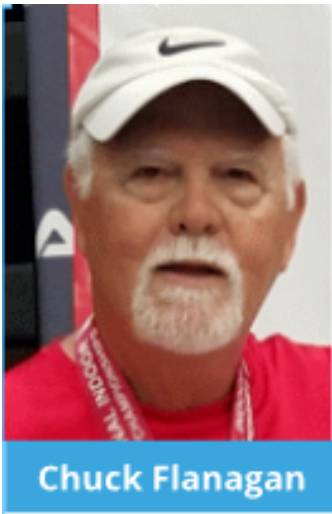




VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

nominated by Barb Patterson

Our Volunteer of the Month is Chuck Flanagan



“Volunteer of the Month” doesn’t seem like a strong enough title to thank Chuck Flanagan for all of the time and effort he has put into helping our club during the past decade or so. But we are awarding him that title anyway, since we’ve yet to develop a “Volunteer of the Decade” award!

Chuck will go down in club history as “the Rules Guy.” He’s the one who always knows the rules and will happily explain them to anyone who asks. Thanks to him, many club members now know that carrying an extra pickleball is allowed, but a fault if dropped during play. He explained that if you’re not sure about a line call, you can ask your opponent, but then must accept whatever

he/she says. He spelled out what constitutes an illegal serve, as well as the imaginary boundaries of where your feet must be while contacting the ball for a serve. The list goes on and on. Suffice it to say that he is the master at knowing the rules and explaining them in a way we all can understand.

Thank you Chuck! We will miss your monthly columns and advice. But we still will come to you with quirky pickleball situations in our never-ending quest to “stump Chuck.” Somehow I don’t think we will ever win that game!