



St. Louis Bridge Center Newsletter



To our newest SLBC Members.....

Celeste Williams, Lyn and Ernie Messner



To our SLBC October Advancers.....

New Club Master: Robert Graham

New Sectional Master: Rick Merrifield

New Regional Masters: Rick Londeree and Ellen Svenson

New Ruby Life Master: Doris Schwartz

New Diamond Life Master: Carol Schaffer



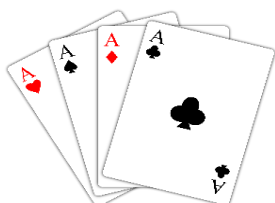
Directors will be posting results on the TVs at the end of the second to last round and after the final results. We appreciate your patience in allowing them to do this before you request an individual printout. And don't forget you can always view your results, hand records and Common Game analysis for all our games at stlouisbridge.org.



Phillip Alder: NY Times former columnist, ACBL Magazine monthly contributor, Eddie

Cantor partner, recommended by Cantor and Seagram. Phillip Alder has coached and captained winning bridge teams in championships around the world. Don't miss his workshop on **World's Best Bridge Topic – Win More Tricks, on Thursday, December 12 from 2:00 -4:30pm**. Come alone or bring your partner.

Cost is \$40. Sign up at the Bridge Center or online at www.stlouisbridge.org



“8” is Enough Games on Sunday

Sunday, November 17 and 24 are more 8 is Enough games.

These rules apply:

A players are those with over 2000 masterpoints and contribute 3 “team points”

B players are those with between 750 and 1,999 masterpoints and count as 2 “team points”

C players are those with fewer than 750 masterpoints and count as 1 “team point”

The total team points cannot exceed 8. For example, a team of four **B** players, or two **A** and two **C** players would be allowed, but a team of three **A** players and one **C** player would not.



- Keep cell phone on silent, or turn it off
- If expecting important call, bring phone to the director
- Director will deduct 1/4 of a board per violation**
- This is an easy penalty to avoid!



JOINT ABA/ACBL GAME

It was so much fun, we're doing it again!!!!

Thursday, December 5, 2019
6:15 Registration, 6:30 Game

\$ 5.00 entry fee to earn ABA points
\$ 8.00 entry fee to earn ACBL points



Our supply of Styrofoam is almost depleted, and when it is, the Bridge Center will be using paper plates and cups. The cost of paper coffee cups is 3 times that of Styrofoam, but we want to be environmentally responsible. Please do your part and refill one coffee cup during the day instead of getting a new cup each time. Better yet, bring your own mug from home!



Cool Hat comes in several colors.

It's not too early to start thinking about your Club Renewal. Membership renewal is \$25 and is due by December 31, 2019. A renewal form is attached, you may pick one up at the Center, or you may pay online through paypal on our website. www.stlouisbridge.org The first 200 women and 200 men to renew get a free hat!!!



There's a new game coming to the tables in 2020.....

Earn masterpoints and at the same time review some of the intricacies of the bid and play of hands. On Wednesday afternoons at 2PM for about 2 hours attendees will play 12 hands.

After each hand there will be a brief review of ways both offense and defense might optimize results given the cards held and the information shared during the bid and play. Try it! You'll like it!



A word from our Center Teaching Manager, Janet Vontz..... The first beginner class is "in the can," so to speak, and was a success. This six-week class is for people who have never before played bridge. It is an ideal Holiday present for your grandchild and/or your adult child who should have learned to play years ago, but did not want to do something their parents enjoyed. Another series of classes will be scheduled in January. Tell your friends and relatives.



I know I can Get It!!!!

Four Commonly Used Conventions with Linda Powers

STRONG 2 CLUB OPENING AND RESPONSES

WEAK 2 BIDS AND RESPONSES

JACOBY 2NT

NEGATIVE DOUBLES

January 7, 14, 21, 28, 2020 from 1:30 – 3:30

COST: \$80.00 per person

**THIRD ANNUAL
LONGEST
NIGHT**

Come join us for our third annual Longest Night where we will start with holiday spirits and appetizers at 5:30pm followed by a charity bridge game for Alzheimer's at 6:30.

If you would like to bring something to share, please do.
We can't guarantee a winning bridge game, but we can guarantee a fun evening for all!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19TH @ 5:30PM

ST LOUIS BRIDGE CENTER
1270 N. PRICE ROAD
OLIVETTE, MO 63132

And here's a link to an article in Ladue News about Linda Powers and her drive to find a cure for Alzheimer's. [here](#)

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