

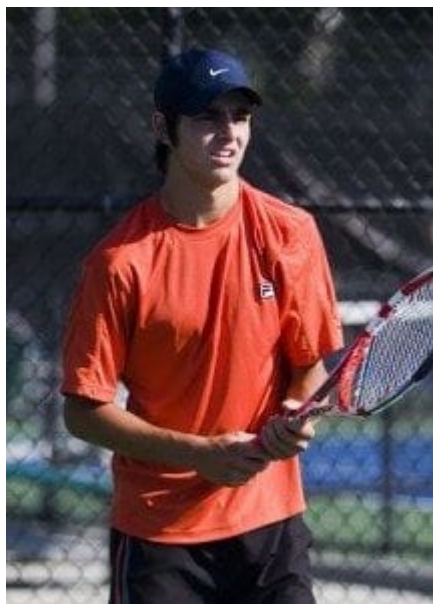


Smith Stearns students had an impressive tournament at the Bullfrog Designated in Columbus, Georgia, held March 29th through April 1st.

Allie Burak dominated the girls 16 and under event winning all of her matches in straight sets. In the championship match she came back from a 5-0 deficit in the first set to defeat #1 seed Suzanne Zandoni 7-6, 6-1. It took a lot of determination to reverse the first set score but Allie fought hard and decided it was her championship to win.



Katelyn Jackson made it to the finals of the girls 18 and under division beating #2 seeded Ellen Jang Milsten in the semifinals 5-7,6-3,6-0. In the championship match she fell to #1 seed Laura Patterson 6-3,6-3. Katelyn fought hard every match beating two highly ranked players en route to the final match.



Kyle Barr placed third in singles and doubles in the boys 16's with fellow Smith Stearns student **Robert Loeb**. Loeb also made it to the finals of the back draw and beat the #4 seed Christopher Yun in the main draw. **Michael Ogden** also made it to the round of 16 in the boys 16's before falling in a tight three set match to the #5 seed.



Mary Hampton McNeal placed third in doubles in the girls 16's and also made it to the quarterfinals of singles. **Natalie Kitchen** placed 4th in doubles in the same age division. Also, in the 16's both **Liz Williams** and **Cameron Kriscunas** made it to the round of 16, with Kriscunas also making it to the semifinals of the back draw. As unseeded players Williams beat the #9 seed Shelby King in the opening round, while Kriscunas beat #4 seed Lauren McCall, #5 seed Samantha Armas, and #9 seed Brenna Reilly.

We congratulate all of our students on a fantastic tournament!