

Ever since my mother taught me at the age of 6, I have had a lifelong passion for bridge. As for inspiration, all I can say is that if not for reckless, emotionally-driven pre-empts and doubles which have haunted my entire bridge life, I dare say I'd have 10000 points rather than 5000, because of savvy declarer play and gagey defense. I have a passion for the game and play it with a flair... Thought always overrides mere rules and literal point-counting.

But I would also like the readers to know that I am an accomplished classical music composer of 24 symphonies in addition to other works, most of which can be heard by entering my full name on YouTube. As a musicologist and tireless pursuer of expanding my listening repertoire, I can honestly say that I probably am intimately familiar with more 19th Century symphonies, concerti and chamber music by more different composers, both famous and obscure but worthy, than anybody else in the world! But I try to be modest and humble! My DOB is 12/21/1941. I invite all interested to hear my music and contact me at rnortman001@gmail.com, as I will answer all correspondence. Thank you for publishing and readers' interest, ROGER LASHER NORTMAN