

ST. LOUIS REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERIES

FREE LESSONS IN THE ORLY ROOM-FOLLOW THE SIGNS

Want to play the cards better to improve your game? Focusing on intermediate and novice players, our educational sessions will cover some of these core concepts.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
Monday 8/24 10:00-noon	Intro to Bridge	Phyllis Siegel is a retired teacher, ACBL certified teacher and director, ABA member and regional director, Best Practices teacher, and Partnership Chair for Unit 143. She loves teaching and encouraging newer (and older) players to feel more comfortable playing this wonderful game. She will discuss being a good partner and planning the play of the hand and then offer newcomers an opportunity to play in a free practice game.
Tuesday 8/25 1:30-2:00	Strategies on Discarding	Sandy Bigg is a retired math teacher who is Unit 143's Tournament Co-Chair. She loves the game but loves the people who play even more and wants everyone to feel welcome in our bridge community. She's been playing since she was five and has made the Barry Crane top 500 list and won two national titles. She will discuss strategies on discarding.
Wednesday 8/26 1:30-2:00	Suggested Declarer Play When Missing the Queen or the King	Glenn Rehagen is a retired actuary, and is Past President and a current Board member of the St. Louis Bridge Center. An ACBL Certified Best Practices bridge teacher, he enjoys helping novice and intermediate players improve their game. Passionate about bridge, today he'll explore a variety of interesting card combinations that omit the queen or king, demonstrating techniques that can improve declarer play.
Thursday 8/27 1:30-2:00	Oohh noooo.... Director please!	AJ Gwin is a retired Missouri teacher and administrator who is currently serving on the Unit 143 Board of Directors. He is a certified director and has recently joined the St. Louis Bridge Center as the director. He hopes to share advice on dealing with directors, when to call the director, and insight into common pitfalls that require directors' input, looking to have the "dreaded director" transformed into a helpful and trusted resource.
Friday 8/28 1:30-2:00	Declarer Play - establishing long suits	Julie Ertmann is a retired Missouri high school teacher and an ACBL Certified Best Practices bridge teacher. She serves on the board of directors at the Saint Louis Bridge Center and chairs its education committee. Julie coteaches two courses that are strategically designed to improve the bidding, defense and declarer play of beginners and advanced beginners. Today, she's going to share some thoughts about establishing long suits.
Saturday 8/29 1:30-2:00	Declarer Play Examples to Take More Tricks	Ken Eiger is a retired actuary who serves on both the Unit 143 and District 8 Boards. He's looking for both your thoughts on what the Unit Board can do to help you create a great bridge experience, and for you to let him know that you would be available to help. Today, he's going to share some thoughts about several ways declarer can take more tricks by playing the cards better.