



Spring 2018

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2017 Champs - Summer Slammers.



## **Court Changes**

Due to construction at Lake City High School, the school district isn't allowing summer access to the tennis facility. This put us in a little predicament, knowing that a large contingent of our membership doesn't enjoy playing at Cherry Hill due to the incorrectly sloped courts. We then realized that the Coeur d'Alene High School courts have also been recently resurfaced and normally aren't used in the evenings. We reached out to the school district and struck a deal. We will be playing at the same time, same days as we always have, just at a new location. We appreciate you being flexible with us.

## Junior League, Reenergized

We are excited to announce a new Junior Team Tennis League. The Junior League for the CTA has always been a great program for our community; low cost, fun environment and run by a volunteer who enjoys kids and the game of tennis. And keeping all of this was our goal when deciding which direction to take the program. We have decided to partner with the USTA to create the first Junior Team Tennis League (JTT) this side of the Cascades. Ultimately the league will be very similar by using the same scoring and team formats, but we'll be using a USTA scoring and database to keep track of everything. We are extremely excited for this transition and are hoping this results in stronger youth tennis for our area. Please read more regarding these changes on the Junior League page at the end of the newsletter!



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# Michael Marceau Memorial Sportsmanship Award

We would like to congratulate our own board member Lisa Hunt for winning the Michael Marceau Sportsmanship award. Dominant in her position at #3 the last few years, she exudes sportsmanship and is an awesome teammate for those who've gotten to play with her. Giving her the award couldn't be more fitting.

At the end of the season we will be asking for nominations for someone you feel deserves to win this award. Michael was a great steward of the game and even more, his joy and good attitude was infectious to those who were around him. We will have more details on the nomination process later in the season.

## 2018 CTA Kickoff Party and Captain's Meeting

We would like to cordially invite all participants to the 2018 CTA Kickoff Party. It will be held Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Peak in Hayden. We will be providing food and drinks and possibly a few tennis games for anyone who wishes to participate. The most important event of the evening will of course be meeting your new teammates, exchanging contact information, meeting your captain and most importantly, coming up with a strategy to lay a beat down on all of the other teams.

This event will be starting around 6PM so please come join us for an hour or two of fun and socializing.

For the captains, we are requesting that you show up at 5:15 so that we can have a brief meeting before everyone gets there.

2017 Party Photos





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## **Welcome Lindsey!**

Lindsey was always involved in softball during the springtime so she didn't begin playing tennis until after high school. Although Lindsey always enjoyed watching tennis on TV with her family, it wasn't something she got involved in until her softball career was over. She loved to go out and play tennis with her family, but mostly played with her brother C.J. until he finally convinced her to join the CTA. She took a class at U of I and her game catapulted from there. She's married to her husband Ben of 3 years and they have a 14 month old daughter named Quinn. Please join us in welcoming her to the board. She has a ton of fresh ideas and ways to keep the game of tennis growing in our community.

We are always looking for a few people to replace some aging board members, so if you're interested, please reach out to us.

#### **Online Results**

Last year we made a concerted effort the get the results of the matches and stats online. Tim Kast and Bruce Kuennen were instrumental in making that happen and we really appreciate their efforts.

## H2H gives members a chance to get out there Early!

Members get a head start on the season by signing up for Head to Head league (H2H). Starting in May, those signed up will be given a list of people in their division to contact and set up games at a time and place convenient to them. Wins and losses will be reported and winners in each division will receive a prize. No additional fee is required for CTA members. Just check the H2H section on your membership page and you will be notified by **email** once all registrations are received. Thank you!

Amy Robertson H2H coordinator amyrobertson5620@gmail.com Page 4 Court Reporter

## **Important Dates to Remember**

April 30th - Registration Deadline

May 8th - Ranking Clinic (Adults) - Cherry Hill @ 6PM

May 9th - Ranking Clinic (Rain Day) - Cherry Hill @ 6PM

May 20th - Junior League Registration Deadline

May 22<sup>nd</sup> - CTA Kickoff Party @ Peak in Hayden

June 2<sup>nd</sup> - Junior Ranking Clinic - CDAHS @ 9:30AM

June 4th - Adult League Starts

June 19th - Junior League Starts

July 28th - Junior League Tournament/Pizza Party - CDAHS

August 4th - End of Season BBQ/Championship Match - 10AM @ CDAHS

## A Few Reminders on Court Etiquette

- Please play to the pace of the server
- 10 minute warm up please don't try to hit winners at this time
- Please wait till the ball lands until you make an out call
- If the ball hits the line, then it is in
- Call the score out loud so your opponent can hear it
- If can't hear your opponent, ask for hand signals
- Don't cross onto another court to retrieve your ball if a point is going on
- Make sure and call a "Let" on your court if a ball comes on and it bothers you
- Please wait until the 2<sup>nd</sup> serve point is played out before you go chase the missed ball from the first serve
- For more rules and etiquette tips see the "Friend at Court" at https://assets-ssl.usta.com/assets/1/15/2015fac-links.5.pdf

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### **Junior League and Photos**



Once again with Dave Roth at the helm, we had a great year with the Junior League. Between the hard hitting battles of the high school tennis players to the people learning the game from the ground up, we had a very successful year. We had a great turnout with 48 kids in the program.

This year we are going to ask that you register your kids with the CTA, but don't send in your money. Payment and a short registration will need to be completed with the USTA before the season commences. The USTA has created a unique platform for everyone to enter their own scores into a database. It will keep track of all the scores for the teams and individual results. The tennis program will be at Coeur d'Alene High School this year.

After forming the teams, the CTA will send out instructions to everyone on how to register on the new USTA platform. Before the season starts the CTA plans to have a quick meeting with the team parents to go over the league.

Aside from how you pay for the league and where you report your scores, we foresee business as usual for the Junior League; tennis, laughs, pizza and warm weather fun. And last but not least, we will again host an end of the year tournament.

See you out there!





