

October 2013

President's Message



Phil Zlatunich

This is my favorite time of year. The weather is perfect for getting in some tennis and enjoying just being at the club. There has been some wonderful energy and activity at the club as well. The Men's Singles Tournament first round matches began last weekend and many members were on hand to witness some ferocious competition. Our USTA mixed and combo PTC teams are also well into their seasons and have displayed some very skillful and competitive play. Come down and feel the renewed excitement being generated.

In addition, our interim tennis Pros, *Tracy Houk* and *Jon Toney*, have been busy accommodating member and team requests for lessons and clinics. They have asked me to thank the membership for the friendly and welcoming reception they have received and are honored to be able to assist the Club through this transitional period. Please contact *Lona* if you have any questions regarding lessons or clinics with either Jon or Tracy or, if you would like to bring in your own Pro for a lesson.

Finally, our next Quarterly Membership Meeting will be held on November 20th at 6:30 PM. This is the fourth and last time this year the membership will have an opportunity to address the entire Board and other members in a group setting. We usually get good sugges-

Upcoming Events

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**Men's Singles Tournament
 Semi & Final Rounds**
 Saturday/Sunday, October 19/20th

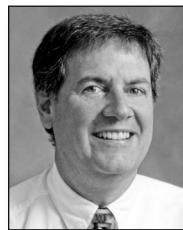
•
6th Annual PTC Poker Tournament
 Friday, October 25th

•
Inter Club Match - PGCC
 Saturday, November 2nd

•
Quarterly Membership Meeting
 Tuesday, November 19th

tions and constructive criticism that help make the club a more enjoyable place to be. We look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Editor's Message



Jeff Tateosian

A heart-felt congratulations goes out to our wonderful manager, *Lona Means*, on her five year anniversary at PTC. She makes it a joy to walk into the club each and every day. Her positive member interaction has been unlike any I've experienced during my thirteen years at the club. Please join me in thanking Lona for her outstanding leadership.

Calling all poker players - On Friday, October 25th, the club will host the 6th Annual PTC Poker Tournament. The evening will begin with dinner at 6:00 pm, followed by the three hour

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tournament starting at 6:30. The entry fee is \$40, which will cover prize money, dinner, adult beverages and soft drinks. Please sign up in the clubhouse or contact Lona. If you have any questions on the tournament, please contact me at jefftat@ptctennis.com. Please join a great group of players looking to battle for the title of Club Champion.

Manager's Corner



Lona Means

Burlingame High School is strictly enforcing the student parking lot regulations and will issue tickets to anyone parking in designated student/staff parking spaces. Please park in designated PTC parking spaces, unmarked spaces or residential spaces only.

Unfortunately, summer is over and the pool heater is slated to be turned off mid-October.

USTA team registration for the Adult 40 & over league begins in November. The format for this league is one singles line and two doubles. Please contact me if you plan on registering a team.

Happy tennis!

Club News

Club Anniversaries for October (5+ years)
Congratulations to the following members:

Steve & Pam Merchant	35 Years
Teri Gregory	10 Years
Rick & Carol Soss	5 Years
Steve & Robin Hurwitz	5 Years
Tim & Chris McMurdo	5 Years

Congratulations to **Craig Andrews & Ken Sorenson** for winning the annual PTC Gin Doubles Championship for the third time in the

last four years. They beat a very formidable team of **John Stone & Erik van Dillen** by the slimmest of margins. A great evening was had by all.

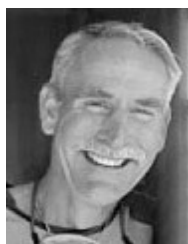


PTC Ballroom Dancing Class - If any beginners are interested in joining, please contact **Linda Penn Nagare** at lp10sne1@aol.com. The classes are on Tuesday nights, 7:00-8:30pm. Cost is \$15.00/class, partners not necessary.

From Lee Tyler (Bradford)

Tom Goes e-Book - "His memory was fine, but certain facts were faulty," so said fans and friends of the legendary tennis player **Tom Brown**, when his memoir AS TOM GOES BY was published in 2007. Tom is gone now, but his co-author, **Lee Tyler**, is pleased to announce its re-issue in corrected eBook form, ready for downloading to your Kindle, Nook, iPad, etc.

Tennis Activities News



Ken March

The first and second rounds of the Men's Singles Tournament will have concluded by the time you read this. We have had some outstanding play, with a few surprising results. The Semi and Final rounds will be held on Saturday/Sunday, October 19/20th. Please plan on joining us for a terrific weekend of tennis.

The Inter Club match against PGCC has been rescheduled to Saturday, November 2nd. The match will be played at PGCC.

Pro Search Committee



Jim Soble

The search for our new **Club Pro or Pros** is underway. The Search Committee recently met and set out a plan to begin this important process. The first order of business will be to get input from the membership to help identify the needs of our Club. Shortly, you will all be receiving a survey asking you about many aspects of tennis life at PTC. We will make the survey available both electronically and in good old fashioned paper format so that everybody can participate. This is YOUR time to let the committee know what YOU are looking for in a tennis program and how our new Pro(s) can best serve you and your family's needs. We look forward to your feedback.

Our **"BYOP" or Bring Your Own Pro** program is in full swing (no pun intended) and going strong. **Lona** is doing a great job of overseeing this interim program. Many members are taking lessons and clinics from our two pre-approved interim Pros **Tracy Houk** and **Jon Toney** and even our own Kelly Mulready has been helping out. Please see Lona for more details.



Tracy Houk

We will continue to keep you informed of our progress and please keep an eye out for the survey.

USTA Team News

USTA teams reach playoffs - Congratulations to the Men's Adult 55 & over 8.0 and the Women's Adult 55 & over 7.0 teams for reaching their respective playoffs. Unfortunately, both teams were defeated in the first round. It was a good season for each team.

Mixed 40 & Over 9.0	Sept record 2-1
Mixed 40 & Over 8.0	Sept record 0-4
Mixed 40 & Over 7.0	Sept record 2-2
Mixed 40 & Over 6.0	Sept record 3-0
Combo Women's 7.5	Sept record 0-2
Combo Women's 6.5	Sept record 1-1

House & Grounds News



Phil Zlatunich

We have replaced the old **divider nets** between courts 5 & 6 and are doing a little painting around the facility this month. Also, a hydration station has been added at court #7 for your convenience. Towel usage is significantly on the rise, based on the additional monthly billing for towel replacement that the club is experiencing. Please remember to put all of your used towels in the hampers provided in the Men's and Women's locker room. Please do not take the towels home.

On an unfortunate note, PTC is experiencing unwanted late night visitors - again. In addition to disturbing the neighbors, these latest visitors threw some patio furniture into our beautiful pool! Fortunately, the plaster coat at the bottom of the pool was not damaged significantly. The possible liability for our membership, should one of the offenders become injured while on the premises, has been a priority Board discussion point for several months. The Board will again be reviewing and making a final decision on whether to move ahead with the installation of the proposed security cameras at this month's meeting.

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Current List of H&G projects:

- Flooring replacement (Women's Locker rooms)
- November start - one week duration.
- Flooring replacement (Jr Locker rooms) - TBD
- Video Security Cam System - Board to review and make a decision @ October meeting.
- Club House / Court Sound System - Committee presentation RFP for Board review.
- Furniture Replacement - ADC Review / Fiscal Budgeting for 2014-15.

Membership News



Jane Pearcy

A special welcome to our newest members, **Julie & Doug Dennerline**. The Dennerlines were sponsored by **Carey Welsh** and **Brian Nappi**. Julie came to the PTC to work on her tennis game and to get involved in league play. She is really enjoy-

ing getting out on the court as much as possible and getting her singles game tuned up. I'm sure she'll be in hot demand as a singles player on one of our teams.

We have a new applicant this month. Their names are **Joel** and **Melissa Selcher**. They live by our back door on Chatham Road, so be sure to wave to them as you park in front of their house. **Dan Mulready** and **Phil Zlatunich** are their sponsors.

Membership is pleased to report that we've welcomed 14 new families into the PTC fold this year so far. Thanks to all of you who have encouraged your fellow tennis players and friends to take a look at our little club. *Keep up the good work!*

Social Events News



Jennifer Ellison

We wound down the summer season with our third and final Twilight Tennis on September 12th. We had a great turnout considering school was back in session and it was a pretty windy night. The delicious Italian-fare was all from the Home Maid Ravioli Company

(i.e. our very own **Rick & Kim Cresci**). Big thank you's go out to **Valerie March** and **Tery Zlatunich** for helping to set up, decorate and clean up; **Kim Nappi** for manning the check-in table; and **Jeff Schubiner** for handling the court assignments once again. We should also thank **Jerry Ceglia** for the wonderful job he did playing tennis...I mean, bartending! And, of course, it wouldn't have been a seamless PTC event without the help from **Lona** and the tunes spun by **Jeff T**.

We have a bit of a lull in the social schedule now until the holidays, but use it to rest up for some festive events just around the corner. This year we will host a tree decorating event that will be lots of fun for the kids. We will have hot chocolate and treats for the kids and hot toddies for the adults. The exact date will be announced shortly so keep your eye out for more information.

The holiday party will be on Saturday, December 14th - so mark your calendars as you won't want to miss this one. We will incorporate a celebration of our 80th anniversary, so get your reindeer sweaters dusted off and your dancin' shoes polished up. If you are interested in helping to plan the tree decorating or the holiday party, please email or call me anytime.