

## **Kitchen Talk**



## **Pickleball Association of Sun City Texas Newsletter**

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## Club Announcements

By Kathy Carr PASCT Communications Director

- Fall Leagues Start. Registration for the Fall Leagues is now closed. Ladder Leagues start the week of 14 September and will run through the first week in November. If you are not playing in the league, come on out and cheer. See the bulletin board for times and weekly scores.
- Court Closure for Purple Heart Ceremony 11 September. The City of Georgetown will host a Purple Heart Ceremony on September 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 10:15 am at Veteran's Memorial Plaza. Out of respect to the honorees and guests, the pickleball courts will be closed from 8:30 11:00 am and parking will be restricted. Since we can't play, let's get out and attend the ceremony to show our gratitude to the recipients of this award.
- Quarterly Pickleball Club Board Meeting 16 September. This meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 2015 from 9:30 AM 12:30 PM at the Activities Center, Meeting Room 314. All Club members are invited and encouraged to attend.
- Changes to Club Hours Effective 1 October. The PASCT Board has had long discussions on how to best reduce the amount of time players have to wait for Courts 1 6 during prime hours. In fairness to all of our club members, the following changes will be instituted. The Club's Fall and Winter Hours are listed on page 4 of this newsletter, and will be posted to the court gates and the Club's website in the next couple of weeks.
  - Beginners' Play will be limited to Monday afternoons from 2:00 4:00 pm. A mentor will be on site to reinforce new player knowledge of the rules and fundamental skills required to play pickleball. Participants must have completed the Introduction to Pickleball Class and be a member of the Pickleball Club. Once players display a capacity to play the game, they will be guided to play on Courts 1 6 during hours not reserved for Beginners' Play.
  - Wednesday Morning Ladies Play Ends. Due to the increasing number of members in the Club, there will no longer be a
    dedicated time slot for ladies only play. The only exception to this is Women's League play on Mondays.

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- Changes to Simon Hours of Operation and Equipment Manager Support.
  - Effective 1 September, Simon's hours of operation are changed to accommodate league play. The pickleball machine will be available Monday and Tuesday from 3:00 5:00 pm and Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday from 1:00 -5:00 pm. If you would like to reserve Simon, send an email request to <a href="mailto:sctxreservesimon@gmail.com">sctxreservesimon@gmail.com</a> with the date and time you would like to use the machine. Requests should be submitted no earlier than 14 days and no later than 48 hours in advance of the date/time of desired usage.
  - Effective 1 October, the Club will no longer provide an onsite Equipment Manager to operate Simon. Those club members, who have completed training on the pickleball machine, will be able to reserve Simon and will be responsible for its operation during their reservation. If you are not currently an Equipment Manager and you require training on Simon's setup and operation, send an email request to <a href="mailto:sctxreservesimon@gmail.com">sctxreservesimon@gmail.com</a> to sign up for one of the upcoming classes. Please include your name, email, phone, and the class you would like to attend.

Monday 5 pm 7 September 2015 Wednesday 5 pm 9 September 2015 Thursday 5 pm 10 September 2015 Saturday 1 pm 12 September 2015

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## From the President – Address to the Sports Committee

By Nancy Grafton PASCT President

Many of you have approached me with comments and suggestions on how to resolve the problem of overcrowding on the pickleball courts. Many more have probably had the same thoughts but haven't shared them.

On Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, I made our yearly presentation to the Sports Committee detailing our existing and future needs, as well as what we have accomplished to date. The Sports Committee is our liaison with the Community Association. In addition, we also work with Property and Grounds, and respond to requests for information from the sub-committees of the Developer's Expansion Task Force.

Please take the time to read through my presentation as your past and current Pickleball Boards have tried/will continue to try to accomplish what so many of you have said or thought.

### The 2015 PASCT Board set several goals at its January workshop meeting:

- 1. To offer more social and player events to engage our 450+ members,
- 2. To promote pickleball to current and potential Sun City residents,

- **Nancy Grafton**
- 3. To provide up-to-date and relevant information to club members on pickleball within Sun City and around the area,
- 4. To provide training to beginner, intermediate, and advanced players through clinics, and the purchase of a training machine "Simon",
- To evaluate various scoring methods in an effort to reduce the waiting periods on courts 1-6 when overcrowding occurs.
- 6. To purchase additional storage so that Club inventory is accessible in one location, and
- 7. To work with the Sun City Maintenance Department to attempt to resolve the lighting issues on Courts 5 and 6.

In order to achieve these goals, the current Board has held/will continue to hold monthly workshops and conduct quarterly Board meetings for our general membership (March, June, September) with our Annual Meeting and Election of Officers to be held in November. As a result of these workshops and the flow of ideas, we have:

- 1. Held a Spring Tournament, a Shrimp Boil, women, men, and mixed doubles social events, an Ice Cream Social, winter and spring leagues, and a summer ladder league. Still on the agenda for the remainder of the year: fall leagues and tournament, skill training for all player levels, and a Pickle "Ball" (50s and 60s dance).
- 2. Purchased two supply storage units, and "Simon", the pickleball throwing machine.
- 3. Trained 45 volunteer equipment managers to assist our members in learning how to use the pickleball throwing machine "Simon". Simon serves as a training tool to improve the skill levels of beginner, intermediate, and advanced players.
- 4. Held beginner training workshops, and mentoring programs, and participated in New Homeowner Orientation Fairs.
- 5. Our members donated 637 pounds of canned food items to the Hays County Food Bank following the devastating floods in May.
- 6. Recruited over 100 volunteers in assisting with various Club activities. Every month we recognize one volunteer for their efforts to improve the Pickleball Club. The volunteer of the month is featured in the monthly newsletter, recognized at a Board meeting, and presented with a framed certificate, and

## Address to the Sports Committee Continued -

7. We are proud of our monthly newsletter "Kitchen Talk", and the weekly newsletter Pickleball Express. Both are examples of the ongoing communication with our members. In addition, Sun City pickleball has been featured in the *Williamson County Sun*, and *City Insider*.

Sources of revenue in 2015 year to date (YTD) are member dues and league participation fees, and these have generated revenue of \$8,414, with YTD expenses of \$4,965. As of July 31, 2015, along with prior funds earmarked for future expenses, the Balance Sheet shows \$11,331.58.

Most Pressing Need: Finding additional areas within Sun City to play pickleball.

We are 450+ and growing, and the existing courts are not meeting the needs of our current membership, which we anticipate will reach 500 by the end of this year. Lack of additional courts exacerbates the overcrowding that we continue to experience.

### **Current Needs:**

- 1. Shade cover for seating area on Court 5,
- More portable benches (like the green benches) currently used that can be moved to areas of the court that offer shade,
- 3. Additional lighting for Courts 5 and 6, estimated cost is \$6,500\*
- 4. A conduit line for the Simon machine,
- More storage, and
- Picnic tables.

\*We have worked with the Maintenance Department and Ringdale Lighting, the vendor that supplied the existing lights. Even after adjusting the lights and replacing the one that wasn't working, court lighting remains inadequate when compared to other outdoor playing venues in Sun City.

### **Future Needs:**

- 1. Given the popularity of pickleball both within Sun City, and around the U.S., we requested a minimum of 12 additional courts, providing our growing population with at least 18 courts.
- 2. To not separate the Pickleball Club over several areas, rather to build enough courts in one area and turn the existing courts 1-6, for example, in to more tennis courts and/or parking. This would reduce the duplication of amenities, costs, and services to both Clubs and the CA, and would keep both clubs intact. An additional benefit would be the extra parking made available to other clubs, such as Billiards.
- 3. Lights for courts 1-4 so that members and non-members can enjoy more playable hours. This would help reduce the overcrowding that occurs during prime time.
- 4. A shade cover for the bleachers between Courts 4 and 5.
- 5. If additional courts are added, we anticipate the need for water fountains, lights, benches, shade covers, restroom facilities, storage units, and additional parking, as well as a covered common gathering area (pavilion).

### Areas where the Sports Committee can help support PASCT:

Projecting a "future needs budget" while we await confirmation of how many courts and amenities may be added, and whether the Club will be located in one or more locations, are definitely areas where the Sports Committee could provide assistance. Impressing upon the CA, and the Developer, the importance of frequent expansion status updates is crucial for planning purposes to not only the Pickleball Club, but to all the other Chartered Sports Clubs as well.

## Club's Fall and Winter Court Hours

**Effective 1 October 2015**, the Club's Fall and Winter Court Schedule takes effect. Before heading to the courts, please refer to the schedule and legend below to see what courts are available. Beginner Mentoring is only on Monday afternoons, women only open play has been eliminated, and leagues will be scheduled for 1-2 hours on Monday, Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Lastly, this Fall the club will introduce a Player Development Program for Beginner and Intermediate players on Saturday afternoons. More information will follow on this soon.

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## **Questions and Answers**

By Nancy Grafton PASCT President

- Q: Why can't we use some of the tennis courts while we are waiting for more pickleball courts to be built?
- A: When two additional pickleball courts were added last year, we were advised that more would be built, but, in the interim, we were not to pursue use of the tennis courts. Has this topic been revisited this year yes, and with the same results.
- Q: Why do we have league play in the afternoon?
- A: Most players who participate in the leagues don't play twice in the same day. This helps reduce the overcrowding that occurs during the peak morning hours.
- Q: Why don't more members play in the evening in the summer when the temperature is not as hot, and the sun not as bright?
- A: Good guestion. ???????????

## Mixed Doubles "Buttons and Bows a Huge Hit

Photos Submitted by Leon Hananel, PASCT Photographer

It is a rare occasion when you see nearly as many spectators as players down at the pickleball courts. That was the case last Tuesday night, when the Club sponsored a Mixed Doubles "Buttons and Bows" mini tournament and social. Each man drew the name of a woman and the two were paired to play a game to 8 points using Rally Scoring. The men then rotated partners until they had played with every woman. The event turned out to be a great social experience, while giving the participants an appreciation of how fast a game can be completed under the Rally Scoring System (hmmm). View more pictures of this event on the Club's website.



Group mug shot at Buttons and Bows.

Official pickleball high-five.



Proof that besides socializing and eating watermelon they really did play some pickleball.

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## From the Ambassador

By Chuck Flanagan North Austin Pickleball Ambassador



Remember the last game you played? Was the game won due to superior skill...or lost as a result of too many unforced errors. It's an important distinction because unforced errors are the bane of all pickleball players. Gavin Tabone, a south Austin Pickleball Ambassador, has made a start in trying to help players see just how badly these errors affect their game. Gavin has video recorded their games and then analyzed the end of each rally. He then assigned a score to the player(s) who ended it. Players receive one point for each winning shot and receive a deduction (minus one) for each unforced error or "stinker" (setup for the opponent). Here's a link to a YouTube video showing one of these games... https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sBhWOqFpYdM

Note: the players keep track of the game score in the usual manner. These scorings are a separate subjective analysis of the game and are computed by spectators or, if recorded, at a later time.

This is a great tool to help players realize just how much these errors affect their game and can be used to help work on those shots that contribute to those errors. We've developed a Player Game Evaluation form in order to make it easier for our members to analyze their own games. Copies of the form (in ".pdf" format) are on the club website as well as in the boxes under the benches on the courts. The forms a self-explanatory and all you need is one or more spectators willing to watch and score your performance. Remember, although the scoring is subjective, the overall results will tell you where you need work.

#### UNFORCED ERROR GAME EVALUATION SHEET

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<sup>&</sup>quot;Serve", refers to the players position at the beginning of the game. Individual players receive one tic mark based on how the rally was concluded.

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Balls popped up or positioned such that the opponents score a "Win" are a "Setup".

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### Was It In or Was It Out?

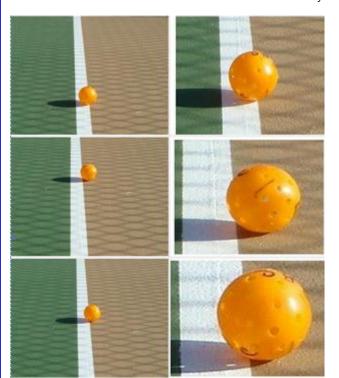
Submitted by Kathy Carr, PASCT Communications Director

This is a question that comes up all the time – was the ball in or was it out? While the answer is easy, it is our individual interpretation of the official rules that make it so darn complicated. Let's see if we can uncomplicated it.

According to Section 6 of the International Federation of Pickleball (IFP) Rules:

- A served ball that clears the non-volley line (kitchen) and lands on any other service court line is good.
- With the exception of the serve, a ball in play that lands on any court line is good.
- A ball contacting the playing surface outside of the baseline or sideline, even though the edge of the ball overlaps the line, is considered out of bounds.

On the left you can see the ball from the perspective of the receiver. On the right, you see the same ball in the same location, but we've moved in a little closer to see where the ball truly hit on the court.



Same ball on the right and left. The ball is clearly in.

Same ball on the right and left. Even though the ball is hanging over the white line, it is actually touching the tan surface. The ball is Out.

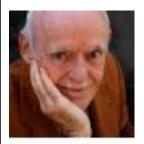
Same ball on the right and left. At a distance the ball looks like it may have caught the line, but close up it is on the tan surface and is NOT touching the white line. The ball is Out.

Because the call sometimes comes down to a matter of individual perception, Section 6 also provides rules on line calling.

- Players are responsible to call the lines on their side of the court.
- Any ball that cannot be called "out" must presumably be called "in"
- The opponent gets the benefit of the doubt on line calls made.
- In doubles play, if one player calls the ball "out" and the partner calls "in", there is doubt, so the ball is "in".
- No player should question and opponents call. You can ask for an opinion in your opponent was in a better position to make the call. In this case, you should accept the opinion given.

## Learn from My Story

Submitted by Pat Brian Club Member



In March I tripped stepping backwards on the court (Dummy), fell and cracked my head. While I was stopping the bleeding and friends were wiping blood up off the court, someone called an ambulance.

When it arrived, I decided not to accept the service, and instead drove home. Because the ambulance was called and I did not go to a medical facility, I was charged for their trip—\$282.50. Here are my suggestions:

- Bystanders might ask the injured if he or she wants an ambulance before calling it.
- If one does arrive, the injured should realize that not accepting a ride to a facility moves the classification from an "emergency" to an "unnecessary trip" and the financial burden from the County to the injured.

In my case I didn't want Marty getting a call that I was hauled away in an ambulance. But as it turned out I did need stitches, so accepting the service would not have been all that self-indulgent!

My insurance coverage is very generous, but when I appealed the charge ("I didn't call it, didn't want it—") they cited exact regulations that gave them no leeway.

I count my blessings knowing that friends are there (June Sewell came up with a bag of ice and Jim followed me home) and emergency service is available.

## Men Deck Out in "Ball Caps and Bow Ties"

By Kim Stout, PASCT Social Director

Not to be outdone by the women, who sponsored the much celebrated Tiaras and Tutus early July, the Club's men got together on 18 July and held their own event. They descended on Courts 1 – 4, wearing their favorite ball caps and bow ties, and competed in a mini Round Robin Tournament. Afterwards, they shared tall tales and partook of some refreshments.



The usual suspects – tournament winners: Grant Leslie, Cle Alexander and David



Tournament Coordinator, David Stout, chats with a spectator in between matches.



Players and spectators wait in the shade for the next game to begin.

# Sun City Players Medal at the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation Games

By Mary Payne, PASCT Mentor Program Coordinator

Hats off to our Sun City Texas players who medaled in their age groups at the TAAF games in Bryan, Texas on 30 - 31 July 2015. This is the first year that pickleball was introduced to the games.

### **Men's Doubles**

Jim McPartland and Grant Leslie Gold
Stan Payne and Warren Struss Gold
David Laird and Bill Russell Gold

### **Women's Doubles**

Donna Duffy and Mary Payne Silver

### **Mixed Doubles**

David Laird and Charlette Gold Stan Payne and Mary Payne Silver

### **Women's Singles**

Mary Payne Gold





Warren Struss & Stan Payne



David Laird & Charlotte



Donna Duffy and Mary Payne



Stan & Mary Payne



David Laird & Bill Russell



Mary Payne

## Volunteer Spotlight - Peg O'Toole

Mary Payne, our Mentor Program Coordinator, nominated Peg O'Toole as the September 2015 Volunteer of the Month. This nomination was unanimously approved by the PASCT board on 12 August 2015.

Peg O'Toole is recognized for dedicating her time and talents to introducing and educating newcomers on the game of pickleball. Over the last year, Peg has taught several "Introduction to Pickleball" classes and guided beginners on the fundamentals of pickleball during the Club's Mentoring Program on Mondays and Thursdays. Additionally, Peg has volunteered as an Equipment Manager for Simon, the Pickleball Machine. Congratulations for a job well done.



Peg O'Toole, PASCT September 2015 Volunteer of the Month

### A Little Bit About Peg By Peg

I was born in Pittsburgh where I met my husband, Joe. His job relocated him back to his home town of Cleveland, and I followed when we got married in 1977.

We lived in Cleveland for 22 years – hard to believe with its weather. We lived on Lake Erie, where the views and sunsets were unbelievable (and our backdoor neighbors were in Canada). In 1999, my telecommunications job moved us to Atlanta. A few years later, I became a self-employed telecommunications auditor and continued doing that work until last year. I am now fully retired.

Joe and I both got into tennis during the tennis craze of the 70's. We were both very active tennis players and Atlanta was the best town for tennis. It has more tennis players than any other city in the US. We also loved the warm weather.

About 4 years ago, my sister who lives in Copperas Cove, near Killeen/Fort Hood, introduced us to pickleball. The only pickleball going on in the Atlanta area was at private courts and in North Georgia. Atlanta is a tennis town and they were not interested in pickleball. No one was converting a tennis court to pickleball!

We finally got the YMCA where we belonged to let us tape off a court in the gym and they ordered a net. We convinced a few tennis friends to come play. It caught on at the YMCA, and we continued to promote the game throughout the Y's in the Atlanta area. We signed up with the USAPA and became Ambassadors for the Northeast Atlanta area. We worked with Gwinnett and Fulton counties in promoting the game at the Senior Golden Games, and the Georgia Senior Olympics had us introduce it as a demonstration sport at the state games. We introduced the game to more than 200 players. We enjoyed promoting the sport. In recognition, the YMCA honored us with the Volunteers of the Year Award and then later presented us with the Be Greater Atlanta Award.

We were visiting my sister and came to play pickleball with her Harker Heights group at Sun City. Kathy Carr and Toni Briggs had invited them for a Saturday morning. That's all it took. We decided this was the place to retire.

We moved to Sun City last August and we love it.

## Introduction to Pickleball Class Dates

By Richard Bradley Player Development Director

Class dates for the next several months are listed to the right and have been posted to the Club's website.

If you know an individual, club or neighborhood that would like to learn how to play pickleball, please advise them to contact the club's Player Development

Director, Richard Bradley at<u>rlbradley1963@aol.com</u> to schedule a class.

Those members interested in helping to teach this class should also contact Richard. He really could use some assistance.



Introduction to Pickleball Class Schedule					
September 19, 2015	Saturday	8:00 – 9:30 am			
September 23, 2015   Wednesday   10:00 – 11:30 am					
October 17, 2015	Saturday	4:00 – 5:30 pm			
October 24, 2015	Saturday	4:00 – 5:30 pm			
December 5, 2015 Saturday 4:00 – 5:30 pm					
December 12, 2015 Saturday 4:00 – 5:30 pm					
Classes are held on Courts 5 and 6. Paddles, balls and instruction are provided by the club.					

## Sun City Texas 2015 Fall Tournament Is Around the Corner

By Mary Payne
PASCT Tournament Director

Pull out your calendar and save the date — Saturday, 31 October 2015. The Sun City Texas Pickleball Club will host its annual Fall Pickleball Tournament. The theme for this year's event is... wait for it... Halloween.

### Pickleball Fall Tournament

Saturday, October 31st

All levels of play for everyone to enjoy and participate

This will be a same skilled levels tournament; Advanced, Intermediate and Beginner's...more details to follow soon...

Must be a member of the Pickleball Association of Sun City Texas



Point of Contact is Mary Payne, Tournament Director, 512.921.9830 or <a href="mailto:1marypayne@gmail.com">1marypayne@gmail.com</a>

## **Upcoming Tournaments Outside Sun City**

By Kathy Carr
PASCT Communications Director

### **Doubles Tournament at Georgetown Recreation Center on 24 October 2015**

Georgetown Rec Center will host a doubles tournament for ages 18+ on Saturday, 24 October beginning at 9:00 am. The tournament is limited to the first 16 teams to register. Cost is \$25.00 per team, and includes awards for the top teams. Teams can be all male, all female, or mixed. If enough teams register, there will be a Compass Draw to maximize the number of matches each team gets to play. Registration for the tournament is now open, and can be done over the phone (512-930-3596) with a credit card or in person at the Georgetown Rec Center if paying with cash or check. Questions should be directed to Robert Staton, Senior Program Coordinator, telephone 512-930-1367.

### Sunday Ladder League in Cedar Park



This filled up within days last time so don't delay signing up. Starts at 10:00 am Sept 13<sup>th</sup> and runs through Nov 8th (8 weeks). No Games Oct 18<sup>th</sup> REGISTER by calling 512-401-5516 or

REGISTER online at <a href="https://apm.activecommunities.com/cityofcedarpark/Activity\_Search/sunday-pickleball-ladder-league/4577">https://apm.activecommunities.com/cityofcedarpark/Activity\_Search/sunday-pickleball-ladder-league/4577</a> Or register in person.

All games are played at the Cedar Park Recreation Center, 1435 Main St, Cedar Park, TX 78613.

For more questions or more information contact Tim Dean at tim.dean@cedarparktexas.gov or 512-401-5506.

### Cedar Park Texas Athletic Amateur Federation Pickleball Championships

Cedar Park will host its inaugural Texas Athletic Amateur Federation Pickleball Championships 15-18 October 2015. Space is limited and will fill up fast. This is NOT a USAPA Sanctioned event and will not have court referees.

Location – Cedar Park Recreation Center Fee - \$30 per team per event Format – Double Elimination Dates:

Thursday Oct 15 – Men's and Women's Doubles (50-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70 and up) Friday Oct 16 – Mixed Doubles (50-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70 and up) Saturday Oct 17 – Men's and Women's Doubles Open Division Sunday Oct 18 – Mixed Doubles Open Division

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To register Call <u>512-401-5516</u> or complete the on line registration at

https://apm.activecommunities.com/cityofcedarpark/Activity\_Search?detailskeyword=pickle&lsAdvanced=False&ddlSortBy=Activity\_humber&SearchFor=2&SearchLevelID=2&NumberOfItemsPerPage=50&lsSearch=true



If you happen to be out and about traveling throughout Texas or visiting other states and are interested in competing in a pickleball tournament, go to <a href="https://www.pickleballtournaments.com">www.pickleballtournaments.com</a> and click on the tab labeled "Tournament". From here you can query upcoming pickleball tournaments by state or date. You can even register for these events on line. Check it out.

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### Monday morning commute.....

Submitted by Walt Holt, Club Member

This morning on I- 35, I looked over to my left and there was a woman in a brand new Mercedes doing 70 mph with her face up next to her rear view mirror putting on her eyeliner. I looked away for a couple seconds and when I looked back she was halfway over in my lane, still working on that makeup. Being a man, of course I don't scare easily.

But she scared me so much; I dropped my electric shaver, which knocked the donut out of my other hand. In all the confusion of trying to straighten out the car using my knees against the steering wheel, it knocked my cell phone away from my ear, which fell into the coffee between my legs, splashed and burned the big kahunas, ruined the damn phone, soaked my trousers and disconnected an important call.

Darn women drivers!	Darn	women	drivers!!	ļ
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## Welcome New Picklers (Members)

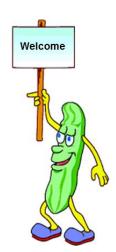
Judy Swain PASCT Vice President

We currently have 456 active members in the Pickleball Club. Here is a list our new members who have joined the pickleball ranks within the last two months.

Please welcome these folks when you see them on the courts. If they're wearing a hat, look for the little green pickle on it. They've been pickled – that is, they were sent a welcome letter from our club president along with a hat pin pickle to recognize their new membership.

### **Welcome New Members**

Alan Adler	Marsha Kassawara	Della Riley
Danny Ballard	Thomas Kassawara	David Rudes
Jerry Wayne Blair	Sherri Kenyon	Susan Scheuring
Kirby Boston	Pamela LaShelle	Maria Sena
Eileen Byhower	Maggie Manley	John Sena
Martin Byhower	Dave Manley	Harry Sippel
Antoinette Costello	John May	Maryann Stephens
John Costello	Bernadette May	Joe Stephens
John Dodgen	Michael Mulcahy	Susan Terwilliger
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## Italian Marriage Success..... Submitted by Walt Holt

At Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, they have weekly husbands' marriage seminars. At the session last week the priest asked Giuseppe, who said he was approaching his 50th wedding anniversary, to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he had managed to stay married to the same woman all these years.



Giuseppe replied to the assembled husbands, 'Well, I'va tried to treat her nice, spenda da money on her but, best of all is, I took her to Italy for the 25th anniversary!'

The priest responded, 'Giuseppe, you are an amazing inspiration to all the husbands here! Please tell us what you are planning for your wife for your 50th anniversary?'

Giuseppe proudly replied, "I gonna go pick her up."