## Rogers Tennis News



**Rogers Royals Tennis** 

Fundraising results for the Girls Tennis:

**CENTER CUT MEATS** 

182 meat tickets have sold which is a gross profit of \$1,274 for the Rogers Girls Tennis Team. The two top sellers are Julia Sporer and Hannah Stolba who sold 30 tickets each.

### Girls Tennis is in full "swing"

## A Word from Coach Conley

We are currently 12-2 in our overall record and 6-1 in our conference record. Our two losses were early in the season before our line-up was set and they were very close! We lost to Coon Rapids and Monticello 3-4. Both are excellent teams and at the top of their conference at this writing. We are chasing Monticello closely and can tie or win conference if they falter to Princeton.

We have a doubles team (captain's: Julia Sporer and Rachel Dodd) who are undefeated. We are hoping for our first state appearance as individuals with this amazing twosome. We also have a chance as a team to go to state this year..... It could happen with a little more practice!

As a coach, I recognized this group of tennis players was talented. But to be a good TEAM, it takes much more. Players must be dedicated to never missing practice, staying healthy, preventing injury, taking care of equipment, being organized to reduce stress, realizing that the TEAM counts on them to do their best, getting rest and good nutrition, communicating, participating in team activities, having a good attitude, and being coachable (not afraid to change things in your game). This is asking a lot from 12-18 year old students but they are delivering on all counts! This is

becoming our tradition and will pay off in years ahead.

I am very grateful to have captains, players, and managers who demonstrate this everyday. Tennis is fun, but having dedication to achieve goals is a life skill. Thanks to all the parents; you all contribute to your child's success!



COACH Debbie Conley

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#### September 2013

# Meeting Highlights

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## **Updates from the Board**

#### **GRANT Updates**

- Upcoming 2014 Building Grant...more information to come.
- Does anyone know anything about *Grant Writing*? There are several other grants we can look into for funding and would love some help researching this area. Please let Dawn know if you could help with this at dawns@equitysourcemortgage.net.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

• Inquired at Sporting Goods store if they would be willing to sell the PowerDecal for us. Waiting to hear back.



Rogers Girls Tennis Booster meets Oct 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm at Starbucks in Rogers. We welcome <u>you</u> to join us!

### **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

- 1) The Girls Team is looking to purchase a new ball machine that would be purchased by the booster club.
- Selling PowerDecals at the Rogers Varsity Football Game on October 11<sup>th</sup>. Look for the items in the dark! Get yours today!



Rogers Girl's Tennis Booster is now selling PowerDecals. ASK a booster member to show you how they work. They light up at night—light sensitive. They sell for \$29.99. Other Pro, College Team and misc. other decals slides can be purchased for \$10 each. Please ask a Tennis Team Member or Booster Member to see a brochure. Place your order today!



## BOY'S TENNIS WEBSITE

## **NEWSLETTER CONTENT**

If you have a suggestion or comment, or would like to assist with the newsletter, please send an email to dawns@equitysourcemortgage.net .

## **Team Highlights**

## 2013 Season Donors

Thank you to all those who donated funds to the Rogers Girls Tennis Booster Program. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

- Kim Kampsen-RBC Royal Bank(Employer) \$500.00 >
- > Kristen Puttin- \$100.00
- > Karla and John Fitzpatrick- \$100.00
- Cameron & Karen Koeppe- \$100.00
- Jagannathan Ramakrishnan & Anitha Jagannathan- \$100



Coach Okland is our Junior Varsity tennis coach. He has been the JV tennis coach for 3 years. Coach Oakland is also a Spanish teacher at Rogers High School.

He has great expectations for his JV team this year. He expects a combination of things; 1) he expects positive attitudes, for the girls to be self-driven, and for them to be great teammates. 2) He would like to see an improvement in motivation and attendance this year.

Coach Okland's vision for the team this year is different for all of the girls because they are all at different levels. He has many girls on the team that are new to tennis. He would like them all to develop a killer instinct to attack and play a great game.

Coach Okland expects that through this season the girls will all develop their skills as tennis players and as players on a team. This year he wants the girls to keep developing, learning, and become a strong team. Coach Okland enjoys coaching. He loves the interaction he has with his team and looks forward to a great season.

## **Upcoming Events**

Help

- October 7<sup>th</sup> : Pick up Pizza's at RHS
- October : Booster Table at the Rogers Football Game
- October 14th: Booster Club Meeting, Starbucks. 7:30pm
- October 28<sup>th</sup> : Girls End of Season Banquet, 6-9pm, Rockwoods November 4<sup>th</sup> : Pizza Ranch (Boys and Girls)



#### **Heggies Pizza Fundraiser**

Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> – Heggies pizza pick up at RHS.



If you are available to help or lead a fundraiser listed above or have a suggested fundraising idea, please contact one of the Booster Board Members. Thank you in advance for your help and support!



### **Girls' BOOSTER CLUB TEAM Members**

Who are your Girls' Booster Board Members? Shelly Dodd, Chair, <u>mwdmay@aol.com</u> Open Seat, Co-Chair

Stacy Stolba, Secretary, <u>mshhstolba@comcast.net</u>

Dawn Sperr, Treasurer, <u>dawns@equitysourcemortgage.net</u>

Karla Fitzpatrick, Parent Liason, <u>krfitzie@aol.com</u> Kristen Puttin , Parent Liason, <u>kputtin27@comcast.net</u>

Kelly Smith, Parent Liason, kelly9672@gmail.com

Check out the tennis website!

#### http://rogersgirlstennis.webs.com/

If you are interested in being on the board, please let anyone of us know.

#### **HELPFUL PARENT TIP**

Mississippi 8 Schedules...Did you know?

Go to <u>http://www.mississippi8.org/g5-bin/client.cgi</u>, click on the *Notify me* button on the right upper side of screen. Follow the instructions to receive schedule reminders and changes for the sport(s) of your choice to your phone and/or email.

Great way to stay updated on game schedule changes as the kids might not be as on top of remembering to communicate this to parents.

Here is the link to the standings. If you select the other teams over to the right you can see their record. www.mshsl.org/mshsl/schoolactpage.asp?school=701&actnum=420

Boys Fundraising Team: Coach Nick Scheevel, Jeaneen Kolles, and Gayle Larson

## Featured Players of the Month: SAM FITZPATRICK

Although Sam works hard, she has fun in whatever she does. Her great attitude improves the climate of the team, and she is so enjoyable to be around that she just makes you smile. All these qualities will take Sam far in tennis (and life).....we are planning a trip to state sometime in her high school career!

Sam's parents are John and Karla Fitzpatrick. They have been very supportive of Sam's development in tennis and, of course, are her number fans. Sam has two sisters: Ashley, who played for Elk River before RHS had a team; and Kim, who played tennis and moved on to La Crosse. They are all very proud of Sam, and so is our team!

