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Newsletter

HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2020

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Mission Statement

Our mission is to unite tennis ladies to promote and organize charitable activities benefitting needy individuals, groups or organizations in our community and throughout the world.

Our Motto

LOVE ALL

We open all Board and General Membership meetings with "Love All" as a way to center us and unite us in our common passions of tennis and in serving others in our world.

It's hard to believe another year has flown by and we are embarking on our 4th year as a non-profit! Tennis Serves Others continues to positively impact our communities, and beyond, because of you! Thank you to all our Board Members whom put in lots of hours behind the scenes and are the glue to this non-profit. Thank you to all previous Board members as well for making TSO what it is today – a strong tennis philanthropic non-profit making a difference in our communities.

This past year, we accomplished a great deal through our various events and issued the following grants:

The Good Shepherd Shelter - \$23,500
Caterina's Club - \$6000
Canine Companions for Independence - \$1950
Mission Hospital Foundation – Valiant Women - \$1200
Pete Brown Jr Tennis Program - \$1500
Share Our Selves - \$1000
Help God's Kids - \$1000
Santa Ana Park & Recreation Tennis - \$800
First Serves - \$1145
Orphans in Myanmar/Barb Lanni - \$400
Ukraine Orphanage via Vitali - \$2200
Bright Smile Children Orphanage - \$850
Bridges of Love - \$400
TSO Serve-A-Families – about \$3500 in gifts and gift cards

In addition, we made blankets, collected shoes for the homeless, distributed sleeping bags to **Mary's Kitchen**, assembled Tennis SUPPLY bags to give to the homeless, and shopped and socialized at our three events at **Lululemon**, **SJC Winery** and at **Sea & Sky**. Thank you for making a difference, for your continued support, volunteering and ultimately for your membership. Happy New Year and remember to **PLAY TENNIS TO SERVE OTHERS!**

Love ALL,
Carol Walsh & **Amy Berk**
CEO/Founder Treasurer

2020 WIMBLEDON – WHO WILL WE BENEFIT?

You Gotta Love Our Members. Despite the holidays and social gatherings galore, 8 fabulous TSO women recently evaluated 17 nonprofits for potential funding from the 2020 Wimbledon Tournament & Gala. The mix of charities ranged from youth needs to women's health issues to water conservation. After much lively discussion and deliberation, the committee selected their 3 top choices to circulate to the full TSO membership for a final vote. Watch for an email soon! Sending LOVE ALL to committee members Casie Schlereth, Carol Donzanti, Laura Hemann, Leanne Sheward, Bonnie Abate, Rikki Daniels, Shawn Morningstar and Kate McAslan.



TSO GIVEBACK

In January, TSO Giveback Awards \$1,000 to **Kern Community Tennis Association** in Bakersfield. Operating in California's largest school district with a high percentage of economically disadvantaged students, the program provides used tennis equipment to high school tennis programs. Where are they ... those local parks or schools with tennis programs that need support? One of TSO missions is to extend our love of tennis to underserved youth. Help spread the word by directing groups to our website ... or better yet, simply give us the school or park name. We'll reach out. Simply tell a Board Member or send an email to: tennisservesothers@gmail.com. Thanks!



SEA & SKY MEMBER SOCIAL

Playing tennis, interacting with each other and performing acts of service are the bedrock of TSO. In November we gathered at **Sea & Sky** in Dana Point to sip, shop and socialize to raise money for our TSO Giveback program. This allows us to fund underserved programs and youth tennis programs. Our members not only shopped locally (with a special discount) and supported small business, but got a big jump on holiday shopping. We left Sea & Sky with a generous \$1,000 donation to TSO.



SERVE CHOC MISSION RONALD MCDONALD FAMILIES

In December several of our Board members along with **Charlie Walsh** and member **Julia Keene** delivered a delicious homemade meal for the families and staff at the **Ronald McDonald Family Room** at CHOC Mission. We were given a tour of the facilities, met staff members and visited with many family members of current patients. The families were grateful for a hot, prepared meal and a festive table.

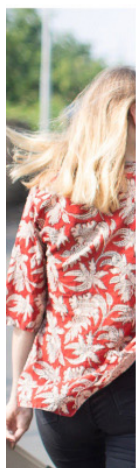
We will be committing to a few dates at CHOC Mission this Spring to provide meals for the Ronald McDonald Family Room. We will ask interested members to sign up to bring food, drinks, desserts and beverages. You may even wish to have your team sign up for one date.

As we jump into a New Year, consider participating with us as we serve our community.



INTERNATIONAL SANCTUARY

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**tso member social & service project
wed, jan 22nd
6:30pm laguna niguel
racquet club
appetizers provided
international sanctuary will
educate us on human sex
trafficking and we'll have a
hands on project with purpose
jewelry that assists in empowering
women globally
bring a friend!**



TSO IDEAS & ACTIVITIES!

Breakers tennis anyone? OC local and Trojan alum **Steve Johnson** will play in all **OC Breakers** matches once again in Newport Beach. **Maria Sharapova** will play in 2 matches for the Breakers this season. **TSO Night at the Breakers**. Any interest?

We love your input. If you have any fun ideas that you believe our members will enjoy, please reach out to **Kelley McBride** at **mckids@cox.net**.



DOHENY FEED

4th Tuesday of Every Month

TSO Member, **Rikki Daniels**, coordinates a monthly feeding. Please consider helping and add yourself to Rikki's email list –

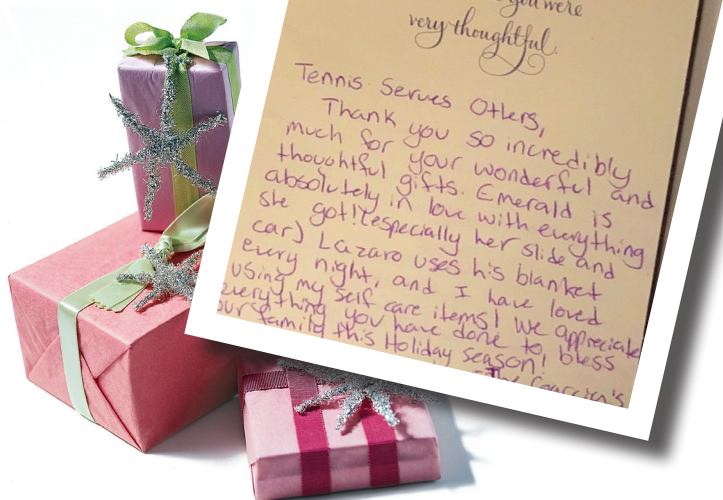
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You can participate when you are available.

You make a difference!

TSO MEMBERSHIP

Thank you for your continued support as TSO members. As members, you are part of this team that uses tennis and social activities to give back to our communities. Please remember to renew on time – www.tenniservesothers.org – go to Membership!



Shoes/Sleeping Bags donated to **Mary's Kitchen**

HOLIDAY SERVE-A-FAMILY

Our three families were incredibly grateful! Thank you for making this a memorable and impactful TSO service project.



TSO PLAYS TO SERVE!

Thank you **Kelly Kehlet, Barb Lanni and Peta Carley** for coordinating fun live balls and round robins in October and December.

