

Macon Tennis Association Staff Announcement

Donna Bailey, the matriarch of league tennis in Macon Georgia, has announced her plans to retire in late summer, 2017. Bailey first volunteered with Macon Tennis Association (MTA) 34 years ago, and over the ensuing years has been a key volunteer and later staff member in every facet of the organization. She has served as the local league coordinator for all USTA leagues in middle Georgia since 2004, and as Executive Director as well since 2007. As both the Tournament Director and Referee for many large state, sectional and national tennis tournaments, she has contributed directly to the economic impact that tennis has brought to our community. In support of our community, she has organized charity events (Toys for Tots community tournaments, for instance), assisted with the pro tournament held at Mercer since 2015 (organizing volunteers to feed the staff and players for the 8 days of the event!), coordinated the annual “Macon A Racket” community tennis celebration, etc. She has served on the boards of directors for USTA Georgia, including a term as President, and has served on key committees at the sectional and national levels, including Chair of the National Officials Committee overseeing the credentials and appointments of over 3,000 umpires and referees at all levels of the sport. She plans to stay involved with the USTA organizations, to be an advisor to the new team, and to keep on playing tennis!

The Board of Directors has chosen to divide Donna’s key responsibilities into several distinct positions. MTA Board President, Ronny Williams, is pleased to announce the following new team at the MTA:

Executive Director – Penny Gibbs

USTA Leagues Coordinators – Marianne Golmitz, Jenni Eddlemon, Sarah Witherspoon

Tri- Level – Kay Sanders

Tournaments and USTA JTT League Coordinator – Adam Dalton

Social Media, Programs and Innovations for Kids, Families, Young Adults – Julie Wied

Social Media, Programs and Innovations for Adults & Seniors – Jenni Eddlemon

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