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Eagle Creek

26th annual tournament is set for July

This year, the 2018 Cruze Family Invitational Golf Tournament will again be played at the Eagle Creek Golf Course in Willmar.

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. It's also your chance to join in the fun of our team competition.

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 traveling trophy which will have their name engraved on it for all time and



11th hole—Par 4

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.

Also, this year on Sat the 28th, we will have our Second Annual Cruze Family Bean Bag Tournament.

Registration Instructions:

If you want to play in this year's tournament, call **Derrick** at **320-262-9274** before July 5th to reserve your place. Telling someone else in the hopes they will remember to tell the director has not worked well in the past.

Because of the "Pot Luck" dinner, there won't be a tournament entry fee. See the second page 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

The twenty sixth annual Cruze Family Invitational Golf tournament is scheduled to be held the week-end of July 28th and 29th.

This is one of the more challenging courses we've played. There only a few holes on this course where we can hit the ball as hard as we want.

The 6th hole will test your nerves. It's only a par 3, however, it's a peninsula green with a creek running in front and along the left, and then there's a small pond right behind the green. The safe shot here is to stay to the right and then hope for a good pitch to the pin, saving par.

The 11th hole and is a good example of where caution will generally save you a stroke. Hook it to the left on this one or slice it to the right and you'll lose 2 strokes to the field of players.

A prudent safe shot is about 125 yards into the center of the fairway. The fairway opens up a little around 125 yards. You won't gain a stroke on the field by playing safe, but you won't lose a stroke either.

Hole #13 is one of the few holes where the big hitters can show off. It's a long par 5 with a lot of trees on the right and out-of-bounds on the left. At least one of our players should be on (or near) the green in two. Depending on the pin placement, this could be a birdie hole. However, for the rest of us, a bogie (6) will be a decent score.

Get into trouble on this course and you could easily score over 100. The winning score will probably be in the mid to high 80's. Bring your "A" game.



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Future Winners



The 2018 Defenders

If you're born-again, do you have two belly buttons?

Saturday (July 28th) 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, **Derrick and Elizabeth** will be furnishing only the hamburgers, hotdogs, plates, and plastic ware.



Plan on bringing a salad or dessert to share. In the past, we've had around 35 people for the potluck. You might consider bringing a few chairs (or folding tables) with you, just in case.

More to follow from **Derrick and Elizabeth** via emails.



Age is a very high price to pay for maturity.

If you ate pasta and antipasta, would you still be hungry?

Tournament dates: July 28th & 29th
Tee times: Saturday's tee time is 8:00am
 Sunday's tee time is 8:00am
Groups reserved: up to 24 players
Green fees: \$42.00

There is a driving range and a putting green.



Wanted - Alive \$10 bounty



This year's Annual Family Texas Hold'em tournament will be hosted by Art in Paynesville. The costume theme of the tournament is "Conspiracy Theories."

Emails will follow with more details.



A Smith and Wesson beats four aces.

The tournament will be held on **Saturday July 21st**. It will **start promptly at 2:00pm** and end around 6:00 pm. **Important note:** Roger is the first to win the tournament three times. He will be insufferably proud if we let him win again this year. He already thinks he's pretty good. Consider keeping his betting "honest."