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50TH ANNIVERSARY **GOLDEN** GALA: A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

On October twenty-second, The Pacific Beach Tennis Club celebrated its fiftieth anniversary and the club's grounds improvements with a wonderful dinner Gala. The Gala followed the annual Pacific Beach Tournament. Over eighty people attended the buffet dinner which was held outside in the Club's courtyard. Steve Adamson, club manager, scheduled an exhibition match and key tournament matches for people to enjoy through out the evening. It was a very exciting match that definitely got peoples attention. Furthermore, Amy Endres, Club President and Dale Jensen , Club Vice-President, brought everyone up to date on the improvements that have been made and the plans for more improvements to the Club. Many prior members came out and were honored for their donations and contributions to the Club. A great celebration of Phase 1 (club improvements) and a good kick-off for Phase 2 (more improvements coming with the brick donations and other fund-raising events !).



MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

Amy Endres / PBTC President



The year is coming to an end... I thought it would be an appropriate time to voice my gratitude to just a few of the people who have contributed to our club's success and growth.

I am very thankful for the fantastic board that has served us all over the past year: Dale Jensen, Doc Burke, Ali Khansari, and Deb Hacker. This board has demonstrated resilience, dedication, and humor through an immense transformation along with the every day duties behind our true purpose: coming together to play some tennis. We have seen our membership roster grow and our financial status ever-improving. We are extremely appreciative of those who have come before us to set this club in the right direction and for **all the volunteers** who have "stepped-up" to see this through. We could not have done any of it without all those we called-upon to lead events, activities, fundraising, landscaping, court rentals, tournaments, and the list goes on and on... Thank you!

I would be remiss if I failed to mention the steady, driving force behind the club's continued progress over the past couple of years. Our club manager, Steve Adamson, has been instrumental in maintaining our status in the tennis community while consistently reminding us of what we are and where we want to be. Thank you Steve and all the fabulous pros and staff you keep around. We are lucky to have you.

All my best to you and your families,
Amy



PBTC HOSTS A FUNDRAISER

A fun time was had by all on October 28, when Mike Hasan and Kate Bennett hosted another Susan Komen breast cancer fundraiser at the Club! A round robin mixer raised \$670.00 for the cause! Prizes were awarded to winners that evening and several members were honored. Everyone got a goodie bag and enjoyed a pot-luck party... and all tournament fees collected went directly to the cause. Thank you to members who donated extra money also!

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

Don't forget to renew your dues! They are "due" by 12/31/11. You can renew on-line through our website. If you have yet to register on our website, please contact Steve at steve@pbtennis.com. Thank you for your membership; we really appreciate it!



LEAGUE CORNER

CAPTAIN A LEAGUE TEAM

Let this be your New Year's resolution! USTA, WTT, Weekday Women's League, and others offer great team-play opportunities. Gather your friends and make new acquaintances.

Need players? Steve Adamson, Club Pro, can possibly assist. Questions? Contact Debbie Hacker (hacksurf@aol.com), League Coordinator. Soon, you can obtain the relevant forms right from our club website (www.pbtennis.com) – we'll have the League Team Policy and Court Reservation Request forms right there at your fingertips. These are also available at the clubhouse in the yellow League notebook.

WOMEN'S WEEKDAY WINTER LEAGUE TEAM NEEDS PLAYERS

Our BB-team is looking for players! Starting in January, matches are on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. Roster is due soon! Contact Susie Sosna, captain, at shorn1147@msn.com.

The A-team plays on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. and welcomes subs. Contact Pam Patterson, captain, at pamlee@san.rr.com to join the roster.

WE WON THE LEAGUE!

The PBTC A-2 Ladies Doubles League clinched the division championship with a win over the San Diego Tennis & Racquet Club on Fri., Dec. 2. During the season they also played Mountain View, La Jolla Tennis, Balboa and Barnes (Club Campestre).

They celebrated their victory at Vera Pitrofsky's house. The team will be bumped up to the A-1 division next season. Team members include Jennifer Knock, Colleen Warren, Karen Cunningham, Pam Patterson (captain), Sue Copp, Bee Mittermiller, Debbie Hacker (co-captain), Val Gwin, Vera Pitrofsky, Lyn Booth, Dulce Chapman and Doni Corcoran and terrific subs Amy Endres, Fran Pierce, Susie Sosna, Helena Litwak, Beckey Smiser and Doris Roper. Way to go PBTC!

LADIES HOLIDAY PARTY

A festive mood prevailed this past Sunday, December 11 at the Ladies Holiday Potluck held outdoors in our club's pleasing new surroundings. Twenty to twenty-five current and past members attended to the event who, along with dining on a delicious potluck banquet, were prompted by Sandie Kindred, our ever-skillful emcee, to share a bit about themselves and their club connection. This, of course, led to a few good tales (thanks Mary Ellen Abbott). Susie Sosna and Debbie Hacker hosted the party and our talented Leila Steineckert along with her trusty assistant, Virginia LaLicata, adorned every vertical surface in sight with beautiful holiday decorations. As a result of donations by those attending, Sandie delivered a basket-full of used tennis rackets to the Barnes Tennis Center's school outreach program for needy, tennis aspiring youngsters. All in all, it was a wonderful day of good friendship and holiday spirit!

P.S. Thank you to everyone for joining us and... Gail Knight: we're still eagerly awaiting your Jiffy cornbread souffle recipe!

STEVE'S COLUMN



Let's celebrate a fantastic year for the Pacific Beach Tennis Club

This has definitely been one of the best years since I have been at the Club. We now have some beautiful grounds, a center court, and a refurbished interior clubhouse thanks to the hard work of board members Dale Jensen and Amy Endres. Our junior tennis program is thriving with families choosing our club as the place for their kids to learn this fantastic sport. This is mainly due to our superior pros Simon Shen and Tom Svajda who not only are great teachers but graciously donate their time whenever asked. Many of our kids are the top tennis players in the country and they are starting to give this club the exposure it deserves.

Our adult leagues are in full force and winning. (Great job Women's A team!) The club is busy even when the weather has turned a little colder. This shows the dedication of our members to play a sport that gives so much enjoyment to so many people. It has been a pleasure to manage the Pacific Beach tennis Club for the last nine years. I have met some wonderful people and made many lasting friendships. I wish everyone a great holiday season and I hope to see you at the courts.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

After several date changes the Annual Club Tournament actually took place and the action was worth waiting for. Josh Kaye overcame two tough matches against John Carter and Phil King only to fall in the final to champion Jack Zezula. Nine-year old Zach Svajda once again proved he could carry club pro Steve Adamson to victory in the A Doubles. We would like to thank all the participants for making this tournament a very special event.

Special congrats to the winners! A Singles- Jack Zezula

B Singles- Jim Lilly

A Doubles- Steve Adamson/ Zach Svajda

B Doubles- Debbie Hacker/Carol Jory tied with Paivi Burke/Judy Rockland



UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

USTA Westwood Orthodontics Satellite Tournament

January 27-29th

A special thanks to club member and local business owner **Trish Westwood** for her continued sponsorship of the 2nd Annual Westwood Orthodontics Satellite Tournament. Her generosity allows us to hold junior tournaments that give young players a chance to test their skills while learning sportmanship and independence.