



# THE SENIOR ATHLETE

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## It's time to sign up for basketball!



MCSSA, in coordination with the Montgomery County Recreation Department, will offer both a 65+ and 70+ basketball leagues starting in December 2017. Depending upon registration, it is intended that the 65+ league will play on Sunday afternoons at 12:30 and 1:45. The 70+ league will play on Friday afternoons at 12:30 and 1:45. All games will be at the Bauer Drive Community Center, 14625 Bauer Drive, Rockville, MD. If you have requests or recommendations for a successful league, please contact acting commissioner Jacky Loube.

You are eligible to play in the 65+ league if you were born in 1953 or earlier. You are eligible to play in the 70+ league if you were born in 1948 or earlier. Cost is \$125 (\$120 league fee, plus \$5 MCSSA registration fee) per player. If you want to play, please fill out the registration form located on Page 7 of the current edition of *The Senior Athlete*, then send it and a check to MCSSA, 14320 Fairdale Road, Silver Spring MD 20905. Registration begins October 1 and ends November 17. You may play in both leagues if you meet the age criteria. However, you must pay for each league you play in.

All senior basketball league games are 5-on-5, full court, played with professional officials, a timekeeper, and a scorekeeper. Both the 65+ and the 70+ leagues will be "draft" leagues with players drafted or assigned to four (or five) teams. The season will consist of nine scheduled games plus one or two playoff games. Players will be selected or assigned to teams in late November. The season will start December 9 (65+) and December 14 (70+).

Start spreading the word now. There are many open gym sessions supported by MCSSA that are sources for recruitment of players for each league. Again, talk it up as we need enough players for a minimum of four teams in each league. The leagues will play only if there are enough interested players. If we do not have enough players to make four teams in a league after the end of registration, that league will not play this season. If you would like to coach, assist in the draft or be involved in the overall league process please contact Jacky Loube at [ploube@gmail.com](mailto:ploube@gmail.com) or (240)731-9477.

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### Dates to Remember

**Oct 14** MCSSA Annual Meeting at Seibels Restaurant at 8:30 a.m.

**Nov 3** MCSSA Holiday Party. Newbury Award and Spike Comeback award presented

**Nov 17** Registration deadline for both 65+ and 70+ basketball leagues signup

**Dec 9** Basketball season begins

**Jan 2** Indoor softball begins (Tuesdays and Thursdays) at the Rockville Sportsplex



**From the Editor's Desk:**

MCSSA Awards Banquet will be held in a new venue this year. It is at Leisure World in the clubhouse. No passes are required and all Attendees should use the Georgia Avenue entrance and tell the guard you are attending a social function in the clubhouse which is straight ahead.

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As the fall season begins we once again get back to some of our favorite winter sports. Bauer Drive Recreation Center is the venue for two of the popular programs. On Tuesday and Thursday mornings it is walk-in basketball from 9:30 to 11:30 (most people arrive around 9:00 and play gets underway as soon as the first eight players arrive). On Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10:30 until noon, you will find walk-in volleyball for both men and women. On Fridays from noon until 2:00 pm, volleyball is played at the Mid-County Recreation Center, located just off Layhill Road. And, don't forget indoor softball begins on January 2, 2018 at the Rockville Sportsplex. There is also pickleball available on Monday afternoons at Bauer Drive Recreation Center.

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Standings for the fall softball leagues will be posted in the next edition of *The Senior Athlete*.

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The MCSSA Annual Meeting will take place on Saturday, October 14, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at Seibel's Restaurant in Burtonsville. Breakfast will be provided.

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Chyp and Andrea will provide entertainment at our annual awards banquet. You will remember them from last year. Speaking of the MCSSA Annual Awards Banquet, cash bar cocktail hour from 5:00 until 6:00. Dinner from 6:00 to 7:00. Awards from 7:00 to 8:00 (or as soon as the awards are completed). Entertainment from 8:00 to 9:00. The date is Friday, November 3, 2017

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The only representatives in track & field in the Maryland Senior Olympics were George Izumi and Gloria Hong. The medals they won are as follows:

**George—Gold** in mixed doubles with Gloria, and Gold in men's doubles bowling.

**Gloria—Gold** in javelin, softball throw, football throw and frisbee throw and bowling mixed doubles with George.

**Silver** in discus, 50 meter dash, 100 meter dash, women's singles bowling.

**Stuart Goldberg** won the gold medal in 70-74men's singles in Table Tennis.

**Stuart and Don Juran** won the silver medal in 70-74 men's doubles

**The Newbury Award**

It is time to submit your recommendations for the William E. (Bill) Newbury Memorial Award. The award will be presented at the MCSSA Holiday Dinner, on Friday, November 3, 2017 at the clubhouse at Leisure World, beginning at 5:00 p.m. The evening begins with a cash bar cocktail hour (with a cash bar), with dinner at 6:00, awards program at 7:00, followed by entertainment. The cost will be approximately \$35.00 per person.

The criteria for nominating people for the award are listed below. The award is presented to individuals whose contributions are recognized in one or more of the following Areas:

- 1) By outstanding athletic ability and performance which would tend to reflect on MCSSA (such as a league Most Valuable Player, or recognition by a national program or organization, or sustained high level of performance;
- 2) By voluntary service to the organization through sustained involvement in a superior and noteworthy endeavor;
- 3) By virtue of a significant financial contribution or through services in-kind.

The committee that will evaluate nominations and make recommendations for selection consists of John Elsbree, Chair, Jim Ehrenfried, Ed Guillette and last year's recipient Don Juran . Nominations can be sent directly to any member of the committee, or to MCSSA. A nomination form, for your convenience and for the ease of evaluating the contenders, is available on Page 6 of this edition of *The Senior Athlete*.

*In Memoriam*

Gary Meredith

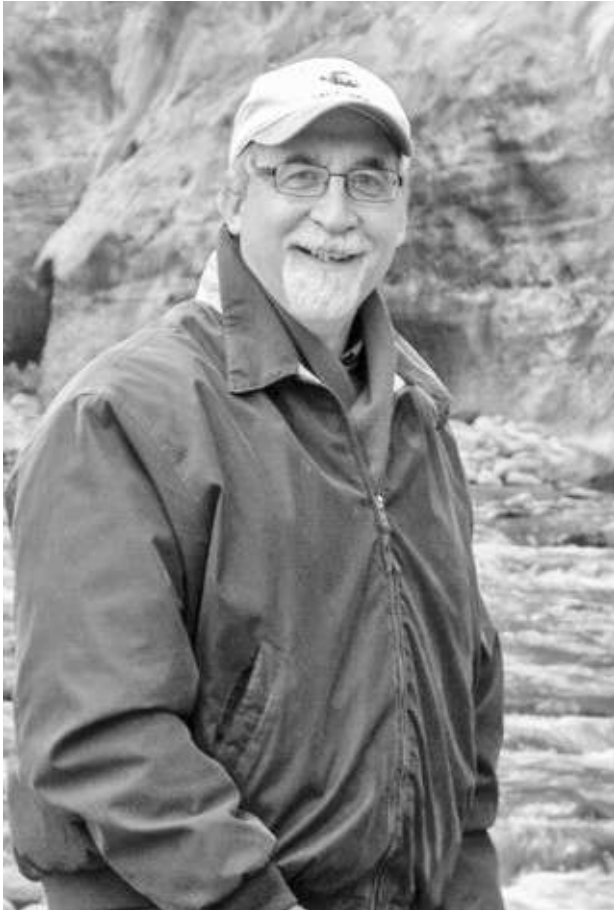
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Silver Spring, Maryland 20905



## MCSSA Personality Profile Alan Simmons



I was born in Washington, DC on November 27, 1946 in Sibley Hospital located at that time on North Capital Street. What was unusual about my birth was that I was not born alone – I am one of a set of triplets and share my birthdate with my sister Elaine and my brother David. Our birth, a very unusual occurrence at the time, made the front page of *The Washington Post*. My parents lived in a one-bedroom apartment and included my older brother Marvin and my grandmother. Expecting only one newborn, my Mother's comment on our birth after recovering from the anesthesia was "Where am I going to put them?"

Recognizing that the walls of this apartment were quickly closing in on my parents, we moved twice within Washington, DC to successively larger homes ending in the Riggs Park neighborhood where I started my academic journey at Keene Elementary School. I enjoyed kickball during recess and played

baseball whenever I could on the ball field at LaSalle Elementary School. I played so often, however, that our family physician told my parents that I should stop playing for a week because I was losing too much weight. Summers were also marked by watching the Senators play at Griffith Stadium with my father and brother. My favorite players were Camilo Pascual and Roy Sievers.

It was during this time that I first met and became friends with my elementary school classmate Jacky Loube – the future Commissioner of the Ross Emerson 60+ Softball League. Jacky lived a few blocks from my house and we shared the same interest in sports. We were teammates on the Police Boys Club No. 10 baseball team and played our games on the ball fields at 16<sup>th</sup> and Kennedy Streets, NW. We also attended two summer camps together in Scotland, MD.

In 1959 we moved to Silver Spring, MD where I attended Sligo Junior High School and then Northwood High School. I tried out for our high school baseball team but was unsuccessful. On a positive note, I was a member of the Math Honor Society, sang in the school chorus, and worked in the student supply store graduating in 1964.

After high school, I attended the University of Maryland and graduated in 1969 with a B.S. in Statistics. I earned my way through college by working in a pawnshop at 7<sup>th</sup> and U Streets, N.W. – a real-world learning experience that far exceeded anything that I ever encountered in the classroom.

After graduation, I started my professional career as a Sales Forecaster with Johnson and Johnson in New Brunswick, NJ, developing monthly forecasts for various health care products. In April 1970, I was sent to basic training at Fort Polk, LA, followed by additional training at Fort Hood Army Base near Killeen, Texas where I worked the night shift as a keypunch operator. I subsequently served one weekend a month and two weeks each year in summer camps as a U.S. Army Reservist.

After completing active duty, I returned to the Washington, DC area and entered a graduate degree program at George Washington University receiving an M.S. in Management Science - Operations Research in 1974. I took additional graduate courses in Econometrics and

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### Spring Softball Final Standings

#### Women's Monday Night League

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Sparks, Stein & Sperling	15	0		30
TST	14	3		28
Old Bats	7	11		14
Tornados	5	10		10
Like a Fine Wine	1	18		2

Commissioner: Carmen Campbell

#### Super Senior League Monday Mornings

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Lynx	18	4		36
Jaguars	17	5		34
Panthers	9	13		18
Tigers	8	12		16
Cougars	7	13		14
Lions	5	17		10

Commissioner: Ed Guillette

#### Wednesday Night Men's 60+ League

	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Hamel	16	3	1	33
Ledo Pizza Wheaton	13	6	1	27
Mustangs PJ's Sports	8	11	1	17
MemberCar Stars	8	11	1	17
Blue & Gold	3	17		6

Commissioner: Joe Fry

#### CoRec Wednesday Morning League

	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
PJ's Sports	12	7	1	25
Athletic House	12	8		24
HSFCU Hawks	11	9		22
Eagles	9	11		18
Senior Moments	8	11	1	17
CoStars	7	13		14

Commissioner: Don Juran

#### Tuesday Night Men's 50+ League

<u>Division "A"</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Gaithersburg Rentals	14	6		28
Spicer	12	8		24
Maryland Cougars	10	9	1	21
JLC Construction	3	16	1	7

#### Division "B"

Grim Reapers	16	2		32
Pirtek	12	5	1	25
MoJo's	4	14	2	10
Marauders	3	14	3	9

#### Division "C"

Raiders	13	7		26
Stylers	12	6	2	26
Meyers & Meighan	8	9	3	19
Silverado	3	14	3	9

Commissioner: Paul Jarosinski

#### Ross Emerson Men's 60+ League (2nd Half)

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Senators	21	8		42
Good Sports	20	8		40
Dust Busters	13	13		26
Rebels	12	12		24
Patriots	11	12	1	23
Fire Balls	7	15		14
A-Team	2	21	1	5

Commissioner: Jacky Loube

#### Thursday Night Men's 55+ League

	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Hamel	14	4		28
Chartwell Builders	12	5	1	25
Gaithersburg Rentals	11	6	1	23
Marauders	8	8	2	17
Los Borrachos	8	10		16
Meyers Meighan	5	11	2	11
Blue and Gold	2	16		4

Commissioner: Bill Madert

#### Ron Schell Draft League 50+

<u>Team</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Points</u>
Midnight Special	8	3	1	17
Legends	7	4	1	15
Green Machine	7	6	1	15
Blue Man Group	2	11	1	5

Commissioner: Dave Hyder



# All-Star Teams



Wednesday Night 60+ All-Stars



Ross Emerson 60+ All-Stars



**Nomination Form  
6th Annual  
"Spike" Comeback Kid Award**

I would like to nominate \_\_\_\_\_

List in detail the factors that should be considered for presentation of this award (on a separate sheet of paper).

The award committee will evaluate the nominations, for either man or woman, based on the data submitted justifying your candidate's accomplishments.

Richard Sherman will chair the committee of Spike Bauroth, Sam Milwit, Jim Bone and Rick Silas and submissions can be made either by U.S Mail addressed to Richard Sherman, 15403 Wentbridge Court, Silver Spring, MD 20906 or by email to rgsappraising@verizon.net.

**Nominations should be submitted by Tuesday, October 10, 2017.**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Abbreviated Nomination Form  
14th Annual  
William E. (Bill) Newbury Memorial Award**

I would like to Nominate \_\_\_\_\_

List in detail why your nominee's contributions should be considered for this award (*The more information you can provide, the better*):

**All nominations must be received by Tuesday, October 10, 2017**

To submit a nomination, simply send by e-mail to one (or all) of the following committee members:

Or, send through the U.S. Postal Service to:

Ed Guillette—gamboa33@verizon.net  
Don Juran—drj5@cornell.edu  
Jim Ehrenfried—jimpam871@gmail.com

John Elsbree  
10401 Grosvenor Place #504  
North Bethesda, MD 20852  
ahejle@gmail.com

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Remember....Indoor softball drills begin on Tuesday, January 2, 2018

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50+ Tuesday Night	Paul Jarosinski
60+ Wednesday Night	Joe Fry
55+ Thursday Night	Bill Madert
50+ Ron Schell League	Dave Hyder
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**REGISTRATION FORM FOR MCSSA ACTIVITIES**

Please indicate which activity you wish to participate in and enclose the proper amount as indicated below. The basketball leagues are for the 2017-18 season.

I want to play in the 65 and over Basketball League on Sunday Mornings (\$120.00).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

I want to play in the 70 and over Basketball League on Friday Afternoons (\$120.00).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

MCSSA Dues.(\$5.00)...(If not otherwise paid).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional: Donation to MCSSA to further the goals of MCSSA.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Emer contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

The participant assumes all risks associated with participation in the above activities. MCSSA assumes no liability for injury or damages arising from participation in these activities. Due to the strenuous nature of some activities, MCSSA encourages each participant to consult his or her physician concerning fitness to participate in the program. The participant consents to emergency treatment.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form with a check for the TOTAL AMOUNT DUE made out to MCSSA to:  
MCSSA - 14320 Fairdale Road - Silver Spring MD 20905

## All Star Teams



Ron Schell 50+ All-Stars



Tuesday Night 50+ All-Stars





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advanced economic theory at The Catholic University of America.

In 1971, I met my future wife Eva at a JCC dance. We were married in 1973 and in 1975 our daughter Kara was born. I'm a single parent now and remain very close to Kara who is an Associate Vice Chancellor and Senior General Counsel with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She lives with her husband, Brian, who is also an attorney in private practice and their two children, Evan and Owen, with whom I have a grand time.

I continued my professional career by working in a series of technical positions in the Federal government that used my analytical background. From 1970-75, I was employed as a Statistician for the Census Bureau reporting retail trade statistics; the National Institutes of Health developing manpower forecasts of health care professionals; and the Civil Service Commission (later the Office of Personnel Management) calculating the annual pay raise for the Federal Civil Service workforce.

In 1975, I joined the Federal Energy Administration (later the Department of Energy) and conducted a study on the effect of rising oil prices on the elderly. The statistics and analysis from this study served as a basis for a Congressional hearing convened by the Senate Select Committee on Aging and chaired by Sen. John Glenn. Other fulfilling activities included serving as a Watch Officer in the Emergency Operations Center during the two Persian Gulf wars, and the September 11 attacks; supporting the Federal Emergency Management Agency's response to natural disasters; and serving as a Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for our organization.

After 35 years of government service, I retired in 2004 and received a Distinguished Service Award for my 30 years of service with the Department of Energy. I also received a U.S. flag flown over the United States Capitol at the request of the Honorable Chris Van Hollen, Member of Congress, in recognition of my Federal service.

I've been retired for 12 years and enjoy every moment. I became very interested in digital photography and joined the North Bethesda and Gaithersburg Camera Clubs where I have displayed images in numerous juried exhibits in affiliation with these organizations. My images have also appeared in solo

and joint exhibits at local galleries including Waverly Street Gallery, Glenview Mansion Art Gallery, Kentlands Mansion Art Gallery, the JCC of Greater Washington Goldman Art Center, and Mac Business Solutions. In 2014 and 2017, I received a Portfolio Merit Award and a Single Image Award, respectively, for images published in *Black & White Magazine*. I enjoy landscape and architectural photography and have taken many photographs of our National Parks and abroad including Israel, Iceland, Turkey, France, Spain, Italy, Greece, and Jordan – many of which are displayed on my website at [alansimmonsphotography.com](http://alansimmonsphotography.com). I also enjoy, playing golf, reading, listening to jazz and classical music, building model airplanes, visiting museums, attending lectures on current events, and socializing with family and friends.

Playing softball continues to be an important part of my life. I played several years in the DCJCC Co-Ed League and pitched for the 1987 championship team. For the last 21 years, I've played in the Men's 50+ Draft League where I reunited with Ron Lieberman – a high school classmate; the Thursday Men's 55+ League for a team known as the "No Names" managed by Bill Shoemaker; and currently the Men's 60+ Ross Emerson League, and the Wednesday morning Co-Rec League.

During this period, I've experienced many memorable moments but three events remain very vivid. They include reuniting with Jacky Loube at the indoor batting facility in Rockville approximately 50 years after completing elementary school, and to this day, still share our most riveting memories of the old neighborhood; standing in stunned silence halfway down the 1st base path after the opposing shortstop made an incredible, athletic catch of my sharp line drive for the third out in the bottom of the 7<sup>th</sup> inning to end our team's comeback – the shortstop – none other than our esteemed Spike (I call this feat THE CATCH); and last, failing to run from 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> base on a fly ball which I thought was going to be foul, but, in fact was fair and being thrown out at 2<sup>nd</sup> base by the left fielder. After witnessing this blooper, Al Lavender, our manager, felt compelled to give me a remedial tutorial on the fine art of base running.

In closing, I would like to say that I have had the good fortune of sharing the field with a wonderful group of fellow players. I look forward to joining you on and off the field for many more years. Your friendship and your presence have enriched my life and for that I will always be grateful.



### Maryland Senior Olympics Medal Winners



**Nancy Callan**  
Gold Medal in  
Shuffleboard



**Ed Guillette**  
Gold Medal in  
Shuffleboard



**Gloria Hong**  
Five Gold and Three  
Silver Medals. (See  
details on page 2)



**George Izumi**  
Two Gold Medals in  
Bowling

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