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USTA RECREATIONAL COACH WORKSHOP TO TAKE PLACE IN TACOMA, WA

One of Over 200 Clinics to Help Train Tennis Teachers and Coaches Taking Place Throughout the Country to be Held at Sprinker Tennis Center

Tacoma, WA, July 22, 2009 – The United States Tennis Association today announced that a Recreational Coach Workshop will be taking place at Sprinker Tennis Center, 14824 So. C St., Tacoma, WA 98444, on Saturday, August 22nd from 9:00am – 3:30pm. This is one of over 200 events taking place across the nation in 2009 as part of a National initiative by the USTA.

Recreational Coach Workshops (RCWs) are interactive, on-court training programs designed for tennis teachers and coaches working with players at the recreational level. The workshop will be six hours in length and conducted by Tracie Mitchem, a certified tennis professional specifically trained for the RCW Program. The goal of the program is to help all teachers, coaches, parent coaches and those interested in learning how to become a recreational coach, with instruction, fresh and innovative ideas and easy-to-follow resources.

“We understand the importance of those teachers and coaches who are working with players at the recreational level,” said Kirk Anderson, Director, Recreational Coaches and Programming, USTA. “These people play a significant role in determining if a player continues to play tennis. We want to give the workshop participants exciting ways to introduce the sport and fun activities to keep kids and adults playing.”

Every workshop participant will receive lesson plans and sample equipment in an effort to make the learning process fun and easy. The cost to attend the Sprinker Tennis Center workshop is \$10.00, which includes lunch. Participants must bring a racquet and wear tennis shoes. To sign up for the RCW held on August 22nd, call the Sprinker Tennis Center Pro Shop, 253-531-6300 or E-mail your registration to sprinkertennis@comcast.net.

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The USTA is the national governing body for the sport of tennis in the U.S. and the leader in promoting and developing the growth of tennis at every level -- from local communities to the highest level of the professional game. It owns and operates the US Open, the largest annually attended sporting event in the world, and launched the Olympus US Open Series linking 10 summer tournaments to the US Open. In addition, it owns the 94 Pro Circuit events throughout the U.S., and selects the teams for the Davis Cup, Fed Cup, Olympic and Paralympic Games. A not-for-profit organization with more than 720,000 members, it invests 100% of its proceeds in growing the game. For more information on the USTA, log on to usta.com.

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