

In Loving Memory of James Rooney

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Middle Atlantic Blind Golf Association

Turning Obstacles into Opportunities

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Dear Friends, Coaches, and Members of MABGA:

Welcome! Once again, we are gathered to celebrate our anniversary of the Middle Atlantic Blind Golf Association (MABGA). This year is the 76th anniversary of our organization's inception. Our founding fathers were visionaries who brought the joy of golf to visually impaired and blind people.

Since our beginning in 1948, the MABGA has broadened our scope to include sponsorship to fourteen junior golf events a year and in 2021, we proudly announce the completion of our second junior golf course, the Kritz Golf Course on the grounds of the New York Institute for Special Education.

Our adult program regularly hosts approximately thirty outings each year in addition to our annual fundraising tournament.

The Middle Atlantic Blind Golf Association (MABGA) extends beyond the sport of golf, offering a supportive community where blind and visually impaired individuals can enhance their physical and mental health. Through the game of golf, MABGA provides a platform for social interaction, physical activity, and the enjoyment of nature.

Essential to our existence is a big thank you to our coaches. Without them, we could not play golf at all! Their gifts of time, talent and patience are appreciated by each member of MABGA.

Additionally, thank you to every golf club, which welcomes us to its facilities. We appreciate you for the extra dimension you add to our lives.

Our fundraiser relies on the generous support of our advertisers and sponsors, who make it possible for us to host this event. The entry fee that we charge for playing is only a fraction of the actual cost of the venue, and it does not generate any profit for our cause. where we make our profit is from the Ads and sponsorships donations.

The continuing success of MABGA depends on all our members, coaches and friends continuing to support MABGA on our cause to help our blind and visually impaired adult and junior golf programs. Will you help us to keep MABGA strong going forward?

Sincerely.

Middle Atlantic Blind Golf Association

Mario Tobia, President



MEGA THANK YOU, MICHAEL MOLLOY! YOU ARE BEING A MOST MAGNIFICENT JUNIOR GOLF DIRECTOR! ALL OF THE JUNIOR GOLFERS ARE FILLED WITH ABSOLUTE JOY! MOST BESTESTNESS! THE OLDER MABGA'RS 😊 👙

In GREAT TRIBUTE to



Steve Rodos



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Paris Sterrett

For all their continuing years of hard work in securing and organizing our wonderful golf outings over many, many years.

We would like to express our heart-felt gratitude and appreciation for all they have done in the past – and still continue to do!

Sincerely,

All the golfers and coaches of MABGA

Thank You for Our Host Clubs

Over the past 76 years through today, many private clubs & public golf courses throughout the Middle Atlantic States have contributed to the success of MABGA. The Association would be hard-pressed to continue to remain in existence without the cooperation & generosity of the golf clubs that have sponsored outings for our blind golfers. The Middle Atlantic Blind Golf Association would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude and appreciation to our members, coaches, clubs & all those who have played a role in the success of MABGA throughout the years. The following are the Host Clubs that have made it possible for MABGA to enjoy its successful 2023 golf season:

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- Radnor Valley Country Club
- Ramblewood Country Club
- Sandy Run Country Club
- Skippack Golf Club
- Valleybrook Golf Club
- Whitemarsh Valley Golf Club
- Worcester Golf Club



In memory of Joe Casey, full of heart and smiles you always were to us!

Much heart and many smiles continued back to you!

All of Us MABGA



JOE CASEY

Thank you for all you did for MABGA and all the memories.

Paris Sterrett

2024 MABGA Invitational Golf Tournament Committee

Leah Kinzinger Julie Sokoloff Jim Olsen Alan Test Mario Tobia

Golfers) & Volunteer Coaches happily worked tirelessly and diligently for the tournament's success & to assure that everyone who participates in the tournament enjoys every aspect of this special event!

And a special thanks to MABGA Member Brian Mackey, our Secretary, for creating, continuously updating our website and keeping the website tournament forms functioning!

Be a Coach

A "Coach" is one who assists a Blind Golfer in addressing the ball and with alignment prior to the stroke. You have a day playing golf too! Join us for a Wonderful Day!

Contact Al Test: 215-745-2323 Alan@MABGA.org

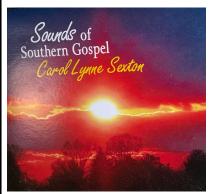
MABGA.org has our History, Newsletter Articles, Videos, Coaches Corner, Outing dates, next year's Tournament and more.

Many Smiles!
May the course be with you!

Best wishes to MABGA for continued success; to a great organization!



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Best to You Always, God Bless You, **MABGA Member Carol Sexton**



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Good luck MABGA!

Tom & Sue Brozena









The MacSwiney Club 510 Greenwood Avenue Jenkintown, Pennsylvania



Memory of Cletus Stanton

The MacSwiney Club congratulates the Middle Atlantic Blind Golf Association for all the wonderful work with and support of the vision impaired.





Happy Golfing!





Crowing out the ads again!

You will be muchly missed, "Roo" - Rooster Cogburn.
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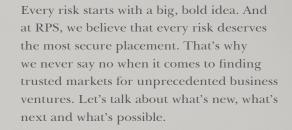
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MABGA Member Alan Test



BEST WISHES MABGA 🦞





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~MABGA'r Lion Leah Kinzinger ~





I could be a Caddie!

In loving memory of Owen B. Schmidt, Jr. ("Schmidty")

a member of MABGA for several years

 who taught us many of the most
 important lessons in life and who also
 taught us to love to play golf.

We would like to thank the entire MABGA organization and past and present members for all the wonderful memories you provided for our dad.

We would also like to pay tribute to our mom, Mildred, "Mitzi" Schmidt – who passed away in July, 2021 – she was also an avid golfer (at her insistence, a woman golfer was engraved on her tombstone ☺).

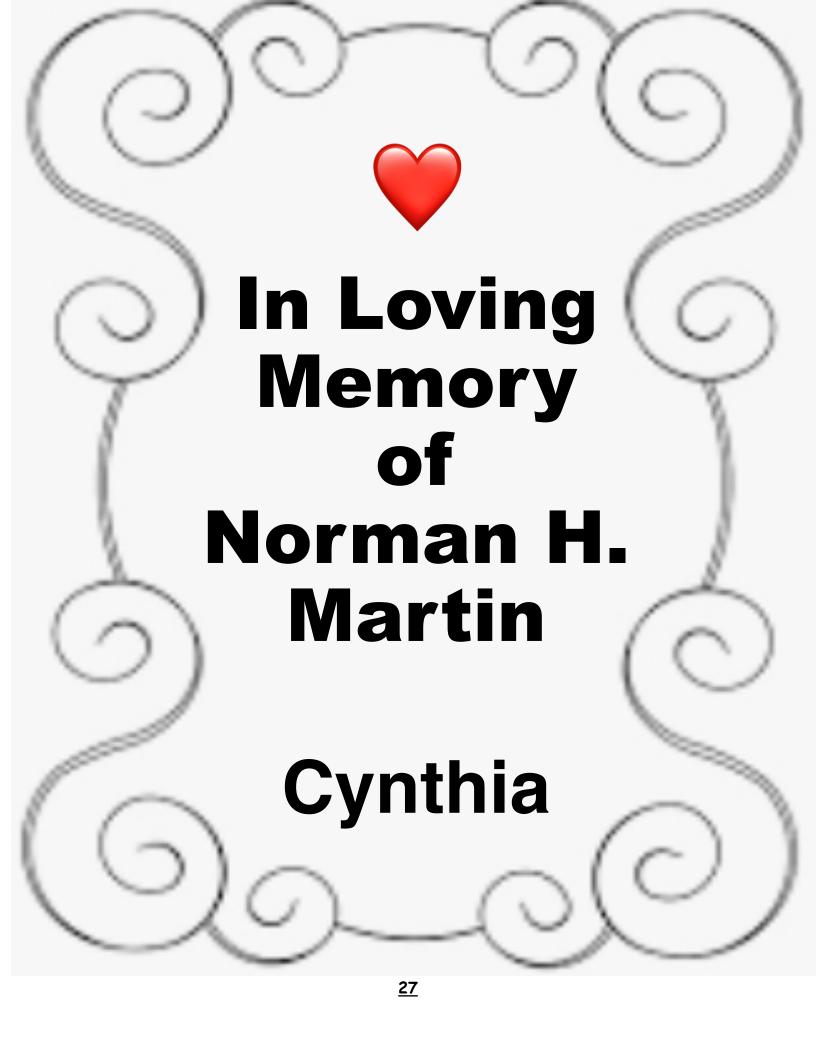
Sincerely,

The other "Schmidtys" - John & Gary Schmidt, and our families

Daydreaming; smiling while reminiscing through the years. So many have left lasting imprints & great spirit to MABGA. We give colorful fond cheers to those driving MABGA grandly! An awesome Circle of Friends!

In memory of Jack Herbert

CJ Robinson Co., Inc.



In memory of beloved GIL KAYSON & NORMAN KRITZ for their devotion and work with the Junior Blind Golfers.

Sandy Kayson & Family







MABGA –
keep up the
great work
that you do!
Best wishes,
Shelley Goldin

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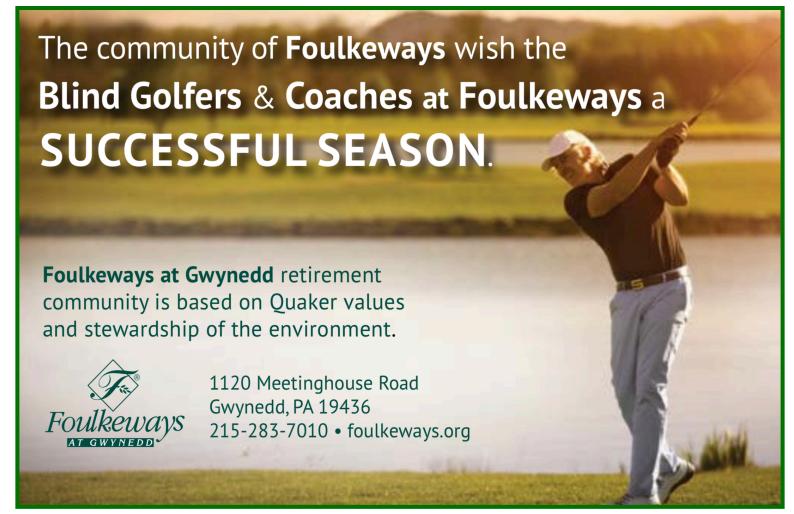
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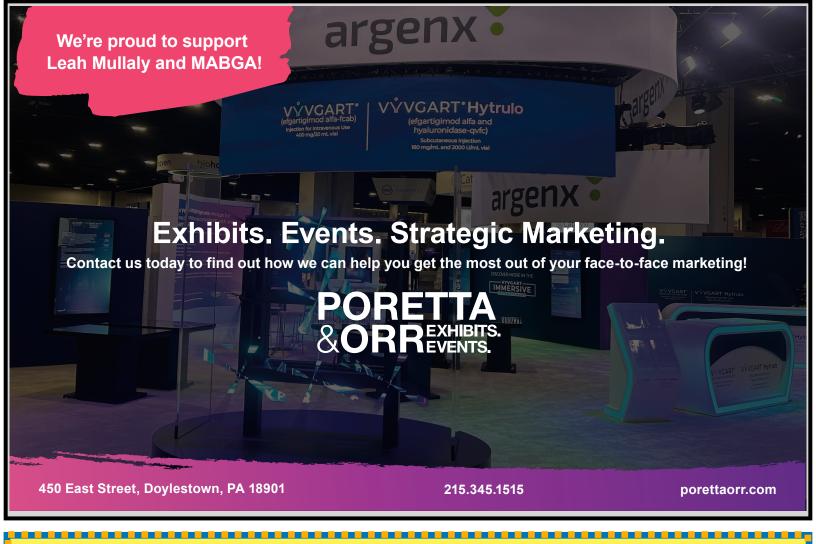
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Congratulations MABGA on another successful golf tournament in support of its special members!

Harriet & Jeff Bleiman







Best to MABGA!

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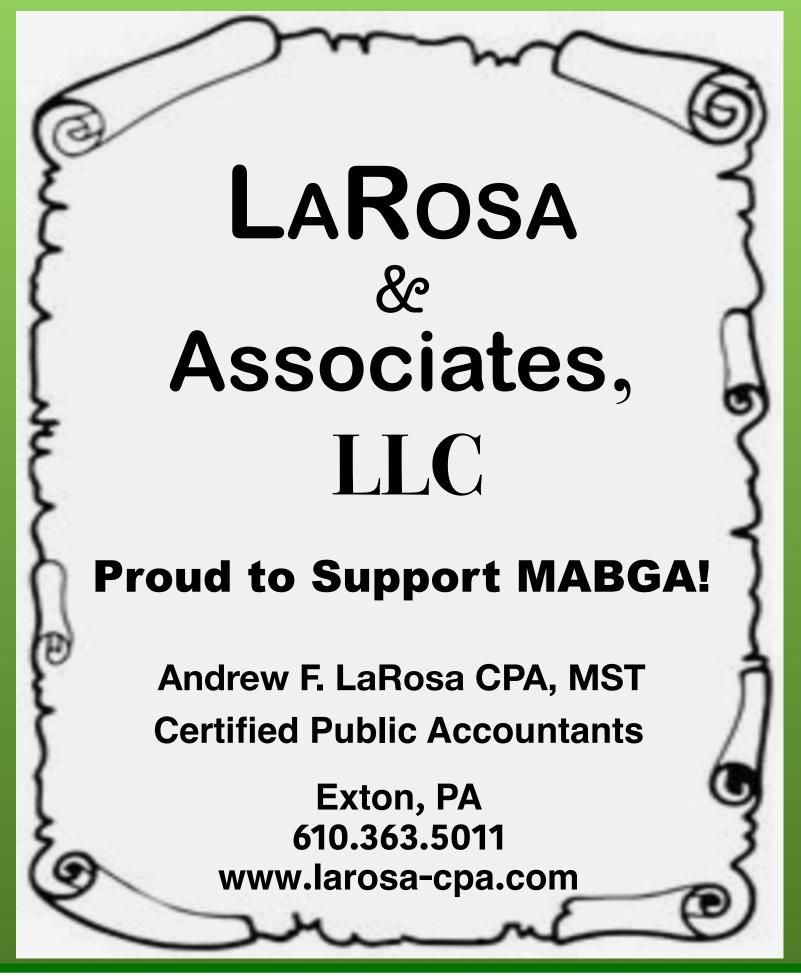


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