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ACBL NEWS

A special meeting of the ACBL board was held in September to review management's plan for the balance of 2020 and 2021.

Of serious concern to the organization is the downtrend in membership over the last few months. This decline is largely due to two factors. The first is that only about half of our members are actively playing online and the second is that with the loss of face to face bridge, teachers are not teaching new players.

To help with the first issue, the ACBL came up with a terrific parody on Hamilton to contact our existing players. Here's a link:

[Hamilton Parody](#)

To help with the second issue of bringing new players into the game, a group of teachers in District 4, Mary Miller, Lisa Mita, John Dickenson and me, have gotten together to work on a solution. We have contacted all the certified teachers in our District in order to put together a list for our website of those who are actively teaching beginning bridge and hoping to promote these lessons to a wider community.

Here's a link to the new bridge teacher site: [District 4 Bridge Teachers](#)

If you are teaching bridge online and would like your class information added to this site, please let me know.

The District is also planning on offering help to other teachers who would like to acquire the skills necessary to begin teaching beginning bridge online. Please contact Mary, Lisa, John or me for information on how we can help you get started.

In order to make this work, we need your help. We need to advertise these beginning bridge lessons to every community, social group, country club, church and synagogue in District 4. Please get in touch with me if you can help to spread the word about beginning bridge lessons through any social outlet. joannglasson@msn.com.

Stay well,

Joann