

HOLMES SEEKING RECORD 7TH WINTER LEAGUE TITLE

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Local knowledge:

They don't give out green jackets, but Gene Holmes is to the Winter Golf League what Jack Nicklaus is to The Masters.

Holmes has won this event, considered the second-oldest men's amateur tournament in the country, a record-sharing six times.

Friday, the retired auto dealer from Long Island will attempt to break the record co-held by the late Joseph Sylvestri when the Winter Golf League convenes for the 85th time at The Breakers Hotel Golf Club. Holmes, a member at Admirals Cove in Jupiter, won the Winter Golf League in 1983, 1986, 1987, 1989, 1991 and 1992.

Holmes, 64, was the club champion at the Loxahatchee Club in 1987 and `88. He won the Long Island Senior Championship three times and was club champion at North Hills CC in Manhassett, N.Y., 13 times.

That he's even playing is considered a miracle. In March, Holmes was in a car accident on Hood Road. He didn't play for three months, and his handicap went up two strokes, to 5.

"I'm lucky to be alive," Holmes said. "I count my blessings more and more every day."

* Queen of the Par 3s: Jane Crafter will defend her title Monday in the 10th Palm Beach Par-3 Benefit Pro-Am. Crafter has won the tournament three of the last four years. In 1991, she shot a tournament-record six-under-par 48 to defeat Amy Benz and Beth Daniel by six strokes. Her first victory was in 1989, when she shot 49 to beat Daniel by two strokes. Last year, she shot 50 to beat Judy Dickinson by five.

Crafter will be competing against a field of 18 that includes LPGA locals JoAnne Carner, Missie Berteotti, Dickinson, Marlene Floyd, Lori Garbacz, Michelle McGann, Cathy Morse, Muffin Spencer-Devlin and Becky Pearson.

* Big Coup for The Bear: LPGA Player of the Year Dottie Mochrie became the first marquee name on the women's tour to sign with Golden Bear Sports Management.

Mochrie was in Nicklaus' office in North Palm Beach Tuesday to negotiate and sign the contract. She and her husband Doug handled her endorsements and career management. GBI was her choice over International Management Group to coordinate a worldwide marketing plan.

* Not `in charge' on the golf course: One of the celebrities who competed in the Growing Together Pro-Am Monday at Atlantis CC was Gen. Alexander Haig, the former NATO commander, White House chief of staff and secretary of state. Haig, who lives in Palm Beach and occasionally plays the Everglades Club, was on the team that shot the highest score, a three-under 69, in a scramble. "He's certainly a guy who keeps you laughing," said one of his partners, Walter Hinkel of Stuart. "When he catches it, he catches it. But none of us did well yesterday."

* San Filippo to defend: The past six champions will be competing in the Founders Club PGA Stroke Play Championship beginning Thursday on the Estates and Champion courses at PGA National Golf Club. Mike San Filippo (1992), Tom Wargo (1991), Larry Rentz (1990), Darrell Kestner (1989), Bob Ford (1988) and Lonnie Nielsen (1987) are in the field of 369.

South Florida Section champion Greg Cerulli of Port St. Lucie, section runner-up Tom Cleaver and senior tour rookie Richie Bassett of Palm Beach Gardens are considered the best players from Palm Beach County competing for a purse of \$69,000.

* Civic pride on the line: What Palm Beach County city has the best golf team?

That question will be answered in the inaugural Palm Beach Golf Cup, a competition to be played at the Delray Beach Municipal Golf Course April 10.

There will be a men's and a women's division, and a net mixed division.

Qualifying will be March 20 at the Delray Beach course.

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SOCIETY SADDLES UP FOR BENEFIT

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Saddle up! The American Cancer Society's second Wild Western Party is at 6 p.m. Feb. 27 at the Diamond C Ranch in West Palm Beach. Sponsored by the New Directions-- the young professionals who raise money for the Cancer Society -- the party's chairmen are Dee Dee McMahon and Mike Massey.

Cow poke attending the party will be treated to country fixin's, dancing, hayrides, raffles and a silent auction. Advance tickets are on sale now for \$15 for New Directions members, \$20 for non-members. McMahaon and Massey are still looking for underwriters for the event. Call 655-4611 for information.

DOCTOR TO RECEIVE SPECIAL HONOR

Hats off to Jupiter pediatrician Dr. Edgar W. Stephens. On Friday, he'll receive the Legion of Honor Bronze Medallion awarded by the Chapel of Four Chaplains for his lifelong dedication to humanitarian servce.

The ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday at the First United Methodist Church, 815 E. Indiantown Road in Jupiter. A reception will follow. Stephen has been practicing in Palm Beach County since 1939.

The Chapel recognizes those who provide service to their fellowman without regard to race, religion or creed in keeping with the spirit of the sacrifice of the Four Chaplains. The medallion is given for a lifetime marked by selfless service in the community.

The Chapel is a non-profit organization designed to promote interfaith/ interethnic cooperation among people.

PSYCHOLOGIST RECOGNIZED

Another local public servant has been honored by his peers. James Woodward, supervising psychologist for Area IV of the Palm Beach County School System, has been elected president of the Florida Association of School Psychologists. Woodward hopes to help school psychologists through a period of change in their profession. He foresees them helping at-risk children before problems become severe.

GROWING TOGETHER EVENT

Growing Together, Inc., an adolescent drug and alcohol treatment center, will be holding a benefit at Palm Beach Polo and Country Club in Wellington on Sunday, March 14, for the Rolex Gold Cup event.

Alan Gerstel of Channel 12 will be the master of ceremonies.

General admission tickets are \$5 for children and \$10 for adults. Tickets for the polo match and the luncheon at the Enclosure Club are \$25. There will be raffles throughout the day.

For more information, call 585-0892.

GOODMAN ADVANCES AT WPEC-TV

Judy Goodman has been appointed vice president/editorial director at WPEC- Channel 12. She and the station's president, Bill Peterson, will deliver editorials on the air beginning this month.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN NAMED

John Brogan was chairman of the American Ireland Fund's Jan. 28 gala. Committee members working with him were Felice Lippert, Alexander Haig, Brian Burns and Dr. James Carroll. Anthony O'Reilly was honorary chairman.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NAMED

Patricia Erdman has been named executive director of the Property Owner's Association at Ibis Golf and Country Club. Prior to her work with Ibis, Erdman was assistant executive director of the Property Owner's Association at PGA National.

PROFESSIONAL WOMAN RECOGNIZED

Toby Chabon has won the Athena Award of Palm Beach County. The award is sponsored nationwide by Oldsmobile and honors women for professional accomplishments. Chabon is president of Chabon & Associates Inc. She has also directed entrepreneur training for women at Palm Beach Community College, launched career training and services for single parents and displaced homemakers and cowritten a book, Job Applicant's Guide to Great Performance. Runners-up for the Athena Award were Mary Casey, director of governmental and community relations for Moyle, Flanigan, Katz, Fitzgerald & Sheehan, P.A. and Lisa Miller, a partner at the same firm.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY

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BEACHCOMBER FAMILY CENTER FOR ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ADDICTION, for profit, private, no affiliation. Address: 4493 N. Ocean Blvd., Delray Beach. Beds: 16. Visiting Hours: Family program twice a week. Programs: Drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults. Phone: 734-1818.

CHARTER HOSPITAL AND COUNSELING CENTER, for profit, affiliated with Charter Medical Corp. Address: 1950 Benoist Farms Road, West Palm Beach. Beds: 60. Visiting hours: Varies according to program. Programs: Psychiatric treatment for children, adolescents and adults. Day programs. Phone: 687-1511.

COMPREHENSIVE ALCOHOLISM REHABILITATION PROGRAMS INC., non-profit, public. Address: 5400 East Ave., West Palm Beach. Beds: 160. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults and adolescents. Detoxification and outpatient programs. Phone: 844-6400.

THE CORNERSTONE, for-profit, affiliated with Wellington Regional Medical Center, owned by Universal Health Services. Address: 10101 Forest Hill Blvd., West Palm Beach. Beds: 16. Visiting Hours: Sundays, 1-5 p.m. Programs: Drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults. Detoxification and outpatient programs. Phone: 798-8540.

FAIR OAKS HOSPITAL, for profit, affiliated with National Medical Enterprises. Address: 5440 Linton Blvd., Delray Beach. Beds: 102. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults, adolescents and senior citizens. Day programs. Phone: 495-1000.

45TH STREET MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, non profit, public. Address: 1041 45th St., West Palm Beach. Beds: 44. Medicare beds, plus 15 adolescent beds in the center's Residential Learning Center. Visiting Hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Short-term psychiatric treatment for adults, adolescents and senior citizens. Phone: 844-9741.

GLENBEIGH HOSPITAL, for profit, affiliated with Glenbeigh Inc. Address: 4700 N. Congress Ave., West Palm Beach. Beds: 60. Visiting hours: Varies according to floor and day. Programs: Treatment of drug addiction, alcoholism and eating disorders for adults and adolescents. Phone: 848-5500.

GRATITUDE HOUSE, non-profit, no affiliation. Address: 317 N. Lakeside Court, West Palm Beach. Beds: 29. Visiting Hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for women. Day programs. Special program for pregnant, drug-addicted women. Phone: 833-6826.

GROWING TOGETHER INC., non-profit, private, no affiliation. Address: 1013 Lucerne Ave., Lake Worth. Beds: None. Program uses host families. Visiting Hours: Not applicable. Programs: Drug abuse treatment for adolescents. Heavy family involvement in structured environment. Phone: 585-0892.

HANLEY-HAZELDEN CENTER AT ST. MARY'S, non-profit, affilliated with The Hazelden Foundation. Address: 5200 East Ave., West Palm Beach. Beds: 71. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults. Phone: 848-1666.

NATIONAL RECOVERY INSTITUTES GROUP, for-profit, private, no affiliation. Address: 1000 Northwest 15th St., Boca Raton. Beds: 70. Visiting Hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults. Day and outpatient programs. Phone: 1-800-535-8444.

THE PAVILION OF THE PALM BEACHES, for profit, affiliated with Humana Hospital --Palm Beaches. Address: 2201 45th St., West Palm Beach. Beds: 88. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric treatment for adults and adolescents. Day programs. Phone: 881-2601.

SANDYPINES HOSPITAL, for profit, affiliated with Health Management Associates. Address: 11301 SE Tequesta Terrace, Tequesta. Beds: 60. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for children/adolescents ages 3 to 18. Outpatient and day programs and summer camp for learning disabled children. Phone: 744-0211.

SOUTH COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, non-profit, public. Address: 16155 S. Military Trail, Delray Beach. Beds: 170. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment. Detoxification and outpatient programs and crisis unit for children. Phone: 495-0522.

WESTERN PALM BEACH COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC, non-profit, public. Address: 417 NW 16th St., Belle Glade. Beds: 46. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment. Detoxification program, outpatient services and special program for pregnant, drug-addicted women. Phone: 992-1330.

MARTIN COUNTY

NEW HORIZONS OF THE TREASURE COAST INC., non-profit, private, no affiliation. Address: 800 Avenue H, Fort Pierce Beds: 155 at satellite operations in Fort Pierce, Vero Beach, Stuart, Port St. Lucie and Okeechobee. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment. Detoxification and outpatient programs and special program for drug-addicted, pregnant women. Phone: 468-5600.

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

HCA HARBOUR SHORES, for profit, affiliated with Hospital Corp. of America. Address: 1860 N. Lawnwood Circle, Fort Pierce. Beds: 60. Visiting hours: Varies according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults and adolescents. Day programs and outpatient services. Phone: 466-1500.

THE SAVANNAS HOSPITAL, for profit, affiliated with Mediplex. Address: 2550 SE Walton Rd., Port St. Lucie. Beds: 70. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment for adults and adolescents, intensive therapy services, day programs and an inpatient women's program. Phone: 335-0400.

NEW HORIZONS OF THE TREASURE COAST INC., non-profit, private, no affiliation. Address: 800 Ave. H, Fort Pierce Beds: 155 at satellite operations in Fort Pierce, Vero Beach, Stuart, Port St. Lucie and Okeechobee. Visiting hours: Vary according to program. Programs: Psychiatric, drug abuse and alcoholism treatment. Detoxification and outpatient programs and special program for drug-addicted, pregnant women. Phone: 468-5600.

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MANGRUM RESIGNS FROM ACME BOARD AFTER 13 YEARS

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The Rev. John Man-grum resigned Tuesday from his seat on the Acme Improvement District Board. Mangrum had been a board member nearly 13 years.

He did not attend the meeting Tuesday in which the board adopted its operating budget, but he wrote in a letter that he resigned because of other obligations, particularly his work with ``Growing Together," a teen drug treatment center.

Mangrum, 70, who had been appointed to the Acme board in 1980, was the rector for St. Davids-in-the-Pines Episcopal Church from 1979 until 1990. He described himself as the first average citizen to sit on the board, then comprised of developers, and prided himself on livening dull meetings with a fast joke.

The remaining board members will name a replacement to fill Mangrum's seat within 30 days, under the board's guidelines.

The board adopted its operating budget after three hours of discussion, but few sizeable cuts were made to the \$6.7 million spending plan.

Acme kept enough money on hand in case it needs to beef up its staff with six additional people, install a new phone system and make renovations costing \$242,000 after a management audit of its operations.

"We're in such a state of transition I'm not sure that we can eliminate these," Board Chairman Kathy Foster said. Board member Debbie Brisson wanted to eliminate about \$500,000 worth of proposed expenses from the budget, including most of the renovations, the new phone system, the six new employees and the public information office and its one employee.

But none of the four other board members supported slashing the budget that much.

Board members agreed to contract with the Wellington Little League and Swim Team for recreation services and give them \$10,000 and \$2,425, respectively.

And it agreed to place \$7,000 in contingency for girls softball and lights for the parking lot that serves as its roller hockey rink.

WHAT ACME DID TUESDAY

In other business, the board:

AGREED to request proposals for a management audit of its entire operation and an audit of its finances.

APPROVED a proposed contract to hire Colin P. Baenziger as its new administrator at an annual salary of \$67,500. He is expected to begin work Oct. 1.

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AGENCY GIVES COUNSELING TO GAYS, THEIR FAMILIES

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QUESTION: I have known that I am a homosexual for a long time, but I have tried to deny it. I have come to the conclusion that I must admit it, especially to my parents. Before I do this, I want to know where we can all go for counseling.

ANSWER: Compass, Inc. is the place for you as well as your parents and loved ones to go. The agency provides support for the gay community of Palm Beach County. It offers information and referral, counseling and AIDS education and has a new teen program which offers counseling and support for gay, lesbian and bisexual teens. No fees are charged. Contact them at 966-3050 or 966-3777.

Q: My 14-year-old daughter is on crack. She finally broke down and decided to get help for her habit. We have agreed that an in-patient program would be the best for her. Where can she get the help that she needs?

A: Growing Together, Inc. is a residential program for adolescents 12 to 22 years of age. The agency has in-patient programs which involve the family and the adolescent client. Clients are in day care and treatment at the facility and go to host families for the night. Host families are families who are further along in the program. Family counseling is mandatory and all families who have been treated must help new ones. The average stay is 14 months. For further information, call 585-0892.sistance for a given problem.

If you want to know more about where to turn for help with a particular need, or know someone else who does, call Crisis Line. The telephone number in the West Palm Beach area is 547-1000; in the south county, 243-1000; the Glades, 996-1121.

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