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from our **CEO**

Hello TSO Family:

As we enter into the holiday season we are often reminded how blessed we are to live such beautiful lives. They are not perfect, but they are filled with goodness. We spend most of our days on tennis courts outside in beautiful weather. The rain we get just cleans the courts a bit for upcoming matches.

We train and compete many days of the week. On the days we aren't playing we have found ways to do good. Through this organization and with your help, we have found ways to serve our local and global communities time and time again. St Francis of Assisi said, "for it is in giving that we receive". This rings true each and every moment we connect with our beneficiaries. These special times take our breath away and pull at our heartstrings. We would love to share these opportunities with you. Please let me know if you would like to join us for on-site visits and check deliveries. Often times it is you, our members, who find those in need. It truly is an honor to be a part of the gifting.



Throughout the holiday season, we will play, pack supply bags, and deliver gifts to local families in need. We would like you to be a part of

these treasured times. Now is the time to encourage worthy organizations to apply for our Wimbledon Grant. We are busier and busier which means we have more people to serve. We are most grateful to you, our members, who continue to support our programs and events. You play for a purpose. You are making a difference. You keep us going. Our board works hard day in and day out to make this machine continue to run. To you, I say thank you for caring and committing to serve. To every member of TSO, we thank you for your time, talent, and treasure. We have enjoyed another historic year of giving and we thank you for that. It is with pleasure that we play tennis, serve others, and love all.

Happy Holidays and Love All,

Kelley McBride
CEO/President

important NEWS & DATES!

GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE!

It's rally time! Once again, it's time to rally your favorite charities to apply for our **2024 Wimbledon Grant**. This year TSO provided grants in the amount of \$65,000 each to two incredible organizations: The Teen Project (teen survivors of human trafficking) and MaxLove Project (families with children battling cancer). Imagine what a difference these grants make.

Now, the big question. Who will receive funding in 2024? Will you help us find them? We know you know people, give to charities you love and have causes that touch you.

Please talk to your contacts, or simply send them a note with the application link. It may seem a small thing, but what a difference it might make.

Online Applications are due by December 15th, 2023, so recruit soon. Use the link Application Link below.

Your love of tennis and service reaches friends, neighbors and most importantly those in need.

If you have questions, please email or call Rhonda Glasscock, VP of Beneficiaries, at beneficiary@tennisservesothers.org or (310) 614-9868.

Thank you for your commitment to serve others.

Application Link
Here



IN SEARCH OF AN EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS VOLUNTEER

TSO is growing and we are looking for an additional volunteer to help with email marketing. This role is important in helping us share our mission, events, and stories with the community and beyond!

The email volunteer will be responsible for creating regular and quarterly emails to keep our audience informed and engaged.

If you're interested we'd love to hear from you!

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TSO IN THE NEWS | Greet Magazine

TENNIS SERVES OTHERS

Wimbledon Gala and Tennis Tournament Benefiting the MaxLove Project and The Teen Project

BY JULIA KEENE

Local Coto de Caza residents and avid tennis players, Santiago and Patty Rydelski, generously hosted their 3rd Tennis Serves Others (TSO) Gala on Saturday, June 3rd. The event honored the sponsors, donors, and beneficiary representatives of Wimbledon, TSO's annual fundraising tennis tournament and gala. The tennis tournament was held one week later, on June 10th.

The couple graciously opened their home again to TSO and Santiago, the master of ceremonies, delighted attendees with his humorous and fun auctioneering skills which once again pushed donations to over \$100,000. Auction items included custom destination home getaways, curated chef dinners, fine jewelry, and more. Patty and Santiago's huge hearts and helpful hands ensured that these charities received as much as possible and shared: "We have always believed that if you are blessed and you don't bless others, that your blessings will

end. Our home is meant to invite the world in." Besides raising funds for these wonderful charities, the Rydelski's favorite part of the gala is "seeing our friends in something other than tennis clothes—no hats, visors, sunglasses, or headbands." The British-themed evening was a great night filled with a delicious dinner, dancing on a one-of-a-kind dance floor over water, and a wonderful auction.

The sold-out TSO Wimbledon Tennis Tournament's 90 players and local vendors (such as AMP Sports Med & Recovery, Art of Grazing, Jilly's Tarts, Aveda, and Wilson) stepped in to donate their time and talents to make the tournament a memorable and enjoyable success. From this year's record-breaking fundraising, TSO was able to deliver \$65,000 to each beneficiary.

Tennis Serves Others is a local nonprofit 501(c)(3) out of San Juan Capistrano with over 190 members and over a half million dollars in gifts and in-

kind donations raised over the last seven years. TSO continued to find success with their Wimbledon Gala and Tennis Tournament this year benefiting the local MaxLove Project and The Teen Project.

The MaxLove Project is an organization with a mission to increase the quality of life and reduce health risks for children surviving cancer, both in treatment and beyond. They offer whole-body wellness and nutrition support, along with education and research.

The Teen Project aims to provide a full life transformation to prior foster and at-risk young women who have survived human trafficking and homelessness by providing sobriety, psychotherapy, and a life-sustaining higher education.

If you would like to learn more about Tennis Serves Others or join us for a local round-robin or other charitable event, check out our website at www.tenisservesothers.org or e-mail us to see how you can get involved at tenisservesothers@gmail.com.

COTO GIVES BACK



Patty and Santiago Rydelski



Marcia Radcliff and Pam Schuler



Jenny Thurrell, Rosa Rice, Kelley McBride, and Patty Rydelski



Tennis Serves Others' Board Members

BENEFICIARY THANK YOU!

We're so thrilled to share a heartwarming update with our TSO community! This season, TSO has been designated as the proud sponsor of the McFarland High School Girls' Tennis Team!

Every season, high school teams select a sponsor, fostering a unique connection between sponsors and student-athletes. This bond helps sponsors witness the profound impact they're making and allows the young athletes to appreciate the support they receive.

TSO is truly making a difference in the lives of these passionate young ladies who love tennis. TSO provided equipment and swag that the team was very excited about. They also were incredibly happy to share with us that they made it to playoffs for the first time in 17 years!

TSO Giveback is a program that allows us to provide balls, clothing, bags, racquets and equipment to youth tennis programs. For more information and to fill out an application please visit: www.tenniservesothers.org under What we do > TSO Giveback

A big shoutout and heartfelt thanks to all TSO members whose contributions made this incredible sponsorship possible!

Together, we're creating positive change and empowering the next generation of tennis stars.

Let's continue making a lasting impact on and off the court!



TSO AWARD

In accepting this prestigious award, TSO expresses deep gratitude to Global Health & Pharma Magazine for recognizing the organization's dedication to promoting a healthier and more active world. TSO remains committed to pushing the boundaries of sports excellence and inspiring individuals to unlock their full potential through physical activity.



Tennis Serves Others

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SHOP RALLIES & RACKETS!

We're thrilled to announce that the passionate tennis aficionados at www.ralliesandrackets.com have extended their love for the game to the Tennis Serves Others. Not only did they generously contribute a stunning basket to our recent Wimbledon auction, but they're now offering an exclusive 15% discount to all TSO members!

□ Discount Code: TSO15

Snag some fantastic holiday gifts for your tennis and pickleball-obsessed friends, family, and even your four-legged pals. Whether you're looking for top-quality rackets, stylish tennis apparel, or unique accessories, Rallies & Rackets has got you covered.



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Now!

TENNIS INCREASES LIFE EXPECTANCY!

Engaging in any form of physical activity is beneficial for your overall well-being. Regularly getting up and moving your body contributes positively to various aspects of your health.

Remember, incorporating activities like tennis, which is scientifically recognized as the #1 sport to boost life expectancy, can significantly enhance the positive impact on your health.

Researchers looked at a slightly different mix of sports, including tennis, badminton, soccer, cycling, swimming, running, and calisthenics.

They found that every sport they studied increased life expectancy, with one sport adding almost a decade to the average player's life span!



Here's the list for reference:

Tennis: 9.7 years
Badminton: 6.2 years
Soccer: 4.7 years
Cycling: 3.7 years
Swimming: 3.4 years
Running: 3.2 years
Calisthenics: 3.1 years

upcoming **EVENTS**



JINGLE

&
Mingle

ROUND ROBIN

Laguna Niguel Racquet Club

SOLD OUT

\$35 Members

\$40 Non- Members

***come dressed in your holiday cheer**

Benefitting: Serve a Family - providing holiday cheer for local families in need (gift sign-ups to come)

We will be collecting holiday gifts and gift cards for our Serve a Family and will be putting together supply bags for the homeless

**Please RSVP to
tennisservesothers.org/events**

*All Registrations are non-refundable and will be counted as a donation to the round robin recipients.

TAIL



[Join Waitlist Here](#)

HOLIDAY SERVE-A-FAMILY

□ Annually, TSO extends its support to multiple local families. School counselors play a crucial role in identifying families

facing challenges and in need of assistance.
More details on how to serve coming soon!



serving & **FUN!** What we were up
to last quarter.

KATE SPADE SHOPPING NIGHT

Tennis Serves Other's event at Kate Spade South Coast Plaza was a hit! ☐☐ Attendees soaked in Black Friday bliss exclusive 50% off discounts of most items.

☐ Thanks to Laderach Chocolatiers, we indulged in a bag of incredibly delicious chocolates, and cheers to Kate Spade for the darling wine glasses! ☐☐ VIP treatment made it a wonderful evening for all. Special shoutout to Alexis Cordero, daughter of TSO member Joanne Cordero, for winning the dazzling Kate Spade purse in our raffle!



WESTERN SERVICE WORKERS DELIVERY

□□□□□ Tennis Serves Others proudly supports local organizations that meet the needs of the community.

Western Service Workers Association (WSWA) is a free and voluntary private membership association built by and for our membership of low-income service, domestic, in-home care, part-time and temporary workers since 1973. WSWA is entirely volunteer-run.

Yelena Shemyakina regularly delivers shoes from our Tennis Soles for Others program. Yelena and Carol Walsh delivered 100 toys for their holiday needs. Families who receive holiday meals also receive toys for their little ones. In addition to the toys jackets, shoes and men's clothing were also left for their use.



LIVE BALL BOOK CLUB

□ Had a blast at the Tennis Serves Others Live Ball Book Club! □ Played live ball with Dana Bozeman, tennis pro from Marbella – always coordinating a fun time! □ We shared a yummy dinner together and had a fun and interesting discussion about the book "Bad Summer People" by Emma Rosenblum, set in Fire Island, NY – a gripping tale of tennis, community, and a childhood paradise gone awry. □ Thanks to new members Vickie, Joannes and Eileen for joining – great to have you! □ Special shoutout to Caroline Gee for steering our lively book discussion. □ Big thanks to Lisa Dow for coordinating with the club and to Amy Berk and Kelley McBride — for start to finish perfection! We are grateful for you and all you do to make our events happen. Look forward to our next book club in the spring! More details to come.



COTO DE CAZA PRO-AM TENNIS GALA

□□□ TSO along with Tennis Pro Greg Chevalier donated a wonderful gift basket valued at \$464 that included TSO swag and live ball for 8. TSO members represented at the Coto de Caza Pro-Am Tennis Gala supporting Bradley Rofer Foundation. TSO Women supporting each other's causes in a big way — all through the love of tennis. A beautiful night!



A TSO WIMBLEDON CULINARY JOURNEY

□□ What a night to remember and be grateful for! Guests dressed to the theme and were treated to an unforgettable dinner experience, all thanks to the



gracious hosts Santiago and Patty Rydelski and co hosts John and Leah Dietz.

The evening kicked off with Santiago sharing touching personal stories of those honored in the Dia de los Muertos altar, setting a heartfelt tone for the evening.

The culinary journey was nothing short of extraordinary, with each of the 8 courses introduced by a description of the chef's tasting, featuring recipes from Ruston Cattle Co in Ennis, Texas. To top it off, each course was expertly paired with different tequilas.

The restaurant, a dream realized with support and investment from the Rydelskis, has earned the title of Best Steak for three consecutive years. Ruston Cattle Co was also recognized as the best overall restaurant in Ellis County in 2023. And exciting news for steak lovers - a second concept location is in development in Fort Worth for 2024!

A huge thank you to the Rydelskis and the Dietzs for their unwavering support of TSO. Your generosity helps us make a difference in the community!



FALL ROUND-ROBIN

☐☐ We had an amazing time at the Fall Round Robin held at Mission Viejo Tennis Center, all for a great cause! This event benefited Breast Cancer Solutions ☐ an organization dedicated to supporting breast cancer patients in Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties, CA.

Breast Cancer Solutions provides crucial services including temporary financial assistance for stable housing, transportation, nutrition, and out-of-pocket medical expenses during treatment. They also offer patient navigation to additional support resources and compassionate mental health assessment and support.

Thanks to your generous participation, we were able to donate \$2000 to this incredible cause.

We also gathered gently used professional clothing for USD's Torero Closet that provides clothing to students in need when job searching. Thank you Christy Dodson for facilitating this!

Let's continue to serve others and make a difference together!







HOMEFRONT AMERICA

☐☐ Serving Up Support for Homefront America! ☐☐

We're thrilled to have been a part of the amazing work done by Homefront America, an organization dedicated to helping our military families! ☐
 ☐☐ TSO took part in their candy drive for Camp Pendleton kids, and we were proud to contribute 100 beautiful jewelry pieces to the cause as well! ☐ Let's continue to serve those who serve us! ☐ Thank you Carol for making the delivery. ☐☐



MAXLOVE BENEFICIARY EVENT

□□□A magical evening for Tennis Serves Others!□□ It was a privilege to represent TSO at the MaxLove Project Fork Childhood Cancer event. Hearing Audra, Max's mom, and the touching stories from the families they serve left us in awe. Kudos to Caroline Gee for bringing MaxLove into our lives. □ Rhonda's connections and Chef Cathy's culinary creations were a true highlight. We are truly blessed to help support such a worthy cause. □ Cheers to the beneficiary committee, board members, and the lucky winner of a dinner with a MaxLove chef, Ellen Aistars! Here's to TSO's incredible impact!







GLORIA'S LIMO NIGHT

□ This event was buzzing with excitement at the TSO Wimbledon live auction! TSO supporters bid on an exclusive experience hosted by Gloria's Huntington Park for a party of 12 guests who were whisked away by a chauffeur. □ □

The event was prepared by the talented Juan San Juan, and included culinary delights - from ceviche to quesadillas, hibachi-style meat to tortillas, rice, and beans — it was a feast! □ □

The party bus set the stage for a joyful ride, accompanied by the smoothness of El Cielo Tequila. □ The night was a blast with mariachi tunes and Santi & Juan serenading the evening. □ □

Because of generous donors,



our community-in-need
benefits and we have a little
fun along the way.

This event is a beautiful blend
of community and celebration.

□□ Let's raise our glasses to
the memories it created! □□



WIMBLEDON GRANT PARTY

Beautiful night at the TSO Grant
Party. Tennis Serves Others
presented a check in the amount
of \$65,000 each to MaxLove
Project and The Teen Project.
This contribution will make a
monumental impact on the lives
of so many.

Thank you to Suzanne Weinstock
for generously opening up her
home for the event. Heartfelt
thanks to all of the TSO members
who attended the event. Your
donations, time and participation
in TSO is meaningful

Let's keep serving up positive
change!







UNIFORMS FOR HOPE GALA

TSO ladies were honored to represent the entire TSO team at the Uniforms for Hope gala. As a proud bronze sponsor, Tennis Serves Others contributed a \$1000 donation which provides uniforms for orphans or to help those families with limited resources. ☐☐ The event was truly heartwarming, celebrating a cause that resonates deeply with us. Here are a few snapshots from the event, capturing the spirit of generosity. ☐♥ Together, we're making a difference!



MAXLOVE CHEF'S DINNER

□□ TSO supporters had an amazing night of cooking and dinner with MaxLove. The MaxLove Project chefs! □ — one of the 2023 TSO Wimbledon grant recipients.

This fabulous night was a live auction opportunity at the □
□□□ TSO Wimbledon Gala □□ ♀ and the bidding winner was Ellen Aisters



The personalized aprons added a special touch! The meal was beyond delicious, and the chefs were not only incredible but also super friendly. Shoutout to Chef

Andrew for the mouthwatering menu:

□ Appetizer: Heirloom Tomato Caprese Board with Burrata, Grilled Focaccia, and Lemon Basil Olives (straight from the garden!)

□ First Course: Beet Poke over Arugula and Shaved Fennel Salad

□ Main Course: Seared Line Caught Yellowtail, Roasted Weiser Farms Fingerling Potatoes, Charred Corn Beurre Blanc, and Lemon Basil Oil

□ Dessert: White Chocolate Panna Cotta with Boozy Figs and Dark Chocolate Drizzle

□□□□ Started as 2004 mom friends, evolved into the ultimate party mom squad!

Cheers to good times, delicious food, and fantastic company!



FEED THE HOMELESS

□ Kudos to Kathleen Gustafson and Mary Colarik—two incredible TSO board members, for their compassion and dedication! □ They took the initiative to make a

positive impact by handing out 39 sandwiches to the homeless at Doheny Beach, CA. ☐☐ Their selfless actions remind us all of the power of kindness and community. Let's follow their lead and spread love wherever we can!



BACK TO SCHOOL ROUND-ROBIN

☐☐ What a day at the Marguerite Tennis Center for Tennis Serves Others' Back-to-School Round Robin event! ☐ We smashed serves and raised \$700 for Muriel's Angels, a true game-changer for kids with special needs in SoCal. ☐☐

A huge shoutout to our junior superstar Sarah, the tennis whiz with a heart of gold! ☐☐ Not only does she rock the court, but she also aced it at our event helping in the kitchen, and captured priceless moments in photos, and loaded up backpacks like a champ. ☐☐

Big thanks to Tail Activewear and Kristin for serving up some serious style with the 16" Elevate Skirt—keeping us in the loop with the hottest tennis trends! ☐☐ Your support means the world!



Let's not forget the sweet treats that added a tasty spin to our day. Amy Berk's pencil cookies were a stroke of genius, and Leah Deitz gf/df bars were a hit. ☐☐

Game, set, match for a great cause! ☐☐ Let's keep our efforts going both on and off the court!





FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM!

Get up-to-date round-robin sign-up and serving opportunities!



You'll also find many photos taken at the events. When placing photos in your IG stories, reels, or posts, be sure to use hashtag #tennisservesothers and tag @tennisservesothers.

Together we will expand awareness of all the great things that TSO and its members are doing.

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Tail Active Wear is a generous TSO sponsor! Use code TSO20 to get 20% off all Tail merchandise.



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OUR MOTTO

**PLAY TENNIS.
SERVE OTHERS.
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.

OUR MISSION

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

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