

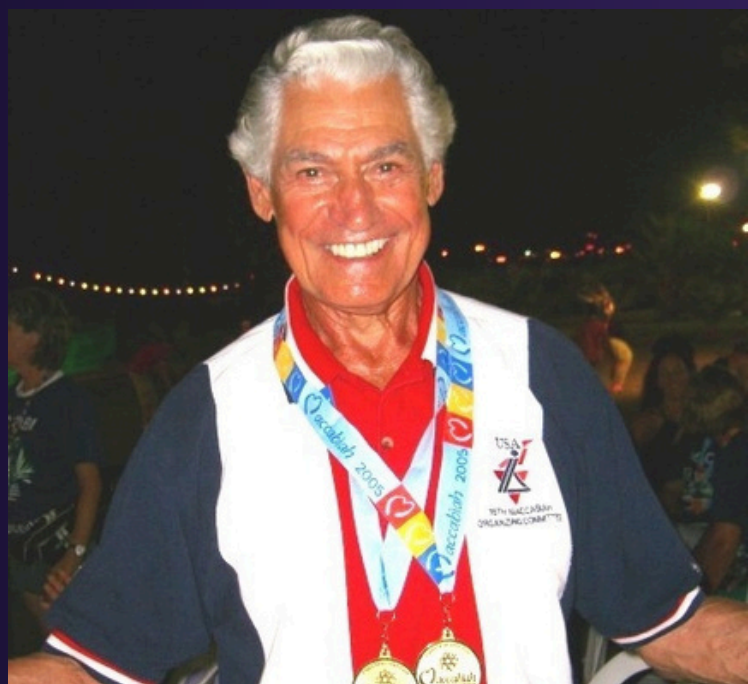


MACCABIUSA MEDAL OF HONOR



SAM SPORN

Sam Sporn has been a devoted athlete, leader, and supporter of Maccabi USA for over three decades. An eleven-time Masters and Grand Masters tennis competitor, he has represented the U.S. in seven Maccabiot and four Pan Am Games, winning multiple medals along the way. Beyond competing, Sam served as Chair and Co-Chair of the Masters and Grand Masters Tennis Teams from 1981 to 2013, helping double the size of each team. Sporn received the Chairman's Award of Excellence from the International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in 2013 in recognition of his contributions to sports, Jewish culture, and support for Israel.



Sam and his wife, Ellen, have also made a profound philanthropic impact on Maccabi USA, donating to strengthen the organization's programs that build Jewish identity, promote continuity, and deepen connections to Israel. Sam has served on Maccabi USA's Executive Committee and has made a lifelong dedication to Maccabi USA and its mission to build Jewish pride through sports. Sam is supported in his Maccabi journey by Ellen, a former CUNY professor who has traveled with him across the world to cheer him on at competitions.