

Date: Sunday, August 18 - Friday, August 23, 2013 (Saturday, August 24 - rain date)

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Entry Fee: \$210 per player (fee includes singles and doubles) Entry fee is non-refundable after July 1. Registration is online: www.mcbtennis.org. Click on Tournaments and scroll to the "Little Mo" Internationals - Forest Hills Statue of Liberty button. The entry fee covers the cost of the courts, balls, umpires, t-shirts, trophies, player party, online registration fee, etc. (A portion of the fee also comes back to the foundation to further junior tennis development which is tax deductible.)

Deadline for singles entries: Thursday, August 1 at 12:00 pm noon (Eastern time)

- Eligibility:For 12 & under:Players born in 2001For 11 & under:Players born in 2002For 10 & under:Players born in 2003For 9 & under:Players born in 2004For 8 & under:Players born in 2005 or 2006
- **Events**: Boys and Girls 12 & under, 11 & under, 10 & under, 9 & under, and 8 & under. All matches on full court with yellow ball. Players are limited to one singles and one doubles event.

Players must present a copy of their <u>birth certificate or passport</u> at player check-in to be included in the tournament.

Format /Draw Size: Main Draw Singles (32 draw) in each division Boys and Girls 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 with First Match Loser Consolation. All matches on full court with yellow ball. Players are guaranteed at least 2 matches in singles. *Entries based on first come, first served*. Alternate list will begin after the first 32 places have been filled. Scoring: Best two out of three tie-break sets with a 10 point match tie-break in lieu of a third set for main draw singles and first match loser consolation. Regular scoring. 5 min. warmup

Doubles (16 teams) in each division Boys and Girls 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 with single elimination. All matches on full court with yellow ball. Doubles sign up on Sunday, August 18 from 12-3:30pm and Monday, August 19 from 12-5pm at the Rose Garden tent at The West Side Tennis Club. Both players must be present to sign in together to play as a team and be entered in the same age division as singles. Only players who are entered in singles can sign up for doubles. There will be a "Looking for Partner" sign up sheet at the TD desk and it is your responsibility to contact the players on the sheet if you are looking for a partner. There is no guarantee you will be able to play doubles unless you have a partner. Doubles entries close on Monday, August 19 at 5pm. Doubles matches will start on Wednesday afternoon, August 21. Scoring: Best two out of three tie-break sets with a 10 point match tie-break in lieu of a third set. Regular scoring. 5 min. warmup.

* In case of rain, shortened scoring may be used. Saturday, August 24 is the rain date.

Practice Courts: Sign up for practice courts available at player check-in at the Rose Garden tent at The West Side Tennis Club. Practice times: Sunday, August 18 from 12:30-3:30pm and 5:00-7:00pm based on first come, first served. Players may need to share courts, if necessary. During the tournament: 7:00-9:00am and 1:00-7:00 pm Monday - Friday. *Sign in at the TD desk. First come, first served. (No phone in reservations, please.)

<u>Surface</u>: Clay <u>Ball</u>: Babolat Roland Garros (all court) <u>Stringing</u>: \$20 with your own string

<u>Match time</u>: First match times will be available on www.mcbtennis.org. Click on Tournaments and scroll to "Little Mo" Internationals - Forest Hills Statue of Liberty button. Only first match times will be posted prior to the tournament. The draws will be posted on Sunday afternoon, August 18 at The West Side Tennis Club and on www.mcbtennis.org.

<u>**Trophies**</u>: Trophies will be awarded to main draw singles winners, runners-up and 3rd/4th place in each division and consolation winners and runners-up. In doubles, trophies to winners and runners-up. In mixed doubles fun grass court event, medals will be given. Sportsmanship awards will also be given.

<u>Tennis Attire</u>: In keeping with tradition, players must wear "all white" tennis clothes while on court (for practice and matches). This includes hats, visors, sweatbands, socks, warmups & outerwear (jackets, sweater). 10% colored trim is allowed. Shoes must be at least 50% white. Parents and coaches who are on court with players in practice must adhere to the "all white" rule. "All white" clothing rule will be enforced.

Hotels - Click here to make your reservation. http://www.globaljbs.com/app/event.php?id=483

<u>Player Party</u>: A party for players and parents will be held at the historic Forest Hills lawn tennis area (Rose Garden tent) on Tuesday, August 20 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

<u>Player Gift Exchange</u>: It is a tradition with the "Little Mo" that players exchange a small gift (wrapped or in gift bag) with their first round opponent in singles. The gift should be \$5 - \$10 and represent your city or country. The gifts are exchanged before the players walk on court before their first match. Players always remember their gift from someone from another city or country.

<u>T-shirt</u>: All players will receive a "Little Mo" t-shirt and back pack.

Tournament Director:Bob IngersoleTournament Referee:Rollie Shea - ITF white badgeAssistant Tournament Director:Randy Jenks

Tournament Chairman: Carol Weyman MCB office: (214) 754-7065 or email: Cartennis@aol.com

Schedule of Events

The West Side Tennis Club has graciously allowed the "Little Mo" players to play at their historic club and we ask all of our guests to be respectful to the club members and the grounds. Please be sure to not walk or play on the grass courts or leave any trash. The pool is open only to members of The West Side Tennis Club. We appreciate your cooperation.

<u>Parking</u>: Please park at the stadium and use the intercom at the security gate to contact the Reception Desk. *Parking is not allowed on the street or in the club lot since this area is for club members.* You can drop off players at the front of the club but parking must be at the stadium. Directions to the parking lot will be on a tab at the top of the home page.

Sunday, August 18

- 12:00 3:30 pm Player check-in and pick-up tournament packet at The West Side Tennis Club -Rose Garden tent – *mandatory*. All players need to sign in and present a copy of their birth certificate or passport to be included in the tournament.
 - Doubles sign-up: Both players must be present to sign up as a team and in the same age division in singles.
- Afternoon A "complimentary" 1 hour on-court clinic for all players with **Tim Mayotte**, former #7 in the world on the ATP Tour.

12:30 - 1:30 pm - Players age 8, 9 & 10 1:45 - 2:45 pm - Players age 11 & 12

- 12:30 & 1:30 & 2:30 pm Guided tour of the historic West Side Tennis Club (15 minutes). Meet at the Rose Garden tent.
- 12:30 3:30 pm Practice courts available 5:00 - 7:00 pm - Practice courts available
- 3:30 pm Players meet on Grass Court #8 for the group photo.
- 3:45 pm Following photo players line up for player parade. They will parade from Court #8 to the famous stadium court for opening ceremony *mandatory*. <u>Players please wear</u> <u>"all white" tennis clothes (small logos ok)</u>. Hats, visors, sweatbands, socks, warmups & outerwear must be "all white". 10% colored trim is allowed. Shoes must be at least 50% white. *This rule will be strictly enforced*. Leave your racquet bag with parent.
- 4:00 pm Players parade on stadium court with their country flag. (Please bring a small country flag to carry during the parade.)
- 4:15 5:00 pm Opening Ceremony Important tournament information will be given to players and parents - *mandatory*. National anthem singer: Nathan Fuhrman
- 5:00 5:30 pm Tim Mayotte talks with parents (players welcome) on court following opening ceremony.
- 5:00 8:00 pm BBQ Dinner at The West Side Tennis Club. The dinner is for the West Side club members but the "Little Mo" parents, players and guests have been graciously invited by the club members. Cost: \$20 per child (age 16 & under) and \$35 per adult. (Price includes tax and tip.) Reservations and payment must be made online for dinner by August. 11. Go to the tab at the top of the tournament home page to RSVP and pay.

Monday, August 19

- 8:00 am Matches begin and continue all day *(gift exchange before first round match)*. Players with "byes" should look at draw board to view the player they will exchange gifts with before their first round. (Please check-in 15 minutes prior to your match.)
- Lunch Available at the snack bar by the pool.
- 12:00 5:00 pm Doubles sign-up

Tuesday, August 20

8:00 am – Matches begin and continue all day.

Lunch - Available at the snack bar.

6:00 – 8:00 pm – Player Party for players and parents at The West Side Tennis Club.
Games2U will be organizing fun laser tag, gyroscope, video and wii games. Dinner and party are "complimentary" for all "Little Mo" players (players only). Parents, siblings, guests: \$20 per person (includes tax and tip.) Reservations and payment must be made online for dinner by August 11. Go to the tab at the top of the tournament home page to RSVP and pay.

Wednesday, August 21

8:00 am – Matches begin and continue all day.

Lunch - Available at the snack bar.

Thursday, August 22

8:00 am – Matches begin and continue all day.

Lunch - Available at the snack bar.

Friday, August 23

8:00 am – Singles Finals and Doubles Finals and 3rd/4th play off for singles - all divisions.

10:00 am - 1:00 pm - *Depending on the condition of the grass:* A fun mixed doubles event is planned for all players who are out of the tournament on the famous grass courts with Players will be paired with different partners and medals awarded to the winners.

Lunch - Available at the snack bar.

Saturday, August 24

Rain date, if needed to complete the tournament

Things to do in New York: Arthur Ashe Kids Day (Saturday, August 24), US Open Qualifying, Broadway shows (Lion King, Spider Man, Annie), sightseeing to the Statue of Liberty, Empire State Building, Times Square, Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum, etc.

This tournament is named after Maureen "Little Mo" Connolly, who was the first woman to win the Grand Slam when she was only eighteen years old in 1953. She is still the youngest and only American woman to have accomplished this magnificent feat. This year, we are celebrating the 60th anniversary of Maureen's Grand Slam win in 1953.

We hope you enjoy this unique, one of a kind tournament at the most historic site in American tennis and in one of the most fun cities in the world. We look forward to seeing you. Please look online for our next "Little Mo" Internationals tournament at the PGA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida from December 6-11. To register: www.mcbtennis.org. See you soon.





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Maureen "Little Mo" Connolly winning the United States Championships at Forest Hills in 1953. The U.S. Championships (now called the US Open) was held at The West Side Tennis Club from 1924-1977. We hope you will join us in celebrating the 60th anniversary of "Little Mo's" victory!