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Greetings Members,

We are almost through January and looking forward to some warmer weather. Only 95 days left before the club opens!

The Board will meet on January 30th. The agenda is posted on the events page of the website. You can click here to review the agenda. [January 30, 2020 Agenda.pdf](#) Feel free to contact one of the board members if you have input on any of the topics.

We thought it would be nice to share some news about some of our members and some thoughts from a new member. We will feature interviews with new members in this and upcoming newsletters.

The Greendale Acers (Men's 3.0 team) captained by Kishiti

The Greendale Acers (Men's 3.0 team), captained by Kshitij Kathuria, won the New England USTA Sectional over teams from Rhode Island & Northern Connecticut. They went 2-2 in 4 matches at the National Championships in Oklahoma City over Columbus Day weekend finishing in 10th place out of the 17 teams that participated. Listed below are players on the roster attending the Nationals. HTWC members are marked with **.

Kshitij Kathuria, Dhiren Silva, Fares Nigim, Steve Gauthier**, Amol Patil, Eric Walker**, Yogesh Kulkarni, Nik Bushati, Chinh Do**, Sheldon Hampton and Nick Petmezis**



See the write up at the following link. [Greendale Acers go to Nationals](#)

We had some other members go to USTA Nationals in a different venue. Cam Lewis and Chris Terpko (captain) went to the National Championship in Florida with the Wayside 8.0 Mixed Doubles team.

This team did not lose a single match during the regular season all the way through sectionals. The team did well in Nationals but did not make it to the semi finals. Out of 15 teams, they finished 6th. Cam hit a winner during the first match during a super tiebreaker giving them the lead at 10-9. They went on to clinch their first win at Nationals.





On another note, member Sergio Paez has published a book called Finding A New Perspective For Urban Education In America. You can pick up a copy on Amazon by clicking the following link. [Finding A New Perspective for Urban Education in America](#).

And now, some thoughts from one of our new members.

Nick Petmezis



How did you find out about HTWTC?

I was a member of Worcester Tennis for one year and had known that some of the folks went over to Holden. I had never checked it out and when I went over to take a look I joined immediately.

What made you want to join the club?

I had a renewed urge to play tennis which I had not been playing much of the last few years.

What do like best about the club?

My favorite thing about the club is the members. There are dozens of players to play with around my level and have made some good friendships already. I enjoy the Friday night socials and looking forward to playing in more groups this coming season.

What makes you want to continue to be a member of the club?

The friends I made, the fantastic clay courts, Kevin, and the social gatherings. All together it makes for a very enjoyable May-Oct

Oct.

What recommendations would you make to improve the club?

I would like to see a bar/bartender, though not sure that is realistic. Other than that, I hear the new water bottle filler stations are to be installed which I am looking forward to.

In closing, please be on the look out for our 2020 events and mark your calendars. They will be posted shortly to the website calendar.

Stay Warm,

The Marketing Committee

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