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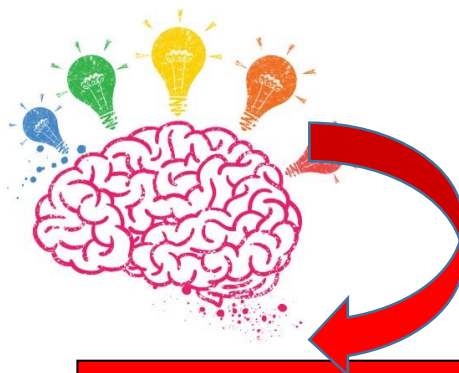


Fredericksburg Tennis Association
JUNE/JULY 2017 Newsletter
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Greetings once again! Our FOURTH newsletter has plenty of exciting and **IMPORTANT** information! Please read on! As always, please feel free to comment on the newsletter, the FTA or about tennis otherwise!

MEETING with FBG CITY COUNCIL! FTA presentation (15 to 20 minutes) to Fredericksburg City Council on **July 5th (meeting starts at 6 pm)**. Please **SUPPORT** us with your **ATTENDANCE!**

Gillespie County Law Enforcement Center
1601 East Main Street
Fredericksburg, TX 78624



Come ALL FTA Members and other tennis lovers! Let's showcase the FTA and our tennis support! Let's take advantage of our opportunity to support our city's investment in tennis facilities and programs!

Our next tennis Gathering!



POST WIMBLEDON TENNIS GATHERING

Hosted By: DAVID HARRIS

SUNDAY JULY 16, 2017

YOUTH 5 PM OR JOIN THE ADULTS WHO START AT 6 PM

Free to members, \$6 for guests

Please e-mail us: fredericksburgtennis@gmail.com to let us know how many are coming. It really helps us to know how many people to expect!

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YOUTH TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The Dr. Pepper/Tennis Outlet Junior tournament is our largest tournament and largest funding source. Members and other interested parties: please support this tournament through your participation, publicity, attendance and gifts.

**Register NOW for the 32nd Annual Fredericksburg
Dr. Pepper/Tennis Outlet Junior Open
JULY 28-30, 2017**



Sponsored by: Dr. Pepper, Tennis Outlet, Fredericksburg Tennis Association, Culligan Water, Fredericksburg Medical Supply, First United Bank, In-Step Fashions

Sites: FHS, Ladybird Park and private courts in FBG

Events: 12 and under BS GS BD GD, 14 and under BS GS BD GD MXD, 16 and under BS GS BD GD, MXD, 18 and under BS GS BD GS MXD

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per person, per event (Includes a T-Shirt). Please pay online when registering or make checks payable to the Fredericksburg Tennis Association

Registration: Register online: <http://fredericksburgtenn.wixsite.com/fbgxtennis> If not paying online please mail check to: FTA C/o Randall S. King, 432 Ladybird Drive Fredericksburg, Texas 78624 or email to fredericksburgtennis@gmail.com

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Saturday July 22nd. Hard copy registration forms are available at the Fredericksburg High School or LBJ courts.

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Summer Swing Tournament Summary The Summer Swing Jr. Tournament was held **June 17**. We had a modest turn out compared to prior years, however, spirited play and determination was evident in all the competing youngsters. Congratulations to the winning individuals who each received a medal for their triumph!

Event	Winner	Runner Up	Consolation Winner
Boys 14 and under	Bailan Kerr (Mason)	Branton Kirchner (Wimberley)	Reid Ortega (San Antonio)
Boys 16 and under	Matthew Kerr (Mason)	Thomas Wainwright (Fredericksburg)	Gabriel Hinjosa (Brownwood)
Girls 18 and under	Piper Barberie (Brownwood)	Astri Smith (Fredericksburg)	Amy Dittmar (Fredericksburg)



We have a NEW PHONE NUMBER.

It is **512 715-4840**

This Google Voice number is linked to my phone at the moment but can be easily transferred to another number at any time. Voice mail messages may be left.

The Tennis Gatherings

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Our Taco Tennis time was rained out in May but that did not prevent several hungry members from scooping up some fabulous tacos prepared by Pablo Mireles. At the Catfish Bonanza, the President's report elicited some

collegial laughter while Braxton and his team delivered big-time on the fish and hush puppies!



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Ours is a volunteer organization. We have no paid staff, just plain people who chose to give their time, money and services to the FTA. It is impossible to identify all our volunteers and what they do. Please forgive me if (or more likely “that”) I have forgotten to give credit to some folks that deserve it. Many of our members are true FTA and tennis ambassadors and historians. You are truly valued. In addition to our Board Members who are responsible to oversee your FTA, here is Seelye’s list of shout outs to those who gave generously in the first six months of 2017.

Tennis Court Resurfacing, Wind Slats and Parks Director coordination: *Rick Hipsky*
Wind Slat Installation: *Rick and Svetlana Hipsky, Dennis O’Brien, Twyla Tranfalia, Randall King, Bud Parrish, Mark Gibbs, Braxton Roemer, Connie McIntyre, Dick and Irina Fleury, Terry Bonn*
Equipment Building Repairs (replace Door Frame and threshold): *Stanley Klaener*
New Equipment Building Construction (in process): *Dick Fleury*
Monday Night Tennis Coordination: *David Harris*
Gathering Hosts: *Marcel van Hasz, Pablo Mireles, Braxton Roemer*
Photographer: *Pablo Mireles*
Sunday Night Youth Tennis Instructors: *Mark Moellering, Jerry Faucheux*
FBG Law Enforcement Youth Summer Days Out: *Dennis Rae, Jerry Faucheux, Braxton Roemer*
Always seemingly bringing snacks and drinks: *Mark Gibbs*
Monday morning, Wednesday Night and Friday Morning tennis enthusiasts - too many to mention!
Tournament Sponsor, the “Ice Man” for our many functions, tennis net maintenance - *Randall King*
Website maintenance and communication: *Grover Hawkins*
Nikki Bryla Awards Presenter and FTA representative at awards banquet: *Grover Hawkins*
Treasurer and Bookkeeping: *Cass Moore*
FTA Corporate Sponsors – 2017 - *First United Bank, Mary Eckert (In-Step Fashions), Nick Harris (Fredericksburg Medical Equipment), Kevin Kunz (Culligan Water),*
Major Individual Cash Contributions: *Terry Bonn, Richard Hoerster, Bourquein LLC*
Gathering Tennis rotation coordination: *Stanley Klaener*

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New Equipment Building: In June, we broke ground on our new self-funded Equipment Building (12 x 16). Coach King recruited a couple of high school tennis youngsters to assist Dick Fleury rough in our building foundation and side walk. We will complete this building this summer, as well as make some interior improvements to the legacy

building. The first concrete pour is pictured below with Dick Fleury and his son waiting to get busy with tending and leveling.



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Fredericksburg Law Enforcement Summer Youth Days

Out: On June 13, 2017 FTA hosted nearly 50 kids over two separate sessions of tennis fun. Many of the kids had never been exposed to tennis yet we saw true tennis potential in some. Perhaps the highlight for some of the kids were the Tootsie Roll Pop and Bubble Wand “prizes”

at the end of each hot session! Below is the kids at the end of session 2 (many have their “prizes”) with their beloved FTA instructors!



More kids! We expect about 50 kids on the mornings of **July 11th and July 13th** for another tennis program as part of the Wellness Center kids’ summer camp!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BILLIES! The Texas UIL State Tennis Tournament was recently held in College Station. Fredericksburg's Hannah Boubel captured the Texas State High School Girls 4A runner up spot. Fredericksburg's Broque Constantine and Claire Maxcey

denominated the competition for the Texas State High School 4A Mixed Doubles championship crown. Coach Randall King received his National Federation of State High School Association Southwest Section (Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico) Coach of the Year award at the tournament. Below you see our eventual State Champions receiving sage advice from Coach King during their finals match!



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Our Mission: *To promote and encourage tennis activities and enthusiasm in the city of Fredericksburg, Texas and nearby communities, focused on youth but for persons of all ages, by conducting and supporting public tennis clinics, facilities, lessons, gatherings, and tournaments. Furthermore, we aid under-privileged or needs-based youth by promoting and supporting tennis activities and events.*

REMINDERS: “SUNDAY NIGHT ORGANIZED YOUTH” (6TH THROUGH 9TH GRADERS TENNIS DRILLS, PRACTICE AND PLAY). The goal of the program is to help kids become consistent, well-rounded tennis players and to enhance and improve current tennis skills to the next level. The regularly scheduled Sunday program time is 5 pm to 7 pm (**THIS SUNDAY JUNE 25 is at 7 PM TO 9 PM and we may switch the regular time to 7 pm**) and cost is \$30 per participant for the summer. Questions? Call Seelye Harrison at 972-249-5553 or email the FTA at fredericksburgtennis@gmail.com

The **USTA Texas Hill Country Tennis Camp**, with Julio Godreau, will again be coming to Fredericksburg **July 24-27** at Fredericksburg High School / Lady Bird Johnson Courts. Ages 9-18, \$375 for the week.

Registration closes 7/21

Register here:

<https://txhotshots.siplay.com>



For more info, contact Carrie Hale
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As always, if you would like to volunteer or if you have comments about the FTA, this newsletter, our activities or anything else tennis related, please feel free to contact Seelye Harrison, at johnseelye@hotmail.com or by phone at 972 249 5553.

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