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# COURT REPORTER



UNITED STATES TENNIS ASSOCIATION  
SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN DISTRICT

## Year in Review





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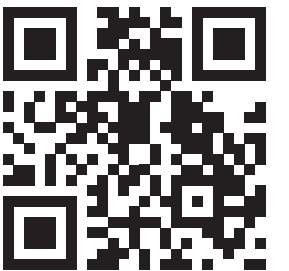





## OPEN STREETS - SOUTHWEST DETROIT

On October 7, 2018, USTA SE Michigan District brought tennis for the first to the Open Streets Southwest Detroit event. The District set up five mini courts along Clark Street during the event. SE Michigan District volunteers introduced over 50 adults and children to the joys of mini tennis using red balls.

Open Streets Southwest Detroit is a free, safe and inclusive event that brings Detroiters together in the streets by providing opportunities for fitness, recreation and community building along city streets. This year's event took place along a 3.5-mile route around Michigan Avenue and Clark Street. At Open Streets Southwest Detroit, you saw people walking, running, biking, rollerblading, skateboarding and playing in the streets. The event also includes complimentary health and wellness programming at various locations along the route.







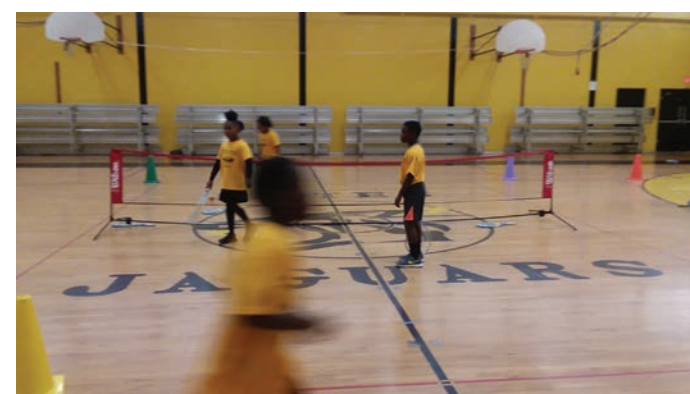
## EAST SIDE YOUTH SPORTS @ MACK ATHLETIC COMPLEX

The Eastside Youth Sports Foundation is a 501c3 dedicated to growth of youth sports. The organization encourages youth to try various recreational sports by subsidizing low-cost opportunities to play. Annually, the organization hosts a “Kids try Sports for free” Day at the Mack Athletic Complex in Detroit, Michigan. Area sports organizations are invited to set up stations to introduce kids to sports such as yoga, hockey, football, golf, tennis, obstacle course training and baseball. This the second year that USTA SE Michigan District set up a “try tennis” station during the event. District staff and volunteers set up mini courts and led drills and fed red balls to children as young as four years old.



## BATES ACADEMY - RED BALL TEAM CHALLENGE

USTA SE Michigan District is committed to growing the game of tennis throughout the district in part by helping re-introduce tennis to metro Detroit area elementary and middle school students. During Fall 2018, the district partnered with the Motor City Tennis Club to host a four-week Red Ball Team Challenge for third and fourth grade students at Bates Academy.





# ARE YOU READY TO HOST A TEAM CHALLENGE?



## WHAT

**Team Challenge** is an introduction to tennis competition offering a low-pressure team environment for children of all ages to develop their skills through level-based play, without an emphasis on instruction or results.

It is designed to be delivered as a single event or a series of up to six events, with the objective of providing a fun and social environment that highlights character and skill development. Team Challenge can be played with **red, orange or green tennis balls**.

## WHEN

**Team Challenge** will be officially launching on Net Generation in early 2019. In the meantime, please follow the sign-up requirements listed below.

## PILOT REQUIREMENTS

1. [Submit a Team Challenge application](#)
2. Register as a provider on [NetGeneration.com](#)
3. Attend a Team Challenge webinar training
4. Submit post-pilot survey

For questions, please contact  
[TeamChallenge@USTA.com](mailto:TeamChallenge@USTA.com)

## PILOT RESOURCES:



**Team Challenge  
Provider Manual**  
(draft version)



- Team Challenge Welcome Kit**  
(red ball pictured)
- (1) Clipboard
  - (1) Set of Clothespins (to keep track of scoring)
  - (1) Roll of Net Generation Barrier Tape
  - (1) Box of Net Generation Chalk
  - (25) Player Name Tags
  - (1) Facility Banner
  - (1) Provider's Whistle
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# ARE YOU READY TO HOST A TEAM TOURNAMENT PILOT?



## WHAT

**Team Tournament** is an innovative way for children to enjoy tennis competition in a low-pressure team environment. This experience will encourage players of all ages to gain match experience, develop their skills through level-based play, and demonstrate good sportsmanship.

It is designed to be delivered as a single event or a series of up to six events, with the objective of providing a fun and social environment that highlights character and skill development. Team Tournament can be played with **orange, green, or yellow tennis balls**.

## WHEN

**Team Tournament** will be officially launching on Net Generation in 2019. Pilots will be critical to testing the product in market and we look forward to receiving your feedback.

## PILOT REQUIREMENTS

1. [Submit a Team Tournament application](#)
2. Register as a provider on [NetGeneration.com](#)
3. Attend a Team Tournament webinar training
4. Submit post-pilot survey

For questions, please contact  
[TeamTournament@USTA.com](mailto:TeamTournament@USTA.com)

## PILOT RESOURCES:



**Team Tournament  
Provider Manual**  
(draft version)



- Team Tournament Pilot  
Equipment Package**
- A case of orange, green, or yellow balls.



- Net Generation  
Player Giveaways**
- Net Generation drawstring bags and water bottles



- Provider Gifts**
- Net Generation tumbler (after pilot registration) and adidas pullover (after pilot completion)



**Net Generation  
3' x 5' Banner**



**Net Generation  
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# PHYSEd TEACHERS LEARN TO TEACH THE SPORT FOR LIFE THROUGHOUT SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN DISTRICT

As a central part of thriving communities, teachers always look for new ways to bring subjects to life for students. With Net Generation, the USTA is committed to helping teachers introduce tennis in PE classes and after-school programs. Teachers receive equipment for their schools which includes rackets, red and orange balls and a curriculum created by USTA and SHAPE America, the leading body for setting physical education standards in the U.S. The easy-to-follow teaching tools make it easy to teach and play tennis in all school settings.



District staff regularly seek out opportunities to partner with area schools to introduce tennis. During fall 2018, the district hosted “train the trainer” workshops for PE teachers and after-school program coordinators. Workshop participants are trained in the Net Generation School curriculum to assist the district’s efforts to grow tennis in schools and communities throughout the district.

25 Bright Futures coordinators, who serve schools in the Wayne-Westland District, attended a “trainer the trainer” workshop facilitated Tyson Thompson, Midwest Section Youth Community Coordinator.

Over 50 Dearborn Public School PE Instructors also attended a Train-the-Trainer workshop facilitated by District Community Trainers.





## USTA SE MICHIGAN LAUNCHES NEW SOCIAL LEAGUE FOR PLAYERS 18-39

Tennis is a great way to stay healthy and fit and to make friends. One great way to get involved is through social tennis events and leagues. Social Tennis leagues satisfy a player's desire for competition while keeping the focus on fun – meeting new people and hanging out with friends. The district's inaugural Social Tennis League was launched with teams formed by the Dearborn Athletic Club, East-side Racquet Club and Liberty Athletic Club. The matches consisted of a mixture of men and women's doubles and mixed. Matches included a time to socialize after play ended.



## USTA/MTEF College Scholarship Opportunities

**March 1 Deadline**

Each year the USTA/Midwest Tennis & Education Foundation (USTA/MTEF) provides scholarships to USTA/Midwest Section junior players who are high school seniors attending college in the fall who need financial assistance. Please see below for a list of available scholarships, and help us spread the word about them to your players, parents, etc., who might have and/or know current high school seniors looking for financial assistance to attend college in Fall 2019.

**Rick Van Horn Scholarship** — A \$1,000 scholarship presented annually to one junior tennis player from the USTA/Midwest Section. The scholarship is designed to provide assistance to those with a passion to work in the tennis industry, have demonstrated financial need, and have shown ability and aptitude as students and as tennis players.

**Hooked on Tennis Scholarship** — A \$1,000 scholarship presented annually to one female and one male junior tennis player from the USTA/Midwest Section. The scholarship is designed to provide assistance to those who have demonstrated financial need and have shown ability, aptitude and promise as students and as tennis players.

**Tim & Tom Gullikson Scholarship** — A \$2,500 scholarship presented annually to one female and one male junior tennis player from the USTA/Midwest Section. The scholarship is designed to provide assistance to those who have demonstrated financial need and have shown ability, aptitude and promise as students and as tennis players.

**Richard Bradley Memorial Scholarship** — A \$2,500 scholarship presented annually to one African American junior tennis player from the USTA/Midwest Section. The scholarship is designed to provide assistance to those who have demonstrated financial need and have shown ability, aptitude and promise as students and as tennis players.



Visit [www.midwesttennisfoundation.com/scholarships](http://www.midwesttennisfoundation.com/scholarships) for more information and applications, and the deadline to apply is March 1.



# USTA SE MICHIGAN 2018

## ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

This year the district’s annual meeting and awards banquet date was held on November 15, 2018. Board members, staff, volunteers and guests braved the ice and snow to come together to celebrate the accomplishments of our adult and junior members.

Congratulations to the 2018 USTA Southeastern Michigan District and Midwest Section award winners:

<b>Hoxie Sportsmanship Award</b> <b>Anika Yarlagadda</b> <b>Andrew Zhang</b>	<b>USTA Southeastern District William F. Beyer Award</b> <b>Timothy Ross</b>
<b>Kasper’s Scholarship Recipients</b> <b>Shanoli Kumar</b> <b>Kobie Mueller</b>	<b>USTA/Midwest League Player of the Year</b> <b>Kate Farwell</b>
	<b>USTA/Midwest League Volunteer of the Year</b> <b>The Late Theodore “Ted” Brassfield</b>

Special thanks to district staff, board members and volunteers whose efforts greatly contributed to the District’s successes in the community.







# NTRP Sectional Championships

## ROAD TO THE NATIONALS

### SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN QUALFIER RESULTS



The district hosted it's third Adult NTRP Championship for 18 and Over and 50 and Over Singles and Doubles Tournaments on December 15 -16th at the Wimbledon Racquet Club. For the first time, 3.0 singles and doubles were added to both the 18+ and 50+ division and 5.0 to the 18+. Over 147 players registered to play in the district adult NTRP championship. First and second place winners will advance on to the Midwest Sectional Championship, scheduled for February 22-24, 2019, to compete against players from other Midwest districts for a spot in the National Championship in April 2019. Thank you to everyone who participated in the two age groups. We look forward to having you participate in the 2019 district adult district championship, December 14 – 15th.

### Fall 2018

#### 50 & Over Results

NTRP Men's Singles		
3	Patrick Paterni	Winners
3	John Wahl	Finalist
3.5	Tino Dibastista	Winner
3.5	Daniel Argonis	Finalist
4	Jeff Oparka	Winner
4	Anthony Latos	Finalist
4.5	Bjoern Goeke	ENDORSED

NTRP Women's Singles		
3	Ursula Jakob	Winner
3	Sheryl Eckert	ENDORSED
3.5	Christine Scott	Winner
3.5	Cheryl Latos	Finalist
4.5	Barbara Friesen	Winner
4.5	Cindy Mathys	Finalist

NTRP Men's Doubles		
3.5	Tino Dibastista/John Johnson	Winner
3.5	JP Bevilacqua/Del Scheer	Finalist
4	Ronel Scott/Jeff Petherick	Winner
4	Brett Barnes/Charles Roe	Finalist
4.5	Bjoern Goeke/Timothy Harry	Winner
4.5	Josh Charlip/Larry Panter	Finalist

NTRP Women's Doubles		
3	Sheryl Anderson/Mary Marvel-Nelson	ENDORSED
3.5	Diane Rusu/Natalie Luke	Winner
3.5	Amy Boniface/Julie Fitzpatrick	Finalist

### Fall 2018

#### 18 & Over Results

NTRP Men's Singles		
3	Nicholas George	Winner
3	Josef Provideo	Finalist
3.5	Jason Stadtherr	Winner
3.5	Marty Weathers	Finalist
4	Suket Dhir	Winner
4	Brent Lawrence	Finalist
4.5	Dylan Reffe	Winner
4.5	Naveed Iqball	Finalist
5	Steve Pillon	Winner
5	David Atallah	Finalist

NTRP Women's Singles		
3	Kelly Atallah	Winner
3	Kristin Pillon	Finalist
3.5	Misha Moore	Winner
3.5	Patricia Hildebrand	Finalist
4	Kate Farwell	Winner
4	Mackenzie Bening	Finalist

NTRP Men's Doubles		
3	Seth Kornfield/Jose Briceno	
3.5	Leon Niewoit/Frank Palazzolo	Winner
3.5	Ari Byer/Steven Owens	Finalist
4	Mitchell Manninen/Landon Shell	Winner
4	Brett Barnes/Charles Roe	Finalist
4.5	Carter Freeman/Mark Giancarlo	Winner
4.5	Shinya Okamoto/Shigetoshi Tomisawa	Finalist
5	David Atallah/Matt Wise	ENDORSED

NTRP Women's Doubles		
3	Katrina Hauschildt/Zorica Reic	Winner
3	Alyce Howarth/Michelle O'Neill	Finalist
3.5	Bettina Briceno/Christina Slade	Winner
3.5	Kusull Kim/Molly Lipham	Finalist
4	Alison Kirschenbaum/Heather Vogt	Winner
4	Ashley Mumby/Anu Whitelocke	Finalist
4.5	Carly Eckert/N Maxine Kennebrew	ENDORSED





# MOTOR CITY TENNIS CLUB

The Motor City Tennis Club (MCTC), a 501c3 organization, was selected as the 2018 state of Michigan Community Tennis Association of the Year by the USTA/Midwest Section because of its efforts to revive tennis throughout the metro Detroit area. The organization partnered with the USTA Southeastern Michigan District and four other area community tennis programs to gain a Ralph C. Wilson grant to fund community tennis programs in the metro Detroit area. MCTC also partnered with the Tindal Recreation Center and UAW Summer camps to offer introductory tennis lessons to over 100 summer campers; served as the community tennis instructor for the Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church “black-top” tennis program and offered affordable tennis lessons throughout the summer to metro Detroit area youth at the University of Detroit Mercy tennis courts. During the fall, MCTC conducted a 4-week long Red Ball Team Challenge for 3rd and 4th grade students attending Bates Academy in Detroit, MI. Congratulations and thank you to the Motor City Tennis Club for its hard work and dedication to growing tennis in Southeastern Michigan.



# STATE OF MICHIGAN 2018 CTA OF THE YEAR







## FREE 1 YEAR JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP FOR KIDS 10 AND UNDER

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CHILD'S NAME

(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

PARENT'S NAME

(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

PARENT'S ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

PARENT'S TELEPHONE ( )

EMAIL OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

CHILD'S EMAIL (if applicable)

MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐ DATE OF BIRTH (required) MM / DD / YYYY

PARENT'S DATE OF BIRTH (required) MM / DD / YYYY

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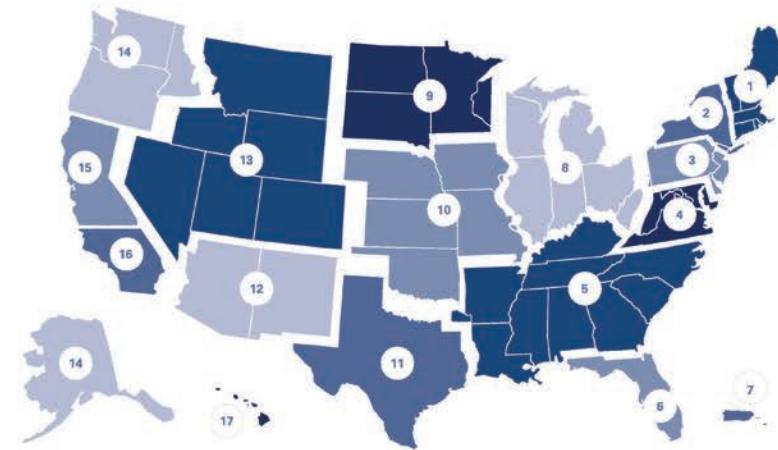
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Call your local Section office or access your Section's website at [www.usta.com](http://www.usta.com).

## JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

USTA Junior Membership brings some great benefits including...

**USTA JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS\*** – USTA Junior Team Tennis is a national youth tennis league for kids 6-18. USTA Junior Team Tennis provides boys and girls the opportunity to compete as teams in singles, doubles, and mixed doubles. By introducing a team format to an individual sport, USTA Junior Team Tennis allows young people to share the game with friends.

**USTA SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS\*** – This program offers competitive match play at local, sectional, regional and national tournaments for all ages and skill levels.

**USTA MEMBER EVENTS PROGRAM** – Enjoy preferred ticket access to pro tournaments throughout the country, participate in Member Appreciation Days and much more!

**MERCHANDISE & APPAREL DISCOUNTS** – Receive discounts on US Open and USTA merchandise. Look on [www.USOpenShop.org](http://www.USOpenShop.org) for your discounts and merchandise today!

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