

NJTP SMASH TALK

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NJTP ATTENDS USPTA WORLD CONFERENCE



Festive New Orleans was the host site of the 2015 United States Professional Tennis Association World Conference 2015. **NJTP** attendees were *Ruben Mejorado, Rudy Cordova, Barbara Tscherne, and Steve Tscherne*. It was five days full of tennis ideas, coaching strategies, drills, and seminars from some of the top coaches in the world. *Nick Bollettieri, Rick Macci, Feisal Hassan, Hank Pfister, Stan Oley, Craig O'Shannessy and Gigi Fernandez* were just a few in the lineup of super-stars. **NJTP** president, *Steve Tscherne*, was honored to speak on the topic "creative ideas to enhance your tennis program". Our attendees hope to bring the knowledge acquired here back home to further enhance the **NJTP** experience. The picture above was taken at the WWII Museum in New Orleans.

SERVE, STROKE AND VOLLEY EVENTS COME TO EL CARISO PARK

The parent and player friendly Serve, Stroke, Volley (SSV) tournament Grand Prix circuit has arrived at El Cariso Park. This tournament places together players with SSV scores of equal values. This creates fair matches in every division. Play takes two to three hours, which is easier for parents and players trying to manage their weekends. Founder, Randy Johnson, has brought SSV to the San Fernando Valley after many years of success in the San Diego area. Over 60 **NJTP** students have been tested and numerous **NJTP** students have won their events. This includes many **NJTP** students who have won their first trophy. SSV is played in the San Fernando Valley at least once every weekend. Let's get tested and play the all-important "match play" that every player needs. Check it out at SSV.com.



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UPS DELIVERS AGAIN



A massive campaign has been launched at UPS to introduce the **NJTP** to many new drivers, management clerks, and mechanics. **NJTP** president, *Steve Tscherne*, 29 year UPS retiree, several staff, and **NJTP** students spent many days with some old friends and many new ones at the UPS San Fernando building, the Van Nuys building, and the LA mechanic shop. We are spreading the word about the great things **NJTP** has done and is now doing. The entire **NJTP** family would like to say "thank you" for a decade of support through the United Way campaign. "WE LOVE YOU BROWN".

**NOVICE, SATELLITE AND OPEN
TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

**PLAY TWO TOURNAMENTS IN ONE QUARTER AND NJTP WILL
PAY FOR THE THIRD!**

This quarter runs from:
Oct 1st to Dec. 31st, 2015.

For tournament schedule check the website at:
www.SCTA.USTA.com

**SUMMER IS FUN AT THE
RIVIERA COUNTRY CLUB**

A huge thank you goes out to the **Rivera Foundation** for providing **NJTP** students with a series of summer camp experiences. Numerous **NJTP** students were given the pleasure of summer camp due to the efforts of the Rivera Foundation. Thanks again for all your love.

WEB-SITE
www.njtptennis.net

LIGHTNING RESULTS

The weather wasn't too hot for a **July Lightning**, but the tennis action was sizzling. When the dust settled, **Daniel Garcia** was champion over repeat winner, **Kendrick Marcy**, 6-1 in the Achievers final. **Andres Jarrin** again won the Challenger 3 and 4 divisions for the umpteenth time. **Coen P Moelendorf** looked smooth in his victory in the Superstar division with a 6-0 defeat of **Stephen Dean**. **Archie Bautista** battled all day and won his first lightning over a very game **Luigi Zurita** with a score of 6-3.

Emily Andrews broke a long winning streak for the boys in the **October Lightning** Achievers Divisions with a 6-2 final score over **Andes Jarrin**. **Julia Van der Colff** withstood a barrage of opponents in the Competitor 4 division including defeating **Dally Johnson** 6-3 in the final. Dally's brother, **Ko-jack Johnson** was smooth all day with a 6-1 victory over **Sebastian Champion** in the Challenger 3 division. A small draw resulted in a 6-2 victory for **Stephen Dean** in the Super Stars division. **Richard Abraham** returned to the top of the heap with a convincing 6-0 victory versus **Fernando Gonzalez** in the Adult division.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PLAY DAY

The **NJTP** will hold a play day on **Saturday, October 24** starting at 11 a.m. This event is for *Smashers, Future Aces, and Rising Stars*. Cost is \$20 which includes a snack, T-shirt, and match play. Call Barbara for more details (818) 434-9650.

SSV EVENTS

NJTP will host two events this Fall. There will be a SSV at 1 p.m. on **Saturday, November 14, and Saturday, December 12, 2015**. Let's come out to play. Please allow two to three hours to complete. Cost is \$30. Trophies to the winners only.

RIVIERA FUN DAY IS COMING

The Riviera Fun day will be on **Sunday, November 15th, and Sunday, December 13th, 2015**. We will be carpooling from El Cariso Park at 1:00 pm. Drivers needed! Tennis attire a must! This event is open to Challenger 3, Challenger 4, Competitor 5 and Achiever classes. This is free for those who qualify. Any questions, contact Steve: (818) 434-9231.

POTLUCK PLAY

The **NJTP** will have a potluck, match play, and round-robin doubles for Superstars and above. This event is for all the **NJTP** students - come and join the fun, food and match play. Cost is \$20 for T-shirts and food.

NO CLASSES

There'll be no class **Thursday, November 26, Friday 27th, and Saturday the 28th** in celebration of the Thanksgiving holiday. Enjoy your turkey!!!

CHRISTMAS BREAK

The **NJTP** will take its annual Christmas tennis break from **Wednesday, December 23 to Monday, January 4, 2016**. There will be no classes during this time. Happy holidays and enjoy your families and time off. Classes will resume at the regular times on **Monday, January 4, 2016**.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND MERRY CHRISTMAS!

LIGHTNING CHAMPIONS

WAY TO GO

USTA SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS RESULTS

JANUARY 2010 — JOEY TSCHERNE
APRIL 2010 — JOSEPH REYES
JULY 2010 — WILL CHUNG
OCTOBER 2010 — SARAH NUÑO
JANUARY 2011 — NICK ARAJUO
APRIL & JULY 2011 — JOEY TSCHERNE
OCT 2011 - BRANDEN CURAFA-DE RICCI
JANUARY & APRIL 2012 - JOEY TSCHERNE
JULY 2012 - KENDRIC MARCY
OCT 2012 - JEREMY DOMINGUEZ
JANUARY & APRIL 2013 - JOEY TSCHERNE
JULY 2013 - JEREMY DOMINGUEZ
OCT 2013 - JEREMY DOMINGUEZ
JANUARY 2014 - EVAN BALMAIN
APRIL 2014 - AMANDA TABANERA
JULY 2014 - RUBEN BANERJEE
OCT 2014 - AMANDA TABANERA
JANUARY & APRIL 2015 - KENDRIC MARCY
JULY 2015 - DANIEL GARCIA
OCTOBER 2015 - EMILY ANDREWS

Ryan Nuño – Champion – Boy’s 16’s; Lakewood Jr Open
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Diego Camarillo - Champion - Boy’s 14’s; South Bay Satellite
Amanda Tabanera – Champion – Girl’s 16’s; Westlake Athletic Club Open
Anna Snissarenko – Champion – Girl’s 12’s; San Fernando Valley Jr Open
Amanda Tabanera – Finalist – Girl’s 16’s; 39th Lakewood Summer Open
Amanda Tabanera – Finalist – Girl’s 14’s D; San Diego Jr Doubles Open
Emily Andrews – Finalist – Girl’s 14’s; 22nd Northridge Jr Satellite
Anna Snissarenko – Finalist – Girl’s 12’s; Sunset Hills Summer Jr Open
Anna Snissarenko – Finalist – Girl’s 12’s; Todd Memorial, Open
Anna Snissarenko – Finalist – Girl’s 12’s; 71st Ventura Jr Open
Anna Snissarenko – Finalist – Girl’s 12’s D; McDonald’s Stockdale Jr Open

A LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM THE USPTA TO STEVE TSCHERNE

United States Professional Tennis Association, Inc.



September 30, 2015

Steve Tscherne
 13083 Hubbard St. Unit 3
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Dear Steve:

I wish to extend my sincerest gratitude for your contribution to this year’s World Conference In New Orleans.

We greatly appreciate you sharing your time and expertise to make this year’s convention a success. The conference was extremely well received as we exceeded our attendance over each of the last eight years. New Orleans proved to be a terrific new site for us.

As always, our presenters are what make our education program the best in our industry and the conference the most attended gathering of tennis-teaching professionals in the world. If you have any feedback as to how we can improve, please drop me a note or e-mail at your convenience.

Thanks again and please let me know if there is anything we can do for you in the future. Look forward to seeing you again soon. Thanks for your continued support of the USPTA.

Sincerely,

John Embree
 CEO, USPTA

HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS

Dally Johnson – Kennedy High
Emily Ontiveros – Kennedy High
Kaitlyn Inton – Kennedy High
April Torres – Sylmar High
Halle Antoine – Chaminade
Emily Andrews – West Ranch
Audrey Kim – West Ranch
Yasmine Chinda – West Ranch
Amanda Tabanera – Valencia

SSV GRAND PRIX CHAMPIONS

Matthew Abeysekera
Isaiah Bernal
Brenna Whelan

SSV CHAMPIONS

Eduardo Torres
David Tinajero
Christian Camarillo
Gianna Céspedes
Emily Andrews
Vanessa Reeves
Nia Tillotson
Isabella Ponce

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For more information, call:

(818) 294-2671*NJTP is a non-profit organization***PRESIDENT'S CORNER****BY STEVE TSCHERNE*****What happened to 2015?***

The year seems to be flying by at warp speed. The children, parents, staff, and board members of the **NJTP** always seem to be very busy. **NJTP** has tried hard to create an environment saturated with tennis. It has been a great year of growth and change for the us. As the president of a non-profit organization, I spend most of my time serving others. Sometimes I get that much appreciated "thank you". It feels great to receive a thank you, a pat on the back, or a friendly note from a parent or child.

We should try daily to accomplish random acts of kindness towards the ones we know, but especially to those we don't know. For instance, take the time to open the door for an elderly person, donate to the homeless, and thank your parents for everything they do for you. Create an environment of love and gratitude. Your life will be fuller, you'll be rewarded for your virtuosity and in how you feel about yourself.

2016 GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN - Jan. 18 -Jan. 31

FRENCH OPEN - May 22 -June 5

WIMBLEDON - June 27 - July 10

US OPEN - August 29 - Sept. 11

MATCH PLAY TIPS

- ♦ *Keep your mind clear*
- ♦ *Change your pace*
- ♦ *Keep your opponent guessing*
- ♦ *Never, never give up*
- ♦ *When missing badly return to fundamentals*

NJTP FALL 2015 TENNIS CLASSES**Pee Wees - Lobbers - age 3-7: - Mondays 5:00-6:00 pm, Saturdays 10:00-11:00 a.m.****Novice - Smashers - Mondays 6:00-7:30 pm, Wednesdays 6:30 - 7:30 pm****Novice-Future Aces: Tuesdays 5:00-6:00 pm, Wednesdays 5:00-6:30 pm,
Friday only: 6:30-8:00 pm****Rising Stars - A - Wednesdays: 6:00-7:00 pm,****Fridays 5:00 - 6:30 pm, (Match Play), Saturdays: 11:00 - 12:30 pm****Rising Stars - B: Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 pm; Fridays 6:30-8:00 pm; Sat's: 11:00 - 12:30 pm****Super Stars - Pre Interm.— Mondays 6-8:00 pm, Thursdays 5-6:00 pm,****Fridays 5:00 - 6:30 pm (Match Play)****Challenger 3: Mondays 5:30-7:00 pm, Wednesdays 7:00-8:30 pm, Fridays 5:00-6:30 pm****Challengers 4: Tuesdays 6:00-8:00 pm, Wednesdays (Match Play) 4:30-6:30 pm,
and Thursdays 6:00-8:00 pm****Competitors 5: Tuesdays, and Thursdays 5:30-7:30 pm****Achievers: Tuesdays, and Thursdays 5:30-7:30 pm****Adult Intermediate/Advance: Tuesdays 8:00-9:30 pm (\$40.00/month).****Adult Beg: Saturdays, 8:30-10:00 am (\$40.00 /month).****Days off: Thursday, November 26, Friday 27th, & Saturday the 28th****Christmas break - Wednesday, December 23 to Monday, January 4, 2016**

*Registration/Orientation on the first and last Tuesday of the month, 6 pm -7:00 pm. Ask for Rudy.