



Senior Tennis Times

The 50+ tennis experience

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By Linda Haller, STPC President

Our Annual Gala Luncheon meeting was held on Thursday, September 22 at the Town and Country Club. Our smaller venue this year provided a comfortable environment for member interaction and group discussion. Over 30 people attended the event and had an enjoyable, productive time. Our agenda included:

- Discussion regarding a potential annual boat ride,
- Some valuable information about volunteering at ICT from our featured speaker Omar Warfa (ICT's volunteer coordinator), and
- STPC's balanced budget and improving financial situation.

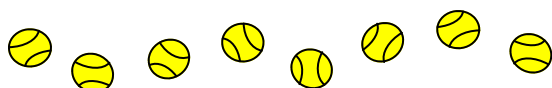
InnerCity Tennis will be running a Halloween Volley Video Clinic on Monday, October 31 from 1:30-3:30. This event is similar to ICT's very successful serving clinic held earlier this year. Participants will receive instant (and professional) feedback on how they are handling volleys. We are pleased to partner with ICT again in promoting this exciting event. STPC members will receive a \$5 discount. This event will be limited to the first 48 players that sign up. Players can either register online or download the registration form and submit it with payment to InnerCity Tennis, 4005 Nicollet Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55409.

If you are looking for ways to contribute your time to STPC, please consider becoming an STPC board member. We are currently accepting applications for new board members. [Click here](#) for an application form and submit the completed form to STPC, PO Box 5525, Hopkins, MN 55343. If you would like additional information about board membership, please contact Linda Haller at lhaller@inlighten.biz.

The winter drill schedule is on page 3. The winter group play schedules are up on our website. Please click here [for the drill schedule](#) and here [for the group play schedule](#). We hope to see you all at our fall/winter drills and group play.

Happy hitting!

Linda



Dow Award—Joan Thomas

By Thue Rasmussen

The Dow award for support and service to the Senior Tennis Players Club was established 19 years ago and thus there have been that many members of our club who have received these annual awards, beginning with Percy Hughes, in 1996. A committee of current members who have been recipients of the award have chosen Joan Thomas to be recognized for the Dow award for 2015.

Regrettably, she was not able to be present at the Annual Meeting of STPC on September 22 to receive this award in person, for she was abroad on a trip. But David Sommer, a previous Dow award recipient, received the trophy and plaque for her.

Joan and husband, Paul, adopted two children from foreign countries while she was employed in a “high-stress” executive business position. In order to devote



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Time to renew!

Many of us have our membership expire near the end of the year. Please check the mailing label on this newsletter—it will tell you what your expiration date is. You can easily renew online, or by snail mail. Please see page 4 for details.

Social events, 2016-2017. *Save the dates!*

Tennis Socials. Where: Fred Wells Tennis Center.

Cost: \$15. Time: 7:00-9:00 PM

December 9, 2016—Holiday Party

February 17, 2017—Valentine Party

April 21, 2017—Spring Fling

Signup on page 3 or on our website—click on Play, then on Tennis Parties.

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Membership total: 834

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(Jack Dow award—continued from page 1)
more time to parenting her younger child, Joan retired from her executive job and starting playing tennis for exercise. She was fortunate enough to play with another woman at Lilydale who was a member of STPC, and so she became aware of our organization and then joined it after the Lilydale facility closed. She played at Fred Wells with a couple of groups and at Baseline in David Sommer's group. Soon, she was enticed by David Sommer to join the STPC Board of Directors, where she served for three years as secretary and also was engaged in applying her executive talents in a number of projects benefiting the club's operational effectiveness.

After her term on the Board, she

helped out on other projects to facilitate new members becoming informed of opportunities to participate in scheduled groups and to attend social activities. She has assisted in the administration of the Dow tournament for a number of years, especially in arranging food service for it.

Another indication of the extent of Joan's participation and leadership in STPC is that not only has she been playing tennis at least 4 times a week, but she has been a captain at Fred Wells and/or at Reed-Sweatt most of her 15 years in the club.

The good we do

When you're at ICT, look for our "tile" on the Donor Wall in the lounge area. Recognizes your editor and STPC for our gifts.

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.

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.

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:

David Sommer, 3657 17th Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55407
Email: dsommer7@usiwireless.com.

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.

Senior Tennis Players Club
Indoor Drill Season Innercity Tennis/Reed Sweatt
 September 6, 2016 - April 30, 2017

Reservations required. Call 612-825-6844
Mention STPC Membership At Sign-In To Receive Reduced Rate:
 1 hour drill - \$13; **STPC Rate - \$10**
 1½ hour drill - \$18; **STPC Rate - \$13**

Day	Time	Instructor	Fee STPC Member
Monday	1:30 - 3:00 P.M.	Dilcia Pederson	\$13
Tuesday	9:00 - 10:00 A.M. 2.5 - 3.25 Players	Staff	\$10
	9:00 - 10:00 A.M. 3.5+ Players	Staff	\$10
	10:00 - 11:30 A.M.	Roger Boyer	\$13
Wednesday	1:30 - 3:00 P.M.	Dilcia Pederson	\$13
Thursday	9:00 - 10:00 A.M. 2.5 - 3.25 Players	Staff	\$10
	9:00 - 10:00 A.M. 3.5+ Players	Staff	\$10
	12:30 - 2:00 P.M.	Roger Boyer	\$13
Friday	9:00 - 10:30 A.M.	Roger Boyer	\$13

Fred Wells Tennis Center
 September 12, 2016 - April 30, 2017

Reservations required. Call 612-252-8367

Day	Time	Instructor	Fee
Tuesday	2:00 - 3:30 P.M.	Staff	\$13

Holiday Tennis Social

Start the holidays right with a Tennis Party. Friday, December 9, 7:00-9:00. Plenty of tennis and good food – just \$15 (\$17 at the door). Two ways to reserve your spot:

1. Pay online. On our website, click Play, and then Tennis Parties. Scroll Down until you see the Holiday Social. Click on the link. Guests welcome (\$15).
2. Pay by mail. Write check to STPC for \$15, indicate also your tennis rating. Send to Jon Holmgren, 5529 Queen Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55410

More information, call or email Jon Holmgren 612-702-7509 e_jon_holmgren@yahoo.com, or Pam Campbell 612-822-0567 pmscampbell@juno.com

Valentine Tennis Social

Celebrate Valentines Day with a Tennis Party. Friday, February 17, 7:00-9:00. Plenty of tennis and good food – just \$15 (\$17 at the door). Two ways to reserve your spot:

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1. Pay online. *[available after December 12.]* On our website, click Play, and then Tennis Parties. Scroll Down until you see the Valentine Social. Click on the link. Guests welcome (\$15).
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Membership renewal time??

Is it time for you to renew your STPC membership? On the address label of this newsletter we have printed the expiration date of your membership. You may also see a message alerting you if your membership is expiring soon, or has already expired. Please renew if it is time to do so. You can renew via the website (seniortennismn.org) or use the form to the right. Some explanation:

Your email address is needed so we can remind you to renew and to send you the monthly E-Update.

Enter your home address if it has changed.

Membership options—circle the one you want. Note that our website has links to our newsletters and to a current online roster, but many members also like to receive printed copies.

Send the form and your check to:

Sharon Gribble
1381 West County Road B2
Roseville, MN 55113



Renewal Form

Name _____

Primary phone _____

Secondary phone _____

Email address _____

Skill level (1.0 to 4.5): _____

If your home address has changed, enter here:

Choose **one** of the following membership levels:

- Basic membership: \$30
- Basic membership + printed roster: \$32
- Basic membership + printed newsletter: \$33
- Basic membership + printed roster & newsletter: \$35