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District 4 Bridge Lessons

The ACBL is planning a new website that will be directed at brand new players. It's an important part of this initiative that we provide interested newcomers with a place that they can go for beginner and intermediate lessons.

If your bridge club offers series of lessons to new players or to new advancing players, could you please send me the information about the lessons so that I can make sure that we are doing everything that we can to grow the game of bridge.

Information should include the name and address of the bridge club, when the lessons are being held, whether they are for brand new players or advancing players and contact information for the club or teacher.

Message for Snowbirds

District 4 has an increasing number of "snowbirds", bridge players who fly south for the winter months. When leaving the north for several months during the winter, it makes sense to change your address with the ACBL, so that you can receive the ACBL bulletin at your winter home, but you might want to consider not changing your Unit affiliation.

Your home Unit in District 4 receives a reimbursement of part of your annual ACBL membership fees if you designate that Unit as your home unit even when you change your address.

ACBL has an alternate address system for our snowbirds. If you have two addresses and go back and forth at the same time each year they can put both addresses on your record and have them switch back and forth automatically at the proper times. If they set this up for you, you can pick one Unit to stay in year round no matter which address is current.

If you let the ACBL know your your winter address, the times you come and go and the District 4 Unit you would like to be a permanent member of, the ACBL will continue to send a portion of your membership fess back to your home Unit in District 4.

Units depend upon these funds in order to support teaching programs and sectional tournaments in your local Unit.

Cindy Wages at ACBL will be happy to set this up for you. Her email address is cindy.wages@acbl.org. If your extended vacation is a one time temporary change just send her the temporary address and tell her to keep you as a member of your home Unit in District 4. You can notify her when to change your address back to your District 4 address.

District 4 and its member units need your support to continue the programs that we provide for bridge players. Thank you!

Special Guest at the Lancaster Regional



Russ Jones, President of the ACBL, will be visiting District 4 at the Lancaster Regional at Spooky Nook this month.

Russ will be playing bridge on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at the regional and would love the opportunity to meet members of District 4 and talk to them about the ACBL.

Look for Russ at the Regional and share with him your thoughts about our wonderful game!