

**UNIT 174  
EVENTS & CLASSES  
June, 2017**



Unit 174 Member,

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

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**EVENTS**

**NEARLY SUMMER SECTIONAL**

**June 9-11**

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

**Great Schedule!!!**

**ALL days...Morning Session @ 10am & Afternoon session @  
3pm**

**Great Hospitality!!!**

**Free Coffee!**

**Great Speakers!!!**

**Friday @ 2:30pm - David Dyer - Finessing: The Rule of 12  
Saturday @ 2:30pm - Dave Glandorf - Fourth Suit Forcing**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!**

**The Longest Day**  
Alzheimer's Association

***Support Alzheimer's disease care and research!***

**Bring family & friends to play**

**MiniBridge or Rubber Bridge!**

**Saturday, June 24 from 10am to 4pm  
Memorial City Mall by the skating rink**

**Contact Carol to sign up for rubber bridge:  
clwinograd@gmail.com**

**All proceeds go to the Alzheimer's Association  
& gifts are tax deductible.**

***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**

**June 1: Daytime Mentor/Mentee Game  
June 9-11: CLOSED for June Sectional  
June 12-17: STaC Week  
June 19: Evening Mentor/Mentee Game  
June 21: Alzheimer's Longest Day Game  
June 22: Swiss "8 is Enough"  
July 4: "Hot Diggity Dog" Independence Day. Hot dogs @  
11am--Bring sides. Game @ 11:55am. Reservations  
required.**

***LAKE CONROE DUPLICATE CLUB***

**June 23 at 10:30am: Life Master party for Gene Levy and  
Susan Mandel. Location for party: Incredible Pizza, 230 S.  
Loop 336 W., Conroe. For further information, please  
contact: Gerry Earnest at gerryearnest@gmail.com.**

**There will be NAP qualifying on the FIRST and SECOND  
Friday in June.**

***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.

There will be a Club Championship game on **June 20**.

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

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

WBA will participate in the World Wide Bridge Contest on Saturday afternoon, **June 3**.

WBA **Mentor-Mentee** games for **June** are on Wednesday morning the **7th** at 10:30am and Tuesday evening the **27rd** at 7pm.

Pair entry \$15.

WBA's **8 is Enough** team game will be held on Friday, **June 19**, so get your teams together and come out and play! Call Jimmy at 713-412-4678 or email him at [jenandjimmy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jenandjimmy@sbcglobal.net) and let him know if you plan on attending or if you need help getting a team together.

WBA will participate in the Longest Day on Wednesday, **June 21**. There will be 3 sessions of bridge: 9am--Pairs, 1:30pm--Pairs, 6:30pm--Swiss. There will be a silent auction for play dates with expert players, raffle for free plays, dinner with lecture or panel discussion.

More details on website.

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.**

### **The Longest Day!**

**WBA will be participating in The Longest Day on Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> to raise money for Alzheimer's research and treatment.**

**There will be six fund raisers this year:**

- 1. WBA will hold Open and 299r pair games at 9:00 and 1:30 and a Swiss Team game at 6:30. Entry fees will be \$10, \$8 of which will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association. Lunch will be provided (sandwiches, chips, and cookies) between the morning and afternoon sessions for a voluntary donation so you can play both sessions without having to leave the Academy!**
- 2. Players can play with an expert in the pair games or a pair of experts in the Swiss on The Longest Day. A silent auction will be held for each session with an expert/pair of experts. Bid sheets are posted at WBA for each session/expert. Entry fees will be in addition to the amount pledged.**
- 3. Players can play with an expert at a time and place to be mutually arranged. A silent auction will be held for each session with an expert. Bid sheets are posted at WBA for each session with an expert. Entry fees will be in addition to the amount pledged.**
- 4. WBA is holding a raffle for 10 free plays. Raffle tickets can be purchased from the director for \$5. Three winning tickets will be drawn.**
- 5. Naming rights for each of the sessions on The Longest Day are being sold for \$500/session. We will advertise via the website, email and on Facebook so there is considerable exposure to be gained. If you want additional information or to purchase a session, please contact Bert Onstott at 713-851-1511.**
- 6. Between the afternoon and evening sessions, WBA will host an expert panel & dinner. Lasagna, salad, and bread from the Lasagna House will be served. Players can purchase a ticket for the panel discussion and the meal for \$10, which goes to cover the cost of the meal. This is a great opportunity to ask how a hand should be bid, what's your favorite convention or just a funny bridge story. Avoid the traffic, have a nice meal & pick the expert's brain. All funds received for items 2 through 5 will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association. Plan to play all three sessions to help us reach our goal of \$10,000 in donations for this great cause!**

For WBA's full schedule, please visit:  
[www.westsidebridgeacademy.com](http://www.westsidebridgeacademy.com).

## CLASSES

### ***BRIDGE CLUB OF HOUSTON***

**Barbara Phillips**, Sapphire Life Master & Club Director

#### **TWO OVER ONE IN A NUTSHELL:**

A new "series" offered on **June 13, 20, 27, July 11, 18**, 10am-12:30pm.

Subjects include:

2 over 1, forcing NT, inverted minors, Jacoby 2NT, two of the lower ranking suits and Bergen raises.

The "series" will be taught at Barbara's home, 310 Sherwood Ct., Shenandoah, TX. The \$75 fee will include a book.

Reservations are a MUST! Call or email @ 281-465-1383 / [bwp281@aol.com](mailto:bwp281@aol.com).

### ***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***

Tuesdays, **June 6, 13, 20, 27** from 10-12:

#### **IMPROVING JUDGMENT OPENING:**

Improving Judgment Opening the Bidding: Opening bids at the first and second seat using additional guidelines; opening the bidding in the third and fourth seats with borderline hands. Responding to bids in the third and fourth chairs. Obstructive opening bids using guidelines of 500; improving your judgment on obstructive bids. Strong

opening bids with balanced and unbalanced hands.

Tuesdays, [June 6, 13, 20, 27](#) from 1-3:

**POPULAR CONVENTIONS:**

Stayman; Transfers; Strong Opening Bids of 2 Clubs and 2NT; Slam Bidding in suits and no trump with Roman Key Card Blackwood.

\$80 for a four-week course or \$25 per class includes handouts.

Classes taught by ABTA's Teacher of the Year finalist, Joyce Ryan assisted by Ann Harvey. Please contact Joyce Ryan at [jryan9620@sbcglobal.net](mailto: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](mailto:ewat2004@aol.com) / 832-287-9107

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

**Shawn Quinn**

**Supercharge your 2/1 game!**

Class is held on 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. The cost is \$15/class. You will learn plenty; it will be well worth the time and money!

***"Most bridge players prefer consistency in their partners***

*rather than brilliance." -- Anonymous*

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