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QCV Adds Three to Board of Volunteers

Charlottesville, Virginia (8/23/2016) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia (QCV) is pleased to report that Linda Perry, Frances Stadlin and Carlos Bernatzky recently joined the QCV Board of Volunteers. They join Board members Alina Ackenbom, Becky Boland, Gwedette Crummie, Lynda Harrill, Roy Harrill and Barbara Watson in our mission to create happy, healthy and active kids in the communities we serve.



Linda Perry started playing tennis at age 12 and went on to play tennis at Mary Washington College and North Carolina State University. She has played in USTA Leagues on and off since 1974. She moved to Charlottesville in 2003 and volunteered in the BrightSTARS – Tennis for Me! pilot at Greer Elementary for the past two school years. Linda is also a QuickStart Grandma.





Frannie Stadlin is a resident of Nelson County and a second-year at the University of Virginia, pursuing a degree in Economics and Global Development Studies. She played on the Nelson County High School tennis team. Frannie coaches in an after-school program at Cale Elementary as part of a partnership between SuperStarters Sports and Madison House where she volunteers. She is also a counselor at St. Sebastian's Sports Camp at Shrine Mont.

Carlos Benatzky was born in Frankfurt, Germany. At 14 he moved to Spain where he attended the Hofsäss Tennis Academy and graduated from high school. Carlos then attended Lander University in South Carolina on a tennis scholarship and graduated with a degree in Economics and Finance in 2008. He has worked and traveled with worldclass juniors as well as professional players throughout his coaching career. Carlos is currently the Director of Tennis at Keswick Hall and Golf Club. He specializes in adult and

junior development. Carlos, his wife Brooke and their daughter Willow reside in Crozet.

QCV President Alina Ackenbom, says, "We are pleased to welcome Carlos, Linda and Frannie to join the Board of QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia. Each one of these new Board members brings a set of valuable skills to help QCV continue promoting,

developing and growing tennis programs in our communities. Their experience in the field of coaching tennis and organizing tennis activities is impressive, and we look forward to have Carlos, Linda and Frannie share their skills and expertise with us as well as thousands of young children in Central Virginia."

QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format.

QCV's service area includes Albemarle, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greensville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Prince Edward, Powhatan and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville, We currently serve 188 schools with 89,000 kids, 13 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs in 27 counties and three independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 30 additional schools with 14,000 students in southwestern and eastern central Virginia as part of the Mid-Atlantic Supercharge School Tennis Task Force.

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