



# “On the line”

December 2004/January 2005

## December/January Calendar

### Sunday Open Play\*

12/12; 12/19; 12/26 and all Sundays in January

\*Open Play hours are 8:00am - 4:00pm on courts 1 & 2, and 9:00am - 2:00pm on court 6. Court 1 is the Challenge Court.

## Welcome New Members:

Boryan Eberhard 3.5 310-593-4693

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## TIME TO RENEW!

**Don't forget to renew your SMTC membership. The renewal form is included in this newsletter. Please remember to update your contact information when you renew.**

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### NOTE:

The next *On The Line* newsletter will be February 2005. Happy Holidays!

## Shadow Mountain Trip Recap WIN A FREE CAN OF TENNIS BALLS!

By Joseph Hanania

It was a dastardly deed, to be sure, performed in the still of the night, during SMTC's Halloween trip to Shadow Mountain, days before the Nov. election. No, we're not talking about the usual litany of disputed line calls, or the incredibly hot gossip around the huge figure 8-shaped pool. What we are really talking about here was an act of - take your pick - political hooliganism or incredible bravery, performed by one of our own, who shall go unnamed.

It seems that a few Club members were tooling home from the local Casino (yes, folks, members of our own Club actually gamble!) when they saw a large Bush-Cheney sign. A very large Bush-Cheney sign, to be precise, anchored in the shifting sands not far from said Casino. Alongside that huge sign was a smaller one, both equally offensive to the political sensibilities of certain (insert the L-word in here) Club members.

So, what did our valiant members do? Why, they made a U-turn straight back to the smaller sign, and one Club member jumped out of the car, took it down, and stuffed it into the car's trunk. What's more, this Club member was a Bush-Cheney supporter - but couldn't resist a good prank.

For legal reasons, we have to mention here that the incident related above may all have been a figment of the writer's active imagination.

Or not.

So, what does this have to do with a free can of tennis balls? Simply this. Guess who took down the Bush-Cheney sign, and win a free can of balls. Guess in whose trunk the sign resides, and win a free can of balls. Participants in the Shadow Mountain trip are not eligible to enter.

## Member Bulletin Board

Woman 3.0 player looking for someone to rally with. Anytime after 5 pm or weekends is best. Please call Stacey at (310) 393-2905.

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# SMTC CHALLENGE LADDERS

“Snapshot” of standings taken November 28, 2004. Please see the website for current standings: [www.santamonicatennisclub.com](http://www.santamonicatennisclub.com)

## Open Singles

1. Raul Hernandez (4.0)
2. Mike Schmidt (4.5)
3. Richard Levik (4.0)
4. Marty Katz (4.5)
5. Bill Roberti (4.5)
6. Steve Dorman (4.0)
7. Peter Shustari (4.0)
8. George Kimura (3.5)
9. Mike Germroth (4.0)
10. Chie Kawachi (4.5)
11. Russell Braunstein
12. Ted Malek (4.0)
13. Allan Greenberg (4.0)
14. Josh Mallamud (4.0)
15. Rick DeWeese (4.5)
16. Michael Pulford (4.0)
17. Park Liu (4.0)
18. Bruce Janger (4.0)
19. John Raiss (4.5)
20. Bill Jias (4.0)
21. Jerry Zamarin (4.0)
22. Candice Forshterz (4.5)
23. Bob Shubert (3.5)
24. Josh Monesson (3.5)
25. Joe Hanania (3.5)
26. Jimmy Dale (3.5)
27. Raymond Lopez (3.5)
28. Henry Guerrero (3.5)

## Women’s Singles

1. Candice Forshterz (4.5)
2. Audree Clarke (4.0)
3. Carol Katz (4.0)
4. Susanne Glaholm (3.5)
5. Elizabeth Dorzback (4.0)
6. Kay Mills (3.5)
7. Mary Durkin (3.5)
8. Laura Horowitz (3.5)
9. Barbara Kobata (4.0)
10. Nancy Greep (4.0)

## Mixed Doubles

1. Phoebe Neil (4.5) / Mike Schmidt (4.5)
2. Kathy Reilly (4.0) / Ron Elmer (3.5)
3. Candice Forshterz (4.5) / John Goalwin (3.0)

## Women’s Doubles

1. Marie Lafayette (4.0) / Katherine Spetner (4.0)
2. Anne Bazil (4.0) / Joyce Cortese (4.0)
3. Patti Kingston (3.5) / Sue Moore (3.5)
4. Doris Bryce (3.5) / Barbara Kobata (3.5)

## Men’s Doubles

1. Brian Page (4.5) / Mike Schmidt (4.5)
2. David Findley / Raul Hernandez (4.0)
3. Mike Germroth (4.0) / David Morton (4.0)
4. Allan Greenberg (3.5) / Jim Metzger (4.0)

## Newly-Won Positions

Date	Challenger
11/24/04	Richard Levik
11/20/04	Russell Braunstein
11/17/04	Marty Katz
11/09/04	George Kimura
10/23/04	Peter Shustari

## Defeated

Marty Katz  
Ted Malek  
Bill Roberti  
Marty Katz  
Marty Katz

## Positions Recently Defended

Date	Defender
11/13/04	Barbara Kobata
11/25/04	Park Liu
11/20/04	Raul Hernandez
11/20/04	Richard Levik
11/18/04	Josh Mallamud
11/12/04	Steve Dorman
11/10/04	George Kimura
11/05/04	Raul Hernandez
11/04/04	Bruce Janger
11/02/04	Michael Pulford
10/29/04	Mike Schmidt
10/28/04	Park Liu
10/25/04	Bruce Janger

## Defeated

Nancy Greep  
John Raiss  
Steve Dorman  
Bruce Janger  
Bruce Janger  
Marty Katz  
Bruce Janger  
Mike Schmidt  
Candice Forshterz  
John Raiss  
Marty Katz  
Bruce Janger  
John Raiss

**Deleted at Own Request**

Herb Young, Open Singles

## NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Congratulations to **Candice Forshterz and John Goalwin**, our number three mixed doubles team, who are engaged. (Yes, to each other.)

Time for this year’s subtle reminder. **You will be dropped from the ladder if you do not renew and pay your dues by January 31.** And this is the last newsletter until the end of January, so don’t wait for more reminders.