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Section Awards

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DECEMBER 9, 2006

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2006 Hall of Fame Inductees

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Jay Louderback
Terry Miller
Dave Riley
James Russell Warner

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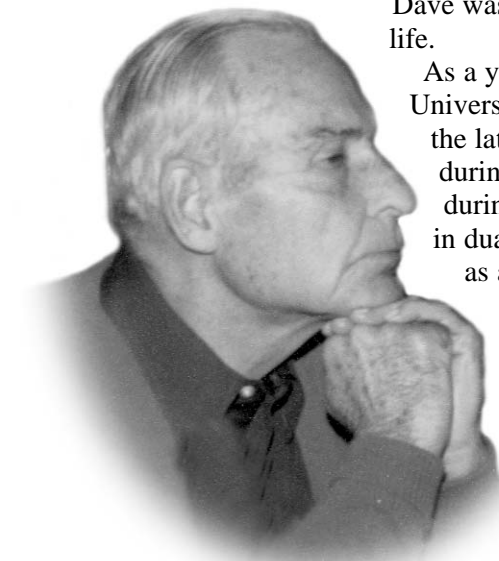
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DAVE FREEBORN

1906-1983



Dave was an exceptional player most of his life.





As a young man, he lettered on the University of Wisconsin's tennis squad in the late 1920's, captaining the Badgers during his senior season — a season during which the team was undefeated in dual play. And he continued to excel as a USTA senior.

Dave won three different USTA national doubles championships in the 1970's — on three different surfaces, with three different partners.

In 1972, Dave won the National 65 Clay Court Championships with partner Sam Shore, and a year later added the National 65 Indoor

Championships with Marshall Christopher. At the Men's National 70 Hard Court Championships in 1978, Dave collected one last gold ball, this time pairing with Emil Johnson.

He was heavily involved in getting the first senior age division started in the USTA Missouri Valley, starting the program in Lexington, Mo.

-  Tennis letterman at University of Wisconsin, 1927-28
-  1972 USTA National 65 Clay Court Doubles Champion (with Sam Shore)
-  1973 USTA National 65 Indoor Doubles Champion (with Marshall Christopher)
-  1978 USTA National 70 Hard Court Doubles Champion (with Emil Johnson)

JAY LOUDERBACK

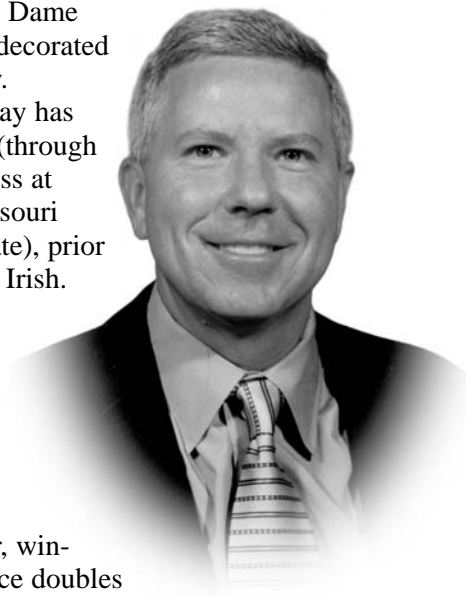
South Bend, Indiana

Jay, longtime coach of the Notre Dame women's team, is one of the most decorated coaches in collegiate tennis history.

In his 26-year coaching career, Jay has posted a career record of 510-324 (through the 2005-06 season), finding success at three schools — two in USTA Missouri Valley (Iowa State and Wichita State), prior to taking the helm for the Fighting Irish. He currently ranks third among all active women's coaches in career wins.

Jay has directed Notre Dame squads to 14 consecutive Top 30 year-end finishes, and he has won the Big East Coach of the Year six times. He was also a terrific player, winning the Missouri Valley Conference doubles and singles championships in 1976, while playing for Wichita State.

Jay joins his father J.C. Louderback, a 1998 inductee, in the USTA Missouri Valley Hall of Fame. The Louderbacks are now the fourth father-son pair to be inducted in the section's Hall of Fame, joining Earl Buchholz Sr. and Earl "Butch" Buchholz Jr, Gerald Perry and Gerry Perry, and the Ward Parker family.



- 🎾 Women's tennis coach at University of Notre Dame (1989-present)
- 🎾 2005-06 ITA/Wilson National Division I Women's Coach of the Year
- 🎾 Has coached eight All-Americans
- 🎾 Former head coach at Iowa State (1988-89) and Wichita State (1979-86)
- 🎾 Top 30 in the nation finishes for Notre Dame 16 of 18 years
- 🎾 Missouri Valley Conference singles and doubles champion at Wichita State
- 🎾 Daughter, Bailey, a junior on the Fighting Irish team

TERRY MILLER

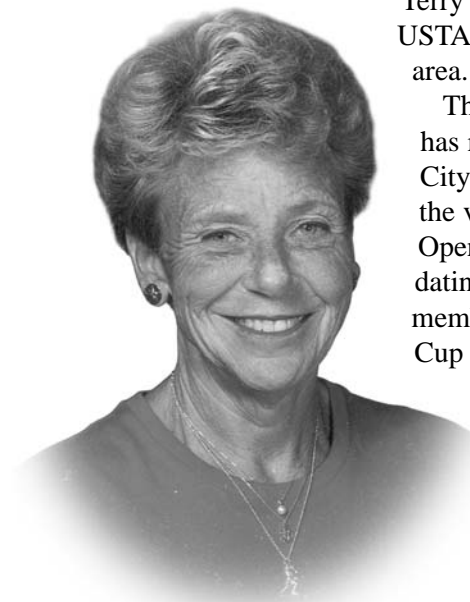
Overland Park, Kansas

Terry was instrumental in the formation of USTA leagues in the Greater Kansas City area.

The longtime volunteer for the USTA has run local tournaments in the Kansas City area for a number of years, including the very successful annual Kansas City Open. She has been renowned as a player dating back to her junior days. She was a member of the United States Wightman Cup team as an 18-year old, and she has continued her tennis excellence right on through the adult and senior divisions, always being among the top-ranked players in singles, doubles and mixed in the USTA Missouri Valley.

In 1987, Miller won the

Distinguished Service Award from both the Heart of America District and the USTA Missouri Valley.



- 🎾 Former USA Wightman Cup player in 1964, playing on same team as Rosie Casals and Chris Evert
- 🎾 Competed at the USTA Girls' 18 Nationals in 1962
- 🎾 Longtime tournament director and Heart of America volunteer
- 🎾 Heart of America and USTA Missouri Valley Distinguished Service Award winner in 1987
- 🎾 Annually among the USTA Missouri Valley's top-ranked players in her age group in singles, doubles and mixed
- 🎾 Math teacher at Indian Woods Middle School for 39 years






Dave Riley

Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dave is a former USTA Missouri Valley section president, as well as a former vice-president and president of the Oklahoma District Tennis Association. He is the first-ever Missouri Valley section president from Tulsa.

As a former section president, Dave also served as the Missouri Valley delegate to the USTA from 1998-2002, and he was appointed a presidential appointee to the Executive Committee in 2002-04, under former USTA President Alan Schwarz.

Dave is a former collegiate player at Southeastern State College in Durant, Okla., and during his adult playing career he has been ranked in the top five in the Missouri Valley section in nearly all age groups from 35's up to the 60's. He has won more than 60 Oklahoma District and Missouri Valley USTA tournaments.

-  Former USTA Missouri Valley Section president, 1997-98
-  Former president of the Oklahoma District Tennis Association
-  Missouri Valley delegate to USTA, 1998-2002

James Russell Warner

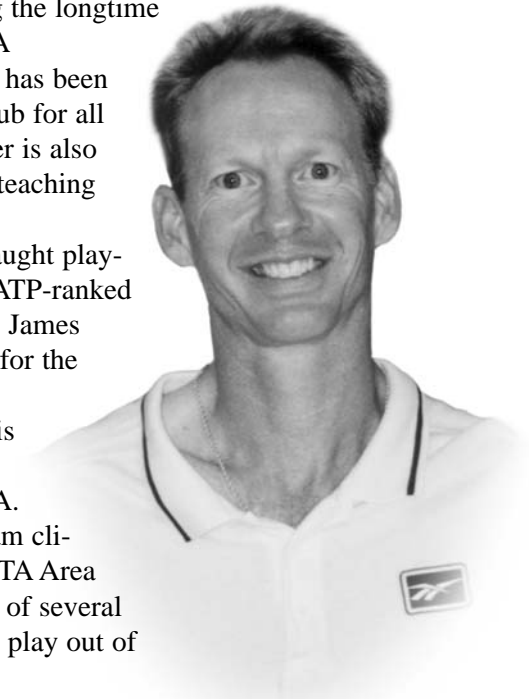
Tulsa, Oklahoma





James is best known for being the longtime tournament director of the USTA Challenger of Oklahoma, which has been held at Philcrest Hills Tennis Club for all but two years since 1988. Warner is also the executive director and head teaching pro at Philcrest Hills.

A top-flight coach, who has taught players from beginning ranks up to ATP-ranked and WTA-ranked professionals, James serves on the board of directors for the Missouri Valley Division of the United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA) and the Oklahoma District of the USPTA. James is a USTA schools program clinician, a coach/scout for the USTA Area Training Center, and the captain of several USTA League Tennis teams that play out of Philcrest Hills.

James' past awards include the USPTA Missouri Valley Community Service Award (1997) and the USPTA Professional of the Year for Oklahoma (1995). The USTA Challenger of Oklahoma event was recognized as the Section's Adult Event of the Year in 2005.

A former college player and Missouri Valley Conference champion at University of Texas-Tyler in the early 1980's, James later transferred to the University of Tulsa. James is also an author of three books, including *The 10 Commandments of Tennis*.



-  Oklahoma District president, 2000-01
-  Former Division I player at the University of Tulsa
-  Missouri Valley Conference doubles champion
-  USPTA board member



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1986 Hall of Fame 2006

2006

Dave FreebornTulsa, Okla.
Jay Louderback.....South Bend, Ind.
Terry Miller.....Overland Park, Kan.
Dave Riley.....Tulsa, Okla.
James Russell WarnerTulsa, Okla.

2002

Patsy Rippy-BondSandy, Utah
William Davis.....Seminole, Okla.
Ralph Hart.....St. Louis, Mo.
Bill Rompf.....Newport, R.I.
Mary Norwood-Rompf.....Newport, R.I.

2005

John Allen Been.....Houston, Texas
Dr. Harry Clifton Burrus...St. Louis, Mo.
Jacque Croft.....Overland Park, Kan.
Dr. Richard MechemFredericksburg, Texas
Frank A. Thompson Jr.....St. Louis, Mo.

2001

Junior Coen.....Kansas City, Mo.
Dick GilkeyEdmond, Okla.
Gene LandOklahoma City, Okla.
Gerry Perry.....Springfield, Mo.
Don McNeil.....Chickasha, Okla.

2004

John Bregin.....Merriam, Kan.
Don DippoldSt. Louis, Mo.
Don GardnerWichita, Kan.
Ken LidieBellevue, Neb.
Su Oertel.....Mason City, Iowa

2000

Marilyn Mueller.....St. Louis, Mo.
Louis Gerdes.....Omaha, Neb.
Ollie GreshamTulsa, Okla.
Homer RobinsonTulsa, Okla.
Dr. Bryce YoungHilton Head, S.C.
Judy Levering.....Stowe, Vt.

2003

Bill BrownArroyo Grande, Calif.
Cliff BuchholzFort Collins, Colo.
Bob Green.....Atlantic Beach, Fla.
Nancy Pearce-Jeffett.....Dallas, Texas
Phil LandauerHillard, Ohio

1999

David Bryant.....Oklahoma City, Okla.
Dr. George Milton.....Emporia, Kan.
Cliff Price.....Tulsa, Okla.
J. Hal Surface Jr.....Kansas City, Mo.
Dr. Steve Wilkinson.....St. Peter, Minn.

1998

W.E. Steve Broadie.....Wichita, Kan.
Dr. Donald KlotzIowa City, Iowa
J.C. Louderback.....Arkansas City, Kan.
Jim Reed.....Winfield, Kan.
S.L. ShofnerPrescott, Ariz.

1997

Lucien BarbourWinfield, Kan.
Frank WardJenks, Okla.
Anna Guerrant.....Scottsdale, Ariz.
Dick Johnson.....Ballwin, Mo.
Nora ProsserMerriam, Kan.

1996

Harold 'Buck' BalzerBuhler, Kan.
Justina Bricka.....St. Louis, Mo.
Kate Cushing.....Tulsa, Okla.
Ted DrewesSt. Louis, Mo.
Phillip L. EdwardsSt. Louis, Mo.

1995

Jodie H. Adams.....Springfield, Mo.
Carol Hanks AucampSt. Louis, Mo.
Mary Ann Eisel Beattie....St. Louis, Mo.

1994

Wray Brown.....St. Louis, Mo.
Earl "Butch" Buchholz Jr. St. Louis, Mo.
Beverly K. BuckleyDes Moines, Iowa
Joy Rodenberg.....Lincoln, Neb.
Mervyn WebsterWichita, Kan.

1993

C.J. Hixon.....Tulsa, Okla.
Wally SmithPonca City, Okla.
Dave SnyderAustin, Texas

1992

Jack Buss.....Des Moines, Iowa
Lucile Davidson.....Independence, Mo.
Ed DoaneTustin, Calif.

1991

Clarence DyerDurant, Okla.
The Ward Parker Family .St. Louis, Mo.
Tom McSpaddenMuskogee, Okla.

1990

Francis BaxterEdmond, OK
Earl H. Buchholz Sr.....Sedalia, Mo.
Charles D. Cunningham..Tulsa, Okla.
Bill PriceSt. Louis, Mo.
Len Prosser.....Shawnee Mission, Kan.

1989

Gerald Perry.....Springfield, Mo.

1988

D. Keedy CampbellKansas City, Mo.
Harris M. CoggeshallDes Moines, Iowa
Marvin P. RichmondLeawood, Kan.
T.H. 'Curly' Vaughan.....Winfield, Kan.

1986

Dwight F. DavisSt. Louis, Mo.
Charles McKinleySt. Louis, Mo.



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2006 Award Recipients



Outstanding Junior Tournament – MV Segment II Super One/Omaha Tennis Association (Omaha, Neb.)

Junior Player of the Year (Female) – Chloe Jones (Baldwin City, Kan.)

Junior Player of the Year (Male) – Patrick Callaghan (Iowa City, Iowa)

Junior Recreational Player of the Year – Dan Porter (Independence, Kan.)

USTA Junior Team Tennis Organizer – Troy Saulsbury (Kearney, Neb.)

Outstanding Contributor USTA Tennis Youth Programs – Mark Platt (St. Louis, Mo.)

Outstanding Contributor Youth High Performance Program – Simon Norman (Wichita, Kan.)

Outstanding High School Coach – Donna and Scott Stauffer (O’Fallon, Mo.)

NJTL Section Chapter of the Year – United Neighbors, Inc. (Davenport, Iowa)

Outstanding Adult/Senior Tournament – USTA National Women’s Indoor 65, 75 & 85 Championships (Overland Park, Kan.)

Adult Player of the Year – Benjamin Talako Williamson (Bethany, Okla.)

Adult Recreational Player of the Year – Brendan Gore (Topeka, Kan.)

Outstanding Contributor USTA League Tennis Program – Kathie Price (Edmond, Okla.)

Tennis Family of the Year – The Wickhams (Epworth, Iowa)

Facility of the Year – Cooper Tennis Complex (Springfield, Mo.)

Outstanding Community Tennis Association – Omaha Tennis Association (Omaha, Neb.)

Member Organization of the Year – Genesis Health Club (Wichita, Kan.)

Outstanding Official – Verne Weber (Omaha, Neb.)

Media Excellence – Bill Speltz, *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald* (Dubuque, Iowa)

Event of the Year – Special Olympics USA National Games (Ames, Iowa)

Community Service Excellence – Robert Cooper (Springfield, Mo.)

Distinguished Service – Charles “Goose” Doughty (Wichita, Kan.)

President’s Award – Surprise Announcement



OUTSTANDING JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

Missouri Valley Segment II, Super One – Omaha, Neb.

Largest junior tournament held in Nebraska (410 participants) ■ Immediate draw updates and postings both on-site and Internet ■ Practice courts readily available ■ Player packet that included free T-shirt, site maps and city guides ■ Volunteers and USTA Missouri Valley staff presence helped event and player party run smoothly ■ Free family cookout that fed over 800 people ■ Hotel discounts of more than 50 percent off to participants

JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR (FEMALE)

Chloe Jones – Baldwin City, Kan.

Currently ranked No. 18 in USTA Girls 18’s rankings ■ Has been ranked as high as 87 in the world in the International Tennis Federation (ITF) world rankings ■ Played at both Wimbledon and US Open junior qualifying in 2006 ■ Member of the USTA Junior Federation Cup Team in 2006 ■ Travel team member for USTA Federation Cup Tie: USA vs. Belgium ■ Former USTA Missouri Valley Sportsmanship Award winner

JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR (MALE)

Patrick Callaghan – Iowa City, Iowa

Back-to-back Iowa state high school Class 2A singles champion, 2005-2006 (after finishing as state runner-up as a sophomore) ■ Led Iowa City West to high school state team title in 2006 ■ Partnered with sister Katie Callaghan to win Class 2A mixed doubles championship ■ USTA Missouri Valley Terrific 32 Boys 18’s finalist, 2006 ■ Missouri Valley team member USTA Boys’ 18 Team Championships, 2006 ■ Currently plays tennis for Notre Dame Fighting Irish

JUNIOR RECREATIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Dan Porter – Independence, Kan.

29-5 Singles record in 2005-2006 as a freshman at Independence High ■ Finished 5th at 2006 Kansas 4A state tournament, Class 4A ■ Unanimous Sportsmanship Award Winner at Midwest Regional ■ USA Team Tennis Championships in Oklahoma City, 2005 ■ Student instructor for City of Independence summer tennis lessons ■ Plays USTA Team Tennis for Independence, Kan., team ■ Sophomore Class Treasurer, Independence High School

USTA JUNIOR TEAM TENNIS ORGANIZER

Troy Saulsbury – Kearney, Neb.

Had 93 players in the Junior Team Tennis program in Kearney in 2006 ■ Established two leagues, one geared for middle school students (14 years and under) and another for high school students (18 years and under) ■ League met twice a week for match play and had regular practices ■ Most players played 15 or more individual matches during the JTT season ■ Program greatly influenced number of players participating for the Kearney High School teams

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTOR USTA TENNIS YOUTH PROGRAM

Mark Platt – St. Louis, Mo.

Conducts USTA after-school programs for several St. Louis-area elementary and middle school students ■ Holds junior novice tournaments, parties and Rallyball events ■ Organized “The Rally for Cancer Research” tennis fundraising event ■ Held multi-site summer program for nearly 650 juniors and 1000 adults ■ Organizes the successful collegiate Freshman University Network that has grown to 1,000 participants in just four years ■ Nearly 200 kids attended 2006 USTA Tennis Block Party, which he organized at Heman Park

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTOR YOUTH HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM

Simon Norman – Wichita, Kan.

Ran numerous Missouri Valley Futures and Supers events in 2006 ■ Head coach of Wichita Competition Training Center (CTC) ■ Head coach at Wichita Independent High School ■ Zonal coach for USTA Missouri Valley team ■ Coach of Kansas squad at 10's, 12's, 14's team events ■ Traveled to all USTA Missouri Valley Supers Events ■ Certified USTPA P1-Certified by USTA for High Performance

OUTSTANDING HIGH SCHOOL COACH

Donna and Scott Stauffer – Lafayette High (O'Fallon, Mo.)

Directed the Lafayette High School program in St. Louis-area for more than a decade together ■ Won district for first time in school history and had two players reach Missouri state championships, 2006 ■ Formed sub-junior varsity “prep squad” so player cuts would not be made ■ Two-week summer camp at Lafayette has grown exponentially, and raises money for team and charities ■ Have assisted at Missouri Valley High School Coaches' workshop and have been involved with USTA for two decades

NJTL SECTION CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

United Neighbors, Inc. – Davenport, Iowa

Dedicated staff and facility services a diverse population in Davenport ■ Works to develop partnerships that enhance tennis' visibility ■ Had over 300 kids participate in summer tennis activities in 2006 ■ Held USTA Tennis Block Party, NJTL Regional Rally and other clinics ■ David Dinkins, former New York mayor and USTA board member, attended Tennis Block Party in June ■ Intensive tennis/health component for 60 summer program participants ■ Will carry tennis into the school year for first time in 2006-07

OUTSTANDING ADULT/SENIOR TOURNAMENT

USTA National Women's Indoor 65, 75, & 85

Championships – Overland Park, Kan.

Tournament has been held for 26 consecutive years and every year but one at Indian Creek Racquet Club in Overland Park ■ Annual national event that draws top players from across the country ■ Family feel to event keeps players returning year after year ■ Wine and cheese party hosted by the Missouri Valley Section ■ Lunch served

daily to players by volunteers ■ Banquet provided for players ■ Daily media coverage during event

ADULT PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Benjamin Talako Williamson – Bethany, Okla.

Currently ranked No. 1 in USTA Missouri Valley Section in Men's Open singles ■ Reached Oklahoma Class 3A state championship three years in a row (2000-02) ■ Oklahoma District Adult Tennis Player of the Year, 2004 ■ Assists pros at Santa Fe Racquet Club with junior players ■ Has autism and learned how to play by watching videotapes and hitting on backboard everyday as a youngster

ADULT RECREATIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Brendan Gore – Topeka, Kan.

Had a 35-9 match record for the 2006 season ■ Won all five matches at the 4.0 USTA League Section Championships ■ In 2006, played in every Kansas USTA League that he could play (8.5 Combo, 8.0 Mixed, 7.0 Mixed, and two 4.0 Adult teams) ■ Exemplifies great sportsmanship while playing

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTOR USTA LEAGUE TENNIS PROGRAM

Kathie Price – Edmond, Okla.

Energized Edmond-area as new site for USTA Leagues ■ Helped recruit 24 USTA League Teams ■ Successfully coordinated the entire Edmond league ■ Plays on four USTA League teams

TENNIS FAMILY OF THE YEAR

The Wickhams – Epworth, Iowa

Tom, Brenda and their eight children have taught tennis for 30 years ■ In 1977, held first city tournament and continue to help run tournaments ■ Coach area players for interclub matches ■ Led efforts to start tennis program at Western Dubuque School District ■ In 1979, spearheaded joint City of Epworth-school district effort to build tennis courts ■ Currently working with USTA to get City of Epworth courts resurfaced ■ Helped form the Epworth Tennis Association ■ Volunteered to help with the USTA Pro Circuit Kissimmee, Fla., Futures event the last four years

FACILITY OF THE YEAR

Cooper Tennis Complex – Springfield, Mo.

Home of World TeamTennis' Springfield Lasers ■ City-owned facility built to USTA specifications ■ 12 Indoor, 16 Outdoor courts with Stadium Court that seats 2,500 ■ Expansion completed in 2006 that added several new upgrades: board/meeting room, Wi-Fi Internet access, entertainment room, new weight room and treatment rooms, four huge cement tennis balls built into the breezeway, and increased parking area ■ Annual host of USTA National Open tournaments, as well as several junior and adult events ■ Hosted 2002 United States Federation Cup tie versus Israel, featuring former world No. 1's Lindsay Davenport and Monica Seles

OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Omaha Tennis Association – Omaha, Neb.

Helps put on a wide variety of sanctioned and non-sanctioned events, including USTA National Opens, Section Championships, and high school championship events ■ Hosts extensive Learn to Play, Special Olympics and Rallyball programs, as well as recreational programs for adults and juniors that promoted widespread participation among diverse groups ■ Hosted four USTA Tennis Block Party events in 2006 ■ 812 percent increase in Junior Team Tennis participation from 2005 to 2006 ■ Held special events like the Isaac Open (held for a child with NOMID disease) and Omaha Adult Open (unified event for Special Olympians) which brought the community together ■ Active web site that promotes and informs members of happenings in tennis community

MEMBER ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

Genesis Health Club – Wichita, Kan.

USTA Tennis Welcome Center Facility ■ Provides year-round instruction, league play, social activities and full-service pro shop ■ Holds Section junior events in Futures, Supers and CTC Team Competition ■ Site annually hosts Kansas District, novice, club and high school events ■ Hosts Missouri Valley Conference indoor matches played by Wichita State and makes court time available to state/local colleges for tournament play ■ Hosted Maureen Connolly Brinker Foundation Fundraising Tournament ■ Scheduled “Champions for Charity” professional exhibition and fundraiser featuring 2006 US Open finalist Andy Roddick

OUTSTANDING OFFICIAL

Verne Weber – Omaha, Neb.

Serves as liaison to the Missouri Valley Officiating Committee (policy, politics, and budget) ■ Teaches all district-level officiating schools in Nebraska ■ Big 12 official ■ Umpires at Creighton and University of Nebraska (Omaha) matches, high school championships, and USTA League Championships held in Omaha ■ Donates service as chief umpire and chair/rover for all Omaha sanctioned tournaments, including two national tournaments ■ Serves as Officials’ Chair on the Omaha Tennis Association Board ■ Spends many hours mentoring new umpires on court

MEDIA EXCELLENCE

Bill Speltz – Dubuque Telegraph-Herald (Dubuque, Iowa)

Provides extensive coverage and writes feature stories about Dubuque/Cedar Rapids/Quad Cities-area tennis figures and events ■ Reports on USTA Tournaments in area ■ Wrote full-length feature on Billie Jean King’s role in the development of women’s athletic opportunities ■ Writes local stories on high school and college tennis ■ Ranked No. 3 in Missouri Valley in Men’s 35 Singles and Doubles

EVENT OF THE YEAR

Special Olympics USA National Games – Ames, Iowa

First-ever national Special Olympics games, held on Iowa State campus ■ Event required almost three years to plan and stage ■ Nearly 3,000 athletes in 12 sports,

including tennis competed ■ More than 120 tennis players and coaches from 23 different states including the District of Columbia took part ■ More than 200 volunteers, the USTA, USTA Missouri Valley and other tennis organizations like the Professional Tennis Registry helped out with duties related to the event ■ Tennis athletes were given unique player jackets from the USTA ■ Iowa District provided grants totaling \$2,500 to help fund event, make tennis sites more ready for event participants

COMMUNITY SERVICE EXCELLENCE

Robert “Bob” Cooper – Springfield, Mo.

Has coached high school tennis in Springfield the last 25 years ■ Has more than tripled enrollment in Junior Team Tennis in Springfield-area since 2004 ■ Runs summer camps and follows up with a weekend tournament to assist with varsity & junior varsity players competing year-round ■ Has no-cut policy for tennis team at Glendale High School ■ Is an active player participating in adult, senior and mixed doubles leagues ■ In 2006 was a NJTL instructor for the Springfield-Greene County Parks Department, Boys & Girls Clubs of Springfield and the local Girl Scouts

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Charles “Goose” Doughty – Wichita, Kan.

Former Harlem Globetrotter basketball player turned Tennis-for-lifer ■ Introduced the sport of tennis to thousands of inner-city kids in career ■ Has run free summer clinics at McAdams Park for the last 30 years ■ Several of his students have gone to take tennis to the next level, including The Fields Brothers (BK Tennis Academy) and Torey Hawkins (coach of Scoville Jenkins) ■ Led Northwest High School to consecutive city championships (2002-03) ■ Tennis center in Wichita’s McAdams Park is named after him

PRESIDENT’S AWARD



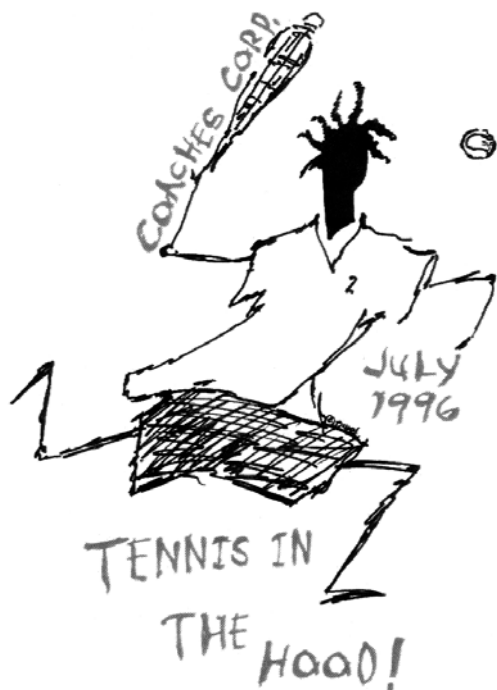
2006 Junior @portsmanship Award Winners

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| Boys 10’s | David Liu | Omaha, Neb. |
| Girls 10’s | Alli Hodges | Jones, Okla. |
| Boys 12’s | Anthony Delcore | Omaha, Neb. |
| Girls 12’s | Andrea Kinnerk | Omaha, Neb. |
| Boys 14’s | Travis Neilson | Overland Park, Kan. |
| Girls 14’s | Katie Thome | St. Louis, Mo. |
| Boys 16’s | Charlie Caris | Des Moines, Iowa |
| Girls 16’s | Merritt Whitley | St. Louis, Mo. |
| Boys 18’s | Patrick Collins | Tulsa, Okla. |
| Girls 18’s | Casey Miller | St. Louis, Mo. |

Coaches Corp Members

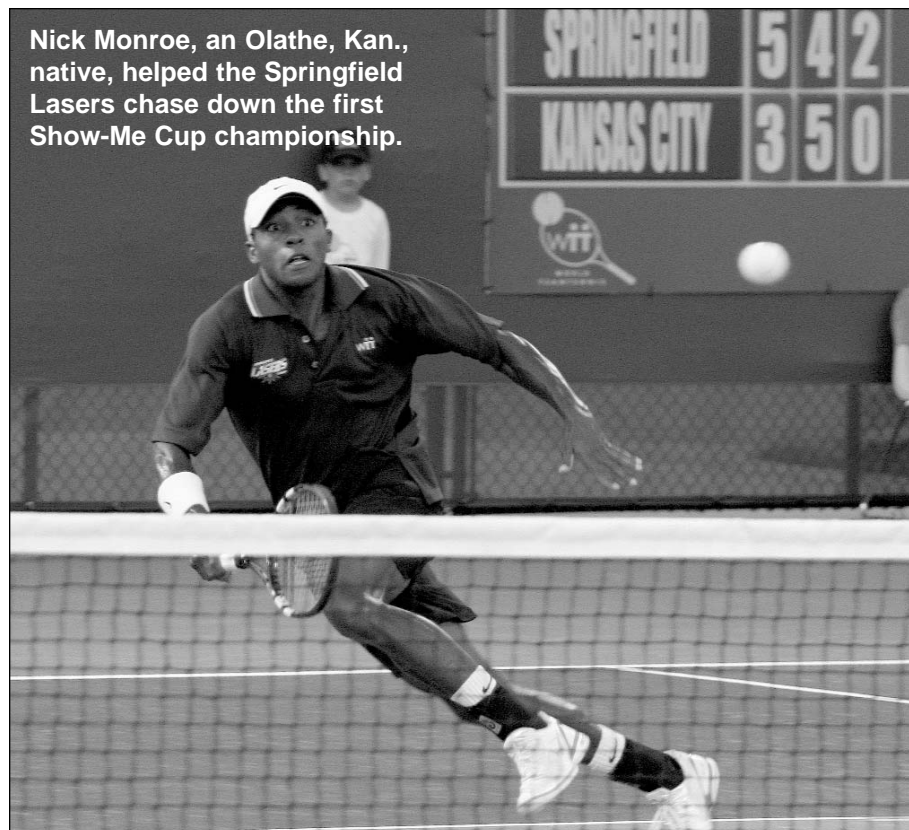
Bonnie Beechum Davenport, Iowa
 Prentice Blackman Kansas City
 John Bregin Merriam, Kan.
 Tom Deron Moline, Ill.
 Barbara Fackel Rock Island, Iowa
 Jane Hines Omaha, Neb.
 Ted Hollenback Emporia, Kan.
 Velma Jarrett Kansas City
 Fred Johnson Kansas City
 Ida Johnson Davenport, Iowa

Pete Kendal Kirksville, Mo.
 Alex Lee Wichita, Kan.
 J.C. Louderback Arkansas City, Mo.
 George Milton Emporia, Kan.
 Gwen Moore Florissant, Mo.
 Kevin Nebergall Cedar Rapids, Iowa
 Jeremiah Ollison Oklahoma City
 Jim Reed Winfield, Kan.
 Mark Rosewell Maryville, Mo.



In 1996 a volunteer crop of coaches and teaching pros came together with the mission of increasing participation in tennis among urban youth. The “Coaches Corp” took an interactive event called “Tennis in the Hood” to urban neighborhoods across the Missouri Valley Section. Ten years later, we recognize the Coaches Corp for their dedication and look forward to the transition of these events to “Tennis Block Parties” throughout the Missouri Valley.

Nick Monroe, an Olathe, Kan., native, helped the Springfield Lasers chase down the first Show-Me Cup championship.



@how-Me Cup

The inaugural Show-Me Cup in 2006 sparked an intra-state competition among the three World TeamTennis™ (WTT) franchises that call Missouri home. The USTA Missouri Valley sponsors the Cup to promote WTT and generate excitement about tennis throughout the section. (The Missouri Valley is the only USTA section that has three WTT teams.)

Final 2006 Show-Me Cup Standings

| | |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Springfield Lasers | 4-2 |
| St. Louis Aces | 3-3 |
| Kansas City Explorers | 2-4 |



Thank You Homer Robinson

USTA Missouri Valley Hall of Fame Chairman 1986-2006

You could call him the father of the USTA Missouri Valley Hall of Fame. Homer has served as the chairman of the Hall since its inception in 1986, and he was, himself, inducted in 2000. Now at 85, Homer is passing the torch to someone new, hopeful that his successor will find the job as gratifying as he has. Homer is stepping down with the induction of this year's Hall of Fame class. The Missouri Valley thanks Homer for his many years of dedicated service (and his homemade sourdough bread).



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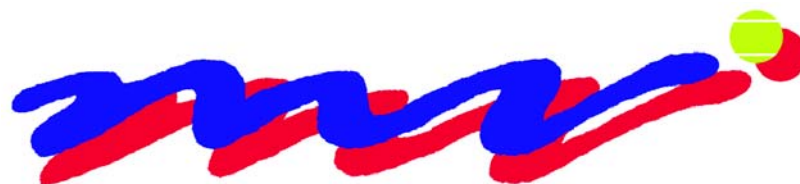
Tennis “returns the service” of improved physical health, personal confidence and cognitive abilities to those who participate, regardless of age.

You can give the gift of tennis by contributing to the **Missouri Valley Tennis Foundation**, which provides grants and supports programs that promote tennis and education in your community.

Your gift is an investment in making a difference in your community's future by helping establish, administer and promote tennis programs devoted to the development of healthy lifestyles and physical fitness through the sport of tennis. With your assistance, the Missouri Valley Tennis Foundation will encourage and provide assistance for tennis initiatives and will promote health, character, sportsmanship and responsible citizenship for youth and adults regardless of race, creed, national origin, sex or age.

Please make your tax deductible gift support payable to the **MVTF** and mail it to **8676 W 96th Street, Suite 100, Overland Park, KS 66212**.

You'll be glad you helped “return the serve.”



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