

43rd Annual Fall Meeting The Grand Wailea, Maui, Hawai'i November 7-13, 2010



Revel in the tropical splendor of Grand Wailea - a truly blissful Maui hotel nestled within 40 landscaped acres, just steps from the beach. Offering 780 elegantly appointed guest rooms and suites, this restful retreat provides an extensive array of entertaining activities. Indulge in a relaxing body treatment massage. Tee off on one of three championship courses. Stroll along the soft-sand beach. Or just lounge poolside. Gather with friends and family in one of six restaurants. Take pleasure in this captivating Maui resort shrouded in natural beauty and breathtaking ambiance.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The recent meeting at Amelia Island Plantation was one of the smaller meetings for the USDTA group. However, in terms of enjoyment it was off the scale. We learned as a group, played as a group and even dined as a group. In fact this is what this organization is about. The speakers on oral pathology, minor orthodontic tooth movement, and round table discussion among current USDTA members were well received. We even had a lecture from the Senior Editor of Tennisone.com. We hope to return to Amelia sometime in the future.

Our next USDTA meeting will be held November 7-13, 2010 at the Grand Wailea Resort in Maui, HI. I anticipate that this meeting will be well attended. Please be on the lookout for an early registration discount. The speaker topics will be on Essential Surgical and Restorative Procedures for a Successful General Practice; Critical Things to Know About the Materials and Techniques Used by Your Laboratory, Helping You Choose the Right Product From Your Laboratory; Uses of a CT scan for helping diagnose TMD, Orthodontic, and restorative cases; Occlusally Driven Treatment Planning.

I can't wait to see you all in Hawai'i and enjoy the same camaraderie we had in Amelia Island.

As always, if you have questions or comments, please feel free to contact me or the Executive Director at www.dentaltennis.org.

Regards,

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Amelia Island Plantation at a glance

When you arrive at Amelia Island Plantation, you are greeted with beautiful trees and ponds surrounding the grounds. The Shops & Spa are walking distance or a short bike ride away. The USDTA group was all situated at the Racket Park Tennis Villas which made it easy to walk to the tennis courts and conference center daily. The week of lectures began with a tennis clinic from David Smith, Senior Editor of TennisOne.com. He brought Dunlop rackets to demo and gave great instruction on the court and in the lecture. The week continued with outstanding lectures and a round table discussion.

The tennis completed without any major injuries (besides Jeff Wallace hurting his shoulder on the Sunday mixer, he was back on the courts by the end of the week. Oh, and Dennis Dierenfield falling off the Segway, but that is a whole other story!) All matches were finished by Thursday allowing a free day for excursions and relaxation. Some took advantage of the beautiful bike trails around the resort, some took a Segway tour, or went searching for sharks teeth on the beach.

A couple of the highlights was being able to dine together as a group every night. There was always great food and conversation during dinners and the mid-week cocktail party. The other highlight was watching the kids fish for crabs and grass shrimp. The Nature Center was a daily stop off to feed the turtles and we were fortunate enough to witness a water turkey "fishing" for food and speared a blue gill with its bill! Amazing!



Overall, it was a very successful meeting. We hope to see you all in Hawaii in November!

For those of you who made it to the beautiful Amelia Island Plantation for our April convention, we were treated to a lecture by Dave Smith, the Senior Editor for TennisOne.com and the author of two top-rated tennis books, TENNIS MASTERY and COACHING MASTERY. Dave is also the author of the new Walt Disney mystery, HIDDEN MICKEY and a new DVD, "Building a World-Class Volley." For those who would like to purchase any of these items, (as he sold out of each that he had brought to the convention), you may purchase them by writing Dave directly: Dave Smith-TNT Tennis, P.O. Box 911232 St. George, UT 84791. Mention you are a USDTA member and he will give you the same "Show Special" pricing on all the books and DVD's. (\$20 for the tennis books and DVD's, \$10 for the Disney book.) Regular pricing is \$29 & \$24 for the Tennis Books, \$39 for the DVD, and \$13 for the Disney book...so these are a significant savings! For more information, you may contact Dave at: acrpres1@msn.com. He would enjoy hearing from any of you that attended the lecture!

