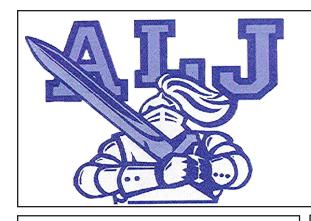


2007 UNION COUNTY TOURNAMENT JOHNSON TENNIS GAME NOTES APRIL 26 - 27, 2007 DONALD VAN BLAKE TENNIS COURTS PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY



# 2007 BOYS TENNIS

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# **2007 SCHEDULE**

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Date	Opponent	Score/Time
04/03	*ORATORY	W 4-1
04/05	*at Roselle Park	W 3-2
04/09	RAHWAY	W 5-0
04/10	*at Cranford	W 5-0
04/11	PLAINFIELD	W 4-1
04/13	DAYTON	L 1-4
04/18	WESTFIELD	L 0-5
04/19	at Union Catholic	W 5-0
04/23	LINDEN	W 5-0
04/24	*at New Providence	L 0-5
04/26	UCT at Plainfield	9 a.m.
04/27	UCT at Plainfield	9 a.m.
04/30	*at Gov. Livingston	4 p.m.
05/01	*ROSELLE PARK	4 p.m.
05/03	NEWARK TECH	4 p.m.
05/04	*NEW PROVIDENCE	4 p.m.
05.10	*at Oratory	4 p.m.
05/14	*CRANFORD	4 p.m.
05/15	*GOV. LIVINGSTON	4 p.m.
05/17	UNION	3:30 p.m.

\* =MVC-MD game

# TOURNAMENT PLAY



# Johnson Crusaders (7-3, 3-1) at



# **2007 Union County Tournament**

Thurs. April 26 - Fri. April 27, 2007

Donald Van Blake Tennis Courts (Plainfield, NJ) 9:00 a.m.

After finishing in a three way tie for ninth place in last year's Union County Tournament, and having both doubles teams place in the top eight, the Johnson Crusaders prepare to return to the annual County competition. The Crusaders currently stand just one victory away from passing last seasons win total and have already wrapped up their eighth straight NJSIAA State Team Tournament berth. Last season, the first doubles team of James Villari and Mike Keenan placed eighth and the second doubles team of John Monagle and Alex D'Amico finished seventh. Westfield is the two time defending champions, ending Summit's seven year run in 2005, and repeating by winning four out of the five positions last season. Ryan Kreuger of Scotch Plains is the defending first singles champion, defeating Ravi Netravali in the finals. The Donald Van Blake Tennis Courts in Plainfield, New Jersey serve as the host site for the sixth consecutive season.

#### **THE COACHES:**

ALJ: Craig D'Amico (1st year) Record at ALJ: 7-3 Career Record: 7-3

### **ALJ AT 2006 UCT:**

**TEAM:** tied for 9th place **1S:** no place **2S:** no place **3S:** no place **1D:** 8th place

2D: 7th place

### **2007 JOHNSON CRUSADERS**

#### **Probable Starters**

**1S:** Chris Tylutki SO (14-13 career, 6-4 in 2007)

**2S:** Mike Keenan JR (15-18 career, 6-4 in 2007)

**3S:** Luke Ginocchio JR (16-17 career, 7-3 in 2007)

**1D:** James Villari JR (21-20, 7-3) & John Monagle JR (16-11, 6-3)

**2D:** Eric Ginocchio FR (6-4, 6-4) & Brian Lutz SO (6-4, 6-4)

#### **JOHNSON TENNIS QUICK FACTS**

School: Arthur L. Johnson High School

Location: Clark, NJ **Principal:** Robert Taylor

**Athletics Director:** Carl Peterson Conference: Mountain Valley (Central, Group II)

Nickname: Crusaders Colors: Crusader Blue and White

Courts: Johnson Tennis Courts (4) **Internet Site:** http://aljtennis.tripod.com

2006 Overall Record: 8-7 2006 MVC Record: 8-5 2006 MVC-MD Record: 2-5/4th

2006 Postseason: Lost in State Quarters to Rumson Fair Haven (5-0)

State Championships: none

**MVC Championships:** 1991,1992, 1993,

2001, 2002

Watchung Conf. Championships: 1977, 1980

#### **2007 JOHNSON TENNIS ROSTER**

Joe Broccoli	(2nd year)	JUNIOR
Brad Brown	(2nd year)	SOPHOMORE
Ryan Couch	(1st year)	JUNIOR
Eric Ginocchio	(1st year)	<b>FRESHMAN</b>
Luke Ginocchio	(3rd year)	JUNIOR
Mike Keenan	(3rd year)	JUNIOR
Brian Lutz	(1st year)	SOPHOMORE
John Monagle	(2nd year)	JUNIOR
Patrick Ozarek	(1st year)	FRESHMAN
Rob Perez	(2nd year)	SOPHOMORE
Chris Tylutki	(2nd year)	SOPHOMORE
James Villari	(3rd year)	JUNIOR

PRACTICE SQUAD: Ryan Collins (FR), Chris Judd (FR), Chris Lim (SO), Michael Lucas (SR), Joe Mignoli (FR)

#### STAFF

HEAD COACH: Craig D'Amico (Monmouth, 2007), 1st season

MANAGER: Joe Keenan (FRESHMAN) 1st season

#### **COACH PROFILE**

Head Coach: Craig D'Amico 1st year (7-3)

Now in his eighth season with the ALJ Boys Tennis program, Craig D'Amico enters his first season as head coach. D'Amico served the last two seasons as an assistant coach under Michele Zaleski.

At only 21 years of age, D'Amico becomes the youngest head coach in the history of the program and the youngest serving head coach in Union County. He also becomes the first former Johnson Tennis player to return at the helm.

D'Amico enjoyed a stellar four year playing career in a Johnson Tennis uniform from 2000 - 2003. He was a four year varsity letter winner, the 2003 team Most Valuable Player, and was a part of two Mountain Valley Conference championship squads.

Following his playing career, D'Amico returned to the program as a manager in 2004 under Chris Raguseo, and then was promoted to assistant coach under Michele Zaleski in 2005. In the fall of 2006, D'Amico took over as the girls' tennis head coach for Kumpf Middle School.

# 2007 MVC MOUNTAIN DIVISION STANDINGS

1. New Providence (3-3, 3-0)	Today in the MVC-MD:
2. Johnson (7-3, 3-1)	_ 2007 UCT

Governor Livingston (5-2, 2-1)

4. Cranford (4-3, 1-2)

5. Roselle Park (0-5, 0-2)

6. Oratory (1-4, 0-3)

\*Standings as of 4/25

# **LAST TIME VS. IN UCT**

# **2006 Union County Tournament**

April 27 and 28, 2006 at Plainfield, NJ

1S Ray Postodan (RP) def. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) 6-2, 7-5 2S Bogdan Lysikov (CRN) def. Dan Camporeale (ALJ) 6-2, 6-1 3S Elish Le (GL) def. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) 6-2, 6-1

1D Villari/Keenan (ALJ) def. Ferrante/Stewart (ORA) 3-6, 6-3, 6-3

1D Bernstein/Trimble (WES) def. Villari/Keenan (ALJ) 6-0, 6-0

1D Hynes/Gessner (CRN) def. Villari/Keenan (ALJ) 6-3, 6-4

1D Knapp/Bernston (GL) def. Villari/Keenan (ALJ) 6-2, 6-4

2D D'Amico/Monagle (ALJ) def. Cagulada/Olivier (UNI) 6-3, 6-0

2D Kramer/Gledhill (SUM) def. D'Amico/Monagle (ALJ) 6-0, 6-0

2D Campagna/Palmisano (CRN) def. D'Amico/Monagle (ALJ) 7-5, 3-6, 6-0

2D D'Amico/Monagle (ALJ) def. Tilghman/Rigo (ELZ) 6-3, 6-0

## **CRUSADERS IN UCT (since '99)**

\*Best finish (TEAM): 3rd place in 2002

\*Best finishes (Singles): Mike Klimchak, 2S Champion - 2002

1S runner-up - 2004

\*Best finishes (Doubles): Anthony Gurracci and Joe Tkac, 2D 3rd place - 2002 Victor Broccoli and Bill Wesloski, 2D 3rd place - 2003

\*Best UCT career record (min. 4 matches): 12-3 - Mike Klimchak (2001-04)

# **CRUSADER NOTES**

#### START ME UP

The Crusaders have now won eight consecutive season openers dating back to 2000. The Crusaders defeated the Oratory Rams to open up the 2007 season, 4-1, on 4/3/07. The last time Johnson defeated a MVC-MD foe to start a campaign was in 2004, a 3-2 victory at Governor Livingston.

#### WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T GO HOME?

The Arthur L. Johnson Boys Tennis Team plays all of their home tennis matches at the newly renovated Johnson Tennis Courts. The facility, which is located behind the Johnson High School in Clark, New Jersey, houses four regulation tennis courts and sits along the town reservoir. In recent history, the Crusaders hosted state playoff games at the JTC in 2001 and 2003, their first home playoff games in over a decade. The Crusaders went on a 25 home match win streak that spread over the course of nearly three full seasons (May 2000 - May 2003) and 1,097 days. Despite Johnson's 25 match home win streak ending at the conclusion of the 2003 season, the Crusaders still have maintained annual dominance at the JTC. In the 2004 and 2005 seasons, more than 60% of the team's total wins were at home. In 2007, Johnson will look to retain their annual JTC dominance with 12 scheduled home matches. the most since they played ten home matches in 2004.

#### **MEDIA SERVICES**

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#### Interviews with Coach D'Amico

Media wishing to interview Coach D'Amico must notify the Johnson Tennis team contact 24 hours prior. Coach is available for interviews weekdays after practice.

#### **Player Interviews**

All player interviews must be requested through the Johnson Tennis team contact.

#### **Practice**

Practices are open to the public. Practices are held at the JTC beginning at 3 p.m.

#### **How to Reach Us**

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#### WHEN YOU WERE YOUNG

For the first time since 2001, the Johnson Tennis varsity roster features no seniors, all 12 players on the roster are underclassmen. The Crusaders return five starters and eight letterwinners from last year's squad. In addition, the Crusaders welcome four newcomers: first year junior Ryan Couch, first year sophomore Brian Lutz, and freshmen Eric Ginocchio and Patrick Ozarek.

#### WE ARE FAMILY

Once again the tradition continues for brothers to come up through the Johnson Tennis program. Eric Ginocchio joins the Crusaders as a freshman where his brother, junior, Luke Ginocchio serves as the squad's third singles player. The Ginocchio brothers become the first set of brothers to serve on the Johnson Tennis roster at the same time since Craig and Alex D'Amico in 2003 and Brett and Drew Ashley from 1992-93. Other family ties amongst the current group of Crusaders include John Monagle, who's older brother Mike stands fifth on Johnson's all-time win list and Joe Broccoli, who's older brother Victor was a three year letterwinner in 2000 and 2002-03.

#### **2006 RESULTS 8-7 (2-5)** Date **Opponent** Result 04/04 at N. Plainfield W 5-0 04/06 W 3-2 ROSELLE PARK 04/11 **RAHWAY** W 3-2 \*NEW PROV. L 1-4 04/18 04/20 at Cranford L 0-5 04/21 at Union Catholic W 4-1 W 5-0 04/24 at Newark Tech W 5-0 04/25 **BOUND BROOK** 04/27 UCT at Plainfield 04/28 UCT at Plainfield \*at New Providence 05/02 L 0-5 05/04 \*DAYTON L 0-5 \*GOV. LIV. L 2-3 05/08 05/12 \*at Oratory W 3-2 L 0-5 05/16 \*at Dayton L 0-5 05/17 ^at Rumson FH 05/22 W 3-2 \*ORATORY# \* = MVC-MD game ^ = NJSIAA Central, Group II Quarterfinal

#### APRIL COME SHE WILL

The month of April has been very good to the Crusaders over the last few years. They hold a 71% April win percentage over the last five seasons. It includes a 10-1 mark in 2003, 7-6 in 2004, 5-2 in 2005, 6-2 in 2006, and 7-3 so far in 2007, for a 35-14 overall April record since the start of April 2003. ALJ has only lost seven times at home in the month of April during that same span; winning 18 of their last 25 home April matches at the JTC. This April ALJ dominance has resulted in the Crusaders qualifying for the NJSIAA State Team Tournament (a plus .500 record the first Tuesday in May) now in each of the last eight years.

#### DAY BY DAY

Johnson wrapped up their toughest stretch of games since 2004. For the week of 4/9 the Crusaders played four matches in five days, going 3-1 with victories over Rahway, Cranford, Plainfield and their only defeat coming at the hands of Dayton. It was the busiest week of Johnson Tennis since they played eight out of nine days from 4/15/04 - 4/23/04, with Sunday 4/18/04 being the only off day in that stretch.

# 2006 MVC MOUNTAIN DIVISION FINAL STANDINGS

- 1. New Providence 18-2 (8-0)
- 2. Dayton 16-4 (6-2)
- 3. Gov. Livingston 11-8 (2-4)
- 4. Johnson 8-7 (2-5)
- 5. Oratory 3-10 (0-7)

#### FOR THE RECORD

Johnson's first doubles team of James Villari and John Monagle burst out to a historic start to the 2007 campaign. The started 5-0, surpassing the previous best start for a first doubles team in Johnson Tennis modern era history. Devin Felter and Chintan Patel went 3-0 to begin the 2002 season. No Johnson doubles team had ever before started 4-0. Now the duo will focus on rewriting more of the Johnson Tennis record books, as no team has ever qualified for the NJSIAA State Doubles Tournament.

In addition, third singles junior Luke Ginocchio started the 2007 campaign with a 5-0 record. The run was the best start to a season for a third singles player in Johnson Tennis modern era history, surpassing Mike Monagle's mark of 4-0 at third singles in 2002.

#### **GET BACK**

# = Senior Day

The Arthur L Johnson High School boys' tennis team officially clinched a spot in their eighth straight NJSIAA state team tournament with a 5-0 victory over Union Catholic on Thursday afternoon. The victory improves Johnson's overall record to 6-2, which assures that they will have a .500 or better record on the first of May, the state cut-off date.

The state tennis pairings will be announced by the NJSIAA on Tuesday, May 8 and the Crusaders first round game would take place either Thursday, May 10 or Tuesday, May 15.

Since the current streak began in 2000, Johnson has been eliminated by the eventual champion in four of the seven previous seasons. Johnson won a state playoff game in 2003, 3-2 over Madison, and has hosted a playoff game twice. Last season, Johnson received the number six seed and was ousted by the eventual Central, Group II champion, Rumson Fair Haven, in the quarterfinals for the second straight season.

#### O CAPTAIN! MY CAPTAIN!

Juniors Luke Ginocchio, Mike Keenan, and James Villari were named Johnson Tennis team captains for the 2007 season by Coach D'Amico prior to the start of the season.

#### I'D RATHER BE SURFING

Johnson Tennis is online at http://aljtennis.tripod.com. The web site is up and running for the fifth consecutive season.

#### COMING UP

Johnson returns to regular season action in a Mountain Valley Conference clash with the Governor Livingston Highlanders in Berkeley Heights on Monday, April 30th. Start time is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. at Columbia Park.

# JOE BROCCOLI

Broccoli enters his second season with the Johnson Tennis program...Brother, Victor, was a three time Johnson letterwinner (2000, 2002-03).

#### 2007 (JUNIOR):

Played second doubles with partner James Villari on 4/19/07 in a 6-3, 6-2 victory over Union Catholic...

#### 2006 (SOPHOMORE):

Career Record: 3-4 2007 Record: 1-0 On 4/11/06, played in first career varsity match against Taj Moore and Konrad Madej of Rahway at second doubles. Broccoli and partner, John Monagle, came away with a clutch 6-4, 6-4 win to clinch the meet for Johnson 3-2...Played first career singles match on 4/20/06 against Noah Polsky of Cranford.

# BRAD BROWN SOPHOMORE

Earned a varsity letter last season as a freshman with the Crusaders...played first doubles during his time at Kumpf Middle School...

Career Record: 0-0 2007 Record: 0-0

# RYAN COUCH

Played doubles in two years of middle school tennis in Long Island...Joins the Crusaders this season as a first year Junior...

Career Record: 0-0 2007 Record: 0-0

# ERIC GINOCCHIO

Brother of Johnson Tennis member Luke Ginocchio, Eric Ginocchio enters his first season coming over from the Union County Magnet High School...First singles in the spring of 2006 for Kumpf Middle School team.

#### **2007 (FRESHMAN):**

On 4/3/07, played in first career varsity match against Oratory at second doubles with partner, Brian Lutz... Won first career varsity match on 4/5/07 in a second doubles win over Roselle Park... with Lutz, won at first doubles against Union Catholic on 4/19/07 6-4, 6-2...

#### Career Record: 6-4 2007 Record: 6-4

# LUKE GINOCCHIO JUNIOR

Ginocchio enters his third season in 2007, coming over from the Union County Magnet High School...team tri-captain...Member of the National Honor Society.

#### 2007 (JUNIOR):

Came back after dropping the first set to defeat Andrew Topazio of Oratory 5-7, 6-4, 6-0 on 4/3/07... Started the season 5-0, passing Mike Monagle from 2002, for the best start to a season for a Johnson third singles player.

#### Career Record: 16-17 2007 Record: 7-3

#### 2006 (SOPHOMORE):

Earned first career singles win in Johnson's 2006 season opener at 3rd singles against Elmer Mayorga of North Plainfield 6-1, 6-0...Competed in the Union County Tournament against Elish Le of Governor Livingston.

#### 2005 (FRESHMAN):

Won first career match on 4/1/05 in ALJ's season opening victory over North Plainfield. With second doubles partner James Villari, defeated the Canucks 6-4, 6-1...Won a clutch 6-4, 6-4 second doubles match over Roselle Park, with Villari, to clinch ALJ's 3-2 victory on 4/5/05...Made first doubles debut on 4/12/05 with partner Alex D'Amico in a loss to Rahway...Ginocchio was 5-3 at second doubles with Villari...Ginocchio and Villari were named to the All-MVC-Mountain Division 2nd team for second doubles...The pair went 2-3 in MVC Mountain Division play at second doubles, with the wins coming on a three set, comeback win over Oratory, 4-6, 6-0, 6-1 and an upset win over New Providence, 7-6(2), 6-2.

# MIKE KEENAN JUNIOR

Keenan begins his third season in a Johnson Tennis uniform...team tri-captain...

#### 2007 (JUNIOR):

Came back after dropping the first set, to defeat Craig Palmisano of Cranford 3-6, 6-4, 6-1 on 4/10/07...

#### 2006 (SOPHOMORE):

Started every match for Johnson at first doubles with partner, James Villari...The duo paired to go 7-12 together on the season and earned an MVC-Mountain Division Honorable Mention...Keenan and Villari won a 1st doubles match 6-0, 6-1 in Johnson's season opening victory over North Plainfield on 4/4/06...Keenan and Villari finished in 8th place in the 2006 UCT with a three set win over Oratory in the first round 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 to advance.

#### Career Record: 15-18 2007 Record: 6-4

#### 2005 (FRESHMAN):

Competed at second singles, becoming the third freshman in the last six years to begin his career at 2nd singles, and the first since Mike Klimchak in 2001...Keenan won his first career match on 4/1/05, 6-3, 7-5 against Syed of NPL in ALJ's 5-0 season-opening victory...Became only the fourth different player to play first singles since 1999 on 4/14/05 when he played the position in a home match against Dayton...missed 10 matches as a freshman due to a broken left arm.

# BRIAN LUTZ

Played second singles as an eighth grader at Kumpf Middle School in 2005...Joins the Crusaders as a first year Sophomore...

#### Career Record: 6-4 2007 Record: 6-4

#### 2007 (SOPHOMORE):

On 4/3/07, played in first career varsity match against Oratory at second doubles with partner, Eric Ginocchio...Won first career varsity match on 4/5/07 in a second doubles win over Roselle Park... with Ginocchio, won at first doubles against Union Catholic on 4/19/07 6-4, 6-2...

# JOHN MONAGLE JUNIOR

Monagle enters his second season with the Johnson Tennis program...Had more wins in 2006 (10) than any other returning Johnson player...Brother, Mike, was a four year letterwinner (2002-05), 2005 team MVP, and finished with 57 career wins - 5th most in Johnson Tennis history.

#### 2007 (JUNIOR):

With partner, James Villari, got off to the best start for a first doubles team in Johnson Tennis history by winning their first five matches of the season...

#### 2006 (SOPHOMORE):

Career Record: 16-11 2007 Record: 6-3 Monagle won his first career varsity match on 4/4/06 against North Plainfield at second doubles with partner Alex D'Amico 6-3, 6-2...Monagle and D'Amico won a clutch second doubles match 6-0, 6-0 on 4/6/06 to clinch the meet for Johnson over Roselle Park...On 4/11/06, won a clutch second doubles match 6-4, 6-4, with partner Joe Broccoli to clinch the meet for Johnson over Rahway...Monagle and D'Amico finished in 7th place in the 2006 UCT at second doubles...With D'Amico, won a clutch super tiebreaker 3rd set (10-3) on 5/12/05 at Oratory to clinch the win for the Crusaders, and end a 12 match division losing streak...Monagle and D'Amico were named to the 2006 All-MVC Mountain Division Second team for Second Doubles.

# PATRICK DZAREK FRESHMAN

Joins the Johnson Tennis ranks after two years of experience at the middle school level...

Career Record: 0-0 2007 Record: 0-0

#### ROB PEREZ **SOPHOMORE**

Perez rejoins the Crusaders for his second season...volunteer assistant for the Kumpf Middle School girls tennis team this past fall...

#### 2006 (FRESHMAN):

Played first career varsity match at third singles on 4/21/06 against Union Catholic, in a 6-0, 6-1 loss to Tim

Career Record: 0-1 2007 Record: 0-0

#### CHRIS TYLUTKI **SOPHOMORE**

Tylutki returns to the top spot for his second season with the Crusaders...

#### 2007 (SOPHOMORE):

Defeated Mario Grant of Dayton in a three set match 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 on 4/13/07...

#### **2006 (FRESHMAN):**

Became only the fifth different Crusader to play at least one match at first singles since 1999 (Dragun, Klimchak, Monagle, Keenan)...Was the first freshman to start his Johnson Tennis career at the top spot full time since Dragun in 1999...Won first career varsity match on 4/4/06 defeating Jose Fernandez of North Plainfield 6-2, 6-0...Broke the freshman first singles win record on 5/12/06, recording 7th win on the season in a 6-0, 6-2 victory over Joe Beninati of Oratory...Competed against Donnie Rogers of Cumberland in the 2006 NJSIAA State Singles Tournament and was named as an honorable mention to the 2006 All-MVC Mountain Division team at first singles.

#### Career Record: 14-13 2007 Record: 6-4

#### JAMES VILLARI **JUNIOR**

Career Record: 21-20

2007 Record: 7-3

Villari returns for his third season with Johnson Tennis...team tri-captain...Enters his junior season with more career wins (14) than any returning Johnson player.

With partner, John Monagle, got off to the best start for a first doubles team in Johnson Tennis history by winning their first five matches of the season...

#### 2006 (SOPHOMORE):

Started every match for Johnson at first doubles with partner, Mike Keenan...The duo paired to go 7-12 together on the season and earned an MVC-Mountain Division Honorable Mention...Keenan and Villari won a 1st doubles match 6-0, 6-1 in Johnson's season opening victory over North Plainfield on 4/4/06...Earned 10th career win on 4/21/06 with Keenan, 6-3, 6-0 over Union Catholic...Keenan and Villari finished in 8th place in the 2006 UCT with a three set win over Oratory in the first round 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 to advance.

Won first career match on 4/1/05 in with second doubles partner Luke Ginocchio over North Plainfield, 6-4, 6-1... Won a clutch 6-4, 6-4 second doubles match over Roselle Park with Ginocchio to clinch ALJ's 3-2 victory on 4/5/05...Won first career first doubles match with partner Dan Zieser on 4/21/05 against Newark Tech 6-0, 6-0...One of 2 players to finish the season with a winning record, along with first singles Mike Monagle...Was 5-3 at second doubles with Ginocchio, named 2nd team All-MVC Mountain at second doubles.

# **2007 JOHNSON TENNIS BOX SCORES**

# Arthur L. Johnson 4 Oratory 1

April 3, 2007 at Clark, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) def. Patrick Stewart (ORA) 6-2, 7-5
- 2. Mike Keenan (ALJ) def. Matt Pigott (ORA) 6-2, 6-3
- 3. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) def. Andrew Topazio (ORA) 5-7, 6-4, 6-0

#### **Doubles competition**

1. James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) def. Justin Castro/Conner Shea (ORA) 6-1, 6-2 2. Mike Szlotnick/Kevin McGovern (ORA) def. Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) 7-5, 6-4

Oratory 0-1, 0-1, Arthur L Johnson 1-0, 1-0

# Arthur L. Johnson 5 Rahway 0 April 9, 2007 at Clark, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) def. Dan Woodrow (RAH) 6-2, 6-0
- 2. Mike Keenan (ALJ) def. Dan Wargo (RAH) 6-0, 6-2
- 3. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) def. Nate St. Elme (RAH) 6-0, 6-1

#### **Doubles competition**

1. James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) def. Marcus Rouse/Chris Olandria (RAH) 6-1, 6-1 2. Brian Lutz/Eric Ginocchio (ALJ) def. Taj Moore/Alex Nolan (RAH) 6-2, 6-3

Rahway 0-1, Arthur L Johnson 3-0, 2-0

# Arthur L. Johnson 4 Plainfield 1

April 11, 2007 at Clark, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Addeton Osho (PLN) def. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) 4-6, 7-6 (7-3), 6-2
- 2. Mike Keenan (ALJ) def. Marquis Smith (PLN) 6-0, 6-0
- 3. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) def. No player (PLN), by forfeit

#### **Doubles competition**

James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) def.
 Terrance Rodgers/Richard Bouillon (PLN) 6-0, 6-0
 Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) def.
 No player/No player (PLN), by forfeit

Plainfield 1-1, 0-0, Arthur L Johnson 5-0, 3-0

# Arthur L. Johnson 3 Roselle Park 2

April 5, 2007 at Roselle Park, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Ray Postodan (RP) def. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) 6-3, 6-1
- 2. Will Robles (RP) def. Mike Keenan (ALJ) 6-2, 6-2
- 3. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) def. Bill Alfano (RP) 6-0, 6-0

#### **Doubles competition**

1. James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) def. Nick Kolani/Russell Benner (RP) 6-1, 6-0 2. Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) def.

Vic Carballo/Alex Stefan (RP) 6-0, 6-0

Arthur L Johnson 2-0, 2-0, Roselle Park 0-2, 0-2

# Arthur L. Johnson 5 Cranford 0

April 10, 2007 at Cranford, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) def. Jesse Hynes (CRN) 6-3, 6-1
- 2. Mike Keenan (ALJ) def. Craig Palmisano (CRN) 3-6, 6-4, 6-1
- 3. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) def. Al Campagna (CRN) 7-5, 6-1

#### **Doubles competition**

James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) def.
 Derek DeCagna/James Casale (CRN) 6-0, 7-5
 Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) def.
 Paul Truche/Dan Ho (CRN) 6-4, 6-2

Arthur L Johnson 4-0, 3-0, Cranford 2-2, 1-2

# Jonathan Dayton 4 Arthur L. Johnson 1

April 13, 2007 at Clark, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) def. Mario Grant (DAY) 6-4, 2-6, 6-2
- 2. Dan Karlin (DAY) def. Mike Keenan (ALJ) 6-1, 6-0
- 3. Robert Krebner (DAY) def. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) 4-6, 6-1, 7-5

#### **Doubles competition**

1. Jordan Gelband/Colin Greten (DAY) def. James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) 6-4, 6-1

2. Justin Wolf/Jonathan Friedman (DAY) def. Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) 6-3, 6-1

Jonathan Dayton 2-0, Arthur L Johnson 5-1, 3-0

# Westfield 5 Arthur L. Johnson 0

April 18, 2007 at Clark, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Ravi Netravali (WES) def. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) 6-0, 6-3
- 2. James Chu (WES) def. Mike Keenan (ALJ) 6-0, 6-1
- 3. Greg Luppeseu (WES) def. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) 6-0, 6-0

#### **Doubles competition**

1. Dean Thompson/Akis Evangelidis (WES) def. James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) 6-1, 6-0

2. Graeme Stahl/Justin Snyder (WES) def.

Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) 6-1, 6-1

Westfield 5-0; #1, Arthur L Johnson 5-2, 3-0

# Arthur L. Johnson 5 Union Catholic 0

April 19, 2007 at Scotch Plains, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) def. Tim Deegan (UC) 6-3, 6-2
- 2. Mike Keenan (ALJ) def. Kevin Cassidy (UC) 6-3, 6-3
- 3. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) def. Trevor McPherson (UC) 6-2, 6-2

#### **Doubles competition**

1. Eric Ginocchio/Brain Lutz (ALJ) def. Matt Flynn/Dereck Borge (UC) 6-4, 6-2

2. James Villari/Joe Broccoli (ALJ) def. Spencer Davis/Matt O'Donnell (UC) 6-3, 6-2

Union Catholic 1-2, Arthur L Johnson 6-2, 3-0

# Arthur L. Johnson 5 Linden 0

April 23, 2007 at Clark, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) def. Michael Forfa (LIN) 6-0, 6-0
- 2. Mike Keenan (ALJ) def. Jonathan Fernandes (LIN) 6-0, 6-0
- 3. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) def. Kamil Chandosko (LIN) 6-1, 6-0

#### **Doubles competition**

1. James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) def.

Pat Terhuna/Randy Granda (LIN) 6-0, 6-0

2. Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) def.

No player/No player (LIN), by forfeit

Linden 0-3, Arthur L Johnson 7-2, 3-0

# New Providence 5 Arthur L. Johnson 0

April 24, 2007 at New Providence, NJ

#### **Singles competition**

- 1. Dylan Glendenning (NP) def. Chris Tylutki (ALJ) 6-4, 6-3
- 2. Ray Le (NP) def. Mike Keenan (ALJ) 6-2, 6-0
- 3. Adam Vidal (NP) def. Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) 6-3, 6-2

#### **Doubles competition**

1. Bill Beck/Andrew Fezza (NP) def.

James Villari/John Monagle (ALJ) 6-2, 6-1

2. James Davies/Steve Lester (NP) def.

Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz (ALJ) 6-3, 6-2

New Providence 3-3, 3-0, Arthur L Johnson 7-3, 3-1

# 2007 JOHNSON TENNIS ALJ SEASON RESULTS (Through matches of Apr 23, 2007)

# Overall: 7-3 MVC: 3-1 Home: 4-2 Away: 3-1 Neutral: 0-0

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*Apr 10, 2007	at Cran	iforc	d		W 5-	-0	4-0	3	3-0
Apr 11, 2007	PLAIN	FIE	LD		W 4	-1	5-0	3	3-0
Apr 13, 2007	DAYT	ON.			L 1-	4	5-1	3	8-0
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Eric Ginocchio/Brian Lutz			6-4	0-0	2-2	1-0	5-4	L 1	6-4
Joe Broccoli/James Villari		-	1-0	0-0	0-0		1-0	W 1	1-0
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# **2007 CRUSADER STARTING LINEUPS**

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4/3 vs. ORA	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/5 at RP	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/9 vs. RAH	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/10 at CRN	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/11 vs. PLN	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/13 vs. DAY	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/18 vs. WES	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/19 at UC	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	E.Ginocchio/Lutz	Villari/Broccoli
4/23 vs. LIN	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz
4/24 at NP	C.Tylutki	M.Keenan	L.Ginocchio	Villari/Monagle	E.Ginocchio/Lutz

#### **RECORD BY LINEUP:**

# 2006 UNION COUNTY TOURNAMENT RESULTS

#### **UNION COUNTY TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND**

FIRST SINGLES: Kevin Chen, New Providence, def. Kamil Nitka, Linden, 6-1, 6-0; Richard Gomez-Perreira, Elizabeth, def. Mario Grant, Dayton, 7-6 (7-4), 7-5; Melvin Reynoso, Plainfield, def. Nile Solon, Union, 6-0, 6-0; Ravi Netravali, Westfield, def. Justin Grand, Cranford, 6-1, 6-0; Ryan Krueger, Scotch Plains, def. Obi Nwizgubo, Union Catho- Nguyen and Pangalangan, def. Knapp and Berstein, 6-0, 6-3; Goff and lic, 6-0, 6-0; Greg Chilson, Gov. Livingston, def. Joe Beninati, Oratory Prep, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2; Ray Postodan, Roselle Park, def. Chris Tylutki, Johnson, 6-1, 7-5; Dave Richards, Summit, def. Dan Woodrow, Rahway, 6-0, 6-1.

SECOND SINGLES: Leo Sprinzen, Summit, def. Angel Camacho, Elizabeth, 6-0, 6-0; Will Robles, Roselle Park, def. Joe Palitto, Dayton, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4; Scott Leyden, Scotch Plains, def. Joe Andes, Rahway, 6-0, 6-0; Val Mekhanic, New Providence, def. Andrew Topozio, 6-0, 6-2; Bryan Heersema, Gov. Livingston, def. John Roszkowski, Union, 6-3, 6-1; Addaton Ocho, Plainfield, def. Dave Leonard, Union Catholic, 6-2, 6-1; Bogdan Lysikov, Cranford, def. Dan Camporeale, Johnson, 6-2, 6-1; James Chu, Westfield, def. Stephen Leitch, Linden, 6-0, 6-0. THIRD SINGLES: John Angiuone, Summit, bye; Adam Hirst, Dayton, def. Gafar Ayinde, Union, 6-4, 7-6; Tim Deegan, Union Catholic, def. Dan Wargo, Rahway, 6-2, 6-1; Chris Mango, New Providence, def. Justin Castro, Oratory Prep, 6-2, 6-1; Steve Milwicz, Cranford, def. Mike Cejovic, Scotch Plains, 6-0, 6-0; Elish Le, Gov. Livingston, def. Luke Ginocchio, Johnson, 6-2, 6-1; Kashvao Patel, Roselle Park, def. Michael Capece, Elizabeth, 6-1, 6-3; Dean Thompson, Westfield, def. Patrick Terhune, Linden, 6-0, 6-0.

FIRST DOUBLES: Lee Bernstein and Jack Trimble, Westfield, def. Sammy Davis and Cameron Smith, Plainfield, 6-0, 6-0; Mike Keenan and James Villari, Johnson, def. Justin Ferrante and Pat Stewart, Oratory, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3; Jesse Hynes and Tom Gessner, Cranford, def. Kevin Cassidy and Trevor McPherson, Union Catholic, 6-4, 6-1; Mike DeVizio and Ted Rosenblatt, Scotch Plains, def. Santiago Rubio and Mike Luie, Linden, 6-0, 6-0; Lam Nguyen and Avery Pangalangan, Dayton, def. Hernam Sotomayer and Tom Krynicki, Roselle Park, 6-0, 6-0; Mike Knapp and Eric Berstein, Gov. Livingston, def. Juka Pecic and Esteban Roldan, Elizabeth, 6-1, 6-1; Adam Vidal and Matt Usenko, New Providence, def. Sunny Kuo and Oleen Solon, Union, 6-1, 7-5; Zach Goff and Mike Shea, Summit, def. Konrad Madej and Taj Moore, Rahway, 6-1,

**SECOND DOUBLES:** Evan Eisenberg and Matt Gralla, Westfield, bye; Andre Tilghman and Geraldo Rigo, Elizabeth, def. Matt Mantin and John Shea, Oratory, 1-6, 6-4, 6-2; Bill Beck and Andrew Fezza, New Providence, def. Jared Model and Jordan Gelband, Dayton, 6-4, 6-2; John Silio and Mike Yang, Gov. Livingston, def. Jon Fernandez and Kamil Chandosko, Linden, 6-0, 6-0; Ron Stein and Dave Ginsberg, Scotch Plains, def. Nate St. Elme and Marcus Rouse, 6-0, 6-0; Alec Compagne and Craig Palmisano, Cranford, def. Derek Borge and Marcus Flores, Union Catholic, 6-4, 6-4; Alex D'Amico and John Monagle, Johnson, def. Francis Cagulada and Abner Oliver, Union, 6-3, 6-0; Alex Kramer and Dan Gledhill, Summit, def. Marquis Smith and Quincy White, Plainfield, 6-0, 6-0.

#### **OUARTERFINAL ROUND**

FIRST SINGLES: Chen def. Gomez-Perreira, 6-1, 6-0; Netravali def. Reynoso, 6-4, 6-1; Krueger def. Chilson, 6-0, 6-0; Richards def. Postodan, 6-0, 6-3.

SECOND SINGLES: Sprinzen def. Robles, 6-0, 6-0; Mekhanic def. Leyden, 7-6 (7-2), 6-3; Heersema def. Ocho, 6-3, 6-2; Chu def. Lysikov, 6-2, 6-2.

THIRD SINGLES: Anguione def. Hirst, 6-0, 6-3; Mango def. Deegan, 6-4, 6-1; Le def. Milwicz, 6-2, 6-2; Thompson def. 6-1, 6-1.

FIRST DOUBLES: Bernstein and Trimble def. Keenan and Villari, 6-0, 6-0; DeVizio and Rosenblatt def. Hynes and Gessner, 6-4, 6-4; Shea def. Vidal and Usenko, 6-2, 6-4.

**SECOND DOUBLES:** Eisenberg and Gralla def. Tilghman and Rigo, 6-0, 6-0; Beck and Fezza def. Silio and Yang, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4; Stein and Ginsberg def. Compagne and Palmisano, 6-4, 6-2; Kramer and Gledhill def. D'Amico and Monagle, 6-0, 6-0.

#### **SEMIFINAL ROUND**

FIRST SINGLES: Krueger def. Dave Richards, Summit, 6-3, 6-3; Netravali def. Kevin Chen, New Providence, 6-4, 6-2.

SECOND SINGLES: Chu def. Bryan Heersema, Gov. Livingston, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3; Mekhanic def. Leo Sprinzen, Summit, 6-3, 7-6 (7-0).

THIRD SINGLES: Thompson def. Elish Le, Gov. Livingston, 6-0, 6-0; Angiuoni def. Chris Mango, New Providence, 6-1, 6-3.

FIRST DOUBLES: Bernstein and Trimble def. Mike DeVizio and Ted Rosenblatt, Scotch Plains, 6-1, 6-0; Goff and Shea def. Lam Nguyen and Avery Pangalangan, Dayton, 6-2, 6-4.

SECOND DOUBLES: Eisenberg and Gralla def. Bill Beck and Andrew Fezza, New Providence, 6-1, 6-0; Kramer and Gledhill def. Ron Stein and Dave Ginsberg, Scotch Plains, 6-2, 6-4.

#### UNION COUNTY TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP

TEAMS: 1-Westfield 96, 2-Summit 72, 3-New Providence 52, 4-Scotch Plains 41, 5-Gov. Livingston 26, 6-Cranford 18, 7-Dayton 12, 8-Plainfield 8, 9-Johnson 5, Union Catholic 5, Elizabeth 5.

FIRST SINGLES: Ryan Krueger, Scotch Plains, def. Ravi Netravali, Westfield, 6-3, 6-3.

SECOND SINGLES: James Chu, Westfield, def. Val Mekhanic, New Providence, 6-1, 6-3.

THIRD SINGLES: Dean Thompson, Westfield, def. John Anguioni, Summit, 7-6 (7-2), 6-2.

FIRST DOUBLES: Lee Bernstein and Jack Trimble, Westfield, def. Zach Goff and Mike Shea, Summit, 6-3, 6-2.

**SECOND DOUBLES:** Evan Eisenberg and Matt Gralla, Westfield, def. Alex Kramer and Dan Gledhill, Summit, 6-3, 6-3.

# **ALJ IN UNION COUNTY TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

#### (SINCE 1999)

#### 1999 2003 1S: Andrey Dragun (ALJ) lost to Timon Jackson (PLN) 3-6, 2-6 1S: Mike Klimchak (ALJ) def. (RAH) 6-0, 6-0 2S: Chris Doss (ALJ) lost to Moriarty (SUM) 1-6, 0-6 def. (ORA) 6-0, 6-0 3S: default lost to Kraft (NP) 6-3, 2-6, 3-6 1D: Chmieleski/Gurracci (ALJ) lost to Stein/Khorashevkn (DAY) 1-6, 2-6 def. Moran (WES) 2D: Perez/Rodnicki (ALJ) def. Trojanowski/Chua (UNI) 6-4, 6-4 2S: default lost to Chilnick/O'Connell (WES) 4-6, 0-6 3S: Joe Tkac (ALJ) def. (RP) 6-1, 6-2 lost to (ORA) 1-6, 2-6 lost to 2000 lost to 1S: Andrey Dragun (ALJ) def. Edwards (NP) 6-3, 6-1 1D: Patel/Felter (ALJ) def. (PLN) 6-3, 6-4 lost to Von Rosen (RAH) 6-3, 6-7(4), 2-6 lost to (SP) 3-6, 5-7 def. (SP) 6-2, 7-5 lost to (CRN) 6-1, 2-6, 2-6 def. 2S: Victor Broccoli (ALJ) lost to Lee (CRN) 0-6, 2-3 2D: Broccoli/Weslosky (ALJ) def. (UC) 7-5, 6-0 3S: Matt Chmieleski (ALJ) lost to Sehnert (SUM) 0-6, 0-6 def. (ORA) 6-0, 6-4 1D: Patel/Felter (ALJ) def (UNI) 3-6, 6-4, 6-4 lost to Kender/Wasserman (WES) 3-6, 2-6 lost to (WES) 2-6, 3-6 def. Aibazati/Sanders (SP) lost to (GL) 6-3, 4-6, 2-6 lost to (UC) 2-6, 7-6(6), 3-6 2D: Perez/D'Amico (ALJ) lost to Levine/Sanders (SP) 0-6, 0-6 2004 1S: Mike Klimchak (ALJ) def. Zarzecki (RAH) 6-0, 6-0 def. Kruger (SP) 6-1, 6-2 2001 def. Wolski (LIN) 7-6 (6), 6-2 1S: Andrey Dragun (ALJ) def. (EDI) 6-1, 6-1 lost to Kraft (NP) 6-1, 6-0 lost to Mil (DAY) 6-4, 6-7(3), 5-7 2S: Mike Monagle (ALJ) def. Lenkiewicz (RAH) 6-0, 6-1 2S: Mike Klimchak (ALJ) def. Panetta (RP) 6-0, 6-2 def. Traum (DAY) 6-1, 6-1 def. Salado (LIN) 6-0, 6-2 lost to Chen (NP) 6-3, 6-1 def. Jones (WES) 6-2, 6-0 lost to Richards (SUM) 6-2, 7-5 lost to Sehnert (SUM) 1-6, 0-6 3S: Joe Tkac (ALJ) def. Caldwell (PLN) 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 3S: Matt Chmieleski (ALJ) lost to Terpenning (UC) 2-6, 6-2 (4-7) lost to Gahani (SUM) 6-2, 6-4 1D: Gurracci/Tkac (ALJ) lost to (SP) 4-6, 3-6 lost to Fischetti (NP) 2D: Patel/Felter (ALJ) def. (RC) 6-1, 6-1 lost to Bayne (ORA) lost to (SP) 2-6, 0-6 1D: Weslosky/Zaleski (ALJ) lost to Sanders/Albazati (SP) 6-3, 6-0 2D: Camporeale/D'Amico (ALJ) lost to Vidal/Lysikov (NP) 6-0, 6-0 2002 1S: Andrey Dragun (ALJ) def. Maldonado (RP) 6-2, 6-2 2005 def. Kraft (NP) 6-4, 6-1 lost to Sehnert (SUM) 1-6, 4-6 1S: Mike Monagle (ALJ) def. Steve Milwicz (CRN) 7-6(2), 7-5 lost to Maloney (WES) 0-6, 0-6 lost to Jason Krueger (SP) 6-4, 6-2 def. Joe Palitto (DAY) 6-1, 7-6(5) 2S: Mike Klimchak (ALJ) First Round BYE lost to Alec Wasserman (WES) 6-4, 6-2 def. Walsh (NP) 6-1, 6-1 def. Preundlich (DAY) 6-2, 6-1 2S: Dan Camporeale (ALJ) lost to Tom Gessner (CRN) 6-2, 6-1 def. Moran (WES) 6-0, 6-1 3S: Alex D'Amico (ALJ) lost to Will Robles (RP) 6-1, 6-0 3S: Mike Monagle (ALJ) def. Brooks (RAH) 6-1, 6-0 1D: Villari/Zieser (ALJ) lost to Mango/Vidal (NP) 6-0, 6-0 lost to Cohen (DAY) 3-6, 0-6 2D: default def. States (PLN) 6-2, 6-2 def. Barnett (GL) 6-4, 6-1 1D: Patel/Felter (ALJ) def. (ORA) 6-0, 6-3 1S: Chris Tylutki (ALJ) lost to Ray Postodan (RP) 6-2, 7-5 lost to (DAY) 2-6, 3-6 2S: Dan Camporeale (ALJ) lost to Bogdan Lysikov (CRN) 6-2, 6-1 def. (PLN) 6-1, 6-2 3S: Luke Ginocchio (ALJ) lost to Elish Le (GL) 6-2, 6-1 def. (SP) 7-6(6), 4-6, 6-2 1D: Villari/Keenan (ALJ) def. Ferrante/Stewart (ORA) 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 2D: Gurracci/Tkac (ALJ) def. (RC) 6-0, 6-0 lost to Bernstein/Trimble (WES) 6-0, 6-0 def. (DAY) 6-0, 4-6, 6-1 lost to Hynes/Gessner (CRN) 6-3, 6-4 lost to (WES) 2-6, 0-6, lost to Knapp/Bernston (GL) 6-2, 6-4 def. (SP) 7-6(3), 6-2

2D: D'Amico/Monagle (ALJ) def. Calgulada/Oliver (UNI) 6-3, 6-0

lost to Kramer/Glendhill (SUM) 6-0, 6-0 lost to Campagna/Palmisano (CRN) 6-0, 6-1 def. Tang/Tilghman (ELZ) 6-3, 6-0 Johnson boys' tennis has talent to excel this season

By Jeff Cummins, Staff Writer Wednesday, April 4, 2007 2:49 PM EDT

CLARK, NJ - The old saying that youth is served certainly applies to the Johnson boys' tennis team this year. Not only is the team relatively young, but first-year head coach Craig D'Amico is a 2003 graduate of Johnson.

The Crusaders don't have any seniors on the team, but they have an experienced group that received a significant amount of playing time over the last few years. They will rely on that core of young, but experienced talent to help lead Johnson back to the top of the Mountain Valley Conference in 2007.

The team will be led by sophomore Chris Tylutki, who became the first Crusader since 1999 to begin his career at the first singles spot. He also represented Johnson in the 2006 NJSIAA State Singles Tournament, facing Donnie Rogers of Cumberland.

Juniors include Luke Ginocchio, Mike Keenan and James Villari. Ginocchio played third singles last year, while Villari and Keenan formed Johnson's first doubles team. Juniors John Monagle and Joe Broccoli also return for their second season.

D'Amico was quick to point out how much Keenan has improved since last spring. "He surprised me during challenge matches this spring," D'Amico said. "As a freshman, he was second singles, but he broke his arm. Last year as a sophomore, he didn't do well in challenge matches, but this year he really has bounced back.

"Mike had a solid year last year, especially considering that it was his first full season. This year he has the chance to really be a huge factor. I think he'll do really well."

Sophomores Rob Perez and Brad Brown add hard work and depth to the Crusader roster.

"I think we're going to be very competitive," D'Amico said. "This is a young group, but they've been learning how to win the last two years and this year that will pay off.

"It will be tough, but I think we're going to be right in the thick of the Mountain Division championship race. We just can't get ahead of ourselves. These kids expect to win, but you have to take it one match at a time. We have the talent, but we have to win each match one at a time and then we'll win in the end."

Despite his youth, D'Amico brings plenty of experience, specifically with the Johnson tennis program, which he has been involved with in one way or another for seven consecutive years. D'Amico has been with the program since 2000, competing as a four-year letter-winner from 2000 to 2003, before taking over in a managers role in 2004 and then serving as a volunteer assistant coach for the last two seasons.

Since 2000, the Crusaders have registered an 80-47 overall mark.

"Becoming the head coach of the Johnson boys' tennis program is like a dream come true for me," D'Amico said.

Last season, the Crusaders jumped out to a fast start, going 6-2 in April en route to clinching their seventh consecutive berth in the state playoffs, which was Central Jersey, Group 2. The Crusaders have been quick starters the last few years. They hold a 28-11 record in April since the start of the 2003 season.

Is there anything that could trip the Crusaders up? The first challenge might be their schedule.

"We have a loaded schedule," D'Amico said. "There are 12 matches in April. We could get tired. Every week we play three to four matches.

"That's especially tough early on because you have to have the .500 record to qualify for the states. We play Westfield and we have some other tough matches mixed in there as well."

NOTES: Johnson was scheduled to open home Tuesday against Oratory Prep.

#### FROM: ASBURY PARK PRESS (4/21/07)

#### To be continued . . .

At 21 years old, Monmouth University senior Craig D'Amico became the youngest head coach in the history of Union County high school tennis, when he was named coach of the Arthur L. Johnson High School tennis team in the beginning of the 2007 season.

D'Amico, who served as the lead play-by-play announcer for the Monmouth Hawks men's basketball team on WMCX 88.9 FM, will look to lead the Crusaders to their third conference crown in the last seven seasons, and their eighth consecutive NJSIAA State Team Tennis Tournament berth.

Arthur L. Johnson finished last season with an 8-7 overall record, before dropping a state quarterfinal tournament match to eventual Central, Group II champion, Rumson-Fair Haven.

The Union County school, located in Clark, is no stranger to the Shore Conference.

The Crusaders have battled with the Bulldogs in the state tournament the last two seasons and in 2004 they ran into Shore in the state tournament.

Perhaps this may turn into a bigger story if or when D'Amico and his Crusaders meet up with a Shore Conference team again in this year's Central, Group II NJSIAA Tournament.

Only time will tell.

#### FROM: THE STAR LEDGER (4/23/07)

#### JOHNSON NETS ANOTHER STATE BERTH

Johnson, under first-year coach Craig D'Amico, clinched its eighth straight state tournament berth with a 5-0 victory over Union Catholic of Scotch Plains on Thursday.

But the Clark school (6-2) still has a few more goals left to achieve.

"Our goal is to get into double figures in wins," D'Amico said. "With our schedule it will be tough. We also want to try to win the Mountain Valley."

Johnson has to face tough county foes New Providence and Gov. Livingston of Berkeley Heights twice each. But with 10 regular-season matches remaining, it should be able reach the 10-victory mark. Johnson is two victories away from bettering its 8-7 mark of last spring. Its losses have come against Dayton of Springfield and Westfield.

D'Amico's team has relied on all of its players, with Chris Tylutki and Mike Keenan sporting 5-3 records at first and second singles, respectively. Luke Ginocchio has delivered a 6-2 mark at third singles. The first-doubles team of Steve Villari and John Monagle has gone 5-2, while Ginocchio's brother, Luke, has teamed with Brian Lutz to go 4-3 at second doubles.