

Announcing the Randee Falk Memorial Scholarship Fund in Conjunction with the Knickerbocker Tennis Foundation

On April 6, 2022, we lost our dear Randee Falk, who had been a Knick member for 20 years along with her husband, Len Neufeld. An avid tennis player until late last year, when progression of the cancer that took her life made it hard for her to continue playing, Randee was also a loving daughter, sister, mother, and grandmother, as well as a skilled cook and an equally skilled editor and writer of college texts in the areas of English grammar, English as a second language, and the social sciences.

As a Foreign Service “brat” growing up, successively, in Cuba, Italy, Spain, and, from high school on, in the States, Randee became fluent in both Spanish and Italian as a child and maintained near fluency in both languages throughout her life, deriving much enjoyment from books and movies in those languages while also strengthening her broad and sensitive perspective on people and cultures. Her academic achievements were impressive: a BA in Latin American studies at George Washington University, an MA in theoretical linguistics at Stanford, and continued graduate work in linguistics at Harvard (all but doctorate).

Randee was a regular in our group of working women players at the Knick—the “tennis ladies,” known for our 7 AM court sign-ups, joyous potlucks, and warm camaraderie. We remember Randee for her kindness and for her gentle, self-effacing manner on and off the tennis court, as well as for her honesty, sincerity, and directness.



In Randee’s memory, and with the help of the Knickerbocker Tennis Foundation, we have seeded a scholarship fund to benefit promising young female players in the Knick junior program, and we invite others to honor Randee’s memory by making contributions to this fund.

Checks can be made payable to the Knickerbocker Tennis Foundation with a notation earmarking the money for the Randee Falk Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Please place your check in the Knick Tennis Foundation's box or mail it to:
Knickerbocker Tennis Foundation, 4809 Avenue N, Suite #195, Brooklyn, NY 11234

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