

What's On

contract bridge

By Steve Becker

To guess — or not to guess

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Ugandans register with UIK: Are you a Ugandan living and working in Kuwait? Would you like to get in touch with other Ugandans in Kuwait both socially and professionally? Then please get in touch with us. We would like to invite you to register with the Ugandans in Kuwait (UIK) association, an informal organization of Ugandans living and working in Kuwait. The purpose of this exercise is to get together as Ugandans and to consider taking the first steps to establishing a more formal organisation. This association is voluntary. It is designed to create a forum for Ugandans in Kuwait to foster a sense of community, to communicate more effectively with each other and to encourage Ugandans out here to work together. We are also planning a celebration to mark 50 years of Uganda's Independence this year. If you have any questions regarding this association or if you are interested in registering, then please send us an email at ugandansinkuwait@gmail.com. We hope to hear from you soon.

Free drum music classes: Free professional drum music classes are available at Salmiya for all age groups from beginners to advanced by a well experienced drum teacher. For more details: 94974295.

Bridge game: Bridge tournament is being held every Sunday and Wednesday at 20:00 hours, played at the Graduates Club, next to Kuwait Engineering Society. Interested Bridge pairs or individual players please contact Mohammed Merchant, Tel: 248115622, 24841158, 99612287.

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
 ♠ K 7 6 3
 ♥ A 9 5
 ♦ K Q 2
 ♣ A Q 4

WEST
 ♠ Q J
 ♥ Q J 10 4
 ♦ 9 8 3
 ♣ 10 7 6 2

EAST
 ♠ 8 2
 ♥ 8 7 3 2
 ♦ 10 6 4
 ♣ K 9 5 3

SOUTH
 ♠ A 10 9 5 4
 ♥ K 6
 ♦ A J 7 5
 ♣ J 8

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 4 NT Pass
 5 ♥ Pass 5 NT Pass
 6 ♣ Pass 6 ♣

Opening lead — queen of hearts. Assume you're in six spades and West leads the queen of hearts. You win with the king and return a trump to dummy's king, on which West plays the queen. You next lead a trump from dummy, East following low, and the question is whether to play the ace or the ten.

If you're familiar with the theory of restricted choice, you know that after West produces the queen on the first spade play, the odds favor finessing the ten. In fact, the mathematical probability is about 9-to-5 that East

has the guarded jack.

But before blindly attempting the finesse, you should first consider the hand as a whole. If you try the finesse and it loses, and if East later turns up with the king of clubs, you will go down one. Unlucky, but down one nevertheless.

The other side of the coin, however, is that if you play the ace of spades at trick three instead of finessing the ten, you can't go down regardless of who has the jack! As it happens, the jack falls, and you make the slam, later losing only a club to East's king.

And what would have happened had West shown out on the ace of trumps? In that case, you would have cashed the ace of hearts, ruffed a heart and then started to run your diamonds. East might ruff at any stage, but that would merely hasten his demise.

If he did not ruff, you would next put him on lead with a trump, forcing him to return a club or yield a ruff-and-discard. Either way, the slam would come waltzing home.

In this deal, therefore, the answer as to how to handle the trumps is a very simple one. Playing the ace at trick three guarantees the contract, come what may, while finessing the ten does not. That makes the ace the right play, even though the percentages would indicate otherwise.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Paint drip from brush is lower. 2. Paint can is smaller. 3. Hat is smaller. 4. Sign is smaller. 5. Bow tie is smaller. 6. Sleeve is different.

Conceptis Sudoku

The grid must be so completed that every row, column and 3x3 box has every digit from 1 to 9 inclusive

By Dave Green

3		8	9		5
7					1
		2			
7		1	2		3
	3			9	
9		5	6		1
		8			
6					8
8		4	1		9

Answer to yesterday's puzzle

9	1	8	2	6	3	7	4	5
2	7	4	9	5	1	3	8	6
6	5	3	7	8	4	2	1	9
1	8	9	4	3	2	6	5	7
3	2	7	5	1	6	8	9	4
4	6	5	8	7	9	1	3	2
7	3	2	1	4	5	9	6	8
5	9	6	3	2	8	4	7	1
8	4	1	6	9	7	5	2	3

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

Challenger

By Louis MURER

DIRECTIONS:

Fill each square with a number, one through nine. Horizontal squares should add to totals on right. Vertical squares should add to totals on bottom. Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE SOLUTION.

Today's Challenge Time 10 Minutes 17 Seconds Your Working Time ___ Minutes ___ Seconds

					23
3					15
			3		8
				6	27
	2				13
16	14	8	25	15	

Yesterday's solution

					27
7	7	6	7		27
1	1	8	1		11
7	3	8	7		25
9	6	7	5		27
24	17	29	20	21	

Eugene Sheffer Crossword

1	2	3	4		5	6	7		8	9	10	11
12				13						14		
15									16			
			17				18	19				
20	21	22				23						
24						25				26	27	
28						29				30	31	
		32		33					34			
						35			36			
37	38	39						40				
41						42	43			44	45	46
47						48						
49						50				51		

- ACROSS**
 1 Even
 5 Apply cream
 8 "The Good Earth" heroine
 12 "Please go ahead"
 14 Fork prong
 15 The National Pastime
 16 Circus structure
 17 Cacophony
 18 Scalawags
 20 Basilica areas
 23 Diving duck
 24 Soccer legend
 25 Brewing gizmo
 28 Greek letter
 29 Not — out of place
 30 Scull need
 32 Kook
 34 Or-dered
- DOWN**
 1 Bar bill
 2 "— tree falls ..."
 3 UFO crew
 4 One of the Ramones
 5 Cannon of film
 6 MSN rival
 7 Reduced-rate postal delivery
 8 Canada's capital
 9 Actor Schreiber
 10 Green Gables girl
 11 Tennis barriers
 13 Baseball stats
 19 Corn-husker's st.
 20 iPhone download
 21 Mexican money
 22 Lost traction
 23 Black Panthers leader Bobby
 25 Appreciative
 26 Rich soil
 27 Stow cargo
 29 Grade-school basics
 31 Flushed
 33 Hang loose?
 34 Diva Streisand
 36 Kismet
 37 Bleak
 38 Baby's father
 39 Unsigned (Abbr.)
 40 Fed. food inspector
 43 Chemical suffix
 44 —
 45 Back muscle, briefly
 46 USN officers

Solution time: 21 mins.

B	A	R	B		O	R	B	S		W	I	N	
O	L	A	Y		C	O	E	N		A	M	I	
W	A	G	E		C	O	W	L		C	A	N	
S	N	U	B		U	T	A		L	L	O	C	O
					Y	U	L		R	E	O		
L	A	M	E	N	T			E	L	V	I	R	A
A	D	U	L	T					V	E	N	O	M
M	E	M	O	I	R			T	I	S	A	N	E
					V	E	E		E	S	C		
F	A	D	E		V	C	R		E	R	I	C	
A	G	A			N	E	A	R		N	A	M	E
D	E	F			B	A	R	I		E	V	A	N
S	S	T			C	L	E	F		S	E	N	T

Yesterday's answer 3-4

3-4

CRYPTOQUIP

X O I K K F Q G M M G V B C Y
 H Y Q Y M G V Y P G F X K P V
 Q K B Q V Y M Y P V K Q
 P K I B G F X Y Z B G . B V ' P G
 Q Y C Y M - V M Y Q Z B Q H P V K M O .

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: FEEL FREE TO ENJOY THE HEALTHFUL PRACTICE OF REAMING LEMONS OR ORANGES, IF YOU SO JUICE.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: P equals S

Word by Word

Choose (اختر) Ekhtar

Of two evils choose the less. Ekhtar ahwan al sharain.

Numbers اخترأهون الشرين.

8108 Eight thousand one hundred and eight

Thamaniyat alaaaf wa maah wa thamaniya



"It's an 'OLD SCHOOL' DRONE, JOEY, ... DOESN'T EVEN NEED BATTERIES!"