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Let the games begin!

7th annual tournament is set for June

It's that time again to clean your clubs, groove your swing, and practice, practice, practice your putting. The game is about to begin!

Begin now to get yourself into shape because when the tournament begins, you may need the stamina to play in 90° heat, walk up and down hills, and swing your clubs for up to five hours.

The most exciting Annual Cruze Family Invitational Golf Tournament is about to begin and is reserved for only those select few, (and their spouses), who are direct descendants of Carl and Leona Cruze. Be there!

The tournament begins on Saturday and ends on Sunday. The best score from Sunday's game wins the tournament. However, if Sunday's game cannot be completed, then the best score from Saturday's game wins the tournament.

Although Saturday's game is not required, it's your chance to become familiar with the course, that is, find the traps, trees, water, blind shots, and observe pin placements.

Remember there are no "gimmies" in this tournament and you can stop swinging only after your ball is in the cup.

The winner of the tournament will be presented with a traveling trophy where they will have their name engraved on it for all time. No one has been able to win the trophy three years in a row and there is considerable unspoken competition for that honor. CNN



Picture yourself here.

Put yourself high above the most scenic green on the course. Imagine how many balls have been hit short into the water, and then consider this: are you going to be the only one who plays it safe by aiming short and left?

By the 17th hole, the leaderboard will be as tight as any you've seen. This is where the hearty are separated from the hackers. Its beauty has lulled many into complacency only to snap them back into reality when their ball lands in the water. (2 stroke penalty).

If you think you have the nerves, join in the competition. There's no entry fee for the Cruze Family tournament, only "green fees", tees, and golf balls. To enter, call Greg at **320-685-4034** before June 2nd. Miss the deadline and you'll miss the



The seventh annual Cruze Family Golf tournament is scheduled to be held the weekend of June 24th and 25th.

This year, the tournament is expected to be hosted at the Koronis Golf Club in Paynesville, Minn. The club is well known in Central Minnesota and has been courting our business for the last few years.

The course has a good mixture of easy and difficult holes. The first nine fairways are nearly wide open, with only a few trees. The second nine, however, has many more trees and "prudence" is the operative word.

Perhaps the most scenic hole on the course is the 17th, which, although short, is very challenging. (See inset picture in center of page).

What you can't see in the picture are the many shade trees outlining the tee area. Even on the hottest day, this is a great place to slow the game down a little and just enjoy the hill-top breeze.

The 17th tee overlooks its green which is outlined on the short side by water and reeds, and on the far side by sand and many trees with low hanging branches.

Making par on this hole requires nerves of steel and all the luck you can muster. (AP)

