

Left to right: Franklin Johnson, Jim Perley, Jean Kremm, Bill Kellogg, Brian Teacher

Jean Kremm Community Service, Mentor

William J. "Bill" Kellogg Community Service

Jim Perley Senior Success, College Great

Franklin Johnson College Great, Junior Stand-out, Community Service

Brian Teacher World Class, Junior Stand-out, College Great



Jean Kremm (1928-)

In 25 years of association with Youth Tennis San Diego, Jean Kremm has worn many hats. She has been a Board member, its President, Executive Director, Tournament Director, and has served on numerous committees, such as the Southern California and San Diego District Tennis Association Boards of Directors. Before Jean's involvement, junior tournaments were run by the San Diego Park and Recreation Department. In the late seventies, Jean reorganized the San Diego Tennis Patrons, allowing them to manage the tournaments. This she organized from her home, and consequently tournaments expanded in number, as San Diego junior tennis became a national model. In the early nineties, Jean was instrumental in creating the Barnes Junior Tennis Center. Looking back, she feels the most rewarding of all was being Tournament Director for 25 years for all the junior tournaments in San Diego, including the USTA National Girl's 16, and previous to that the Boy's 12 and National Father/Daughter tournaments. Although she has received numerous rewards from the USTA, SCTA, SDDTA and Youth Tennis San Diego, it has been getting to know the juniors and their families that she prizes the most. "It is pretty wonderful to see the many faces of the kids, now grown up, still remembering me and the days we spent together. I truly feel blessed." For Jean as well as husband Andy and their sons Steve, Tim, Peter, and daughter Jill, tennis has always been important. Jean Kremm has been important in San Diego junior tennis for many years.



William J. "Bill" Kellogg (1951-)

Sill Kellogg, President of the La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club since 1989 is the fourth generation Kellogg family member to serve as president of the Kellogg-family properties. Since arriving in San Diego in 1979, he has been actively involved in all aspects of the tennis community. He took over administration of many USTA National Senior Hard Court Tennis Championships and the Pacific Coast Men's Doubles. As a tournament director/referee, Bill now manages more national senior events than any other person in the country. He even finds the energy to compete in many of them. Bill was president of the San Diego District Tennis Association for five years, and the Tennis Patrons for four. He brought the two organizations closer together and was awarded the Olive R. Pearce Award by the San Diego Junior Tennis Patrons. Under Bill's guidance, the Tennis Patrons created the operating model for the George E. Barnes Family Junior Tennis Center and assumed a new name - Youth Tennis San Diego. The San Diego Tennis Foundation was also created under his leadership. Kellogg currently is Sectional Delegate and Vice-President of the Southern California Tennis Association and is the Co-Chair of the USTA's Davis Cup and Fed Committee. As such, he brought both a Davis Cup tie in 2006 and a Fed Cup tie in 2008 to La Jolla. Bill was awarded the USTA's Eve Kraft Community Service award and their Senior Service Award. He has also served on the ITF's Senior International Committee. He and his wife Tricia live in La Jolla and have two daughters, Tiffany Worst and Wendy Kellogg.



Jim Perley (1933– 2020)

Jim Perley notes "Through the years, my love for the game has never wavered." He took it up at 12, played high school tennis in Ventura, and received a tennis scholar-ship at USC. His team was NCAA national runner-up in 1953 and 1954, before becoming champions the next year. Jim has won at the local, national and international levels. From the 35 division to the 70s, he has claimed titles in singles and doubles in the San Diego District as well as the Southern California Section. Nationally, he possesses 27 gold balls for singles and doubles, some silvers and three bronze. In 1997 and 1998, he was ranked number one in singles and once in the doubles, and has been in the top ten nationally over the years. Tennis has taken him to Austria, Argentina, Spain, South Africa and Turkey as well as locations in the USA to play on International Cup teams. Jim played in the ITF World Championship singles and doubles tournaments, winning the 65 singles in Fort Lauderdale and Barcelona, and the doubles in Antalya, Turkey. He held the number one world ranking for 27 straight months. The USTA selected him for team competitions, and he led his fellow Americans to victories in Guatemala, Belgium and Uruguay. Clearly, Jim Perley's record speaks for itself.



Franklin Johnson (1936- 2023)

Franklin Johnson is being inducted into the San Diego Tennis Hall of Fame on several levels: junior stand-out, college great and community service. His family moved to North Park in 1943, right around the corner from Maureen Connolly, with whom he practiced. He was instructed by the late Wilbur Folsom at University Heights and Morley field. Like Maureen, Franklin won the Harper Ink tournament six times and he received the Ink Sportsmanship Award. He won the San Diego County Men's Singles in 1952 and went on to triumph in four national championships: the Hard-court 15 and under, the 18 and under singles and doubles and the NCAA Team Championships for UCLA in 1956. Many of Franklin's USTA accomplishments involve the growth of tennis in the public parks. He was the President of the Southern California Section of the USTA, before serving as the President of the USTA in 2005 and 2006. Franklin has served on the USTA Board of Directors for ten years, in numerous capacities. He is currently the Vice-President of the International Tennis Federation, and serves as a member of its board. Johnson has also been noted for preserving the Indian Wells Tournament in the United States, setting up a new residential player development program at the Evert Academy in Boca Raton and for renaming the National Tennis Center after Billie Jean King. The International Tennis Hall of Fame awarded him the Samuel Hardy Award. He and his wife Anne have two children and one grandchild, and they now reside in Los Angeles.



Brian Teacher (1954-)

San Diegan Brian Teacher took up tennis at age five and has won at every level. Starting with a CIF singles title in 1972 at Crawford High School, to UCLA where he won the PAC 8 singles and doubles titles in 1974, was four time All American and part of two NCAA Championship teams. He turned professional just prior to graduating and in 1977 reached the finals of the South Australian and New South Wales Opens, as well as the 1978 Seiko World Super Tennis tournament in Tokyo, the scene of his victories over Jimmy Connors and Arthur Ashe. Brian won his first Grand Prix title later that year, the Cathay Trust Open in Taipei. He defeated Stan Smith in the finals of the Miller Hall of Fame Championships in 1979, and was finalist in 1980 in Los Angeles, Hong Kong, Taipei, Bangkok and New South Wales. He won the Australian Open in 1980. Brian and Bruce Manson won the doubles title at the Association of Tennis Professionals in Palm Springs, and he was a semifinalist at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open with Bob Carmichael. By 1981 Brian had acheived an ATP ranking of #7 in singles and #5 in doubles. He would go on to reach the quarterfinals of Wimbledon and the round of 16 at the U.S. Open in 1983. After retiring with 8 singles and 15 doubles titles to his credit, he continued successfully as a coach working with the likes of Greg Rusedski, Max Mirnyi and doubles teams of Knowles/Nestor, Grabb/Reneberg. He completed his economics degree at UCLA and went on to the USC School of Business. He now resides in Los Angeles with wife Lori and two daughters Noel and Kelly.