

## SCHEDULE OF GAMES

- Tuesday 12:30 PM
  - Not So Serious Duplicate
- Tuesday 6:30 PM
  - Charity Open Duplicate
- Wednesday 12:30 PM
  - Charity Open Duplicate
- Wednesday 6:30 PM
  - Not So Serious Duplicate
- Thursday 12:30 PM
  - Not So Serious Duplicate
- Thursday 6:30 PM
  - Charity Open Duplicate
- Friday 12:30 PM
  - Charity Open Duplicate

### Want a Partner?

Charity Duplicates: Carol Casey  
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## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Masterpoint Awards Party

Join us on January 20th to celebrate the 2008 Achievement Winners.

### Birthday Free Play

If your birthday is in January, please pick up a free play from an Academy Team Member.

### Bridge Bingo Free Play

30 Minutes before every game there will be a bridge bingo. Free play for future game goes to the winner!


### Predict Your Score Free Play

### Thursday Eve Mini Lesson 6:10

# JANUARY 2009

## Bridge Academy of North Dallas

YOUR HOME FOR BRIDGE LESSONS & FRIENDLY PLAY

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
<b>JAN 12-16 DUPLICATES PREDICT YOUR SCORE AFTER THE FIRST ROUND WIN A FREE PLAY!</b>	<b>TIME TO ORGANIZE YOUR NOTES... CLASSES START ON JANUARY 5TH!</b>	<b>NEW CHARITY GAME THURSDAY 6:30PM MINI LESSON 6:10PM</b>	<b>1</b>  <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</b>	<b>2</b> 10:00 No Class 12:30 Charity Duplicate 4:30 No Class
<b>5</b> 10:00 Intro To Bidding 12:30 Supervised Play 6:30 Intro To Bidding	<b>6</b> 10:00 Play It Again Sam (Adv) 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> 1:00 All In One L1 6:30 Charity Duplicate	<b>7</b> 10:00 2/1 Game Force 12:30 Charity Duplicate <i>SALAD MIXER @ 11:45</i> 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	<b>8</b> 10:00 Hand Evaluation 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> 1:00 Opening Leads v. NT 6:30 Charity Duplicate <i>POT LUCK DINNER @ 5:45</i>	<b>9</b> 10:00 Making A Plan 12:30 Charity Duplicate 4:30 Kid's Bridge
<b>12</b> 10:00 Introduction to Play 12:30 Supervised Play 6:30 Introduction to Play	<b>13</b> 10:00 Play It Again Sam (Adv) 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> <i>SALAD MIXER @ 11:45</i> 1:00 All In One L2 6:30 Charity Duplicate	<b>14</b> 10:00 2/1 & Forcing 1NT 12:30 Charity Duplicate 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	<b>15</b> 10:00 Notrump Bidding 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> 1:00 Opening Leads v. Suits 6:30 No Game—Sectional <i>Dallas Sectional</i>	<b>16</b> 10:00 Promotion & Length 12:30 No Game—Sectional 4:30 No Class  <i>Dallas Sectional</i>
<b>19</b> 10:00 Notrump Play 12:30 Supervised Play 6:30 Notrump Play	<b>20</b> 10:00 Play It Again Sam (Adv) 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> 1:00 All In One L3 6:30 Charity Duplicate <i>2008 Awards Party</i>	<b>21</b> 10:00 Inverted Minors 12:30 Charity Duplicate 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i>	<b>22</b> 10:00 Responder's Rules 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> <i>SALAD MIXER @ 11:45</i> 1:00 3rd Hand Exceptions 6:30 Charity Duplicate	<b>23</b> 10:00 The Finesse 12:30 Charity Duplicate 4:30 The King Day Kid's Tournament
<b>26</b> 10:00 Notrump Bidding 12:30 Supervised Play 6:30 Notrump Bidding	<b>27</b> 10:00 Play It Again Sam (Adv) 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> 1:00 All In One L4 6:30 Charity Duplicate	<b>28</b> 10:00 2/1 & RKC 12:30 Charity Duplicate 6:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson @ 6:10</i> <i>POT LUCK DINNER @ 5:45</i>	<b>29</b> 10:00 Rebids by Opener 12:30 NSS Duplicate <i>Mini-Lesson 12:10</i> 1:00 2nd Hand Exceptions 6:30 Charity Duplicate	<b>30</b> 10:00 Trump & Discard 12:30 Charity Duplicate <i>SALAD MIXER @ 11:45</i> 4:30 Kid's Bridge

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

Valentine Sweet Treats 9th-13th

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## January Top Tips

**When partner bids two suits and you have an equal number of cards in each suit, take partner back to the first suit even if it means increasing the level. Just do it!**

You hold: ♠ Axxx ♥ K10x ♦ Jxx ♣ xxxx  
Partner You  
1D 1S  
2H ?                      Answer: Bid 3D

**When leading a suit partner has bid and you have supported, lead your highest card with 3 or 4 small cards.**

The high card lead denies an honor, partner knows of your length. If you haven't supported, lead low from three or four small cards to deny a doubleton. The lead of a high spot card in partner's unsupported suit shows shortness. With three or four cards headed by an honor (10, J, Q or K) lead low whether or not you have supported. If you plan to lead partner's suit holding the ace, lead it.

**Before playing to the first trick, review the bidding and make sure you remember the opening lead.**

Sometimes the opening lead is a small spot card and it is important to know exactly how small. If the opening leader later plays another small card in that suit, you really want to know whether it is a higher or lower card than the original lead. You really do!

## Interesting Tidbits

Sharon Shapiro competed in the Dallas Marathon held in December and qualified for the Boston Marathon in early 2009. Congrats!

Mark & Kathy Bumgardner had their first grandchild on December 9th. Her name is Jessica Ann.

*Please let the Academy Team know about the special events in your life so that we may share the news with all of our friends at the Academy.*

## Bridge Humor

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

-Alfred Sheinwold

## Special Events

(See calendar for dates and times)

**Potluck Dinners** The Academy will provide the meat & drinks. Everyone else bring a side dish of a vegetable, salad or desert.

**Salad Mixers** The Academy will provide the lettuce and salad dressing. Everyone else bring 1 cup of salad ingredient.

## Duplicate Bridge Etiquette

**MANNERS ARE IMPORTANT** Greet your opponents at the beginning of the round and smile! At the end of the round, they are still your friends...

**SILENCE IS GOLDEN** Conversation stops when you remove your hand from the board.

**THINK BEFORE YOU TOUCH** Once you have decided on a bid in your mind, then use your hand to choose the bid from the box. Don't let your fingers do your thinking!

**TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE** Once the auction is complete, make your opening lead and table the dummy before you write the contract in your private score. Remember to lead face down!

**WHAT HAPPENS IN THE CURRENT ROUND...STAYS IN THE CURRENT ROUND** Once the round is finished, you may then discuss hands from the current round. Refrain from discussion between hands. Hands from previous rounds should never be discussed in front of the new opponents.

**YOUR MOTHER'S RULE** If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all!

**HAVE FUN!** At the end of the day, we are all here to have a good time. Enjoy...