



# Senior Tennis Times

*The 50+ tennis experience*

December  
2014

## Renewing your membership

To make renewal easiest for you, and easiest for Senior Tennis, please WAIT until the new website is online—coming very soon.

If you have an email address, you will receive an email giving your Logon ID. You can then go to the website, where you will be able to establish a Password. With the ID and Password, you can login as a member. Then, you'll be able to renew online. You can change anything about your information: address, phone, email address, rating, etc. And you can decide whether you want the basic membership for \$30, or you also want to add a printed and mailed newsletter (\$3) and/or a printed roster (\$2).

No email address? We have already sent you a printed renewal form, with return envelope, as in years past.

## Editor leaving!

By David Sommer

Yes, it's true. I've been editor and webmaster for nearly 12 years. Time for new blood, and time for Louise and me to take some longer vacations from the cold. I know I'll miss the many conversations with you, our STPC members. But remember, I'm still playing tennis, I still captain groups both summer and winter, and I'll continue to help the Board when needed.

Your new editor/webmaster is Tanja Sayles. Her background and experience are perfect for the job. She continues her work as Marketing Director for Twin Cities Tennis Camps. She is an English major, an artist, and has used many of the software applications needed for this additional responsibility.

On the left is Tanja; on the right her mom Alena DeCandia, a member of STPC and a group play captain.



## Tennis events

By Bob Busch

*Merry Christmas and happy holidays!* During this Thanksgiving and



joyous holiday season we want to thank the many volunteers that provide tennis playing and social opportunities to our members. Be sure to recognize the hard work of our Board of Directors, the coordinating efforts of our team captains, and the many drills provided by our teaching pros. As I write this column, the outside temps are in the single digits with a strong wind blowing and several inches of snow on the ground. As seniors we have a choice to make every morning. We can complain about the weather, spend the day in bed recounting the problems we have with parts of our body that no longer work, or get out of bed and be thankful for the ones that do. Each day is a gift as long as we are breathing and our eyes are open. We can focus on all the happy memories we have stored away. Old age is like a checking account. You can withdraw from what you put in the account. So, it's important to deposit a lot of happiness in your checking account of memories. *Keep swinging!*

### Thanks Dick Brandt

We extend our thoughts, prayers, and sympathies to Ardis and family on the death of Dick in early November. Dick was a member of the STPC Board of Directors and functioned as our membership director. We are thankful for the many contributions he has made to the STPC.

### High school girls

Edina set a new national record with their 18th straight Class 2A title and 33rd overall. Holy Family High School, the #2 seed, won it's first Class 1A title. The last coaches' ranking had Breck the heavy favorite to win the title. Congratulations to **Jack Roach** who coached Holy Family to their first title and to his top-ranked senior **Danielle Gannon**, for winning the Class 1A singles championship with a 6-1, 6-2 win over **Brylee Seitz** of Virginia. Class 2A championship coach **Steve Paulson** of Edina also coached **Caitlyn Merzbacher**, daughter of U of M women's tennis coach Chuck Merzbacher, to the state singles

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## Senior Tennis Players Club, Inc.

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### Advertising

Send by email or USPS to the newsletter editor by the 15th of the month for publication the following month. **Please send all payments to the newsletter editor.**

Ad rates (first month/additional months):

Full page (7.5x10) ..... \$165/135

Half page (7.5x4.9) ..... 110/85

Half page on back cover ..... 125/100

Quarter page (3.7x4.9) ..... 70/50

Eighth page (3.7x2.4) ..... 45/30

Business card special ..... 30/20

Horizontal strip ads: \$55 first two inches; \$20 each additional inch. Vertical: \$75 first two inches; \$25 each additional inch. 30% less for issues after first.

2-line ad (members only), first three months free, then \$5/issue. Additional lines \$5/issue.

**Membership information changes, newsletter delivery problems, etc.,** can be made by writing Senior Tennis Players Club, P.O. Box 5525, Hopkins, MN 55343 or email [dsommer7@usiwireless.com](mailto:dsommer7@usiwireless.com).

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## Change to Membership Contest

*How would you like to enjoy a week's vacation at a very nice resort in either Florida or Mexico and help your club at the same time?* You, along with other STPC members have the opportunity to win this great prize in our club's New Member Contest, which is just underway.

Every STPC Member who recruits at least **ONE** new member between Sept. 15, 2014 and January 15, 2015 will have their name entered into a drawing for the resort week or two other fabulous prizes. For each additional new member you recruit, your name will be entered again. There are no restrictions on how many times you can earn entry into the contest.

**1st Place Prize:** a one-week vacation at a Florida or Mexico resort.

**2nd Place Prize:** a paid registration for one session to the highly-desired Tennis and Life Camp at Gustavus College, to be used in Summer 2015.

**3rd Place Prize:** top-of-the-line new tennis racquet and 3 cans of balls.

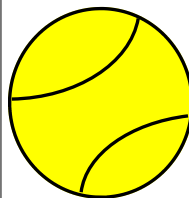
The Contest will now run through January 15, 2015 and winner drawings will be held in February. The STPC Membership Committee will be the final judge of all winners.

**New member applications** are on our website, [seniortennismn.com](http://seniortennismn.com).

Have new members fill out the application and send it with their check to: Ken Landro, 1890 Hampshire Lane N, Golden Valley, MN 55427. (Tell your new member to be sure to put your name at the bottom of the form.)

Questions? Call Ken Landro at 763-544-9757.

***As a non-profit organization, the Senior Tennis Players Club gratefully accepts donations, memorials and estate gifts. Please send to Senior Tennis Players Club, P.O. Box 5525, Hopkins, MN 55343.***



### Mission Statement

The primary purpose of the STPC is to provide tennis playing opportunities to people 50 and older for their mental, physical, and social well-being; and to support the growth of tennis.

### ***Newsletter Submissions***

To help make the newsletter as correct as possible, please submit all items in writing only, by mail or email. The deadline is the 15th of the month for publication the following month. All material submitted for publication is subject to editing. Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want materials returned.

### **Send your submissions to:**

Tanja Sayles, 5525 Concord Ave, Edina, MN 55424.

Email: [tanjasayles@comcast.net](mailto:tanjasayles@comcast.net)

Opinions expressed in articles, letters or advertisements are those of the author, and do not necessarily represent views of the newsletter editor or the Board or officers of STPC.

## Mark's corner

By Mark Mudra

Our indoor drill season continues. There are 11 drills, all drop in, no reservations needed, just show up and play. All levels welcome and all just cost \$8.00. See exact details on the website. We play, learn, and have fun. There are certified professional instructors at each drill.



**Baseline.** This drill is on the University of Minnesota campus (see our website for instructions and parking available for \$4 in a lot right behind Baseline). We start this drill at 9:30 so traffic and parking is not an issue. I teach this event for only \$8 for 1½ hours of tennis (a real deal vs. my usual \$50 a hour for private lessons). This drill has a good court situation so we usually have only 4 players per court .

**Williston.** This drill is in Minnetonka—our only evening offering, taught by Denny and Duane.

**InnerCity (Reed-Sweatt).** We offer drills at this facility on Monday afternoon and Thursday morning taught by HP, Dil, Paul, and Duncan. There are always two courts available and the coaches try to divide the class by level. There are always two instructors at these classes to help you get personalized attention. The bubbles have been replaced, with *much improved lighting* and *air conditioning*, to enhance your tennis experience.

**Public Indoor.** Offers a 12:00-1:00 instructional drill Tuesday and Friday for 3.5 and below players, in which we have more coach feeding drills vs. playing. Our 1:00-2:30 drills on Tuesday and Friday offer the 3.5+ players a high level of competition. We feature drills

## Players wanted

**Subs W 2.5, Thurs. 10:00 AM at Baseline Tennis** at U of M. Call Alletta Jervey 651-917-7595 or email [ajervey7595@msn.com](mailto:ajervey7595@msn.com).

**Subs MW 3.0-3.5 Fred Wells, Fridays 9:00-11:00.** This is a great mixed-doubles group. We also need one full-time woman for January and on. We're competitive and fun! Call Caryl Minnetti 952-884-5136.

**Regulars and Subs M/W 3.0-3.5, at St. Paul Indoor Tennis Club Mondays 7-9AM.** Please contact Peter Plagemann at 651-633-0466 or [plage001@umn.edu](mailto:plage001@umn.edu).

**Regulars & subs, MW 3.0, Williston Fitness Center, Fridays 2:00-3:30.** Two courts, mostly men, and ladies that enjoy beating the men. Arnie Nelson 763-473-2089 or e-mail [arnie55447@gmail.com](mailto:arnie55447@gmail.com)

such as the Gopher, senior singles, and Badger drill—a ton of fun plus movement. We usually end with a king of the court doubles competition.

**Life Time.** For Life Time members only, Tuesday morning 8:00-9:00 we have an instructional class (3.5 or less players) that several of our staff volunteer to coach—myself, HP, Bob, and Denny. You have coaches feeding plus individual instruction for only \$8. The average players per court/coach is 3. Plus a 3.5+ drill at 8:30-10:00

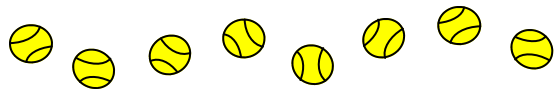
For all drills, see our web site for exact time and place.

Focused skill for December drills is the **Backhand ground stroke.**

Target 4'x4' square in court corner 2' from sideline and baseline right hip dictates shot direction

- Full Shoulder turn touch chin to shoulder
- Weight on back foot
- Keep head down thru the shot
- Push palm thru contact point

Any questions on any of the above, please contact me. Mark Mudra [markmudra@aol.com](mailto:markmudra@aol.com)



## Publicity/Marketing?

Do you have **interest or experience in publicity and marketing?** Senior Tennis needs your help. As you know, we are experiencing a slow decline in membership, a trend which we must reverse.

If you would like to consider volunteering to help, please contact Penny Ream [psream@comcast.net](mailto:psream@comcast.net) for more info.

## Want ads

Two-line want ads are available to all STPC members. Your ad is free for three issues. After that, there is a charge of \$5 per publication.

**Expert Racket service.** Fred Jurewicz 952-496-1018 (H); 612-250-3185. *10% STPC discount.*

**Time for summer project?** Bathroom, kitchen, insulate, paint, tile, lighting/electrical, plumbing. High quality attention to detail. Ostergaard Home Improvement, LLC. Eric 612-710-7055 [ericostergaard@yahoo.com](mailto:ericostergaard@yahoo.com)

**Lake Harriet Florist.** Naomi Strom, owner. 5011 Penn Ave S, Minneapolis. 612-259-8211 [info@lakeharrietflorist.com](mailto:info@lakeharrietflorist.com) [www.lakeharrietflorist.com](http://www.lakeharrietflorist.com) 10% STPC member discount.





**SENIOR TENNIS PLAYERS CLUB**  
The 50+ Tennis Experience

# INDOOR DRILLS (Sept. 2014 - Apr 2015)

*No reservations needed, just show up and play!*  
*All levels welcome.*

Questions? Contact Mark Mudra, Director of Training: [markmudra@aol.com](mailto:markmudra@aol.com)

DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INSTRUCTORS	FEE
Mon	<a href="#">Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center</a> 4005 Nicollet Ave S, Minneapolis, 612-825-6844	1:30-3PM	Dilcia Pederson, 612-824-6099, <a href="mailto:dilcia.pederson@innercitytennis.org">dilcia.pederson@innercitytennis.org</a> Duncan Welty, 952-933-8592, <a href="mailto:idwelty@q.com">idwelty@q.com</a>	\$8
Tue	<a href="#">Life Time 98<sup>th</sup> St</a> – only open to Life Time members. Free for Unlimited Tennis Pass; \$8 for others. Instructional class (3.0 level and below) 952-830-7900.	8:00-9AM	Mark Mudra, 952-833-1469 <a href="mailto:markmudra@aol.com">markmudra@aol.com</a>	\$8
	<a href="#">Life Time 98<sup>th</sup> St</a> –Life Time members only. Free for Unlimited Tennis Pass; \$8 / others. 3.5+ 952-830-7900.	8:30-10:00 AM	Mark Mudra, 952-833-1469 <a href="mailto:markmudra@aol.com">markmudra@aol.com</a>	\$8
	<a href="#">Public Indoor Tennis</a> . 7833 Highway 65 N.E., Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. 763-231-3109. 3.0 level & below.	Noon-1PM	Mark Mudra, 952-833-1469 <a href="mailto:markmudra@aol.com">markmudra@aol.com</a>	\$8
	<a href="#">Public Indoor Tennis</a> . 7833 Highway 65 N.E., Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. 763-231-3109. 3.5+ players only.	1-2:30 PM	Mark Mudra, 952-833-1469 <a href="mailto:markmudra@aol.com">markmudra@aol.com</a>	\$8
Wed	<a href="#">Baseline</a> 1815 4 th Street Mpls 612-625-1433	9:30-11:00 AM	Mark Mudra, 952-833-1469 <a href="mailto:markmudra@aol.com">markmudra@aol.com</a>	\$8
	<a href="#">Williston Fitness &amp; Sports</a> , 14509 Minnetonka Drive, Minnetonka 952-939-8370.	5:30-7PM	Duane Ryman, 612-865-9517 <a href="mailto:dhrtennis40@hotmail.com">dhrtennis40@hotmail.com</a> Denny Wagner, 612-578-8477 <a href="mailto:dennis8477@gmail.com">dennis8477@gmail.com</a>	\$8
Thu	<a href="#">Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center</a> . 4005 Nicollet Ave S, Minneapolis, 612-825-6844	8:30-10AM	Paul Stormo, 952-944-6286 <a href="mailto:pjstormo@aol.com">pjstormo@aol.com</a> HP, 612-590-0181 <a href="mailto:hunghuyphan@gmail.com">hunghuyphan@gmail.com</a>	\$8
Fri	<a href="#">Life Time 98<sup>th</sup> St</a> – only open to Life Time members. Free for Unlimited Tennis Pass; \$8 for others. 3.5+ only.	8-9:30 AM	Mike Johnson or his staff	\$8
	<a href="#">Public Indoor Tennis</a> . 7833 Highway 65 N.E., Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. 763-231-3109. 3.0 level & below.	Noon-1PM	Mark Mudra, 952-833-1469 <a href="mailto:markmudra@aol.com">markmudra@aol.com</a>	\$8
	<a href="#">Public Indoor Tennis</a> . 7833 Highway 65 N.E., Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. 763-231-3109. 3.5+ players only.	1-2:30 PM	Mark Mudra, 952-833-1469 <a href="mailto:markmudra@aol.com">markmudra@aol.com</a>	\$8

**Stroke of the Month** - Each month instructors will focus on one stroke (See Mark's Corner in the newsletter for what stroke is featured)

**Stroke Sequence** - Volley, Serve, Return of Serve, FH Groundstroke, BH Groundstroke, Doubles Play, Advanced Doubles Play, Singles

PRIVATE CLUB DRILLS OPEN TO STPC MEMBERS				
Location	Day	Cost	Time	Information
<a href="#">Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center</a> 4005 Nicollet Ave S, Minneapolis	Tue Thu	\$12	Skill development & a workout. 9-10 AM (2.0-3.0 & 3.5+)	Weekly sign-up. Call 612-825-6844.
	Thu	\$12	Intro Class (1.0-2.0). Foam and low pressure balls (10-11 AM).	
<a href="#">Williston Fitness &amp; Sports</a> 14509 Minnetonka Dr. Minnetonka, MN 55345	Mon	Williston member \$10, non-member \$14	Senior 2.0-2.5 Tennis Clinic 3:00-4:00pm	Call 952-939-8370 to sign up.
	Wed		Senior Tennis Clinic 8:00-9:00am	
	Fri		Senior Focused Play & Critique 8:00-9:00am	

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championship. Merzbacher defeated her best friend, some-time USTA doubles partner and training partner, **Hayley Haakenstad** from Chanhassen 6-1, 6-2 in the final to record her second state singles title. In Class 2A doubles, the Blake team of **Jane Fraley/Libby Richerman** ousted two-time Rochester Mayo champions **Kylie Boyer/Kate Rosenow** in the semi-final and then defeated **Paige & Taylor McLeod** of Benilde-St. Margaret's in the final 6-1, 6-0. In Class 1A, **Grace Zumwinkle/Kendall Kozikowski** of Breck defeated **Taylor Banitt/Maddie Adel** of Cannon Falls 6-1, 6-2 for their first state championship title.

### Gopher tennis

The men's Big Ten Indoor Championships were held at the U of M Baseline Center in early November. Gopher freshman **Felix Corwin** from Elm Grove, Wisconsin won the singles championship by defeating freshman teammate **Matic Spec** from Maribor, Slovenia 7-6 (6), 6-3. Corwin made it through the tournament without losing a set. Spec made it an all-Gopher championship by defeating top-seeded and 64th-ranked **Dusty Boyer** of Nebraska in three sets. Boyer, from Forest Lake, is a three-time Minnesota State High School singles champion. Both Corwin and Spec completed impressive fall play. Corwin finished the fall season with an 11-1 singles record. His only loss was to 16th-ranked Dane Webb of Oklahoma. Spec finished the fall with a 9-3 record including two wins against ranked opponents.

Following the Big Ten tournament, Gopher senior **Leandro Toledo** played in his second USTA/ITA National Indoor tournament in Flushing, New York. He lost to 18th-ranked **Danis Nguyen** of Harvard in the first round. Toledo, ranked #22, finished the fall season with a 7-4 record. The four losses were against top-20 opponents. The men's spring season at the Baseline Center starts January 17 against Marquette and South Dakota State. Gopher Women, under the direction of **Chuck Merzbacher**, concluded the fall season in early November at the Big Green Invitational in Hanover, New Hampshire. The Gophers won four singles matches and one doubles match against opponents from Massachusetts. **Maja Vujic, Julia Couter, Kendall Heitzner** and **Paula Rincon-Otero** won for the Gophers in singles and Heitzner and **Caroline Ryba** won in doubles. Gopher Women in the 2013-14 season registered a 7-win improvement from the previous season and posted its highest overall win

total (17) and Big Ten win total (6) since 2003. Their spring season begins January 18 at the Baseline Tennis Center with matches against Milwaukee and North Dakota. Here's the full Gopher Tennis schedule:

Gopher Men		
01/30/15	Green Bay	11:00 AM
	Dartmouth	6:00 PM
02/01/15	Oklahoma State	Noon
03/06/15	Washington	10:00 AM
03/08/15	Drake	Noon
03/20/15	Iowa	6:00 PM
03/27/15	Purdue	6:30 PM
03/29/15	Indiana	Noon

Gopher Women		
02/20/15	Drake	6:00 PM
02/22/15	Dartmouth	11:00 AM
	South Dakota State	6:00 PM
02/27/15	Iowa State	3:00 PM
03/01/15	Marquette	11:00 AM
	Carleton	4:00 PM
03/13/15	Wisconsin	4:00 PM
04/04/15	Iowa	11:00 AM
04/05/15	Nebraska	11:00 AM
04/11/15	Northwestern	Noon
04/12/15	Illinois	11:00 AM
04/17/15	Purdue	3:00 PM

### ATP World Tour Final

Only the top eight singles and doubles teams qualified for this season-ending tournament. The city of London again hosted the final men's tournament in early November. **Novak Djokovic** became the recipient of his 3rd consecutive title after **Roger Federer** pulled out less than an hour before the scheduled title match. Federer said he hurt his back in a nearly 3-hour match on the previous day in his win against **Stan Wawrinka**. The **Bryan twin brothers** from the USA won the doubles championship after defeating **Ivan Dodig** and **Marcelo Melo** 6-7(5), 6-2, 10-7. **Eric Butorac**, the Gustavus graduate from Rochester, and his partner Raven Klaasen were close to qualifying but were selected as alternates.

### Florida Grand Prix

STPC men looking for competitive tennis will again have an opportunity to compete in 55-90 age brackets on clay in singles and doubles on the West Coast of Florida. The first three tournaments are scheduled for Naples and then move north for three tournaments in the Sarasota/St. Petersburg area. You may register online at [flsupersenior.com](http://flsupersenior.com) for the following tournaments: January 12, World Tennis Club, Naples; January 19, Sanchez/Casals, Naples; January 25, Sterling Oaks Super Cat II, Naples; February 9, Palm Aire, Sarasota; February 16, Meadows Racquet Club, Sarasota and February 23, St. Pete Country Club Super Cat II, St. Petersburg. Participation in 2014 for these tournaments range from 144 men in Meadows tournament to 288 in Sterling Oaks.

# Fall/winter schedule 2014-2015

Up-to-date schedule is always on our website: [www.seniortennismn.com](http://www.seniortennismn.com)

Want to find a place to play? Here's what you do:

- Locate one or more locations, times, and skill level that you'd like.
- Call the captains responsible and ask if they have any regular or sub positions available.
- If this doesn't accomplish what you want, call Facility Coordinators for places you'd like to play. They may be able to help you get a new group together. If no Facility Coordinator shown, call Thue Rasmussen.

**Play is usually September-April. Check with Captains for start/end dates**  
**For corrections or changes to this schedule, call**  
**Thue Rasmussen at 651-917-0075 or E-mail him at [thueor32@comcast.net](mailto:thueor32@comcast.net)**

●● St. Paul Area ●●

Location	Day	Time	Cts	Skill	Captains	Phone
<a href="#">St. Paul Indoor Tennis Club</a> 600 Desoto, St. Paul Facility coordinator??	Mon	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Peter Plagemann	651-633-0466
	Wed	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Richard Thompson	651-645-1478
	Fri	7:00-9:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Annette Adam	651-209-9768
<a href="#">Wooddale Recreation Center</a> 2122 Wooddale Dr, Woodbury Facility Coordinator: Darlene Moynagh 651-436-8927	Mon	8:00-10:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Connie Huie	651-450-4580
	Tue	9:00-11:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 M	Woody Gillette	651-436-2614
	Fri	8:00-10:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Ken Simmons	651-436-8857

●● Minneapolis Area ●●

Location	Day	Time	Cts	Skill	Captains	Phone
<a href="#">Baseline Club</a> 1815 4th St SE, Minneapolis 612-625-1433 Facility coordinator: Thue Rasmussen 651-917-0075	Mon	10:00-Noon	3	3.5+ MW	David Sommer	612-276-1313
	Wed	10:30-Noon	2	3.0 MW	Louise Halverson	612-722-7132
	Thu	9:00-11:00 AM	2	3.5+ MW	David Sommer	612-276-1313
		Noon-1:00 PM	1	2.5 W	Alletta Jerrey	651-917-7595
	Fri	9:30-11:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Judy Sweeney	612-866-5298
<a href="#">Fred Wells Tennis and Education Center</a> 100 Federal Drive, Ft. Snelling 612-252-8367 Facility Coordinator??	Mon	7:00-8:30 AM	5	3.5-4.0 M	Rick Van Doeren	952-897-3888
		8:30-10:00 AM	2	3.0 + MW	Skip Pederson	952-831-0684
		9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Sandra Loewenstein	651-454-3699
		9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.5-4.0 W	Shirley Shimota	612-285-1699
		10:00-Noon	3	3.5 + MW	Dave Fridgen	612-521-4063
	Tue	8:00-9:30 AM	2	2.5-3.0 MW	Carrie Howes	651-406-9583
	Wed	9:30-11:00 AM	2	3.0 + MW	Skip Pederson	952-831-0684
		1:00-2:30 PM	1	3.5-4.0 W	Mary Lou Dyrhaug	651-690-2094
	Thu	9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Sandra Loewenstein	651-454-3699
		11:00-1:00 PM	3	3.5 MW	Dave Fridgen	612-521-4063
	Fri	9:00-11:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Caryl Minnetti	952-884-5136
		10:00-11:30 AM	1	3.5-4.0 W	Mary Rogers	952-927-8168
		10:30-12:30 PM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Mary Reed	952-388-9847
<a href="#">Life Time Fitness Lakeville</a> 18425 Dodd Blvd. 952-985-8800 Facility Coordinator: Bruce Abrahamson 952-461-2617	Mon thru Fri	7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Bruce Abrahamson	952-461-2617
<a href="#">PublicIndoorTennis.com</a> 7833 Highway 65 N.E., Spring Lake Park, MN 55432. 763-231-3109. Facility Coordinator: Diane Lehman 651-488-6147	Mon	10:30-noon	4	3.0-3.5 MW	Lisa Nelson	763-560-6060
	Thu	8:30-10:30 AM	3	3.0-4.0 MW	Mike Schleeter	651-274-2011
					Gary Melby	763-755-7252
		10:30-Noon	4	2.5-3.0 MW	Roberta Williams	651-631-1201
			Carol Pierce	763-424-6665		

<b>Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center</b> 4005 Nicollet Avenue S, Mpls 612-825-6844 Facility Coordinator: Marv Schneider 952-540-6419	Mon	<b>NOTE: RSFTC has many open courts. If you need permanent court time for your group, call Samantha Smart Merritt at 612-824-6099.</b>					
		7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0 MW	Carol Thompson	952-929-0844	
		8:30-10:00 AM	2	2.5-3.0 W	Joan Petroff	952-893-9149	
		10:00-11:30 AM	3	3.0 MW	Julia French	612-872-4807	
		11:00-12:30 PM	2	2.5 MW	Cleome Hennessy	763-767-9689	
	Tue	11:30-1:30 PM	5	3.5-4.0 MW	Steve Keefe	612-331-0049	
					Thue Rasmussen	651-917-0075	
		7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Donna Peterson	952-270-7439	
		9:00-10:30 AM	2	2.5 MW	Donna Borgerding	612-721-7038	
		9:00-10:30 AM	3	3.0-3.5 M	Benton Randolph	612-889-9086	
		9:30-11:00 AM	1	3.0-3.5 M	Ken Rich	612-377-4682	
		10:30-Noon	3	2.5-3.0 MW	Dennis Moody	651-488-8124	
		11:30-1:30 PM	1	3.5 MW	Joan Thomas	651-249-6992	
	Wed	1:30-3:30 PM	2	3.0-4.0 MW	Marv Schneider	952-540-6419	
		1:30-3:00 PM	2	3.5 W	Jean Murdock	952-941-5362	
		9:30-11:00 AM	3	3.0-4.0 W	Joanne Schmid	952-474-6022	
		9:30-11:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Ronnae Garrity	952-938-0374	
		10:30-Noon	2	3.0-3.5 W	Marsha Jarvela	612-790-1246	
		10:30-Noon	1	3.5 M	Bob O'Brien	952-920-1571	
	Thu	11:30-1:30 PM	2	3.5-4.0 MW	Jo Rolling	651-777-3773	
		1:00-3:00 PM	2	3.5-4.0 M	Dick Mills	952-925-5851	
		7:00-8:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Dorothy Rossing	612-926-9199	
		7:00-9:00 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Donna Peterson	952-270-7439	
	Fri	8:30-10:00 AM	4	2.5-3.0 MW	Linda Wright	952-895-1142	
					Bill Kruckeberg	952-926-3397	
		8:30-9:30 AM	1	2.5-3.0 W	Florence Halverson	952-835-5999	
		9:00-10:30 AM	4	2.5-3.5 MW	??		
		9:00-11:00 AM	3	3.0-3.5 MW	Ronnae Garrity	952-938-0374	
		10:30-12:30 PM	3	3.0-3.5 M	Jim Uecker	763-412-7674	
		10:30-12:30 PM	3	3.0-4.0 MW	Marv Schneider	952-540-6419	
	<b>Williston Fitness and Sports</b> 14509 Minnetonka Drive Minnetonka Facility Coordinator Ed Fischer 763-550-9770	Mon	12:30-2:30 PM	6	3.5-4.0 MW	John Dickinson	763-533-9300
						Steve Keefe	612-331-0049
Tue		7:00-8:30 AM	3	3.0-3.5 W	Ginny Morse	612-288-9121	
		10:30-Noon	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Terry Clark	952-473-6296	
Wed		8:00-9:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Doug Reeder	952-934-8921	
		11:30-1:00 PM	2	3.0-3.5 MW	Patrick Hurley	952-470-2110	
		2:30-4:00 PM	1	2.5-3.5 W	Peg Woellner	952-935-6187	
Thu		7:30-9:00 AM	2	2.5-3.0 W	Lois Kukuk	952-495-8067	
		8:00-9:30 AM	2	3.0-3.5 M	Dennis Henriksen	952-475-2795	
Fri		1:00-2:30 PM	1	3.0-3.5 W	Jenny Caldwell	763-473-6015	
	2:00-3:30 PM	2	3.0 MW	Arnie Nelson	763-473-2089		
Sat	3:00-5:00 PM	3	3.0-4.0 MW	Marv Schneider	952-540-6419		

## Senior women win gold medal

By Jo Rolling

I love tennis *and* slow-pitch softball! In the latter sport, I am co-captain of the Minnesota Lady Loons women's slow-pitch softball team. We came home with a gold medal in our age bracket from the Huntsman World Senior Games held annually in October in St. George, Utah.

The Lady Loons were formerly known as the Tennis Team. We decided to change the name after 15 years of confusing tournament officials. The new name brought

us luck! We are the only women's slow-pitch softball team ages 65+ in Minnesota. We played six games in three days to earn the gold. This is our fourth trip to Utah, but the first to medal.

The team awarded MVP to second-basewoman Dorothy Leitner from West St. Paul. She played terrific offense and defense.

By the way, the Summer National Senior Games will be held in Minnesota in 2015. Come out and root for the MN Lady Loons.

Our fans are fondly called "loonatics."

## *In Memory...*

### **Dick Brandt**

Dick, age 72, of Brooklyn Park, passed away peacefully November 4, 2014. Survived by his wife of 48 years, Ardis, son Bill, daughter Linda, son Steve, granddaughters and other family and friends. He was a member of Toastmasters, the Showtime Singers, and Senior Tennis Players Club.

Dick served on the STPC Board as New Members Chair. In that capacity, he always contacted new members to be sure they understood how to get the most from their membership. His was a thoughtful presence that more than once helped steer the Board through difficult and potentially destructive issues. He stepped forward to volunteer when needed. Dennis Hykes recalls, "In early summer 2013, it was discovered that except for reserving the venue, nothing had been done in preparing for the Annual Picnic. Dick offered to head the effort on an urgent basis, and I offered to assist him. He proceeded to do the homework, get into the details, show up early to tape down



the tablecloths on the picnic tables, stay late to clean up, etc. Typical of his attitude."

Ken Landro: "Dick had been a member of Senior Tennis for many years and played in at least two indoor groups, one of which he captained. He was also a volunteer captain in the summer at Crystal Tennis Courts. Dick was a very nice, gentle man who always stepped in to help wherever the Club needed him."



Marsha Jarvela: "He was, for several years, captain of summer drop-in at New Hope, well-known for his no-look lob. Dick was a consummate entertainer. He was a stand-up comic and also told corny jokes on the tennis court. Member of Showtime Singers (group of seniors who entertained at many North Metro venues) who once did a flash-mob at Golden Valley Byerly's store."

President Hykes: "Though I had not met him prior to joining the Board, I always appreciated Dick for his readiness to provide some institutional memory to the new Board, as he was one of the few carry-overs during the Board upheaval in the spring of 2013."