

## ***March Newsletter***

### **\*\*\*\*\*April Spring Fling Mixer\*\*\*\*\***

Spring Fling where pickleballs zing will be held on April 6th. Sign in begins at 9:30am with play starting at 10:00am. Mixers are for members only and the fee will be \$18 per person. Box lunches will be provided by Aspen Mills Bakers. Spaces is limited so sign-up and come enjoy friends, pickleball and food.

### **\*\*\*\*\*Pickleball Dink Tournament\*\*\*\*\***

Our Dink tournament was cancelled this year because of lack of sign-ups for the event.

### **\*\*\*\*\*General meeting and Board Elections\*\*\*\*\***

Our General Meeting and Election was held on February 17th. The meeting was well attended with more than 150 members present at the meeting. Members present heard from current board members about the state of our club which is good. Current membership stands at 570 members strong.

The annual election for officers was held during the meeting. Members present heard from Ron Kastner through his surrogate, who spoke on Ron's desire to serve as your VP for the next two-year term.

Todd Rainey also addressed the session and spoke about his present and future plans should he be elected as your next VP.

During the meeting a vote was conducted. After the votes were counted Todd Rainey was named your new Vice President for the upcoming 2-year Term. Sandy Berk was affirmed as the VP of Events and Bob Briedis was affirmed as Treasurer for the upcoming term as well.

### **\*\*\*\*\*Pickleball Clinics\*\*\*\*\***

Pickleball clinics are continuing on Mondays for Beginning Pickleball with Margo Perry and Intermediate Pickleball with Todd Rainey.

Sign-ups for the clinics are in the breezeway near the kiosk. Space for the clinics is limited to Pickleball club members and are limited so sign-up and take your game to the next level. All we ask is if you sign-up please show-up. All instructors volunteer their time to help and when people sign-up and do not show-up instructors end up wasting their time, and no one wants that. On another note, Todd Rainey and Ron Schmeck are planning to re-start the Advanced Clinic. Details to follow.

### **\*\*\*\*\*Court Etiquette\*\*\*\*\***

It has been brought to our attention that recently there has been a lot of chewing gum that has been thrown on the pickleball courts and in the breezeway recently. This causes people to step in the gum and track it throughout the court and breezeway. Please if you chew gum on the courts take the time

to dispose of the gum in the trash cans that are available throughout the breezeway.

**\*\*\*\*\*Membership Cards\*\*\*\*\***

As a reminder Pickleball courts are here for the enjoyment and use of residents and guests only. It is requested that you always have your membership cards with you when you are at the courts. If you prefer not to carry your membership card take a photo of your card with your phone and you can always show it if requested. If you have guests using the courts and you are not with your guests they will need to have a guest pass. The guest passes can be purchased at the front desk for \$50 annually and are for unlimited use.

**\*\*\*\*\*Club e-mails\*\*\*\*\***

Please refrain from responding to the SCPDPICKLEBALL emails that come to the membership in the form of flyers, newsletters and club reminders. This is an unmonitored email address and your questions or comments will not be seen. Please respond to a board member. All board members' email addresses are listed on the club website or in the News and Views.

Also be careful not to unsubscribe to the emails at the bottom or you will no longer receive club emails.

## **\*\*\*\*\*Membership Committee\*\*\*\*\***

A committee of 15 members was formed in early March consisting of a cross section of members including: Beginners, Intermediate, and Advanced Players. The group met and was facilitated by Secretary Jean Mylen and President Rich Allison. Items that were discussed in great detail were current court usage, court designations and paddle rotations. It was the consensus of the group that Court designations are preferred by most members. With that Court designations of Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced will come back. There were also suggestions of how-to better handle court rotations and some changes will be made going forward to help improve that area as well. Changes will be implemented over the next several weeks and communicated as we proceed.