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River Oaks

27th annual tournament is set for July

This year, the 2019 Cruze Family Invitational Golf Tournament will be played at the River Oaks Golf Course in Cold Spring.

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



1st 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 27th, we will have our Third Annual Cruze Family Bean Bag Tournament.

Registration Instructions:

If you want to play in this year's tournament, call **Greg at 320-249-2920 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 seventh annual Cruze Family Invitational Golf tournament is scheduled to be held the weekend of July 27th and 28th.

The River Oaks golf course has a "slope" of 124 (from the white tees). That means that it's a challenging course. Remember that when you're guiding your ball around or alongside the trees on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 15th holes.

On the first hole, you need to drive your ball straight, just to the left of a stand of trees, for about 200 yards, Anything beyond 200 yards needs to have a gentle curve to the right.

Once you make it around the corner, your next shot needs to clear a small creek and get through a 30 foot opening in the trees.

The green is heavily sloped from back to the front. Get the ball close to the cup on your first try, because a two-putt is no guarantee. Par is a good score.

An even more challenging hole is the par 4, 15th. While it's only 387 yards and mostly downhill, your tee shot needs to carefully negotiate the "out of bounds" on the left, the row of trees on the right, and a severe slope on the right side of the fairway.

If you like to spank your ball from the tee box, this fairway could easily cost you a stroke. A miss-hit, and you'll find your ball next to one of the trees at the bottom of the hill with no shot to the green.

The winning score will likely be in the mid to high 80's.

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Future Winners



I wish the buck stopped here.



The 2019 Defenders

It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.



Saturday (July 27th) 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, **Greg and Danny** 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 (and/or folding tables) with you, just in case.

More to follow from **Greg and Danny** via emails.



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

Tournament dates: July 27th & 28th
Tee times: Saturday's tee time is 8:00am
Sunday's tee time is 8:00am
Groups reserved: up to 24 players
Green fees: \$25.00 includes a cart

There is no driving range.
There is a putting green.

Emails will follow with more details.



Wanted - Alive \$10 bounty



This year's Annual Family Texas Hold'em tournament will be hosted by **Diane & Bob** in their new home in Cold Spring.

The poker tournament will be held on **Saturday, July 20th.**

The theme of the tournament is "Your Favorite Entertainer"

Food is served at 11:00, registration and payment happens at 11:30, and (ready or not) the cards are in the air at 12:00.

The tournament is expected to end around 4:00 pm.

