (CAN) both won their groups (Group One and Four) without a loss. However, Cheng was pushed hard by Canada's young Kurt Liu. Kurt took the first game 22-20 before Cheng steadied to take the next two at 19 & 17. Kurt went on to advance by defeating Brian Pace and Horatio Pinteá. In Group Two, U.S. Champion David Zhuang took an early loss to Canada's Peter-Paul Pradeeban. Pradeeban would in turn lose to Barney Reed Jr., creating a three-way tie in the group. David and Barney advanced on game record. In Group Three, Randy Cohen, who was playing much more aggressively than in the past, defeated both Todd Sweeris and Joe Ng to win his group. Todd came in second.

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Stage Two

The four winners from Stage One in both the Men's and Women's divisions moved directly on to Stage Three. Stage Two consisted of all the second-place finishers competing for the final two positions to be filled.

The determining match for the women came down to Virginia Sung and Tawny Banh. This turned out to be the best match of the event. Both players know each other's game well. Virginia mixed her much-improved loop into her steady chopping game and pushed Tawny to three deuce games. However, two brave forehand loops at the end of game three gave Tawny the match, 20, -22, 20. The difference in the match was Tawny's ability to repeatedly penetrate Virginia's backhand chop.

In the Men's Division, Kurt Liu outlasted a fast start by Todd Sweeris to win in three games, -12, 12, 18. While Kurt continued his fine play of the earlier round and went undefeated in this round robin, Todd's play was spotty, alternately making great shots and missing easy returns. Todd would advance, however, with wins over Barney Reed and Eric Owens, who finished third and fourth, respectively.

Stage Three

Stage Three was also in round robin format. You began to see the fatigue in the faces of the players as this was, for some, their third round robin of the day. Six men and six women remained in the competition. They were divided into two groups of three, with all matches now being the best of five games. The winners of the groups would advance into the finals.

The top two seeded women advanced without dropping a game. Geng Lijuan, ranked 23rd in the world, defeated Petra Cada and Tawny Banh. Gao Jun, ranked 29th in the world, defeated Chris Xu and Virginia Sung. Both Geng and Jun simply had too much ball control and experience for the other competitors.

On the men's side, top-seeded Johnny Huang, ranked 25th in the world, and Cheng Yinghua, ranked 67th in the world, advanced

from their groups. Cheng dropped the first game to Kurt Liu, who can really rip the first loop, but he then steadied to win the next three games, -17, 7, 7, 14. Liu defeated Randy Cohen in an exciting four-game match, 18, -31, 20, 20. Yes, that second game score is correct! Talk about drama—the audience could hardly breathe when Randy finally won that game. It was another great effort from Randy, but Liu had too much backhand loop power. In Group Two, Todd Sweeris played a respectable match against the fast all-out hitting style of Johnny Huang, but he could not win a game. When David Zhuang had to default with a shoulder problem, Huang was in the final.

Final

The Women's final between Gao Jun and Geng

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1999 North American Women's Champion Gao Jun

Lijuan featured two very evenly matched players. Both are former members of the Chinese National Team and have been among the best players in the World for many years. Gao plays a close-to-the-table, controlled blocking and attacking game with short pips and a penhold grip. Geng is also a very controlled attacker who uses the shakehands grip and medium pips on the backhand. Both feature great serves and serve return with Geng holding a slight edge on forehand power. In

the end, it was more a battle of nerves and stamina as Gao pulled out a crowd-pleasing five game win, 12, -16, 17, -13, 21.

The Men's final was more anticlimactic with Johnny Huang controlling play and defeating Cheng Yinghua in straight games, 17, 25, 18 (with Cheng deucing it from down 20-16 in the second!). Throughout the match it seemed Cheng was content to play consistently and hope Huang would make errors. While this strategy kept Cheng close, it allowed Huang to control the majority of points. At the end of each game, Huang always managed to hit more than he missed. 🏓

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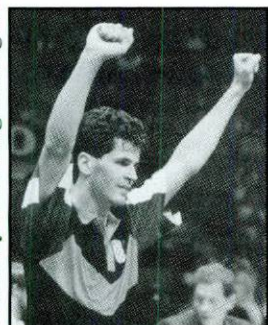
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Men's Singles – Final: Zoran Primorac (CRO) d. Chiang Peng-Lung (TPE), -16,19,-15,17,15; **SF:** Primorac d. Peter Karlsson (SWE), -9,14,13,15; Chiang d. Qian Qianli (AUT), 6,17,10; **QF:** Primorac d. Koji Matsushita (JPN), 16,13,7; Karlsson d. Jean-Michel Saive (BEL), -17,-24,17,16,15; Chiang d. Liu Sung (ARG), -21,11,17,11; Qian d. Matthew Syed (ENG), -15,20,-11,17,15; **8ths:** Primorac d. Trinko Keen (NED), 17,11,-14,15; Matsushita d. Christophe Legout (FRA), 12,13,9; Karlsson d. Patrick Chila (FRA), 16,17,7; Saive d. Fredrik Hakansson (SWE), 12,12,13; Song d. Kalinkos Kreanga (GRE), 17,-19,23,-9,17; Chiang d. Damien Eloi, 19,10,-18,9; Qian d. Werner Schlager (AUT), -16,9,-13,17,18; Syed d. Jean-Philippe Gatién (FRA), -15,9,18,18.

Women's Singles – Final: Chen Jing d. Qiaohong Gotsch (GER), 15,10,-24,8; **SF:** Qiaohong d. Anne Boileau (FRA), -16,17,15,-20,10; Chen d. An Konishi (JPN), 12,19,17; **QF:** Boileau d. Jing Tian-Zorner (GER), 14,15,-12,22; Qiaohong d. Irina Palina (RUS), 12,15,15; Chen d. Jie Schopp, 12,11,13; Konishi d. Ni Xia Lian (LUX), 14,-18,13,16; **8ths:** Jing d. Marina Kravchenko (BRA), 16,11,14; Boileau d. Ai Sakata (JPN), 14,-12,16,-14,17; Palina d. Gerdie Keen (NED), 9,17,-19,17; Qiaohong d. Ai Fujinama (JPN), 9,9,16; Chen d. Rinko Sakata (JPN), 16,-13,19,-18,15; Schopp d. Xu Jing (TPE), 17,-19,-15,14,18; Konishi d. Kazuko Naito (JPN), 16,17,-16,10; Ni d. Keiko Okazaki (JPN), 22,13,20.

Men's Doubles – Final: Zoran Primorac/Jean-Michel Saive (CRO/BEL) d. Werner Schlager/Karl Jindrak (AUT), 20,-15,9; **SF:** Primorac/Saive d. Peter Karlsson/Fredrik Hakansson (SWE), 8,11; Schlager/Jindrak d. Danny Heister/Trinko Kee (NED), 19,11; **QF:** Primorac/Saive d. Jean-Philippe Gatién/Patrick Chila (FRA),

15,23; Karlsson/Hakansson d. Qian Qianli (AUT)/Olivier Marmurek (FRA), 17,14; Heister/Keen d. Christophe Legout/Damien Eloi (FRA), 10,10; Schlager/Jindrak d. Matthew Syed



Zoran Primorac (YUG) won Men's Singles and Doubles at the Brazil Open.

1st WORLD TABLE TENNIS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Shanghai, China

June 10-13, 1999

FINAL:

PLAICBC (PL) d. Shanghai Edelweiss (SE), 3-1: Feng Zhu (SE) d. Ma Lin (PL), -15,17,19; Liu Guoliang (PL) d. Wang Liqin (SE), 12,-14,19; Wang Tao (PL) d. Guo Jinhao (SE), 11,9; Ma Lin (PL) d. Wang Liqin (SE), 20,16.

SEMIFINALS:

PLAICBC (PL) d. Team Tetra Pak (TT), 3-0: Liu Guoliang (PL) d. Jorgen Persson (TT), 14,-14,16; Ma Lin (PL) d. Jan-Ove Waldner (TT), -20,13,16; Wang Tao (PL) d. H. Roswall (TT), 14,13;

Shanghai Edelweiss (SE) d. Borussia Dusseldorf (BD), 3-0:

Wang Liqin (SE) d. Matsushita Koji (BD), 18,13; Feng Zhe (SE) d. Vladmimir Samsonov (BD), -20,13,16; Guo Jinhao (SE) d. Michael Maze (BD), 7,16.

QUARTERFINALS:

PLAICBC (PL) d. Royal Charleroi (RC), 3-0: Ma Lin (PL) d. Jean-Michel Saive, 19,12; Liu Guoliang (PL) d. Zoran Primorac (RC), 21,14; Wang Tao (PL) d. Johnny Huang (RC), 14,13.

Team Tetra Pak (TT) d. Levalois UTT (LU), 3-2:

Jan-Ove Waldner (TT) d. Patrick Chila (LU), -19,16,19; Jorgen Persson (TT) d. Jean-Philippe Gatién (LU), 18,-18,16; Christophe Legout (LU) d. Magnus Wahlgren (TT), 5,11; Jean-Philippe Gatién (LU) d. Jan-Ove Waldner (TT), 16,-18,17; Jorgen Persson (TT) d. Patrick Chila (LU), 14,-15,14.

Borussia Dusseldorf (BD) d. Samsung Life Insurance (SL), 3-1:

Oh Sang Eun (SL) d. Koji Matsushita (BD), 18,18; Vladimir Samsonov (BD) d. Lee Yoo Jin (SL), 12,12; Michael Maze (BD) d. Lee Chul Seung (SL), 28,-14,20; Vladimir Samsonov (BD) d. Oh Sang Eun (SL), -18,16,10.

Shanghai Edelweiss (SE) d. Caen TTC (CT), 3-1:

Peter Franz (CT) d. Feng Zhe, 17,-15,18; Wang Liqin (SE) d. Damien Eloi (CT), 13,17; Guo Jinhao (SE) d. Eric Varin (CT), -14,15,12; Feng Zhe (SE) d. Damien Eloi (CT), 17,12.

(ENG)/Koji Matsushita (JPN), -21,17,12.

Women's Doubles – Final: Anne Boileau/Anne Gourin (FRA) d. Kazuko Naito/Rinko Sakata (JPN), -17,17,14; **SF:** Boileau/Gourin d. Cheng Jing/Xu Jing (TPE), 17,14; Naito/R.Sakata d. A.Sakata/Fumie Kawano (JPN), 18,-18,18.

CROATIAN OPEN

Zagreb, Croatia

March 17-20, 1999

Men's Singles – Final: Vladimir Samsonov (BEL) d. Werner Schlager (AUT), 13,15,12; **SF:** Samsonov d. Jean-Philippe Gatién (FRA), 19,-20,-18,17,13; Schlager d. Iseki Seiko (JPN), 14,13,19; **QF:** Samsonov d. Jorgen Persson (SWE), 14,18,-19,13; Gatién d. Peter Franz (GER), -9,17,27,21; Iseki d. Kim Taek Soo (KOR), 18,-10,16,10; Schlager d. Peng-Lung Chiang (TPE), 16,20,17; **8ths:** Samsonov d. Petr Korbel (CZE), 14,18,-19,13; Persson d. Yoo Seung Min (KOR), 9,14,12; Franz d. Carl Preat (ENG), 12,-17,11,18; Gatién d. Liu Song (ARG), -9,17,27,21; Kim d. L. Blaszczyk (POL), 15,18,13; Iseki d. Patrick Chila (FRA), 18,-10,16,10; Chiang d. Christophe Legout (FRA), 12,16,-15,9; Schlager d. Geir Erlandsen (NOR), 16,20,17.

Women's Singles – Final: Tamara Boros (CRO) d. An Konishi (JPN), -16,12,16,13; **SF:** Konishi d. Park Hae Jung (KOR), 16,-20,19,16; Boros d. Oksana Kusch (RUS), -17,14,13,17; **QF:** Park d. Jing Tian-Zorner (GER), 13,-16,-11,21,22; Konishi d. Ryu Jie Hye (KOR), 16,19,-17,19; Kusch d. Wong (HKG), 18,14,12; Boros d. Kim Moo Kyu (KOR), 19,-12,19,-12,19. **8ths:** Jing d. Mihaela Steff (ROM), 17,19,18; Park d. Maria Fazekas (HUN), -22,17,-15,8,13; Konishi d. Alessia Arisi (ITA), 18,14,-17,-18,14; Ryu d. Kazuko Naito (JPN), 15,14,10; Wong Ching d. Jie Schopp (GER), -14,-18,15,11,8; Kusch d. Valentina Popova (SVK), 16,14,15; Kim d. Aya Umemura (JPN), 15,-16,17,14; Boros d. Song Ah Sim (HKG), 21,13,11.

Men's Doubles – Final: Jean-Philippe Gatién/Patrick Chila (FRA) d. V. Samsonov/Z. Primorac (BLR/CRO), 15,-11,22; **SF:** Gatién/Chila d. Peter Franz/Petr Korbel (GER/CZE), 18,13; Samsonov/Primorac d. Trinko Keen/J. De Cock (NED), 10,14; **QF:** Samsonov/Primorac d. Yoo Nam Kyu/Yoo Seung Min (KOR), 19,14; Keen/De Cock d. Peter Fazekas/Marton Marsi (HUN), 8,13; Franz/Korbel d. Chiang Peng-Lung/Chang Yuan-Su (TPE), 17,20; Gatién/Chila d. Koji Matsushita/Hiroshi Shibutani (JPN), 18,13.

Women's Doubles – Final: Olga Nemes/Eike Schall (GER) d. Tong Fei-Ming/Song Ah Sim (TPE/HKG), 17,16; **SF:** Tong/Song d. Suk Eun Mi/Lee Kyung Sun (KOR), -20,21,8; Nemes/Schall d. Park Hae Jung/Kim Moo Kyu (KOR), 18,17; **QF:** Tong/Song d. Sakata Rinko/Naito Kazuko (JPN), 19,22; Suk/Lee d. Ryu Ji Hye/Lee Eun Sil (KOR), 20,16; Nemes/Schall d. Liu Jia/Judit Herczig (AUT), 14,14; Park/Kim d. Antonela Manac/Mihaela Steff (ROM), -19,14,12.

10th Anniversary Meiklejohn National Senior Championships

Laguna Woods, California, June 11-13, 1999

By Stanley Kahan



**Tournament Treasurer Walt Wehrli and
Over 40 Winner Cheng Yinghua.**

If the number of entries is only one of the yardsticks of the 1999 Meiklejohn National Senior Championships, it was a resounding success. Held in Leisure World, currently incorporated as the City of Laguna Woods in California, the management of Leisure World and its local table tennis club put on its usual popular and well-attended event. As a matter of record, this 10th anniversary tournament was successful in every way possible. \$14,000 in prize money and 185 entries ensured aggressively fought matches in every one of the 25 events. The tournament lasted three days, with 642 matches played.

The tournament was directed by Olga Feingold Kahan, with International Referee Thomas Miller the referee. Matches ranged from the Under 1100 event to the Senior Elite Round Robin, under 4800 doubles and Over 40 Singles. Players included those who had just turned 40 all the way to players their late 80s. The expected winner, Cheng Yinghua of Maryland, rated 2787, pulled down first place in the senior elite, defeating Abbas Ekun at 16, 17, 10. Cheng also won Over 40 Singles, defeating California's Attila Malek in the semifinals, and Hui Yuan Liu of New York in the finals. Cheng did not lose a single game in singles this tournament. Liu had some measure of satisfaction, however, teaming with Rey Domingo to win Under 4800 Doubles against Malek and Roberto Byles at

men's semifinal match between Liu (rated 2462) and Enoch Green (2374), Cheng was finishing a doubles match and unable to start the second semifinal match against Malek. So Bella gave an exhibition with Jimmy Lane, who had come as a spectator. Jimmy, who many of us remember as one of America's strongest players a number of years ago, is preparing for the priesthood, and after a little urging from friends and Sister Patricia Crowley, HIS, also a former top-notch player, he removed his cassock, slipped into playing gear and, despite a little rustiness, gave a scintillating exhibition with Bella.

One of the most interesting events was the Hardbat Open, with 28 entries and an average USATT rating of 1890. (Sorry, Underground Hardbat Ratings, perhaps next year.) Twelve of the players were rated over 2000, with Attila Malek the top seed at 2455. The eventual winner was Barry Dattel, defeating Malek in the final. Dattel also had a difficult match in the semifinals, defeating Hector Bennett at 19 & 19.

Harry Bloom, 86, of Leisure World, took the Over 80s with his usual combination of speed, chops and well-timed slams, defeating Herb Gilbert in the final.

The most popular event was Draw Doubles, with 72 entries, followed by the 50 in U4200 Doubles, 48 in U3700 doubles, 48 in U1800, 47 in Over 40, and 40 in U2050.

19 & 20. Earlier, Malek and Byles had ousted Cheng and Mark Wedret in a match featuring long, exciting rallies.

Bella Livshits, rated 1932, won the women's open, and then paired with Ernest Virgo to win Under 4200 Doubles, defeating David Umel and Bill Ukatayasukul in the finals, 13 & 14. Bella was gracious enough to help keep the overflow crowd of spectators entertained during one unforeseen break. After the first

Despite the large number of entries in each of the 25 events, most of them finished on time and some early. Herb Gilbert and Ray McLean, the "enforcers" of the tournament, worked to keep tables occupied and locate missing players. Invaluable at the control desk were Marilyn Miller, Ray Kunze, Shonie Aki, Mas Hoshimoto, Len Hauer and Stanley Kahan.

In addition to the players' party on Saturday night, the California Hall of Fame Induction Banquet drew 100 players and dignitaries to honor the 80th birthday of Bill Meiklejohn, and to induct four distinguished new members into the California Hall of Fame: Gene Roseman, Rich Livingston, Y.C. Lee and George Kelemen. The banquet was organized by Olga Feingold and Mary McIlwain, President of the CTTHOF, with assistance by Alice Bloom.

The tournament sponsors, Bill and Louise Meiklejohn, Nittaku, Home Depot, Paddle Palace, the Golden Rain Foundation of Leisure World and the Leisure World Table Tennis Club, look forward to another successful tournament in the next millennium when the old reliables and the new "just beginning life at 40" gang meet again to contest for the camaraderie and prize money at this distinguished National Senior Table Tennis Tournament.

Senior Elite: 1st: Cheng Yinghua; 2nd: Abbas Ekun.

Over 40 Men: 1st: Cheng Yinghua; 2nd: Hui Yuan Liu.

Over 40 Women: 1st: B.Livshits; 2nd: C.Cooper.

Over 50: 1st: R.Domingo; 2nd: Dave Sakai.

Over 60: Braithwaite & Dawidowicz split prize.

Over 70: 1st: Ruderman; 2nd: D. Kim.

Over 80: 1st: H.Bloom; 2nd: H.Gilbert; 3rd: H.Swain.

U2400: 1st: Enoch Green; 2nd: R.Domingo.

U2300: Roberto Byles & Ernest Virgo split prize.

U2050: 1st: T.Yeh; 2nd: Ukatayasukul.

U1900: 1st: G.Chao; 2nd: Azimazadeh.

U1800: 1st: S.Hu; 2nd: J.Kwolek.

U1600: 1st: D.Kendall; 2nd: G.Wong.

U1500: 1st: J.Dart; 2nd: N.Woo.

U1400: 1st: Buxton; 2nd: S. Tang.

U1300: 1st: J.Miller; 2nd: R.Lew.

U1200: 1st: McLean; 2nd: W.Ngai.

U1100: 1st: P.Deschnder; 2nd: J.Wartski.

U4800 Doubles: 1st: Domingo/Liu; 2nd: Byles/Malek.

U4500 Doubles: 1st: Hashimoto/Trillo; 2nd: Dawidowicz/Virgo.

U4200 Doubles: 1st: Virgo/B.Livshits; 2nd: Ukatayasukul/Umel.

U3700 Doubles: 1st: Ngai/Byles; 2nd: Trillo/Wang.

U2600 Doubles: 1st: Timmins/K.Irvine; 2nd: H. Schwartz/Skrbec.

Draw Doubles: 1st: Cheng/Koshimoto; 2nd: Boyce/Dattel.

Hardbat Singles: 1st: B.Dattel; 2nd: A.Malek.

THE 25th ANNUAL GOLDEN STATE OPEN

Concord, California, May 29-30, 1999

By Bob Partridge

With 144 entries, the Golden State Open was one of the best-attended table tennis tournaments in the United States, and the tournament ran like clockwork as well. Both Saturday and Sunday events finished before 6:30 p.m., to the approval of players and spectators alike.

So far as the tournament committee knows, there were only two complaints. One was that placing the third and fourth seeds randomly in the upper or lower halves was wrong. However, both the USATT and ITTF assign athletes in this manner.

The second complaint was accepted as a compliment. "This tournament is getting too tough. It's too hard to finish in the money!"

The Open Singles round robin final was high caliber play. Fan Yiyong (2857) won all three of his matches. Shashin Shodhan provided him with the most competition, staying in and winning some spectacular rallies. It was easy to see that Fan was really motivated by the competition. After winning some of these great rallies, you could hear him "woosh" in appreciation.

Freddie Gabriel finished second by winning his other two matches. He showed great versatility in playing the different styles he met during the tournament and was without a doubt the player of the tournament, if we had such an award.

Terrence Lee had an excellent tournament as well. He beat his sometimes practice partner, Freddie Gabriel, in the finals of the Junior 18-and-under and played very well throughout.

The Concord Table Tennis Club has many up-and-coming juniors. We thank Bill Lui, our club coach, for an endless stream of young talent is going to be heard from in the near future. Right now, Gabriel, Lee and Peter Zajac are from the first generation of new players to graduate from Bill's development program. Wait until you see what's coming!

Open Singles: 1st Fan Yiyong Fan; 2nd Freddie Gabriel; 3rd Shashin Shodhan; 4th Wei Yang Wu.

Open Doubles: 1st Y. Fan/K. Fong; 2nd T. Lee/W. Wu.

Women: 1st Michelle Do; 2nd Emily Ping.

Over 40: 1st Voltaire Trillo; 2nd Tom Yeh.

Over 50: 1st Peter Chen; 2nd Toon Mao.

Over 60: 1st Toon Mao; 2nd Peter Chen.

Over 70: 1st Karol Skrbec; 2nd Bob Partridge.

Under 18: 1st Terrence Lee; 2nd Freddie Gabriel.

Under 12: 1st Mikhail Kazantsev; 2nd Sergey Gutkin.

U2450: 1st Freddie Gabriel; 2nd Peter Chen.

U2300: 1st Steve Nguyen; 2nd Voltaire Trillo.

U2150: 1st Roger Nguyen; 2nd Renjie Liu.

U2000: 1st Masaaki Tajima; 2nd Kingston Gee.

U1850: 1st Hong-Zhang Zhong; 2nd John Ogunleye.

U1700: 1st Michael Buchholz; 2nd Wesley Lee.

U1550: 1st Jerry On; 2nd Ilya Koshkin.

U1400: 1st Brian Coakley; 2nd Vadim Sherman.

U1250: 1st Gary Alcares; 2nd Ivan Majdrakoff.

U1100: 1st Wendy Dong; 2nd Sergey Gutkin.

U800: 1st Erica Hernandez; 2nd Lewis Chan.

U500: 1st Erica Hernandez; 2nd Danny Webber.

3400 Doubles: 1st R. Cheng/V. Cheng; 2nd H. Honda/D. Smith.

2800 Doubles: 1st R. Dorse/H. Honda; 2nd W. Dong/K. Baumann.

MACY BLOCK OHIO CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS

June 5-6, 1999

By Greg Brendon

Bob Powell continued his domination of the Ohio Closed Championships for the second consecutive year by going undefeated against all comers, including surging Denzil Flemming who upset hard bat wielding John Tannehill in the Open earlier. Powell also won his group in the senior event and opted to split first and second place prize money with hard-hitting El-Hallal Sleiman, who won his senior group.

Powell was behind three points in the fifth game of the Open finals when Denzil served three of his last five serves off the table. Powell himself then served one off but then unleashed his lethal forehand loop for crucial winners to win the match, 15,-14, 17, -18, 18.

Denzil trained hard for the tournament and shined in the high humidity warm weather with a back-from-the-table overhand defense plus sudden forehand and backhand loop drives. He upset first seed Akram Geelani and the higher rated Tannehill, keeping the famed Ping Pong diplomat out of the final four. Akram came in third in the Open by defeating fourth place finisher El-Hallal.

In the Hardbat Open, Tannehill, who is nationally ranked high in hard bat, dominated. Roy Schlabach, Jr., who also uses a hard bat even against inverted rubber, came in second, winning easily over the rest of the field. Rounding out the final four in Hard Bat were El-Hallal in third and John Kizer in fourth. The event's prize money, equal to the Open's, was sponsored by Berndt Mann, a participant in the event himself and an impassioned hard bat advocate.

In other events, Scott Grimes won the Under 2000 over Rick Akers, who rebounded after an early shaky start in another event and got by Larry Hawkins at 19 in the fifth game. Neil Myers continued to shine in two 2-out-of-3 finals in age events, defeating John Kizer in deuce in the third in Esquire and Al Fish in three games in Senior Esquire.

Ross Rosen defeated Charles Hill in five games in the Under 1800 Finals, Scott Harris defeated Michael Ofei 19-in-the-3rd in Under 1600, and Ofei defeated David Hunt 25-23 in the third game of a 2-out-of-3 in the Under 1400 final. Joel Gordon went undefeated in the Under 1200.

Open - Final RR: 1st: Robert Powell (3-0): d. Flemming, 15,-14,17,-18,18; d. Geelani 16,14,19; d. Sleiman, 18,10,10; 2nd: Denzil Flemming, 2-1: d. Geelani, 18,-19,21,18; d. Sleiman, 19,16,-18,18; 3rd: Akram Geelani, 1-2: d. Sleiman, 24,24,10; 4th: El-Hallal Sleiman, 0-3.

Hard Bat- Final RR: 1st: John Tannehill, 3-0: d. Schlabach, 3-1; d. Sleiman, 15,15; d. Kizer, 2-0; 2nd: Roy Schlabach Jr., 2-1: d. Sleiman, 15,15; d. Kizer 2-0; 3rd: Sleiman, 1-2: d. Kizer, 14,-18,12; 4th: John Kizer, 0-3.

Over 40: Bob Powel and El-Hallal Sleiman split prize.

Over 50: Neil Myers d. John Kizer, 18,-15,24.

Over 60: Neil Myers d. Al Fish, -19,7,15.

U2000: Scott Grimes d. Rick Akers, n.s.;

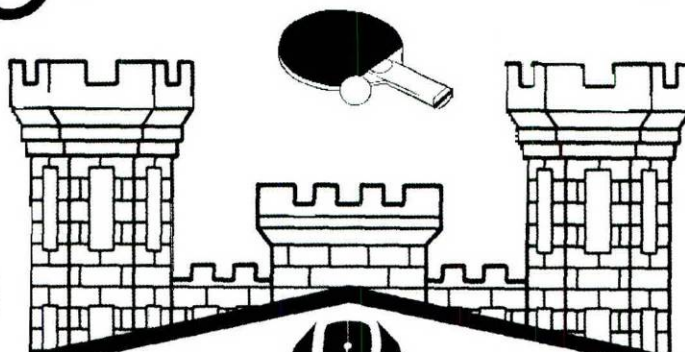
U1800: Ross Rosen d. Charles Hill, 12,-16,24,-18,14.

U1600: Scott Harris d. Michael Ofei, 17,-15,19.

U1400: Michael Ofei d. David Hunt, 15,-15,23.

U1200: Joel Gordon d. Nathan Haunnum, 14,24.

U S A T T NATIONAL RANKINGS



TOP WOMEN

MD	2648	Gao, Jun
MI	2477	Ciosu, Emilia
GA	2443	Feng, Amy
CA	2438	Banh, Tawny
NJ	2287	Yip, Lily
NY	2282	Sung, Virginia
CA	2258	Tian, Anjelica
NJ	2249	Oben, Claudia
MI	2248	Bosika, Mimi
CA	2209	Do, Michelle
TX	2199	Subonj, Roxana
MA	2153	Chui, Jane Hone
MD	2145	Lee, Vivian
CA	2128	Fong, Kyna
CA	2128	Hwang, Min Hee
CA	2113	Huang, Li-Jun
TX	2071	Zheng, Pei Pei
FL	2063	Casas, Diana
CA	2058	Lee, Jacqueline
MA	2043	Chang, Karen
OR	2024	Ping, Emily
CT	2021	Laskova, Inna
CA	1955	Wu, Nan
TX	1951	Roufeh, Mahin
CA	1946	Yu, Millie
OR	1942	Hoarfrost, Judy
OR	1929	Ping, Whitney
MD	1924	Liu, Xiaoying

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TOP MEN

OR	2842	Fan, Yi Yong
MD	2781	Cheng, Yinghua
NJ	2716	Zhuang, David
MD	2636	Sweeris, Todd
TX	2596	Owens, Eric
TX	2566	Subonj, Viktorian
NY	2563	Shao, Yu
FL	2545	Pace, Brian
LA	2544	Cretu, Razvan
NY	2541	Ekun, Abass
MD	2539	Loneragan, Sean
FL	2537	Alban, Keith
GA	2532	Hyatt, Michael
PR	2531	Santiago, Gabriel
MD	2524	Huang, Tong Sheng Jack
GA	2505	Jagwani, Mukesh
IN	2505	Seemiller, Daniel
CA	2502	Nguyen, Khoa Dinh
TN	2497	Reed, Barney J.
FL	2495	Cohen, Randy
NJ	2468	Jain, Ashu
CA	2465	Choptaeng, Chaiyaphoon
MD	2451	Li, Sunny
CA	2444	Gabriel, Freddie
CA	2438	Shodhan, Shashin
NY	2437	Liu, Hui Yuan
MI	2427	Ogundimu, Gbenga
TX	2426	Oshodi, Taj

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Davison April Open
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St. Louis Spring Open
1999 Indiana State Closed Championship
1999 PA State Championships (Closed)
Arizona State Championship
In the Red Open
Thousand Oaks Classic
Sports Fitness Player Series
Sun City Open Senior TTT
Syracuse Hooters Giant RR
Maryland May Circuit

NJTTC May Open
1999 Wichita River Festival TTT
Atlanta "Spring" Open
Sac-Rec Spring Open
Schaumburg Open
Kennedy Memorial Park Spring Open
1999 Nashville Spring Open
Butterfly/BCC May Open
Maryland Circuit May Teams
2 Much Fun!! TT & Golf Weekend Open
Davison May Open
1999 Potomac Spring Open
Florida Sunshine State Games

Minnesota Open
NJTTC May Open
Portsmouth Invitational
Golden State Open
St. Joseph Valley Open
Georgia AAU/Jr. Olympic Trials
HTTC Open
Maryland AAU Jr. Olympic Trials
Sports Fitness Player Series
1999 Macy Block Ohio Closed
Maryland June Circuit
2nd Annual Palmer Giant RR
Maryland Medallion Championship

1999 Seattle Open
Meiklejohn National Seniors TT
Strike One June Open
3-Man Team Open
Butterfly/PTTC June Open
Hoosier State Games
Grand Canyon State Games
AITTL Singles Tournament
California State Open
Joe Henneke Space Coast Open
Maryland Closed State Championships
1999 North American Championships
1999 US Open

OVER 30 WOMEN

MD	2648	Gao, Jun
GA	2443	Feng, Amy
NJ	2287	Yip, Lily
TX	1951	Roufeh, Mahin
CA	1946	Yu, Millie
OR	1942	Hoarfrost, Judy
CA	1924	Liu, Xiaoying
MD	1913	Livshits, Bella
IN	1782	Artman, Hong
IL	1774	Popiel, Barbara
MA	1770	Kotlerman, Yevgeniya
MT	1753	Conlan, Lena Maria
FL	1733	Sanders, Suzanna
VA	1731	Kaminsky, Barbara
MA	1730	Crowley, Ruth

OVER 40 WOMEN

TX	1951	Roufeh, Mahin
OR	1942	Hoarfrost, Judy
MD	1924	Liu, Xiaoying
CA	1913	Livshits, Bella
IL	1774	Popiel, Barbara
MA	1770	Kotlerman, Yevgeniya
FL	1733	Sanders, Suzanna
VA	1731	Kaminsky, Barbara
FL	1722	Andrzejewska, Danuta
AZ	1694	Fuschino, Huiping
MD	1687	Kronlage, Yvonne M.
CA	1665	Cooper, Cindi
IN	1649	Wilson, Sharlene
AZ	1635	Hale, Donna
CA	1554	Zhang, Xui Sue

OVER 50 WOMEN

CA	1913	Livshits, Bella
IL	1774	Popiel, Barbara
FL	1733	Sanders, Suzanna
VA	1731	Kaminsky, Barbara
FL	1722	Andrzejewska, Danuta
MD	1687	Kronlage, Yvonne M.
CA	1449	Borison, Sharlene
IN	1649	Wilson, Sharlene
NY	1406	Johnson, Jennifer E.
NJ	1376	Miller, Joyce
AZ	1362	Irving, Dorothy
CA	1312	Bloom, Violet
AZ	1295	Sommer, Thelma Tybie
AZ	1284	Splistsiser, Jo A.
CA	1256	Fischer, Rony

OVER 60 WOMEN

MD	1687	Kronlage, Yvonne M.
NJ	1376	Miller, Joyce
AZ	1362	Irving, Dorothy
CA	1312	Bloom, Violet
AZ	1295	Sommer, Thelma Tybie
AZ	1284	Splistsiser, Jo A.
CA	1256	Fischer, Rony
CA	1255	Quon, Harriet
NY	1215	Amoury, Gloria
NV	1054	Paldi, Gabriel
CA	1048	Gilbert, Rose
CA	1044	Charonko, Louise T.
CA	1039	Drake, Millie
FL	956	Pickett, Joanne
FL	940	Cline, Jan

OVER 70 WOMEN

AZ	1362	Irving, Dorothy
AZ	1295	Sommer, Thelma Tybie
AZ	1284	Splistsiser, Jo A.
CA	1048	Gilbert, Rose
CA	1044	Charonko, Louise T.
CA	893	Kahan, Olga Feingold
FL	841	Hann, Dorothy J.
CA	596	Coropoff, Mary
MD	569	Kostkowski, Betty
AZ	519	Henry, Shirley
CA	491	Brin, Harriet R.
NC	373	Crusius, Mary

OVER 30 MEN

OR	2842	Fan, Yi Yong
MD	2781	Cheng, Yinghua
NJ	2716	Zhuang, David
NY	2541	Ekun, Abass
MD	2524	Huang, Jack
IN	2505	Seemiller, Daniel
CA	2502	Nguyen, Khoa Dinh
NY	2437	Liu, Hui Yuan
MI	2427	Ogundimu, Gbenga
TX	2426	Oshodi, Taj
GA	2408	May, Derek J.
CA	2406	Malek, Attila
NY	2404	Perez, Alexis
PA	2397	Green Jr., Enoch
PA	2379	Seemiller, Randy Lee

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MD	2781	Cheng, Yinghua
NY	2541	Ekun, Abass
MD	2524	Huang, Jack
IN	2505	Seemiller, Dan
NY	2437	Liu, Hui Yuan
CA	2406	Malek, Attila
PA	2397	Green Jr., Enoch
NJ	2368	Domingo, Rey A.
MI	2349	Veillette, Michael
NJ	2342	Dattel, Barry
NY	2318	Ortiz, Gonzalo
FL	2273	Fleisher, Dickie
OH	2247	Powell, Robert Lee
TX	2245	Bennett, Hector
MA	2237	Hlava, Jiri R.

OVER 50 MEN

NJ	2368	Domingo, Rey A.
MA	2237	Hlava, Jiri R.
IN	2226	Hicks, H. Richard
MA	2212	Lau, Kwing Yiu
PA	2208	Mojaverian, Parviz
NY	2191	Brathwaite, George
CA	2191	Hejazi, Alireza
MD	2172	Sakai, David
CA	2158	Chen, Peter
TX	2135	Cummings, Joseph
CA	2130	Livshits, Boris
PA	2113	Balamoun, Samuel B.
CO	2112	Dawidowicz, Bohdan
WA	2103	Chen, Joseph
NC	2103	Hill, Danny

OVER 60 MEN

IN	2226	Hicks, H. Richard
NY	2191	Brathwaite, George
CA	2158	Chen, Peter
CO	2112	Dawidowicz, Bohdan
WA	2103	Chen, Joseph
FL	2087	Leff, Marvin A.
CA	2068	Mintsiveris, Nick
CA	2059	Grossman, Howard
CA	2046	Mao, Toon Siong
NY	2031	Reisman, Marty
TX	2022	Gordon, Grady Cox
CA	2011	Bass, Norman
MO	2010	Smith, Bruce R.
CA	1995	Fahlstrom, Ragnar
AR	1964	Meredith, Vic

OVER 70 MEN

TX	2022	Gordon, Grady Cox
NJ	1949	Shieh, Szu-Huang
CA	1916	Ruderman, Leon
MA	1863	Dwelly, Frank
OH	1843	Radzeli, Louis
GA	1837	Hu, Shaoze
CA	1812	Kim, Dai Bok
NY	1811	Kupferman, Harold J.
NY	1792	Brickell, Robert
CA	1749	Butler, Wiley M.
PA	1703	Dickson Jr., David C.
IN	1683	George, Paul
CA	1631	Lee, Kwok
NY	1621	Galione, Vincent
AZ	1613	Fariss, Robert H.

**UNDER 18 GIRLS**

CA	2209	Do, Michelle
CA	2128	Fong, Kyna
CA	2128	Hwang, Min Hee
TX	2071	Zheng, Pei Pei
CA	2058	Lee, Jacqueline
OR	2024	Ping, Emily
CA	1955	Wu, Nan
OR	1929	Ping, Whitney
NY	1897	Schoenberg, Stacy
MD	1864	Wu, Katherine
NY	1831	Kaler, Natalie
MD	1772	Kwok, Elaine
CA	1763	Lee, Shelley C.
CA	1732	Lee, Mary
CA	1724	Seibel, Allison

UNDER 16 GIRLS

TX	2071	Zheng, Pei Pei
CA	2058	Lee, Jacqueline
OR	2024	Ping, Emily
CA	1955	Wu, Nan
OR	1929	Ping, Whitney
MD	1864	Wu, Katherine
NY	1831	Kaler, Natalie
MD	1772	Kwok, Elaine
CA	1724	Seibel, Allison
CA	1712	Khasanova, Alina
CA	1661	Viet, Diana
CA	1635	Rosales, Laura
CO	1601	Leach, Laura
TX	1574	Gruber, Elysia B.
NY	1495	Bhopa, Channel

UNDER 14 GIRLS

CA	2058	Lee, Jacqueline
OR	1929	Ping, Whitney
MD	1864	Wu, Katherine
MD	1772	Kwok, Elaine
CA	1661	Viet, Diana
CO	1601	Leach, Laura
KS	1436	Xiao, Laura
VA	1395	Wang, Chao
MD	1376	Li, Ginger
IA	1330	Abbott, Kylie
NJ	1118	Hugh, Judy
CA	1116	Fong, Atha
MD	1064	Geng, Sherri
CA	1048	Nguyen, Minh Thanh
NY	1007	Kelly, Dean

UNDER 12 GIRLS

KS	1436	Xiao, Laura
NJ	1118	Hugh, Judy
CA	1116	Fong, Atha
NJ	913	Zhang, Lucy
FL	884	Zheng, Sarah
FL	871	Torres, Steffi
NY	764	Ma, Karen
MN	699	Trinh, Sophia
FL	692	Torres, Lindsay
IN	560	Hazinski, Janelle
MD	497	Wu, Rita
OH	485	Spilker, Ashley
FL	451	Williams, Raven
MD	435	Wei, Barbara
CA	373	Armstrong, Carolyn

UNDER 10 GIRLS

NJ	1118	Hugh, Judy
MD	497	Wu, Rita
FL	451	Williams, Raven
NV	331	Gumataotao, Michelle
MD	269	Harris, Jennifer L.
IN	227	Hazinski, Katelyn
CA	217	Armstrong, Melissa
IL	177	Wasielewski, Lisa
CA	164	Yick, Jessica

UNDER 18 BOYS

FL	2537	Alban, Keith
MD	2451	Li, Sunny
CA	2444	Gabriel, Freddie
GA	2390	Beebe, T. J.
IL	2361	Shiu, Arturo
CA	2340	Lee, Terrence K.
MD	2208	Xiao, Han
IN	2202	Hazinski, Mark
MN	2147	Eider, Cory
CA	2137	Sujo, Oziel
GA	2132	McCool, Lee
IA	2120	Liu, Michael
FL	2120	Squillino, Josue
TX	2091	Lamb, Howard
NJ	2024	Hugh, Adam

UNDER 16 BOYS

FL	2537	Alban, Keith
CA	2340	Lee, Terrence K.
MD	2208	Xiao, Han
IN	2202	Hazinski, Mark
MN	2147	Eider, Cory
IA	2120	Liu, Michael
FL	2120	Squillino, Josue
TX	2091	Lamb, Howard
NJ	2024	Hugh, Adam
MN	2024	Sabas, Kristopher J.
PR	2016	Coste, Santiago
IN	1940	Lynch, Jared
NY	1928	Lin, Pan
MA	1918	Wang, Yin
TN	1897	Sourinthone, Noi

UNDER 14 BOYS

MD	2208	Xiao, Han
IA	2120	Liu, Michael
TX	2091	Lamb, Howard
NJ	2024	Hugh, Adam
PR	2016	Coste, Santiago
NY	1928	Lin, Pan
MA	1918	Wang, Yin
CA	1862	Liu, Wallace
CA	1858	Kazantsev, Mikhail
CA	1793	Malek, Auria
MD	1749	Asgarali, Khaleel
IN	1738	Lynch, Jordan
NH	1666	Haynes, Thomas
MD	1655	Fan, Charles C.
CA	1652	Viet, Jimmy

UNDER 12 BOYS

NJ	2024	Hugh, Adam
CA	1858	Kazantsev, Mikhail
CA	1652	Viet, Jimmy
KS	1639	Hendricks, Aaron
NJ	1620	Finkelstein, Eric
CA	1416	On, David
CO	1358	Leach, John
IN	1315	Cochran, Gordon
FL	1298	Bernstein, Joshua
MD	1293	Xu, Yao
MD	1222	Giam, Alan
CA	1163	Gutkin, Sergey
VA	1147	Luo, Mingkuang
IL	1143	Merchant, Shaan
CA	1118	Colio, Randy Alan

UNDER 10 BOYS

CA	1652	Viet, Jimmy
CA	1163	Gutkin, Sergey
IN	840	Cochran, Joseph
TX	698	Wang, Timothy
AR	623	Case, Christopher
NJ	607	Pineda, Xavier Max
MN	573	Truelson, Anders
TN	575	Lane, Shelby
NJ	555	Kwok, Raymond
NJ	547	Kaushal, Arjun
RI	493	Chougule, Akash
MD	483	Brodsky, Jeremy
NC	442	Turchi, Reed
VA	441	Wang, William
FL	389	Lam, Brian



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NATIONAL RATINGS LIST

(In Alphabetical Order by Last Name)

IA 2014	Abbott, Dave	IL 1533	Asner, Ed	MD 1664	Bell, Terry	IA 1962	Bozorgzadeh, Houshang	FL 1476	Carlson, David
IA 1330	Abbott, Kylie	CA 1449	Asser, Sydney George	CA 1014	Beller, Brent	OH 1286	Bracht, James	AZ 1727	Carlson, Jack A.
VA 1093	Abraham, Roger V	CA 1205	Asuncion, Arthur	FL 1371	Belnavis, Carl H.	TN 1067	Bradley, Roosevelt Jr	MN 1172	Carlson, James
AZ 1840	Abdelmalak, Magdi	MA 2108	Atighetchi, Michael	NJ 1481	Beloruscv, Mikhail	NC 1849	Bradley, Sonny	TN 588	Carpenter, Robert M.
NY 1181	Abrahams, Noel	CA 2301	Au, Duc Duong Kevin	CA 1768	Benedict, Lorin	VA 1859	Bragg, Lewis Andrew	OR 2002	Carver, Ron
NY 1919	Ackerman, Dr. Neil B.	TX 1632	Au-Young, Shun	TX 1349	Benjamin, Christopher	MD 699	Branch, Michael W.	FL 2063	Casas, Diana
VT 1295	Adams, Dana	GA 758	Austell, Courtnie	TX 2245	Bennett, Hector George	AZ 1242	Branham, Chris	FL 2311	Casas, Jacques Orlando
WA 1899	Adams, Jonathan	CA 1978	Avergonzado, Valentino	MS 1537	Bennett, Herb	MA 1721	Brastow, Kim S.	AL 1466	Casby, Richard
VT 1242	Adams, S. Alan	NC 1582	Averin, Sergey	NY 1120	Bennett, Mavis	NY 2191	Brathwaite, George	AR 583	Case, Benjamin Allen
CA 1699	Adams, Stephen	WI 2024	Avery, Aaron	NY 1149	Benoit, Thomas	MI 1587	Brauner, Norbert	AR 623	Case, Christopher
VT 1821	Adams, Steven A.	CA 1938	Azimzadeh, Kamran	CO 2046	Benton, Eric	KY 2138	Brazzell, Donald E.	AR 742	Case, Justin
GA 170	Adams, Theron	MD 2153	Aziz, Qassim	MA 819	Berardi, Christian Paul	FL 1866	Brenner, Bard	MI 1586	Casey, William M.
AZ 1838	Adelman, Mark	FL 1083	Azran, Hanan	MA 627	Berardi, Douglas Kyle	NY 1792	Brickell, Robert Douglas	OH 1438	Casi, Trent
TN 1418	Adi, Hayan	MI 2007	Baber, Michael Vaughn	MA 1156	Berdnikov, Boris	IN 854	Bricker, Eugene	CA 695	Cassidy, Maria A.
IN 1483	Adrian, George John	IA 1593	Baccam, Houane	MO 860	Berg, Jason	MO 1331	Brightup, Earl	PA 1402	Castillo, Donald L.
MA 994	Adrien, Claude	IL 1539	Bacon, Dale	NY 2124	Berger, Steve	CA 491	Brin, Harriet R.	CA 1599	Castillo, Wilfredo
PR 1809	Afanador, Ricardo	NY 949	Badger, Alan	CA 1574	Bergman, Neal	CA 1024	Brin, William James	AZ 1874	Castro, Christopher R.
NJ 1784	Afonja, Richards	CA 1464	Badger, Richard Earl	MN 1129	Bergren, Josh	CA 1762	Briscoe, Brian	CA 1127	Castro, Pat
CA 1693	Agajanian, Ralph	OR 1664	Badrena, Josef	MN 573	Bergum, Mike	NC 1352	Brock, Doug	NY 1949	Castronovo, Tommy
PA 1208	Agate, James	AZ 1183	Baguio, Gary	FL 1298	Bernstein, Joshua	MD 483	Brodsky, Jeremy	KR 1899	Catlin, Richard J.
TX 1598	Agbontaen, Cyril	OH 1655	Baier, Owen	MA 1820	Bertin, Eddie	NY 1831	Bronson, Derek	RI 1606	Cavicchio, Charles M.
CT 1872	Aguilar, Sergio	PA 1999	Bailey, Bernard	NV 577	Bevins, Bart	IN 1457	Brothers, Kristine	CA 1405	Cembra, Jim
NY 1720	Ahmad, Asad	PA 1741	Bailey, Christopher T.	NY 1924	Bhadra, Tammy	AL 1911	Brown, Adam	BC 1228	Chai, Lily
CO 1749	Ahmed, Jashim Uddin	KY 1638	Bailey, Evan	MD 751	Bhaskarla, Alex	AL 1939	Brown, Homer George	BC 1136	Chai, Sherry
NJ 1634	Aitken, George S.	PA 1422	Bailor, Brendan	ME 1787	Bhatia, Sonu	IL 1557	Brown, Norman B.	FL 1561	Chamberlain, Blake
NJ 1958	Aiyegbo, John	CA 1604	Baird, Will	PA 1452	Bhonde, Pallav	IL 1380	Brown, Robert A.	OK 1712	Chamberlain, Peter
DE 1124	Aker, Ray	WA 1373	Baker, Darryl	NY 1495	Bhopa, Channel	GA 1748	Brown, Ross	NY 1501	Chambers, Antonio
OH 1762	Akers, Richard W.	WA 539	Baker, Graydon	NY 1987	Bhopa, Farouk	IA 1795	Brown, Victor	FL 1777	Chan, Bernard M.
MN 790	Akhigbee, Omofuma	NY 1417	Baker, Julian	IL 1701	Bian, Jiawen John	MO 1621	Browning, John	FL 1547	Chan, Clement
CA 1671	Aki, Shonie	AZ 1537	Baker, William H.	MI 1589	Billington, Robert	IL 1034	Brubach, Carl	CA 1824	Chan, Dominic
FL 2537	Alban, Keith	WA 1391	Bakke, Douglas	MN 935	Billman, John	MA 997	Brumberg, Dmitry	CA 781	Chan, Lewis
PR 1981	Albo, Kester	PA 2113	Balamoun, Samuel B.	AL 1661	Billy, Johnny I.	MA 781	Brumberg, Victoria	MA 1496	Chan, Marty
OH 1382	Albrecht, Tony	IL 1621	Baldwin, Mike R.	PA 1581	Bingaman Jr., James	NY 1611	Brunelle Jr., Arthur V.	FL 1649	Chan, Pedro
PA 1518	Albright, Ronald J.	NJ 568	Bail, Douglas	NJ 1455	Bisker, Oleg	AZ 1574	Bryan, Dan	MA 1652	Chan, Po Keung
CA 1231	Alcares, Gary T.	AZ 1372	Bailard, John L.	MT 1581	Bisso, Alex	MO 230	Bryant, Mark A.	NY 1509	Chan, Singchung
FL 667	Alderman, Diane	AZ 1753	Balmer, Brad	NY 1944	Blake, Patrick	MO 1411	Bryant, Mark L.	FL 1422	Chan, Sug
FL 1677	Alderman, Jerry Lewis	AZ 1554	Banerji, Soame	PR 1810	Blanco, Joel	FL 893	Bubel, Franklin	GA 1941	Chaney, Stanley
OH 749	Alexander III, Johnny	IN 2174	Banet Sr., Steve	WA 1866	Blankenship, Henry Lee	MD 537	Bubnash, Brian	CA 1742	Chang, Austin
OH 930	Alexander Jr., Johnny H.	CA 2438	Banh, Tawny	CA 1558	Bloom, Harry	MD 654	Bubnash, Thomas	CA 1549	Chang, C C Anita
GA 199	Alexander, Jessica	NC 1761	Banjoko, Tony O.	CA 1312	Bloom, Violet	CA 1702	Buchholz, Michael	FL 684	Chang, Dai
IL 1474	Alfonso, Jay	PA 1517	Banks, Alden B.	CA 1407	Bobrow, Adam	CA 1787	Buck, Gordon	CA 1212	Chang, Donald
WA 1769	Ali, Iftikhar	NY 549	Barbier, Jacques	FL 1708	Bocanegra, Jose	FL 1283	Budenstein, David	CA 1082	Chang, Dylan
VA 1458	Allen, Harold P.	MD 199	Barboza, Gregory	TX 2207	Bodden, Cary	VT 1906	Budiman, Danya	MA 2043	Chang, Karen
KY 2206	Allen, John	MD 1467	Barboza, Steven	AZ 1795	Boerwinkle, Jerry	CA 1580	Bulatao, Jose G.	CA 1704	Chang, Ming
MN 1041	Allen, Steve	NV 1458	Barlow, Carl	MI 1005	Boettcher, Jasper	MO 772	Bullock, Claudia	IL 1819	Chang, Yi-Yuan
IL 937	Amber, Bernard	CA 1299	Barlow, H. B.	NY 1917	Boggan, Tim	MO 283	Bullock, David	NY 1912	Chao, George
TX 1163	Ambee, Jess	NJ 667	Barnes, Tyshawm	VA 934	Boitnott, Bart	MA 788	Burbank, Trevor	CA 1147	Chapman, Regis
NC 1683	Amidi, Amir H.	PA 1329	Barneycastle, Lisa	NY 769	Boland, Steven	NY 1496	Burchell, Kelvin	GA 2221	Charles, Allan
NY 1215	Amoury, Gloria	IL 1271	Baron, Sylvia	CA 1635	Bombarde, Sebastien	IL 1657	Burgess, Mark	MI 2040	Charles, Grantley
CA 1653	Amren, Michael	KY 1870	Barone, Scott	PA 1207	Bombberger, Fred	CT 1253	Burke, Aerin	MN 1772	Charney, Michael L.
IN 1543	Amrhein, Tim	NJ 697	Barr, Roger	FL 1240	Borah, Apu	CO 1902	Burke, Robert Norman	CA 1044	Charonko, Louise T.
OH 1084	Ananthanarayanan, Anthony	NJ 1614	Barrett, Errol G.	CA 1533	Borges, Fred W.	AZ 774	Burnison, Barbara	TX 1402	Chase, Arthur B.
FL 2099	Anderson, Patrick	CO 1841	Barrientos, Carlos	MA 1711	Borges, Jose	IN 1153	Burns, John Marshall	NY 1373	Chau, David
MN 1827	Anderson, Steven	TX 1695	Barris, Lawrence	CA 1449	Borsova, Irina	MA 1154	Bushala, Eugene	NY 1686	Chen, Abraham S. C.
WA 831	Andersson Jr., Stephan	KS 2008	Bartel, Joshua	AZ 1690	Borrillo, Marco J.	NY 1511	Bushell, Robert	WA 1034	Chen, Eric
GA 1748	Andersson, Robert	TN 1767	Bartelt, Richard	SC 1430	Borry, Michael	GA 1780	Bushkanets, Ilya	WA 2103	Chen, Joseph
PA 2028	Andrade, John	WI 2152	Bartl, Michael	MI 2248	Bosika, Mimi	CA 1879	Butler, Richard A.	NJ 1843	Chen, Kenneth
WA 1119	Andrew, Jacob	IN 1949	Bartley, Brian	MA 1617	Boulard, Claude	CA 1749	Butler, Wiley M.	CA 2158	Chen, Peter
FL 1722	Andrzejewska, Danuta	CA 1973	Bartley, Lennox	FL 1295	Bowe, Edmund	CA 1349	Buxton, Ron	MD 568	Chen, Steven
MA 935	Angelichio, Michael	IN 1380	Bartling, George H.	CO 588	Bowers, Tamela	TX 2302	Byles, Roberto A.	CA 1846	Chen, Ted
MI 1181	Anselmo, Giancarlo	FL 1505	Barton, Donald	CA 1082	Bowers, Wayne	TN 1951	Byrd, Doug	MA 1603	Chen, Todd Bozhi
NY 1781	Anvelt, Andrew	CA 2011	Bass, Norman	OH 1496	Bowman, Paul	AZ 1421	Cabatana, Keith	MA 889	Chen, Weijun
FL 2134	Aponte, Alex	TN 1218	Basurto, Anthony	NY 2049	Boyce, Basil	CA 1749	Cabrillos, Geland	CA 1730	Chen, Winston
NJ 887	Appelt, Dennis	NY 1292	Baudat, Karine	CA 1278	Boyce, Vern	CA 1218	Cacho, Frank	IL 1169	Chen, Yi
MA 864	Applebaum, Eric Daniel	MI 1152	Bauer, D. Steven	NY 846	Boyer, Brandon	FL 2040	Cadet, Gerard N.	CA 1847	Chen, Yunfei
CA 1369	Aquino, Cyron	CA 1748	Bauman, M. Virgil	NY 757	Boyer, Randy	NY 1752	Caesar, Peter	NY 1832	Cheng, Andy T.L.
NY 2083	Araki, Suguru M.	CA 1670	Baumann, Kip	IN 1761	Boyle Sr., John Thomas	NE 1774	Caines, Devon	FL 697	Cheng, Ben
OH 1582	Arcaro, Ronald Joseph	NJ 2113	Bavly, Larry	NC 1309	Bozik, Joseph	CA 1111	Caloca, Barbara	NJ 1476	Cheng, David
CA 1548	Archbold, Curtis	NY 2145	Bayard, Freeman			CA 1164	Caloca, Carlos	CA 1324	Cheng, Jack
MN 1236	Arel, Daniel	OR 1336	Bayley, Bruce L.			CA 1658	Camarillo, German	MD 1322	Cheng, Peter
TX 685	Arezbaki, Daniel	MA 1515	Baylies, Michael			AZ 1746	Campbell, Paul	CA 1449	Cheng, Ronald
CA 373	Armstrong, Carolyn	OH 594	Bays, Justin			AR 1535	Campbell, Warren L.	CA 1779	Cheng, Vincent
IN 1234	Armstrong, Cris	NV 1418	Bazso, Peter K.			WA 1292	Canham, Michael	CA 1549	Cheng, Xiaoguang
CA 217	Armstrong, Melissa	CA 1217	Beardsley, Eric			OH 1599	Cannon, Chuck	MD 2781	Cheng, Yinghua
NY 2288	Aronov, Nison	CA 1298	Beatty, Larry			NY 1268	Cantor, Bill	IL 1532	Cherney, Sanford
CA 1848	Arpom, Sam P.	TX 1736	Beauchamp, Kenneth D.			TX 623	Canup, Sue	CA 2181	Chernomorskiy, Konstantin
OH 974	Arthur, Clint	LA 2154	Beaumont, John			TX 1249	Canup, Terry	MA 2031	Cheung, David
IN 1782	Artman, Hong	IL 328	Becker, Jake			NY 1747	Cao, Yijian	CA 1286	Chew, Bob
IN 2174	Artman, Mark	FL 859	Becker, Nathaniel			FL 1342	Caplin, Tammy L.	FL 1907	Chew, Lenny
GA 1312	Asano, Makoto	FL 2010	Beckford, Jim			TN 1135	Capozzi, Anthony P.	WA 1502	Chheng, William
CA 1716	Ascoli, Edward	KS 1610	Beckstrom, Donald			MO 1739	Carbonell, Stephen	NY 1971	Chieu, Trieu C.
MD 1749	Asgarali, Khaleel	NY 2287	Bedi, Vijit			MO 1192	Carbonniere, J. Michael	MT 1377	Childers, Ed
MD 2233	Asgarali, Nazruddin	GA 2390	Beebe, T. J.			FI 2098	Cardozo, Andres	NJ 518	Chin, Alex
IL 976	Ashiqali, Ali Raza	RI 1624	Belhumeur, Paul			LA 1893	Carlisle, Billy	GA 195	Chin, Preston
MA 1434	Aslanian, Richard Paul	MD 906	Bell, Arron L.			AZ 1447	Carlson, Arne	NJ 1812	Chin, Wayne Ming



CA 1834	Ching, Joe T.	PA 724	Cruz, Chris	IN 1421	Dugger, Steve	CA 1026	Flexer, Dominique
NY 1495	Chiu, Felicia	PR 2043	Cruz, Fernando	SC 1723	Dukes, Kenneth M.	MN 1518	Flickstein, Aaron
RI 1694	Chiu, Freddy	TX 1591	Cserei, Gabriel	IL 2180	Dulaca, Reginald	PA 658	Flor, Nicholas
CA 1732	Chiu, Gene	MT 1591	Csorosz, Paul	FL 1668	Duncan, Conrad	PR 1465	Flores, Juan C.
NY 1713	Choi, Loong-Sang	WA 1521	Cubias, Esteban	MI 1162	Dunlap, Fred	PR 1964	Flores, Juan C.
IL 1673	Choksey, Zubin	FL 1244	Cugat, Val	FL 1082	Durbin, William	FL 2099	Flores, Rafael
CA 1606	Chong, Pete	TX 2135	Cummings, Joseph	NY 778	Dweck, Jay	CA 1179	Flores, Samuel V.
CA 2465	Choptaeng, Chaiyaphoon	NY 1426	Cunningham, Keith	MA 1863	Dwelly, Frank	MA 753	Florintsev, Eugene
WA 944	Chott, Bill	IA 1296	Cunningham, Steven	IL 1619	Dyer, Don	PA 1389	Focht, Charles E.
MA 1193	Chou, Frank	MI 1811	Curd, John	CA 1604	Ebadypour, Farhang	MN 2046	Foldi, Istvan
RI 493	Chougle, Akash	NJ 285	Curry, Vanessa	FL 749	Ebert, John W.	CO 1426	Foley, Brian A.
RI 592	Chougule, Geeta	OH 704	Curtis, Barbara	VT 917	Edgar, Charles	CA 1116	Fong, Atha
RI 1159	Chougule, Prakash	WA 1359	Czebe, John	MI 1319	Edgerton, Myron	FL 1679	Fong, George
RI 910	Chougule, Pratik	IL 1970	Dabdab, Elie	TX 1693	Edlund, Simon	CA 2128	Fong, Kyna
MI 349	Christo, Joel	AL 1782	Dailey Sr., Tommie	FL 1968	Edouard, Georges	TN 924	Ford, David M.
MI 1086	Christo, Lee	PA 896	Daley, Peter	MI 1523	Edwards, Alonzo D.	VA 993	Ford, John Henry
MI 1605	Christo, Michael	MI 1229	Daniels, Mark	TN 1010	Edwards, Chris	MA 1432	Forde, Keith
NC 2362	Christopher, Nigel	CA 1364	Daniels, Roy Lewis	CO 1969	Edwards, David S.	FL 1849	Forte, Henry
FL 2030	Chu, Bin Hai	IN 1779	Dannenfelser, Tom	CA 1244	Egel, Leo	NY 1480	Fortune, Fred
NY 1999	Chu, Jonathan	AZ 1826	Darroui, Khosro	PA 1278	Egn, Gerhard K.	WA 1332	Foss, Robert
CA 1862	Chua, Chee Seng	CA 1546	Dart, John	OR 1664	Ehelebe, Bob	NY 1472	Foster, David
CA 1813	Chua, Gerry	NY 1874	Dassonval, Philippe	OR 1240	Ehrmantraut, Harry	MI 1563	Foster, Mitchell T
MA 2153	Chui, Jane Hone	NJ 2342	Dattel, Barry	MO 2147	Ehr, Cory	CA 1244	Foster, Zita
MA 2041	Chung, Aaron	WA 1132	Davault, Kent	PA 2033	Eisley, Eric	CA 974	Fountain, Wil B.
CA 1745	Chung, Ngai-Chi	FL 615	Davidson, Wade	CA 1732	Ejercito, Robert	NJ 198	Francis, William
FL 1969	Chung, Sean	CA 1749	Davila, Phillip Arnold	NY 2541	Ekun, Abass	PA 1513	Franckowiak, Aaron
CA 1048	Cichocki, Rafael	NJ 1570	Davis, Antwain	TX 1320	El-Awady, Mohamed	MA 1949	Francois, Mozart
WA 1203	Ciganik, Jan	IL 1560	Davis, George	OH 2097	El-Hallal, Sleiman C.	MA 1676	Francois, Raphael
WA 1577	Ciganik, Jozef	AL 1817	Davis, Justin	CA 1167	Eldeeb, Alaa	FL 1582	Franks, Kyle
FL 1337	Cincotta, J. M.	CA 1732	Davong, David	IN 199	Elger, Elliot	AZ 398	Freeberg, Esther
MI 2477	Ciosu, Emilia	CO 2112	Dawidowicz, Bohdan J.	AR 373	Elkins, Benjamin Ross	CA 1834	Freelon, Jerry
IN 1901	Civil, Geoff	MI 1235	Dawson, Chris	AR 594	Elkins, Seth	CA 1723	Freimuth, Reinhard
TX 1932	Clafin, Steven	MI 1803	Dawson, Jim	FL 746	Elliott, Chris	RI 1779	Friedel, Lance
IN 1632	Clark, Jerrell	IL 932	Daya, Amberene	MN 1059	Elliott, David	FL 1865	Friedman, Aron D.
MI 1323	Clark, Kevin R.	CA 2048	De Hoyos, Luis Enrique	FL 1969	Elliott, John	IL 1069	Friedman, Ted
IN 1463	Clark, Larry	WA 1565	De May, Larry	TN 1399	Ellis, Allyson	IA 839	Friend, Kenneth D.
IL 1568	Clay, Marcus	OH 956	DeHaven, Vernet	AL 1295	Ellis, Colen L.	NY 1724	Fritz, Lincoln
IN 1665	Clemmons, Joseph C.	MT 1387	DeLeonardo, Jack	TX 1638	Elston, Meredith	TX 1924	Frusina, Ovidiu M.
GA 1643	Cleveland, W. C.	CO 1315	DeVries, Brian	MN 2134	Elwell, Gary	MT 1220	Fryberger, Mark
FL 940	Cline, Jan	VA 1758	Deal Jr., Robert	WV 1654	Emmons, Theron Roy	NV 1755	Fu, Billy
CA 1343	Coakley, Brian	MI 1285	Decker, Mike	MI 1748	Endicott, Scott	CA 687	Fuller, Maxine
IN 1544	Cochran, Andrew	CA 1972	Dempsey, Mike	WA 1052	Eng, Christopher J	NY 1574	Fuller, Michael
IN 995	Cochran, Daniel	PA 1223	Denny, John M.	MN 943	Engels, Ann	AZ 1694	Fuschino, Huiping
IN 1315	Cochran, Gordon	AL 1918	Denton, Jason	NY 1374	Epelman, Daniel	AZ 1542	Fuschino, Michael
IN 840	Cochran, Joseph	NY 1014	Derringer, Justin	PA 1592	Eppley, John A.	MT 1328	Fust, Art
IN 630	Cochran, Mary	OK 1129	Deschner, Phil H.	IL 1306	Ernickson, Paul Alan	NY 709	Gaasch, Caleb
MN 1409	Cockrell, Richard	PA 1343	Desiderio, Scott	NY 1029	Ernisse, John	MD 622	Gaber M.D., Jerome
PA 1730	Cogley Jr., Robert W.	NH 1124	Despathy, Matt	CA 1774	Escobar, Wilfredo C.	CA 2444	Gabriel, Freddie
PA 1647	Cohen, Chuck	IL 1010	Devani, Farhan	CA 1593	Escobedo, Juan	MI 1262	Gabriele, John
MD 1582	Cohen, Michael Lee	VT 874	Devine, Albert David	PA 1540	Espinoza, Rafael A	AL 1386	Gain, Paul
FL 2495	Cohen, Randy	ME 848	Dexter, Gordon	MD 1057	Espinosa, Carlos	NC 1822	Galavis, Oscar A.
NY 1503	Cohen, Sidney	CA 1926	Dhami, Tony	FL 1988	Estrada Jr., Carlos	NY 1621	Galione, Vincent
NY 554	Cole, Janet	TN 1758	Dhanani, Alnoor	CA 948	Estrada, Arthur	FL 1562	Gangadharan, Deepak
CA 1163	Colio, Ivette	TN 1318	Dhanani, Bijan	FL 1919	Estrada, Carlos I.	MA 1271	Gangi, Nicholas R.
CA 1118	Colio, Randy Alan	AZ 1868	Dhinaker, Thangavelu	OH 1007	Eterling, Joseph Ryan	MD 2648	Gao, Jun
AZ 1744	Colleau, Herve	RI 1949	Di, Xue	GA 2291	Evans, Keith	PR 1341	Garcia, Miledy
TN 1405	Collins, Charles	WA 1676	DiMarco, Greg J	NY 1589	Evans, Marcia	PR 1574	Garcia, Benjamin
CA 1146	Collins, Phil	MA 1157	Diaz, Javier	CA 1488	Evans, Tom	PR 1699	Garcia, Eric
IL 1544	Collins, Steve	PR 1201	Diaz, Lisa M	MI 1841	Everts, Paul	NY 1498	Garcia, Joey
PR 1969	Colon, Abner	FL 824	Diaz, Mike	CA 1258	Ezmirian, John	PR 1648	Garcia, Johanna
MD 823	Comeau, Ben	FL 2401	Dibbs, Joseph	IL 1515	Ezzo, Steve	MA 1982	Garcia, Manuel
NJ 1568	Cometz, Dennis	OH 1782	Dichiaro, John	WA 1276	Fabian, Steve	CA 991	Garcia, Michael
NY 962	Comley, Kelly	NY 1220	Dickerman, Griffin	CA 1617	Faccini, Matthew	CA 1409	Garcia, Pete P.
NY 1118	Comparato, Frank	PA 1703	Dickson Jr., David C.	CA 1995	Fahlstrom, Ragnar	SC 1580	Garcia, Victor
TX 1836	Compton, Robert Charles	NY 1551	Dickson, Wayne	KY 1860	Fakharpour, Babak	MI 1336	Garland, Larry
MN 919	Conboy, Blake	FL 299	Diebler, Jason	PA 873	Falcone, Anthony	TN 1194	Gary, Charles Eugene
CA 1812	Concha, Gonzalo	IA 805	Dietrich, Otto	OR 1727	Falcoff, Waqidi	MA 1430	Gaspard, Philippe
AZ 1684	Cone, Derrick	OH 1870	Dietz, Roy Michael	FL 1187	Falke, Stanley	IL 1742	Gates Jr., Robert E.
MT 1753	Conlan, Lena Maria	MN 1269	Diffley, Tom	NC 1633	Faminiba, Sam	KS 1355	Gaulden, Floyd
GA 1483	Conn, Elijah	MI 1801	Dixon III, James	MD 1655	Fan, Charles C.	VT 1234	Gauthier, Joe
NJ 449	Conway, Matthew	WA 1453	Dixon, Steve	NJ 522	Fan, David	CA 2002	Gee, Kingston
AZ 949	Cook III, David J.	IL 245	Do, Anthony Lee	MD 1515	Fan, Michael C.	OH 2253	Geelani, Akram
AZ 913	Cook Jr., David J.	IL 751	Do, Jimmy Lee	MD 802	Fan, Wei	NM 1920	Geeze, Donald S.
MA 1368	Cookish, Michael	WA 1656	Do, Lam Son	OR 2842	Fan, Yi Yong	MD 1064	Geng, Sherri
CA 1909	Cooksey, Larson	CA 2209	Do, Michelle	MN 1391	Fandel, Patrick	TN 998	Gennoe, Sam
CA 1665	Cooper, Cindi	IL 1830	Do, Toan	NJ 552	Fang, Alden	IN 1683	George, Paul
GA 2093	Cooper, George T.	CA 1974	Dok, Panno	TX 2053	Fang, George C.	NY 1414	Gershburg, Anatoly
CA 1536	Cooper, William R.	MT 1543	Doll, Ramona	NJ 463	Fang, Gregory	MN 1101	Gervais, Joseph
CA 1995	Cordero, Fernando	FL 1519	Dollinger, Henry	NJ 1151	Fang, Mike	WA 994	Ghamu, Lanre
NJ 1698	Cormier, Roger J.	NJ 2368	Domingo, Rey A.	CA 1916	Farah, Kamal G.	WA 2067	Gho, Wie-Chong
OH 1115	Corn, John	CO 1606	Doney, Debbie	AZ 1613	Fariss, Robert H.	MD 1222	Giam, Alan
CA 596	Coropoff, Mary	CO 2341	Doney, Jim D.	NY 1869	Farkas, Brian	MD 997	Giam, Louise
CA 2051	Corpus, Paul	CA 1001	Dong, Wendy	ME 1517	Farley, Sean	PA 1548	Gibbons, Rory
FL 1852	Cortes, Jose Frank	CA 1924	Donoso, Arnaldo	MI 805	Fecher, Michale	NY 1344	Gibbs, George Chris
PR 2016	Coste, Santiago	NJ 1673	Dorcely, Pierre	FL 1922	Federico, Steve	PA 1832	Gibson, Dan
PA 2096	Coulter, Chip	TX 1862	Dorn, Jon	CT 1779	Feltenberger, Donald	PA 1452	Gibson, J. Steven
AL 1129	Countess, Robert H.	CA 1146	Dorse, Roderick	NJ 2134	Fendrick, Alan	PA 498	Gibson, Nerea
IA 1184	Courtesy, Joseph	IL 1892	Douglass, Bob	GA 2443	Feng, Amy	NJ 1795	Gigliotti, Frank
IA 1158	Courtney, Matt	MA 2169	Douty, Kurt	FL 1639	Fernandez, Juan	CA 1357	Gilbert, Herbert B.
MN 971	Craig, Elliott	OH 1265	Doyle, Jim	PR 1778	Figueroa, Edwin	CA 1048	Gilbert, Rose
FL 1034	Crespo, Jorge	CA 1039	Drake, Millie	NJ 217	Figueroa, Jasmine	MT 1433	Gilchrist, Jack
PR 2036	Crespo, Waldemar	WA 1471	Drake, Terry	NJ 382	Figueroa, Michael	NJ 1203	Gilio, Ellen J.
LA 2544	Cretu, Razvan	MN 1980	Drassal, Terence	NJ 1620	Finkelstein, Eric	MN 2111	Ginette, Richard L
NY 737	Cronn, Patrick	CO 1899	Driggs Jr., Tsgt Ogden	CA 1256	Fischer, Rony	CA 1417	Giron, Ramon
CA 1150	Crosby, Matt	MD 2097	Duan, Changping	CT 1544	Fischetti, Mark	MD 777	Girson, Andrew
CA 1409	Cross, Larry	MD 1879	Duan, James T.	OH 1707	Fish, Albert R.	IN 1814	Glass, Jerry R.
MI 643	Crossley, Mark	OH 1892	Dubina, Samson	LA 1472	Flanagan, Charles	FL 1455	Glass, Ray
MN 738	Crowley, Robert	CA 1682	Dubrovsky, Igor	AL 843	Flanagan, Noah	PA 1820	Glecos, Robert A.
MA 1730	Crowley, Ruth	GA 190	Dudley, Austin	FL 2273	Fleisher, Dickie	CA 1142	Glenzer, David
NC 373	Crusius, Mary	MI 1893	Dudley, Dan	OH 2218	Flemming, Denzil	IL 1764	Gluchowski, Pawel
NJ 924	Godoy Sr., Samuel	FL 1538	Godshalk, Bill	IN 1630	Goeller, Jerry	FL 666	Goignacova, Janice
MD 1536	Golab, Thomas J.	IL 401	Goldman, Nate	WA 1696	Goldov, Kim	OR 1566	Goldsmith, Phil
CA 1268	Gonzalez, Don	NY 1733	Gooden, Clive	NY 1794	Goodman, Ira	CA 2038	Gomez, Harold
NY 2019	Gorcheck, Charles E.	TX 2022	Gordon, Grady Cox	OH 1204	Gordon, Joel	CA 1895	Gordon, Scott
NY 1751	Gorvits, Vladimir	NY 2214	Gotlib, Slava	CA 1578	Gotliffe, Harvey	IL 1235	Goto, Masakatsu
IN 1954	Grambo, Alan A.	AR 1120	Gran, Ed	CO 1826	Gray, James	FL 1047	Gray, Patrick
FL 1799	Greaves, Wesley	NY 1169	Green Jr., Enoch	SC 1486	Green, Vincent	NY 1985	Green, Wally
NY 336	Greenspan, Kirk	AZ 1107	Green, Arthur	NY 336	Greenspan, Kirk	NY 1169	Grenz, Bob
OR 1461	Gresham, Dennis E.	NM 1944	Grey, Neil	FL 985	Griffith, Beverly	TN 699	Griffith, Dwayne
TX 1574	Gruber, David	TX 1328	Grundy Jr., Arthur	OH 1901	Grimes, Scott	CA 1014	Grobee, Fred C.
TX 1870	Grzywaczewski, Sean	CA 1986	Guan, Walter Chuang	NC 1112	Grosjean, Chuck	OH 984	Gross, Ron
NY 1856	Gudzenko, Gary	CA 2059	Grossman, Howard	NY 1754	Groyzburg, Alex	TX 1912	Gruber, David
CA 993	Guest, Richard	TX 1574	Gruber, Elysis B.	TX 1574	Gruber, Elysis B.	TX 1328	Grundy Jr., Arthur
FL 1984	Guhr, Roman	TX 1870	Grzywaczewski, Sean	CA 1986	Guan, Walter Chuang	NY 1856	Gudzenko, Gary
CA 1768	Guillory, Ralph	CA 1986	Guan, Walter Chuang	NY 1856	Gudzenko, Gary	CA 993	Guest, Richard
NV 238	Gumataotao, Janice	NV 331	Gumataotao, Michelle	NV 1605	Gumataotao, Tony S.N.	NY 1804	Gunduz, Gurhan
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CA 1986	Guan, Walter Chuang	PA 1598	Gupta, N.D.	MO 1320	Gusov, Mikhail	IL 2031	Gutierrez, Antonio
NY 1856	Gudzenko, Gary	CA 993	Guest, Richard	IL 2031	Gutierrez, Antonio	CA 1163	Gutkin, Sergey
FL 1984	Guhr, Roman	OH 1587	Ha, Robert	AZ 1715	Haas, Kent	FL 1269	Hackler Jr., Ted H.
CA 1768	Guillory, Ralph	GA 1866	Hadsell Jr., Michael	MI 2048	Hadzializagic, Erol	NC 1039	Hager, Mike
NV 238	Gumataotao, Janice	WI 1243	Hagerstrand, Robert G.	SC 1808	Hair, Don	AZ 1635	Hale, Donna
NV 331	Gumataotao, Michelle	CA 1616	Hall, James	KY 1353	Halladay, Robert D.	MA 811	Halperin, Jared
NV 1605	Gumataotao, Tony S.N.	NM 1819	Hambleton, Daniel	NM 1595	Hamilton, Karen	NH 1840	Hamilton, Benjamin
NY 1804	Gunduz, Gurhan	OH 2160	Hamilton, Don R.	CA 2176	Hamilton, J. Russell		





NH 1689 Hamilton, Mark
 CA 976 Hamilton, Steve
 AL 1940 Hamilton, Terry
 NH 924 Hamilton, Timothy
 FL 1251 Hammersmith, Joel
 TN 897 Hancock, Tracy
 CA 1204 Hanken, Martin F
 FL 841 Hann, Dorothy J.
 OH 1483 Hanna, David
 PA 534 Hanna, Rick
 OH 1101 Hannum, Nathan
 VA 1652 Hanson, Dana Brent
 NJ 971 Hao, Jiayi
 FL 2016 Harbeck, Gary D.
 OH 708 Hardin, Dorothy W.
 GA 246 Hardy, Joseph H.
 MO 1678 Hargrove, Kenneth
 FL 1791 Harley, Eddie
 IL 1728 Ham, Stanley
 NV 1801 Harper, Lee
 AZ 1757 Harrington, John G.
 IL 1804 Harris, Bruce
 MD 269 Harris, Jennifer L.
 MD 132 Harris, Paul
 MN 1783 Harris, Rex
 OH 1576 Harris, Scott
 CA 1576 Hartmann, Rudy Albert
 OH 494 Hartop, Francesca
 NC 1687 Hartssock, Warren
 RI 1305 Hartt, Kenneth
 CA 1838 Hashemi, Ross
 CA 2204 Hashimoto, Masaru
 MI 1331 Hatzis, Louis
 CA 2009 Hauger Jr., Leonard
 MA 1648 Haugh, David
 WI 1524 Hauser, John
 FL 1716 Hautsch, Fred
 OH 1362 Haverstraw, Bob
 TX 1303 Hawk, Phillip
 OH 1901 Hawkins Sr., Larry
 PA 1884 Hawkins, James Earl
 PA 2049 Hayat, Dr. Hamid
 MI 1407 Hayden Jr., Donald C.
 NH 2042 Hayes, Donald B.
 MI 1541 Hayes, Roger
 VT 1817 Hayford, Jim
 NH 1747 Haynes, Douglas
 NH 1666 Haynes, Thomas
 WY 1902 Hays, David
 IL 877 Hayworth, Kirk
 IN 560 Hazinski, Janelle
 IN 227 Hazinski, Katelyn
 IN 2202 Hazinski, Mark
 MI 2020 He, John
 NJ 736 Hecht, David
 PA 1862 Heckathorn, Jason
 PA 1215 Heffner, Ryan
 MI 523 Heike, Christopher
 NY 810 Heilmann, Nancy
 CA 2191 Hejazi, Alireza
 MN 880 Helal, Mohamed
 FL 1815 Helfer, Herman
 KS 1560 Heller, Frank C.
 MD 495 Helm, Richard
 MD 1305 Helmke, Thomas W.
 FL 2123 Helwig, Frederick
 WA 1912 Hemanth, Rajendra
 NH 1599 Henault, Bill
 IL 2038 Henderson, Sonny M.
 KS 1639 Hendrickson, Aaron
 KS 1734 Hendrickson, Guy R.
 MO 1245 Hendry, Rich
 IA 610 Henely, Michael
 IA 1358 Henely, Paul
 PA 1024 Henninger, Robert T.
 AZ 519 Henry, Shirley
 FL 1779 Hensley, Larry
 AZ 1294 Hensley, Le Roy
 OH 1647 Henthorn, C. Bud
 WA 1706 Heo, Baek Ho
 FL 1813 Herbert, Mark Richard
 MA 1134 Heredia, Paul

MN 596 Herman, Paul
 CA 682 Hernandez, Erica T.
 FL 1296 Hernandez, Felipe A.
 PR 827 Hernandez, Maruchi
 FL 779 Hernandez, Nestor
 CA 1117 Hernandez, Richard
 FL 1215 Herrera, Armando
 MN 889 Hervey, John
 MA 1768 Heslin, John Jack
 FL 1632 Hess Jr., Kipling Randall
 IN 1154 Heffield, Jack
 MN 967 Heuer, Jed
 IN 2174 Hewitt, Randy
 IN 2226 Hicks, H. Richard
 OH 905 Hicks, Kermit
 MO 1935 Hildebrand, Jeff
 OH 1622 Hill, Charles K
 NC 2103 Hill, Danny
 CA 1129 Hill, Jim
 NY 1580 Hines, Elliot
 TN 1630 Hines, Jeffery
 MD 1422 Hiratsuka, Jon
 MA 1624 Hiroe, Hayashi
 MA 2237 Hlava, Jiri R.
 AL 1696 Ho, Hung Mike
 FL 1099 Ho, Kar
 CA 963 Ho, Kevin Sung Kit
 CA 1193 Ho, Naaman
 CA 619 Ho, Nicholas
 CA 1469 Ho, Peter Y
 OR 2061 Ho, Phong
 OR 1656 Ho, Robert W. H.
 AZ 1272 Ho, Waymon
 SC 1619 Hoagland, Tim
 CA 1501 Hoard, Blake
 OR 1942 Hoarfrost, Judy
 OR 986 Hoarfrost, Ryan
 MO 1074 Hodges, Eddie
 MD 2236 Hodges, Larry Bruce
 IL 947 Hoffman, Eric
 IL 1152 Hoffman, Lance
 FL 1508 Hoffman, Robert
 SC 1723 Hollis, Dave
 NY 1714 Holck, Bruce F.
 NY 907 Holmes, Magdalena
 NJ 1821 Holz, George Ernest
 CA 1552 Honda, Hackie
 OH 1648 Hong, Chung H.
 GA 923 Hong, Edmund
 PA 1843 Hong, Lan
 GA 1376 Hopkins, Thomas
 TX 1881 Hormozi, Amir
 TX 448 Hormozi, Cameron
 TX 448 Hormozi, Susan
 NY 1917 Hormowitz, Steven
 NY 1859 Horowitz, William
 NC 1069 Horton, Bryan
 WA 1013 Horton, Maurice
 CA 1689 Horvath, Alex
 NY 1436 Hosein, Rafi
 AZ 1888 Houed, Luis F.
 MO 390 Houlihan, Patrick
 AZ 989 Howell, Jack
 AZ 1285 Howell, Jared
 OH 880 Howell, Larry
 AZ 541 Howell, Sandra
 NJ 1265 Hrabrov, Max
 MA 1189 Hrobak, Frank
 NJ 1628 Hsu, Fei-Hsing
 MD 1231 Hsu, Fong
 WA 944 Hsu, Kyle
 CA 1610 Hsu, Yungtai
 NC 2107 Hu, Joey Juin-Yuan
 CA 1238 Hu, Michelle
 GA 1837 Hu, Shaoze
 CA 1951 Hu, Stanley
 GA 1963 Hu, Xiaolei
 TN 1302 Hua, Paul V
 SC 1058 Huang, Helen
 CA 2113 Huang, Li-Jun
 MD 1866 Huang, Samuel K.
 MD 2524 Huang, Tong Sheng Jack
 NY 1611 Huang, Wenchao
 FL 1065 Huang, Wilbur
 FL 726 Huang, Wilson
 WA 2030 Huang, Win-Bin
 MD 1543 Huang, Xiao Dan
 OH 1110 Huang, Yuezong
 ND 1134 Hubbard, Stephen
 FL 907 Hubner, Bill
 CO 1814 Huggins, David
 NJ 2024 Hugh, Adam
 NJ 1118 Hugh, Judy
 FL 1798 Hugh-Sam, Michael A.
 MN 1541 Hui, Tommy
 NJ 1906 Hui, William
 PA 1402 Hung, Sunny
 FL 1530 Hunt, Bruce
 OH 1339 Hunt, David
 IL 1141 Hussey, Bob

AZ 1160 Huston, Jerry
 CA 257 Huynh, Andrew
 WA 2063 Huynh, Khanh
 CA 1653 Huynh, Minh
 WA 948 Huynh, Tuan
 CA 511 Hwang, Colin
 CA 2128 Hwang, Min Hee
 GA 2532 Hyatt, Michael
 NY 1234 Hyttinen, Arvo
 IL 2141 Ibanigor, Andy
 CA 1933 Ibrahim, Dr. Azmy
 OR 1802 Ignazzitto, Sam
 MI 1996 Iloh, Tesilimi
 CA 1004 Imaz, Pablo
 TX 1623 Imhoff, Brian
 MN 1906 Inediened, Dan
 CA 1387 Intagliata, Paul
 VA 1511 Iparraguirre, William
 MI 2171 Iqbal, Ejaz
 CA 1247 Irvine, Kitty
 AZ 1362 Irving, Dorothy
 IL 1793 Isaacson, Steve
 NY 1822 Iselin, Alex
 IL 1798 Iyer, Ganesh
 IL 1456 Jablonski, Tomasz
 NJ 1957 Jackovino, Adam J.
 CO 1990 Jackson, Bob
 PA 2032 Jackson, Charles P.
 AR 2084 Jackson, Don
 MD 2045 Jackson, Morris
 IA 812 Jacobs, Steve
 FL 1947 Jacobson, Simon
 CA 1043 Jacques, Michael
 FL 1440 Jadusingh, Astill
 KY 2156 Jafar-Ali, Shuja
 RI 1094 Jagger, Andrew
 GA 2505 Jagwani, Mukesh
 NJ 2468 Jain, Ashu
 TN 1208 James, Connie
 OH 1666 James, Daniel
 FL 2182 James, Donovan
 CA 2057 Janssen, Wim
 NJ 2014 Jarnea, John
 TX 1542 Jasser, Ahmed
 MD 1587 Jenkins, Alvis L.
 CA 1914 Jeon, Seong-Taek
 AZ 1576 Jerome, Edward Charles
 FL 1590 Jess, David
 AZ 1830 Jett, Jay
 KY 1933 Jett, Roger
 NY 1406 Johnson, Jennifer E.
 WA 756 Johnson, Keith
 MI 1471 Johnson, Kevin H.
 FL 1210 Johnson, Robert G.
 MN 1805 Johnson, Sean
 SC 1747 Johnson, Steven Kermit
 MD 584 Johnson, Travis
 AZ 1456 Johnson, Wayne R.
 FL 1305 Johnston, L.A.
 SC 860 Joiner, Sharkey
 SC 1809 Jones, Bobby D.
 TX 1927 Jones, Claude D.
 CA 1020 Jones, J.W.
 CA 1136 Jones, Jimmy
 NY 1472 Jones, Robert L.
 MI 483 Jones, Shon
 DC 1669 Jones, Travis
 FL 1515 Jordan, Ivan
 TN 887 Jordan, Robert C.
 TN 1147 Jordan, Russell S.
 NY 859 Joy Jr., Rex E.
 NY 1396 Kaddoura, Olga
 CA 893 Kahan, Olga Feingold
 CA 1229 Kahan, Stanley
 MA 1464 Kahane, Rob
 IL 1072 Kahn, Carl
 IL 1092 Kahn, Eli
 CA 1707 Kajitani, Sai
 MA 1862 Kalagher, Christopher P.
 OH 1277 Kalb, James
 NY 1831 Kaier, Natalie
 NY 830 Kambhampati, Avinash
 VA 1731 Kaminsky, Barbara
 MN 1739 Kaminsky, Ken
 NC 1389 Kan, Victor
 CA 1670 Kanekar, Suresh
 IA 1867 Kang, Jingfeng
 KS 1467 Kantov, Vladimir
 MD 448 Kao, Alex
 MD 603 Kao, Jeffrey
 CA 1759 Karim, Mike
 NY 973 Karlin, Dmitry
 IN 1688 Kashman, Peggy
 CA 1117 Kasowski, Leszek
 VA 1551 Kasson, Scott
 MO 1760 Kasten, Harold S.
 CA 1199 Kato, Izumi
 NJ 1634 Kaushal, Anil
 NJ 547 Kaushal, Arjun
 NJ 196 Kaushal, Tara

WA 1643 Kawamoto, George H.
 WA 333 Kawamoto, Stephanie A.
 PA 1148 Kawate, Toru
 CA 1858 Kazantsev, Mikhail
 CA 1154 Kazarian, Armen
 CA 1249 Kazarian, Karen
 CA 1838 Kazemi, Behnam
 AZ 597 Kazmirski, Todd
 PA 1724 Ke, James
 IN 1422 Keaton, Charles W.
 NC 1737 Keener, Richard
 OH 1802 Keep, David J.
 MI 1767 Keep, James M.
 CA 1368 Kelemen, George E.
 NY 1007 Kelly, Dean
 PA 704 Kelsey, Cynthia Rearden
 IN 1683 Kemp, Rodney
 TX 1857 Kempa, Gerald
 CA 1561 Kendall, David L.
 NY 1160 Kendall, Gail
 AZ 1783 Kenig, Bill
 MN 1823 Kerkow, Greg
 IN 1774 Kerner, Erceal
 MA 1784 Kernizan, Ralph
 PA 1049 Kerns, Ivan
 OK 1698 Kesler, Larry N.
 CA 1056 Khairzad, Bashir
 CA 1587 Khairzad, Kamran
 CA 1712 Khasanova, Alina
 CA 2087 Khazaali, Javid Mohsen
 AZ 1267 Kiel, Bernard
 WA 949 Kim, Chong-Koo
 CA 1812 Kim, Dai Bok
 CA 1578 Kim, Myung
 LA 1690 Kim, Tae-Wan
 TN 1227 Kimber, Jelani
 AZ 682 Kimes, Isaac
 FL 1496 King, Hawathia
 NY 1689 King, Leroy
 TX 1438 King, Mark L.
 MI 848 King, Steven R.
 ND 1024 Kirschenmann, Korey
 FL 1184 Kirtane, Kedar
 PA 1491 Kisiel, Witold
 AL 1863 Kissel, Ralph
 PA 1848 Kistler, Fred E.
 AZ 1055 Klapp, Bruce
 MI 1416 Klein, Jerry
 MA 1106 Kleper, Myles H.
 MI 1583 Kline, Ed
 CA 1027 Klots, Levy
 MO 1430 Klotzer, Charles
 IA 1693 Klug, Brad Lee
 MO 1630 Klutho, Thomas J.
 MA 918 Knatt, Thomas
 OH 1717 Knically, Jack
 CA 995 Knoles, Rick
 MI 563 Knoll, Stephen
 MI 377 Knoll, Tyler
 NY 1128 Knowlton, Keith
 WI 1776 Knuth, Jeffery R.
 NY 2395 Ko, Carlos
 CA 1282 Ko, Kelvin
 OR 1673 Kobernick, Mark
 CA 1645 Koh, Chason S.
 PA 1476 Kohut, William S.
 AZ 854 Kolnik, Lucille
 PA 684 Kolvek, Barry
 MA 1891 Komuro, Mitsuhiro
 MN 1116 Koppel, Jared
 OH 1412 Koretsky, Leonard
 NY 1418 Korotkiy, Alex
 NJ 2139 Korte, Meinhard
 IL 1356 Koscielski, Daniel
 CA 1582 Koshimoto, Hiroshi
 CA 1579 Koshkin, Ilya
 MN 744 Koskovich, Beth
 CA 1397 Kossakovski, Dmitri
 MD 569 Kostkowski, Betty
 MD 1486 Kostkowski, Henry J.
 MA 1770 Kotelman, Yevgeniya
 MN 1878 Kouatli, Omar
 MD 1734 Kovac, Paul
 NJ 1273 Kowalewski, Jason
 OR 1288 Koyama, Nobuhiko
 NJ 487 Kpola, Melvin
 MD 624 Krapf, Melody
 IL 136 Krause, Staci
 TX 1863 Kressner, Scott
 MO 798 Kron, Patrick
 OH 831 Kroner, Dmitry
 MD 1687 Kronlage, Yvonne M.
 AZ 1891 Kruahara, Hiroyuki
 CA 1615 Krum, Craig
 MO 1717 Kruse, Larry
 AZ 1711 Kuchenbecker, Kristin
 NJ 1959 Kuklakis, Mike
 MA 1556 Kulkarni, Sushil
 CA 1889 Kuluva, Neil
 NY 2159 Kulyba, Igor

NJ 1476 Kumar, Rajan
 CA 1224 Kunze, Ray
 NY 1811 Kupferman, Harold J.
 CA 1403 Kurtz, Fred
 VA 2045 Kuseski, Roger
 CA 1997 Kwaan, Leon
 VA 903 Kwiatkowski, Rick
 MD 1772 Kwok, Elaine
 NJ 555 Kwok, Raymond
 CA 1739 Kwolek, Joseph M.
 MA 1413 La Bonte, E. Thomas
 WI 790 LaDean, Tom
 FL 1660 LaAdamas, Aser
 NY 1557 LaFond, Louis Franklin
 IL 419 LaGreca, Salvatore
 IL 235 LaGreca, Salvatore Tore
 OH 1521 Lacey, Jason
 GA 1576 Lacey, Jay
 NY 1456 Lacy, Stephen
 WA 1431 Lagozzino, William
 AZ 1930 Lai, Alex Kwok-Kwai
 FL 1149 Lai, Bik-yin
 AZ 1249 Lake, Bert
 IL 848 Lake, Robert
 GA 1632 Lakshman, Sankaran
 GA 1316 Laliberte, Jeff
 NY 1930 Lalvani, Michael
 MA 1833 Lam, Bing K.
 FL 389 Lam, Brian
 CA 2161 Lam, Eric
 FL 799 Lam, Harvey
 FL 774 Lam, Kai
 WA 782 Lam, Karen
 FL 613 Lam, Kevin
 WA 1345 Lam, Philip
 IL 2149 Lam, Spenser M.
 TX 2091 Lamb, Howard
 NV 1194 Lambert, Howard
 CA 1567 Lambert, S. W.
 NJ 1633 Lande, Terje
 FL 1145 Landers, Larry
 CA 1249 Landsberg, Mark
 NH 1823 Landsman, Alex M.
 TN 1461 Lane, Scott
 TN 557 Lane, Shelby
 MD 2009 Lang, Lixin
 MA 963 Langevin, Jim
 CA 1702 Langley, Bob
 MN 868 Langseth, Abraham
 MN 1091 Langseth, James
 PA 1073 Lank, Rodger
 MN 1080 Lopic, Dave
 AZ 1341 Lara, Tony
 AZ 892 Larson, Emily
 CT 2021 Laskova, Inna
 TX 1262 Latham, Sam
 MA 2212 Lau, Kwing Yiu
 KY 996 Lau, Paul
 FL 1608 Launonen, Matti
 CA 1696 Law, George
 IN 1851 Lawless, Michael
 CA 1615 Laxman-Rao, Vidyanand
 CT 1909 Lazarev, Michael
 NY 2027 Lazbin, Arkadiy
 CA 1587 Le, Anthony
 OR 1721 Le, Ly Ai
 OR 1960 Le, Ly Anh
 OR 1335 Le, Ly Hien
 OR 2005 Le, Ly Phuong
 TX 1560 Le, Peter-Phuoc
 TX 1741 Le, Thanh
 CA 2257 Le, Tuan
 IL 1418 Le, Van Thanh
 CO 1717 Leach, Chris
 CO 1358 Leach, John
 CO 1601 Leach, Laura
 OR 1222 Leatherman, Ken
 CO 1827 Leatherwood, Robert K.
 OH 1033 Lecture, Mike
 WA 699 Ledbetter, Lorraine
 AZ 896 Lee, Ai
 CA 1716 Lee, Binky
 CA 1553 Lee, Chuan Neng
 CA 1135 Lee, Edward
 CA 1940 Lee, Hawk N.
 NJ 1386 Lee, Hong
 WI 1680 Lee, Houa
 CA 2058 Lee, Jacqueline
 MA 672 Lee, Jamie
 MI 1487 Lee, Jo Chun
 AL 1999 Lee, Jungki
 MO 1808 Lee, Kagin
 CA 740 Lee, Kevin
 MD 1392 Lee, Kit Wing
 CA 1763 Lee, Kurt
 CA 1631 Lee, Kwok
 CA 1732 Lee, Mary
 FL 1154 Lee, Raynor
 CA 1311 Lee, Richard
 MD 2274 Lee, Richard

NC 1774	Lee, Roddy	IL 381	Logothetis, Hercules	OH 1007	Masminster, Joseph	FL 1946	Millett, Alan
CA 1763	Lee, Shelley C.	CA 2073	Loi, Duc	OR 1726	Mason, Bill	FL 1294	Millett, Richard
CA 1911	Lee, Stacey L.	MD 929	Loneragan, Cathy Ann	OR 499	Mason, Jon	NY 1611	Millman, Joel
NY 1554	Lee, Ted	MD 2539	Loneragan, Sean Michael	NM 1716	Masotto, Roland R. Rick	CA 1086	Mills, Bernard
CA 2340	Lee, Terrence K.	MD 2049	Loneragan, Terry George	MD 1907	Master, Michael	FL 1644	Mills, Nesly
MD 2145	Lee, Vivian	TX 1477	Long, Alan	IL 1670	Mathews, Mark	TX 1029	Millsap, Gerry
CA 1698	Lee, Wesley	MN 894	Long, David	NH 1024	Mathews, Matt	CA 2068	Mintsiveris, Nick
FL 2087	Leff, Marvin A.	NY 1257	Longworth, Kevin	VA 1715	Matkovic, Paul	NY 2064	Mirafior, Joseph
FL 1615	Leggett, Jim S.	FL 1729	Look, Raymond	IN 1243	Matlon, Frank	CA 2174	Miranda, Rudy X.
NE 998	Lehmer, Gary	WA 467	Loomis, Julian	CA 1754	Matossian, Samuel	MI 1501	Miron, Eugene
CO 1179	Leibovitz, Ross	NM 1613	Lopez, Antonio	PA 1407	Matthews, Dave	TN 2059	Mirza, Muhammad
NY 2348	Leibovitz, Tahl	MD 1463	Lord, Chet	PA 864	Matthews, Ryan	VT 1255	Mishenko, Vyacheslav
AZ 1697	Leichter, Morris	AZ 1912	Lorenc, Mario	MI 1724	Mattox, Chip	NJ 2161	Misu, Jumpei
OH 1197	Leightly, Clifford	WA 544	Lotz, David	FL 2167	Mau, Jay	OR 943	Mitchell, Jandon
FL 584	Leissering, Lu	OH 1503	Lovalenti, Greg	CA 1365	Mautner, Raymond Armin	FL 1591	Mitchell, Kenneth
FL 1078	Leissering, Michael	PA 2092	Lowry, Steven	NY 1812	Maxwell, Brian	FL 1665	Mitchell, Lloyd
CA 1115	Lendzion, Louis G.	MA 1066	Lui, Jay	WA 1406	Maxwell, Frank	WA 1128	Mizumori, Daniel
OH 1176	Leslie, Tom	AZ 1991	Lucas, Leo	NY 1849	Maxwell, Melvyn Douglas	IL 195	Mohamed, Anil
AZ 1695	Leu, Gia	CA 788	Luck, Chris	CA 2408	May, Derek J.	NY 1374	Mohamed, Tahmeed
CA 1753	Leung, Chun Po	MD 1995	Lui, Patrick Kin Luen	TX 2204	Mayer, Robert	NY 1875	Mohammed, Kirk
CA 1734	Leung, Dr. Kent	NC 2120	Luisana, Bryan	FL 976	Mayo, David	PA 2208	Mojaverian, Parviz
MN 928	Leung, Helen	VA 1147	Luc, Mingkuang	NY 1919	Mazlyn, Alex	CA 1362	Mokaddem, Amine
CA 346	Leung, Melissa	MA 990	Lurie, Jeffrey	CA 731	Mazely, Troy	IN 1111	Molenda, Ed
CA 1836	Leung, Patrick C.	MA 880	Lurie, Samuel	GA 1970	McAfee, Richard	OH 888	Moler, Donald
CA 1373	Leung, Stephen	FL 1184	Luu, Huikai	KY 1428	McAlister, Jason	NJ 1574	Monroe Jr., Harry
OH 1303	Leventhal, Eric	WA 1873	Luu, Kevin	NY 851	McBath, Kevin	MN 1190	Monson, Brian
TX 2257	Levi, Idan	FL 1230	Luu, Roger	NY 814	McBath, Nancy	MI 858	Montoya, Rick
NY 2115	Levy, Jeffrey	AZ 1537	Ly, Doi Van	CA 1115	McCabe, Jeffrey	FL 1706	Moo-Young, David
NY 1680	Levy, Michael M.	WA 2044	Ly, Randall R.	NV 746	McCaffrey, Debby	GA 1868	Moon, Warren Henry
NY 1383	Lew, Frank	IN 1940	Lynch, Jared	NH 1472	McCarty, Mike	AR 1246	Moore, Gary E.
CA 1271	Lew, Ronald	IN 1598	Lynch, Jim	CA 1202	McCauley, Sumiko	CA 1977	Morales, Guillermo
IL 1480	Lewin, Lawrence	IN 1738	Lynch, Jordan	MD 1497	McCone, Eric	FL 1308	Morales, Islander
FL 1764	Lewis, Donnavan	NY 2102	Lynch, Kurtison R.	MD 1016	McCone, Gary	NJ 1713	Mordecai, Edward
CA 810	Lewis, James	PA 1349	Lynn, David	GA 2132	McCool, Lee	MA 1021	Morgan, Tony
CA 1074	Lewis, Merle	NY 762	Ma, Derek	IL 955	McCormack, Thomas	CT 1814	Mosher, Mark D.
IA 1659	Lewis, Paul Wayne	NY 690	Ma, Janet	PA 2145	McCoullum, Henry	FL 789	Moskowitz, Lester
MD 2186	Li, Andy	NY 764	Ma, Karen	PA 1708	McCoy, James Victor	IL 1378	Moy, Andy
CA 1716	Li, Chee	AZ 1710	Ma, Mankit	CO 1817	McDermott, Allen	IL 1662	Moy, Phillip
NJ 1748	Li, Douglas Yi	WA 1979	Ma, Steve M.	SC 1320	McElveen, Corey	AL 1690	Mozur, Joseph
IN 1770	Li, Gang	NY 2009	Ma, William	NJ 832	McFadden, Mark	NJ 2122	Mualem, Patrick
MD 1376	Li, Ginger	TN 729	MacDonald, Steve	MA 1088	McGee, Travis	TX 1848	Mueller, Ricky
WA 1549	Li, Jerry G	AZ 1563	MacDowell, Gordon	WI 1118	McGivern, Tom	TX 1351	Muhich, John
CA 1971	Li, Jimmy	CA 1368	MacFarlane, H. Jim	NJ 671	McGriff, Donte	CO 1852	Mui, Mike
MI 1118	Li, Jinhe	WI 1333	MacGregor, David L.	FL 1474	McKee, Mizell	CA 1774	Mullins, Randall M.
MA 1104	Li, Junliang	NC 1479	MacKenzie, Bryan	CA 2056	McKinstry, Jim	OH 1569	Mulvaney, Ward B.
IL 1815	Li, Leon	NC 1060	MacKenzie, David	CA 1278	McLean, Ray	NY 1359	Mundell, Mark
NY 939	Li, Robert	NH 1535	Machado, Jose M.	MI 899	McMillan, Korvin	VA 1914	Mundy, Rick
MD 2451	Li, Sunny	WY 1839	MacLaine, Bruce Robert	CA 1728	McMillan, Richard	KS 1413	Muninger, Sheldon
CA 1627	Li, Tom	VT 894	Madsboll, Johan	MD 336	McMurren, Dan	FL 2022	Munroe, Chedy
CA 1865	Liang, Samuel S.	VT 1263	Madsboll, Kristoffer	NC 1969	McQueen Jr., James A.	MD 1799	Murad, Matthew
IL 1737	Liang, Simon	MD 2292	Mafi, Amir Ali	CA 2156	McQueen, Lloyd	CA 1813	Muramoto, Ralph M.
CO 1874	Lianza, Charles Bo	NC 871	Magitman, Mark	MA 1114	McRae, Alan	MA 1267	Murph, Arthur
CA 2023	Liao, Robert	MN 1478	Magnuson, Mark	WA 1201	McRae, Steve	MN 599	Murphy, Jesse
KS 1596	Lickey, Roger	MN 996	Magnuson, Mike	NY 1512	Meadow, Mark R.	MN 596	Murphy, Nicole
WA 981	Liddell, Peter	AZ 923	Magras, Jane	NY 639	Meadow, Matt David	NY 1820	Murtezani, Skender
FL 1098	Liebman, Leon	GA 614	Mah, Arianne	TX 1854	Medcalf, Randall	OH 1001	Mussawir, Don
WA 1340	Lien, Ren Chieh	GA 1081	Mah, James	CA 1096	Medoff, Jack I.	PA 1615	Musser, Donald A.
OR 1283	Lien, Wally	GA 251	Mah, Justin	FL 2010	Medy, David	PA 1392	Myers, Jeffrey
GA 1992	Lijev, Mladen	FL 1481	Maharaj, Anthony	MN 1643	Mehdi-Zadeh, Mohsen	OH 1871	Myers, Neil
TN 1593	Lim, Alexander	FL 2284	Maharaj, Dayanand	IL 1833	Mehrabian, Alexander	AZ 087	Myers, Vernon
PA 1674	Lim, Foong-Yen	NE 1607	Mahdi, Mouad	IL 1871	Mehrabian, Andranik	MN 604	Nalls, David
PA 1164	Lim, Kieng Sieu	FL 1884	Maisonet, Billy	MO 1469	Mehrotra, Vikram	CA 1138	Nambudripad, Kris K
CA 2330	Lim, Phillip	GA 87	Maisonett II, Michael	FL 1921	Meiburd, Michael	TN 1522	Nanton, Joseph S.
TN 2163	Lim, Soon Chin	CA 1186	Majdrakoff, Ivan	FL 1812	Meimban, June J.	FL 199	Nassif, Amar
NJ 1604	Lin, Alan	CA 1441	Mak, Torrance	MI 964	Meyndertsma, Mike	FL 740	Nassif, Elias
NY 1928	Lin, Pan	CA 2406	Malek, Attila	NJ 1376	Mejia, Raul	FL 1474	Nathanson, Uri
CA 2017	Lin, Paul	CA 1793	Malek, Aunia	PA 392	Meirath, Gary	MO 694	Nau, Felix Jr.
ND 737	Lindemann, Chad	CA 1856	Malek, Scott	NY 1549	Mendez, George M.	MI 1578	Naugle, Erik L.
CA 1568	Lindo, Howard George	NJ 1502	Malench, Mark	IN 1133	Mentash, Ahmed	IL 1521	Nauyalis, David
FL 766	Lindsay, Margo	WA 1193	Malla, Leo	IL 1833	Menzer, Michael	IL 1944	Nazar, Naved
MD 899	Linkous, Ron	IL 1935	Mallampalli, Hermant	IL 1143	Merchant, Shaan	MD 1055	Ndoye, Adam
OH 1367	Lisboa, William P.	NJ 1355	Mallows, Colin L.	AR 1902	Meredith, James Robert	NY 969	Neal, Tom
NH 1376	Lisman, Al	NY 991	Mandelbaum, Gerard	AR 1964	Meredith, Vic	FL 1553	Needham, Winston
CA 1669	Liu, Chuan-Chiao Robert	VT 1052	Mandell, Jeff	MI 1645	Merritt, Mark Manning	TN 1814	Neely, Bill
NY 1504	Liu, Daniel	MI 929	Mangipudi, Raj	OH 826	Mersiel, Don	PR 1809	Negron, Jesus M.
IA 1817	Liu, Guojun	OH 1506	Mann, Berndt	MA 1770	Mesitor, Pierre	MN 1198	Nelson, David L.
NY 2437	Liu, Hui Yuan	FL 1655	Mannarino, Mark A.	VA 1367	Metzger, Jerry	WI 1094	Nelson, Robert
OR 2181	Liu, Mark	CA 2046	Mao, Toon Siong	VA 1453	Meunier, Akmal J.	IN 1842	Nelson, Tom
IA 2120	Liu, Michael	GA 1883	Mar, John	CA 1305	Meyer, Henry	NY 1045	Nepomnyashchii, Alex
OH 1859	Liu, Minye	GA 1804	Mar, Phillip	WA 293	Meyers, Coby	WV 784	Nestor, Michael
CA 2020	Liu, Renjie	IL 704	Marantz, Cameron	NY 1682	Meylakh, Leonid	NY 1406	Netravali, Anil N.
MA 1707	Liu, Shih-Yuan	AZ 1247	Marconias, M.	CA 1181	Michelson, Tim	PA 1481	Newcomer, Nancy
CA 1148	Liu, Simon	IN 1892	Marcum, Jerry	CO 1542	Miescke, Dave	TN 1293	Newgarden, Joe
MD 1526	Liu, Su Feng	MN 1648	Margolis, Laurence J.	GA 1316	Miessler, Daniel R	AZ 1643	Newman, Alan
CA 1862	Liu, Wallace	CA 1003	Marinas, Daniel T.	AZ 1065	Mikula, Cyril	FL 2033	Newton, Dwight L.
CA 1840	Liu, William	CA 1699	Marinas, Michael K.	DE 1393	Milgram, Kenneth	GA 1245	Newton, Jeff
MD 1924	Liu, Xiaoying	CA 1080	Mark, Phil	NY 1645	Milimovka, Alex	FL 596	Newton, Tabitha
NJ 2123	Liu, Yi	CA 1765	Markmann, Benjamin	KS 1532	Miller II, Carl C.	FL 522	Newton, Tamara
MA 1734	Liu, Zhen Chao	FL 2219	Marsh, Christopher	CA 1763	Miller, Alan L.	FL 364	Newton, Thalia
MA 2212	Liong, Liang Kok	FL 1576	Marshall, David	GA 281	Miller, Chris	FL 1860	Newton, Wendell L.
CA 1913	Livshits, Bella	VA 1893	Marshall, William M.	IN 1571	Miller, Cletis A.	FL 1161	Nezner Jr., Gabor
CA 2130	Livshits, Boris	PA 1802	Martin II, James E.	MN 1876	Miller, Greg	FL 1496	Nezner, Gabor
NY 2060	Llewellyn, David	CA 1394	Martin, Fred J.	IL 2060	Miller, Jason T.	CA 405	Ngai, Denise
CA 1860	Lloyd, Arnold	KS 1174	Martin, Jeffrey	WA 920	Miller, Joanne	CA 1253	Ngai, Winston
NJ 1402	Lo Russo, Michael A.	PA 1124	Martin, Sam	TX 1524	Miller, John	TX 1685	Ngo, Hieu
FL 512	Lockman, Walter	FL 1145	Martin, Sam	NJ 1376	Miller, Joyce	CA 2310	Ngo, Loc Bao
WA 1885	Lock, Raymond	FL 1990	Martinez, Sa-Ni	PA 1616	Miller, Mark	MN 692	Nguyen, Alina
WA 1427	Lock, Rodney	NJ 2093	Martis, Dylan	CA 1748	Miller, Thomas B.	TX 1909	Nguyen, Collin
CA 1862	Loe, Kock	IN 894	Masek, Paul	IN 1707	Miller, Virgil	WA 698	Nguyen, Dao
FL 1629	Loeffler, Sven	OH 1171	Masminster, Ed	IN 1872	Miller, Willis	CA 1882	Nguyen, Dinh



CA 1664	Nguyen, Hai
CA 1670	Nguyen, Hien
TX 2230	Nguyen, Hoan
CA 1330	Nguyen, John Son
CA 2502	Nguyen, Khoa Dinh
CA 1749	Nguyen, Ky
CA 879	Nguyen, Minh Chau
CA 1048	Nguyen, Minh Thanh
TX 1620	Nguyen, Phong
KS 1459	Nguyen, Phuong D.
CA 2066	Nguyen, Roger Trong
CA 2284	Nguyen, Steve
WA 1824	Nguyen, Tai
PA 1559	Nguyen, Tam Nhon
CT 1987	Nguyen, Tim
CA 1658	Nguyen, Tim
CA 1718	Nguyen, Vung
NJ 543	Ni, Mimi
FL 1183	Nichols, Elmer
MN 584	Niemi, Nathen
NC 1087	Nieves, Orlando
NY 2181	Nisbet, Ben J.
NY 1739	Noel, Fritz-Weber
OH 980	Noel, Steven
MO 652	Nord, Abraham
IL 2172	Nordby, Mark Andrew
GA 1474	Norman, Anthony
OH 1553	Norman, Delbert
WI 1224	North, Glenn
FL 1507	Nosel, Lev
FL 1021	Ntem, Mark
GA 2135	Nunes, Thomas
NY 1682	Nunnally, Christopher R
AL 1560	Nunnally, Rusty
OH 1845	Nusinow, Edwin
MD 2230	Nyanquillo, Origene
NY 1746	O'Donnell, Jonathan
TN 1796	O'Neal, Tracy Allen
TX 1942	O'Neill, Robert
CA 1237	Oasan, Alejandro V.
NJ 2249	Oben, Claudia
AZ 1214	Oceretko, Arkadij
WA 1865	Ochsner, John
OH 888	Ofei, Alex
OH 1396	Ofei, Michael
IL 1567	Offergeld, Martin
MI 2427	Ogundimu, Gbenga
TX 2098	Ohara, Kazuhiro
NJ 2011	Ojebode, Antony
NJ 1549	Okrainets, Constantin
PA 1544	Oleinick, Joseph
FL 1461	Oliver, Phillip
KS 1892	Oliver, Paul
NM 1596	Olsher, Dick
WA 978	Olson, Eric
MN 721	Olson, Tony
NY 1591	Olugbile, Michael
CA 1416	On, David
CA 459	On, Joey
MA 1618	Ong, Michael
CA 1889	Onishi, Seishi
AL 2022	Onuka, Ken
CA 1569	Opperman, John W
MN 784	Orescanin, Cory
DC 1403	Orfield, Daniel
IL 1835	Oros, John
AZ 1546	Orr, John A.
NY 2318	Ortiz, Gonzalo
IL 1415	Osborne, John
FL 924	Osburn, Mike
TX 2426	Oshodi, Taju
WA 1120	Osier, Daniel
AZ 1259	Oswald, Evan
LA 1807	Oubichon, Jack
ID 417	Ouellett, Earnest
TX 2596	Owens, Eric
WI 1678	Oza, Vishvesh
FL 2545	Pace, Brian
MT 1402	Padgett, Terry
NC 1476	Pahl, John
NV 1054	Paldi, Gabriel



IL 890 Palm, Mike
 FL 1213 Palumbo, Alfred
 MD 645 Pan, Alex
 MO 891 Pan, Jack
 MO 999 Pan, Jimmy
 PA 2316 Pandit, Sharad
 ca 1057 Panescue, Christian
 TX 2041 Pang, Chian
 SC 888 Pang, Chun
 FL 2013 Pang, Richard
 CA 1466 Papp III, Albert L.
 TN 1556 Parakh, Neville
 TN 1202 Parakh, Zubin
 PA 1551 Parekh, Nirav
 KS 1652 Paretzky, Jonathan
 FL 2199 Parham, Dale
 NC 1649 Parker, Brandon
 NJ 1338 Parker, Greg
 WA 1319 Parker, Kirby
 CA 1007 Parr, James
 CA 1259 Parrish, Frank
 CA 1031 Parrish, Kathy
 PA 1562 Parry, John
 CA 1449 Partridge, Robert C.
 MD 1895 Paryavi, Mehdi
 IL 2191 Pashuku, Paul Victor
 CA 1354 Patankar, Anish
 GA 1563 Patel, Alpesh
 TN 1522 Patel, Mike
 NJ 566 Patnaik, Chirag
 MA 1857 Patnaik, Praveen
 AL 1873 Patton Jr., Charles
 NY 1559 Paul, Don
 NC 1544 Paul, Douglas A.
 TX 1507 Payne, Robert
 IN 1704 Pearson, Paul
 IN 1927 Pease, Stan W.
 NY 1521 Pelshe, Andy
 MA 851 Pendleton, Rodney
 NY 1266 Penell, Leon S
 MA 1833 Peng, John
 FL 1746 Penny, Eric
 FL 1374 Pepper, Darrell
 MI 1914 Peradotto, Dave
 IL 1532 Perelmutter, Joe
 NY 2404 Perez, Alexis
 CA 1945 Perez, Mike
 GA 1417 Perkel, David
 FL 1457 Perlmutter, Jerome
 MI 763 Permut, David
 TX 1636 Perony, Govany
 CT 915 Perry, Vin
 NY 1803 Persaud, Roger A.
 GA 1298 Peters, Matthew
 AZ 458 Peterson, Diane
 TN 1513 Peterson, Roger
 KS 1468 Petrie, James
 WA 1429 Pham, Cuong
 FL 1672 Pham, Tuan
 TX 1899 Phan, Nhan T
 CA 2219 Phan, Tung
 TN 774 Phathanak, Charlie
 MI 565 Phelps, Darrell
 CA 1586 Phi, An
 PA 1701 Phillips, Andrew
 MA 1553 Pho, Kevin
 CA 739 Phung, Kevin
 NH 1324 Picard, Dorlon H.
 FL 956 Pickett, Joanne
 AZ 1264 Pierotti, Joe
 MA 635 Pine, Chris
 NJ 1319 Pineda, Renan
 NJ 607 Pineda, Xavier Max
 OR 2024 Ping, Emily
 OR 1895 Ping, Ken
 OR 1929 Ping, Whitney
 AZ 1136 Pioux, Jerome
 NY 2015 Pirzada, Shahid
 KY 2143 Plaisted, Thomas
 PA 2036 Plevinsky, Marvin

WA 1530 Plistermann, Steffen
 IL 1906 Plunkett, Mike
 OH 1789 Podis, Gary
 MN 1072 Podvin, David
 MN 1324 Podvin, Joseph
 NJ 863 Politzer, Walter
 AZ 1702 Polk, Harry
 CA 1627 Pollarne, Steve
 NY 1731 Pollard, Brian
 IA 1212 Pollard, Kevin M.
 MI 1058 Poole, Gene C.
 MI 855 Poole, Thomas
 NC 1664 Poore, Brian
 CA 1653 Popa, Calin
 IL 499 Popatia, Shahid
 IL 1774 Popiel, Barbara
 CA 1614 Portillo, Christopher
 CA 1356 Portugal, Larry
 CA 1424 Poteet, Robert
 KS 1726 Potochnik, John
 MN 856 Potter, Matt
 NY 1589 Powell, David
 OH 2247 Powell, Robert Lee
 MD 2044 Prakash, Kesh
 MI 1758 Pratten, Simon
 GA 923 Presley, Aldis R
 GA 152 Presley, Micah
 MO 1180 Preuss, Eugene R.
 PA 839 Pribish, Edward
 PA 1326 Pritchard, Thomas J.
 AZ 847 Prokopchuk, Ovest
 VA 1938 Provenzano, Tony
 MD 1458 Puls, Chris
 AL 1874 Putman, Barry
 GA 1728 Q, James Jian
 NE 1067 Qiang, Yi
 CA 1231 Quant, Irving
 MA 2038 Quayle, Solomon
 TX 1278 Quillin, John
 NY 1165 Quinones, Andrew
 FL 1489 Quinones, Raul
 CA 1255 Quon, Harriet
 NY 1738 Rabinovich, Boris M.
 NY 1918 Radecki, Waldemar
 OH 1843 Radezelli, Louis
 OR 1618 Rahman, Rezaur
 VA 2005 Raina, Pradumn K.
 OH 1632 Rajan, Rajesh
 PA 2394 Ramanathan, Srinivasan
 NY 991 Rambally, Heeralal
 OH 1911 Ramey, Mike
 CA 1413 Ramirez, Michael
 WA 1363 Ramsay, Doug
 OH 1766 Rao, Gowri
 PA 1027 Rapp, Ken
 TX 2043 Rautis, James A.
 MO 949 Ray, Clarence
 AZ 1548 Raymond, Aubrey
 CA 1649 Raymond, Jim
 TN 2497 Reed, Barney J.
 IL 309 Rehmani, Faisal
 PA 2061 Reid, Gerald
 CA 1683 Reising, Bob
 NY 2031 Reisman, Marty
 WI 1462 Reiter, Bernhard
 NV 2106 Remenyi, Frank
 KS 1630 Rempel, Gregg
 CA 2190 Ren, Young
 NY 1224 Revai, Joe
 MN 1614 Reynolds, Ross
 NY 649 Reznik, George
 KS 1397 Rhea, Larry
 MN 727 Rhodes, Tim
 CO 1762 Rice, David E.
 NY 1779 Richards, Gemmel
 OH 938 Richards, Ron
 FL 2124 Rigo, Ronald W.
 ME 1519 Ripley, Charles
 ME 824 Ripley, Dianna
 IL 1324 Ritter, Ben
 CA 1753 Ritz, James
 PA 1081 Rivera, Jose L
 PR 2172 Rivera, Yamil
 FL 1499 Rivero, Mayra
 TX 617 Rizk, Benjamin
 TX 1203 Rizk, Elias
 TX 1694 Rizk, Rene
 NY 1624 Ro, Kuang-Hsiung
 MN 1894 Robb, John P.
 CA 1787 Roberson, Samuel
 CA 1127 Roberts, Bobby
 WA 2233 Roberts, David
 NC 1844 Robertshaw, Gregg
 FL 1679 Robertson, Kevin
 NC 1536 Robertson, Trez
 MI 1151 Robinson, Terry
 VA 992 Robinson, William

CA 1688 Robles, Antonio
 CO 1489 Rodriguez, Lee
 PA 724 Rodriguez, Mayra
 NY 1260 Rodriguez, Melvyn
 NC 1635 Roe, Earl
 MO 1929 Rogers, Andrew
 MI 444 Rogers, Darryl
 IL 1199 Rolnick, Joel
 AZ 1422 Romig, Gary B.
 CA 1427 Rosales, Jorge
 CA 1635 Rosales, Laura
 CO 1555 Rose, Larry
 MI 1114 Rose, Matthew
 OH 1760 Rose, Svetlana
 OH 1730 Rosen, Ross E.
 NY 1127 Rosenstein, Vadim
 FL 988 Rosenthal, Ronald
 NY 2145 Rosenzweig, David
 PA 1833 Roskos, Ken
 NC 1663 Ross, Robert
 CA 1244 Rossman, Herbert
 PA 1691 Roth, Frank A.
 TX 1933 Roufeh, Jalil
 TX 1951 Roufeh, Mahin
 TN 1866 Rountree, Dennis
 MA 1418 Rouzeau, Guy Gerard
 MA 1640 Rouzeau, Jean-Robert
 MA 707 Roy, Sumon
 MD 1378 Rozanski, George
 NV 1886 Rubin, David I.
 FL 1479 Rubin, Henry
 KS 1394 Rucker, Charles
 CA 1916 Ruderman, Leon
 IN 1815 Rudibaugh, Jack
 MN 2131 Rugira, Lonzen
 PR 2363 Ruiz, Luis E
 MN 1081 Running, Gregory
 MN 721 Running, Jeffrey
 CA 320 Runyan, Sara
 KS 1477 Ruthven, Les
 WI 781 Rutkowski, Aaron
 WI 1694 Rutkowski, Alan
 CA 1897 Ryan, Bill
 PA 1738 Ryberg, Bob
 AZ 1073 Ryberg, Steve
 CA 2052 Rybin, Vladimir I.
 MN 1501 Sabas, Joseph
 MN 2024 Sabas, Kristopher J.
 IA 1992 Sackpraseuth, Noi
 PA 835 Safa, Nick
 PA 1404 Safabakhsh, Peyman
 MD 492 Sagel, Jason
 OH 1097 Sajovec, Robert
 MD 2172 Sakai, David
 FL 1549 Salajai, Billy
 WI 1495 Salazar, Bart
 CA 1815 Salcido, Miguel Angel
 TX 1555 Salmeron, Robert R.
 NC 1028 Salzgeber, Susan
 NY 1303 Samant, Jay
 NY 1301 Samant, Subhash
 CA 2316 Samari, Ramin R.
 RI 2141 Samek, Artur
 NJ 1583 Sarnkoff, Rhoda
 MN 2046 Samuel, Reggie
 PR 1518 Sanchez, Juan G.
 PR 980 Sanchez, Wilmarys
 FL 1473 Sanders, Bob
 MI 1434 Sanders, Phillip
 TN 1764 Sanders, Richard A.
 FL 1733 Sanders, Suzanna
 TX 2066 Santiago, Christopher
 PR 2531 Santiago, Gabriel
 FL 969 Santiago, Joy
 NJ 644 Santiago, Miguel
 VA 1349 Santo, Ulpiano
 PA 839 Santomero, Marc A
 FL 1639 Saria, Roberto
 WA 572 Sarkisian, Sahajia Corey
 PA 1418 Satchell, Delano
 MD 1799 Saubier, Leo F.
 CA 1128 Saunders, Brent
 CA 1970 Savitz, Bernard
 IL 1402 Savul, Aziz
 CA 1512 Sawamoto, Ken
 CA 1971 Saxon, Allan
 CT 1071 Scafariello, Mark
 FL 1942 Scarlett, Terrence
 CA 1219 Schafer, Phillip J.
 MI 1548 Schafer, Robert E
 NV 1278 Schauer, Franz
 MI 1295 Scheipner, George
 WA 914 Schick, Bob
 OH 2151 Schlabach Jr., Roy
 NJ 924 Schlachet, Josh
 WI 1524 Schlegel, John
 NY 965 Schlemitzauer, William

CA 2283 Schmidt, Avishy
 CA 1195 Schmidt, David
 WI 1018 Schmidt, Dieter
 IN 1695 Schmucker, Philip
 CA 1969 Schneider, John
 NY 1062 Schochet, Jared
 FL 1686 Schoeman, Abel
 FL 1618 Schoeman, Hennie A.
 NY 1897 Schoenberg, Stacy
 CA 1496 Schreuders, Gerard
 MI 1790 Schroeder, Guenther
 MI 1373 Schroeder, Janine
 MN 473 Schumacher, Dale
 FL 1152 Schwartz, A. Jay
 NY 1802 Schwartz, David
 CA 1037 Schwartz, Harold M.
 AZ 881 Schwartz, Kimberly
 AZ 1136 Schwartz, March
 IA 1619 Schwarz, Bill
 NJ 1960 Schwarz, Ralf
 MD 1970 Scott, Andre
 SC 1574 Scott, Derek
 TX 1826 Scott, Glenn
 OR 1919 Scott, James H.
 MN 1166 Scott, Sam
 NV 948 Scudder, Emmanuel
 NV 71 Scudder, Raina
 NY 1636 Seaman, Mike
 MI 858 Sears, James
 MI 1072 Seaver, Brandon
 NY 2121 Sebastian, Gary
 FL 1506 Sebastian, Steve
 IN 2505 Seemiller, Daniel Robert
 PA 2379 Seemiller, Randy Lee
 IN 339 Seemiller, Sarah
 CA 1724 Seibel, Allison
 CA 939 Seibel, Jeff
 TX 880 Seifert, Robert
 MO 1314 Seipp, Stephen
 NY 912 Selivanov, Igor
 CA 1099 Semenza, Judy
 OH 1683 Sepahbodi, Teymour
 CO 1803 Seriki, Akeem
 MD 1592 Seto, Andy
 NC 1559 Settle Jr, Donald
 FL 199 Severt, Janet
 IN 799 Sewell, Leigh R
 NJ 559 Shadd, Darnell
 CA 1918 Shafai, Ali
 MD 642 Shaffer, W. Cory
 IL 1663 Shah, Ejaz
 MA 751 Shain, Adam
 MI 774 Shamery, Ron
 MI 812 Shamery, Steve
 CA 1819 Shang, Yinn-Hwang
 IN 1416 Shannon, Sam H
 MD 1578 Shao, Michael
 NY 2563 Shao, Yu
 MA 493 Shapiro, Dan
 WA 1177 Shapiro, Mike
 PA 1694 Sharma, Rakesh
 MO 592 Sharp, Anthony
 MO 1049 Sharp, Craig
 GA 2455 Shelar, Rajesh
 VA 699 Shelson, Jon V.
 MD 296 Shen, Anthony
 MA 1636 Shen, John
 OH 1049 Shengyi, Duan
 CA 1269 Sherman, Alex
 MI 1452 Sherman, Charles R.
 FL 815 Sherman, Charlie
 OH 1236 Sherman, John F.
 FL 1001 Sherman, Lawrence
 CA 1534 Sherman, Vadim
 MI 1807 Shi, Tom
 AZ 1842 Shieh, Michael
 NJ 1949 Shieh, Szu-Huang
 NJ 1926 Shih, Santos
 TX 549 Shim-Fara, Damian
 IL 2361 Shiu, Arturo
 CA 2438 Shodhan, Shashin
 CA 1113 Short, Steve
 NY 1336 Shteynberg, Vlad
 NJ 2108 Shtofmakher, Simon
 AZ 1726 Shtorper, Felix
 RI 1435 Shukla, Arun
 FL 1508 Shultz, Anthony
 FL 1727 Shultz, John
 NY 1699 Shur, Walter
 MA 2111 Shuster, Eugene M.
 WA 1929 Sie, Daniel
 NY 1523 Sierra, Jaime
 CA 1870 Silberman, Allen
 NY 585 Silver, Jason
 NY 1469 Silverstein, Sheldon
 CA 1334 Siman, Daniel
 MN 1868 Simone, Angelo

NJ 752 Simonson, Robert
 FL 1746 Simpson, Daniele
 AR 1802 Simpson, Marty
 FL 708 Sing, Andrew Lee
 FL 1606 Sing, Carlos Orlando
 SC 1817 Singleton, Gerald
 TN 691 Singleton, Jamie D
 CA 1780 Siqueiros, Adrian
 CA 1668 Siqueiros, Antonio
 CA 1553 Siqueiros, Gustavo
 CA 1212 Siqueiros, M. Jorge
 CA 1244 Siqueiros, Pablo
 CA 803 Siri, Matthew
 IL 1126 Skipton, Rick
 IL 371 Skipton, Tony
 NY 1736 Sklansky, Boris
 OR 1037 Skoglund, Drew
 CA 1509 Skrbec, Karol
 MI 1986 Skrzypek, Dave
 OH 1558 Slaback, Eric
 OH 1783 Slaback, Steve
 MI 1253 Smith, Arnold
 TX 2124 Smith, Bruce
 MO 2100 Smith, Bruce R.
 CA 1728 Smith, David
 GA 1481 Smith, Elbert
 GA 1490 Smith, Michael R.
 NM 1613 Smith, Victor Herbert
 CA 1553 Smyth, Cornelius E.
 MO 1179 Sneed, Dennis
 OH 1342 Snider, Nick
 MO 792 Snodgrass, Michael
 KS 1044 Snyder, Dylan Alan
 CA 1811 So, Kyongsop
 MO 1866 Sokol, Stanley W.
 FL 1832 Sokoloff, Joseph
 DE 1251 Soles, Michael
 IL 2092 Solis, Engelbert
 CO 1659 Solomon, Charles
 WA 1942 Solomon, Christian
 MD 832 Somers, Ron
 MD 562 Somers, Stephen
 AZ 1295 Sommer, Thelma Tybie
 MN 1686 Sommers, Marvin
 NY 705 Song, Paul
 NY 1418 Song, Saeyong
 ME 1616 Soo, Lou
 AL 1596 Sorensen, Phillip O. Jr.
 MA 1740 Soto, Heriberto
 PR 1874 Soto, Roberto
 TN 1962 Sourinthone, Jay
 TN 1897 Sourinthone, Noi
 TN 1857 Sourinthone, Saymek
 MA 999 Spach, Darren
 NC 1263 Speir Jr, Jack
 KS 1406 Spencer, James
 CA 1959 Spencer, Ronald
 OH 485 Spilker, Ashley
 CA 1142 Spirescu, Loan
 NJ 1786 Shapiro, Robert
 AZ 1005 Splistiser, Henry
 AZ 1284 Splistiser, Jo A.
 FL 2120 Squillino, Josue
 VA 1804 Squires, Michael
 NJ 1543 St. Clair, Jean J
 NV 1927 Stadelman, Ralph L.
 MD 885 Staehlin Jr., Martin E.
 TN 1349 Stallings, Jami A.
 TN 1821 Stallings, Shaun O.
 NY 1953 Stamp, Eric
 CA 1174 Stapp, Paul R
 TX 1607 Starr, John David
 MA 1691 Starsiak, Stan
 NJ 1683 Steadman, Gary
 FL 1364 Steblev, Anton
 PA 1955 Steiner, Samuel L.
 CA 467 Sterle, Dr David E
 VA 1637 Sterling, David L.
 NY 1084 Stern, Ari
 WA 1049 Stern, Steven J
 KY 916 Stevenson, William
 NC 1766 Stewart, Arthur F.
 NY 1489 Stewart, Everton
 LA 1592 Stewart, Jeffrey S.
 NJ 361 Stewart, Reginald
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 CA 1413 Stockhausen, Derrick
 AR 1757 Stogner, J. Duke
 GA 908 Stokes II, Kenya D.
 KS 1945 Stoodley, Stanley
 TX 1228 Story, Jim
 TX 1597 Stovall, John
 WA 808 Streato, Vince
 TX 1143 Strickland, Leonard
 IL 1892 Strong, William R.
 NY 2017 Sturdevant, Andrew
 CA 1257 Sturtevant, Mike

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TX 2566	Subonj, Viktorian	AR 999	To, Jonathan	CO 1777	Vizelman, Alex	NY 1461	Williams, Amos	MD 2127	Yao, David
WA 1769	Suen, Edward	AR 1004	To, Raymond	CA 2033	Vo, Quang Duy	KY 1405	Williams, Brad	NY 1409	Yao, George
WA 291	Suen, Justin	LA 1647	Todd Sr., John	NY 1874	Vogel, Bill	VA 1681	Williams, Charles A.	NE 1077	Yashirin, Denis
CA 2137	Sujo, Oziel	TX 1556	Todd, Calvin	KY 1570	Vongsavanh, Lack	MD 1196	Williams, Charles	MA 1061	Yates, Jonathan R
FL 1363	Sullivan, Christopher	MO 1577	Toenjes, Eric	WA 1638	Voronin, Alex	IL 1154	Williams, Dean	NY 1729	Yau, Anthony
NH 1001	Sullivan, Richard	CO 1271	Toenjes, Nick	MD 1134	Vos, John G.	FL 1729	Williams, Derrick	KY 1833	Yauananta, Anto S.
CA 1141	Sullivan, Sean	IN 1271	Tomlinson, Matthew	CA 1634	Vu, Howard	OH 1307	Williams, George	CT 1679	Yee, David
IL 667	Sumar, Alnoor	MI 1032	Tomsha, Jeffrie	MN 649	Vukelich, Dave	PA 1384	Williams, Gerald D.	CT 1720	Yee, Steve
WA 1603	Sumeri, Alex	WA 1197	Tong, Ricco	MN 1392	Vuong, Vinh	MI 1774	Williams, Jeff	WA 1672	Yee, Wing
PA 1669	Sumner, Lee	FL 692	Torres, Lindsay	WA 1160	Waddle, Ken	GA 99	Williams, Kamau	TX 1694	Yeh, Eric I-Ching
CA 99	Sun, Daniel	FL 871	Torres, Steffi	TX 1307	Wade, Douglas	OH 644	Williams, Matt	CA 2132	Yeh, Thomas
CA 2054	Sun, James	CA 1063	Traino, John	WA 919	Wagner, David	FL 451	Williams, Raven	CA 1726	Yeh, Wu-Kuang
MO 1823	Sun, Kai	WA 1635	Tran, Anthony	MI 713	Wagner, Michael	CA 1128	Williams, Richard A.	MI 1820	Yeilian, Frank
FL 1433	Sundel, Martin	FL 1611	Tran, Danh	MN 1502	Wahl, Adam	MD 1603	Williams, Robert David	MI 1913	Yeotis, Dean Thomas
NY 2282	Sung, Virginia Wei-Ni	CA 1292	Tran, Danny	CA 1652	Walean, Jerry	MD 1447	Willis, Raymond	WA 1123	Yeung, Larry
VA 920	Suon, Sondarde	CA 1920	Tran, Edward N.	PA 1838	Walk, Dr. William G.	MD 1587	Willis, Reginald	MD 1667	Yeung, Victor
CA 1720	Suran, Frank	VA 1882	Tran, Hiep	PA 2104	Walk, Michael	MD 874	Wilson, Kurt	CA 164	Yick, Jessica
KY 874	Surma, Sam	IL 703	Tran, Jin	IL 1782	Walker, Arnie	NC 1652	Wilson, Roy	CA 1608	Yick, Joseph
CA 1693	Suthi, Soon	CA 1996	Tran, Joe	SD 1851	Walker, James D.	IN 1649	Wilson, Sharlene	NJ 1941	Yim, Sung G.
CA 1549	Suthivej, Olan	GA 1342	Tran, John	CO 1754	Walker, Stephen Howard	CA 1517	Wilson, Wes	WA 1376	Yim, Yun H.
OK 2047	Suzuki, Michiya	CA 667	Tran, Michael	CO 1518	Walker, Steven R.	PA 396	Wimbish IV, L. William	NJ 2287	Yip, Lily
FL 2249	Svensson, Martin	SC 1561	Tran, Nghia	CA 1643	Wallace, Jonathan	NY 1421	Winford, Joseph	SC 1442	Yip, Michael Fu Man
WA 1132	Svetich, Donald	WA 904	Tran, Ngoc	NY 1043	Walsh, Greg	AZ 1490	Winkler, Len	IN 1894	Yoder, Dana
CA 1518	Swain, Henry Tyler	CA 2181	Tran, Thanh	CO 1566	Walsh, Timothy W.	AZ 1759	Winkler, Matt	OH 1730	Yost, Paul
CA 1383	Swander, Lee E.	SC 1202	Tran, Thuy	MI 585	Waltz, Dan	CT 1637	Winter, Shawn	OH 1831	Yost, Thomas
NY 1689	Swankey, Timothy P.	CA 1472	Trang, Dung H.	IL 1187	Waltz, Jim	WA 1621	Winters, Craig Douglas	CA 1887	Younan, Doug
CA 2028	Swanson, Brent	CT 1788	Trang-Adisaikul, Chayo	IL 886	Waltz, Mat	NM 1893	Wintrich, Thomas	FL 1969	Young, Jeffrey E.
MD 2636	Sweeteris, Todd	MI 1502	Travis, Gary	AZ 1327	Wambo, Glenn	PA 853	Wise, Dennis	CA 1038	Young, Peter
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IL 1932	Szeto, Gene Hal	IL 597	Tremulis, Chris	AL 1431	Wang, Daniel Xiaohong	NJ 1337	Wisniewski, Vincent	CA 2097	Young, Terry
NY 1924	Szlachia, Mariusz	WA 1456	Treener, E. Gene	MA 1429	Wang, Dongxue	FL 1006	Wisstrand, Wayne	TX 1852	Yu, Daniel
MD 1449	Tabatabai, Ali	CA 2224	Trillo, Voltaire	CT 1864	Wang, Guanhua	MN 1534	Witz, Lawrence E.	CA 1187	Yu, Jing
IL 1660	Tafel, Craig	MN 642	Trinh, Nam	TX 1978	Wang, Jia Chen David	MN 1911	Witz, Leonard Edward	CA 1946	Yu, Millie
CA 1996	Tajima, Masaaki	MN 699	Trinh, Sophia	CA 1158	Wang, Panpan	PA 955	Woehr, Eric	MA 1494	Yue, David
FL 1185	Talerico, Jerry	NV 1532	Troppmann, Viktor	NJ 607	Wang, Roger	IL 370	Wolf, Alex	PA 889	Yun, Jae
MI 1556	Talerico, Jerry	IL 1992	Truong, Daniel C.	TX 1790	Wang, Sam	PA 1069	Wolf, Paul	NJ 1668	Yusuf, Rasheed
MI 1823	Talifero, Stanley	IN 1571	Troyer, Lloyd	NJ 1765	Wang, Shanxing	MI 1414	Wolfe III, Henry	AL 1285	Zaidan, Dominic
NY 1431	Talley, Jonathan	AZ 1804	Trudell, Robert	TX 698	Wang, Timothy	WA 778	Wolfe, Virginia C.	NY 1087	Zaiser, James
NY 1348	Tam, Eric	MN 573	Truelson, Anders	TX 1271	Wang, Walter	WA 1655	Wolfe, Wes	CA 2366	Zajac, Peter
FL 1549	Tam, Gary	MN 2272	Truelson, Thor J.	VA 441	Wang, William	OH 1670	Wolff, Carlo	NY 604	Zaleskaya, Tatyana
MA 1335	Tam, Leo	TX 1992	Truong, Hieu Van	MA 1918	Wang, Yin	MI 828	Wolff, Manfred	NY 1130	Zambrano, Jose </td
CA 1955	Tam, Tony	CT 999	Trusiewicz, Mike	CA 1216	Wang, Yuensen	IL 2285	Wolski, Woiciech	CA 1974	Zamfir, Ionut
NY 1815	Tan, Carl	CA 2202	Tsay, Wen-Jiunn	NM 1661	Ward, Frank A.	WA 933	Wong, Amy	CA 1557	Zandpour, Frank
NY 1570	Tang, Henry	CA 1974	Tseng, Chuan	MI 1151	Ward, Michael	MT 1633	Wong, Chun	FL 1640	Zeller, Carlos
CA 1396	Tang, Stephen	FL 1523	Tung, Dick	WA 1348	Ward, Norman G	MA 1228	Wong, David	FL 776	Zeller, Jason
NY 870	Tang-Nian, Andrew	NC 1629	Turchi, Peter	IL 507	Warner, Blake	CA 247	Wong, Eric	CA 1663	Zelms, Ted
IL 2096	Tangpong, Chamchai	NC 442	Turchi, Reed	NY 1096	Wartski, Jerry	CA 1567	Wong, George	FL 1461	Zender, Robert
OH 2215	Tannehill, John	AZ 2243	Ucozler, Mustafa	CT 1101	Washington, Basil	MA 1659	Wong, Jasper	CA 1792	Zhang, Hong-Zhong
WA 2144	Tao, Xiaobin	AZ 592	Udenberg, Joel	IL 177	Wasielewski, Lisa	CA 1608	Wong, Johnny H	NJ 913	Zhang, Lucy
AZ 1986	Tarkowski, Jim	IA 1264	Uhlenhopp, Ron	IL 1992	Wasielewski, Wayne	CA 197	Wong, Michael	NY 1976	Zhang, Ming
CO 1870	Tarter, Mike	IA 723	Uhlenhopp, Ryan	NJ 301	Wasser, Jason	OR 1894	Wong, Peter Y.	CA 1554	Zhang, Xui Sue
SC 1536	Tate, Marion B	CA 2043	Ukapatayasukul, Bill	CA 1591	Wasserman, Si	FL 626	Wong, Philip	IL 1814	Zhao, Junduo
MD 1386	Tatusov, Alex	PA 910	Ulrich, Frederick W.	MD 1939	Waters, Julian	FL 641	Wong, Simon	MA 1442	Zhao, Yong
MD 1615	Tatusov, Mike	FL 1345	Umlauf, Mark	MA 958	Watkins, Randy	CA 1228	Wong, Walter	MD 1629	Zheng, Mike
DC 1538	Taylor, Dennis M.	CA 1229	Uota, Satoshi	IN 1228	Watkins, Roger	CA 1640	Wong, Wilfred	TX 2071	Zheng, Pei Pei
OH 1706	Taylor, Johnny L.	PA 499	Urban, Joe	NY 1527	Watson, Clinton	CA 1711	Wong, William Y.	FL 884	Zheng, Sarah
FL 1597	Tchouakou, Ezechial	WA 1367	Utt, Ivan	MD 2103	Watts, Edward J.	CA 1449	Woo, Napon	PA 1532	Zheng, Weifan
IN 1941	Teegarden, Craig	FL 1390	Valarezo, Erick	CA 998	Watts, Jared M	WA 1559	Wood, Mark C.	CA 1789	Zhong, John
NJ 1402	Teitelbaum, Howard	FL 1295	Valdes, Jesus	CA 1380	Watts, Paul T.	IA 1130	Woodward, Art	WA 1496	Zhou, Stephen
MI 1460	Telle, Christine	CA 1290	Valdivia, Edward	WA 1382	Waugh, James	MA 1760	Woodward, Bob	NJ 2716	Zhuang, David
MA 1838	Teng, Yubei	CA 2228	Valencia, Fernando Jun	MI 1479	Weatherly, Philip	NC 1563	Wright, Everette	WA 688	Zieman, Pamela
MO 1113	Tenorio, Arturo A.	NY 899	Valentine, Philip	FL 2048	Webb, Nigel M	NY 1579	Wright, Owen	CA 1685	Zientek, Henryk
MD 567	Terao, David	CA 1677	Valenzuela, Corazon B.	CA 430	Webber, Danny	CA 1347	Wright, Paul	NY 767	Zimmer, Henryk
MD 1297	Terao, Michael	FL 1560	Valliant, Frank	FL 1109	Webster, Richard	AZ 1251	Wright, Tim	IL 1329	Zouido, Sargon
CA 1915	Tesar, Barry	MA 2016	Van Dalen, Benno	CA 2097	Wedret, Mark	WI 1368	Wruck, Douglas	MA 1408	Zurowski, Kazimierz
TN 2323	Tey, Tai Long	MI 1968	Van Eizenga, James M.	VA 720	Weeks, Celus F.	CA 1823	Wu, Chia		
WA 1111	Thach, Lee	TX 1932	Van Vooren, D.G.	MI 1406	Weems, Jerome F.	FL 789	Wu, Daniel		
OR 1196	Than, Khoi Duc	AZ 1188	Van der Schyff, Al	CA 1367	Wehrli, Walter E.	NJ 1074	Wu, James		
NY 799	Theodule, Marc	MD 1635	VanDusen, Phil	MD 435	Wei, Barbara	MD 1864	Wu, Katherine		
CA 2169	Theriault, James	MD 723	VanWright, William	PA 1459	Wei, Millet L.	CA 1955	Wu, Nan		
MA 1529	Thew, Robert	IA 1646	Vang, Thai	PA 819	Weidner, Kevin	MD 497	Wu, Rita		
MA 1012	Thie, Joseph	CA 1470	Varady, Alex	FL 1135	Weinberg, Leon	WA 1884	Wu, Rong Fu		
TN 2084	Thoman, Larry	NV 2022	Varela, Steve	AZ 1002	Weinberger, Arnold	OH 1794	Wu, Rongsheng		
TN 1479	Thomas, Errol A.	OH 1584	Varian, Don	NY 278	Weinstein, Marc	MA 1556	Wu, Shun-Tak		
SC 1934	Thomas, Jeffrey M.	CA 1340	Varnar, Donald S.	NV 1079	Weinstein, Saul	WA 1897	Wu, Victor		
FL 1212	Thomas, Justin	CA 1567	Vartoughian, Victor	PA 974	Weiss, Brady	CA 2388	Wu, Wei Yang		
FL 1482	Thomas, Robert	NY 1844	Vasquez, Jerry	CO 1051	Weissler, Mark	FL 1886	Wyatt, Russell S.		
NM 1380	Thomas, William	NY 2178	Vasquez, Maximo A.	IA 1036	Wells, Kriss	MD 2208	Xiao, Han		
MD 1790	Thompson, Albert	FL 436	Vassel, Carl	FL 1243	Welton, Timothy	KS 1436	Xiao, Laura		
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TX 1196	Thompson, James	NY 1427	Vaysman, Alexander	WA 1296	Wesley, John	FL 1432	Xin, Jeffrey		
AL 1757	Thompson, Phil	MI 1949	Vaysman, Roman	DC 1755	Wessel, Guenther	WI 1626	Xiong, Ken		
TX 1817	Thomson, Ernie	MI 2349	Veillette, Michael	TN 796	Westbrook, A.L.	MD 1293	Xu, Yao		
MN 1498	Thorkildson, Mark	MI 1438	Veillette, Steve	PA 2221	Wetzler, John Mark	MA 791	Yaar, Avi		
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FL 1224	Thrift, Ray	CO 1756	Vescera, Ralph	GA 1368	Wheeler, Harold	GA 1648	Yadgarov, Alex		
CA 2258	Tian, Anjelica	CA 1661	Viet, Diana	MA 1685	White, Garry	GA 222	Yadgarov, Arkadiy		
FL 686	Tiedeberg, Henry E.	CA 1652	Viet, Jimmy	NC 1572	Whitfield, Roscoe	MA 793	Yang, Benjamin		
CA 1333	Timmins, Terry	CA 1188	Viet, Lan	KS 1249	Whitted, David	CA 2084	Yang, Chris		
WA 2177	Timsuwan, Sakda	NC 1781	Vincent, Clyde	TX 1643	Wiederhold, Gary Milton	VA 264	Yang, Robert		
CT 1511	Tinyszin, Roman	OH 1267	Vincent, Daryl	TX 1873	Wiederhold, Todd	MA 435	Yang, Shu		
OR 481	Titrud, Amy Joy	CT 1116	Viner, Joshua	NY 1392	Wieland, Kenneth	WA 2080	Yang, Sung W.		
OR 1632	Titrud, Tim	CT 2302	Virgo, Ernest	FL 1544	Wilhelm, Jonathan	CA 1263	Yang, Van		



NY 1954	Yannacone, James A.
MD 2127	Yao, David
NY 1409	Yao, George
NE 1077	Yashirin, Denis
MA 1061	Yates, Jonathan R
NY 1729	Yau, Anthony
KY 1833	Yauananta, Anto S.
CT 1679	Yee, David
CT 1720	Yee, Steve
WA 1672	Yee, Wing
TX 1694	Yeh, Eric I-Ching
CA 2132	Yeh, Thomas
IN 1726	Yeh, Wu-Kuang
MI 1820	Yeilian, Frank
MI 1913	Yeotis, Dean Thomas
WA 1123	Yeung, Larry
MD 1667	Yeung, Victor
CA 164	Yick, Jessica
CA 1608	Yick, Joseph
NJ 1941	Yim, Sung G.
CA 1553	Yim, Warren
WA 1376	Yim, Yun H.
NJ 2287	Yip, Lily
SC 1442	Yip, Michael Fu Man
IN 1894	Yoder, Dana
OH 1730	Yost, Paul
OH 1831	Yost, Thomas
CA 1887	Younan, Doug
FL 1969	Young, Jeffrey E.
CA 1038	Young, Peter
NY 1743	Young, Robert
PA 1148	Young, Robert A.
CA 2097	Young, Terry
TX 1852	Yu, Daniel
CA 1187	Yu, Jing
CA 1946	Yu, Millie
MA 1494	Yue, David
PA 889	Yun, Jae
NJ 1668	Yusuf, Rasheed
AL 1285	Zaidan, Dominic
NY 1087	Zaiser, James
CA 2366	Zajac, Peter
NY 604	Zaleskaya, Tatyana
NY 1130	Zambrano, Jose
CA 1974	Zamfir, Ionut
CA 1557	Zandpour, Frank
FL 1640	Zeller, Carlos
FL 776	Zeller, Jason
CA 1663	Zelms, Ted
FL 1461	Zender, Robert
CA 1792	Zhang, Hong-Zhong
NJ 913	Zhang, Lucy
NY 1976	Zhang, Ming
CA 1554	Zhang, Xui Sue
IL 1814	Zhao, Junduo
MA 1442	Zhao, Yong
MD 1629	Zheng, Mike
TX 2071	Zheng, Pei Pei
FL 884	Zheng, Sarah
PA 1532	Zheng, Weifan
CA 1789	Zhong, John
WA 1496	Zhou, Stephen
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August 28 - Davison August Open, Davison, MI. Contact: Joon Bosika, G-2140 Fairway Dr., Davison, MI 68423. Phone: 810-658-8153. ★

August 28-29 - Florida State Closed, Orlando, FL. Contact: Olga Soltesz, 1739 Shady Ridge Ct., Orlando, FL 32807-4281. Phone: 407-830-4009. ★★

Septemter 4-5 - 1999 Sam Lima Memorial, Palo Alto, CA. Contact: Dennis Davis, 707 Continental Cir. #931, Mountain View, CA 94040. Phone: 650-964-6130. ★★ ★

September 11-12 - Pacific Coast Open, Santa Monica, CA. Contact: Ichiro Hashimoto, 20432 Elkwood St., Winnetka, CA 91306. Phone: 818-700-0948. ichiro.hashimoto@csun.edu. ★★

September 11 - Sports Fitness TT Players Series, Clemmons, NC. Contact: Danny Hill, 3 Twin Brook Dr., Clemmons, NC 27012. Phone: 336-764-0010.

September 11-12 - Maryland Circuit, Eldersburg, MD. Contact: Yvonne Kronlage, 14160 Forsythe Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784. Phone: 410-489-7291.

September 18 - Sunbelt Team Championships, Houston, TX. Contact: Roberto Byles, 4997 W. Bellfort, Houston, TX 77035. Phone: 713-721-PLAY. ★★

September 18-19 - Lake Havasu Open, Lake Havasu, AZ. Contact: John Ballard, 1275 Bombay Ln., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404. Phone: 520-453-8638. ★★

September 25 - Maryland Circuit Teams, Eldersburg, MD. Contact: Yvonne Kronlage, 14160 Forsythe Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784. Phone: 410-489-7291.

September 25 - September Augusta Open, Augusta, GA. Contact: David M. Cole, 251 Ianier Rd., Beech Island, SC 29842. Phone: 803-827-2182. wwjdcole@aol.com.

September 25-26 - Arkansas Closed, Sherwood, AR. Contact: Eugene Atha, P.O. Box 6263, Sherwood, AR 72124. Phone: 501-835-5291.

September 25-26 - Daly City Mayoral Trophy, Daly City, CA. Contact: Richard M. Hernandez, 76 Rey St., San Francisco, CA 94134. Phone: 415-469-9718. ★

September 25-26 - 1999 MATTC September Open, Middletown, PA. Contact: Don Vastine, 231 Oakhill Dr., Middletown, PA 17057. Phone: 717-994-7154. jvastine@epix.net. ★★

October 2 - Sports Fitness TT Players Series, Clemmons, NC. Contact: Danny Hill, 3 Twin Brook Dr., Clemmons, NC 27012. Phone: 336-764-0010.

October 2 - 1999 Millcreek Open, Erie, PA. Contact: Sam Steiner, 3616 Zimmerly Rd., Erie, PA 16506. Phone: 814-454-7103. ★★ ★

October 2 - Chattanooga Fall Open, Chattanooga, TN. Contact: Charles Collins, 9218 Windstone Dr., Ooltewah, TN 37363. Phone: 423-266-7400. ★★

October 2-3 - Maryland Circuit, Eldersburg, MD. Contact: Yvonne Kronlage, 14160 Forsythe Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784. Phone: 410-489-7291.

October 3 - Strike One October Open, Burlington, MA. Contact: Lim Ming Chui, 10 Williams Rd., Lexington, MA 02420. Phone: 781-862-1551.

October 9-10 - 14th Annual Bernard Hock Open, New Albany, IN. Contact: John Riley, 6335 Riley Ridge Rd., Lanesville, IN 47136. Phone: 812-952-3800. ★★

October 16-17 - Tri-City Fall RR, Richland, WA. Contact: Kirby Parker, 2304 Snohomish, Richland, WA 99352. Phone: 509-375-1587. slvrfox@owl.com. ★

October 16 - Three Rivers TTC Fall Tournament, Ft. Wayne, IN. Contact: Dirk Petersen, 4512 Burn Drive, Ft. Wayne, IN 46835. Phone: 219-485-4218. ★★

October 23-24 - Southern Open, Houston, TX. Contact: Roberto Byles, 4997 W. Bellfort, Houston, TX 77035. Phone: 713-721-PLAY. ★★ ★★

October 23-24 - 1999 MATTC October Open, Middletown, PA. Contact: Don Vastine, 231 Oakhill Dr., Middletown, PA 17057. Phone: 717-994-7154. jvastine@epix.net. ★★

October 30 - October Augusta Open, Augusta, GA. Contact: David M. Cole, 251 Ianier Rd., Beech Island, SC 29842. Phone: 803-827-2182. wwjdcole@aol.com.

November 6 - Sports Fitness TT Players Series, Clemmons, NC. Contact: Danny Hill, 3 Twin Brook Dr., Clemmons, NC 27012. Phone: 336-764-0010.

November 6-7 - Maryland Circuit, Eldersburg, MD. Contact: Yvonne Kronlage, 14160 Forsythe Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784. Phone: 410-489-7291.

November 6-7 - Pacific Rim/All Star, Portland, OR. Contact: Jim Scott, 14049 NE San Rafael, Portland, OR. Phone: 503-261-0672. ★★ ★★

November 20 - Maryland Circuit Teams, Eldersburg, MD. Contact: Yvonne Kronlage, 14160 Forsythe Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784. Phone: 410-489-7291.

November 25-28 - North American Teams Open, Baltimore, MD. Contact: Richard Lee, P.O. Box 59451, Potomac, MD 20859-9451. Phone: 301-365-8651. nateams@hotmail.com. ★★ ★★

December 4 - Sports Fitness TT Players Series, Clemmons, NC. Contact: Danny Hill, 3 Twin Brook Dr., Clemmons, NC 27012. Phone: 336-764-0010.

December 4 - Friends of Ping Pong, Houston, TX. Contact: Roberto Byles, 4997 W. Bellfort, Houston, TX 77035. Phone: 713-721-PLAY. ★★

December 4-5 - Maryland Circuit, Eldersburg, MD. Contact: Yvonne Kronlage, 14160 Forsythe Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784. Phone: 410-489-7291

December 15-19 - USA National Table Tennis Championships, Las Vegas, NV. Contact: USATT, One Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. Phone: 719-578-4583. usatt@iex.net.

35TH ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH VALLEY OPEN

Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana, May 29-30, 1999

By Dan Seemiller

The 35th annual St. Joseph Valley Open four-star tournament was once again played at the Joyce Center on the campus of Notre Dame University. The fully barriered 50-table facility is one of the best venues ever to host a championship tournament. Nearly every one of the 235 players who attended remarked about the lighting, floor and overall beauty of the Joyce Center.

This year's event was sponsored by Newmar Corp. Newmar, a manufacturer of mobile homes, is based in Nappanee, Ind. One of their models, the Dutch Star, was on display at the tournament site. Virgil Miller, president of Newmar Corp., said he was "pleased" to sponsor such a fine event and hopes to continue again next year.

There are several recreational players who work at the Newmar facility, and each year, our junior players give an exhibition for the factory workers who play challenge matches against our best young players.

Age events:

Mark Hazinski scored a double, beating Michael Liu in the finals of both the U-18 and U-15 boys events. The U-18 final was a thrilling 24-22 win for Hazinski as he fought off two match points to pull out the victory. Lee McCool lost in three hard-fought games to Hazinski in the semifinals.

In the girls' division, Laura Xiao won the U-15s over Kylie Abbott. Christine Telle, an exchange student from Germany, defeated Laura in the U-18 final.

Dave Sakai won both the O-40 and O-50 events. Sakai, who has won the O-50 Nationals multiple times, beat Alan Grambo 2-1 in the final. Grambo won a close match over quickly improving John Curd to reach the final.

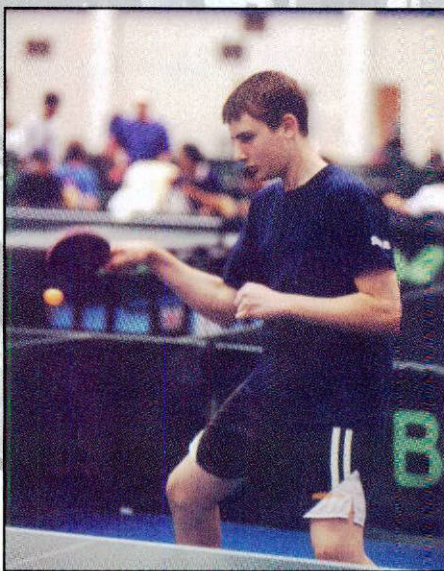
The O-40s semifinals saw Sakai beat Paul Pashuku of Chicago in three and Don Brazzell over Morris Jackson. Jackson upset the No. 2 seed Andy Ibanigor to reach the semifinal round. Sakai won the final over Brazzell at 14 & 11.

The U-11 boys was a brother affair as 10-year-old Gordon Cochran pulled away at 15-all in the third to defeat 9-year-old Joe Cochran.

Rated events:

In the U-800, an improving Ryan Rich won over Dave Permut. Eleven-year-old Eli Kahn won the U-1000 and Jacek Wisniewski was victorious in the U-1200s.

Kylie Abbott claimed the U-1400 title over South Bend club member Jerry Metzger, while Philip Mar from Georgia won the U-1550s over Sherry Wilson, also a finalist in



Mark Hazinski
Under 18 and Under 15 Boys' Winner

the U-1675s.

In the all-South Bend U-1675 final, Jerry Goeller defeated Sherry Wilson, 24, -22, 26!

After losing the first game at nine, John Curd rallied against another South Bend player, Gang Li, to win the 72-player U-1800 event. In the biggest event of the tournament, Jared Lynch, 15, outlasted 74 competitors to best Bob Douglass in the final of the U-1900s.

After a win over Tim Boggan in the semifinals, Mike Baber of Kalamazoo defeated Sam Steiner of Erie, Penn., in the U-2000 final. Soon Chin Lim from Memphis won the U-2350 event over South Bend's Randy Hewitt, who recently returned from Sweden. Emilia Ciosu won the 2500 event over Brian Pace.

John Tannehill was victorious over Dan Seemiller in hard bat singles, 13 & 11, to win \$250.

In the All Star Men event, David Zhuang and Eric Owens won their semifinal rounds over Randy Cohen and Sean Lonergan to advance to the finals. Zhuang defeated Owens 3-0 in the final in a battle between U.S. Team members.

Mimi Bosika claimed the All Star Women event over Hong Artman, 3-0.

In Open Singles, Sean Lonergan lost late game leads in the semifinal against Zhuang in the first and third sets. The other semifinal saw Eric Owens defeat Canadian Team member Kurt Liu in three close games, 20, 16, 19. Zhuang was victorious in the final, 10, 15, 8, to claim another title.

The prize money increased from \$6,200 in 1998 to \$10,000 this year. The top 10 winners were:

1. David Zhuang	\$1500	5-6. Kurt Liu	\$425
2. Eric Owens	\$1000	7-8. Barney Reed	\$400
3. Sean Lonergan	\$725	9. Emilia Ciosu	\$400
4. Randy Cohen	\$525	10. Mimi Bosika	\$340
5-6. Dave Sakai	\$425		

Our tournament staff of Jason Denman, computer operations; Brad Balmer, time schedule and control desk; Phil Schmuker, facility coordinator; Val Seemiller, registration; Mike and Kay Edgerton, results; Matt Hazinski, truck operations; Jerry Goeller and Jim Lynch, club officers; and the many parents and junior players who put in the time, thanks for a job well done.

Thanks also to Dick Evans, tournament referee; and to Butterfly for supplying the 300 barriers and balls for the event. A special thank you to Bob Allshouse and Barney Reed for bringing 20 tables from the Oakbrook Training Center. Also, thank you to Paul George for his artwork on the posters, programs and T-shirts. We would like to thank all the players who attended this year's event and we hope to see everyone next year.

Once again, we would like to thank our tournament sponsor, Newmar Corp., for their support of table tennis in the South Bend area.

Open Singles: 1st David Zhuang; 2nd Eric Owens.
Open Doubles: 1st Sean Lonergan/Randy Cohen; 2nd David Zhuang/Barney J. Reed.

Allstar Women: 1st Mimi Bosika; 2nd Hartman Artman.

Allstar Men: 1st David Zhuang; 2nd Eric Owens.
HardBat: 1st John Tannehill; 2nd Dan Seemiller.

Over 40: 1st Dave Sakai; 2nd Don Brazzell.

Over 50: 1st Dave Sakai; 2nd Alan Grambo.

Under 18 Boys: 1st Mark Hazinski; 2nd Mike Liu.

Under 15 Boys: 1st Mark Hazinski; 2nd Mike Liu.

Under 15 Girls: 1st Laura Xiao; 2nd Kylie Abbott.

Under 11: 1st Gordon Cochran; 2nd Joe Cochran.

U2500: 1st Emilia Ciosu; 2nd Brian Pace.

U2350: 1st L.T. Tei; 2nd Randy Hewitt.

U2200: 1st Denzil Fleming; 2nd Michael Liu.

U2100: 1st S.C. Lim; 2nd T. Kalicharan.

U2000: 1st Mike Baber; 2nd Sam Steiner.

U1900: 1st Jordan Lynch; 2nd B. Douglass.

U1800: 1st John Curd; 2nd Gang Li.

U1675: 1st Jerry Goeller; 2nd Sherry Wilson.

U1550: 1st Phillip Mar; 2nd Sherry Wilson.

U1400: 1st Kylie Abbott; 2nd Jerry Metzger.

U1200: 1st Jacek Wisniewski; 2nd Joel Rolnick.

U1000: 1st Eli Kahn; 2nd Dave Podrin.

U800: 1st Ryan Rich; 2nd Dave Permut.

U3600 doubles: 1st Flores/Hanna; 2nd Lim/Ellis.

U2800 doubles: 1st J. Cochran/J. Lynch; 2nd Curd/Ward.

Mark Hazinski photo and background photo of Joyce Center by John Oros ©1999

THE STIGA BIG WHACK

Portland, Oregon

May 15-16, 1999

By Jim Scott

This tournament was the culmination of three months of exhibitions and tournaments in the Portland area. 30 schools, boys & girls clubs and various companies held their own qualifying tournaments, with the winners advancing to the Portland Table Tennis Club for the finals. In all, approximately 2600 players, primarily students, participated in these tournaments. Another 20,000 were exposed to the sport through exhibitions. These numbers are similar to those from last year.

There are eight categories: elementary, middle and high school for boys and girls, and adults, men and women. We provide awards for the top three finishers in each category. This year we also awarded perpetual trophies for boys and girls high schools and middle schools for the first time. The high school finals had been played on May 1st at the Portland club.

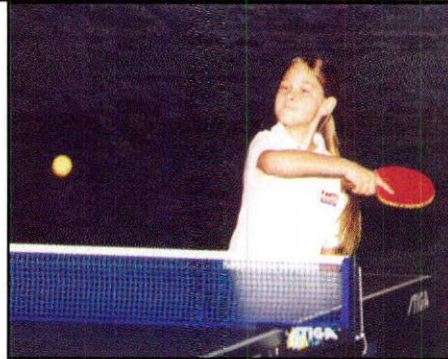
Our goal is to establish 30 clubs in Portland. Holding a large tournament at the end of the school year gives each prospective club a reason to establish itself. Here are the steps:

1. Contact interested schools, which may or may not have tables already.
2. Provide them with an exhibition. We were lucky to have Fan Yiyong to do most of the exhibitions with. We also were provided with promotional paddles by Escalade Sports to give as prizes.
3. Help the school set up its tournament, which will send its winners to the Big Whack Final.
Encourage the school to continue play during and/or after school hours, and to establish a school club.
5. Select the best ones to join our high school or middle school league.
6. Play the Big Whack tournament at the end of the school year.

This is a condensed version of the Stiga Big Whack system. I feel that this, along with development of school leagues, is the best way to promote the sport. In a later issue, we will provide more details after consulting with the newly established USATT Board of Directors. There are some new people on the board who are ready to do some revolutionary things which should finally make table tennis one of the nation's most respected sports.

Note below the success of Laurelhurst Elementary – they now have 16 tables!

Elementary Boys' Champion Spencer Shearer (L) and Finalist Charlie MacBean at 19-all in the third during their Final.



Elementary School Girls' Champion Adrienne Hoarfrost "whacks" a winner in her final. Compare forehand with mother Judy's, pg. 40. Like daughter like mother?

Elementary School Results:

Boys' Final: Spencer Shearer (Laurelhurst) d. Charlie MacBean (Laurelhurst), -22,11,19; 3rd: Ari Werthomer (Eugene).

Girls' Final: Adrienne Hoarfrost (Mayhurst) d. Kaitlin Endres (Laurelhurst), 8,3; 3rd: Clare Foley (Vancouver).

Middle School Results:

Boys' Final: Wan Xing Wu (Binnsmead) d. Jian Liu (Binnsmead), 15,12; 3rd: Vuong Nguyen (Gregory Heights).

Girls' Final: My Ton (Gregory Heights) d. Song Bui (Gregory Heights), -19,19,21.

High School Results:

Boys' Final: Khoi Than (Westview) d. Tony Duong (Corvallis Boys & Girls Club), 16,12; 3rd: Kenneth Adewola (Benson).

Girls' Final: Hong Vi Vuong (Madison) d. Heather Hlavka (Barlow), 11,17; 3rd: Patricia Pan (Westview).

Adults Results:

Men's Final: Quang Doan (PCC) d. Dan Luo (Nike), -19,25,9; 3rd: Peter Vincent (PCC).

Women's Final: Oanh Co (PCC) d. Anna Oerding (Ind.), -22,14,11; 3rd: Fumi Onchi (PTTC).

High School Teams Results:

Boys' Team Final: Cleveland d. Westview, 8-7; 3rd: Clackamas.

Girls' Team Final: Gregory Heights d. Parkrose, 7-5.

\$1800 POTOMAC OPEN

Potomac Country Table Tennis Club

Potomac, Maryland

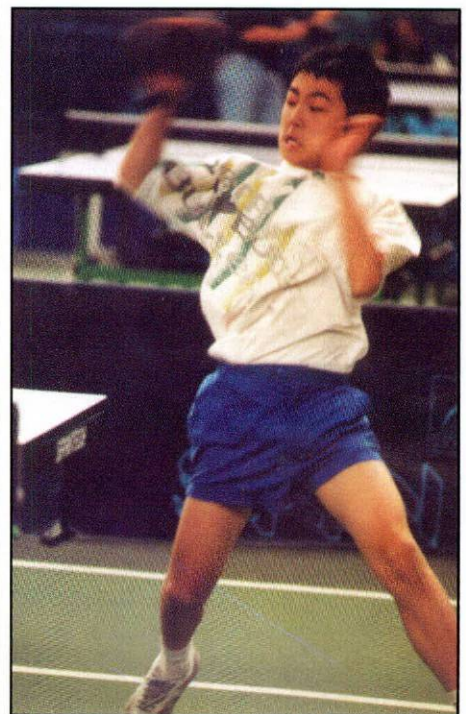
May 22-23, 1999

By Larry Hodges

Said Sean Lonergan, "It's the best he's ever played against me," of his match against Cheng Yinghua. Sean was obviously more happy with his 17 & 19 win over Abass Ekun in the quarters than his 8, 6, 10 loss to Cheng in the semifinals. Cheng was on fire this tournament, with none of his opponents getting more than 15 points in a game, including his finals opponent, David Zhuang. Todd Sweeris, Jack Huang, and Gao Jun usually give Cheng and David a run for their money (although nearly every Potomac Open seems to end with a Cheng-David final), but with Todd out with a wrenched back, Jack busy coaching, and Gao visiting relatives in China, Cheng and David had a relatively near-free ride to the finals.

The final was a classic match-up of the looping inverted shakehander Cheng versus the blocking & hitting pips-out penholder David. Some of Cheng's wind-up backhand loops were down-right scary – but immediately after the match, several local junior players could be seen shadow-practicing this shot! Cheng led the first game 16-4 before "letting up"; in the second, down 8-3, he scored nine in a row. After David tied it at 13-all, Cheng won the next seven points. Match and \$500 to Cheng, 12 & 14, with David getting \$300.

Junior students of Cheng Yinghua and Jack Huang had a great showing in the com-



12-year-old Han Xiao, Potomac Open Under 2250 Champion

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petition, winning four of the eight rating events and advancing far in nearly every event. 16-year-old Sunny Li, a student of Huang's, made the semifinals of the Open (with a win in the preliminaries over 2500+ Abass Ekun). He received a default from 18-year-old brother and fellow-Huang student Andy in the quarterfinals. After also making the semifinals of U2250, Andy would put on a tie and run the tournament on Sunday. 12-year-old Han Xiao, a Cheng protégé, won U2250, made the quarterfinals of the Open, the semifinals of U2400, and finals of U4200 doubles with co-tournament director Lixin Lang. 12-year-old Elaine Kwok, a recent arrival from Hong Kong and now a student of Cheng's, won U2000 in her second USATT tournament. 13-year-old Katherine Wu, a protégé of Huang, won Under 14 singles while racking up rating points in making the semifinals of U2000, along with a win over 2049-rated Lixin Lang. 10-year-old Yao Xu won double honors, winning U1400 over 13-year-old Mike Terao (both Cheng students), and U11 over 9-year-old Jeremy Brodsky, a student of Huang's. 10-year-old Mingkuang "Ming" Luo, another Cheng protégé, won U1100.

With several high-powered teams set to take U4200 doubles, it was the team of co-tournament director Stephen Yeh and Referee Paul Kovac that won top honors before both retired to the control desk with smug grins on their faces....

Open Singles – Final: Cheng Yinghua d. David Zhuang, 12,14; **SF:** Cheng d. Sean Lonergan, 8,6,10; Zhuang d. Sunny Li, 15,13; **QF:** Cheng d. Han Xiao, 15,15; Zhuang d. Larry Hodges, 12,17; Lonergan d. Abass Ekun, 17,19; S. Li. d. Andy Li, default.

U2400 – Final: Origene Nyanguile d. Larry Hodges, 14,22; **SF:** Nyanguile d. Han Xiao, 15,20; Hodges d. Andy Li, 19,-19,13.

U2250 – Final: Han Xiao d. Larry Hodges, 18,17; **SF:** Xiao d. Origene Nyanguile, 20,12; Hodges d. David Yao, 8,13.

U2100 – Final: Changping Duan d. Inna Laskova, 17,20; **SF:** Duan d. Morris Jackson, 18,12; Laskova d. Malik Jalloh, default.

U2000 – Final: Elaine Kwok d. Michael Master, -18,19,17; **SF:** Kwok d. Mike Eng, 18,19; Master d. Katherine Wu, -14,10,23.

U1800: John Anderson d. Oliver Thorn, 17,14.

U1600: Kit Lee d. Tom Golab, n.s.

U1400: Yao Xu d. Mike Terao, n.s.

U1100: Mingkuang Luo d. Mike Nestor, 18,13.

Under 14 – Final: Katherine Wu d. Michael Shao, 12,14; **SF:** Wu d. Charles Fan, 10,11; Shao d. Chao Wang, 15,-19,18.

Under 11 – Final: Yao Xu d. Jeremy Brodsky, 15,15; **SF:** Xu d. William Wang, 15,15; Brodsky d. Rita Wu, 15,15.

U4200 Doubles: Stephen Yeh/Paul Kovac d. Lixin Lang/Han Xiao, 15,-15,18.

U3600 Doubles: Julian Waters/Dave Williams d. Paul Kovac/Mike Eng, 22,16. 🏸

In The Red Open

M.I.T. University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

April 25, 1999

By David Marcus

The MIT Table Tennis Club named its annual spring tournament the In The Red Open. The name is explained by the fact that the club bought 14 Butterfly Europas this year (we run tournaments to pay for tables and we buy tables to run tournaments – a vicious cycle). Since I didn't want to run tournaments on old tables or, even worse, a mix of old and new tables (suddenly every match produces a discussion between the control desk and the players regarding table assignment), I loaned the club the necessary funds.

This time we had 94 players, down from the 118 players we had at our fall tournament. However, 118 is more than we can really handle considering the number of tables and time we have. On Saturday night I estimated we would finish a bit after 8:00 p.m. (351 event-entries minus 18 events gives the total number of matches; times 23 minutes per match divided by 14 tables plus one hour plus the 10:00 a.m. start gives the finish time. The one hour added on is because you can't keep all the tables running all the time in the later rounds.) We actually finished a bit after 9:00 p.m. In the last match Stacy Schoenberg defeated Doug Smith 13, 9 to win Under 1925. Stacy had come from N.Y. to visit M.I.T. because she will be applying to M.I.T. as her first choice for college. Stacy defeated the #1 seed Yin Wang (1922) in the semi -18, 10, 16. Stacy also got to the semis of Under 2025, but lost to Benno van Dalen (from M.I.T.) 19, -19, 16. Benno won the event defeating Michael Lazarev in the final 16, 16. Thirteen-year-old Yin Wang (1922) had a tough day, losing to Stacy (1799), Michael Lazarev (1759), and Xue Di (1943). On the other hand, Yin had wins over Jose Borges (1716), Steve Yee (1687), and Doug Smith (1866). Yin spent the day pleading with us to run the doubles events, but considering the number of entries, we (wisely) declined.

Many players commented on how well organized the tournament was, usually adding "as always." We used double clipboards and, with the computer tracking who was playing, never paged someone who was already playing a match or who was out to lunch. This was the first tournament I used my new computer and laser printer (replacing my decade-old 386 and dot matrix printer). The new laser printer was a joy, but since the software has its roots in 1985, it had a couple of annoying, but not serious, incompatibilities with the new computer. I hope it holds out until I can find time to do a new, Windows version.

Donald Hayes and Alex Landsman ran the

control desk with me, and Daniel Wang showed up to help with breakdown. Both Donald and Alex played while commenting (again) that it was a poor idea to play in a tournament that one is running. This is a lesson I learned many years ago. We conscripted David Wong's children Doreena and Michael to help run the desk. Children seem to find running tournaments fun.

Todd Chen (13 years old) lost in the final of Under 1625 to Garry White 17, 18 (but Todd defeated Garry -9, 6, 11 in Under 1825). Todd didn't like the name of the tournament, much preferring the name of our fall tournament: Beantown Pro Duck Tour.

The first seed, Liang Liung (rated 2212), showed up three hours late. Seems his car had been towed and he'd spent the day retrieving it. He was still in time to play the Handicap event where he promptly lost to Mark Hamilton (rated 1767) 51-49, thus ending his day. Mark said that Liang took it easy on him since Liang was way behind, but then almost caught up. No doubt Liang had other things on his mind.

In Open Singles, Kurt Douty (the #3 seed) took advantage of Liang's absence to get to the finals without losing a game. There he defeated the #4 seed Artur Samek -19, 20, 14. Artur defeated the #2 seed Kwing Yiu (Albert) Lau in the semis 15, 17. Kurt and Artur then played a rematch in the Under 2225, but the result was the same with Kurt winning 18, 18.

Eugene Shuster (an M.I.T. grad student) defeated Inna Laskova -19, 16, 20 to win Under 2125. Matt Despathy won both Under 1025 and Under 1125. Jim Baird helped slow down the tournament by winning Under 1325 and getting to the semis of Under 1425, the final of Under 1525, and the semis of Under 1625. To help speed up the tournament, Jim defaulted out of the quarters in the Handicap. Thanks, Jim. Handicap was won by Garry White, 1583. Garry also won Under 1625 and got to the semis of Under 1725. Michael Atighetchi defeated Hiroe Hayashi (from Japan) 12, 15 in the Unrated Singles.

David Cheung made his return to Massachusetts. David graduated from M.I.T., but had been living in Maryland where he grew up. David lost in the semis of Under 2125 to Eugene Shuster 12, 19 and again to Eugene in the quarters of Under 2225 -17, 16, 17.

We sold 28 memberships of which 18 were first-time members. The next tournament the club will host will be the Bay State Games (Massachusetts State Olympics) on July 17. After that, we plan to hold a USATT-sanctioned tournament in the fall. 🏸

USA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

SEATTLE OPEN

Seattle, Washington

June 12-13, 1999

Open: 1st Fan Yiyong; 2nd Freddie Gabriel; 3rd-4th: Chris Ngo (CAN) and Danny Ho (CAN).

Open Doubles: 1st Fan/Gabriel; 2nd Ngo/Cheung (CAN).

Women: 1st Chris Ngo (CAN); 2nd Erica Kosarko (CAN).

Hardbat: 1st Jonathan Adams; 2nd George Kawamoto.

Over 40: 1st Danny Ho (CAN); 2nd Sung Yang.

Under 18: 1st Jason Chin (CAN); 2nd Eric Chin (CAN).

Under 12: 1st Peter Chiu (CAN); 2nd Mark Lee (CAN).

U2000: 1st Mark Liu; 2nd Paul Chow (CAN).

U1800: 1st Tai Lguyen; 2nd Greg DiMarco.

U1600: 1st Jerry Li; 2nd Reinald Law (CAN).

U1400: 1st Quor Shicajie (CAN); 2nd: Peter Chiu (CAN).

U1200: 1st Winnifrod Chick (CAN); 2nd Darryl Baker.

U1000: 1st Reinald Law (CAN); 2nd: M.K. Wong (CAN).

U800: 1st Sherry Chai (CAN); 2nd M.K. Wong (CAN).

PORTLAND 3-PERSON TEAM OPEN

Portland, Oregon

June 19, 1999

Championship: 1st: Team Simone Yang; 2nd: Team Sung Yang

Class A: 1st: Team Ken Ping

SACRAMENTO SPRING OPEN

Sacramento, California

May 8, 1999

Open: 1st Wei Yang Wu; 2nd Steven Nguyen.

Over 50 RR: 1st Hai Nguyen; 2nd Vung Nguyen.

Under 12 RR: 1st Sergy Gutkin; 2nd Atha Fong.

Hardbat: 1st James Therriault; 2nd Lorin Benedict.

U2200 RR: 1st Michelle Do; 2nd James Therriault.

U2000: 1st Seishi Onishi; 2nd Auria Malek.

U1900: 1st Kingston Gee; 2nd Yunfei Chen.

U1800: 1st Misha Kazantseu; 2nd Wallace Liu.

U1700: 1st Jim Langley; 2nd Billy Fu.

U1600: 1st Hai Nguyen; 2nd Alex Paras.

U1500: 1st Stephen Leung; 2nd Fred Kurtz.

U1350: 1st Anish Patankar; 2nd Naaman Ho.

U1200: 1st Atha Fong; 2nd Bernard Mills.

U1000: 1st Regis Chapman; 2nd Michael Garcia.

U700: 1st Lewis Chan; 2nd Trevor Runyan.

U400: 1st Danny Weber; 2nd Melissa Leung.

U4600 Doubles: 1st S. Nguyen/ M. Do; 2nd W. Wu/T. Yeh.

U3300 Doubles: 1st J. Nguyen/M. Huynh; 2nd K. Baumann/D. Manhart.

SCHAUMBERG OPEN

Schaumburg, Illinois

May 8, 1999

Open: 1st Wajciech Wolski; 2nd Andy Ibanigor.

HardBat: 1st Mark Nordby; 2nd John Oros.

U2200: 1st Spenser Lam; 2nd Jason Miller.

U2000: 1st Naved Nazar; 2nd Ming Zhang.

U1700: 1st Steven Anderson; 2nd John Lau.

U1400: 1st Steve Collins; 2nd Van Le.

U1100: 1st Farhan Devani; 2nd Mike Palm.

U800: 1st Alnoor Sumar; 2nd Jimmy Do.

Handicap: 1st Steven Anderson; 2nd Shahid Popatia.

3RD ANNUAL PALMER GIANT RR

Palmer Auditorium

Coal Valley, Illinois

June 5, 1999

Open: 1st Mark Nordby; 2nd Dan Trung; 3rd Richard Ginete; 4th Dave Abbott.

A Division: 1st Craig Tafel; 2nd Mike Baldwin; 3rd Thai Vang; 4th Bill Schwarz.

B Division: 1st Ron Uhlerhopp; 2nd Kevin Pollard; 3rd Jacek Wisnieswski; 4th Kris Wells.

MICHIGAN MAY OPEN

Davison, Michigan

May 22, 1999

Open: 1st Gbenga Ogundimu; 2nd Mike Veillette; 3rd Mimi Bosika; 4th Dennis Cobb.

Over 40: 1st Philip Weatherly; 2nd William Casey.

U2200: 1st Dave Skrzypek; 2nd Dennis Cobb; 3rd Dean Yeotis; 4th Dave Peradotto.

U2000: 1st Dave Peradotto; 2nd Dave Skrzypek; 3rd Dean Yeotis; 4th Norbert Brauner.

U1850: 1st Norbert Brauner; 2nd William Casey.

U1650: 1st Greg Loualemti; 2nd William Casey.

U1500: 1st Norbert Brauner; 2nd Louis Matzis.

U1350: 1st John Gabrielle; 2nd Chris Dawson.

U1200: 1st Norbert Brauner; 2nd Gene Poole.

U1000: 1st David Permut; 2nd Mike Fecher.

U800: 1st Tom Poole; 2nd David Permut.

U3600 Doubles: 1st C. Sherman/A. Edwards;

2nd W. Casey/D. Cobb.



Michigan Open Champion
Gbenga Ogundimu

JUNE MARYLAND CIRCUIT

Eldersberg, Maryland

June 5-6, 1999

Open: 1st Gerald Reid; 2nd Marvin Plevinsky.

Hardbat: 1st Marvin Plevinsky; 2nd Gerald Reid.

Over 50: 1st Henry Kostowski; 2nd William VanWright.

Under 18: 1st Eric McCone; 2nd Kurt Wilson.

U1800: 1st Phil VanDusen; 2nd Lee Sumner.

U1400: 1st Eric McCone; 2nd John Vos.

U1200: 1st Fong Hsu; 2nd Ray Aker.

U1000: 1st Jason Cromer; 2nd Kurt Wilson.

Novice U800: 1st David Lynn; 2nd William VanWright.

U3000 Doubles: 1st T. Helmke/J. Vos; 2nd E. McCone/G. McCone.

JULY MARYLAND CIRCUIT

Eldersberg, Maryland

July 10-11, 1999

Open: 1st: Gerald Reid; 2nd: Marshall Thompson.

U2100: 1st: Steve Hochman; 2nd: Marshall Thompson.

U1900: 1st: Lee Sumner; 2nd: Cahibuzo Onukwufor.

U1700: 1st: Phil Van Dusen; 2nd: Lee Sumner.

U1300: 1st: John Vos; 2nd: Dzevad Dezdarevic.

U1100: 1st: Lester Moskowitz; 2nd: William Van Wright.

Under 18: 1st: Louis Giam; 2nd: William Wang.

Over 40: 1st: Lee Sumner; 2nd: Cahibuzo Onukwufor.

U3000 Doubles: 1st: Marshall Thompson/Alan/Giam; 2nd: John Vos/Chris Puls.

Adult/Junior Doubles: 1st: Marshall Thompson/Alan Giam; 2nd: John Vos/Jennifer Harris.

MARYLAND/POTOMAC VALLEY JUNIOR OLYMPIC REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Potomac, Maryland

June 5, 1999

U22 Boys: 1st: Andy Li; 2nd: A.J. Meunier;

U18 Boys: 1st: Sunny Li; 2nd: Michael Squires; 3rd: Mike Tatusov; 4th: Michael Fan.

U16 Boys: 1st: James Duan; 2nd: Roger Abbot.

U14 Boys: 1st: Khaleel Asgarali; 2nd: Charles Fan; 3rd: Michael Shao; 4th: Michael Terao.

U12 Boys: 1st: Yao Xu; 2nd: Ben Comeau; 3rd: Wei Fan; 4th: Alex Pan.

U10 Boys: 1st: Jeremy Brodsky; 2nd: William Wang.

U14 Girls: 1st: Katherine Wu; 2nd: Chao Wang; 3rd: Ginger Li.

U12 Girls: 1st: Rita Wu; 2nd: Barbara Wei.

Wu's: Rita (front), Katherine & Jason

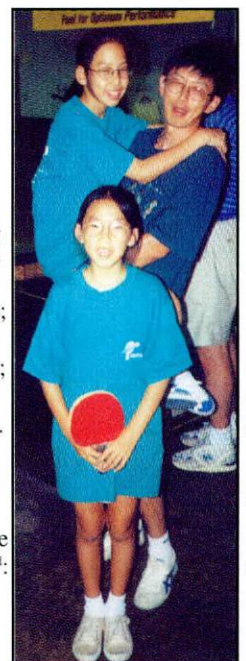


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SYRACUSE HOOTERS GIANT ROUND ROBIN

Syracuse, New York
May 1, 1999

Open: 1st Gerald Reid; 2nd Charles Gorcheck; 3rd Robert Brickell; 4th Ira Goodman.
Group A: 1st Joe Revai; 2nd Leon Penell.
Group B: 1st Leon Penell; 2nd Tom Neal; 3rd Greg Walsh; 4th Al Badger.
Group C: 1st Joe Revai; 2nd Keith Knowlton; 3rd John Ernisse; 4th Ken Greb.

KENNEDY PARK SPRING CLASSIC

Hempstead, New York
May 8-9, 1999



Under 2350 Finalists
Lily Yip & Barry Dattel

U2350: 1st (split) Lily Yip/Barry Dattel.
U2150: 1st Kurtison Lynch; 2nd Rich Dewitt.
U1950: 1st Eric Stama; 2nd Olushola Kashimand.
U1800: 1st Brian Maxwell; 2nd Clive Gooden.
U1650: 1st Gemmel Richards; 2nd Louis Lafond.
U1450: 1st Lincoln Fritz; 2nd Louis Lafond.
U1200: 1st Noel Abrahams; 2nd Mavis Bennett.

1999 WICHITA RIVER FESTIVAL

Wichita Table Tennis Center
Wichita, Kansas
May 8, 1999

Open: 1st Yufei Xiao; 2nd Stan Stoodley; 3rd Joshua Bartel; 4th Richard Catlin.
Hardbat: 1st Carl Miller; 2nd Stan Stoodley; 3rd (tie) Paul Olivier & Vic Merideth.
U2100: 1st Stan Stoodley; 2nd Jerry Freelon; 3rd (tie) Richard Catlin & Vic Merideth.
U1900: 1st Richard Catlin; 2nd Jerry Freelon; 3rd (tie) Stan Stoodley & Marty Simpson.
U1700: 1st Peter Chamberlain; 2nd John Browning; 3rd Jonathan Paretsky; 4th Aaron Hendrickson.
U1500: 1st Jim Spencer; 2nd Charles Rucker; 3rd Floyd Gaulden; 4th Larry Rhea.
U1250: 1st Gary Hill; 2nd Phil Deschner; 3rd Laura Xiao; 4th Jeff Martin.
U1000: 1st Arturo Tenorio; 2nd Claudia Bullock; 3rd David Bullock.
U3600 Doubles: 1st R. Catlin/N. Hill; 2nd: S. Stoodley/L. Ruthven; 3rd J. Bartel/G. Rempel; 4th P. Olivier/D. Beckstrom.
U3000 Doubles: 1st G. Hendrickson/J. Spencer; 2nd R. Lickey/J. Martin; 3rd A. Hendrickson/C. Rucker; 4th: S. Muninger/D. Whitted.

HTTC JUNE OPEN

Houston Table Tennis Center
Houston, Texas
June 5, 1999



Houston Champion Razvan Cretu

Open: 1st Razvan Cretu; 2nd Tasudeen Oshodi; 3rd Roberto Byles; 4th Ernest Virgo.
Hardbat: 1st Hector Bennett; 2nd Jon Dorn; 3rd John Miller.
Over 50: 1st Amir Hormozi; 2nd Cyril Agbontaen; 3rd Jim Story; 4th Gabriel Cserei.
A singles: 1st David Wang; 2nd Howard Lamb.
B singles: 1st Hieu Truong; 2nd Collin Nguyen.
C singles: 1st Nhan Phan; 2nd Amir Hormozi.
D singles: 1st Jock Oubichon; 2nd Hieu Ngo.
E singles: 1st Cyril Agbontaen; 2nd John Miller.
F singles: 1st Gabriel Cserei; 2nd Ahmed Jasser.
G singles: 1st Walter Wang; 2nd Elias Rizk.
H singles: 1st Sam Latham; 2nd John Quillin.
Novice singles: 1st Walter Wang; 2nd John Garcia.
Handicap singles: 1st Ernest Virgo; 2nd Hector Bennett.
U4200 doubles: 1st E. Virgo/H. Lamb; 2nd H. Nguyen/C. Nguyen.
U3000 doubles: 1st H. Ngo/J. Story; 2nd W. Wang/Thompson.

AITTL LEAGUE SINGLES

Sherwood, Arkansas
June 26, 1999

B Singles: 1st: James Light; 2nd: Warren Campbell; 3rd: Gary Moore.
C Singles: 1st: Ed Gran; 2nd: Kitt Oudthone; 3rd: Danny Nguyen; 4th: Jonathan To.

SPORTS FITNESS PLAYERS SERIES MAY OPEN

Clemmons, North Carolina
May 1, 1999

Open Singles: 1st Danny Hill; 2nd Tony Provenzano; 3rd Joey Hu; 4th Sonny Bradley.
Open Doubles: 1st T. Provencano/B. MacKenzie; 2nd B. Deal/D.J. Settle.
U2000: 1st Rick Mundy; 2nd Tony Provenzano; 3rd Lewis Bragg; 4th Don Hair.
Class A: 1st Roddy Lee; 2nd Amin Amidi; 3rd Charles Williams; 4th Clyde Vincent.
Class B: 1st Richard Keener; 2nd David Sterling; 3rd Pete Turchi; 4th Earl Roe.
Class C: 1st Bryan MacKenzie; 2nd Serjey Averin; 3rd John Pahh; 4th D.J. Settle.
Class D: 1st Vince Green; 2nd Joe Bozik; 3rd Susan Salzgeber; 4th Mark Magitman.
U3500 Doubles: 1st R. Mundy/S. Faminiba; 2nd A. Stewart/R. Lee.

SPORTS FITNESS PLAYERS SERIES JUNE OPEN

Clemmons, North Carolina, June 5, 1999

Open: 1st Nigel Christopher; 2nd Danny Hill; 3rd Bryan Luisana; 4th Tony Provenzano.
U2000: 1st Jeff Thomas; 2nd Lewis Bragg; 3rd Rick Mundy; 4th Tony Provenzano.
Class A: 1st Bill Neely; 2nd Tony Bonjoko; 3rd Roddy Lee; 4th Steve Johnson.
Class B: 1st Phil Thompson; 2nd Bobby Jones; 3rd Dave Holas; 4th Tim Hoagland.
Class C: 1st Pete Turchi; 2nd Derek Scott; 3rd Marion Tate; 4th Everett Wright.
Class D: 1st Roscoe Whitfield; 2nd D.J. Settle; 3rd Robert Klar; 4th Joe Bozik.
U1400: 1st Joe Bozik; 2nd Doug Brock; 3rd Bryan Horton; 4th Orlando Nieves.
U3500 Doubles: 1st G. Singleton/D. Holas; 2nd B. Neely/P. Thompson.

GEORGIA JUNIOR OLYMPIC REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

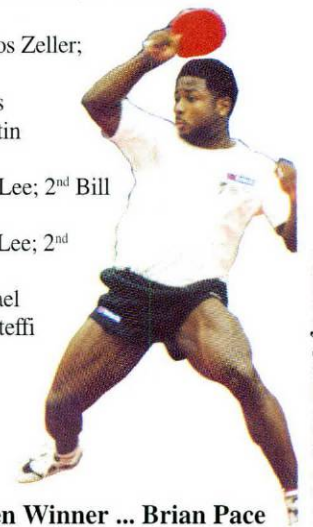
Atlanta, Georgia, June 5, 1999

Championship Boys: 1st: John Mar; 2nd: Robert Andersson; 3rd: Philip Mar.
Championship Girls: 1st: Courtnie Austell; 2nd: Arianne Mah; 3rd: Jessica Alexander.
Under 18 Boys: 1st: John Mar; 2nd: Philip Mar; 3rd: Michael Hadsell, Jr.
Under 16 Boys: 1st: Theron Adams.
Under 14 Boys: 1st: Edmund Hong; 2nd: Aldis Presley; 3rd: Chris Miller.
Under 12 Boys: 1st: Justin Mah; 2nd: Arkadiy Yadgarov.
Under 10 Boys: 1st: Preston Chin; 2nd: Micah Presley.
Under 14 Girls: 1st: Arianne Mah; 2nd: Courtnie Austell.
Under 12 Girls: 1st: Jessica Alexander.

PACE TABLE TENNIS CENTER MAY OPEN

South Plantation, Florida, May 15, 1999

Open: 1st Brian Pace; 2nd Jay Mau.
Women: 1st Danuta Andrezejaska; 2nd Mayra Rivero.
Under 18: 1st Josue Squalino; 2nd Phillip Oliver.
U2100: 1st Chedy Munroe; 2nd Steve Federico.
U1900: 1st Frank Cortes; 2nd Bard Brenner.
U1700: 1st Carlos Zeller; 2nd David Jess.
U1500: 1st Jesus Valdes; 2nd Martin Sundel.
U1300: 1st Ray Lee; 2nd Bill Durbin.
U1100: 1st Ray Lee; 2nd Steffi Torres.
U900: 1st Michael Lesser; 2nd Steffi Torres.



Pace Open Winner ... Brian Pace

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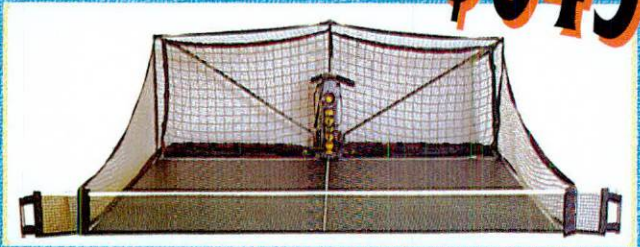
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