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FRIENDS, FUN, FOOD, FROLIC, & FANTASTIC FREEBIES

That sums up our May 23rd Spring Luncheon at Lamplighter Inn. Again, we had 72, the maximum number of guests the venue would allow. If anyone has an idea for an affordable restaurant that holds more, please let our Social Committee know. That's Fran Piehl, Linda Cherney, Sandy Amatore, Greg Kuhs, and Bob Sitarz who did a great job of preparing and staging this fun event. I'll share here photos I took, but you can find many more others have shared at

<https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipN3iouA9xdWF5avvcnSB7BU42XF7EEH1Mxmi2bf0xBkiK1Gb8F6elBeKRTLxdOmiA?key=b2VHUnJ4c0xOVkt2R05tb0hXUnpqbTRMbWxTZG1R>







THANKS TO BOB BREGENZER FOR THIS PERSPECTIVE ...

Fun is what I'd been thinking ... 'bout serving and lobbing and dinking ... but points don't come easy ... with weather that's breezy ... So headed to Lamps to start drinking.



Dennis



Frank



Heidi



Jim



Jim



Cathy



Lynn



Steve



Stana



Nick



Marti

ADDISON SPRING FLING ROUND ROBIN MEDALISTS



Ray Jenkins ... 3.5 ... Gold



Jeanne Noto...3.0...Gold



Kim Corrado...3.0...Bronze



Adam Oliva...4.0..Bronze

TURNER CAMP TOURNAMENT, ALGONQUIN

Michelle Ryder & April Volpe

Ladies 4.5

Bronze



DON'T MISS OUT

Many of the world's best players will be competing just down the road from Palatine next month ... and YOU can/should share the Chicago Pickleball Open tournament with them. Register on pickleballtournaments.com.

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CHICAGO METRO PICKLEBALL Proudly presents...

2019 CHICAGO Pickleball Open

<p>When: July 17-21, 2019</p> <p>Where: Nike Park in Naperville, Illinois 20 courts and \$25,000 in prize money Pro & Senior Pro events!!! (Singles, Doubles, and Mixed) Level Tier II tournament certified by World Pickleball Federation *Registration to open on March 15, 2019</p>	<p>Events:</p> <p>Mens/Womens Singles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5</p> <p>Mens/Womens Doubles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5</p> <p>Mixed Doubles 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5</p> <p>Junior Singles Open</p> <p>Junior Doubles Open</p>
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 Ken Herrmann- Tournament Director
Dana Joseph- Tournament Director
Steve DeMar- President Chicago Metro Pickleball

 WPF



Amy



Angelina



Michael



Val



Tom



Ursula



Nalee



Joan



Joe



Kristine



Larry



Marianne



Mary



Rick

SUPER SANDY SHIRTS

If you'd like a T-shirt depicting your sport in classy, embroidered style, you need to talk with our own Sandy Amatore. She can customize her shirts to include what you'd like. Here are some of the shirts she can create for you, at a cost of \$40, slightly more for individualization. You can email her at myluigi@gmail.com or call her at 847-772-1699.



The last photo is of the Embroidery Queen herself, in a shirt not of her own creation.

COURTS ARE NEARING COMPLETION

The Park District told meet me some great news. The courts may be ready for play by mid-June, weather permitting, and they'll feature kitchens of a complimentary color. After these pics a base coat went down.



Parking lot is done

Post holes are in

Jim Blair, Mike Siemplenski & I drilled there



Mike



Rosie



Paddletek Peggy



Anneliese



Mike (Shufeng)



Mary



Marti



Greg



Ed



Donna



Fran

MENTORING OFF TO AN AWESOME START

This ultra-successful program got off to, perhaps, the best start ever. These pics are from the first session 5/22. Many more plan to participate in the coming weeks. Thanks to fellow Mentors and Assistants Marv, Dennis, Chris, Neal, and Linda,



If you'd like to participate in this free, 90-minute program, just bring your paddle and water to the Sycamore courts by 10:30 any Wednesday, weather permitting. Drills target the beginning level Pickler.



Anne

Greg

Harry

REMEMBER OUR NEW, INDOOR, EVENING COURT TIMES

Tuesday and Thursday, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., we play in the Birchwood Park gym. This is for players 18+.



Gus



Ray



Nick



Sue



Mike



Michelle



Lynn



Kathy



Kimbra



Kim



Kenny



Mike



Sammy



Steve (really)



Sandy



Lou



Linda



Linda



Lucky



Lizanne



Karla



Lisa



Justin



Natalie



Masato



Melody



Marv



Lisa



Leah



Laurie



Greg



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Call or email Dana Joseph, if you're willing to donate some time to this incredible event which will be in Naperville July 17-21. (847-404-3174 or DSJ2@comcast.net) There will be 3 shifts per day ... 8 a.m. to noon, noon to 4:00, and 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Information Booth – Answer questions about the area or tournament (you'll be given info on the tournament)

Chicago Metro Pickleball Booth – Answer questions (easy, 2-minute learning) & sell shirts

Check-in desk (2 needed) – Hand out goodie bags or check in players on computer or iPad

Score Posters – Post scores on paper brackets

Court Monitors – (5 per shift) – Hustle players to games and then to scorer's desk & assure balls are on courts

Match Coordinators – Once match is announced, MC takes clipboard and sends players to their courts

Announcer – 1 per shift will be given everything to speak into the microphone

HUGE THANKS TO GENEROUS SPONSORS

Thanks mostly to Fran and Sandy, the Social Committee outdid themselves in securing prizes for the Spring Luncheon's raffles and contests. Please think about frequenting these generous donor businesses:

Kostas ... 18 \$5 discount cards

Moretti's ... 2 \$10 gift certificates

Daisy Ice Cream ... \$10 gift card

Onion Pub ... 2 \$25 gift cards

Brandt's ... \$25 gift card

Gianni's ... 2 \$30 gift cards

Brick ... 4 \$10 gift cards

Oak Alley ... \$10 gift card

Pickleball Lesson by Coach Sosa ... \$40

Pickleball Lesson by Coach Kas ... \$40

Canlan Sportsplex ... \$45 10-pass card and \$12 T-shirt

Annie's Resale Shop, Rolling Meadows ... \$25 card

Delta Sonic Super Kiss ... 2 \$15 Super Kiss certificates ... \$19.99 Interior Cleaning

Palatine Park District ... 2 Free 18 holes w cart ... 2 BT Speaker & Note Pad ... 2 Water Bottle & Pen ... 4 Gift Basket w assorted Chatskis & passes

Agios ... \$50 gift card

DJ Bistro ... 2 \$59 gift certificates

800 Flowers ... \$50 gift basket

Tina's Nails Studio, Palatine ... \$60 mani-pedi

Mario Tricoci ... \$75 gift card ... \$50 gift basket

Salon Style ... \$100 gift card ... \$50 gift card

Aveda Salon ... \$90 certificate

These businesses and organizations went above and beyond, to make our Spring Luncheon as enjoyable as possible. All donors are local icons. We thank them for their generosity and look forward to patronizing them even more in the future.

Dozens of Picklers won these prizes via raffle and contests. All these donations added so much to the fun of the afternoon. Just look again at the photos on the first two pages of this newsletter and all those on the link provided.

NAPERVILLE PICKLEBALL SMASH TOURNAMENT

Palatine Pickler Jonny Storm staged a fun tournament on June 1st and 2nd. Palatine was well-represented in the medal rounds.



Brigitte Latal & Jimmy Latal ...
Mixed 4.0 ... Silver



Tina Hughes & Rocky Piller ...
Mixed 3.0 ... Silver



Janeen Noto & Keith Weiner ...
Mixed 3.0 ... Gold



Sandy Amatore & Bob Benjamin ...
3.0 ... Bronze



Sandy Amatore & Janeen Noto ...
3.0 Ladies ... Silver



Barb May & Kim Corrado ...
3.0 Ladies ... Bronze



Jacob



Janice



Jeff



Jay



John



Kenny



Leverne



Aaron



Bob



Alberto



Brian



Beth



Bear's shirt



Barb



Cheryl



Carin



Carole



Jenny



Jerry



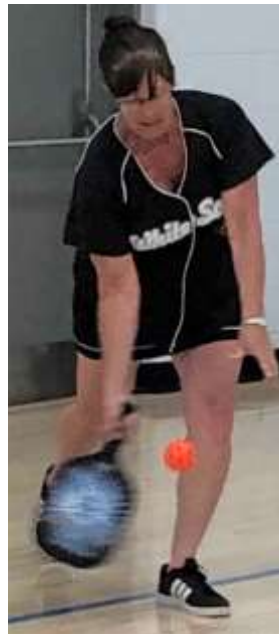
Mike



Sally



Rosie



Susan



Tom



Susan



Shelly



Thea

PB REFEREE TRAINING SESSION

Melody Woodsum paid her dues, did her homework and interning, and is a Certified Pickleball Referee who now refs medal matches at the U.S. Open. She's running a ref training session at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 19th. Register with her at mawoodsum@aol.com. There will be a \$15 fee. You will have to take an online test, before this session. This class is limited to the first ten to apply. It's an all-day session that will include actual reffing. Participants must be a members of USAPA and give their membership numbers to Melody. A ref's pay can vary from purely volunteering to about \$7/match, depending on the event. An added benefit to reffing is you'll get really familiar with the arc of shots so you'll have a better idea when playing of which balls will be out. Another benefit is you'll probably have the best possible view of the game.



Beth



Barb



Bill



Betsy



Jay



Jean



John



Jolan



Rocky



Sue



Tina



Valery



Vita

UPPER INTERMEDIATE TRAVEL TEAM FLAWLESS

Our 3.5 – 4.0 travel team has been competing with three other clubs (Hoffman, Libertyville/Park Ridge, and DuPage County) for three years and has come out on top each time. Captains Jim & Brigitte Latal have a stable of 18-20 Picklers from which they field teams of six men and six ladies every other week. Below is the team that wrapped up the 2019 Winter-Spring season with a decisive 31 wins in 36 games. Next fall up to 4.25 is OK



BACK ROW: Brigitte Latal,
Masato Suzuki, Bob
Bregenzer, Neal Harris, John
Kirchner, & Donna Beechick

MIDDLE ROW: Carol
Stevens & Holly Goldsmith

FRONT ROW: Linda Mihel,
Jim Latal, & Don Kaplan

LOWER INTERMEDIATE TRAVEL TEAM COMPETITIVE

Our 3.0 – 3.5 Travel Team competes with the combined team of Midtown Club and Canlan. All fall and all winter we went back and forth with wins. Captain Bear plays a lot of Picklers.

BACK ROW: Don, Linda, Dennis, Mike, Linda,
Mark, Linda, Greg, John, & Tom

FRONT ROW: Sue, Kim, Rosie, Angelina, Lynn,
Jim, Sue, & Bear

FLOOR: Sandy





Don



Don



Don



Don



Janeen



Jeanie



Jeff



Mary Pat

REVIEW OF SET PLAY TIMES (and 1 new one)

SYCAMORE ... Mon 9:00-Noon ... Tue 2:00-4:00 ... Wed 8:30 –10:30 ... Thu 4:00-6:00 (new) ... Friday 9:00-Noon
Sat 2:00-4:00 ... Sun 4:00-6:00

BIRCHWOOD ... Tue 6:30-8:30 p.m. ... Thu 6:30-8:30 p.m.

SYCAMORE DIRECTORY

The first edition of this list of Picklers who shared their contact information so games at other times can be set up is out. If you'd like to get into the second edition , send your preferred email address and phone number to me at aokbarry@yahoo.com (DO NOT HIT REPLY ... type my email address.) Thank you.



Chris



Denise



Greg



Linda

MORE MENTORING NEWBIES



Lucia



Jan



Janet



Sue



Roxanne



Vigdis



Julie



Billy



Pam



Greg



Bob



Brendan



Brian



Tony



Tom



Satish



Zach



Gary



Leslie



Dana



Guy



Gina



Gil



Jane



Jack



George



Cindy



Connie



Chris



Mark



Brittany



Carol



Cathie



berg John



Dawn



Dawn



Dave

THANKS, JULIE

Julie Gall bought a big bag of pickleballs for the Sycamore box.

Howard Rosen deserves a "Thanks" too, for being generous with loaning from his big bag of orange balls.

If you'd like to donate to the balls etc. fund, I keep a Crown Royal bag tied to my two-tone blue chair for your donations.



Anita



Halina



Art



Ann

SHIRT PRICES RAISE \$1

When our vendor said ink has risen 40% in recent months, I expected a bigger hit. Across the board, all prices shown on our website will go up one dollar.

NEW TO OUR CLOSET ... I'll be adding, probably, two sweatshirt styles to our line of club shirts. I'll hope to have Webmaster John add these, when I update the prices on our other shirts and update some other things too. Hopefully, I'll get to this within the next month.



Larry



Aaron Jr



Dennis



Harry



Dennis



Rick



Ken



Dora

STATE OF THE CLUB

At the Luncheon I shared some stats. 1080 individuals have signed up to be Palatine Picklers. 432 Palatine Picklers shirts have been sold. Through May 4346 photos have been in the 53 monthly newsletters. The most popular Picklers names are Sue/Susan/Susie/Suzie (34), Bob/Robert (22), Jim/James (21), Steve (18), Barb/Barbara (17), and John (15). We maintain two travel teams and have held 24 tournaments for Picklers.



Daniel



Susie



Howard



Gary



Nancy



Kris



Jim



Joan



Wendy



Jim



Elvira



Laurie

11th HOUR MEDAL FIND ...

Dennis Girardi & *Murray Rafalowitz* ...
Naperville Pickleball Smash ... 3,5 ...
Silver



PARTNERS' PICS



Brittany & Susan



Don & Chris



Sandy & Chris



Leah & Leslie



Kris & Anneliese



Melody & Greg



Mike



Jane



Terry



Debbie



Nancy



Darrell



Scott



Tom



Marlene



Deb



Phil



Jim



Jeff



Elena

TOURNAMENT PICKLERS, PLEASE SHARE YOUR SUCCESS

We all enjoy seeing our fellow Picklers succeed. Several of you are good about sending me details of your tournament (name, level, partner, medal) and a photo or two. Some of you temporarily forget that your at aokbarry@yahoo.com. I'll look for medalists on Facebook or tournament sites, but I know I can't find them all. We need your help. Thanks.

REMINDER ABOUT 6-COUNTY SR GAMES

This huge, annual event has been fun for all for many years. It's staged at Fabbrini Park in Hoffman Estates. Ladies doubles will be contested Tuesday, July 9th. Men's doubles will be Thursday, July 11th. Mixed doubles will be Saturday, July 13th. All divisions start at 8:00 a.m. You'll compete in 5-year age brackets. You can register at ILIPRA.org.

FAMILY FUN TOURNAMENT COVERAGE NEXT MONTH

This unique tournament for non-spousal family pairs takes place Saturday, June 8th. The biggest Picklers tournament I've ever run, this will be a round robin featuring 13 teams. Should be a lot of fun.

'Til next month, may your dinks drop and your smashes succeed.

Bear Shatwell
PicklersPrez

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