

#### Corporate Board - (As of Aug 1)

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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.

# July, 2017 Quarter 2, 2017 **Newsletter**



## Carol Walsh, Chairman's Report

#### Love All Ladies!

Congratulations on a successful Wimbledon! We had a goal to make \$10,000 and we did it! Wings for Crossover received our check and the children will have bunk beds and sustainable food sources for years to come. Many hands working together did the job to help these orphans and we did it through our love of tennis. Tennis Served the Children! Thank you!!! Tennis Serves Others wants to connect more hands and hearts to serve others! Because of this, we now have two separate Bylaws and Board of Directors: Corporate Board and Chapter Board. This development allows TSO to expand into new areas, creating additional chapters while maintaining continuity for each TSO Chapter. Each year the Chapter Board will rotate allowing opportunity for others to serve. These positions are: President, Membership Chair, Beneficiary Chair, Events Chair

and Tennis Soles for Others Chair. The Chapter Board meets

six times per year, is responsible for at least two membership meetings per year, and will coordinate at least two charity round robins or live ball gatherings. Please email tennisservesothers@yahoo.com if you are interested in a Chapter Board position (please note that every position has a nomination – description of position in Tennis Soles Section). Members will vote electronically in August and positions will start September 1st. Thank you for your support, your participation and for making this a journey worthwhile.

> Love all, Carol Walsh

## Marcia Patterson, Treasurer's Report

Thank you for your support of TSO! We are now renewing Annual memberships based on when you joined TSO last year so please be on the lookout for an email if it's one year for you. Similar to USTA, we have created three levels of membership options for your conveneince:

- 1. **TSO Princess** \$50 for a one year membership
- 2. **TSO Queen** \$150 for a three year membership and receive either a TSO T-Shirt or License plate holder
- TSO Goddess \$500 Lifetime membership and receive both a TSO T-Shirt and License plate holder

As TSO continues to grow, I'll be transitioning to the role of VP, **Expansion for Tennis Serves Others** this fall. If you have any friends/family anywhere in the US that play tennis, please let me know if they would be interested in starting a TSO Chapter in their area. We will send them a TSO Starter Kit with all instructions on how to get their chapter going and how to run Round Robins, Live Ball events, select beneficiaries and create service projects just like our inaugural chapter here at LNRC. It's such a rewarding feeling to do charity work while doing what we love. Thank you for your support!



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# **Terry Campbell, Secretary Report**

meeting we shared a beautiful lunch in a scenic poolside backyard while music played and new and old friends mingled. What stood out to me most significantly about belonging to TSO was not the act of merely belonging, but the act of DOING. Without all of you DOING, Carol Walsh wouldn't have been able to hand over a check for \$10,000 to Wings For Crossover. Reflecting back to our General Membership meeting December, three impressive in potential beneficiaries stood before us and made their case to be the primary beneficiary of our inaugural tennis event. From the moment we all selected Wings For Crossover, to the actual event a mere four and half months later, our DOING directly impacted the lives of a group of orphans across the globe. The reason

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# **Stacy Gavin, VP Social**

Our upcoming OC General Membership Summer Celebration will be on Thursday, September 7th, at 5:30 pm on the beach at Three Arch Bay. Please save the date and join us!

## New Website Coming Soon! To stay connected to TSO, please FOLLOW US on Facebook!





TSO is now registered with Amazon Smile Foundation to receive .5% of all orders. You can support TSO through your Amazon purchases. Please order through smile. amazon.com/ch/81-1801864

## **Kristine Michaels, VP of Beneficiary**

Happy Summer TSO!

It was such a pleasure working with everyone to surpass our goal at our TSO 2017 Wimbledon Grand Slam Tournament. So many people in need will be touched by our efforts.

Most of the spring everyone was working on making Wimbledon a success but in April, TSO answered a call from Member Barb Lanni to help Coast Hills Community Church's Myanmar Mission. Once again Jill Behrle organized a live ball event and in just a couple of days, we were able to get 20 ladies to participate. One hundred percent of the funds went toward purchasing items that were used to touch the lives of many impoverished people in Myanmar.

As you all will recall, Wings for Crossover was chosen by our membership as our beneficiary for Wimbledon. Thanks to all that participated in making this event a huge success.

Before our June membership meeting, TSO rallied 24 ladies for a fun round robin where we collected pantry items which were donated to OC Rescue Mission.

Please reach out any time with beneficiaries that you think would benefit from our efforts. TSO applications for our Grand 2018 Tournament open on June 1st 2017 however beneficiary applications can be submitted year round for our round robins and special service projects.

Enjoy Summer Break and Love All!



# **Membership News**

Thank you TSO members for a great year! We continue to grow and to date we have 87 members in Orange County and 17 members in Los Angeles! Welcome New OC Members – Kathy Swannie, Mona Karran, Janet Zahl, Kerry Kavanaugh, Heather Keller Regina Jacobs, Laurie Campbell, Kelly Kehlet and Jenene Schafenacker. And a Big Welcome Love All to our LA New Members: Kelley Evans, Monica Webber, Clair Lind, and Phoebe Neil.

As a TSO member, you become part of a team to use your passion

of tennis to serve others. We gather at least twice a year for membership meetings (making them fun and social – meet other ladies at a different level than you!), you receive first opportunity to sign up to TSO events, and we offer TSO service project opportunities that are FUN! In the Fall, we plan on having our wine and cheese goody bag assembly for Meals on Wheels and Homeless. In addition, we will also have our "Adopt A Family" again in December.

## **Tennis Soles For Others**

We continue to collect and deliver shoes to those in need. In Los Angeles, we have 4 bins placed (Mountaingate Country Club, Palisades Tennis Center, Cheviot Hills TC, and Westwood) and the shoes collected were recently delivered to Midnight Mission.

In OC, our newest placed shoe bin is at Coto de Caza. Thank you to new member Kathy Swannie who manages this bin and delivers shoes to Isaiah House.

We delivered shoes this last quarter to OC Rescue Mission, Siempre Para Los Ninas via LP Church, and thanks to TSO member Ainin Edmond who took a duffle bag to an orphanage in Kenya.

If you can help manage a bin at a tennis club or help to place one, please email Carol Walsh at tennisservesothers@yahoo.com.

In OC, the Tennis Soles for Others Board Member position is open. In addition to helping manage the OC Chapter, you will manage this ongoing service project collaborating amongst many volunteers and coordinating our various beneficiary drops. If interested, please contact Carol Walsh.

Thank you for donating your SOLES to serve others!





# TSO Round Robins and Live Balls

By the time you read this newsletter, we will have initiated another "pop up" Live Ball. "Pop Up Live Ball" means a spontaneous tennis charity activity that we put together within a week or so. This time, on June 28th, we coordinated a group of 20 ladies to raise money for Illumination Foundation www.ifhomeless.org. The mission of IF is to provide targeted interdisciplinary services for the most vulnerable homeless clients in order to break the cycle of homelessness. IF believes that, "Every person deserves compassion, dignity, and the safety of a place to call home." Through the efforts of IF, over 27,000 individuals have been provided housing and healthcare since 2008.

Bravo to new member Laurie Campbell who was already in the process of coordinating multiple teams to play in a round robin on July 14th and decided to work with TSO to create an opportunity to give back. The funds received will also go to support Illumination Foundation. If you have an idea or you play tennis at another club, please reach out to the Board and we will work with you to coordinate a fun, professional charity round robin. We hope to have more round robins or live balls at Coto, Dana Hills, Nellie Gail and Mission Viejo in the near future.

On September 1st, Racquet Club of Irvine has graciously opened the doors to TSO. Thank you to member Teresa Caro for initiating this charity round robin. Stay tuned for more details **Chapter Reports** Adeline Arjad Cook - Los Angeles Chapter President

What a wonderful time we all had from the Los Angeles Chapter at the fabulous Wimbledon TSO Event. I am grateful to my team: Tanisha Bird-Mason, Chair of Events, Donna Leventhal, Chair of Beneficiary, Pamela Levine, Chair of Tennis Soles for Others and our newest volunteer Sunny Zionts, Chair of Membership!

So far we have collected over 140 pairs of shoes, contributed \$700 in memberships and are growing quickly! Our first fun round robin is scheduled at Harvard Park on August 13th and will be benefiting the sweet children of the Pete Brown Junior Tennis Program! I watched them being instructed by the CEO Marty Woods and their passion for tennis rivals ours! We are asking a donation of \$30 to help them buy feeding carts, orange and red balls, court lines and circles and small quick start nets.

I feel privileged to be serving with other tennis lovers to do better for our communities and beyond through Tennis Serves Others.

"Wow, Carol and Tennis Serves Others! We really appreciate your generosity and divine love. Thank you so much. We will keep you updated on new developments at Crossover. Thank you once again."

- David & kids at Crossover Academy