

## GOAL ACCOMPLISHED!

We are thrilled to announce that our recent fundraising campaign for the Mariemont Pickleball Courts was a tremendous success — we surpassed our goal of \$100,000! Thanks to the incredible generosity of our community, the Village of Mariemont will be constructing four brand-new, dedicated cushioned pickleball courts this fall. A huge thank you to all who were involved with this process, especially those who gave so generously to this important effort.



### WHAT IS NEXT?: THE BID PROCESS

Our village engineer, Chris Ertel, has sent out the specifications for the courts to several local companies who have experience in court construction. We will be getting the bids back this month and they will be reviewed by Mr. Ertel. Council will have to approve the spending (which should be fairly simple since we have the funding) and

the company will be selected for the work. We will have a "groundbreaking" event in the fall to celebrate the start of the project. Stay tuned for details!



#### MEET OUR PICKLEBALL COACH: SHANNON TULLY

We are incredibly lucky to have Shannon Tully as our Pickleball Coach! Shannon was the Head Women's Tennis Coach at the University of Illinois Chicago for 22 years, winning Coach of the Year 12 times and leading her team to 14 NCAA appearances. A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Tully played four seasons for the Badgers from 1991–1995 and served as the team's captain for the 1994–95 season.



If you are interested in private or group lessons (Pickleball 101, Intermediate), please reach out to Shannon at stully09@gmail.com or (773) 818-5484. Welcome Shannon!

## MEMBERSHIP: MARIEMONT RACQUET CLUB

Anyone who plays at the Mariemont courts must be a member or the Mariemont Racquet Club. You may also come as a guest (with a member or instructor) and pay a \$10 guest fee each time. To join, please visit Membership in the Mariemont Racquet Club is open! Register with QR code or at mariemont.org under Lifestyle > Racquet Club.



# UPCOMING EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

- Saturday May 24th 9am: Kick off Memorial weekend at the courts!
- Monday May 26<sup>th</sup> 10:30am (following the parade): Court 7 (the court with temporary pickleball nets) will be available for play!
- Join the Mariemont Pickleball group on Picklebads! Download the app "Picklebads" and search for "Mariemont Pickleball" in the groups. Once you join, check "Games" to see open play times. You can also send a message to the group if you would like to set up your own game.