



Tree Talk



Pride and Professionalism

By Mike Kelly



The shepherd drives the wolf from the sheep's throat, for which the sheep thanks the shepherd as his liberator, while the wolf denounces him for the same act as the destroyer of liberty.

Abraham Lincoln (1809 - 1865)

(The following is an article that I wrote several years ago. I thought it was worth a rewrite) Thanks

Thanks. My grandmother would say you must thank everyone for everything. Even after the class bully gave you a black eye and stole your lunch money. Her logic always encompassed some sort of hidden meaning for me, but rest assured, she knew. And usually you did as well, once she got finished with her lecture.

As we approach the holiday season, I can't help but reflect on how wise this woman truly was.

Let's face it, we seem to expect things to go our way all of the time. And when they don't, we are not thankful, but full

of resentment. And when things do go our way, very seldom do we stop and thank anyone, because we expected it that way in the first place.

Imagine a world where people thanked you for even the slightest thing. How do you think you would feel if you were thanked even when you may be criticizing or complaining about something or someone? My bet is we would try to do a better job.

Take the example of an employee thinking he or she was doing the right thing and in reality was screwing up royally. The boss, when he finds out, instead of criticizing, thanks the employee for at least trying, but guides the employee to a better solution. I believe the employee tries harder the next time.

Thanking someone, when you think about it, takes very little energy. If it's just a simple note, handshake, or for the extravagant, a nice gift, I guarantee it will be well accepted. And I bet you're going to make a lot of new friends.

Now for some of my thank you: Thanks to the owner of this fine establishment. Without him we may all be bowling. Thanks to the maintenance crew who has kept our golf course looking its best in years. Thanks to the managers of each department. Without them, I may be in

an insane asylum. Thanks to all of the employees for their hard work and dedication. And finally a special Thank You to all of our members for their unending dedication, their suggestions, their criticisms (which always keeps me humble) and their willingness to try new things.

Don't forget to thank a Vet on November 11.



Dinner Buffet 11AM till 3 PM

Pro Shop News

By Rick Green



PGA Pro

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Lane Tree Golf Notes-October and November

Lane Tree Wins Interclub Matches 18.5 to 11.5

Interclub matches with Southern Wayne CC were played on Saturday and Sunday, October 25 and 26. On Saturday, Lane Tree hosted 6 matches between two person teams playing best ball, superball, and alternate stroke formats. At the end of the Saturday round Lane Tree had a commanding lead of 13.5 points to 4.5 points. Southern Wayne won 7 points to 5 points in the Singles matches on Sunday at SWCC but the final count was **Lane Tree 18.5 and Southern Wayne 11.5.**

Congratulations to our Lane Tree team: Tony Barrow, Kevin Best, Brandon Campbell, Bill German, Roland Gurley, Dick Kirk, Shane Ogburn, Dustin Smith, Darrin Stephens, Jonathan Sutton, Grant Webber, and John Zambelli.

Lane Tree Ladies Golf Association October 28, 2014

We are pleased to announce our newest member, Shirley Baker to our ladies association. We welcome you to Lane Tree. We all enjoyed meeting you and look forward to playing golf with you.

LT Ladies played competitively with East Carolina League at Kinston Country Club October 9, 2014. The winners are: 1st flight

Cathy Garris - 1st gross

Linda Watson - 2nd net

Shirley Baker - low putts

2nd flight

Mary Ann Sutton 1st gross

3rd flight

Novella Zambelli 1st net

4th flight

Linda Hilburn 2nd gross

Eileen Henderson 1st net

Congratulations Ladies! You represented Lane Tree Ladies Golf Association well. Next ECGL will be at Walnut Creek November 13, 2014.

The Holidays are upon us and are filled with many social gatherings of family, friends, dinners, and parties quickly fill our calendars. Ladies please remember to mark your calendars for December 6, 2014 for our Christmas Party. It will be at LTGC at 10 am. Bring your \$10 Dirty Santa's gift. We will have brunch and if weather permits play golf. We welcome all lady Lane Tree Members to come be a part of our group.

Seasons come and seasons go. Time changes many things. May you always be surrounded by the smiles of friends and love of family.

Wishing you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving.