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CANDY ERICKSON TENNIS CENTER IN PARK CITY, UTAH, GIVEN USTA'S HIGHEST FACILITY HONOR AS THE 2016 FEATURED FACILITY AWARD WINNER

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y., June 30, 2016 – The USTA today announced that the Candy Erickson Tennis Center at Park City Municipal Athletic Recreation Center in Park City, Utah, has been awarded the highest USTA Facility honor as it has been named the 2016 Featured Facility in the. In its 35th year, the USTA Facility Awards program recognizes excellence in the construction and/or renovation of tennis facilities throughout the country. The Candy Erickson Tennis Center will be honored at the USTA Semi-annual Meeting at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City in September.

The Candy Erickson Tennis Center at Park City Municipal Athletic Recreation Center, opened in late 2011, and is home to Park City's Recreation and Tennis Departments. Commonly referred to as the pcMARC, the center was an \$11.25 million endeavor on the part of Park City and its residents to provide a world-class facility joining other recreation destinations in the area including the two nearby world-renowned ski resorts, Deer Valley and Park City. pcMARC is an 11-court indoor/outdoor facility that includes a pro shop and many other amenities. pcTennis currently has six full-time PTR/USPTA certified Pros and 14 part-time tennis pros to serve the nearly 1,200 residents and guests who play tennis in Park City. In addition to serving as the home site for Park City Miners High School boys and girls tennis teams, pcTennis has a large junior tennis program and works with several summer camps, schools, church groups and adaptive athlete organizations throughout the year sharing tennis with the many Summit County residents and visitors.

"Great tennis facilities like the Candy Erickson Tennis Center help us to grow the game at the grass-roots level, and we are proud to recognize them for their ongoing impact on the sport of tennis," said Kurt Kamperman, Chief Executive, Community Tennis, USTA. "The Candy Erickson Tennis Center has embraced many of our tennis initiatives and kept the sport at the forefront of its community each year."

To be considered for an award, facilities must be under the jurisdiction of a park and recreation department, an educational institution, a nonprofit corporation or be a private or commercially owned and operated facility that offers both USTA and public programming designed to help grow tennis.

Facilities were judged on the following criteria: overall layout and adaptation to site; excellence of court surface and lights; ease of maintenance; accommodations for players, spectators and press/officials; aesthetics; graphics (including the use of signs and landscaping); amenities such as casual seating for spectators, food services and social areas; and the facilities' participation in USTA programs.

Nominated facilities were voted on in the following categories: **Public Courts** that are either small tennis centers with 2-10 courts or large tennis centers with 11 or more

courts; **Educational Institutions**; and **Private Facilities** that support the USTA and other “growth of the game” programs open to the public.

All 2016 award winners will receive a wall plaque and an all-weather sign, which can be mounted at the facility. Certificates of award will be made available to park and recreation departments, schools and those professionals responsible for the design, construction and maintenance of the facility. In addition, a one-year complimentary membership to the USTA will be awarded to each winning facility.

The 2016 USTA Facility Awards Program winners are:

Public Courts: Small Tennis Centers (2 to 10 courts)

San Sebastian Tennis Courts – San Sebastian, P.R.

Public Courts: Large Tennis Centers (11 or more courts)

Cherry Hill Health & Racquet Club – Cherry Hill, N.J.

Cooper Tennis Complex – Springfield, Mo.

Henry L. McMullen Tennis Complex – Clearwater, Fla.

Oak Brook Tennis Center – Oak Brook, Ill.

Oklahoma City Tennis Center – Oklahoma City, Okla.

Sound Shore Indoor Tennis LLC – Port Chester, N.Y.

Owensboro Tennis Facility – Owensboro, Ky.

The Candy Erickson Tennis Center – Park City, Utah (Featured Facility)

Educational Institution

McCallie School Strang-Voges Tennis Center – Chattanooga, Tenn.

Michael & Anne Greenwood Tennis Center – Stillwater, Okla.

Private Facilities

Sea Colony Tennis – Bethany Beach, Del.

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