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Litchfield

his year, the 2012 Cruze Family Invitational Golf Tournament will again be played at the Litchfield Golf Course.

The rules for the tournament are simple - in order to win, you have to be eligible, you have to sign up, you have to show up, and you have to have the lowest score.

Only a select few are eligible to play in this tournament. If you are one of the few who are direct descendants of Carl and Leona Cruze, (or are one of their spouses or children) you are invited to play in this year's Cruze Family Invitational Golf Tournament.

Signing up for the tournament is as easy as dialing a telephone and giving your name to the tournament director. Not calling the director is the only way you can miss the fun.

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 the pin placements.

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

The winner will be presented with a



6th hole—Par 4

traveling trophy which will have their name engraved on it for all time <u>and</u> will receive a stylish cap with the tournament name and year on it.

A special feature of the tournament is that the player with the highest score gets to have their picture taken while presenting the trophy to the winner of the tournament. We suggest that you don't waste any strokes.

Registration Instructions:

If you want to play in this year's tournament, call this year's director to get your name on the list. Telling someone else in the hopes they will remember to tell the director has not worked well in the past.

Call **Roger** at **952-926-3198** <u>before</u> <u>July 5th</u> to reserve your place. Because of the "Pot Luck" dinner, there won't be a tournament entry fee. See the back for more details on how to help with the potluck. You'll have to pay



for your "green fees", tees, and golf balls. Miss the deadline and you'll miss the tournament. Staff writer

19th annual tournament is set for July

he nineteenth annual Cruze Family Invitational Golf tournament is scheduled to be held the weekend of July 28th and 29th.

The family golf tournament will again be played at the Litchfield Golf Course in Litchfield. It's located on the South West side of town. It is one of the easier courses that we've played because it's fairly flat and there is relatively little water.

Last year, the winning score was in the high 80's and that was without Jacob in the line up. The word is that if Jake is able to play this year, and we have good weather (*i.e.* only a slight breeze and no rain), the winning score could easily be in the <u>mid</u> to <u>low</u> 80's. Don't waste <u>any</u> strokes.

The hole that will likely decide the match will be the 6th. It's only a par four, but it's difficult because the tee shot has to avoid water, marsh, and trees on both sides of the fairway. For the unwary, it could easily take four strokes to get to the green.

Once on the green, the players will find the most difficult putting surface on the course. It slopes dramatically from the back to the front and from the left to the right. "Two putting" this green will considered an accomplishment.

Whoever pars the 6th hole will likely be in contention for the trophy. Keep your

ball straight down the center from the tee and take your time to line up the putt once you're on the green. Staff writer



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Remember that this year the Poker tournament is in <u>June</u> and the Family Golf tournament is in <u>July</u>. Don't wait until July to play in the family poker tournament.

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Daniel was clearly the most improved player last year. He cut off almost 20 strokes from his game. Danny, we're pulling for you to do even better this year.

Once a dentist and a manicurist got married, they fought tooth and nai





Greg coasted to victory in the family's annual Texas Hold'em Poker tournament.

Michelle and Roger made it another father/ daughter golf tournament last year.

Michelle easily won her tournament and Roger sealed his victory with a birdie on the 18th hole.

A will is a dead giveaway.

Saturday Pot luck Dinner

It's too expensive for the host to purchase all of the food for the Saturday pot luck dinner. So, in lieu of an entry fee for the tournament, Mike and Jan will again be asking you to volunteer to bring some food and/or supplies to share.

Mike and Jan will be sending an email to everyone with a list of the needed food and/or supplies. When you get the list, consider signing up to help them. They will follow up with a call. Let them know no later than the first of July how you will be helping, so that he can prepare accordingly.



I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.

Tournament dates: July 28th and 29th **Tee times:** Saturday's tee time

Groups reserved: Green fees: Saturday's tee time is 7:00am Sunday's tee time is 7:00am up to 24 players \$40.00 includes ½ cart (per round)

The Litchfield Golf Course has a driving range and a small practice putting green.

Our annual family Texas Hold-Em Poker tournament will be held at Mike and Jan's home on <u>Sunday afternoon on June 24th</u>. The tournament will start promptly at 1:00 pm and will end promptly at 6:00 pm. Mike and Jan will be sending everyone directions, times, and requests for chairs (if necessary).

Mike and Jan are doing double duty this year, so any help you can give them will be appreciated.

