

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



Unit 174 Member,

If you would like see ALL that is going on in the bridge community, please go to: www.acblunit174.org. Hope to see you soon at the bridge table!!!

Lauri Laufman, Editor

EVENTS

AWESOME AUGUST SECTIONAL

Thursday, August 10- Sunday, August 13

**Houston Marriott Westchase
2900 Briarpark Drive, Houston, TX 77042
713-978-7400 / 888-236-2427**

NEW Schedule!!!

**ALL days...Morning Session @ 10am
Thu-Fri-Sat Afternoon Session @ 2:30pm
Sunday 10am and TBA**

Special \$10/Session on Sunday

On Site or Nearby Lunch Options Include:

**Sandwiches and Other Selections On Site
Buffet or Menu Service at Hotel Restaurant
Nearby Restaurants within Walking Distance**

Great Speakers (2pm)

Thurs: Joyce Ryan: "Draw Trumps? Forget About It!"

Fri: Betty Starzec: "Using the Lead Directing Double Effectively"

Sat: Mildred Breed: "Stop, Look, & Think Before You Play at Trick 1"

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

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**

July 4 - Hot Diggity Dog Day

Hot Dogs @ 11am Bring Sides

Game@11:55am (Reservations Required)

July 6 - Daytime Mentor/Mentee Game

July 11 - ACBL International Fund Game #2

July 15 - Club Closed

July 17 - Nighttime Mentor/Mentee Game

July 27 - Swiss Team "8 is Enough"

September 4 - Hot Diggity Dog Day

Hot Dogs @11 am--Bring Sides

Game@11:55am (Reservations Required)

September 7-10 - 299r Tournament

Thursday - Saturday - Pairs 10:00 and 2:00

Sunday - Swiss Teams (One Session) 1:00

More info:

http://www.acblunit174.org/Flyers/BCOH_299r_September_2017.pdf

KINGWOOD DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

July 5 - Local Charity

July 12 - NAP

July 19 - Nothing Special

July 26 - NAP

SOUTHWEST DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Please note that the current location is at Congregation Brith Shalom, 4610 Bellaire Boulevard through mid August, 2017.

Then the game will return to Merfish.

SUGAR LAND DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

(First Colony Community Center)

Sugar Land Duplicate Bridge Club has an open game every Tuesday morning which begins promptly at 9am--please call or email in advance for reservations. There are usually 12-14 tables.

ALL games are \$5 per person for members of ACBL—NO extra charge for special games. Hand records are provided at the end of every game.

Coming soon!!! A new daytime open game in the Sugar Land, Richmond, Rosenberg area!

**Eric Watson, Owner/Director Sugar Land Duplicate Bridge Club
3232 Austin Parkway 77479
ACBL Certified Club Director since 2009
ACBL Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP) 2013
ewat2004@aol.com / 832-287-9107**

WESTSIDE BRIDGE ACADEMY (WBA)

July 11 - ACBL International Fund Game

July 13-15 - 299'r Tournament

Thursday - Pairs 10:30 and 3:00

Saturday - Pairs 9:00 and 1:00

Sunday - Swiss Teams (Two Session) 10:00

More Info: http://www.acblunit174.org/Flyers/WBA_299r.pdf

**WBA Mentor-Mentee games for July are on Wednesday morning the 12th at 10:30am and Tuesday evening the 25th at 7pm.
Pair entry \$15.**

WBA's 8 is Enough team game will be held on Friday, July 21, so get your teams together and come out and play! Call Jimmy at 713-412-4678 or email him at jenandjimmy@sbcglobal.net and let him know if you plan on attending or if you need help getting a team together.

WBA has supervised play available on Tuesdays from 2pm-4:30pm by Terry Currie and Tom Jahnke and Thursdays starting at 10:30am by Kay Johnson.

WBA has a 0-20 game Wednesday evenings at 7pm with a free mini lecture about 20 minutes before game time as well as Sunday afternoons @ 1pm with a free mini lecture before the game.

**For WBA's full schedule, please visit:
www.westsidebridgeacademy.com.**

CLASSES

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.

ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL BRIDGE SCHOOL

(Corner of Woodway at Sage)

Competitive Bidding

Tuesdays 10-12 am **Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, off 17, 24**
Competitive bidding covers the information needed when both partnerships are bidding during the auction. Players want to get to the best contract but also want to make it difficult for the opponents to reach their best spot. This class introduces innovative methods of hand valuation and the bids that experts use in competitive situations. Preemptive bids at the 2 and 3 level and responses, take out doubles and advances, and overcalls and advances are taught.

Beginning Bridge

Tuesdays 1-3 pm **Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, off 17, 24**
Never played bridge before? Did you play bridge 20 or 30 years ago and want to learn modern methods of bidding and hand evaluation? This is the class for you! Have friends who would like to learn the game? Please let them know!

Classes taught by ABTA's Teacher of the Year finalist, Joyce Ryan assisted by Ann Harvey. Please contact Joyce Ryan at jryan9620@sbcglobal.net / 713-977-3360.

SUGAR LAND DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Supervised play every Thursday (in Richmond) will be offered until Labor Day, using pre-dealt hands from the ACBL Series. Bridge classes will resume after Labor Day beginning on Thursday, **September 7**... "Defense" from the ACBL Series. Suggested donation \$5 per class. 11am--bring a sandwich / light snacks provided.

For exact location & more information, contact:
Eric Watson, Owner/Director/Teacher
Sugar Land Duplicate Bridge Club
ewat2004@aol.com / 832-287-9107

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.

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 money!

The cost is \$15/class.

Gary King

Learn to Play Bridge

Wednesday Evenings 7-9

8 Lessons: **Aug 23, 30, Sept 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct 4, 11**

\$150, includes all class materials

Pre-registration required: houstonbridge@gmail.com

Supervised Group Study

Saturday Mornings 10-12 4 Lessons: **Aug 19, 26, Sept 9, 16**

Great class to take with a regular partner, but not required. All New Hands! This is a test first and then analyze class. You will bid and play a hand and then we will dissect it as a group. Class size may be limited, so sign up today.

\$100 per person

Pre-registration required: houstonbridge@gmail.com

The real test of a bridge player isn't in keeping out of trouble, but in escaping once he's in it. -Alfred Sheinwold



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