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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Members,

As I write this, we are in the midst of something that many of you have already experienced. We are moving from our home in Shoreview, where we have lived for almost thirty years, to a townhome in Ham Lake. How could we have accumulated so much "junk" in that time? It was easy! We just never threw anything away. And now we must pay the price — in more ways than one.

Please note the new telephone number which appears on the last page of this issue of *The Times*.

Where does the time go? It seems that I just started in this job as your president and already it's time to think of finding successors for myself and the Board members who will finish their service early next year. I have appointed the following persons to serve on a Nominating Committee which I will chair: Bob Curran, Emily Day, Bernice Hanson, Mary Kaminski, Jerry Lund, Bob Metcalf and Mona Mae Zarling. If you have any suggestions of persons whom you feel would be good additions to the Board and who would be willing to serve, please call or write to any of the members of the Nominating

Committee.

My best wishes to all of you for a wonderful holiday season, and may the new year bring you good health and happiness in great measure.

Incidentally, the amaryllis had nine beautiful blossoms to brighten our home.

Holger Christiansen



Renew Your 1993 Membership Now!

Hundreds of membership renewals are in, but now is the time for the rest of you to pay your dues.

Complete the form on pages 5 and 6 of the November *Times*, write out a check for \$20, payable to The Senior Tennis Players Club, Inc., and mail it

to Bernice Hanson, 120 Windsor Court, New Brighton, MN 55112. Bernice's phone number is 633-3276.

Lifetime Members

A note to lifetime members: no renewal dues are expected from you, but we do ask that you complete the renewal form, mark it "lifetime", and most important of all, sign the Membership Conditions. A current form is kept on file for all members.

Roster

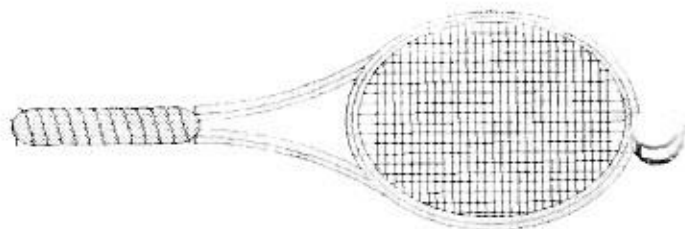
Next March the 1993 Membership Roster will be mailed to all members in good standing. Your name will be in the roster only if your dues are paid. So, don't delay - *renew now!*

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Tennis Tips

This Month's Tipster: Percy Hughes



Learn to Play Midcourt Doubles in Tandem With Confidence

It seems as if "one up, one back," is the most popular way for seniors to play doubles. In the last few years there have even been a few articles in

publications encouraging this. However, high-level doubles play calls for in-tandem position play, which means both partners go up and back together, one partner defending the ad court and the other the deuce court.

Seniors can be taught to be comfortable and even enjoy playing the professional way.

Practicing volleys, half-volleys and overheads over and over will give you the confidence you need to be comfortable playing at midcourt. Remember while you're practicing, you're further from the net so:

1. you must be *firmer* in the wrist
2. have the lower edge of the racquethead leading and
3. hit *through* the ball.

Following these three mechanics will give you spin, pace and depth. The

midcourt volley can become one of your favorite and most confident shots once you've put the proper mechanics together.

Numerous midcourt drills with balls fed to you high, low and short, plus overheads, will soon make you a better player at or a little behind the service line. Midcourt playing in tandem *can* work for seniors.

Safety is also an important factor because we don't have the speed and agility to close into the net and still defend our back court. We need to strengthen our midcourt game. Ask for this drill.

Roger Boyer's Annual Christmas Drill

All members are welcome at the Nicollet Tennis Center on Thursday, December 17, from 8:30 to 10:00 am. Roger Boyer, the Prince representative for this region, will hold his annual Christmas Drill together with Ginny Owens, Percy Hughes and Paul Stormo. As has been his tradition, Roger will bring prizes.

More Players Needed at Decathlon

Captain Betty Fletcher has openings at the Decathlon Club for Fridays, 3 to 4:30 pm. If you're interested, call her at 922-1685.

Williston-Sagedahl Club Has Court Time Openings

There will be some openings in the Sunday mixed doubles group at Williston starting January 10 and ending April 25. Play is from 2 to 4 pm for level 3 and up players. You can sign up for every Sunday or every other Sunday. Please call Al Lee at 934-1267 for further information.

Don Hartley Gives Away A Bountiful Harvest

Every summer, STPC member Don Hartley grows a garden full of vegetables and fruits to be given away to food shelves and distribution centers. This year, his total harvest was 6110 pounds of produce.

Most of his fresh veggies and fruit (4,406 pounds) were delivered to the

Sabathani Community Center, with the remainder (1,704 pounds) going to the Prior Lake food shelves. Demand on the food shelves this year is running 97% over what it was last year, most of the issuances going to families with children. No one is turned away.

Don prides himself on the freshness and quality of his vegetables. His beets and spinach are washed and delivered in cold water so they're as crispy and fresh as possible.

Unfortunately, Don suffered a major loss in his tomato crop, which was hit with a blight. The U of M has assured him that the blight will not reoccur, so next year's tomatoes will prosper like they have in the past, and everyone will be able to enjoy healthy, wholesome food. This is what Thanksgiving is all about.

JOIN US FOR A JANUARY THAW!

Midwinter Tennis Social
Saturday
January 16, 1993

Crosstown Racquet Swim & Health Club
6233 Baker Road, Eden Prairie
494 and Crosstown 62
934-4137



TENNIS, FOOD AND FUN



Welcome players, non-players and guests
ALL LEVELS OF PLAY

Tennis is scheduled at 7, 8, 9, and 10 pm
All club facilities are available to us for the evening

Tennis players — \$10.00

Non-players — \$6.50

Please get your reservation in as early as possible. Mail your reservation and check, payable to STPC, by January 5, to Jean Hanson, 1316 South Tyrol Trail, Golden Valley, Mn 55416.

If you have any questions, call Irma Bong at 544-5687
or Jean Hanson at 377-4997.

RESERVATION REQUEST
MIDWINTER TENNIS SOCIAL

	NON-PLAYER	PLAYER #1	PLAYER #2
NAME	_____	_____	_____
PHONE	_____	_____	_____
your self-rating (1.0 to 5.0)	_____	_____	_____
preferred start time	_____	_____	_____



November Special Event A Success

Over 100 Senior Tennis Players proved by their attendance at the third STPC Membership Appreciation Special Event, "Sex and the Tennis Player,"

that this is a timely and provocative subject. Dr. Gerhard Neubeck was able to explain that sex is not just for the young and the beautiful. Many of us need to be able to communicate about our sexuality.

Dr. Alfred Anderegg chaired the event and responded as a physician to

questions regarding sex after prostate surgery, diabetes and heart attacks. Tapes and cassettes are available at a charge. Call Sue Larson at 929-4673 for more information.

Members of the Activities Committee made each person attending know that they were welcome.

...and the STPC Social Series for 1992-93 continues in high gear...

HEY—ALL YOU BEAUTIFUL "SINGLES" OUT THERE—
Listen up—and loosen up—for your very own

"Tennis Evening"

Saturday, February 13, 1993, from 7 to 11 pm
at White Bear Racquet & Swim Club

MEASLY COST: \$10 PER PLAYER
(this covers tennis, food and beverages)

to help (volunteers wanted!)—or to make your reservations—
call the main man, BOB WESTERN: 735-5761

Directions to the club: North on I-35E, exit east on Hwy 96 for half a block. Turn left onto White Bear Parkway—the club is #4800. If you get lost, the club's phone number is 426-1308.

DO IT! DO IT! DO IT!

1992 - 93 Schedule for Indoor Courts

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CAPTAINS</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
WYATONA CLUB 14740 Lawndale Lane Dayton 427-6110	Tues	10 - 12 noon	Harvey Benson Warren Westerlund Bernard Ackerson	784-6778 484-2670 537-5061
	Thurs	10 - 12 noon	Ed Comer Vernal Nelson	537-8859 545-9028
DECATHLON ATHLETIC CLUB 7800 Cedar Avenue South Bloomington 854-7777	Mon	7 - 9 am	Fred Habegger	869-7918
		10 - 11:30 am	Jean Robb	922-4729
		2 - 3:30 pm	Mary Noble	825-9487
	Tues	7 - 9 pm	Georgia Chapman	869-7069
		10 - 11:30 am	David Zimmer	588-2554
	Wed	10 - 11:30 am	Florence Habegger	869-7918
		7 - 9 am	Cliff McMinn	888-4989
		10 - 11:30 am	Vic Erdmann	922-0158
	Thurs	12 - 1:30 pm	Chuck Supplee	888-0551
		3 - 4:30 pm	Lorraine McDaniel	869-7392
Fri	10 - 11:30 am	Georgia Chapman	869-7069	
	7 - 9 am	Cliff McMinn	888-4989	
		9 - 10:30 am	Florence Habegger	869-7918
LILYDALE RACQUET CLUB 945 Sibley Memorial Hwy Lilydale 457-4954	Tues	7:30 - 9 am	Dot Guenther	687-0246
	Wed	7:30 - 9 am	Nancy Karasov	452-3172
	Thurs	7:30 - 9 am	Nancy Karasov	452-3172
NICOLLET TENNIS CENTER 1005 Nicollet Avenue Minneapolis 825-6844	Mon	7:30 - 9 am	Cliff Northfield	869-1859
		9 - 11 am	Jean Hanson	377-4997
		10 - 12 noon	Walter Kofski	481-9123
		12 - 2 pm	Pete Robinson	443-3026
		11 - 1 pm	Dick Pratt	433-3583
	Tues	7 - 9 am	Gene Philipson	454-5355
		9 - 11 am	Frank McCabe	633-6319
		11 - 1 pm	Kay Matthews	926-2953
	Wed	9 - 11 am	Mike Christofore	489-6580
		10 - 12 noon	Jean Wallace	925-4133
		11 - 12 noon	Barbara Diamond	920-3530
		11 - 1 pm	Pete Robinson	443-3026
		3 - 5 pm	Dick Pratt	433-3583
	Thurs	7 - 9 am	Gene Philipson	454-5355
		9 - 11 am	Elvin Kolstad	869-7277
		10:30 - 12:30 pm	John Connelly	771-2664
			Mary Kaminski	781-3271
	Fri	11 - 1 pm	Jim Erler	471-9750
		7:30 - 9 am	Cliff Northfield	869-1859
		8:30 - 10:30 am	Will Robbins	546-1377
	Sat	3 - 5 pm	Dave Moore	941-2512
	Sun	2:30 - 4:30 pm	Pat Smith	935-7897

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<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CAPTAINS</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
NORTHLAND FITNESS CENTER 5250 West 84th Street Bloomington 831-2660	Mon	9 - 11 am	Marian Versen	929-9643
	Tues	9 - 11 am	Dorothy Schlichting	920-0965
		11 - 1 pm	Gene Gibson	455-0122
	Wed	1:30 - 3:30 pm	Phil Briant	866-6029
		10 - 12 noon	LaVerne Wilger	929-8120
		10 - 12 noon	Mike Bosanko	881-0258
	Thurs	8:30 - 10 am	Shirley Zumberge	922-5675
		10 - 11:30 am	Cleora Feuk	544-2991
	Fri	1 - 3 pm	Gene Gibson	455-0122
		1 - 3 pm	Phil Briant	866-6029
NORTHLAND FITNESS CENTER 7624 Boone Avenue North Brooklyn Park 425-5880	Thurs	10:30 - 12:30 pm	Mary Ellen Jarnes	881-4703
			Bob Metcalf	571-3596
WHITE BEAR RACQUET CLUB 4800 White Bear Parkway White Bear Lake 426-1308	Fri	3 - 5 pm	Dick Pratt	433-3583
WILLISTON-SAGEDAHL CLUB 14509 Minnetonka Drive Minnetonka 935-8638	Mon	2 - 4 pm	Henry Flesh	546-7317
	Tues	7 - 9 am	Don Schierman	470-9144
		8 - 9:30 am	Henry Lofquist	476-4543
		8 - 10 am	Neil Messick	474-8574
		8:30 - 10 am	Adeline Levin	937-1709
		9 - 10:30 am	Kit Peterjohn	474-0154
	Wed	12 - 2 pm	Henry Flesh	546-7317
		1 - 3 pm	Dwane Billbe	938-5016
			Bill Storie	428-2052
	Thurs	7 - 9 am	Don Schierman	470-9144
		8 - 10 am	Henry Flesh	546-7317
		8:30 - 10 am	Adeline Levin	937-1709
		10 - 12 noon	Margaret Jenkinson	473-5243
	Fri	8 - 10 am	Pete Robinson	443-3026
		8:30 - 10 am	Jean Melony	474-9461
			Phyllis Johnson	472-2196
	Sat	1 - 3 pm	Mary Hoaglund	927-6742
			Bill Storie	428-2052
		2 - 4 pm	Don Schierman	470-9144
		12 - 2 pm	Shirley Pratt	433-3583
2 - 4 pm		Lois Heim	544-1322	
Sun	4 - 6 pm	Rosalyn Bernstein	544-0511	
		Ronnae Wagner	938-5785	
	2 - 4 pm	Char Hall	474-5873	
		Susie Mackenstadt	937-1979	
		James Adams	545-8578	

Award-Winning Artist Finds New Challenges To Create Abstract Shots on Tennis Courts



Artist and STPC Member Bill Saltzman

Memo to Norm Diamond: "December profile assignment: Operation Bill Saltzman. Get inside info on noted artist and plucky tennis devotee. Fit story with picture on two-page spread or more, if necessary. Because your art knowledge limited, suggest your Minneapolis Institute and Walker Art Center docent wife go along on interview. She'll make you look good with the art part of your narration!"-PP

On a recent brisk November morning, Barb and I headed downtown to the warehouse district a few blocks off Hennepin Avenue for a nine a.m. appointment with Saltzman at his studio. Arriving promptly, we were greeted warmly by Saltzman at the front door of the warehouse lobby. He said: "I didn't want you to get lost in this maze."

He was dressed in his working garb -

snug-fitting jeans and matching light blue shirt plus the inevitable tennis shoes. Although sporting a pesky cold, his ruddy cheeks glowed as an accompaniment to Pickwickian hair.

No artist's studio we've ever visited has been uncluttered, and Saltzman's was no exception. Paints, brushes, easels, canvases, raw materials and accumulated works lined the studio with awesome realizations of undiminished talent unleashed for almost five decades.

There were abstract watercolors vibrantly executed that conjured up interesting horizon lines, floral shapes and moonscapes. The mostly walnut woods he had fashioned in his sculpting took on ingenious forms of tree branches and other realistic models of nature. He revealed that the African and Mexican masks, along

with other artifacts from numerous travels, inspired his creations. It was obvious Saltzman is not a one-dimensional artist, but rather a visionary who can work wonders by combining metal, wood, glass and even tree barks as elements of his creations. Because the art-buying public demands change, he recently wrote to Italy for samples of colored glass and tiles to keep up with the trends.

Saltzman has never been trapped in one style of artistry despite the fact it may have made him more financially secure. "By nature, an artist must change and create rather than rest on his laurels when his productive capabilities are at a commercial peak," he said. At age 76, he is carving out new innovations in art that keep him throbbing with energy. "Art is a way of life," he philosophizes, "because it keeps me growing."

Who's Who in America has published his biography, which reads like a novelette that could encompass this entire paper. Even the highlights would fill a paperback with enough reading on a relaxed evening. A native Minnesotan, Saltzman was born in Minneapolis on July 9, 1916. He graduated from the U of M with a Bachelor of Science degree. In 1937, he received a scholarship and studied at the Art Students League in New York City.

Later he accepted a position in Fairmont, Minnesota as a Supervisor of Art in their public schools. In 1942 he became a Camouflage Advisor to the United States Army Engineers during World War II. Returning to Minneapolis in 1946, he became Assistant and Acting Director of the U of M Gallery and a painting and drawing instructor in the U's Extension Division. During this time he served as

a member of the Governor's Committee of the Minnesota State Art Society, 1946-50. He then moved to Rochester, Minnesota to become Resident Artist and Director of the Rochester Art Center, a position he held for 16 years and the virtual start of his reputation as an outstanding painter. He was guest instructor of painting at Saint Olaf College, and later traveled to Europe where he maintained a private studio in Florence, Italy.

In 1964 Saltzman accepted a position as Visiting Professor of the University of Nebraska's Art Department. Later that year he returned to Minneapolis to establish his studio, where he has continued to work on painting, sculpture and architectural commissions. He was a Visiting Professor and Artist at Macalester College in 1966-67. A member of the National Society of Mural Painters and College Art Association of America, he is also listed in three Who's Who publications. His works are in a number of art centers throughout the country and in numerous private collections, nearly 30 locations in all.

After assimilating all that information, we got down to the basics of the life of this great artist. You can be assured Saltzman does not plan to retire because "there are too many things to do."

His suspended low-relief stained glass sculpture for Saint Mark's Lutheran Church in North Saint Paul, a recent creation, was recently selected by an elite Washington, D. C. art jury for an Honor Award in the 1992 Interfaith Forum on Religion, Art and Architecture Visual Arts Awards Program. Only ten awards in all were chosen for this highly coveted honor. Saltzman has always stated "it is difficult to imagine architecture without art." He has combined both elements for the many years of his brilliant career.

"So what do you do in your spare time," I cautiously asked Bill. He heard

about the genial gang of STPC artists on the tennis courts and started to play at age 70.

"I needed to get out of my studio and get some exercise," he said, "but little did I know I would also get the kind of congeniality the club personifies." I thought of this bizarre idea—that Saltzman could paint designs on the sweet spots of tennis racquets and improve our game!

Saltzman has been married to his wife, Muriel, for over fifty years. They love to travel around the country to visit their three children and eleven grandchildren.

Whenever he travels, Saltzman brings each grandchild a piece of his work so Grandpa will never be far out of sight.

There should be some way that interested members of the STPC could visit Saltzman's studio. Their minds would be boggled by the vast array of important works consigned by God to only a chosen few. Saltzman epitomizes the true artist who is not baffled by any medium and who considers art directions all one.

As Barb and I took leave on this fascinating morning, I thought that some unseen force had not chosen to waste talent on us. But the reassuring part was that a Higher Being had visited a genius singled out to perform artistic miracles—and we felt happy it was a Bill Saltzman.

But Bill, how's your backhand? Hah!

Norm Diamond



STPC Members Help Young Musicians

The Star Tribune Variety section featured an article about the Normandale Community College Concert Band on November 4. Fourteen "grayheads", ages in the 50s, 60s and 70s are scattered through the 50-plus musicians. Most of the rest of the musicians are music majors at the college.

Under the direction of Carlo Minetti, the band plays one hour a day, Monday through Friday. Our own Leonard Brawerman, Bob Dean, Chuck Clinton and Percy Hughes are part of the group. The article included a picture of Percy Hughes, who plays clarinet in the band, and who has been a professional jazz sax player and band leader for fifty years.

All of them work hard to "make the music right". The oldsters love working with the kids, and it's great for the kids to sit next to these experienced musicians and to learn from them. Nice story.

Dear Readers...

Volume 5 of *The Times* is history. We're pleased with the progress we've made to bring you a first-class publication. The desktop publishing software and HP DeskJet printer are good servants; we now have a lot of information in the database, and the renewal form, we hope you'll agree, is better than ever.

Just one gentle reminder. You'll save us lots of time and money if you get your dues in by December 31.

Thanks to everyone who contributed news and met our deadline. I wish every one of you a great 1993. May your tennis game get better all the time, and may you enjoy your STPC friends in good health and with happy hearts!

Your Editor

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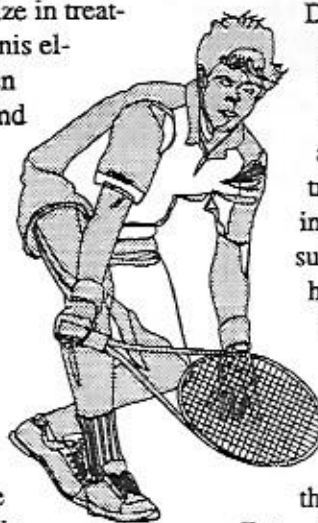
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