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HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION

HIGH SCHOOL COACHES/PARENTS:
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MUST SUBMIT Application from our Website to receive promotion: www.semich.usta.com

Cost of memberships \$20 ea. Players will receive Tournament Voucher Promotion and a FREE US Open Hat (Using Promotional Code: ORG13) when purchasing membership.

*New Member or Lapsed by 3 years (Last Membership expired in 2009).

Applications must be submitted by Dec. 31, 2013 or while supplies last.

Banquet Gift includes a USTA Vibration Dampener & Southeast Michigan Junior Handbook for up to 30 Players (Varsity & Jr. Varsity).

All NEW members must be from same School to Qualify for Promotion.

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USTA Coach Workshops

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Anyone interested in learning the basics of coaching and teaching tennis or seeking a refresher on more current methods and effective tools should attend a USTA Coach Workshop.

Taught by Nationally trained, certified teaching professionals Mike Woody and Jorge Capestany, we will be offering two exciting workshops:

10 & Under Workshop 9am-12:30pm

This 3.5 hour workshop is designed for coaches and teachers working with children ages ten and under. The workshop covers the characteristics of children ages 5-6, 7-8 and 9-10, and provides age specific activities for athletic development, warm-up, skill development, games and take home activities. It is also presented using the specifications for 10 and Under Tennis, including age appropriate balls, courts, nets, racquets and scoring.

Team Coaching Workshop 1:30-5pm

The Team Coaching workshop is new for 2013. It is a 3.5 hour interactive, on-court training program designed for teachers and coaches working with players on teams ages 11 & Up. This workshop covers warm-up activities, skill development, team and group management, practice organization, drills and the top games every coach should know.

Participants will receive CD of drills/games, 1 Red Stage, 2 Orange Stage & 3 Green Dot Balls, Learn to Rally / Play Guide, and Certificate of Completion as well as the opportunity for PTR Developmental Coach Membership.*

Sunday, May 19th

at Wimbledon Racquet Club in St. Clair Shores

USTA Members: \$10 per Workshop (*both Workshops for \$15!*)

Non-USTA Members: \$20 per Workshop (*both Workshops for \$25!*)

*With paid PTR membership. Visit PTRtennis.org for complete membership pricing and details.



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SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN
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The Top Local Junior Tournament of the Year: OUR SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN JUNIOR DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP!

2013

**Southeast
Michigan
Muthig Jr.**



QUALIFIER

Boys weekend May 31-June 3rd
(Tournament ID#855750113)

Girls weekend June 7-10th
(Tournament ID#850053913)

MAIN TOURNAMENT SITE: Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, 46181 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187. Additional site(s) will be used on Friday and Saturday for both boys and girls divisions.

DRAWS WILL BE LIMITED AS FOLLOWS:

B12s - 64 Draw	G12s - 48 Draw
B14s - 64 Draw	G14s - 48 Draw
B16s - 64 Draw	G16s - 48 Draw
B18s - 48 Draw	G18s - 24 Draw

PLAYER SELECTION: Players will be selected based on the specified USTA/Midwest Section Standing List noted on the respective Tournament Home Pages. Players will be selected by the following:

1. Players from the top 50 of the most current USTA/Midwest Section Standing List in next lower division based on the following draw sizes:

- 64 draw - top 8 players from the lower age group
(exception: top 4 players from the 10s for the Boys 12s division).
- 48 draw - top 6 players from the lower age group
(exception: top 3 players from the 10s for the Girls 12s division).
- 32 draw - top 4 players from the lower age group.
- 24 draw - top 2 players from the lower age group.

2. Remaining players will be selected from the specified USTA/Midwest Section Standing List in the current age division of the event. Remaining vacancies and/or alternates will be selected from the USTA/Midwest Section Standing List in the division of the event. Alternates will be numbered and posted on tournament home page after tournament deadline.

SEEDING: Seeding will be done using the same USTA/Midwest Section Standing List used for selection.

FORMAT: Main draw format will be two-out-of-three sets, with the third set played out in its entirety. (There is a mandatory 10-minute break between the second and third sets FOR ALL AGE GROUPS). Consolation draw format will be two-out-of-three sets, with a tie break in lieu of the third set. (There is a 3-minute break between the second and third sets FOR ALL AGE GROUPS). Main Draw will be played to completion, and Feed-In Consolation played to the Quarterfinals.

First Round matches will begin as early as 4:00 p.m. Friday with Monday p.m. finals.

This tournament is open to Southeast Michigan District residents only. Entrant must be a legal resident of Hillsdale, Lenawee, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Wayne, or Washtenaw county.

ENTRANTS MUST PROVIDE BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING: PROOF OF RESIDENCY and PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP.

Please refer to the Tournament Home Pages for complete details Muthig Jr. Qualifier details (TennisLink at www.usta.com) with appropriate Tournament ID number listed.





Be a part of SE Michigan's Midwest Cup Teams!

On June 14th, 2013, Southeast Michigan will send its top players to compete against the other twelve districts for bragging rights as the best of the Midwest Section. If you are a top player in Southeastern Michigan and would like to be *considered* for a spot on either the 12 & Under, 14 & Under or 18 & Under Midwest Cup Teams, you must sign up on TennisLink. Team members will be chosen from the top players registered after the deadline using the most current Midwest Standing List available from the appropriate age group (top players in the 16s may be considered for the 18 & U Cup Teams). Deadline for application is May 31, 2013. *The selection process will include (but is not limited to): current Midwest Standing List, Code Violations, participation in the District Qualifier and Sportsmanship.*

12 & Under Team (co-ed)

Max. team size: 8 players (4 boys / 4 girls)
TennisLink ID #855732113
NEW Location: Greenwood, IN
Player Entry fee: \$75
Team jacket included in entry fee. Hotel and travel expenses to and from event will be the responsibility of the player.

14 & Under Team (co-ed)

Max. team size: 8 players (4 boys / 4 girls)
TennisLink ID #855732213
Location: Purdue University, IN
Player Entry fee: \$75
Team jacket included in entry fee. Hotel and travel expenses to and from event will be the responsibility of the player.

18 & Under Girls Team

Max. team size: 8 players
TennisLink ID #855732313
Location: Urbana, IL (University of Illinois)
Player Entry fee: \$150
Team jacket, room, board and travel expenses are included. Team players travel together with coaches to event. Players need to provide for their own personal expenses.

18 & Under Boys Team

Max. team size: 10 players
TennisLink ID #855732413
NEW Location: South Bend, IN
Player Entry fee: \$150
Team jacket, room, board and travel expenses are included. Team players travel together with coaches to event. Players need to provide for their own personal expenses.



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Deadline for Applications is June 30, 2013

Kaspers' Scholarship Applications are available on our website: www.semich.usta.com, under "juniors".

2012 Kaspers' Scholarship Recipients: Blaine Stannard and Taylor Sweeney (see "District Awards" on Page 24)

Up to \$10,000 in Assistance!





SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN
DISTRICT

2012 Year End Junior Singles Ranking Lists

Top District, Sectional & National Southeast Michigan Players

GIRLS 10s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Miller, Karina
- 2 Griffith, Alexa
- 3 Zhou, Angie
- 4 Kaur, Riya
- 5 Solomon, Brooke
- 6 King, Whitney
- 7 Teofilovic, Andrea
- 8 Barrett, Ruby
- 9 McConnell, Allison
- 10 Weiss, Olivia
- 11 Smith, Avian
- 12 Brooks, Jami
- 13 Winston, Marquette
- 14 Nayak, Ruhi
- 15 Thompson, Laynie
- 16 Vaishnav, Ishani
- 17 MacKinnon, Sophia
- 18 Goldberg, Margaret
- 19 Ganan, Sneha
- 20 Jones, Elisabeth
- 21 Mascarin, Madelyn
- 22 Mandair, Sukhmani
- 23 Nardicchio, Alexis
- 24 Dering, Madison
- 25 Govila, Nina

BOYS 10s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Stafford, Joseph
- 2 Etterbeek, Jeffrey
- 3 Deenadayalu, Sahil
- 4 Nallani, Jagan
- 5 Kim, Joshua
- 6 Tracy, JJ
- 7 Brown, Gabe
- 8 Bondin, Natan
- 9 Liss, Jonah
- 10 Meluta, Vlad
- 11 Prather, Alex
- 12 Chen, Andrew
- 13 Prather, Kenny
- 14 Khaykin, Jonathan
- 15 Piana, Frank
- 16 Oral, Kaan
- 17 Oral, Mert
- 18 Madkour, Karim
- 19 Kelley, Owen
- 20 Rao, Anvit
- 21 MacKinnon, Alexander
- 22 Rhodes, Stanley
- 23 Burkett, Jacob
- 24 Suryakumar, Aditya
- 25 Pinnoo, Eli

MIDWEST TOP 50

- 1 Stafford, Joseph
- 36 Etterbeek, Jeffrey
- 10 Deenadayalu, Sahil
- 15 Tracy, JJ
- 17 Brown, Gabe
- 18 Meluta, Vlad
- 30 Bondin, Natan
- 49 Piana, Frank

GIRLS 12s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Mukherjee, Tia
- 2 Karoub, Monique
- 3 Clem, Esperanza
- 4 Sesi, Katie
- 5 Opalewski, Lauren
- 6 Hartje, Elle
- 7 Weiss, Olivia
- 8 Yariagadda, Anika
- 9 Kumar, Shanoli
- 10 Rogosch, Kaitlyn
- 11 Miller, Karina
- 12 Courtright, Caroline
- 13 Solomon, Maya
- 14 Pietrowicz, Maja
- 15 Chang, Olivia
- 16 Gandham, Miriam
- 17 Ang, Sara
- 18 Braun, Jessica
- 19 Olteanu, Alanna
- 20 Pinnu, Sahaja
- 21 Gassman, Kendall
- 22 Fozo, Madison
- 23 McConnell, Allison
- 24 Griffith, Alexa
- 25 Barrett, Taylor

BOYS 12s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Wen, Alex
- 2 Hyman, Julian
- 3 Mueller, Kobie
- 4 Nguyen, Donovan
- 5 Cimpeanu, Brennan
- 6 Liss, Gabriel
- 7 Stafford, Joseph
- 8 Li, Joshua
- 9 Bickersteih, Jacob
- 10 Mettler, Alexander
- 11 Croskey, Joseph
- 12 Burman, Cade

- 13 Tracy, JJ
- 14 Jacobson, Benji
- 15 Zhang, Andrew
- 16 Hemmrich, Constantin
- 17 Klak, Nicholas
- 18 Paduraru, Andrei
- 19 Gallagher, Ryan
- 20 Wong, Philip
- 21 Burman, Sebastian
- 22 Etterbeek, Jeffrey
- 23 Amarnath, Sidharth
- 24 Verma, Sonaal
- 25 Brown, Gabe

GIRLS 14s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Hurley, Marybeth
- 2 Hartje, Sasha
- 3 Nash, Jeannie
- 4 Thielman, Ava
- 5 Shannon, Evangeline
- 6 Gao, Joanne
- 7 Brooks, Claire
- 8 McLaughlin, Taylor
- 9 Hyman, Halle
- 10 Gorgioski, Ivona
- 11 Brown, Eliza
- 12 Yutzy, Allonna
- 13 Worley, Emma
- 14 Moreno, Hannah
- 15 Fozo, Madison
- 16 Winarski, Madalyn
- 17 Flournoy, Madeleine
- 18 Strome, Melissa
- 19 Dickinson, Kara
- 20 Wang, Serena
- 21 Whall, Alexandra
- 22 Clem, Esperanza
- 23 Reichenbach, Rachael
- 24 Olteanu, Alanna
- 25 Patel, Mausam

GIRLS 16s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Moldovan, Bianca
- 2 Vasile, Dominique
- 3 Fox, Mollie
- 4 Nguyen, Davina
- 5 Neely, Raven
- 6 Abelson, Sophia
- 7 Huckleby, Adorabol
- 8 Spindler, Isabella
- 9 Hyman, Halle
- 10 Jordan, Christina
- 11 King, Sydney
- 12 Moccia, Aimee
- 13 Jiang, Lucy
- 14 Worley, Emma
- 15 Chang, Olivia
- 16 O'Brien, Colleen
- 17 Brown, Eliza
- 18 Selenica, Marina
- 19 Motea, Allison
- 20 Olsen, Dana
- 21 Nash, Jeannie
- 22 Olsen, Paige
- 23 Whall, Alexandra
- 24 Dunleavy, Kathryn
- 25 Brozovich, Lizzie

BOYS 14s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Mukherjee, Josh
- 2 Johnston, Connor B.
- 3 Kitayama, Denali
- 4 Nettles, Jibril

- 5 Kerst, Jason
- 6 Yi, Ian
- 7 Gahn, Jakob
- 8 Lu, Jordan
- 9 Adams, Christopher
- 10 Palmer-Hawkins, Colin
- 11 Stuart, Ian
- 12 Runkle, Damian
- 13 Matisse, Alex
- 14 Chen, Gilbert
- 15 Li, Oliver
- 16 Jacobson, Benji
- 17 Junn, Adam
- 18 Anderson, Maxx
- 19 Kagithala, Sai
- 20 Nguyen, Donovan
- 21 Brozovich, Franklin
- 22 Gandham, David
- 23 Hyman, Justin
- 24 Potter, Jason
- 25 Willard, Patrick

GIRLS 16s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Moldovan, Bianca
- 2 Vasile, Dominique
- 3 Fox, Mollie
- 4 Nguyen, Davina
- 5 Neely, Raven
- 6 Abelson, Sophia
- 7 Huckleby, Adorabol
- 8 Spindler, Isabella
- 9 Hyman, Halle
- 10 Jordan, Christina
- 11 King, Sydney
- 12 Moccia, Aimee
- 13 Jiang, Lucy
- 14 Worley, Emma
- 15 Chang, Olivia
- 16 O'Brien, Colleen
- 17 Brown, Eliza
- 18 Selenica, Marina
- 19 Motea, Allison
- 20 Olsen, Dana
- 21 Nash, Jeannie
- 22 Olsen, Paige
- 23 Whall, Alexandra
- 24 Dunleavy, Kathryn
- 25 Brozovich, Lizzie

GIRLS 18s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Najarian, Alexandria
- 2 Baylis, Lexi
- 3 Moldovan, Bianca
- 4 Brozovich, Katie
- 5 Mitrache, Andreea
- 6 Hanna, Mary
- 7 D'Ascenzo, Alexandra
- 8 Nguyen, Davina
- 9 Pendleton, Aerielle
- 10 Hu, Kerry

- 10 Nguyen, Davina
- 17 Huckleby, Adorabol
- 18 Abelson, Sophia
- 19 Fox, Mollie
- 20 Jordan, Christina
- 40 Hyman, Halle
- 48 O'Brien, Colleen
- NATIONAL TOP 100
- 15 Moldovan, Bianca
- 70 Nguyen, Davina
- 77 Huckleby, Adorabol
- 78 Najarian, Alexandria S.

BOYS 16s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Flegner, Maximilian
- 2 Wang, Timothy
- 3 Petersen, Jack
- 4 Dube, Michael
- 5 Ota, Akihiro
- 6 Kim, Alexander
- 7 Zhang, Richard
- 8 Hyman, Justin
- 9 Peery, Chase
- 10 Rakic, Ivan
- 11 Paolucci, Nicholas
- 12 Williams, Colin
- 13 Karoub, Noah
- 14 Mertz, Griffin
- 15 Rothstein, Kevin
- 16 Liu, Andre
- 17 Vaishnav, Rohan
- 18 Johnston, Connor
- 19 Gruskin, Alex
- 20 Martin, Jonathan
- 21 Mei, Kevin
- 22 Gupta, Rahul
- 23 Ingles, Luke
- 24 Reddy, Vinai
- 25 Sheeren, Thomas

BOYS 18s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Covalschi, Edward
- 2 Murray, Jack
- 3 Payne, Stephen
- 4 Parker, Jordan
- 5 Fiaschetti, Nicholas
- 6 Flegner, Maximilian
- 7 Peery, Gunnar
- 8 Massie, Tucker
- 9 Zhang, Richard
- 10 Patel, Rishi
- 11 Petersen, Jack
- 12 Gardiner, Tyler
- 13 Dube, Michael
- 14 Mullane, John
- 15 Navarre, Spencer
- 16 Saari, Kristoff
- 17 Woods, Christian
- 18 Sheets, Cordaro
- 19 Cahn, Andrew
- 20 Scott, Jacob
- 21 Willson, William
- 22 Forman, Brett
- 23 Mertz, Michael
- 24 Shanbrom, Max
- 25 Rakic, Ivan

GIRLS 18s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Najarian, Alexandria
- 2 Baylis, Lexi
- 3 Moldovan, Bianca
- 4 Brozovich, Katie
- 5 Mitrache, Andreea
- 6 Hanna, Mary
- 7 D'Ascenzo, Alexandra
- 8 Nguyen, Davina
- 9 Pendleton, Aerielle
- 10 Hu, Kerry

- 11 Sweeney, Alexa
- 12 Benda, Nancy
- 13 Moccia, Aimee
- 14 Ho, Jennifer
- 15 Crawford, Jacqueline
- 16 Motea, Allison
- 17 Huckleby, Adorabol
- 18 Fox, Mollie
- 19 Hughes, Lauren
- 20 Neely, Raven
- 21 Zheng, Isabel
- 22 Black, Kelsi
- 23 Karoub, Winifred
- 24 Shonk, Abigail
- 25 Olsen, Dana M.

BOYS 18s

SEM TOP 25

- 1 Covalschi, Edward
- 2 Murray, Jack
- 3 Payne, Stephen
- 4 Parker, Jordan
- 5 Fiaschetti, Nicholas
- 6 Flegner, Maximilian
- 7 Peery, Gunnar
- 8 Massie, Tucker
- 9 Zhang, Richard
- 10 Patel, Rishi
- 11 Petersen, Jack
- 12 Gardiner, Tyler
- 13 Dube, Michael
- 14 Mullane, John
- 15 Navarre, Spencer
- 16 Saari, Kristoff
- 17 Woods, Christian
- 18 Sheets, Cordaro
- 19 Cahn, Andrew
- 20 Scott, Jacob
- 21 Willson, William
- 22 Forman, Brett
- 23 Mertz, Michael
- 24 Shanbrom, Max
- 25 Rakic, Ivan





2013 Southeast Michigan Points Per Round for Juniors

Southeast Michigan Singles Ranking

A player must play and complete the Southeast Michigan Muthig District Qualifier or two Southeast Michigan District sanctioned tournaments in order to be considered for a final year-end **District Ranking**. **A player's final ranking** will be based on the best 6 tournaments. A player must have earned a minimum of 32 points in an age division in order to be included in the Southeast Michigan District Final Rankings (eligibility requirements must be met).

Standing List: A standing list is a tentative strength listing of players including match results from the previous 12 months. A player must earn 8 points in an age division in order to appear on the Southeastern Michigan Standing List. **A player's best 6 tournaments will be used. Matches played in a player's** actual age division as well as any higher age division(s) will be included in the calculation of the Standings.

Southeast Michigan Singles and Doubles Points Table for Main Draw with Modified Consolation Tournament Points Per Round, including First Match Losers Consolation, First Round Losers Consolation, Modified FIC and Compass Draw*:

Player Results*	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6
Champion	660	330	220	165	88	22
2nd Place	540	270	180	135	72	18
3rd Place	480	240	160	120	64	16
4th Place/SF**	420	210	140	105	56	14
Quarterfinalist	300	150	100	75	40	10
Reached R16	240	120	80	60	32	8
Reached R32	180	90	60	45	24	6
Reached R64	120	60	40	30	16	5
Reached R128	60	30	20	15	8	4
Reached R256	0	0	0	0	0	0
Points Earned for Each Consolation Round Won*	30	25	20	15	8	4

* In Compass Draw events, the East Draw earns main draw Points Per Round; all other directions earn consolation Points Per Round.

**If there is no playoff for 3rd and 4th place, the semifinalists will receive points in this row.

Southeastern Michigan Doubles Rankings

A player's final doubles ranking will be based on the best three (3) tournaments, played and completed, in the age division being calculated. A player must have earned a minimum of 8 points in an age division in order to be included in the Southeast Michigan District Final Doubles Rankings.

PLEASE NOTE: Be aware that tournament levels and point values are different at the Sectional level (i.e. a District Level 1 Tournament [Muthig Qualifier] is a Midwest Section Level 4 Tournament). Refer to the Midwest Section's website for sectional Points Per Round information:

Southeast Michigan Points Per Round Event Levels for 2013

Level 1

SEMTA Muthig District Qualifier
SEMTA Future Qualifier (10s)

Level 2

USTA/Midwest Section:
Junior Closed Outdoor Championships
Junior Closed Indoor Championships
Junior Designated January Series
Junior Designated March Series
Junior Davis & Wightman Cup Events
Junior Open Championships
Junior Fall Closed Championships
Junior Indoor Open Championships
Midwest Level 2 & 3 Events
All USTA National Schedule Events

Level 3

All Midwest Level 4 Events
(includes Dr. Joe Morris)

Level 4

SEMTA District Events
All Midwest Level 5 Events

Level 5

All other sanctioned tournaments in the
USTA/Midwest Section
Midwest Level 7 Tournaments
All sanctioned Junior Team Tennis
Advanced Level Events

Level 6

N.E.T. Championship Series Events &
SEMTA Novice Events
All sanctioned Junior Team Tennis
Intermediate Level Events

For complete information on all aspects of Junior Recreational and Competitive play, download our Junior Handbook Today by visiting:



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SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN
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2014 National Junior Schedule changes to result in a realignment of Midwest Section Elevated Tournaments and Points Per Round Tables in 2014.

After a self-imposed "pause" to re-consider the changes to the 2014 Jr. Tournament Schedule, USTA National has unanimously approved the new realignment with some changes provided from valuable feedback during the 9-session "Listening Tour", emails to "LetUsKnow@usta.com" as well as organizational Leadership. The modifications passed included creating more National play opportunities and more competitive options for junior players than had existed in the previously adopted plan, while upholding the ideals of earned advancement and driving more competitive play locally (i.e., to the Section level).

"We think we have struck a nice balance with the approved plan," said Dave Haggerty, Chairman, CEO and President, USTA. "We said we were going to go out and listen, and that's exactly what we did, and the Committee continued its fine work incorporating feedback from our various constituents from the Listening Sessions. This has resulted in a plan that will be good for American junior tennis players."

To adapt to the National changes, the Midwest Section will be adjusting their junior tournament schedule and both the Midwest Section and Southeastern Michigan District will be simplifying their respective Points Per Round Point Tables to coincide with the National changes starting in January 2014.

Together, we hope to create a player development pathway where the emphasis is on challenging yourself while competing closer to home. Watch future issues of the Court Reporter or visit our respective websites for more details (www.midwest.usta.com; www.semich.usta.com).

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A Mix of New and Familiar Faces Represent their Teams at Jr. Team Tennis District Championships.

Flight winning teams from our 2012-13 Season in all divisions were invited to attend District Championships in hopes of being crowned Divisional Champions and advance to Sectional Championships to be held in August. Our 18 Intermediate and Advanced Divisions competed at Wimbledon Racquet Club March 2 & 3rd, our 12 & 14 Intermediate Divisions competed at The Chippewa Club March 16 & 17th. Congratulations to the following Champions and Finalists in their respective divisions (as well as to all our players who participate week-in and week-out):

18 & U Advanced DISTRICT CHAMPION Chippewa Piranhas

Coached by Craig Capelli

Eligible players include: Michael Bondin, Laura Hanselman, Lucy Jiang, Alexander Kim, Aki Ota, Michi Ota, Jack Petersen, Jon Seyhun, Zachary Tsai and Isabel Zheng.



18 & U Advanced DISTRICT FINALIST Port Huron Rebels

Coached by Tiffany Odum

Eligible players include: Christopher Adams, Franklin Brozovich, Lizzie Brozovich, Rae Brozovich, Matthew Laird, Abigail Shonk, Alexa Sweeney and John Vanderheuel.



14 & U Advanced DISTRICT CHAMPION West Bloomfield Big Shots

Coached by Marimar Alonso

Eligible players include: Ivona Gorgioski, Nikolas Gruskin,



JR. TEAM TENNIS FUN-FACT:

Did you know that Michigan has the highest percentage of High School Tennis Players participating in USTA Jr. Team Tennis? 12% State-wide, Matching the National Average.





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18 & U Intermediate DISTRICT CHAMPION Lochmoor Lemurs

Coached by Kathy Flynn

Eligible players include: Victoria Chochla, Gerard Dulac, Antoni Dulac, Victor Flynn, Kayla Gallant, Douglas Kubek, Tyler Scoggin, Maxwell Stallings, Paul VanWallegghem and Elanore Walker.

18 & U Intermediate DISTRICT FINALIST Liberty Mountain Wolves

Coached by Peter Pusztai

Eligible players included: Clara Farrehi, Caleb Gagnon, Samuel Gough, Zachary LeBlanc, Neil McLean, Danielle Mitroi, Nicholas Sandhu, Margaret Sheets and Anjali Sood.



14 & U Intermediate DISTRICT CHAMPION Liberty Tiger Sharks

Coached by Paul Ripley

Eligible players include: Anna Dang, Kara Dickinson, Henry Fuchs, Mitchell Gajar, Jean-Luc Gagnon, Emily Hwang, Grant McLean, Emily Roopas and Andy Xie.

14 & U Intermediate DISTRICT FINALIST Chippewa Servers

Coached by Anju Caldwell

Eligible players include: Trip Apley, Charlie Butz, Madison Caldwell, Beau Chicoine, Julia Friedman, Matthew Kelley, Sophia Kronick, Vidhya Rajaprabhakaran, Tara Shetty, Veer Shetty, Tyler Stachler and Samuel Talsma.





12 & U Intermediate DISTRICT CHAMPION Liberty Snapping Turtles

Coached by Marty Maehr

Eligible players include: Riley Dickinson, Oliver Fuchs, Thomas Halloran, Margaret Goldberg, Anvit Rao, Ian Sood, Jarrett Sung, Jennifer Wolf and Isabel Yi.

12 & U Intermediate DISTRICT FINALIST Sports Club Novi Nets

Coached by Cameron Greig

Eligible players include: Logan Beyer, Mikhail Boksha, Matt Cooper, Cosmin Deshmukh, Brandon Falk, Kylie Kreucher, Victoria Mady, Samir Rajani, Aditya Ravi, Kai Roberts, Kristina Roberts, Kushal Sanjeev, Natalie Zielinski.



Our program's first-ever 12 & U Beginner District Championship!

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12 Beg. DISTRICT CHAMPION West Bloomfield Smashers and District Finalist Travis Pointe Tigers

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Franklin Athletic Club Hawks (Winter Season)
West Bloomfield Sports Club Balls of Fury (Fall Season)
Wimbledon Racquet Club Dragons (Fall Season)

14 & U Intermediate Division:

Beverly Hills Old English D's (Fall Season)
Port Huron Tennis House Blitz (Winter Season)
West Bloomfield Sports Club Smokin' Aces (Fall Season)

18 & U Intermediate Division:

Ann Arbor Rec & Ed Avalanche (Winter Season)
Bloomfield Open Hunt Tigers (Fall Season)
Dearborn Racquet & Health Club Lakers (Fall Season)
Dearborn Racquet & Health Club Raptors (Winter Season)
Livonia Y Motor City Smashers (Fall Season)
Novi Sports Club Slammers (Winter Season)
Port Huron Tennis House Huskies (Port Huron Season)
West Bloomfield Sports Club Crushers (Winter Season)





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12 & Under Intermediate
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14 & Under Intermediate

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18 & Under Varsity

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3-court format, 6 singles, 3 doubles Playing one set (ad scoring) each
Total cumulative games won determines team win

*Green dot balls, Regulation size court

3-court format, 6 singles, 3 doubles
Singles play 2 out of 3 sets (tie break for 3rd set)
Doubles play 8-game pro set
Total cumulative games won determines team win

Players Per Team: 6 Players minimum. No maximum. Co-Ed League. No Gender Requirements.
Players can play on more than one team.

Skill Level:

Beginner

Limited tennis experience. Player should be familiar with basic strokes (forehand, backhand, volley).
May need supervision on court to help with scoring and switching.
Serving can modified (underhand, etc.) (only two serves). (JNTRP of 2.5 or lower)

Intermediate

Basic tennis experience. Player should be able to execute strokes and sustain a rally using forehand, backhand and volley. Player can serve overhead, score and switch independently. (JNTRP of 2.5 or higher)

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Earned Advancement for 10 & Under Players Announced for 2014!

In April, the USTA Midwest Section approved a rule change that will bring Earned Advancement to 10 & Under Tennis in 2014. Recognizing that all children develop at different paces (physically, mentally and emotionally) and that it is not *a race to Yellow Ball Tennis*, this system will allow a player to evolve his or her game tactically and technically from Red Ball Tennis to Orange Ball Tennis, Orange Ball Tennis to Green Ball Tennis and finally Green Ball Tennis to Yellow Ball Tennis. These rule changes are being put in place to allow players to progress through the different stages at a pace most suitable to the player based on his or her competency, age, participation in competitive play and results in competition.

Based on Earned Advancement rule changes made by the USTA Texas and Nor-Cal (Northern California) Sections who are seeing clear, dramatic increases in competition participation, competitive match play and technical skills; the Midwest Section hopes to mirror these accomplishments by instituting similar, less strict guidelines.

Two important aspects to note about the rule change in the Midwest Section: A player will automatically qualify to play a Yellow Ball Tournament (12s or higher age division) regardless of their Earned Advancement Status on the first day of the month the player turns 10; and, there will also be a "grandfather clause" allowing any player who has competed and earned at least 20 USTA/Midwest Section ranking points on any 2013 USTA/Midwest Final Ranking, the option to comply with the new rule.

8 & UNDER: RED BALL TENNIS



Played on a 36-foot court with a Red Stage Transition Ball, these non-elimination, single day tournaments are a great introduction for players to become acclimated with the look and feel of a tournament. There are no points per round nor earned advancement to Orange Ball tennis tournaments, so the focus can remain solely on fun, development and learning the game.

Players compete in Red Ball Tennis until the first day of the month of their 9th birthday and earn one participation point for each tournament they complete. Events can be gender specific or co-ed and scoring formats can be One Tie-Break Game (to 7 points), Best of Three Tie-Break Games, or a timed format. Every player receives a participation ribbon and draw formats promote continuous play (compass or round robin) along with no elimination and low player entry fees.

Districts throughout our Section will be able to host as many of these Red Ball Tournaments as desired and needed.

STAGE	RED
BALL	 Red ball or foam. Moves slower and bounces lower than orange ball.
COURT SIZE	 36' x 18'
NET HEIGHT	2'9"
RACQUET	Up to 23"

While a 23" racquet is recommended for this level tournament, it is not mandated. Point Penalty System is not enforced in this division.

STAGE	ORANGE
BALL	 Orange. Moves slower and bounces lower than green ball.
COURT SIZE	 60' x 21' singles 48' x 21' doubles
NET HEIGHT	3' center 2 1/2' at net posts
RACQUET	23" - 25"

While a 25" racquet is recommended for this level tournament, it is not mandated. Limited use of Point Penalty System.

10 & UNDER: ORANGE BALL TENNIS

Players must show their competency in Orange Ball tennis before earning entry to Green Ball Tennis. This can be achieved through results, participation, or ultimately age. This system will provide better competition in Green Ball Tennis, as those players will have demonstrated their competency to be there. Green Ball Tennis tournaments will be advanced rather than entry level. By allowing both advancement and non-advancement Orange Ball Tennis Tournaments, we can provide an Orange Ball Tennis tournament structure for players looking to advance, while still providing other, novice Orange Ball Tennis tournaments for entry-level players.

Played on a 60-foot court with a Orange Stage Transition Ball, these non-elimination, single day tournaments have no points per round, but players must earn their advancement to Green Ball tennis tournaments by either winning one (1) Designated Earned Advancement Orange Ball Tournament, competing in at least four (4) Designated Orange Ball Tournaments or the first day of the month of the player's 10th birthday.

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10 & UNDER: ORANGE BALL TENNIS *continued*

Player will receive a participation point for each tournament they complete and event will have a winner. Events can be gender specific or co-ed and acceptable scoring formats are No-Ad with One Short Set (to 4 games), Best of Three Short Sets (7 point tie-break in lieu of third set), or a Timed Format (cumulative points or games). Every player receives a participation ribbon and draw formats promote continuous play (compass or round robin) with low player entry fees.

Districts throughout our Section will host Earned Advancement Orange Ball Tournaments on designated weekends (every two weeks as set by the Midwest Section) and as many Non-Advancement Orange Ball Tournaments as desired and needed. Players of any age (until the first day of the month of their 11th birthday) are eligible for this Orange Ball Division.



10 & UNDER: GREEN BALL TENNIS

Just as players advanced from Orange to Green Ball Tennis, they must demonstrate their competency in Green Ball Tennis before they can earn entry to Yellow Ball Tennis. This system will encourage players to develop properly and demonstrate competency in Green Ball Tennis before advancing to Yellow Ball Tennis.

Played on a 78-foot court (full size) with a Green Stage Transition Ball, these multiple day tournaments generate points per round (based on tournament level), but players must earn their advancement to Yellow Ball tournaments by winning two (2) Designated Earned Advancement Green Ball Tournament, competing in at least four (4) Designated Green Ball Tournaments, reaching the Quarterfinals of the Midwest Section Outdoor Closed Championship or the Semifinal of any Midwest Section Level 1 **Tournament, or automatically on the first day of the month of the player's 10th birthday.**

Player will receive a participation point for each green ball tournament they complete and each event will have a winner. Events must be gender specific and can run in a variety of draw formats, including Compass, First Match Losers Consolation or Feed In Consolation. Scoring format will be Best of three sets with a 10 Point (Set) tiebreak in lieu of third set. Only main and consolation draw winners and finalists receive awards. These are elimination events and take place over two to three days (normally weekends).

Districts throughout our Section will host Earned Advancement Green Ball Tournaments on designated weekends (every two weeks as set by the Midwest Section) and as many Non-Advancement Green Ball Tournaments as desired and needed. Players of any age (until the first day of the month of their 11th birthday who have advanced from Orange Ball Tennis) are eligible for this Green Ball Division.

STAGE	GREEN
BALL	 Green Slightly reduced bounce from yellow ball
COURT SIZE	 78' x 27' singles 78' x 36' doubles
NET HEIGHT	3' center, 36" at net posts
RACQUET	25" - 27"

While up to a 29" racquet is recommended for this level tournament, it is not mandated. Limited use of Point Penalty System.

12 & UNDER: YELLOW BALL TENNIS

Having developed the proper skills and experience for Yellow Ball Tennis through completion of the Earned Advancement System, a player will now have the match play and technical skills needed to sign up for a 12 & U Yellow Ball Tournament. Should a player choose not to participate in the Earned Advancement System, they will be allowed to enter a 12 & U Yellow Ball Tournament on the first day of the month of his/her 10th Birthday.

Players will be tracked locally in Southeastern Michigan as well as on the Midwest Section website, so Tournament Directors will know who will be eligible to participate in their tournaments. More details will be forthcoming (including when Designated Advancement Weekends will be) and local Tournament Directors will need to be educated in this new selection process for the 10 and Under Player.

Stay tuned to the next issue of the Court Reporter
for more details on Earned Advancement for 2014!





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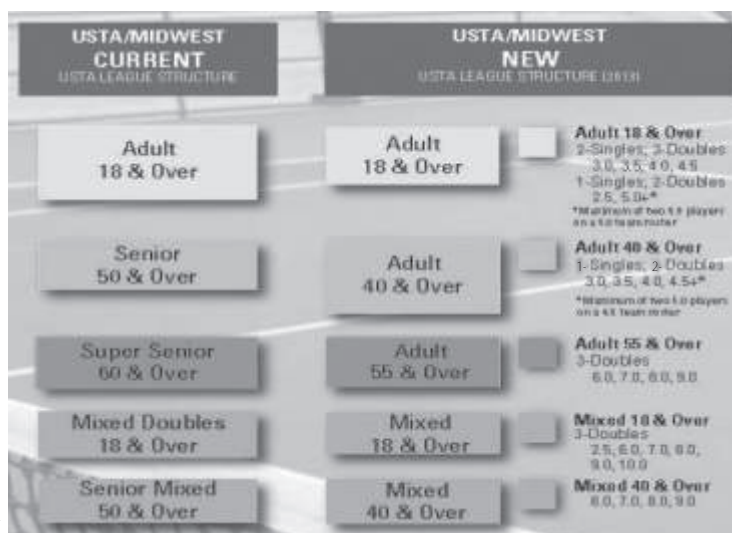
New League Structure Equates to Team Growth in Southeast Michigan

A big THANK YOU to all of our Captains and Club Coordinators for organizing your teams through the league changes for the upcoming Summer USTA League Tennis season.

With over 650 summer teams, our team total is up approximately 40 teams from last summer. Large increases have been seen in our 55 & over league and in our 40 & over league.

We have added 55 & over women's leagues at night and this resulted in 17 additional teams. Our 65 & over women's league has also increased from just offering 7.0 to include both a 6.0 and 8.0 leagues on Fridays during the day.

We have also added 3 new sites to our USTA League Family. Please welcome Barton Hills Country Club, Hartland Community Ed and Schoolcraft College as new sites for our summer teams.



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
18+ Women 4.0 W - Day 2.5 W - Night 3.5 W - Night	18+ Women 3.0 W - Day 4.0 W - Night	18+ Women 2.5 W - Day 4.5 W - Night	18+ Women 3.5 W - Day 3.0 W - Night 5.0+ W - Night	18+ Women nothing
40+ Women 3.0 W - Day 4.5+ W - Night	40+ Women 3.5 W - Day 3.0 W - Night	40+ Women 4.0 W - Day 3.5 W - Night	40+ Women 4.0 W - Night	40+ Women nothing
55+ Women 8.0 W - Day 6.0 W - Night	55+ Women 7.0 W - Night	55+ Women 6.0 W - Day 8.0 W - Night	55+ Women 7.0 W - Day 9.0 W - Night	55+ Women nothing
18+ Men 2.5 Men 3.5 Men	18+ Men 4.0 Men	18+ Men 4.5 Men	18+ Men 3.0 Men 5.0+ Men	65+ Men & Women 6.0, 7.0 & 8.0 Men & Women
40+ Men 4.5+ Men	40+ Men 3.0 Men	40+ Men 3.5 Men	40+ Men 4.0 Men	18+ Mixed Doubles 2.5 6.0 7.0 8.0 9.0 10.0
55+ Men 6.0 Men	55+ Men 7.0 Men	55+ Men 8.0 Men	55+ Men 9.0 Men	

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2013 USTA Summer League Calendar

July 26-28	District Championships - Adult 40 & Over, outdoor sites tba
August 2-4	District Championships - Adult 18 & Over, outdoor sites tba
August 8-11	State Championships - Adult 18 and 40 & Over, outdoor sites tba
August 16-18	District Championships - Adult 55 & Over, site tba
August 16-18	Midwest Section Championships - Adults 18 & Over, Indianapolis, IN
August 23-26	Midwest Section Championships - Adults 40 & Over, Fort Wayne, IN
August 27 & 29 (Tuesday & Thursday)	District Mixed Doubles Playoffs - Adults 18 & Over, site tba
September 3 (Tuesday)	District Mixed Doubles Championships - 18 & Over, site tba
September 6-8	State Mixed Doubles Championships - 18 & Over and 55 & Over, Hosted by the Northeast Michigan District
September 20-22	Midwest Section Mixed Doubles Championships - 18 & Over, Fort Wayne, IN
September 27-29	Midwest Section Championships, Mixed Doubles 55 & Over, Indianapolis, IN



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2012 Combo Doubles Teams head to States and Sectional Championships

The 2012 Combo Doubles Championships came to a close in February and March of 2013. The District Championships were held February 17 and 24 at Franklin Athletic Club. States Championships were held March 2 & 3 in Grand Rapids and the Midwest Championships were held March 8-10 in Ft Wayne.



6.5 Combo Women

Franklin Athletic Club
Captain: Julie Mileskiy

Back Row (l-r): Akiko Katsumata, Jennifer Jennings, Candace Butler, Terasa McGilvray, Analyn Mayo, Cpt. Julie Mileskiy, Misook Soave, Tsen Joslyn; Front Row (l-r): Amy Mindell, Tracy Bean, Lumi Varos, Denise Kizy

Not Pictured: Lila Jawad, Frances Snider, Carmen Walker.

7.5 Combo Women

Liberty Athletic Club
Captain: Susan Schultz

Left to Right: Carol Miller, Jolanta Gallup, Cynthia Gur-Arie, Linda Grosh

Not Pictured: Laura Corcoran, April Gago, Loretta Henze, Theresa Herrmann, Inge Miller, Susan Schultz, Melissa Syapin, Terry Zdanowski.



8.5 Combo Women

Eastside Tennis & Fitness
Captain: Beth Cassidy

Back Row (l-r): Mary Jo Colonna, Myrna Harbar, Susan Vandellen; Front Row (l-r): Beth Cassidy, Stephanie Schulte, Alisa Taylor, McCall Monte

Not Pictured: Stacy Brown, Jayne Carson, Kim Duchateau, Geri Gallant, Donna Ghesquiere, Lucy Gorski, Leigh Grubbs, Karen Makowski, Leslie Trudel.





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6.5 Combo Men

Eastside Tennis & Fitness
Captain: Mike Salomeo

Back Row (l-r): Josemari Mentzer,
Alex Mangabat, Fernando Franco;
Front Row (l-r): Ian Francis Magallanes,
Cpt. Michael Salomeo,
Francis Deguzman

Not Pictured: Paul Brucker,
Richard Canny, Hussein Elbadawi,
Greg Hombrebueno, Jason Jones,
Dan Nguyen, James Reece, John Rose,
Tom Zampardo.



7.5 Combo Men

Life Time Fitness
Rochester
Captain: Steve Szymanski

Back Row (l-r): Grant Garrett,
Leo Freitas, Gary Clark; Front
Row (l-r): Roy Habeck, Dan
Tanguay, Steve Szymanski,
Paul Walling

Not Pictured: Brian
Blankenship, Chris Bronzetti,
Fred Edwards, Steve Kenner,
Cody Nofzinger, Adrian Purvis,
Geof Schuetz, Justin Yee.

8.5 Combo Men

Dearborn Racquet &
Health Club
Captain: Jerry Escheck

Back Row (l-r): Lee Vanvalkenburg,
Cpt. Jerry Escheck, Rob Soltesz,
Chris Rolls; Front Row (l-r): Kent
Roman, Ara Kazanjian, Mike
Dziama, Chris McMican

Not Pictured: Paul Aris, John Hale,
Johnny McDonald, Michael Schohl.



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Offer ends August 1, 2013.





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Senior Mixed Doubles District Winners



7.0 Senior Mixed Wimbledon Racquet Club Captain: Susan Bamford

Back Row (l-r): John Libbos,
Melinda McCullough, Charles
McCrary; Front Row (l-r): Barb
Quenneville-Gus, Cindy Forth,
Susan Bamford, Frank Kozik

Not Pictured: Sharon Case, Cindy
Hill, Lawrence Lombard, Rick
Scavarda, Gretchen Verbeke.

7.0
Team
finished 3rd
at the Midwest
Championships
in Indiana!

8.0
Team
finished 2nd
at the National
Championship
in Tennessee!

8.0 Senior Mixed

Port Huron Tennis House
Captain: Glenn Johnson

Back Row (l-r): Jeff Blackman, James
Charron, Dan Johnson, Doug Shymko,
Glenn Johnson, Lori Shymko; Front Row
(l-r): Karen Basha, Kim Miller, Connie
Kleeves, Barb Lynch

Not Pictured: Trish Gogas, David Joy,
Betty Latosinsky.



2012 Fall Singles League Winners

Congratulations to our flight winning teams from our Fall Team Singles League. With 55 teams and nearly 400 players, our Team Singles League continues to offer competitive play for our Southeast Michigan singles players.

3.0 Men	The Chippewa Club
3.5 Men	The Chippewa Club
4.0 Men	Troy Racquet Club
3.0 Women	Deer Lake Athletic Club Wimbledon Racquet Club The Chippewa Club
3.5 Women	Bloomfield Tennis The Lochmoor Club The Chippewa Club Livonia Family Y Life Time Fitness Rochester
4.0 Women	Deer Lake Athletic Club Sports Club of W. Bloomfield

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Captain Mark Thiesmeyer
Captain Jeff Forche

Captain Roberta Smith
Captain Dee Dee Lovelace
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Super Seniors Advanced to Midwest Championships and Two Local Teams Qualify for their National Championships

Congratulations to the 8.0 men from Wimbledon Racquet Club and the 9.0 men from Birmingham Athletic Club. Both teams captured their respective Midwest Championship titles and are on their way Surprise, Arizona for Nationals the weekends of April 19-21 and April 26-28, respectively.

The 8.0 men are captained by Don Parshall. Team members include: George Ackerman, Jeff Butler, Don Garver, Larry Haddock, Jim Hamilton, Dan Johnson, Richard Keller, David Sessions, Larry Steenbergen, and Jack Yeaton. The 9.0 men are captained by Jack McNaughton. Team members include: Kerry Hlady, Gary Hoslet, Rick Kammer, Richard Kaspers, Richard Keller, Don Parshall, Jeff Peck, D. Jay Schwalm, and Mike Zimmerman.

Other results from Super Senior Playoffs were as follows:

6.0 Women – Local Champion – Sports Club Novi, captained by Gail Zimmerman.
Advanced to the Midwest Championships and finished 3rd.

7.0 Women – Local Champion – Farmington Tennis Club, captained by Judy Vellucci.
Finished 2nd at the State of Michigan Championships.

8.0 Women – Local Champion - Huron Valley Tennis Club, captained by Karen Caine.
Advanced to the Midwest Championships and finished 3rd.

7.0 Men – Local Champion – Dearborn Racquet & Health Club, captained by Chuck Glinz.
Finished 2nd at the State of Michigan Championships.

ATTENTION USTA LEAGUE PLAYERS!

The USTA-Southeast Michigan District is seeking nominations for the Darlee Towler Memorial Award. Help us identify a special individual – one who stands out from the rest!

Visit our website to
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2010 – Joe Arsenault
2009 – Chris Greig

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COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT:

Community Tennis Association Grows Tennis Through USTA programming

The Tecumseh Community Tennis Association was formed in the Spring of 2011 to run Midwest Youth Team Tennis (the 10 and Under precursor to Jr. Team Tennis) after receiving a small grant from USTA. In their first season, the program reached over 40 new 10 & U tennis players. Organized by Tecumseh Parks and Recreation Director, Shelley Lim, local adult tennis players and parents have now coached teams for three seasons of Midwest Youth Team Tennis. In 2012, the summer program added a 12 & Under Division as well as an Adult ReStart program, reaching over 70 players. Thank you to the Tecumseh Community Tennis Association and their partner the Tecumseh Parks and Recreation Association for growing tennis in Southeast Michigan!



Tecumseh Community Tennis Association's 10 & Under Youth Team Tennis Program has some on court fun with their practice sessions!

Thank You!

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Last November at our Annual Awards Banquet, our District took time to acknowledge some of our young players and adults who exemplify the good in tennis.

THE HOXIE AWARD

The Jean and Jerry Hoxie Memorial Award is given to a young male and female tennis player in Southeast Michigan who has made a great contribution to the game of tennis through their good sportsmanship and achievements both on and off the tennis court.

2012 Female Hoxie Award Recipient: **ALEXANDRA D'ASCENZO**

Alexandra attends Frankel Jewish Academy in West Bloomfield where she played **#1 singles on the girls' high school team** in 2012, earning All-State honors while leading the team with an undefeated season.

Her USTA achievements are impressive, winning two SEMTA Qualifier titles (finalist on two other occasions) and numerous District and Midwest events along the way. She has reached the finals in both singles and doubles of several National Open and Regional Tournaments and last summer captured the Girls 18s Midwest Closed Doubles Championships. Alex has carried top ten rankings at both the District and Sectional level while also being ranked in the top 100 Nationally. She has been recognized on numerous occasions for her outstanding sportsmanship. Even though she is a tenacious competitor, Alex is extremely fair minded with a wonderful reputation in tennis circles.

Alex has a 4.18 GPA, earning her the highest GPA among Juniors in 2011-12, and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Away from the classroom, Alex is involved in community service programs, offering her attention to Camp Hermelin (sponsored by ORT America) and to activities at the Friendship Circle (programs and support for families of individuals with special needs). She has also become an excellent leader in Sports Club West Bloomfield's junior tennis program, always willing to assist the younger players.

In her spare time, Alex is quite an accomplished musician. In addition to playing piano at a high level,

she also sings, plays guitar and drums, and composes music.

Alex lives with her family in West Bloomfield and will attend Cornell University in the fall of 2013, where she plans to study medicine and neuroscience.

Award was presented by Alex's private coach, Josh Molino.



2012 Male Hoxie Award Recipient: **JACK MURRAY**

Jack's USTA accomplishments

have been remarkable. He's won three National Championships, three SEMTA Jr. Qualifier Championships and the 2009 Midwest Closed Championship. Jack has also won two USTA National Open titles and was a finalist in the Nike Junior Tournament Championship as well. In 2012, he's captured the USTA Regional Championship in singles and doubles and also won the USTA Midwest Indoor Closed Championships in the Boys 18s division, netting him a top 40 National Ranking as a first year 18s player. Along with these impressive wins, Jack also has earned many sportsmanship awards due to his fair and honest competition.

As a student at the Roeper School (for the gifted), **Jack's diligence allowed him to juggle an intense training and competitive tennis schedule** along with a highly demanding academic curriculum. Missing many days of school due to his rigorous tournament schedule, Jack, an engaged and thoughtful participant in the classroom, has always exhibited a positive attitude and a love for learning. His ACT score put him in the top 95% in the country.

Always friendly and considerate, Jack has taken





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numerous younger players under his wing to aid in their development. He has volunteered for various **"green" projects such as a recycling program at his school and has been involved in collecting food for Gleaner's Food Bank and a tree-planting program in the city of Detroit.**

Jack will leave his family home in Beverly Hills in the fall of 2013 and head to the University of North Carolina where he'll play tennis and begin his academic quest into a successful adulthood.

Award was presented by Jack's private coach, Armand Molino.

WILLIAM F BEYER AWARD

The William F. Beyer Award (named after one of the first SEMTA presidents) is given to an individual who has contributed Immeasurably and unselfishly to tennis.

2012 Beyer Award Recipient:
HELEN PETERS

Helen Peters' involvement with

our District began in the summer of 2000, when she volunteered to assist at our USTA League Championships in Ann Arbor. She worked tirelessly the entire weekend. We knew we had **a "keeper". Helen's involvement with the Southeast Michigan District expanded quickly. In 2002, she became a member of our District League Committee as well as a Delegate on our Board. In 2008, Helen became Vice President of the District and then in 2010, was elected to District President. It had been 12 years since the office of the President was held by a non-tennis industry professional.**

The Ann Arbor Area Community Tennis Association **is close to Helen's heart, where she has been a board member for more than 10 years, serving as secretary and currently as treasurer. As one of the primary coordinators of AACTA's middle school program for last 10 years, Helen is delighted that more than 175 sixth graders at six public middle schools in Ann Arbor are introduced to the great sport of tennis annually.**

In 2001, Helen retired from the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan where she was Associate Executive Director. Since then, she has volunteered

on a weekly basis in either a first grade or kindergarten classroom in the Ann Arbor public schools. She also volunteers for the U of M men's & women's varsity tennis teams.

Traveling the globe is a passion. Her most interesting trips were to the North Pole, trekking in Tasmania, hiking the Inca Trail, and climbing Kilimanjaro. She enjoys camping and other outdoor recreation -- even winter camping! Reading and going to the movies are also tops on her list. And **then there's tennis** - Helen has been an avid player and captain on many USTA League teams and looks forward to playing for many more years.

Helen remains a member of our District League Committee and always finds time to help at League Championships as well as Metro Detroit Youth Day on Belle Isle.

We salute Helen not only for her strong leadership and steadfast support of our District, but also for her contributions to the tennis in the community.

Award was presented by Mike Graff, Past SEMTA President.

DARLEE TOWLER AWARD

The Darlee Towler Memorial Award is given to a USTA League player in the Southeast Michigan District who best reflects the qualities that Darlee exhibited as a captain, player and supporter of the USTA League program: honesty, sincerity, loyalty, good sportsmanship and leadership with a commitment to growing tennis.

2012 Towler Memorial Award Recipient:
USTA League Captain,
RACHEL EKIZIAN

Rachel first picked up a racquet in 2000 after being a fitness member at Sports Club-West Bloomfield for **a couple of years. She'd pass the courts on her way to aerobics class and see people playing who were well into their 80's and figured if they can play at their age, maybe it was something she should try. She never expected tennis to become her favorite thing to do. She joined**





her first USTA League team in 2000 and has been on 42 USTA teams, captaining 12 of them. A lover of puzzles and solving mysteries, she finds tennis much the same challenge. Tennis requires more **than power and strength. It's a game of the mind** that requires skill and intellect.

While tennis was a great way to relieve stress and stay active, Rachel did not expect to find another side to it - the camaraderie it brings. Nothing proves this point more, than her teammates who were nominating Rachel at the same time they were being nominating by her for the Towler Award. Challenged by a recurrence of cancer, Rachel was sidelined from playing much tennis in 2012, but never wavered in her commitment to her players and the sport of tennis. Continuing to ensure players were lined up for matches week after week, she attended almost every match in spite of her pain and discomfort to support her players. Rachel taught her teammates to play hard and laugh harder. She teaches by example and leads with grace and has become a model of strength, leadership, courage and hope to every member of the team.

She graduated from MSU with a degree in Biochemistry and went on to earn her Masters at Wayne State. She is married to her college sweetheart, Steve, and is the proud mother of two boys, Tyler (16) and Brian (14). She considers her family her highest achievement and the love of her family her greatest gift.

2012 Kaspers' Scholarship Recipients:

BLAINE STANNARD

Blaine's tennis began in a rather unusual way. He was in sixth grade, playing at the lowest position on the worst school team in the league. Endless hours of practice and USTA competition propelled Blaine **to the country's #1 singles** champion in eighth grade. In high school, Blaine continued to excel in tennis and academically. He graduated from the International Academy with a 4.39 GPA. He is a National Merit Scholar and has earned numerous other academic recognitions. The Michigan High



School Athletic Association also named Blaine MHSAA Scholar/Athlete Finalist - the only male tennis player recognized in the state in any division. As a member of the International Academy Symphonic Band, he was lead trumpet and soloist throughout his four years of school.

A series of tennis injuries allowed Blaine to determine a career goal and develop the mental toughness to **achieve it. He saw fellow athletes' dreams shatter as** injuries changed the course of their lives. He saw the positive impact physicians had on their patients. Blaine has decided to pursue a molecular biology/pre-med degree at Vanderbilt University with the hope of realizing his dream of becoming an orthopedic surgeon.

Blaine is also fluent in Spanish and enjoys scuba diving and downhill skiing. He has received NCAA clearance to play at the varsity or club level.

TAYLOR SWEENEY

Taylor Sweeney started tennis at the age of 7 and began competing in tournaments at the age of 11. She played #1 singles for Port Huron Northern all four years of high school, was a captain for two years, and was named to the All-State team as a junior and senior. As a Junior Team Tennis player, she competed with her team at the National level, placing second in the nation in 2010.



Taylor's accomplishments extend

beyond the tennis court as well. She earned a varsity letter in golf, was the Vice-President of her class, was a member of the National Honor Society, and was recognized as an AP Scholar with Distinction for her academic accomplishments. She graduated with a 3.97 GPA, was ranked #11 in her class, and was voted into the Port Huron Northern Hall of Fame for her academic and athletic achievements.

Taylor is in her first semester at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland where she is currently studying economics and finance. She is a starter on the Case Western tennis team, and has earned an ITF ranking of 22 her first season. In addition to tennis, she enjoys photography, reading and spending time with her friends and family.





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2012 Year End Adult Singles Ranking Lists Top District, Sectional & National Southeast Michigan Players

WOMEN'S Open

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Royal, Karen

WOMEN'S 35s

TOP 50 NATIONAL

- 27 Sarcheck, Ana

WOMEN'S 45s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Hunter, Debra
- 2 Myricks, Leslie
- 3 Royal, Karen
- 4 Liggett, Loralie

MEN'S Open

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Arriaga, Jose
- 2 Kiehne, Sascha
- 3 King, Keith
- 4 Verma, Ankur
- 5 Roberts, Brent
- 6 Beardslee, Jim
- 7 Woodall, Nicholas
- 8 Gray, Justin

MEN'S 45s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Spencer, Bill
 - 2 Parker, Ronald
 - 3 Panter, Larry
 - 4 Beardslee, Jim
 - 5 Boeker, Roberto
 - 6 Powell, Michael
 - 7 West, Evan
 - 8 Cleary, Jesse
 - 9 Meyers, Howard
 - 10 Cage, Keith
- TOP 25 MIDWEST
- 6 Spencer, Bill
 - 12 Beardslee, Jim
- TOP 50 NATIONAL
- 38 Beardslee, Jim

MEN'S 50s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Royal, Dennis
- 2 Mitchell, Ernest
- 3 Spencer, Bill
- 4 Mondry, Mitchell
- 5 Siegel, Michael
- 6 Cleary, Jesse
- 7 Frank, Jonathan
- 8 Franzen, Joseph

TOP 25 MIDWEST

- 8 Collins, Kevin
 - 9 Ljungman, Mats
 - 11 Mitchell, Ernest
 - 12 Maehr, Martin
 - 15 Siegel, Michael
 - 17 Mondry, Mitchell
 - 20 Cleary, Jesse
 - 23 Frank, Jonathan
 - 25 Franzen, Joseph
- TOP 50 NATIONAL
- 36 Maehr, Martin

MEN'S 55s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Secrest, Paul
 - 2 Simcina, Mark
 - 3 Stark, Larry
 - 4 Bozzo, Michael
- TOP 25 MIDWEST
- 13 Secrest, Paul
 - 17 Simcina, Mark
 - 23 Stark, Larry
 - 31 Mitchell, Darrell
 - 33 Bozzo, Michael
 - 34 Taylor, Joe

MEN'S 60s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Panter, Larry
 - 2 Long, James
 - 3 Hoslet, Gary
- TOP 25 MIDWEST
- 5 Panter, Larry
 - 14 Haffey, Michael
 - 16 Long, James
 - 18 Hoslet, Gary

M65s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Lundquist, John
 - 2 Brooks, Millard
 - 3 Vance, Lonnie
 - 4 Chambers, James
 - 5 Seputa, Vitalis
 - 6 Friedman, Robert
 - 7 Hamilton, James
 - 8 Pappas, Norman
- TOP 25 MIDWEST
- 6 Hamilton, James
 - 7 Lundquist, John E.
 - 14 Keller, Richard L.
 - 17 Friedman, Robert L.
 - 21 Pappas, Norman A.

MEN'S 70s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Saito, Kaz

- 2 Seputa, Vitalis J.
 - 3 Smith, Arthur C.
 - 4 Bellinger, William
- TOP 25 MIDWEST
- 2 Saito, Kaz
 - 4 Seputa, Vitalis J.
 - 11 Smith, Arthur C.
 - 12 Bellinger, William
- TOP 50 NATIONAL
- 34 Seputa, Vitalis J.

MEN'S 75s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Elsmann, James L.
 - 2 Illich, Paul
 - 3 Killen, Werner M.
 - 4 Evans, Johnny L.
- TOP 25 MIDWEST
- 3 Elsmann, James L.
 - 5 Illich, Paul

MEN'S 80s

TOP 10 SE MICHIGAN

- 1 Hunt, Kenneth E.
 - 2 Lieberman, David
 - 3 Mitchell, David
- TOP 25 MIDWEST
- 2 Hunt, Kenneth E.
 - 3 Lieberman, David
 - 5 Mitchell, David

*Top positions shown in each age division. For a complete list (including Doubles Rankings), see TennisLink Tournaments at www.usta.com under "ranking home".

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