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Southlake Tennis Center Named PTR Public Facility of the Year

Hilton Head Island, SC - - Professional Tennis Registry (PTR) presented its annual awards this week during the 2016 PTR International Tennis Symposium. The event, which includes more than 40 educational presentations for tennis teachers and coaches, was held February 17-20 on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

Texas' Southlake Tennis Center has been named PTR Public Facility of the Year. A PTR Proud Facility, the staff is required to be PTR certified, with 10 & Under, 11 to 17 and Adult Certifications. Several of the staff members are also certified in Performance.

The Southlake Tennis Center is a public facility owned by the city of Southlake and operated by Roxy Tennis, LLC. The facility has 19 lighted hard courts and a full service pro shop. Opened in 1999, the mission of the tennis center is to provide opportunities for play at all levels, with instruction, drills, leagues and tournaments for juniors and adults.

The facility focuses on providing excellent instruction and opportunities for play. It was one of the first facilities to provide permanent 36' and 60' courts, and currently has eight 36' courts and all 19 courts lined for 10U instruction and play. The entire junior program is organized to support 10U play, with 8U Red, 10U Orange/Green instruction and match play. STC supports local Junior Team Tennis with teams at each level.

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STC hosts 44 adult teams in local recreational league play, including USTA teams, NETT and TCD, with league play six days a week. The facility has a graduated program for adults, starting with 'New To Tennis' classes and moves players into drills and inhouse league play. The facility runs weekly open drills, adult camps and socials. STC is the host site for 19 tournaments a year, including 10 Future Stars beginner tournaments, 3 local Mid-Cities tournaments, 2 Junior Opens, 2 Texas Section ranking tournaments and 2 adult Open events every year.

Since 2002, the tennis center has hosted the SOS Tennis Benefit every May. This three-day charity event has more than 250 players and raises between \$25,000 to \$30,000 annually for two local women's shelters.

No stranger to recognition, Southlake Tennis Center has been awarded the USTA Texas QuickStart Facility of the Year, USTA Outstanding Large Public Facility of the Year, Tennis Industry Association (TIA) Public Facility of the Year, and USTA Texas Section Organization of the Year.

PTR is the largest global organization of tennis teaching professionals with more than 15,000 members in 127 countries. It has the greatest percentage of multicultural and women members of any such organization. PTR is dedicated to educating, certifying and servicing tennis teachers and coaches around the world in order to grow the game.

Photo left to right: PTR Board Presdient Roy Barth, STC Director of Tennis Stephen Poorman, USTA First Vice President Andy Andrews, PTR CEO Dan Santorum



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