

**UNIT 174  
EVENTS & CLASSES  
October - 2017**



Unit 174 Member,

If you would like to see even more of what is going on our Unit 174 bridge community, please go to: [www.acblunit174.org](http://www.acblunit174.org).

Hope to see you soon at the bridge table!!!

Lauri Laufman, Editor

## EVENTS

### **NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS**

#### **Unit Qualifiers - October 14-15**

Flight B - Saturday October 14

Flights A & C - Sunday October 15

Location: Bridge Club of Houston

Entry Fee \$40/pair

\*(Meal will be available for \$8)\*

Further info:

[http://www.acblunit174.org/Flyers/NAP\\_2018.pdf](http://www.acblunit174.org/Flyers/NAP_2018.pdf)

### **OCTOBER SECTIONAL**

**Friday, October 27 - Sunday, October 29**

**Special Location, Special Start Times:**

Hilton Hotel Houston North

12400 Greenspoint Drive, Houston, TX 77060

866-577-1154 (\$92 per night - until Oct 11)

**ALL days...Morning Session @ 10:30am**

**Fri-Sat Afternoon Session @ 3:30pm**

**Sunday 10:30am and TBA**

(Lunch Served on Sunday)

**Casino Party - Saturday Evening (7-10pm)**

**\$5 "Buy In" Includes: Casino Cash and "Light" Dinner  
Cash Bar Available**

**Great Speakers (3pm)**

**Fri: Daniel Jackson: "Free Stuff"**

**Sat: Gary King: "Inferences in Bridge"**

More info: <http://www.acblunit174.org/Flyers/OctSect2017.pdf>

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!**

### ***ACE OF CLUBS***

**New Location: IHOP, 11225 Katy Freeway, Houston, 77079  
(between Kirkwood and Wilcrest)**

**Sundays 6pm - Stratified & Handicapped IMP Game  
Tuesdays 7pm - Stratified Pairs  
(Special rated games if 4 or more tables)  
Free Coffee, Tea and Appetizers**

**Reservations Required  
Contact John Zilic 281-686-8683**

### ***BRIDGE CLUB OF HOUSTON (BCOH)***

**Opportunity for New Players  
Bridge+ game @ 10am Every Tuesday  
Sanctioned Game--\$5 Table Fee - 0-20 Masterpoints  
30-minute lesson by Julie Halperin, Certified Teacher @  
9:15am**

**October 9 - Beverley's 80th Birthday Party  
Meal at 11am, Game at 11:55am  
Reservation Required**

**October 14-15 - NAP Unit Qualifying  
Meal will be available for \$8**

**October 16-22 - STAC Week  
October 23 - Nighttime Mentor/Mentee Game  
October 26 - Swiss "8 is Enough"  
October 27-29 - CLUB CLOSED  
October 30- Halloween Party -- Bring Finger Food**

### ***CLEAR LAKE BRIDGE CLUB***

**A few changes to the game schedule follows:**

**The Thursday 2pm open game are Fast Pairs the 1st and 3rd  
Thursdays of each month. The remaining Thursday  
afternoon open games will be "Speedy Pairs" according to  
club president, Jim Ochsner. Speedy Pairs is basically Fast  
Pairs without the penalties. Come enjoy the fun!**

**The Thursday 10:00am 299er game is now a 499er game.  
Anyone with less than 500 points can play regardless of Life  
Master Status.**

## **FORT BEND COUNTY DUPLICATE BRIDGE**

*(Formerly Sugar Land Duplicate Bridge Club)*

*Bridge Pads coming soon!*

**Mondays 10:30am - Open game - Rosenberg Civic Center  
3825 Hwy 36 South, Rosenberg, TX 77471  
Free coffee, lite snacks provided**

**Tuesdays 9am- Open game - First Colony Community  
Center  
3232 Austin Parkway, Sugar Land, TX 77479**

**Thursdays - Supervised bridge and classes in Richmond**

*Please call or email in advance for games and classes.*

**ALL games through 2017 are \$5 per person for members of  
ACBL.**

**Hand records are provided at the end of every game.**

**Questions? Contact Eric Watson  
Owner, Manager Director and Teacher  
[ewat2004@aol.com](mailto:ewat2004@aol.com) 832-287-9107**

## **SOUTHWEST DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB (MERFISH)**

**Games are currently being held at Congregation Brith  
Shalom  
4610 Bellaire Blvd. (enter on Cedar St)**

## **SPRING BRANCH DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB (SOSA)**

**October 5 - 25th Anniversary Party  
Party at 11:30am, Game at 12:15pm  
Come Celebrate! Sandwiches, cake and soda will be  
provided  
by Club Manager, Judith Hoffing.  
Chips, dips and any other food is appreciated.**

## **WESTSIDE BRIDGE ACADEMY (WBA)**

***Saturday changes:  
The "fast pairs" game starts at 10:00am.  
The regular "open" and 299er games start at 2:00pm.***

*Sunday evening Swiss game, 6pm  
Firehouse Subs, Chips, and Cookies will be provided at  
5pm.*

*Snacks and side dishes are always welcome. Entry fee \$10.*

**October 4:** Diamond Life Master Party for Ralda St Pierre at  
10:30am

Sandwiches and cake provided.

Side dishes, appetizers, and desserts are welcome.

Reservations required - Katherine Onstott

[kjonstott@comcast.net](mailto:kjonstott@comcast.net)

**October 7:** Diamond Life Master Party for Jeff Kroll

Sandwiches and cake provided.

Side dishes, appetizers, and desserts are welcome.

Reservations required - Jennifer Breihan

[jenniferbr1@comcast.net](mailto:jenniferbr1@comcast.net)

**October 16-22:** STaC Week

**October 27-29:** Closed for the Sectional

WBA **Mentor-Mentee** games for **October** are on

Wednesday morning the **11th** at 10:30am and

Tuesday evening the **24th** at 7pm.

Pair entry \$15

WBA's **8 is Enough** team game will be held on Friday **October  
20.**

Contact Jimmy at 713-412-4678

or [jimmybreihan@comcast.net](mailto:jimmybreihan@comcast.net) to let him know if you plan on  
attending or need help getting a team together.

WBA has supervised play available on  
Tuesdays at 2pm with Terry Currie and Tom Jahnke and  
Thursdays at 10:30am with Kay Johnson.

WBA has a 0-20 game Wednesday evenings at 7pm with a  
free mini lecture about 20 minutes before game time.

For WBA's full schedule, please visit:

[www.westsidebridgeacademy.com](http://www.westsidebridgeacademy.com)

## CLASSES

### **CLEAR LAKE BRIDGE CLUB**

**Dave Glandorf**, 2016 ACBL District 16 Teacher of the  
Year

**Bridge 100BL:** Every Sunday and Tuesday 2:00 - 5:00  
Fee - \$8 per session. No advance registration needed.  
These are informal "Bridge Lab" courses. They are pay-as-you-go practice courses in a monitored rubber bridge type of environment. Students may ask questions of a monitor during or after the bidding or play.

Register by **October 15** to receive a \$25 tuition discount on the following courses. Course length will be 4-5 weeks, not yet finalized. Tuition (\$75 if 4 weeks, \$90 if 5 weeks) plus materials (\$10-\$20).

**Bridge 140:** Mondays 2:00 - 5:00, **Oct 30 - Nov 27/Dec 4** (no class Nov 6)

This 4-week course takes a more extensive look into slam bidding.

**Bridge 140:** Mondays 6:45 - 9:45, **Oct 30 - Nov 27/Dec 4** (no class Nov 6)

This 4-week course takes a more extensive look into slam bidding (evening class).

Contact Dave Glandorf for more information:

[drglandorf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:drglandorf@sbcglobal.net) 281-488-6318 (home) or 713-628-0030 (cell)

*October "Saturday Specials":*

**Getting to Game**

Saturday, **Oct 14** 10 am to 2:00pm

The class covers methods to help you get to makeable major suit games. We will cover a variety major suit raises including simple raise, limit raise, weak freak raises, Jacoby 2 NT.

Cost \$15 per person or \$25 for two.

**Some Slam Bidding Methods**

Saturday, **Oct 28** 10 am to 2:00pm

The class covers methods to help you get to makeable slams --- and keep you out of non-makeable slams. Covers Blackwood, Gerber and control showing bids.

Cost \$15 per person or \$25 for two.

**GARY KING**

Ever considered private instruction? Interested in improving your game? Consider private lessons for your group of four. He can meet at your house and work on the topics that are the most important to you. Great for two partnerships. Gary can work with groups of 3, 4 or even 5 people. He now has daytime slots available. Send Gary an email and the details can be discussed at [houstonbridge@gmail.com](mailto:houstonbridge@gmail.com).

## ***ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL BRIDGE SCHOOL***

(Corner of Woodway at Sage)

**Mondays 1-4pm Ongoing supervised play session.**  
This is the perfect class for those who already play bridge, but would like a little help sharpening their skills.  
Fee: \$10 per class

### **Popular Conventions**

**Tuesdays 10-12 am Oct 31 - Nov 21**

Learn about Stayman, Transfers, Strong Opening Bids of 2 Clubs and 2NT and responses, Slam Bidding in suits and no trump with Gerber, Blackwood, and Roman Key Card Blackwood.

### **Beginning Bridge Review**

**Tuesdays 1-3pm Oct 31 - Nov 21**

This class is designed for players who know how to play bridge but want to modernize bids and responses to conform to contemporary bidding.

Fee: \$80 per course

Classes taught by Joyce Ryan assisted by Ann Harvey.  
Please contact Joyce Ryan at [jryan9620@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jryan9620@sbcglobal.net) / 713-977-3360.

## ***WESTSIDE BRIDGE ACADEMY (WBA)***

**Shawn Quinn**

### **Supercharge your 2/1 game!**

Class is held Thursday mornings from 9:30-10:15, just before the morning game.

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Each class is independent--you can come for one or all. No reservations required. You will learn plenty; it will be well worth the time and

The cost is \$15/class



*"Each player must accept the cards he deals him or her: but once they are in hand, he or she alone must decide how to play the cards in order to win the game."*

*- Voltaire*



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