

Wivey's League starts 52nd season April 19th

The 52nd season of Wivey's Memorial Golf League will start Wednesday, April 19 at Panorama Golf Course, weather permitting. New partners were selected at the reorganization meeting Tuesday, April 11 at Panorama. 2016 League Champions Karl Herrmann and Tip Tolan received their trophies. Runnerups were Gary Krushinski and Frank Lopera.

The following longtime members were honored: John Kameen, 52 years, only active charter member; Longtime secretary Joe Machek, 40 years; Tom Rivenburgh and Drew Sparks, 15 years; John Banko, Frank Lopera, Wivey Orasin Jr., 10 years; Kevin Smith, 5 years.

Four new members were voted to replace Gus DeMark, Reggie Rudgunas, Tom Piatkowski and John Shea. The new members are: Jack Pisarcik, Kyle Vanbuskirk, Art McLain and Tom Risboskin. Several new substitutes were added to the sub list.

After a long discussion the League voted to set the ages for tee assignments at: White tees, ages 62 to 71; Yellow tees, over age 72. Eleven League members are over 65.

The other rule change is that any ball lost in hazard on Holes #7 and #15 can drop in the designated drop zones and will hit 3 from that point. Last year the player had to hit 4 if they were to carry to the drop zone.

The Hole-in-One fund is now \$1,350 for any League

member who gets an ace during one of the 21 regular League matches. No League member has ever had a hole-in-one during regular League play. Greg Pantzar had an ace during the League Tourney last year. Frank Lopera had an ace during the after-season League games last year.

Frank Lopera agreed to take over the "Closest to the Pin" weekly contest formerly handled by Reggie Rudgunas. Rudgunas moved to Florida last year.

Tom Rivenburgh was honored as Most Improved golfer last year. He dropped his handicap 2.48 strokes during 2016.

All Greens fees and cart fees at Panorama will remain the same. The Vauter Family was thanked for being so cooperative to the League for many years.

Wivey Orasin Jr. will continue to serve as webmaster on the League's website www.wiveysleague.com

Officers re-elected were: President Wivey Orasin Sr., Vice pres. Jim Wells, Secretary Joe Machek, Treasurer Paul Smith.

The rules committee will now be: Chairman Carl Urbas, members Ron Franks, Frank Lopera, Kevin Lesjack and Hank Celbusky.

The annual three-day tournament will be August 18-19-20 with the following committee: Chairman Wivey Orasin Jr., Co-chairman Luke Pisarcik, Brian Fitzsimmons, Paul Smith, Tip Tolan, Jim Walsh.

2011 Teams

- *1. Karl Herrmann-Tip Tolan
2. Gary Krushinski-Bill Francescki
3. Tom Thiede-Jim Striefsky
4. Tom Risboskin-Joe Machek
5. Brian Urbas-Kyle-Vanbuskirk
6. Jack Pisarcik-Bill Heller
7. Andy Striefsky-Scott Fuller
8. Jim Wells-Jim Bishop
9. Jim Fitzsimmons-Dave Shollock
10. Ron Franks-Kevin Lesjack
11. Tony Caudullo-Tom Rivenburgh
12. John Banko-Kevin Smith
13. Wivey Orasin Sr.-John Kameen
14. Luke Pisarcik-Jack Corcoran
15. Carl Urbas-Emil Suchy
16. Frank Lopera-Jim Walsh
17. Jack Sparks-Nelson Herrmann
18. Drew Sparks-Wivey Orasin Jr.
19. Brian Fitzsimmons-Paul Smith
20. Nick Jubinski-Bob Speicher
21. Art McLain-Ed Pearsall
22. Greg Pantzar-Hank Celbusky

Susq. Co. Comm. Waren Office hours

MaryAnn Warren, Susquehanna County Commissioner will meet with residents on Thursday, April 20th between 1 PM and 3 PM at Elegante Restaurant, Main Street, Forest City.

She would like to hear from you if you have concerns or suggestions for our County. No appointment is necessary, her office number is 570.278.6604 if there's something in particular you need or if you would like to schedule an appointment, either in Forest City or Montrose. Stop by, share conversation and a slice of pizza and soda with your Commissioner. We look forward to seeing you.

St. John's RO Church dinner Sun., May 14

St. John's Russian Orthodox Church in Dundaff (off Route 247) will hold its annual Mother's Day Dinner on Sunday, May 14, featuring BBQ chicken and holupki (piggies). Takeouts at 11 a.m. Dinner servings from 12 noon until sold out.

The price is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. For more information or advance ticket sales call 570-955-8758 or 570-585-8940.

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Rep. Jonathan Fritz says He will not forget Forest City

Forest City has a friend in Representative Jonathan Fritz. As the new State Representative for the 111th District, he is a friend to everyone in Wayne and Susquehanna Counties. Mr. Fritz has offered the second Thursday of each month to meet with citizens at Forest City. It was his feeling that Forest City could be too easily overlooked and he is happy to offer his support with any state related issues, problems or questions that folks in our area might have.

It seems that the nicer weather is more conducive to people coming to the Forest City Borough Building to see Representative Fritz and members of his staff. If you have not had the opportunity to meet him already it is likely

he will greet you with a big smile. Perhaps through his service as Mayor for Honesdale and serving as a Commissioner in Wayne County, Mr. Fritz has the ability to make each of his constituents feel as though they are the most important people that he serves.

Representative Fritz says that the job is frustrating and demanding and that he loves it. As a newly elected representative it will take some time for him to be able to show the other representatives in Harrisburg what he can do. He has already been appointed to several committees; House Aging and Older Adult Services, Children and Youth, and Commerce Committees; and is looking forward to being appointed to even more in the following years.

With three offices and four staff members, Representative Fritz and staff are challenged with all of the responsibilities. Through offering office hours in several locations he is trying to stay in contact with as many citizens in his district as possible. He estimates that he might receive 80-100 emails a day.

While there are many issues that our state has to deal with, the most important in the near term has been the budget. Long term a most important issue is the unfunded liability pension obligation. "Small steps are better than none," Representative Fritz said. Tackling the problem head on is an admirable attitude and refreshing change from the "worry about it later" option.

Representative Fritz is a family man and gives much credit to his wife, Donna, who through her support allows him to serve our community. Representative Fritz is also a father of three: Azlyn, Bennett, and Lucas. He enjoys fishing when he has a chance and is also a football coach in the Wayne Highlands District Area in Honesdale.

Citizens can keep informed and in touch in several ways. There is an excellent website at repfritz.com and he is on Facebook also. It is a comfort to know that we have Representative Fritz on our side.

Lynnette's 20th Annual Golf Tourney May 27

Lynnette's Twirlerettes will hold their 20th Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 27 at Skyline Golf Course. Captain and crew format will be used for teams of men, women or mixed.

A steak dinner will be held at the conclusion of golfing at "The Coach" restaurant Carbondale.

To register a team for this fundraising event please contact Lynnette at 570-281-9797

Men's Bowling by Paul Tomazic

Week #28

Congratulations to Guild Flagstone on winning the 2nd Half and by doing so captured the All Season Championship - they also captured the 1st Half crown. Team members are: Dave Pitus, Robby Young, Tom Johnson, Matt and Paul Tomazic, and sub Bobby Johnson.

This week's action had Guild Flagstone taking 21 points from TMT Builder's, Yacinovich Excavating taking 20 points from Kozlowski Towing, and NEP Telephone taking 20 points from Thiede Livestock.

This week's high scratch game and series was 275-705 by Jim Mican. Team High Scratch game and series was 1083-3207 by Guild Flagstone. Team High Handicap game and series was 1266-3756 by Guild Flagstone.

Other scores: Tom Johnson 268-688, Ed Kozlowski Jr 254-687, Matt Tomazic 248-678, Paul Tomazic 246-654, Robby Young 235-654, Derek Benson 224-651, Al Snyder 247-645, Mark Opie 242-632, Dave Carroll 230-628, Bob Smith 232-623, Chris Lutz 216-610, Bryan Tallman 226-582, Trevor Payne 223-579, Mike Cottrell 203-574, Ed Kozlowski Sr 547, Hank Morris 541, Blake Tyson 212-33 and Dave Pitus.

The 6-7-10 split was converted by Chris Lutz this week.

The annual outing will be held on Saturday, June 3 at the Red School House. Team captains need to get me an attendance count 2 weeks before. Hope to see everyone at the outing.

And finally, I would like to thank the News for covering our league throughout the year.

Standings	
Guild Flagstone	244 1/2
TMT Builder's	242
Yacinovich Excavating	205 1/2
NEP Telephone	191 1/2
Kozlowski Towing	187
Thiede Livestock	173 1/2



How much difference does having the right shaft make to your golf clubs? It can make a huge difference and can lead to perhaps the most improvement possible in a short amount of time. Golf can be difficult and if your shafts in your golf clubs are the right flex, length and material it is likely that golf can become a lot easier and a lot more fun practically overnight.

The five factors that determine how far and straight a golf ball will fly are: contact or where on the clubface you hit the ball; club speed; the path your club follows to and past the ball; club face position, whether square to your target line, open or closed; and the angle of the path of the club moving toward the ball. Wow, that is a lot to think about. Of these five factors how many would you think are influenced by the shaft of your club? Answer: all five.

When we swing a club many things are happening to the shaft. The shaft is flexing, also it is twisting (called torque), and then it flexes the other direction. There can be many descriptions for what is happening. Picture a release of the bow string and shooting an arrow as being similar to the flexing of your shaft when hitting a golf ball. Picture hitting a nail squarely with a hammer as similar to the contact with the ball and the club. Picture an airplane landing or taking off as similar to the angle of approach of the club to your golf ball.

If the shaft flexes too much you will lose distance; the ball will fly higher than what will lend the best result. Also any curvature, slicing or hooking will be increased if your shaft is too flexible. If the shaft is too stiff it will be hard to get the distance you would otherwise get and it will be difficult to hit the ball very high in the situations where you would like to have a high ball flight.

Younger, stronger golfers will still be best served with steel shafts for the best control of their shots. Many golf-

Earth Day Clean up on D&H trail April 22 & 23

Celebrate Earth Day with Rail-Trail Council of NEPA for our annual spring clean-up on the D&H trail. We will partner with "Friends of the Starrucca Creek" on April 22 and 23 in support of their efforts to clean up the trail in the Thompson Area. Volunteers meet 9 AM, rain or shine on the D&H Trail in Thompson off of State Route 171 near Rooney's Ice Cream Shop. Cleanup supplies will be provided as will lunch. Volunteers are welcome one or both days. Let's keep our trail beautiful, healthy and happy!

For more information: trails@nep.net 679-9300. The Great American Cleanup attracts over 4 million volunteers nationwide in what is the largest annual community improvement program. Help us keep PA beautiful!

FCR Softball Report

FC vs. Montrose April 11

Montrose's pitcher Madelynn Guinane gave up 5 hits, struck out 13, and only gave up 1 earned run. She also scored 2 runs to help propel the Lady Meteors to victory over the Lady Foresters. Emily Lewis had a hit that drove in the lone run for the Lady Foresters.

Model train show Sun., April 23

A model train show and sale will be held Sunday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 17 Columbus Ave., Hawley. The cost is \$3 for admission and under 12 with an adult is free. For more information call Bill Delling at 570-226-3206.

Clifford UM Church dinner Tues., May 16

The Clifford United Methodist Church, Main Street, Clifford, will hold a Chicken-Biscuit or Ham Dinner on Tuesday, May 16th from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Take out or Dine with us. Donation \$8.95 includes dinner, dessert & drink.

ers can gain an advantage with graphite shafts which are made of woven carbon fibers. The shafts are lighter in weight which can contribute to more club speed. Regardless of whether you choose steel or graphite shafts it is important to choose the right flex point.

Different shafts flex at different locations of the shaft. This is also called the kick point. Some shafts flex more towards the grip and some shafts can flex more towards the tip or nearer the club head. A general rule of thumb is a higher flex point, nearer the grip, will produce a lower ball flight. A lower flex point, nearer the club head will produce a higher ball flight. The proper choice of a shaft can produce different shot results with the same golf swing. Do you need to know all of these things to play golf? Of course not. Can learning more about how a shaft affects your shots make your game better? Most definitely so.

My personal experience was while in the Air Force and having a set of Ben Hogan Apex irons, quite popular at the time, but the performance of the clubs was really disappointing. Having new clubs should have made a real difference and led to improvement. Was it my swing, I wondered? Fortunately I had a friend that was knowledgeable about shafts and told me that the shafts were the reason why the clubs were so poor. After he changed the Apex shafts for Dynamic Gold shafts the difference was amazing. Overnight the clubs were now performing like a dream come true. It was an eye-opening experience of the importance that the shaft makes to a golf club. It was also quite a comfort to know that it wasn't a problem with my golf swing as much as it was the effect of the shafts in the clubs.

Best wishes for a great season. The golf courses will get better and better now that the weather is improving. If you would like help with your golf game feel welcome to contact me at arthurmcclain@yahoo.com and see my ad in the Forest City News.

Pheasant Permit Needed in 2017-18

Adult and senior hunters in Pennsylvania who pursue pheasants will need to purchase a pheasant permit in addition to a general hunting license in the 2017-18 license year.

The Pennsylvania Board of Game Commissioners gave final approval to creating a pheasant permit that would be required for all adult and senior hunters who pursue or harvest pheasants.

The permit would cost \$25 for adults and seniors, including senior lifetime license holders. Junior hunters would not need a permit to hunt pheasants.

Winning pitcher Kary Gillette led the way for the Lady Foresters with 3 triples, 6 RBIs, and 8 strike outs. Heather Agentovich also had 3 hits and 3 runs. The whole team contributed to snap an 18 game losing streak. Emily Lawrence had a triple and drove in 2 runs for Susquehanna.

FC vs. Susq. April 13

The Aldenville Baptist Church, Rt. 170 Aldenville, will be holding their HUGE annual Indoor-Outdoor Rummage Sale and Yard Sale on Saturday May 27, from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. We have a huge variety of low priced good quality items including, antiques, household items, furniture, books, tools, toys and lots more. Bargain hour, 12:00 - 1:00. There will also be a bake sale with a large variety of homemade baked goods, refreshments will also be available. All proceeds benefit mission outreach projects.

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