

# PADUCAH TENNIS ASSOCIATION

# AT THE NET

THE PADUCAH TENNIS ASSOCIATION STRIVES TO GROW TENNIS AT EVERY LEVEL IN OUR REGION, WITH A GOAL OF MAKING THE GAME ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE. IT SUPPORTS A WIDE RANGE OF PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO HELP PEOPLE LEARN THE GAME, PLAY THE GAME AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR SPORT'S MANY HEALTH, FITNESS AND SOCIAL BENEFITS.

## PRESIDENTS PAUSE



Hello tennis enthusiasts,  
I am the newly elected President of the Paducah Tennis Association (PTA). I welcome you to our first edition of AT THE NET. Let me share just a bit about myself and my tennis background. I grew up in Ohio and started taking lessons as a 7 year old. I played every summer but my tennis love did not grow until after high school. I played 2 years for the Univ of Toledo tennis team as a walk on. I then began playing USTA leagues in 1987. I also began teaching beginners in 2000 at clubs and parks in Ohio and loved it so much. I moved to Colorado and continued my USTA league playing both singles and doubles. In 2009 I moved to IL and married my husband Bryan. We lived in a small town so I had to drive to Evansville or Champaign for league play. I had back and foot surgery in 2017 and had not played competitively since 2014. When we moved to Paducah in 2020 to retire, I was so excited to start playing again. I have met so many amazing people both on and off the court. I began teaching through the Paducah Parks Department and was asked to join the PTA board in 2021. I LOVE TENNIS! It is my passion and it is my hope to help this community continue to grow tennis for all ages. SO enough about me...

I want to first thank Jane Gamble for her many years as PTA President and other duties she was in charge of. She continues to be a part of the board and her knowledge and leadership are appreciated. The other members of the board include Shawne Seibert, Treasurer, Kim Hoy, V President, Nick Gillespie, Secretary, Taylor Marsching, Holly Turner, Heather Roberts, Melissa Ryan.

Please thank these volunteers when you see them out on the courts or in the community. We are working on many new goals and ideas and want your input as well. You will find a survey link in this newsletter.

Again, if it was not for all of YOU and your commitment to this fabulous sport, tennis would not exist here in Western KY. I want your input and insights so please take time to complete the survey. Your feedback is valuable. Also, you can always contact me directly at 618-240-6589 or email: housesarah720@yahoo.com

Thanks and Play Hard,  
Sarah House

## SURVEY

The Paducah Tennis Association would like your feedback! Please visit the link below to answer a few short questions to help our organization improve.

<https://form.jotform.com/222005817902045>

## THANK YOU'S

Thank you to Oscar Gamble for donating materials and building two tennis pantries for Reidland and Heath Tennis Courts. These are in addition to the tennis pantry already in place at Noble Park that he built previously.

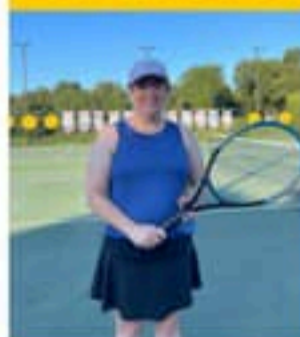


## LLC WRAP UP

With Combo league quickly approaching, it's difficult to believe adult league tennis in Paducah is almost done for 2022. It's been a great year of tennis with new players, new teams, and new leagues added quarterly. I want to thank each of you for your participation, support, and enthusiasm. You're the reason tennis thrives in Paducah!  
Kathi Norrington, Local League Coordinator



## CAPTAIN'S APPRECIATION CORNER: SHAWNE SEIBERT



How long playing tennis?  
About 30 years  
What do you like about being a captain? The appreciation from the players on my teams  
Challenges? Getting enough players to play scheduled matches

Could be any tennis player? Steffi Graf  
3 things in tennis bag? Tennis racquet, tennis balls, sunscreen  
Ever been to a grand slam tournament? No, but I would like to go to one someday.  
Love about playing tennis? Great exercise that is fun also  
Pet peeve about playing tennis? Having to retrieve tennis balls, all courts should come with a ball person 🙄

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Friday Tennis Mixer-Friday August 19 at 6:30pm at Lone Oak Tennis Courts. Bring a can of balls. RSVP to Sarah
- Fall Junior Tennis Clinics at PTHS Chad Gamble Tennis Courts- Dates and information will be announced soon!
- Tennis Apprentice at Noble Park Tennis Courts - For adult beginners | September 25 & 28, October 2, 5, & 12
- Tennis Boot Camp at Noble Park Tennis Courts- For intermediate & advanced players | October 11, 15, 18, 22, & 25