

March 2, 2016

Phew! What an interesting winter...but I'm sure that we're all ready to get on the courts!

It is time for BMTA's **membership drive**. Our year runs from March 1-February 28. If you are renewing, it is not necessary to fill out a new form (on our website) unless some of your information has changed, i.e., phone, address, etc. Checks to BMPGF designated BMTA. (\$25 individual/\$40 family) Thank you to all that have already sent in your membership before the "formal" reminder!!! Our new discount Business list is also on the website plus attached to this email! If you frequent businesses in our area, you can save quite a bit at your favorite places!

March 19 - 11:30, **Volunteer Lunch** at 11:30 at Valley Grille (formerly Eye-Scream on Hwy. 70 past Tarwheels on the right). New improved menu! If you were unable to volunteer in 2015 (hope that you will find time in 2016), come anyway...all are welcome. Most meals, including drinks, are about \$5!!! Volunteers are free! Can't beat that plus you get a free child's ice cream cone (with your BMTA card)! Bring spouses and friends for a nice tennis meal. Please RSVP by March 16.

2015 Volunteers - Mike H., Norm D., Kim L., Marilyn W., Debra J., Allan J., Jeff A., John S., Myron T., John P., Karen and Isaac C., Carolyn K., Summer T., Katherine P., David W., Ann Thomas, Jennifer L., AnneKelso H., Ken M., Linda B., Michaellyn P., Rhonda D., Denise S., Tia W., Rachel M.

March through May - **USTA teams**. Thank you to Tia W. for organizing a Women's USTA 40+ 3.5 team and a 55+ 3.5 team! Matches begin this month!

Michael M., a new member to our area, is organizing a Men's 40+ 3.5 team out of Aston Park (hopefully out of BMTA next year:). If you are interested, it is imperative that you contact him in the next day or 2 since leagues are ready to begin. 919-210-3312 or gusher70@earthlink.net

March 25 - **Mixed Doubles Pizza Night**, 6:00. Hope to have plenty of teams for our first one of 2016! RSVP.

Christmas Parade - a BLAST and enjoyed by all that participated and observed. Mike and Barb H. donated 1,000 pieces of wrapped chocolate "tennis balls". Many members plus Aston Park donated tennis balls to be given to the crowd. Not enough of either so we are asking members to donate clean-looking used balls to the cause for this year...beginning now. They can be dropped off at the "Wisemen's" tennis group every MWF morning or at my home, 13 Daniel Lane. Much appreciated.

We have just completed BMTA's Women's Winter Saturday morning tennis! Lots of fun and rejuvenating, to say the least!!!

Thank you for supporting all of our many clinics, events, purchases of court needs, scholarships, and more!

Judy