

NWO GOLF LINKS

September 2016

GAYLORD GOLF
MECCA HAS SOMETHING
FOR EVERY
GOLFER



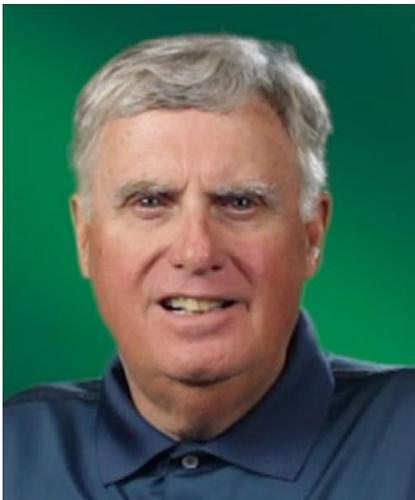
RYDER CUP
PREVIEW

PLUS

- Golf Cart Maintenance Tips
- Fall Golf Destination Oglebay Park Resort
- Major Championship Golf Courses You Can Play!!
- Scioto Country Club Helped Shape Jack Nicklaus
- Spotlight on Heatherdowns Country Club's Dan Sutton



Still Plenty of Great Golf to Watch This Year



FRED ALTVATER



It is not solely the capacity to make great shots that makes champions, but the essential quality of making very few bad shots.

~ TOMMY ARMOUR

With the calendar flipping over to September, cooler nights and shorter days signal the start of Friday night high school and Saturday college football games. The FedEx Cup Playoffs are down to just two events remaining and the Ryder Cup is close at hand.

Speaking of the Ryder Cup, we cover it from all angles this month. The Europeans have dominated over the past several years, but Captain Darren Clarke will bring six Ryder Cup rookies to Hazeltine at the end of the month. Will Davis Love's Team USA finally get a win?

Shorter days mean slipping in nine holes after work becomes more of a task as daylight slips over the horizon, but cooler days mean a more temperate climate for an enjoyable Saturday and Sunday on the links. Area golf courses are offering fantastic autumn green fee specials. Check with your local course for current pricing.

When the U.S. Senior Open was held last month at Scioto Country Club, Jack Nicklaus recalled growing up at the famed Donald Ross course, near his home in Upper Arlington. The membership is to be commended for helping shape one of the best players to ever pick up a golf club. Be sure to check out our article about this.

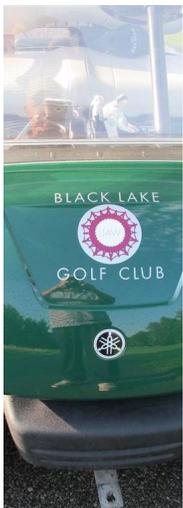
Also with winter drawing nigh, it is time to service your golf cart and prepare it for 2017. We talked with Al Vargo at Century Cart to get tips on the most important items to check before you put your cart away for winter.

Fall is one of the best times of the year to play golf. Get out there and lose a few golf balls.

Hopefully we will see you on the Back 9.

You are a Golfaholic if: You think 'WWJD' on the bracelet you are wearing means: What Would Jack Do?

FIND INSIDE



05



08



12



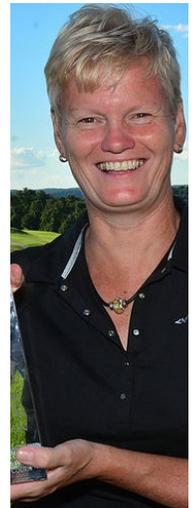
17



18



23



26

04 Gaylord Golf Mecca Has Something for Every Golfer

20 John Kretzschar Honored at Chick Evans Day Outing

32 Fall Golf Destination: Oglebay Park Resort

08 Ryder Cup Preview

22 The First Tee of Lake Erie Report

34 Scioto Country Club Helped Shape Jack Nicklaus

12 Ryder Cup Began in Toledo

25 Don't EVER Say Don't

37 Golf Cart Maintenance Tips

15 Early Rubber Golf Ball Was Made in Ohio

26 LPGA Legends Visit The Pete Dye Course at French Lick Resort

38 Major Championship Golf Courses You Can Play!!

16 Rivers Edge: A True Memory Maker

29 When Golf Balls Collide!

40 NWO Golf Links Contributing Authors

18 Spotlight on Heatherdowns Country Club's Dan Sutton

30 10 Rounds with Exotics DG Tour Series Putter

41 Our Favorite Videos

GAYLORD GOLF MECCA HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERY GOLFER

Next year the Gaylord Golf Mecca will celebrate its 30th anniversary offering the best golf values and venues to northern Michigan visitors.

.....

During the golf boom days of the 1980's auto workers from Detroit and vacationers to northern Michigan were seeking the perfect place to enjoy Michigan's outdoor activities and also get in a little golf. Located on I-75 the main corridor to Mackinaw City, the Bridge and the Upper Peninsula, Gaylord became the perfect location for creating a unique golf destination.

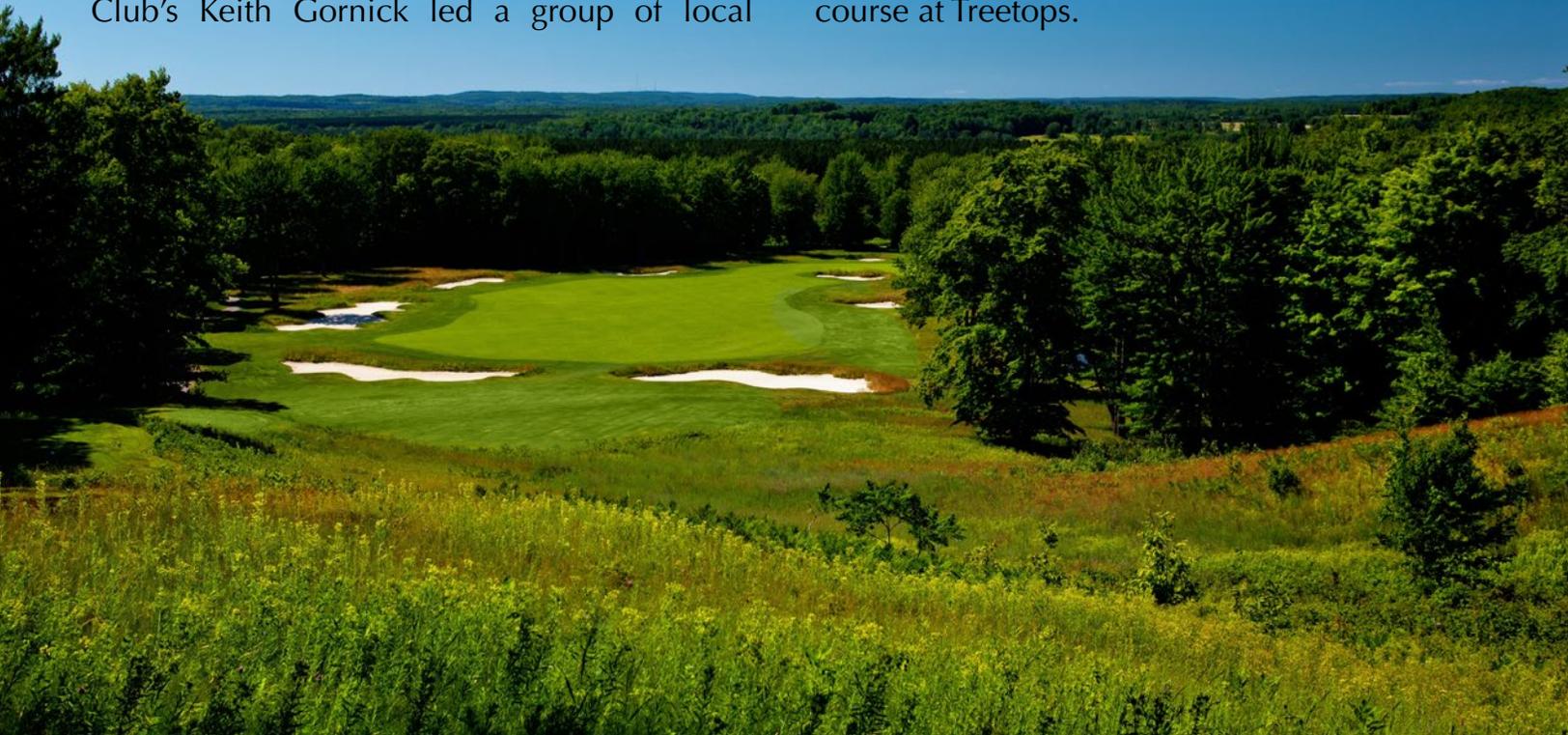
Harry Melling, the late owner of a ski resort in Gaylord, was aware of other Michigan ski resorts adding golf courses to stretch their season and increase lodging revenues. This was the beginning of Treetops Resort and started what would become the Gaylord Golf Mecca.

As the golf industry grew in Gaylord, Otsego Club's Keith Gornick led a group of local

golf course owners to hire Paul Beachnau and oversee the local Tourism Bureau. They modeled their marketing collaboration after Myrtle Beach, which had become the destination of choice for golfers from all over the country.

Stay & Play packages were originally offered at seven locations around the Gaylord area and today that number has grown to four resorts, plus five golf courses with a total of 15 golf courses to satisfy even the most discerning golf palate.

Some of the country's best designers have used the sand dunes and majestic pines to create masterful works of golfing art. Robert Trent Jones Sr. was the first to be enticed to Gaylord, when Melling engaged him to build the first course at Treetops.



In fact, it was Jones who dubbed Melling's resort, Treetops. When Trent Jones viewed the skyline from the sixth tee on the Jones Masterpiece Course, the only thing visible was trees as far as the eye could see, thus the name, Treetops came to be.

Over the years the industry's best have trekked to Gaylord to build new courses as demand skyrocketed. Robert Trent Jones' son, Rees Jones, Tom Fazio, Rick Smith, Tom Doak, Gary Koch, along with his partner, Rick Robbins, plus Don Childs, Al Watrous, Butch Harmon, as well as, Michigan's most prolific designer, Jerry Matthews, have all designed and built courses in the area.

The rolling terrain, natural tall pines and sandy soils made golf in Gaylord a natural.

Over the years many professionals have ventured to the Gaylord Golf Mecca. In fact, Golf Channel launched its popular "Big Break" series here in 2003. The original 10 golfers competed in various events and after the other nine competitors were eliminated, Justin Peters from Florida was crowned the winner.

Because of Rick Smith's involvement with Treetops and his coaching relationship

with Phil Mickelson, ESPN filmed the par-3 "Shootout" at Treetops. In 2001, Lee Trevino made a hole-in-one on the 7th hole, during the event, featuring Trevino, Mickelson, Paul Azinger and Raymond Floyd, to earn \$1.09 million, the richest prize ever awarded for a single shot. A plaque bears the exact location of the Merry Mex's famous shot yet today.

The par-3 course, Threetops, was designed by Rick Smith after visiting the 1990 Masters and viewing the par-3 course at Augusta National. It is still a must-play for any golfer visiting the Gaylord area. The nine-hole course features endless carries with elevation drops of up to 135 feet from tee to green.

All of this public exposure drew more and more golf fans to the Gaylord area and the cooperative marketing efforts of the Gaylord Golf Mecca began to yield positive results.

One of the original Gaylord Golf Mecca members, Larry Bowden, former owner of The Natural and Marsh Ridge (now called The Ridge) said,



“Harry Melling always told me, build something affordable for the average person.”

That was sound advice. The Mecca's cooperative marketing efforts put Gaylord on the golf map. All of the resorts in the Gaylord Golf Mecca are affordable and have something for the entire family.

In addition to world-class golf in the Gaylord area, outdoor activities include, biking, hiking, kayaking, boating, fishing, hunting and of course, skiing and snowmobiling in the winter months.

Gaylord resorts have not forgotten the ladies either. Spas, that provide a complete array of services, have been added to meet client demand. If you want to spend the day being pampered or your sore muscles need relief from too many golf swings, the trained staff at Gaylord Golf Mecca resorts will ease your aches and pains.

The town of Gaylord offers a variety of shopping, as well as, dining opportunities. If you are not on the course, hiking, biking or playing tennis, the town offers an enjoyable afternoon experience and you may just find that perfect bargain.

Many of the resorts provide excellent dining options and offer cuisine of every imaginable flavor, as well as, ethnicity to satisfy even the most demanding diner.

Various Stay & Play options are available at Gaylord Golf Mecca Resorts. The Baymont Inn, Beaver Creek, The Loon Resort, Otsego Club & Resort, Pine Cone Vacation Rentals, as well as, Treetops offer a wide array of options. More information can be found at: <http://www.gaylordgolfmecca.com/stay--play-packages-8/>.

The accommodations vary from traditional hotel or motel, to lodge or condominium and can be customized to fit any size group. Weddings, family reunions, banquets, company functions or golfing buddies' trips will all enjoy the first-class rooms, suites, and lodges available at the various resorts.

Fall is the perfect time to visit northern Michigan. The hills come alive with the colors of autumn and with numerous options for lodging, Gaylord provides the perfect base, with easy access to travel around the state to view the beauty.

Don't forget, Winter is also an excellent time to visit Gaylord. Treetops has various ski runs and numerous trails are available for cross-country skiing enthusiasts. Plus, miles and miles of groomed trails are await snowmobilers.

Winter activities started the whole Gaylord experience and now nearly 30 years later, the Gaylord Golf Mecca has year-round activities that offer something for everyone. From award-winning resorts, bucket list golf, fine dining, and quaint inns. It's an experience golfers, skiers, snowmobilers and outdoor lovers can enjoy every season of the year.

For more information, visit www.gaylordgolfmecca.com or call (800) 345-8621.





GAYLORD GOLF MECCA COURSES INCLUDES NINE RESORTS WITH 15 COURSES:

Resort		COURSE/HOLES	LODGING
Black Bear Golf Club	 BLACK BEAR GOLF CLUB	18	No
Black Lake Golf Club	BLACK LAKE UAW GOLF CLUB	18	No
Elk Ridge		18	No
Gaylord Country Club		18	No
Loon Golf Resort - The Lakes - The Ridge		36	Yes
Michaywe' - The Pines		18	No
Otsego Club & Resort - The Tribute - The Classic		36	Yes
Beaver Creek Resort		18	Yes
Treetops Resort - Jones Masterpiece - Fazio Premier - Smith Signature - Tradition - Threetops (Par-3)		81	Yes

Ryder Cup *Preview*

The 2016 Ryder Cup matches will be held at the end of the month at Hazeltine Golf Club near Minneapolis, Minnesota. They only occur every two years and have become one of the most anticipated sporting events in the world.

Even non-golfers stop in the middle of football season to follow the action between teams from the United States and Europe. It wasn't always this way for the Ryder Cup, it nearly became extinct due to apathy and poor performances by teams from Great Britain & Ireland after WW II.

In 19 Ryder Cup matches held between 1947-1983, the team from Great Britain & Ireland only managed a single win and one tie. Since the 1985 Ryder Cup held at The Belfry in England, the matches have taken an entirely different tone, however.

In the 1970's the Ryder Cup was becoming irrelevant due to the inequity of the talent of the two competing teams. The U.S. Team, with big-name stars like Arnold Palmer, Billy Casper and Jack Nicklaus steam rolled the weaker Great Britain & Ireland team every two years.

In 1977, Nicklaus had lunch with The Earl of Darby who was the President of the Professional Golfers Association and suggested that golfers from all of continental Europe become eligible for team membership.

This allowed Seve Ballesteros, as well as, several other leading European golfers the chance to compete and strengthen the European team. The change took some time to produce results, but since 1985 the Europeans have won nine Ryder Cups, plus a return to the Belfry in 1989 ended in a tie.





Each team is comprised of 12 professional golfers, who must qualify via points earned over a two-year period leading up to the match. The top eight points earners qualify automatically for the U.S. Team and the final four members of the team are chosen by the team captain.

In prior years, U.S. Captain's picks were limited to just two, but when Paul Azinger became Team USA Captain for the 2008 Ryder Cup at Valhalla, he negotiated an increase to four captain's picks and he became the only winning U.S. Captain in the past 14 years.

The European Team gives their top nine points winners automatic berths on the team and the captain is limited to three picks. Darren Clarke, who will captain the 2016 European Team has used his three picks to choose, Thomas Pieters, Lee Westwood and Martin Kaymer.

Joining those three on the European Team will be, Rory McIlroy, Rafa Cabrera-Bello, Sergio Garcia, Matthew Fitzpatrick, Andy Sullivan, Henrik Stenson, Justin Rose, Danny Willett and Chris Wood.

Although Captain Clarke has the advantage of having on his team the reigning Masters Champion, Danny Willett, the 2016 Champion Golfer of the Year, Henrik Stenson and Rio Olympic Gold Medalist, Justin Rose, he will also enter the matches with six Ryder Cup rookies.

The U.S. Team will consist of Dustin Johnson, Jordan Spieth, Phil Mickelson, Zach Johnson,

Patrick Reed, Jimmy Walker, Brandt Snedeker and Brooks Koepka, who have all earned automatic spots on the team.

Three of Captain Davis Love's four picks will be announced after the BMW Championship, September 12th. J.B. Holmes, Matt Kuchar, Bubba Watson, Rickie Fowler, Jim Furyk, Daniel Berger and Justin Thomas are names that are being considered for the final four spots on the U.S. Team. The fourth and final choice will be announced following the Tour Championship, September 25th.

Brooks Koepka is the only rookie currently on the U.S. squad, while the Europeans will enter competition with 50% of their team playing in international competition for the first time. This should be a big plus for the Americans heading into Hazeltine.

Every professional golfer will admit that the greatest pressure they have ever felt on the golf course came in Ryder Cup competition. The six European rookies are about to enter the most nerve-racking, tension-filled three days of their golfing lives.

Although these are professional golfers, they do not receive compensation for making the team, donations are made to the player's favorite charity. Because they are playing not just for themselves, but for team and country, the pressure to perform is much greater for the Ryder Cup than for any regular major

championship or golf competition. The whole world is watching and every miscue becomes magnified.

Hazeltine Golf Club has hosted major golf competitions before. The Robert Trent Jones Sr. design opened for play in 1962 and has been the site of two U.S. Opens, two PGA Championships, two U.S. Women's Opens, a U.S. Senior Open, the U.S. Amateur and a U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship.

The matches begin on Friday morning, September 30, with four foursome matches. Four four-ball matches are contested in the afternoon session. Each match is worth one point and if a match is tied at the end of 18 holes it is deemed a tie and ½ point is allotted to each team.

The schedule is the same for Saturday with foursomes in the morning and four-ball matches in the afternoon.

Team captain strategy on pairings, plus who sits out a session is always open to scrutiny and question, as the matches progress. The team matches over the first two days may be key for European Team Captain Clarke. He will be able to sit certain rookies and lean on his proven veteran players.

On Sunday no player is left on the sideline. Every player is pitted in 12 singles matches. How the team captains decide to align their strongest and weakest players can have a huge effect on the outcome at the end of the day.

Since the resurgence of the European Team, the Ryder Cup always produces great drama and theater. Normally calm controlled professional golfers seem to experience out-of-body moments and play with more flair and passion than can ever be witnessed.

The Ryder Cup is a CAN'T-MISS Event!!

What: 40th Ryder Cup Match

When: September 27-October 2

Where: Hazeltine Golf Club
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Who: Team USA vs Team Europe

Captains: Davis Love III, Team USA
Darren Clarke, Team Europe

Format: 8 Four-Ball matches worth 1 point each
8 Foursome matches worth 1 point each
12 Singles Matches on Sunday
Total of 28 points available, 14 ½ points are needed to win the cup outright
If the matches end with 14-14 tie Europe would retain the Ryder Cup

Watch: Televised on NBC



DRIVEN TO IMPRESS

Long summer days, championship courses,
uncluttered greens, pristine wilderness play.

REGISTER TO WIN!

GAYLORD GOLF GETAWAY

6 Rounds
of Golf

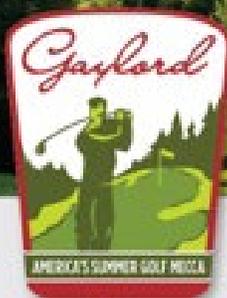
4 Nights
Lodging

2 Breakfasts
& Dinners

for 4 people!

* NO PURCHASE NECESSARY

REGISTER HERE 



Order your free 2016 Gaylord Golf Vacation Planner
gaylordgolfmecca.com | 800.345.8621

COME OUT & PLAY

4900 County Road 16
Woodville, OH 43469
 Phone: 419-849-3693
<http://hiddenhillsgolf.net/>

HIDDEN HILLS GOLF CLUB EST. 1968



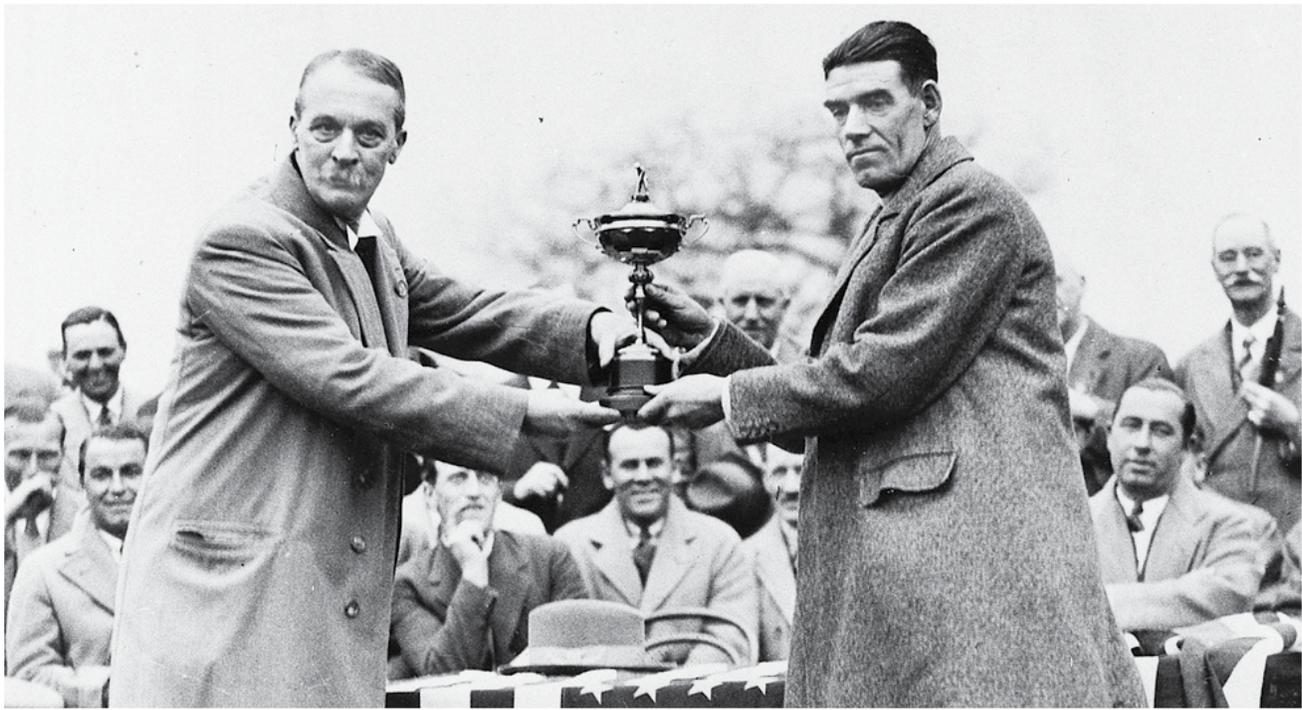
HIDDEN HILLS
GOLF CLUB

Reasons to Choose Hidden Hills Golf Club for Your 2016 Golf Outing or Event:

- **Friendly, welcoming atmosphere**
- **Newly remodeled facilities** accommodate large group sizes
- **Custom outings** can be created based on your needs

RYDER CUP BEGAN IN TOLEDO

BY FRED ALTVATER



The 2016 Ryder Cup will be held at Hazeltine Golf Club near Minneapolis, Minnesota, September 27-October 2. The European Team has won seven of the past nine Ryder Cups contested and will come to Hazeltine with a strong contingent of players once again.

The Ryder Cup has become one of the biggest sporting events in the world, but did you know it had its beginnings in Toledo, Ohio?

S.P. Jermain has been called the "Father of Public Golf in America." He served four terms as the Chairman of the

Board of Parks Commissioners for the city of Toledo at the end of the 19th century and was responsible for the construction of Ottawa Park Golf Course. It opened for play in 1898 and was the first public golf course to open west of New York City.

Jermain was the president of the Inverness Club, when the land was purchased on which to build the course. He was instrumental in convincing the USGA to bring a U.S. Open to Inverness in 1920 and again in 1931. An 18-year-old golf prodigy, Bobby Jones made his first appearance in the U.S. Open

at Inverness in 1920 and his last in the 1931 U.S. Open also held at Inverness.

Jermain is also remembered for being the first to allow touring professionals into the locker rooms of private golf clubs. In the early days, golf professionals were not welcome in the clubhouse of the private clubs on which they played. Jermain felt this to be an archaic practice and opened the Inverness Club locker room to the participants of the 1920 U.S. Open.

The great Walter Hagen was so appreciative of Jermain's

generosity that he took a collection among the professionals and used the funds to purchase a beautiful clock that sits proudly in the entry of the club today.

Jermain has been credited with the idea of holding a tournament featuring the best amateurs from Great Britain and the United States in a team competition. He first mentioned it to George Sargent, the President of the PGA of America, after the 1920 U.S. Open.

Sargent was quoted in the Toledo News-Bee in 1931,

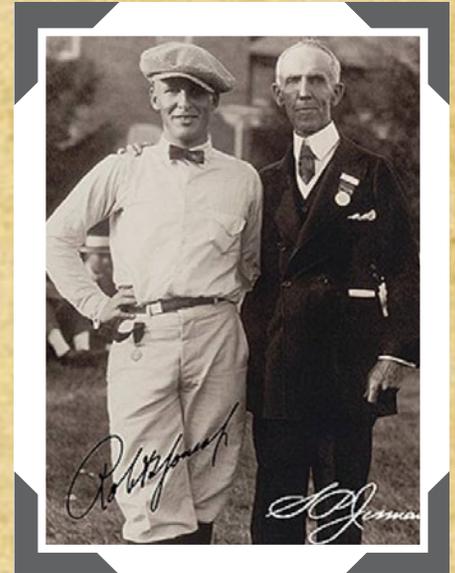
“The credit for the idea (of the Ryder Cup) should go to

Sylvanus P. Jermain of Toledo, who made the suggestion back in 1921, the year after the U.S. Open was staged at Inverness.”

The first such exhibitions were held in 1921 and a second competition was held at Gleneagles in Scotland in 1926, from which the competition was born.

Sam Ryder witnessed the 1926 event and became so enamored with the idea of the team competition between the two nations, that he offered to supply the trophy to the winning team, hence the Ryder Cup.

Sam Ryder got his name on



the event that has become such a huge success in the world of golf, but the idea stemmed from a forward-thinking S.P. Jermain right here in Toledo.

brondesfordmaumee.com - brondeslincolnmaumee.com

BRONDES

Ford LINCOLN

of MAUMEE



1511 Reynolds Rd. Maumee, Ohio 43537 419-887-1511



CUSTOMIZE YOUR CART

- Lift Kits
- Tires & Wheels
- Custom Seats, Canopies and Wraps
(multiple colors & themes)



FREE Designer Quotes!

LET OUR TEAM CUSTOMIZE YOUR CART!

Century Cart Connection
5959 Angola Rd, Toledo, OH

419-865-7400
<http://www.centurycartconnect.com>

The Golf Performance Institute of Toledo FEATURES:

- * Professional Service from PGA Certified Staff
- * Complete Pro Shop with the Top Name Brands
- * Trackman for Custom Club Fitting and Club Repair
- * Heated Bays for Comfort even when it's COLD
- * Par-3 Executive Course for Short-Game practice
- * Putting Green, and Chipping Area with Sand Bunker

<http://www.thegolfpit.com>
419-897-9826

Open 7 days a week
The **BEST** place to practice!



Ranked in the **Top 50** Practice Facilities in the U.S. by Golf Range Association of America!



Golf, Sports, Food & Drink. It just don't git no better din dat!



**Black Swamp
Sportin' Pub**
inside Nick & Jimmy's
Monroe St. Store

Open 7 Days a Week 419-472-0756
<http://www.nickandjimmys.com>



EARLY RUBBER GOLF BALL WAS MADE IN OHIO

BY FRED ALTVATER



Did you know that the early rubber golf ball has roots in Ohio? Because Akron, Ohio became the center of the rubber tire business in the early 1900's, it makes sense that the rubber golf ball was invented and produced here in Ohio.

The Worthington Manufacturing Company based in Elyria, Ohio acquired the patents on the first three-piece wound rubber golf ball, when it purchased the Hunt Manufacturing Company in 1903. The ball had first been developed by a Cleveland native, Coburn Haskell in collaboration with B.F. Goodrich engineer, Bertram Work, in Akron in 1898.

The ball featured a solid core wrapped with hundreds of tightly wound rubber threads and covered with a layer of gutta-percha. The ball was named "Bounding

Billie" and was a significant improvement over the gutta-percha ball that had been previously used prior to the rubber ball.

The duo received a patent on the ball in 1899 and it became popular after the famed, Walter Travis won two U.S. Amateurs and Sandy Herd won a British Open with the new design in the early 1900's.

Bobby Jones once said, the rubber golf ball was the most important development in golf in his lifetime.

The Worthington Ball Company founded by George Cushing Worthington in 1904 perfected mass production of golf balls and became the single largest golf ball manufacturer in the world at the time.

After World War I, vulcanized rubber replaced the gutta-

percha cover and Worthington continued to enjoy success as the leading golf ball maker.

Two Worthington executives decided that Elyria needed a golf course to promote the golf ball business and even though very few Elyria residents were familiar with golf in 1904, the Elyria Country Club came into existence.

Renowned designer, William S Flynn of Philadelphia was contracted to build the new course. Flynn also designed Shinnecock and Merion, two of his more famous creations.

This is one more example of the historical significance of Ohio in golf's history and its close ties to the growth of golf in the early days.

Ohio manufacturing and ingenuity brought a better golf ball to Golfaholics and improved the game forever.

RIVERS EDGE: A TRUE MEMORY MAKER

BY MIKE MAY



For golfers searching for a coastal golf experience in the Brunswick Isles area of North Carolina, [Rivers Edge](#) should be at the top of the must-play list. This par-72, Arnold Palmer design overlooks a tidal basin, which impacts play on seven holes. An assortment of marshes, ponds, streams, and lakes influence play on another nine holes. With six different tees on every hole, it's not difficult finding your comfort zone at Rivers Edge.

"At Rivers Edge, no two holes are the same and the stretch along the river was done in such a way that to replicate it today would be difficult, if not impossible," noted Jeff Pianelli, head golf professional at Rivers Edge.

When playing the seven holes along the Shallotte River, take the time to admire Mother Nature's beauty. Sightings of osprey, turtles,

fox squirrels, and the occasional alligator are common place. Fortunately, Palmer provided ample room on the seven tidal basin holes for golfers to find the fairway and the greens. If you veer too far off the beaten path, it's advisable to drop another ball and keep playing. It's a lesson quickly learned.

At Rivers Edge, the first four holes are inland, but water does come into play on each hole, especially "Mr. Happy's Pond," which borders the 2nd green. At the 5th, a short par three, you'll see the Shallotte River, and while the 5th is not long, it does require a 100 percent carry from the tee. Make sure that you don't under club here, it's tough getting up and down from the bottom of the marsh. After disappearing into the countryside for the next two holes, the course re-emerges into the tidal basin for





the last two holes on the front nine. The 8th is a splendid downhill par three with the basin behind the green. The 9th is the only hole at Rivers Edge with a name: "Arnie's Revenge." This par-5 features two shots over water with a narrow approach to a peninsula green.

If you play the hole conservatively, you can easily get a double bogey, but if played too aggressively, a 'snowman' or worse is easily attainable. Par or better at "Arnie's Revenge" is a worthy achievement.

"With the tidal change throughout a day, it is not odd to see different aspects of river life during your round," adds Pianelli. "What the design may lack in overall yardage, it makes up for in course strategy. Each hole offers a safe route or a risk/reward that can be chosen by the player. If you successfully pull off the

game, you are rewarded for your efforts. Rivers Edge is definitely a place that allows multiple play without getting bored."

After playing the front nine, the back nine is even better. The highlights of the inward half include, the approach shot to the par five 11th hole, where Palmer Lake sits greenside, the commute along the 'river's edge' from the 11th green to the 12th tee, and the last four holes flanked by the river. Palmer's creativity in designing those four finishing holes leaves an impression with golfers begging for more. The views across the Shallotte River while playing 15, 16, 17, and 18 are worth of the price admission, as they say.

Even if you have a bad day at Rivers Edge, but secure a par at "Arnie's Revenge" or finish strong on the last four holes, your Rivers Edge experience will be a true memory maker.



SPOTLIGHT ON HEATHERDOWNS COUNTRY CLUB'S DAN SUTTON

Dan Sutton has served public golf and been involved with the golf industry in Toledo for nearly 25 years. He began working at Ottawa Park Golf Course, while still a student at the University of Toledo and continued to work for the historic landmark after graduation in 1992.

He was there in the heyday of golf in Toledo, before the economy forced many golfers to abandon the game. One day as an assistant at Ottawa Park, the course saw 528 golfers pay greens fees. Ottawa Park, the oldest public golf course west of New York, would annually record over 70,000 rounds.

Sutton became a golf professional in 1997 and was an assistant at the old nine-hole, Fire Creek Golf Club

on Lewis Avenue, before he migrated north to Whiteford Valley Golf Club for three years, 1999-2001.

At Whiteford Valley, Dan learned the business of golf and came to understand the importance of outings, leagues and group lessons. Whiteford had four golf courses at the time and different leagues on each nine every day of the week.

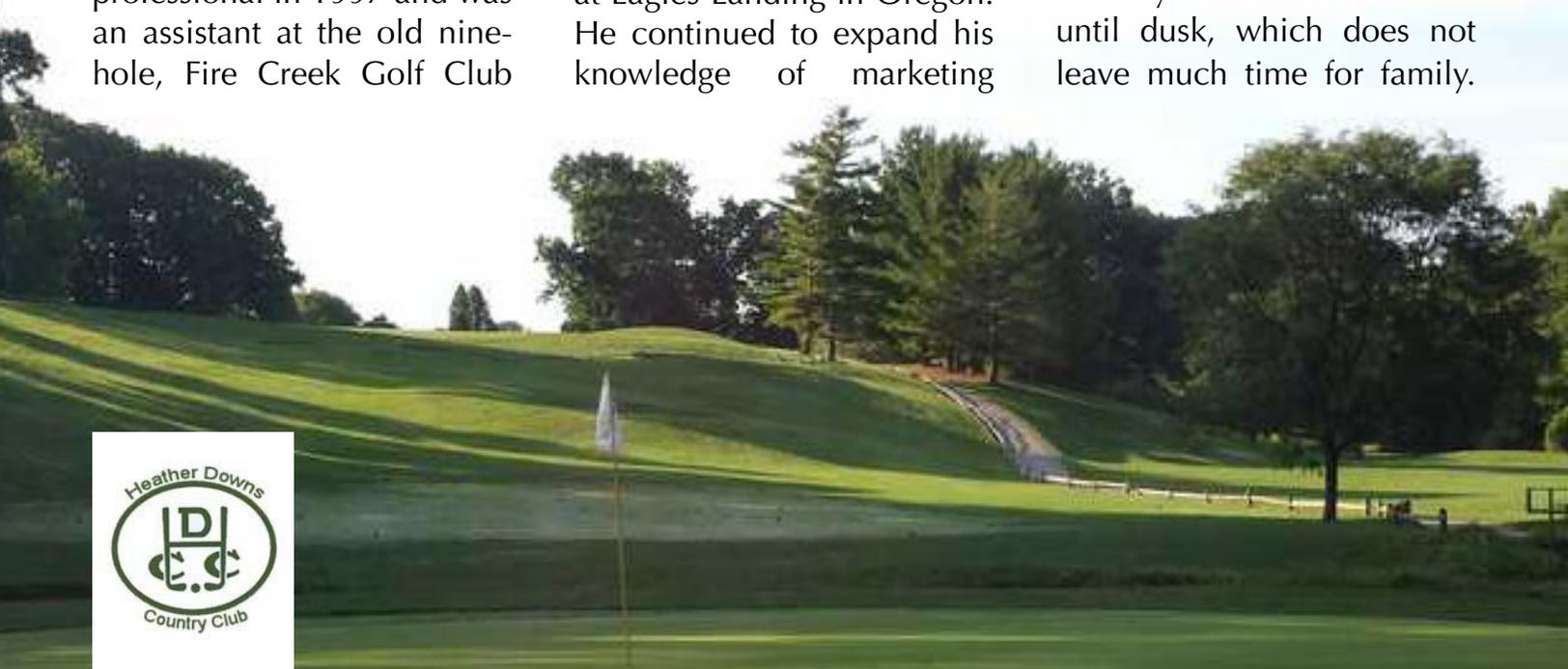
He began to promote clinics, junior, as well as, women's programs and group lessons as a means to grow his income and during that time developed a loyal clientele, that still follows him today.

In 2002, Sutton got his first Head Professional position at Eagles Landing in Oregon. He continued to expand his knowledge of marketing



and promotion and served the community east of the Maumee River.

While at Eagles Landing, Dan met his wife, Marcia. They just celebrated their 11th anniversary and the union has produced two children, ten-year-old Sam and eight-year-old Sydney. Summer months find Dan at Heatherdowns Country Club from dawn until dusk, which does not leave much time for family.



However, they support his chosen career and know they will get dad all to themselves after Labor Day.

In fact, Sutton looks forward to playing the role of Mr. Mom, after the golf season ends. He also enjoys coaching his children's basketball teams during his off season.

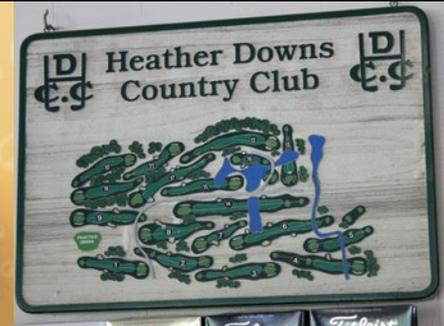
While at Eagles Landing, Dan began coaching the Cardinal Stritch golf team and since his move to Heatherdowns, now coaches the St. Francis High School golf team.

Dan says he loves watching freshman enter the golf program and grow to become

young men, when they graduate in four years. Lessons learned on the golf course can help shape a young mind and the competition makes each team member a better student, father and husband as they move through life.

Dan spent four years at Spuyten Duyval and Cottonwood Creek Golf courses before he accepted the Head Professional position for Heatherdowns Country Club in 2013.

Watching Dan interact with the golfers at Heatherdowns, whether in the shop, the range or on the course, it's



easy to see his passion for the game. He has spent nearly 25 years serving public golf in the Toledo area. He is a home-town guy involved with the community and the relationships he has built over the years continue to reflect that passion.

With professionals such as Dan Sutton to guide golf through the difficult times, we know the game is in safe hands.



6521 Lenderson Avenue 
Whitehouse OH 43571
567-395-5679

switchbackcateringllc@gmail.com



From fine dining to burgers and dogs we have a menu to suit your needs.

- * *Social Events*
- * *Corporate Events*
- * *Graduations*
- * *Weddings*
- * *Parties*
- * *Holiday Dinners*
- * *Intimate Private Parties*

Our smoker can travel to your site so you may fully experience the site and smells it produces.

JOHN KRETZSCHMAR HONORED AT CHICK EVANS DAY OUTING

The local Evans Scholars Alumni Association held its annual golf outing at Toledo Country Club last month and honored long-time Evans Scholars supporter John Kretzschmar for his years of service.

Evans Scholars provides college scholarships to caddies that exhibit a desire to attend college, but don't have the financial means to do so. Evans Scholars currently provides full tuition, as well as, room and board for 935 former caddies nationwide, with a goal to expand that number to 1,000 students by 2020.

As you can imagine, it takes a good deal of money to keep those kids in college. Outings, such as the one held

at Toledo Country Club last month, help raise the \$17.5 million annually needed to fund the scholarships.

Local Toledo native, Amy Lillibridge, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving for Evans Scholars, is a prime example of the power of Evans Scholars. After caddying at Inverness Club, she attended Miami (Ohio) University and has gone on to succeed in various golf related positions.

She said,

“Caddying at Inverness was a wonderful learning experience and solidified my interest in golf. The Evans Scholarship program has allowed me to pursue

a career that keeps me involved with the game and also help former caddies receive college degrees.”

Hear the full interview with Amy Lillibridge on the August 30, 2016, Back 9 Report radio show: <http://tunein.com/radio/The-Back-9-Report-p620823/>

Kretzschmar, President of the Western Golf Association in 2000-2001, was the first President who resided outside the Chicago area. He has been a lifelong supporter of the Evans Scholars Foundation.

He has been a Director for the Evans Scholars since 1982 and was the chairman of the prestigious, Western Junior



for 15 years. He is a member of the Toledo Golf Hall of Fame and still meets with area caddies and their parents to answer questions about the Evans Scholars program, to assure all applications are received in a timely manner.

For the past nine years, John and his wife Sue annually give the **Kretzchmar Award** to an area Evans Scholar student that:

- has excelled in the classroom
- exhibited leadership in the Evans Scholar House

-demonstrated outstanding community involvement

This year's Kretzchmar Award was given to Ohio State University nursing student, Carly Truckor from Swanton. Ms. Truckor maintains a 3.93 GPA at OSU and achieved a perfect 4.0 for the spring 2016 term.

She also helped lead the OSU Evans Scholar House to tie Northwestern University for the best total accumulative average, 3.54 for all of the 20 Evans Scholar Houses in

the nation.

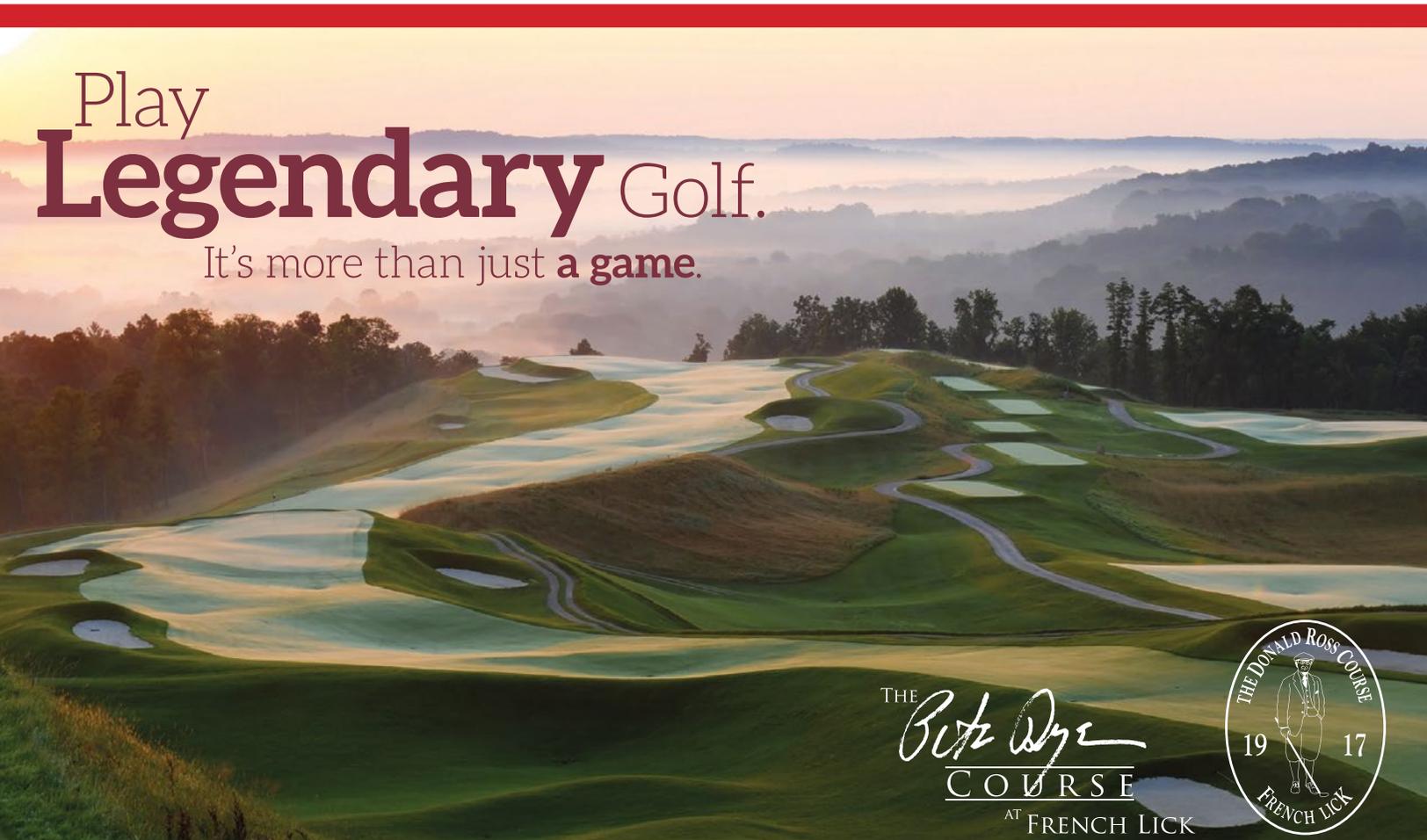
Carly is just one example of the success that Evans Scholar students achieve. As a group Evans Scholars maintain an accumulative average over 3.0 and 96% of all Evans Scholars graduate on time.

Becoming a caddie is a wonderful learning and life experience, earning a full-ride college scholarship is just an added benefit.

For more information visit: <http://www.wgaesf.org/>

Play Legendary Golf.

It's more than just a game.



THE *Beth Dye*
COURSE
AT FRENCH LICK



FRENCH LICK RESORT®
FRENCH LICK & WEST BADEN · INDIANA

frenchlick.com • 888-936-9360

TraditionsLiveHere

THE FIRST TEE OF LAKE ERIE REPORT



BY ADAM RENY

Thus far 2016 has proven to be the best year for The First Tee of Lake Erie. With expanding program locations, newly developed partnerships and an increase in community support, the local chapter of the First Tee is making an impact on more children than ever before in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan!

The First Tee of Lake Erie is only one of hundreds of chapters around the world. The organization began in 1997 and now numbers over 150 chapters in operation.

The mission statement for our chapter:

“To impact the lives of young people in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan by providing learning facilities

and educational programs that promote character development and life-enhancing values through the game of golf.”

The First Tee of Lake Erie is currently delivering services via three avenues:

1. The National Schools Program is aimed at introducing elementary school children in the community to The First Tee in their physical education classrooms. We train teachers to correctly deliver the program. The First Tee of Lake Erie currently has partnerships with 25 elementary schools including Toledo Public Schools, Springfield Schools and Genoa Schools. We reach nearly 9,000 children from a variety of backgrounds and will continue to grow the base of school partnerships in the future.

2. The First Tee Drive Program works with

after-school programs such as The Boys and Girls Clubs, YMCA's and other programs in the community. This spring, we started weekly programming at the Toledo Boys and Girls Club and are looking forward to growing this partnership.

3. The First Tee Life Skills Program is our summer program for children and young adults ages 5-18 that teaches the 9 core values, 9 healthy habits, as well as, basic golf instruction. Nine various golf facilities with trained coaches deliver educational and fun programs for the participants.

The First Tee of Lake Erie was selected as one of only eight First Tee chapters to implement The Els for Autism program. Els for Autism is an organization started by professional golfer, Ernie Els, who has an autistic son and is passionate about helping



people with autism. The First Tee of Lake Erie worked with seven children at Crosswinds Golf Club in Perrysburg, Ohio. They met twice a week for six weeks and it was a huge success! The children's social, motor and communication skills were noticeably improved from beginning to end. Plus, the participants and coaches enjoyed the experience of working together.

The First Tee of Lake Erie also announced the construction of a new facility to provide a safe, educational, and fun place for



children of Toledo to call home on a daily basis.

If your child or someone you might know would be interested in joining a First Tee program, please contact Program Director, Chuck Benes at: cbenes@pga.

com, Adam Reny at: adam.reny@thefirstteelakeerie.org or visit their website: www.thefirstteelakeerie.org .

To learn more about Els for Autism visit: <http://www.elsforautism.com/site/PageServer>



Whiteford Valley GOLF CLUB

Tired of SLOW Play on League Night?



Try Whiteford Valley's five 9-hole courses! Our League play is fast! Tee off on Time! Call us and we'll let your entire League golf **FOR FREE** one time this summer! You just pay for golf carts if you want to ride.



The next time your League night is cancelled or the course is closed due to too much rain, call Monty or Stephanie at Whiteford Valley and we'll treat you to a **FREE** enjoyable round of golf!

“ALWAYS A FAVORITE WITH SENIORS”

PRO GOLF

FAIRWAYS

— LEARN • PRACTICE • PLAY —

Pro Golf
ACADEMY &
TECHNOLOGIES

The Ultimate Indoor Golf Experience!

Pro Golf Fairways Store

3 Simulators, 86 Courses



4956 Monroe St.
419-205-6644



<http://progolffairways.com> 

10am - 12pm Weekdays
9am - 1am Weekends
Other times by appointment

B9R RADIO!

Join co-hosts Fred Altvater and Carlos Torres weekly for the fast paced and informative, Back 9 Report Radio Show. Each show includes celebrity interviews, golf hot topics, tips and more. It can be heard live on Blogtalk at:

Tuesday's
at
8pm EST

Back 9 Report Sponsored by
eDraft.com

Also catch archived shows
on:

Tuneln at:
Back 9 Report Radio Show

Contact us
for
information
about
sponsorship
opportunities

Niblicks

By Dean Harris



ALL RIGHTS RESERVED © 2016

DON'T EVER SAY DON'T

BY **GREG LIBERTO**

For the past seven years I've been teaching golfers the importance of communication in their golf game, but it is also important in all areas of your life. It is just one more example of how golf imitates life.



Never Say Don't

One of the most misused words in the English language is **Don't**. Every time you start a sentence with the word **Don't**, you are subconsciously telling yourself the opposite of what you want to achieve. An example would be, **Don't** hit my ball in the water hazard. Your subconscious mind does not accept the word, **Don't** and only hears, **Hit my ball in the Water Hazard**. Probably not what you are trying to accomplish.

A much stronger message to tell yourself is, **Hit My Target**. That is what you are trying to achieve. It only makes sense to communicate that. If you are programmed to think, **Don't** go in the water, something needs to change, **ASAP**.

THE OLD STORY IS OVER

If you are programmed to constantly say the wrong things, then it is time for a change. Think in terms of your old story being over, and your new story starts today.

Step 1.

Completely eradicate the word **Don't** from your vocabulary. Write down or speak aloud all of the times you say, **Don't**. Including phrases such as:

- Don't** go left
- Don't** forget the tickets
- Don't** be late
- Don't** go OB (out of bounds)
- Don't** go in the bunker
- Don't** choke
- Don't** screw up

Being aware makes it much easier to stop in the future.

Step 2

Make wholesale changes on all the negative thoughts you have throughout the day.

STOP judging others, **STOP** complaining, **STOP** criticizing, **STOP** comparing, **STOP** getting angry.

STOP your old story, eliminate **Don't** from your routine.

Focus on a clean, healthy communication process, that centers on you being the best you can be, on and off the golf course.

Every Olympian in Rio last month, is trained to be positive, focused and eliminate any negatives from their conscious. It is the only option, if you want to become the **Best of the Best**.

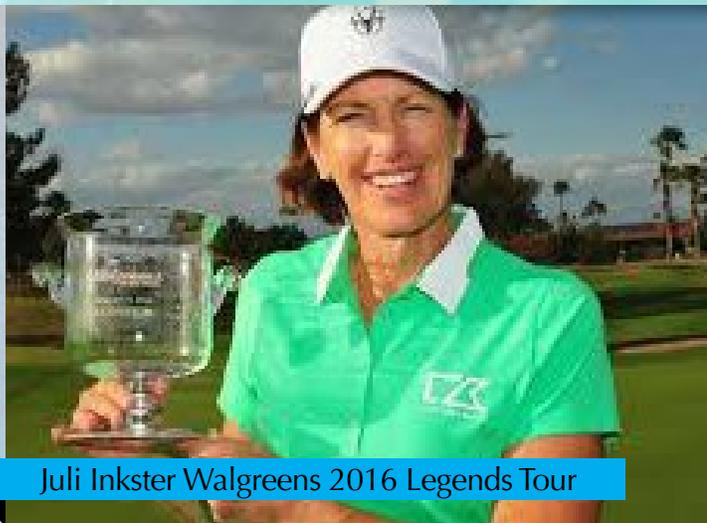
ENJOY THE FEELING

Step 3

Enjoy the feeling and improve your positive communication. You will become calmer, more relaxed and more focused. The improved mindset will make a monumental shift in how you feel, act and become.

If you are serious about improving your game on and off the course, ditch your old story. Get focused on becoming your best and start creating a life that you love!

LPGA LEGENDS VISIT THE PETE DYE COURSE AT FRENCH LICK RESORT



Juli Inkster Walgreens 2016 Legends Tour



Trish Johnson trophy Legends French Lick 2016

The women of the LPGA Tour seem to get younger every year and are visible nearly every week on our television screens. What happens to the ladies as they mature, but still want to compete with the best women golfers in the world? Well, just like their male counterparts on the Champions Tour, they tee it up on the Legends Tour.

Every year the LPGA Legends Tour, for lady golfers over the age of 45, visits French

Lick Resort for the Legends Championship. Familiar names like, Juli Inkster, Jan Stephenson, Amy Alcott, Laura Baugh, Pat Bradley, Beth Daniel, Nancy Lopez and Michelle McGann prowl the rolling fairways of the Pete Dye course.

The Legends Tour is the official senior tour of the LPGA, was founded in 2000 and hosted seven events in 2016. It has more than 120 members,

including 14 LPGA and World Golf Hall of Fame players. Legends Tour players have over 750 combined LPGA Tour victories, including 86 major championships. Keeping with the LPGA tradition of providing funds for charity, the tour has helped raise more than \$19 million for charitable donations.

In the 2016 Legends Championship held at French Lick Resort, Trish Johnson,



from England, survived a playoff versus Juli Inkster to snag her inaugural win on The Legends Tour.

Inkster spends her time announcing USGA events for Fox Sports and is still competitive on the LPGA Tour. When she does venture over to the Legends Tour, she normally wins. As a matter of fact, she won the Walgreen's Charity Classic in March and was the defending champion at the Legends Championship, but Ms. Johnson was able to hold on and close out Inkster on the sixth extra playoff hole.

The Legends also hold a tournament inside the tournament. The Honors Division is for women 63 years of age and over. Once again Australian, Jan Stephenson earned her fourth consecutive win in the Honors Division at French Lick.

The event at French Lick was once again a huge success as it raised \$200,000 for Riley's Children's Hospital.

If you want to get up close and personal with the legends of women's golf, a Legends Tour event is the place for you. The women truly appreciate their fans and interact freely with those that venture out to see these Hall of Famers in action.

Find a Legends Tour event near you and watch the pros in action. For schedules and more information visit: <http://www.thelegendstour.com/>



RIVERBY HILLS

RH
(419) 878-5941


Riverby Hills features rolling terrain along the Maumee River.



16571 West River Road
 Bowling Green, Ohio 43402
riverbyhills.com

The experienced staff at both of our locations are ready to make your next outing a huge success!

EAGLE'S LANDING


Oregon's Golf Club


Beautiful golf course next to the south shore of Lake Erie.



5530 Bay Shore Road
 Oregon, Ohio 43616
 (419) 697-4653
eagleslandinggolfclub.net



Tom &
Tina Kuron,
Owners

312 South Street in Waterville
(419) 878-9105
chowdersnmoor.com

Breakfast - Lunch - Dinner

Open Monday - Friday 11:00 am - 10:00 pm

Saturday 8:00 am - 10:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm



Heatherdowns: Where You Belong in 2016



- ✓ **Golf Instruction**
 - *Dan Sutton-Director of Golf
 - *Individual Lessons available year round
 - *Fall Junior Academy,
Tues. Sept. 13th-Oct. 4th, 4-5:30pm
 - *Grant Bollin-Assistant Golf Professional
 - *Titleist Performance Institute Certified
 - *HDCC Golf Fitness Program-Get Fit in '16

- ✓ **Host your Golf Outing at HDCC**
 - *Prime dates & times available
 - *Now reserving 2016 Fall and 2017 Golf Outings
 - *Call for a free quote

- ✓ **HDCC Clubhouse & Banquet Facilities - Toledo's Best Venue**
 - *Book your Christmas Party at HDCC!
 - *Weddings, Showers, Corporate and Business Meeting, Reunions, Memorials, Birthday Parties and more
 - *Call Gina Gueli at 419-382-3481 to reserve your event



- ✓ **Driving Range & Practice Center**
 - *\$11 'All You Can Hit' before noon
 - *HDCC Range Cards now available
 - *Putting green, Chipping green & Sand trap

- ✓ **Club Repair & Regripping**
 - *Golf Pride, Winn & Lamkin Grips
 - *48 hour service

- ✓ **Golf Leagues**
 - *Now reserving 2017 Golf Leagues
 - *Group and Individual Openings

For more information on these programs plus a whole bunch more, check out our website at www.heatherdowns.com or call the pro shop at 419-385-0248.

WHEN GOLF BALLS COLLIDE!

BY RICHARD TODD

Did you see Louis Oosthuizen's **hole-in-one** at the 16th hole the final day at the 2016 Masters in Augusta? Here is a link to the video to refresh your memory: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j1qDfjubLjU>.

Oosthuizen's ball landed on the green then caromed off JB Holmes' ball before finding the bottom of the cup. Does that count as an ace? You bet it does! But how, do you ask?

USGA Rule #[19-5](#) clearly states,

"When a player's ball in motion is deflected by another ball at rest that player must play his ball as it lies."

In this case, Louis gets some help from JB's ball in play, directing it towards the cup.

What about Holmes, did he gain an advantage? Sorry, not in this case, Rule #[18-5](#) states,

"If a ball in play and at rest is moved by another ball in motion after a stroke, the moved ball must be replaced."

Holmes had to replace his ball to its original position. He received no positive assistance, nor does he incur any penalty from his ball being struck.

Note, the rule says '**replaced**', not '**dropped**'. There are times when you put a ball back into play by dropping it, but this situation is not one of those.

Also note, Rule #20-3 states,

"The ball must be replaced by the person who lifted or moved the ball, the player or his partner."

If placed by someone other than those listed, a **one stroke penalty** is assessed.

You can't employ the cart girl for assistance.

If the exact original lie of a ball to be placed isn't known or can't be determined, USGA Rule # [20-3b](#) applies,

"The ball must be placed as near as possible to the place where it lay but not in a hazard."

Who would purposefully place their golf ball in a hazard?

So next time your golf ball decides to play bumper cars with another, remember these [rules](#).

If you would like to learn more golf rules in a relaxed and humorous method check out [The Golf Rules](#) series.



When a player's ball in motion is deflected by another ball at rest that player must play his ball as it lies.



EXOTICS
DG TOUR PROTO PUTTERS

Tour Edge
EXOTICS



10 ROUNDS WITH EXOTICS DG TOUR SERIES PUTTER BY ED TRAVIS

There are many reasons to pick a particular putter, from “it looks good” to of course, “it works...at least for now.” There’s even settling on a new flat stick because the designer has a reputation for making putters used by Tour pros regardless of whether it’s suitable for you.

But the reason for interest in the new putters from Tour Edge Golf is due to the Exotics owner and chief designer, David Glod. He creates quality woods and irons that are top performers, when compared to clubs from much larger club companies and usually at a pocketbook-friendly price. I have sung the praises of his clubs for several years, especially the fairway woods and hybrids.

I like them so much they are in my bag even after numerous head-to-head comparisons

with the latest from just about every other maker. Because of the performance of the long clubs from Tour Edge, I was looking forward to giving the DG Tour Series putters a thorough try over 10 rounds. I wasn’t disappointed.

The model tested was the 5.1, a face balanced small mallet head with a Superstroke Mid Slim 2.0 grip and from the first putt, the overwhelming impression was the solid feel of the impact with the ball. Alignment is easy aided by the white line and the edges of the cavity that takes up more than half the top of the head.

Did it fix all my putting problems? No, but it wasn’t too long to have my confidence rise and all questions about the performance of the putter in my hands disappeared.



Glod talked about his designs in the DG series which include two modern blades and three mallets. All have a distinctive face milling, a weight of 350 grams and offer a

choice of black PVD or silver bead finish. Each is CNC milled from a single block of carbon steel and priced at \$249.99 or \$279.99 with a Superstroke grip.

According to Glod the main idea behind the design of the DG Tour Series was, "To improve on popular models with special nuances as well as create all new versions like V4.1 and V5.1."

He produced the DG Tour Series putters with a distinctive milled "X" pattern rather than an insert in the face because the "X" pattern grips balls better with sharp diagonal edges for less skid." The head being milled from a single steel block since, a block of steel is more pure, offers the best feel."

Negatives: You may have heard this before but that doesn't make it less true—get fitted properly. Even though the cost of a fitting session with a competent professional adds to the cost of any putter, if you rely on pure chance the odds is getting a putter that fits your stroke are slim. For example, do you know if a face balanced putter or one with toe hang, including how much toe hang, is best for you? I thought so.

Recommendation: The Exotics David Glod Tour Series putters are of the highest quality and though they may not cure all your putting woes at least you'll know it's not the putter.

To learn more about Tour Edge watch this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NeYmZ2Nai50>

Top 3 Reasons You Should Book Your Next Golf Event at The Legacy Golf Club:

#1 Great Golf. Your golfers will be playing a course given Golf Digest's 4½ star rating & listed as one of the **top 200 courses** to play in the U.S. in 2002. You'll find the area's only



Par-3 Island Green and the truest-roll greens around on our 18-hole championship Arthur Hills designed golf course.

#2 Experienced Event Team. The Legacy event team will do what it takes to make your event a success! From planning through production, we're here with you every step of the way, including hosting your planning meetings, at no cost!

#3 Old Fashioned Hospitality in Beautiful Surroundings. Our dining room has floor to ceiling windows that overlook our 18th hole pond and green. From the moment you enter, you will experience the friendly hospitality that our staff provides. We ensure a memorable and well organized event that your guests will enjoy.

Reserve Your Event Today!

For an organized, unique and fun-filled golfing experience, contact our General Manager at:

734-854-1101



www.playlegacy.com



Fall Golf Destination: Oglebay Park Resort



BY **FRED ALTVATER**

When most fans think of golf in West Virginia, the Greenbrier, Glade Springs or Stonewall, immediately come to mind, but another historic location that will impress is Oglebay Park Resort in Wheeling.

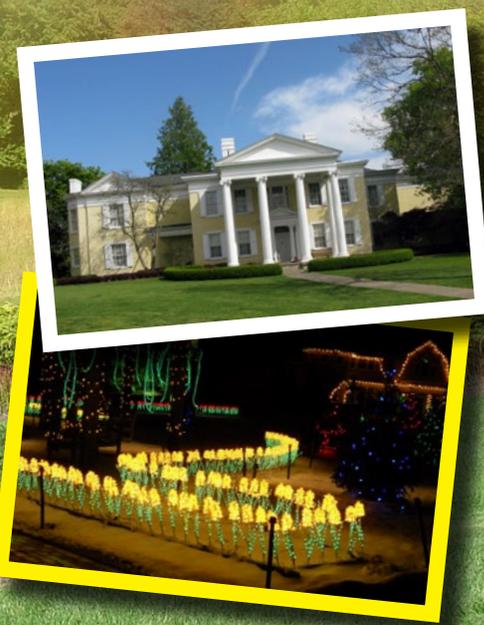
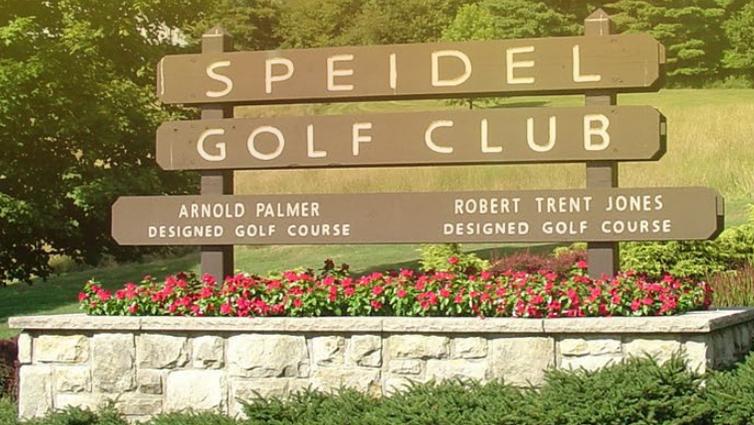
Cleveland industrialist, Earl W. Oglebay officially purchased the land in 1900 and set about improving the estate for the next 25 years. Upon his death in 1926, he willed the land to the city of Wheeling, with the

caveat that it had to be used for public recreation.

Today this beautiful property is a municipal park owned by the city, but don't let that fool you. This is a first-class golf destination with a myriad of activities to please every member of your family. Oglebay Park is completely self-supporting and has a continuous modernization program that touches all areas of the resort.

The spacious rooms are constantly updated and will please even the most discerning traveler. The courses undergo scheduled renovation and are maintained to the highest standards.

Three championship golf courses, The Palmer, The Jones and The Crispin will challenge golfers of every ability. Plus, with the courses sitting atop a mountain, I defy anyone to find a level lie.



In addition to 54 holes of championship golf, Oglebay Park Resort also boasts a par-3 executive course and a driving range for extra practice.

The Crispin course is the oldest of the three and offers resort guests the chance to experience mountain golf at its finest. Elevated tees provide panoramic views of the adjoining valleys and hillsides.

The Robert Trent Jones Sr. Course opened for play in 1971 and the Arnold Palmer Course was added 30 years later. Both of these courses sit

adjoining to one another and form the Spiedel Golf Club.

Golf is not the only attraction at Oglebay Park, however. It boasts, 11 tennis courts, Schenk Lake for boating, fishing and kayaking, swimming, horseback riding, miles of trails to hike and bike, the Mansion and Glass Museums, the Good Zoo, plus an environmental center. Don't forget the skiing and snowboarding in the winter.

The Winter Festival of Lights is not to be missed and takes hundreds of workers more than a month to string

millions of lights around the park every holiday season.

Oblebay Park Resort is the perfect vacation spot for families. Dads can spend time on the course, while the kids can explore the pool, zoo or other activities.

Over the past couple of years, I have had the opportunity to visit several West Virginia golf resorts and each time I have come away impressed with the quality and beauty of the accommodations. Oglebay Park Resort was no exception.

Get the full story at: <http://www.oglebay-resort.com/index.html>



Tamaron Country Club
 "Where your love to play golf never fades away!"

\$3.00 OFF Any 18-Hole Round w/Cart

Just Mention this AD!!

-not valid with any other offers

-offer expires 9/30/2016

The Tamaron Country Club is Under NEW Management!

Daily specials and twilight rates

Seniors, starting at age 50
 \$15/18 holes with cart M-F

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC;
 call for a Tee Time

Tamaron Country Club specializes in fully catered outings with Toledo's Best Golf Outing food prepared from scratch on-site by our Head Chef while you relax in our Air-Conditioned Dining Rooms, the largest of which holds up to 300 people.



Tamaron Country Club

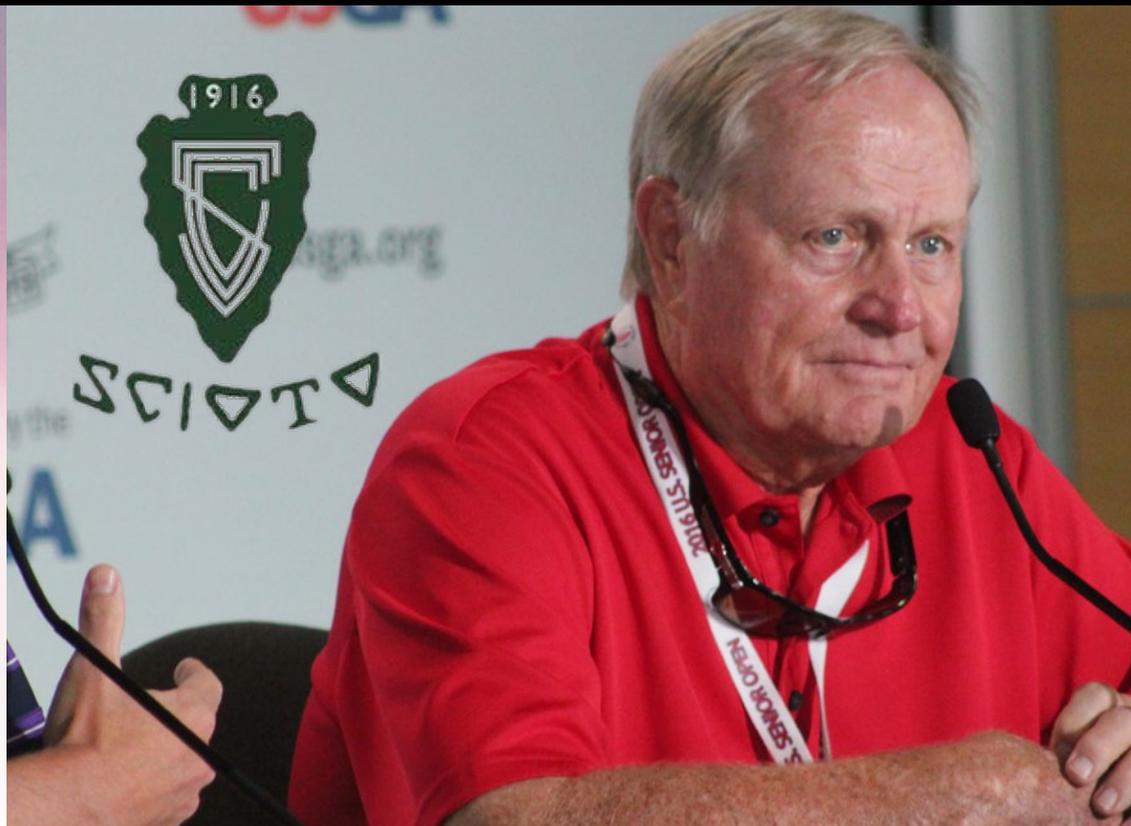
- * Golf Director, **Rich Kuhl**
- * Greenskeeping staff led by **Jason Cline**

Dedicated to keeping this Historic Course in Championship Form!

Come out and see our IMPROVEMENTS:

Tamaron Country Club  
 2162 W. Alexis Rd., Toledo, OH 43613
 419-474-0501 www.tamaroncc.com





SCIOTO COUNTRY CLUB HELPED SHAPE JACK NICKLAUS

IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHILD.....AFRICAN PROVERB

Scioto Country Club is very proud of the way one of its own, the Golden Bear, grew up.

Young Jack's father, Charlie was a pharmacist by vocation and had played football at Ohio State University. He continued to enjoy all athletic endeavors after college, but as age besets all athletes, he hurt his ankle playing in a pick-up basketball game and his doctor advised walking to help strengthen it.

Since golf required walking, Charlie decided to give it a try. He had moved his young family to Upper Arlington and joined nearby Scioto Country Club. Jack tagged along with his dad to the course and hit a few shots on the range. He, like his father, enjoyed all sports, excelling at football and basketball, but golf caught his fancy.

Charlie decided that young Jack needed to learn to play the

game correctly and Scioto's head golf professional, Jack Grout was given the task of developing the young talent. Grout recognized the gifts his pupil possessed and nurtured his abilities.

This was a different time, Upper Arlington was a sleepy suburb of Columbus in the 1950's and Jack could easily walk the 3 blocks to the course, drop a ball and commence his round.

Playing golf at a high level forced him to interact with adult club members and he developed confidence and skills to easily handle social situations, as well as, learning proper personal conduct.

Jack said of growing up at Scioto Country Club,

“Well, I grew up here. You learn to be respectful of people and you learn how to behave yourself and how to handle yourself, and I think that’s the beauty of the game of golf. You have all ages, and everybody needs to behave themselves, both young and old.”

He also credited the membership

with helping him handle difficult situations when he was older.

“They (Scioto Country Club members) were very supportive of what I did and helped me to learn to be around and deal with adults. For example, I played in club championships when I was 14 years old. I started out playing against people that were much older and so you learn how to handle yourself with adults. And I think that’s an important part of shaping your life.”

The golf course is still a great place to help raise children. Club professionals, The First

Tee, Junior Golf Programs, PGA Junior Golf League and caddie programs help mold children every day. Even a casual round with mom or dad provides valuable family time. There is no better way to strengthen the relationship with your children than a hitting a few balls or playing a few holes with them.

The golf course not only provides a safe haven, exercise and a competitive outlet for your child, it is also the perfect community or village to help your children grow up to be successful citizens.

It worked for Jack Nicklaus.



The First Tee of Lake Erie's 9 Summer Program Locations

Auglaize Golf Club	Bedford Hills Golf Club
Crosswinds Golf Club	Inverness Club
The Golf Pit	Mills Creek Golf Course
Oak Harbor Golf Club	Red Hawk Run Golf Club
White Pines Golf Club	

The First Tee of Lake Erie is a non-profit youth development organization with the vision to provide the vehicle through which kids can:

- ✓ accomplish their dreams,
- ✓ thrive socially,
- ✓ excel academically and athletically, and
- ✓ become productive members of society with integrity, strong family values and a commitment to community.

For information on **The First Tee of Lake Erie** organization or programs, contact Executive Director, Adam Reny at

Adamdreny@gmail.com

www.thefirstteelakeerie.org (419) 376-5945





Our Customers are Talking!

“A job well done. The crew go about their business and get the job done in a timely fashion. They are also polite and ask questions as to how I'd like a job done.” - C.P.

We provide “The Gift of Time” to busy families.
Would you rather be golfing or cleaning your house?

**MOLLY MAID of Greater Toledo/Bowling Green in Ohio
Monroe/Lenawee Counties in Michigan**

1611 Henthorne Dr.
Maumee, OH 43537

Contact Us:
419-324-1250



Visit our Website:

<http://www.mollymaid.com/local-house-cleaning/oh/greater-toledo-bowling-green>



We Want Your Stuff!

Turn your Old Golf Equipment into \$\$\$ CASH \$\$\$



Now buying:

- Irons
- Woods
- Bags
- Balls

Located at:

5333 Monroe Street
Suite 16
Toledo, OH 43623
419-843-4230

<http://www.playitagainsportstoledo.com/>





GOLF CART MAINTENANCE TIPS

Now that Labor Day is in the rear view mirror it time to think about winterizing your golf cart. Simply giving it a good cleaning, especially throwing out the old beer cans, empty golf ball packages and sandwich wrappers, is not nearly enough to keep your cart in tip-top shape.

We talked with Al Vargo, who has been the Service Manager for Century Cart for 21 years, for tips on prepping your cart or sports utility vehicle for the long, cold winter months.

If you have a gas powered cart the first item of business is to drain the gas out of your carburetor. Old fuel left in a cart over the winter can congeal and become gummy. It will definitely foul up your fuel system next spring when you try to start it up.

Vargo told us that most of the problems he sees involves improper maintenance of cart batteries. Whether you have a gas or electric powered



cart, battery maintenance is a must for maximum efficiency for your golf cart.

It is mandatory that batteries are charged after each use. Leaving depleted batteries uncharged for long periods of time will damage them and require that you purchase a new one.

It is also imperative that proper water levels are maintained in each battery. Water level needs to be above the top of the plates inside the battery before charging. Don't overfill the battery, but it does need to be filled to the correct level.

Only distilled water should be used to top off electric cart batteries and make sure the caps are fully tightened when finished, to prevent electrolyte leakage.

Terminals need to be tightened and should be cleaned of any corrosion before storage. Also check the battery hold-down to assure the batteries cannot bounce around when racing across a bumpy golf course.

Other items often neglected on annual maintenance lists:

- correct air pressure in the tires
- brake system & front suspension inspection
- wiring and electrical system



- front wheel alignment for proper camber
- lubrication of trans-axle and pedals
- cleaning & lubricating an electric cart charger receptacle

If you want your golf cart or other sport utility vehicle to operate at maximum efficiency and provide the hours of enjoyment you want, be sure to properly winterize it before storage.

To get more information, visit Al Vargo or Andy Syzmanski at Century Cart on Angola in Toledo. Century Cart is one of the leading golf cart and utility vehicle sales and service dealers in the nation. They are certified for warranty repair on Club Car, Toro, Polaris, Gem and LandMaster.

They have years of experience and can help you with your golf cart maintenance questions or problems.

Visit their website at: <http://www.centurycartconnect.com/toledo-oh-golf-carts.php>

MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF COURSES YOU CAN PLAY!!

Every golfer maintains a secret bucket list of golf courses that he or she wants to take a few divots on. Whether it is a course you see

the pros playing on television or a resort that you have dreamed of losing a few Pro V1's on.

Here is a list of courses that have

hosted major championships that are open to the public, if your wallet is fat enough, or your credit card has a huge limit.

Pebble Beach \$495

Pebble Beach is one of the most iconic courses in the United States and since Bing Crosby began hosting his Clambake, it has been the site of numerous major championships, as well as, the annual AT&T National Pro-Am.



Pinehurst #2 \$450

Donald Ross took up residence in the Village of Pinehurst and tinkered with #2 for his entire life. Sandy waste areas and humped greens make this one of the most difficult courses in the country. It has hosted several big tournaments, plus four U.S. Opens, a PGA and the Ryder Cup.

Whistling Straits \$370

There are two 18-hole courses at Herb Kohler's Whistling Straits, the Irish and the Straits. The Straits, designed by Pete Dye, opened for play in 1998 hosted the PGA Championship just six years later. It was so successful that the PGA returned in 2004 and 2015.



Ocean Course \$370

Kiawah Island Resort boasts five championship courses, but Pete Dye built the Ocean Course specifically for major championship play. The Ocean Course opened for play in 1991 and immediately hosted the "War by the Shore" Ryder Cup. Since then the 2012 PGA Championship was won by Rory McIlroy and the 2021 PGA will return to the Ocean Course.



TPC Sawgrass \$375

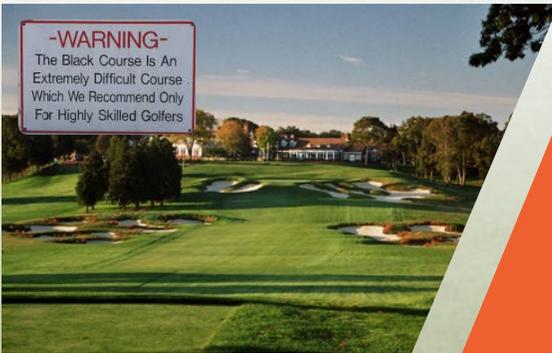
The Stadium Course at TPC Sawgrass annually hosts the The Players Championship. Yeah, I know The Players is not a major, but it should be. Besides just drowning a few balls in Alice Dye's pond at the famed "Island Green" No. 17 is worth the price of admission and a spot on this list.



Bethpage Black \$130

Bethpage is a New York state park on Long Island. The Black Course is by far the best value for major championship courses open to public play. New York residents can play this beast for just \$65. Be aware, they don't reserve tee times and Golfaholics routinely sleep in their cars to have the opportunity to play it.

-WARNING-
The Black Course Is An
Extremely Difficult Course
Which We Recommend Only
For Highly Skilled Golfers



**Northwest Ohio's
Premier Tobacco Emporium
Three Smoking Lounges**



- Premium Cigars & Pipe Tobacco
- Fine Estate Pipes
- Lampe Berget Dealer
- Cigar & Pipe Accessories
- 2 Public & 1 Private Lounge
- Weekly Entertainment
- Sunday NFL Ticket
- Wide Screen HD TV's
- Private Meeting Rooms
- Private Parties & Events
- Cigar Events

**20 North Third Street
Waterville, Ohio**

419-441-0020

www.thirdstreetcigar.com



CONTRIBUTORS



RICHARD E. TODD

Richard E Todd, author of The Golf Rules series and Short Stories from the Long Links, has been heard on the PGA Tour radio station and seen in On The Green magazine. www.TheGolfRules.com
Richard@TheGolfRules.com



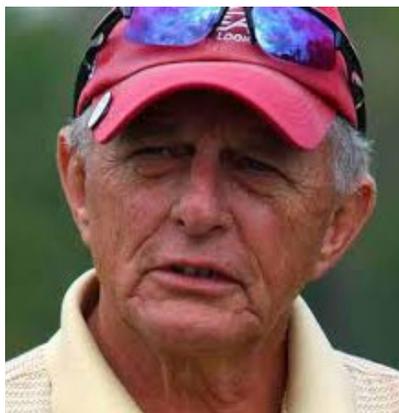
GREG LIBERTO

Greg Liberto developed various mental game training options and has been featured in several publications and on radio and television. He authored "18 Holes," a book with mental game tips. <http://mymentalgamecoach.com/>



MIKE MAY

Mike May is a freelance golf travel writer based in Wellington, Florida. As you would expect, he is a "Golfaholic" focused on beating 'Old Man Par' each time he steps on a golf course. mmaymarketing@gmail.com



ED TRAVIS

Ed Travis is a national award winning golf journalist and has had a lifelong love affair with the game. He has competed in tournament golf both as an amateur and as a senior professional and though his competitive days are behind him, he still plays regularly and carries a handicap of 2. <https://www.facebook.com/ed.travis.98>



ADAM RENY

Adam Reny is an Ohio State University and Evans Scholars alumna. He previously worked with the Inverness Club for 13 years and is now the Executive Director of The First Tee of Lake Erie. www.thefirststeelakeerie.org or email him at [adam.reny@thefirststeelakeerie.org](mailto:reny@thefirststeelakeerie.org)

VIDEOS

RULE YOURSELF; MICHAEL PHELPS



This is not a golf video, but Michael Phelps' performance in the Rio Olympics last month prompted us to offer this tribute to his hard work and dedication to his craft. You may be born with talent, but you must put in the work to be the best. 23 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze is a record that will never be broken.

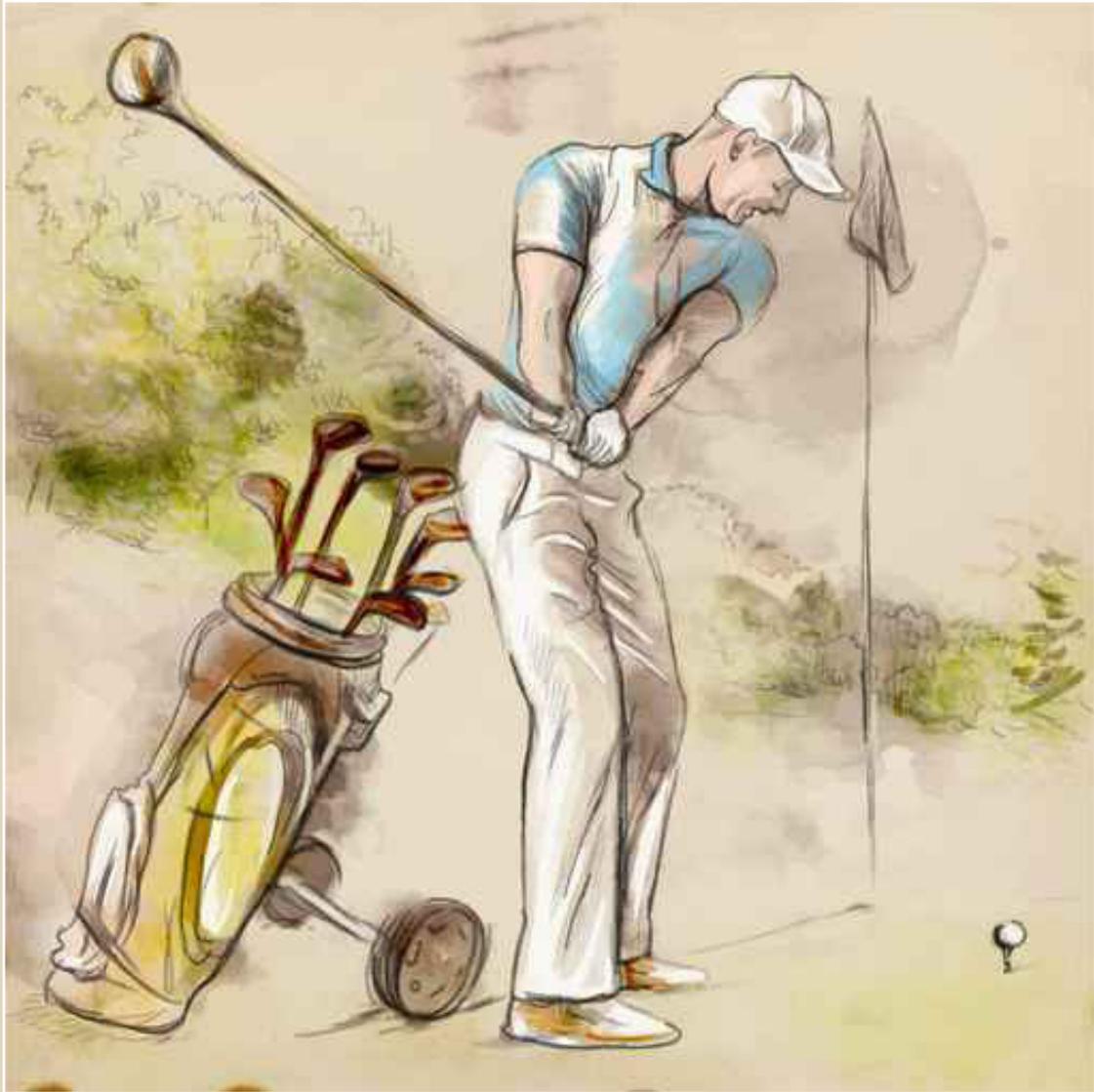
[Watch Now](#) 

THE RYDER CUP IS BORN



The very first Ryder Cup was held in 1921 here is a fantastic video from Golfing World about the history of the beginning of the Ryder Cup.

[Watch Now](#) 



NWO Golf Links

All rights reserved. Copyright 2016.

To advertise please contact: 419-344-3062