

## My Partner Doesn't Understand Me

### *Tips for better communication:*

1. *Don't tell the same story twice.*
2. *Over partner's takeout double, bid your 4 card major over a 5 card minor (match points).*
3. *If partner asks you to bid in a forcing auction—DO IT!*
4. *If you open a big hand and partner passes, and the opponents keep the bidding open, you do not have to jump shift to get your partner's attention.*
5. *Pass, pass and your partner opens in 3<sup>rd</sup> seat, PROTECT PARTNER—do not overbid.*
6. *When the outstanding points are located, you are usually able to bid one level higher than without this information.*
7. *With 4 trump cards in support of partner's suit, you are safer than with 3 to raise to the 3 level.*