Reading tennis program recognized by national magazine

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City of Reading Tennis, known as COR Tennis, started in 1998 as a summer program for kids, but over the years has developed into a year-round program that now includes activities for adults and families.

COR Tennis has continued to grow, and Wednesday its success was recognized by Tennis Industry magazine, which named COR Tennis/Reading Recreation Commission one of its "Champions of Tennis 2016."

The "Champions of Tennis" honors "the oft-unsung heroes who go above and beyond in helping to make a difference in tennis and in the business of tennis."

COR Tennis/Reading Recreation Commission was named Park & Rec Agency of the Year, one of 23 categories recognized in the January issue.

"Starting small in 1998, COR provided staff to conduct USTA school tennis assemblies," wrote Peg Connor in the magazine. "From there, COR expanded outreach to local schools, businesses and clubs, with support from tennis retailer Fromuth."

"COR Tennis director Larry Zerbe has been instrumental; Larry sets high expectations for staff and players," said Renee Lenz, tennis service rep for USTA Middle States. "He develops great tennis players, but, more importantly, he develops great kids."