

**Inner City Tennis Project
proudly presents:
The 1st Annual Sneaker Ball**



Welcome to the 1st Annual Inner City Tennis Project Sneaker Ball

The Inner City Tennis Project was established in 1986 to provide an affordable tennis experience to children in Greater Cincinnati, with an emphasis on increasing participation of inner city youth. ICTP offers a program that seeks to provide quality instruction along with a nurturing social environment, which will assist children to achieve personal goals both in the sport of tennis and

in life. Over fifty participants have received scholarships to Division I and Division II colleges throughout the United States.

The mission of the ICTP is to foster the development of citizenship, scholarship and fair play in children aged five to eighteen through the use of tennis training, academic assistance, and a nurturing social environment.

Goals of the ICTP include:

- To foster in each child a sense of personal and community responsibility.
- To provide children with information and tools to avoid substance abuse, smoking, and violence
- To provide children with a year round, professional tennis program
- To enable children to learn and enjoy a lifetime sport, tennis
- To develop tennis skills in children that will allow them to progress as far as their ability and desire permit
- To assist participants in securing academic scholarships and athletic grants

Program

- 6:00 Silent Auction begins
Cash Bar opens
- 7:00 Dinner
- 7:30 Program Begins
Welcome / Invocation
Introduction of Dais and Board Members
Overview of ICTP
PRESENTATIONS
— Alumnus of the Year
— Benefactor of the Year
— Co-Founder Rachel Fair
— Co-Founder Anthony W. Pack
- 8:00 Silent Auction closes
- 8:15 Keynote Address
- 8:30 Checkout opens
- 9:00 Dancing
- 10:00 Doors close

Award Recipients

Brandon Smith, Alumnus of the Year

Brandon Smith has been named as the Tennis Service Representative-Indiana and Diversity Specialist for the United States Tennis Association Midwest Section. He is a graduate of Howard University and The Seven Hills School in Cincinnati.

Dr. Alvin & Alva Jean Crawford Benefactor of the Year

The Alvin H. and Alva Jamison Crawford Family Foundation is recognized for support of Inner City Tennis Project during the initial years of the organization. Dr. Crawford is Professor of Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery, University of Cincinnati Medical Center, and University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. Mrs. Crawford is a retired educator and active community volunteer.

Rachel Fair, Co-Founder

Anthony W. Pack, Co-Founder

Rachel Fair and Anthony W. Pack established the Inner City Tennis Project in 1986 to provide an affordable tennis experience to children in Greater Cincinnati, with an emphasis on increasing participation of inner city youth. Fair and Pack are former co-workers retired from the Cincinnati Recreation Commission, professional tennis instructors and members of the Professional Tennis Registry.

Dr. O'Dell Owens, Keynote Address

Dr. O'Dell Owens is a native Cincinnati. Following his graduation from Woodward High School, Dr. Owens earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Antioch College. He went on to attend Yale University Medical School where he earned his M.D. degree and a masters degree in public health. In 2004, Dr. Owens was elected as Hamilton County's Coroner.

Dr. Owens has served as the President and Chairman of the Board for Project GRAD (Graduation Really Achieves Dreams), a national non-profit organization formed to improve inner-city education, since 2001.

"You either wear a cap and gown, or you wear a body bag. My message to high school kids is if they finish high school, they can have all the things they need. If they go to college, then they can have some of the things they want."

Dr. O'Dell Owens

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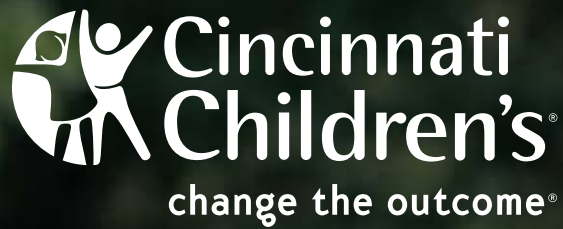
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