



OPEN COURT

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PARKS DIRECTOR

It's hard to believe that it's December already. What an incredible year we've had! From upgrading many of our courts and facilities to implementing new programs like pickleball and platform tennis, we've celebrated big wins with our tennis leagues, and extended hours of operation to seven days a week at all five tennis centers! This winter, our Parks Operations teams will continue to maintain the grounds by mulching leaves, performing debris pick up and repairing or replacing park amenities such as benches, picnic tables and signage. Our

Skilled Services teams are conducting end-of-year lighting assessments and preventative maintenance tasks to ensure that any existing HVAC, plumbing or carpentry issues are resolved. Keeping our tennis centers in optimal condition is our priority. As such, beautification projects provided by our dedicated Forestry and Greenhouse teams are in full swing. Our #1 goal is to make your tennis experience exceptional year-round! We hope that you enjoy this issue of *Open Court* and have a HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Quentin Moore

In the Spotlight



In this issue of Open Court, we shine the spotlight on Bitsy Grant Customer Service Representative (CSR), Jonathon Davis. A native of Richardson, Texas (a Dallas suburb), Jonathon was hired by the City of Atlanta in March. Previously a CSR for the City of Richardson, Jonathon coached USTA league players and is USPTA certified. His love for the game began at the age of 13 when he watched the French Open for the first time. Soon after, he began taking lessons at a nearby tennis center. In fact, it's where he got his first job at 16. After college, Jonathon moved to Austin, and later Detroit, yet each time he returned to



work at the same tennis center where he first learned to play. "It's my steady rock," says Davis. He earned a bachelor's degree in Speech Pathology from the University of Texas at Dallas, and for a time, worked with kids diagnosed with autism. A former professional gamer, Jonathon currently attends Georgia State University where he studies Game Design. When asked about his future plans, this tennis pro showed no signs of letting up. He shares, "Tennis is a life-long sport!"

Pickleball is in Demand!

NORTHEAST - McClatchey Park - Avery Dr. / Westminister Dr., NE & **Lenox-Wildwood** - 1760 Lenox Rd., NE

SOUTHEAST - Chosewood Park - 401 Nolan St., SE

NORTHWEST - Peachtree Hills Park - 308 Peachtree Hills Ave., NE

SOUTHWEST - McGhee Tennis Center - 820 Beecher Ct., SW **Adams Park** - 2300 Wilson Dr., SW
Isabell Gates Webster Park - 275 Peyton Rd., SW / Peyton Place



**** Sharon Lester Tennis Center – has portable pickleball sets available.**

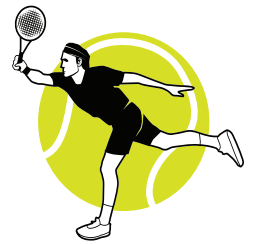
Let's Connect!

Join us in January when our online meetings resume on Zoom! These quarterly meetings provide a great opportunity to connect with other players in the tennis community. It also provides dedicated time for us to hear your ideas and answer any questions you may have. Join the meeting of your choice and bring a friend!

Tuesday, January 11 – Chastain @ 6:30 p.m., Joseph McGhee @ 7:00 p.m. & Bitsy Grant @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 18 – Sharon Lester at Piedmont Park @ 1:00 p.m. & Washington @ 6:30 p.m.

SIGN UP TODAY! Email Chiquita, Adrienne or Charles or call us at 404.546.6788.



HOLIDAY CLOSING

In observance of the holiday, the City of Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation offices as well as all tennis centers, recreation and aquatic centers will be closed 12/24-12/26 and 12/31-1/2. From all of us, have a safe and enjoyable season filled with joy!

**Golf courses closed Christmas Day, Christmas Eve and New Years Day only.*



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