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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

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Tennis Talk:

Your Tennis Board has been meeting, the weather has started to cooperate, and any day now my backhand is scheduled to wake up out of hibernation. All of these occurrences make it clear to me it is almost tennis season here in Bartlesville. That means it is time to check your strings for wear, check your shoes for any weak spots, get out and buy some new balls, and **RENEW YOUR BTA MEMBERSHIP**. We have many activities planned. Leagues are starting in April and our first social mixer of the year is in May. Check the schedule in this newsletter and be sure to **RENEW YOUR BTA MEMBERSHIP** so you won't miss any of the fun. By the way, have you visited the BTA website? The website is your always available source for information about tennis in Bartlesville. We have plans to increase our usage of the internet to improve communication in the future. Check it out and let me know your comments when I see you on the courts. Marty Puckett, BTA President



Jim Winslow, Dale Tieszen, Dave Tucker and Mike Murphy have kept up their game this winter by playing indoors at the Boys and Girls Club.





Spot Light

Our spot light for this issue is Melinda Calnan. Melinda has seen many changes here in Bartlesville as she has lived here for 60 years. Her family moved here when she was a young girl. She's had a busy life here raising their 3 children and helping in her husband and brother-in-law's clothing store, "Stan's Men and Boys Shop." Now that they are retired, she enjoys doing charitable work for her church, volunteering for "Meals On Wheels", golfing and of course playing tennis! Melinda started playing tennis when she was 13 or 14 years old. When her children were young, tennis died out for a while but when it picked up again during the 60's she was out there on the courts again enjoying the sport. Anyone who knows Melinda can tell you what a fun, personable person she is both on and off the court. Melinda is the new Women's Director on the BTA Board and has again headed up the Friday night mixed doubles league. We appreciate all of her hard work and fun personality!

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WOMENS DOUBLES LEAGUES

Working Women's League

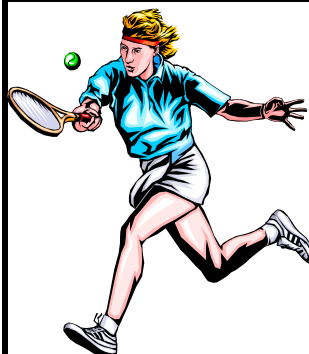
The Working Women's League will begin Tuesday, April 6th and play will be from

6-8 p.m. at the Johnstone courts. Please call Kathy Jones (335-3882) if you are interested in playing. You must be a BTA

member to play.

Wednesday Morning Women's Doubles League

The Wednesday morning Women's Doubles League will begin April 7th and play will be from 8 a.m. until noon. This league will run for a 6 week period. You must be a BTA mem-



ber to play. To sign up call Melinda Calnan at (333-0425) or Mike Dronyk (cell 232-6529 or 335-

Tennis Tip:

On your service toss, hit the ball as it reaches its highest point and becomes motionless.



MEN'S DOUBLES



Restraining your racket, replace your grip tape, and get back in shape because the men's spring double's league is just around the corner! With the new year also comes a new men's director, as I will try to fill the big tennis shoes Jon

Lynch left from his years of great service. Play begins April 1st and continues through May 20th. (7 weeks of play with a built-in rain date), starting at 6 p.m. every Thursday as usual. Look for some subtle changes in the format, includ-

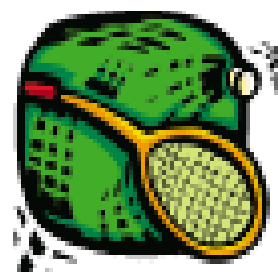
ing a Singles Final Playoff on the final evening and prizes. ***It is not too soon to sign up, so reserve your spot by calling me at home, at work or sending me an email at any of the various choices shown below.***

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Tennis Tip:

VOLLEYS

1. Watch the ball all the way to your strings.
2. Maintain a firm wrist at impact.
3. Punch, don't swing through the ball.
4. React quickly; get your racket back in place for the next volley.

BTA Website:

www.bartlesvilletennisassociation.org



2004 TENNIS COURT RESERVATION SCHEDULE



Leagues:	Women's Doubles League	Apr 7–Oct 27	8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Wednesdays
	Working Women's League	Apr 6–Oct 26	6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Tuesdays
	Men's Spring Doubles	Apr 1–May 20	6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Thursdays
	Mixed Doubles	May 7–Oct 27	6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Fridays
	Men's Fall Doubles	Sep 2–Oct 8	6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. Thursdays
Mixers:	Season Opener	May 1	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Saturday
	"Cool Time"	Jun 22	6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. Tuesday
	Midsummer	Aug 10	7:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m. Tuesday
	Last Harrah	Oct 2	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Saturday

BTA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

For first time applicants: how did you hear about the BTA?

Chamber of Commerce Newsletter Friend Newspaper TV

List names of all members joining:

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____

Email Address: _____

Please list anyone who might be interested in joining the BTA:

Name: _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____

Date _____

New Membership? Yes No

Family \$15

Single \$12

Junior (under 18) ..\$5

Patron \$25 or more

Total enclosed \$ _____

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