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## Willowlake Bridge Update

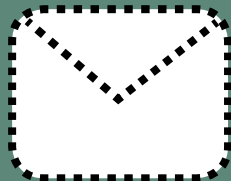
*Paul Ford, Vice President*

We have a new bridge at the Gazebo Park! A new bridge and handrail was constructed in February after the original park bridge had to be roped off after a partial collapse. The bridge and exercise equipment was painted in March by several of your board members and Patrick Sheehan, a resident. Patrick, a representative with Sherman Williams, donated the paint and supplies for the job. Thank you Patrick and Sherman Williams.



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#### To obtain an application:

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## Meet Michael

DOB: 08/1993

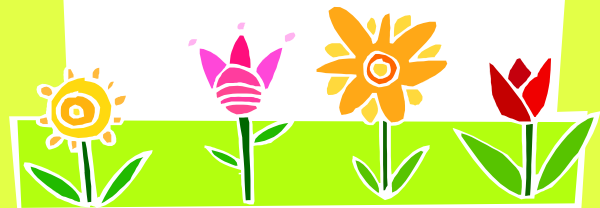
Michael is a loving and thoughtful young man. He is sensitive and funny. Michael has a good sense of humor and a good attitude. He enjoys video games, summer camps, go cart racing, fishing, baseball and anything having to do with cars. He hopes to become a chef or work with cars someday. He currently participates in special education and tries really hard in school. He attends Catholic church and his religion is very important to him. Michael is a baseball player and hopes to continue this sport once he is adopted. Michael will capture your heart with his thoughtful ways, playful spirit, and his desire to be loved. He's adventurous and an absolute blast to be around.



## YARD OF THE MONTH

It's back! Congratulations to our June winner, 9903 Mossy Tree. The residents have done an excellent job keeping the grass green...not always easy in the Texas heat...and keeping their bushes well manicured.

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*Submitted by Rich Keith*

In my work as a financial service professional I often help my clients find information which will guide their understanding. But with my background in computer science I'm just geeky enough to enjoy the finer points of searching online. Here then, are ways to improve your Google experience.

- **Check your stocks.** Take a deep breath, and then enter a ticker symbol to see a real-time quote. Try ORCL or LUV.
- **Include the word you need.** Google ignores common words and characters such as where, the, how, and other digits and letters which slow down your search without improving the results. (Google will indicate if a word has been excluded by displaying details on the results page below the search box.)
- **If a common word is essential** to getting the results you want, you can include it by putting a "+" sign in front of it. (Be sure to include a space before the "+" sign.) For example, here's how to ensure that Google includes the "IV" in a search for Star Wars, Episode IV: Star Wars Episode +IV
- **Convert currency and units.** Easy examples: "12 euros in dollars" or "12 tsp in tbsp" or "12 % of 93,755" for example.
- Get the synonyms too with synonym search. If you want to search not only for your search term but also for its synonyms, place the tilde sign (~) immediately in front of your search term. For example, suppose you want to search for food facts. Here's how to search for food facts and also get similar information on nutrition and cooking information: ~food ~facts.
- **Narrow by file type.** To find PowerPoints, Excel spreadsheets, or books scanned into PDFs, add "filetype:ppt" (or any other extension) to your query.
- **Search ranges.** Use two periods between two numbers, like "Wii \$200..\$300." Even dates work. Try "Earl Campbell 1970..1990"
- **Be prepared for flight delays.** Type in the airline, then your flight number, like "AA 1237."
- **Easy definitions.** To get the definition for a word, just type the word define: followed by the word. Include the colon and space, such as "define: annuity"
- **Find the right sources:** Add "site:edu" or "site:gov" to limit your search to school, org, or government domains. For example, "529 plan site:org." To target a specific web site, type, say, "annuity site:primerica.com."
- **Little known search operators.** This is neat: the asterisk (\*) can be used if you don't know exactly how to spell a word. For instance, "contagiou\*" will match all articles containing words that start in "contagiou." Give it a try, it's contagious. Other operators include the pipe code (|) which acts as the word "OR." For example, a search for "large cap|mid cap" will return search results for "large cap" OR "mid cap." You can also use the uppercase word OR. For example, here's how to search for a vacation in either Sedona or Flagstaff: "vacation Sedona OR Flagstaff"
- **Want a picture or a map?** Google can search for different media such as websites, images, videos, maps etc. Select the option above the input box. An easy way to refine your search is to select the "advanced search" option next to the input box.
- **Exact Phrases.** By default, Google searches for any of the terms you enter. To find a specific phrase, use double quotes (""). You will get different results for invest dollar cost average than you will for invest "dollar cost average".

Combine and see what happens. Now you have what you need to mix it up! I combined the stock search with the date range and it worked. To see information on Intel from 1968 (founding year) to 1978, type in "INTC 1968..1978". Now go and play with Google and see what you can find! Sources: Google, Wired.

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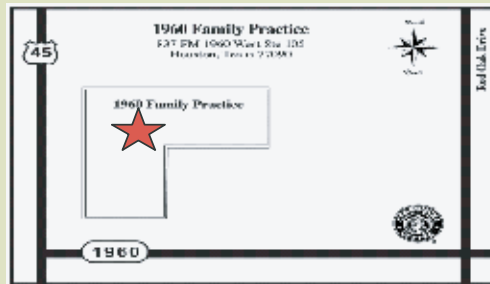
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2 C sugar	1 T vanilla
2 T cornstarch	

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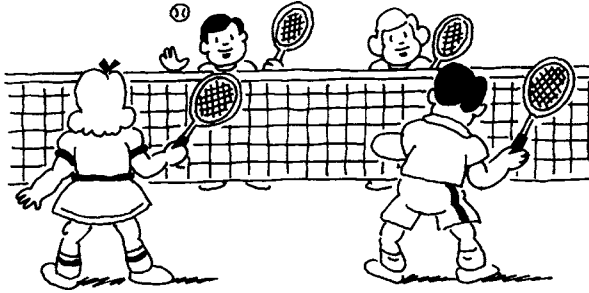
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# Four Stages Of Improving Your Game in Tennis

Submitted by: Fernando M. Velasco



In this issue, we will give you some advice on how to progress on your game following the CCDP stages:

## STAGE ONE: CONSISTENCY

Our muscles react to repetition of something that feels good and natural. If a player needs work on a particular stroke, hundreds of balls need to be given so the production of their stroke looks the same regardless of where the ball is located. Consistency of grips, foot work, anticipation, point of contact and follow-through, need to be almost “carbon” copy of each other.

## STAGE TWO: CONTROL

Do you know that there are only eight shots that can be executed when you hit a groundstroke? They are: cross court, down the line, flat, top spin, slice, drop shot, lob and “miss-hits” Once a player reaches the consistency of getting the ball over the net and into the court, the player needs to start working on controlling the “where” and “how” type of shot. As players advance on control, they will combine these shots, such as “top spin cross court, slice down the line, top spin lobs, etc.

## STAGE THREE: DEPTH

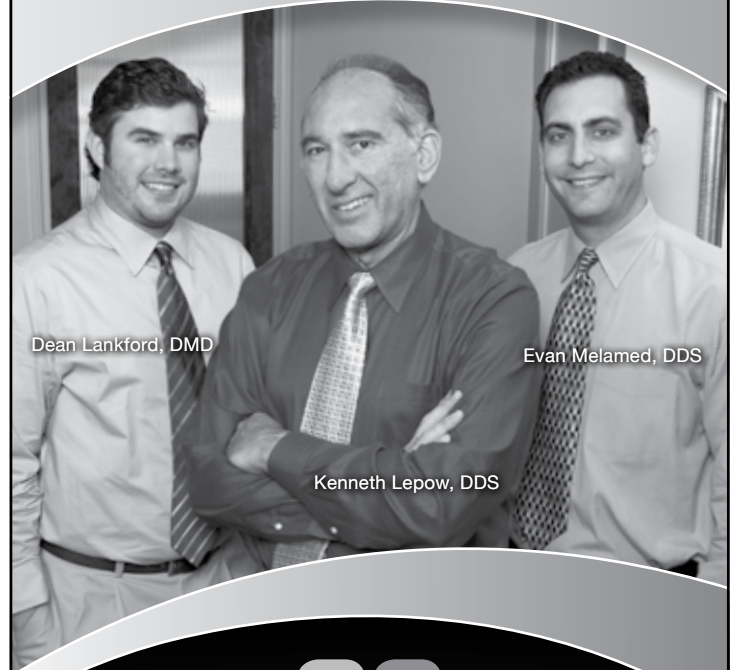
Most players want to hit the ball an inch above the net height. If players look at most of the great players, they will realize that most of the shots they hit are at least three feet over the net and land between the service line and base line of their opponents. The balls that are “skimmed” over the net, are usually passing shots when the players come up to the net, or great winners that only a Roger Federer or an Andy Roddick can do with great control and consistency.

## STAGE FOUR: POWER

Once a player feels comfortable with the first three stages, then it is time to create Power. Unfortunately, most tennis players become injured by going to the Fourth Stage too quick into the game and become frustrated, thus ruining their weekend games and being sore for an entire week due to torn muscles. Power is generated mostly by good timing, good foot work, reading early where the ball will land, and by planning the shot even before the player gets to the ball.

Most players in League level 2.5 to 4.0 will end up winning their matches by mastering the first three stages, while the ones going to stage Four too quick, will be spending their time with ice packs and taking Ibuprofen pills until the next match and start the “vicious” circle again....

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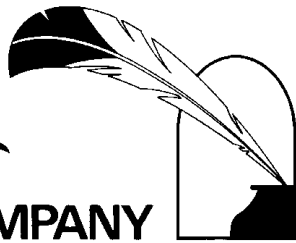
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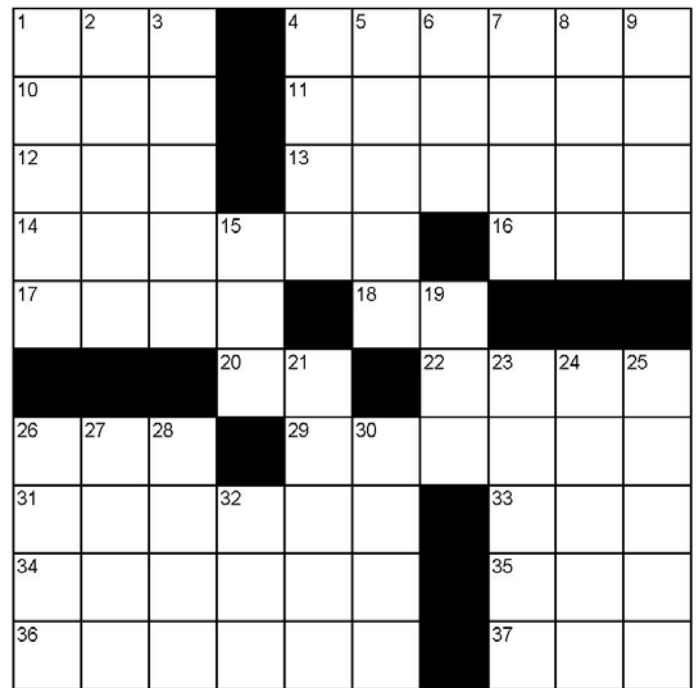
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10. Environmental protection agency (abbr)
11. Large zoo animals
12. Revolutions per minute
13. Timely (2 wds.)
14. Caren
16. BB association
17. Totals
18. We
20. Disc jockey (abbr.)
22. \_\_\_ the hatchet, forgive
26. Move up and down
29. Famous female pilot Earhart
31. For each one
33. Teaspoon (abbr.)
34. What a pastor gives
35. Representative
36. Scours
37. Whichever

### DOWN

1. Baseball player Yogi
2. Elevated
3. Broken in
4. Loafer
5. Eastern religion
6. Liable
7. Gyrate
8. Burial chamber
9. At sea
15. Drug
19. Compass point
21. Israel's former name
23. Radical
24. Got out of bed
25. Talky
26. Singing voice
27. Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries
28. Energy
30. Not women's
32. Flightless bird

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Courtesy of "DAVID FLORY"

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\$180,000 - 199,999	0	0	0	0	1	1
\$160,000 - 179,999	1	0	0	1	0	0
\$140,000 - 159,999	2	0	0	0	1	0
\$120,000 - 139,999	0	0	1	0	0	0
\$120,000 -	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Highest \$/Sq Ft</b>	<b>76.83</b>		<b>60.53</b>	<b>67.49</b>	<b>78.30</b>	<b>69.18</b>

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