

1999 SDTF Board

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Friday Night Doubles a SMASH!

FANTASTIC FRIDAYS! Thanks to all who came out for the premiere of Friday Night Doubles, now known as Fantastic Fridays. Those who did come out (so to speak) know how enjoyable it was. It was like the old days, a bunch of gay boys having a good time, competitive and so much fun. Because we had enough courts (Friday nights are very slow at Morley Field) everyone who showed up got to play. To keep the teams even, the Open and A players were paired with the C players and the B players were paired together. And they were by the mere fact that (most) teams were moving up and down the courts. And to keep it more even, we added a couple of new rules: the lower-level players must serve each set first, and at the 3-all points, the lower-level player must receive (no-ad scoring).

Welcome New SDTF Members

Steve Briggs
Mario Machado
Rob Paton
Jerry Sabio
Carlos Salas
John Stanek

Returning SDTF Members

Scott Downing
Tony Inga
Bryan Lepree
Jaime Torres



Friday Night virgins...front row: Don Weston, back row, left to right: Carlos Salas, Vinney Riveroll, Doug Baker, Frank January and Scott Guiltner.

It was also great to see some of the new members joining the fun (Carlos Salas and Louis Sands), returning members (Tony Inga and Scott Downing) and of course, the old hags (you know who you are).

We look forward to seeing more of you out there on Fridays. Sign up is at 6:30 pm and play begins at 7:00 pm. Balls are supplied by the SDTF.

Thanks to Vinney Riveroll for spearheading this move to Friday nights (how come Vinney is in every picture?)



Upcoming GLTA Tournaments

Palm Springs Men's Doubles Championships III, March 25 - 26, Sean Lung, Tournament Director at psdoubles@aol.com, <http://members.aol.com/psdoubles>

Pride Classic, S. California, April 21-23, (323) 660-7552

Orange Blossom Tennis Championships, Orlando, April 21-23, (407) 649-6580, www.theorangeblossom.org

The Canadian Gay Open, Toronto, May 20-22, (416) 203-7182, www.tlgtA.org

U.S. Gay Open 2000, San Francisco, May 26-29, (415) 864-2485, www.gltf.org/~gltf

Ky2K, Louisville, May 27-29, (502) 561-9604, <http://home.att.net/~jilson/index.html>

2000 PINKster Tournament, Amsterdam, June 9-12, (31-20) 684-1679, www.euronet.nl/users/vu/smashing-pink

North Country Indoor Classic VII, Minneapolis, June 10-12, ph: (612) 724-5515, www.glassports.org

Liberty Open, New York, July 1-4 (212) 838-6131, www.metrotennisgroup.com

The Seattle Evergreen 2000, Seattle, July 1-3, (425) 771-3682 & (206) 361-7561, www.teamseattle.org/sta

Tennis London International Championships, July 7-9, (44-020) 7739-5567, www.maiko.demon.co.uk/tennis/home.htm

Boston Rainbow Indoor Classic Tennis Tournament, July 21-23, (617) 522-2255, www.tiac.net/users/chapin/tennis/

Special Delivery San Diego Needs Volunteers

Special Delivery San Diego, San Diego area's only 100% all volunteer meal service agency needs your help. We are in desperate need of volunteer to assist us in delivering meals to people in Central San Diego living with AIDS.

Special Delivery founded in 1991 with the following mission: *"To provide home-delivered nutritious meals for people living with AIDS, with hope that the love and care involved in their preparation and Special Delivery will provide food for both the body and soul."*

Unique among charitable organization, Special Delivery has no paid administrative or clerical staff; all our people are 100% volunteers. It also means our success depends upon the generous contributions of volunteers.

Volunteers at Special Delivery prepare, package, and deliver a meal package consisting of a nutritious lunch and dinner, five days a week to approximately 140 people living with AIDS in central San Diego. Additionally, a half-gallon of milk is delivered each Thursday and a grocery bag of food items each Friday.

We need your help. Can you help us as a volunteer one to two hours a week? We are in desperate need of volunteer drivers to deliver meals on Monday, Thursday, and Friday. We also need volunteers to help us prepare and package meals on a daily basis. One to two hours of your time a week is all it takes to help Special Delivery prepare and deliver over 250 meals to people who desperately need our help.

Won't you please join our Special Delivery family of volunteers? We invite you to attend our Volunteer Open House on Tuesday, 15 February at 6:00 pm at Special Delivery, 4021 Goldfinch Street in Mission Hills. Please come join us for refreshments, a chance to learn about Special Delivery San Diego and an opportunity to say hello to Ruth. Your help will make a difference. We look forward to seeing you.

If you have any questions you may contact Robert Leyh at 574-0530 or Ruth Henricks, Executive Director of Special Delivery at 297-7373.

Ray's Tennis

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San Diego, CA 92103
(619) 295-5362**

Mon.....	11-5
Tues-Fri	10-6
Sat	10-5
Sun	12-3

Ray's Tennis supports the SDTF so please frequent the store. The prices are excellent and you won't get better service (anywhere). Tell them that you are a SDTF member. Let them know we are supporting them too.

Happy Birthday!

(No one has to know what year!)

Jim Frailey, March 8

Eric Drotleff, March 15

Ed Ruegg, March 27

(if you have a birthday, let us know)

TENNIS LESSONS ANYONE?

Call Vinney Riveroll
at (619) 282-4046

Vinney Riveroll, the GLTA's and SDTF's best player is now offering lessons for \$35 an hour. Whether you're a beginner or advanced, Vinney can teach you a lot (and he knows a couple of things about tennis too).

Board Member Profile Vinney Riveroll SDTF Vice President and Public Relations

Tennis anyone? Since he was 11 years old, Vinney has been playing tennis at Balboa Tennis Club. Some people say they knew he would play for the SDTF before he did (Mac), whatever. He did play however, for Duquesne University in Pittsburgh in the early 90's where he earned my BS in Education.

Quick stats:

Born- Dec.19, 1968 • Music: country and a whole bunch of other stuff • Favorite Food: Italian • Occupation: Teacher • Marital Status: Single • Favorite Place: Coronado at night • Favorite Activity: Hanging with friends



New Member Profile Carlos Salas

Carlos was born in SD on January 11, 1965, and raised in Escondido. Yes, he took lessons from Ray Love as a kid. He went to San Pasqual High School and graduated in 1983, then attended Palomar College and Northern Arizona University. While at Palomar, he became a nationally-ranked cheerleader. He also coached the Palomar cheerleaders. Besides playing tennis, he enjoys playing softball and volleyball. He recently moved back to San Diego from Phoenix, and is enjoying playing tennis at the competitive and social level.



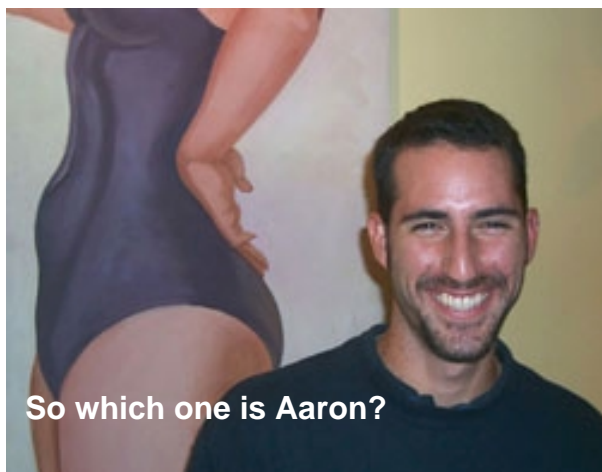
New Member Profile Louis Sands

Louis was born in Baltimore, Maryland on January 30, 1964. Go Aquarius!! He graduated from both undergraduate and graduate business school at the University of Virginia. He came to San Diego in 1991 and began a career in HIV/AIDS services administration. He has worked for AIDS Foundation San Diego, Episcopal Community Services, and UCSD Medical Center—where he met the love of his life, our very own Ladder Chair, Daniel Lee. He now serves as the administrator for ambulatory care services at UCSD Medical Center. Daniel, of course, introduced him to the tennis world, and he looks forward to improving his game as an SDTF member!



Member Profile Aaron Pratt

Aaron was born in Oceanside, CA on June 9, 1977, and has lived in California ever since. He went to Vista High School and graduated in 1995. He is currently attending UCSD and expects to graduate this December. In addition to being a full-time student, he has worked in the Franchise Dept. at the Mail Boxes, etc. corporate office for the last two years. Besides his passion for tennis, he enjoys music and food. He joined the SDTF approximately three years ago and has developed many strong friendships within the club.



So which one is Aaron?