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## **HISTORY OF THE CENTRAL NEBRASKA SENIOR GOLF ASSOCIATION:**

G.G. "Jerry" Treadway was a charter board member of the Nebraska Senior Golf Association which was formed in 1965 at Fremont. Jerry later served as president of the NSGA in 1982. During that time Jerry encouraged the NSGA to hold tournaments farther west in Nebraska with little success. Serious discussions on starting our organization began during the summer of 1984. On August 13, 1984, a group of senior golfers met at the Kearney Country Club, electing Jerry Treadway as acting President, Ted Richardson as acting Sec-Treas; and Dale Brownfield, Dean Candeia, Wally Hopp, Al "Pug" Horn, and Lyle Teel as directors. Treadway & Richardson then sent a recruiting letter to interested senior golfers, suggesting an initial tournament that fall, and 1-2 events per month the following year. Interested golfers were to send \$5 membership dues with the first one hundred to be considered "charter members", and a hope to get about eighty signed up. A follow up letter stated, "we have 181 paid members biting at the bit and ready to go", so this group were considered as the "charter members". Unfortunately, in 2018 we lost our last remaining Charter Members.

The first tournament was held at Kearney Country Club October 2, 1984, with an entry fee of \$25.00. I could not find a list of tournaments for 1985, but charter members believe they had 6-8 one-day tournaments. There was also a 3-day tournament at Kearney CC on September 17-18-19, 1985. The 1986 schedule shows eight one-day tournaments (Heritage Hills CC, McCook; Minden CC; Valley View CC, Central City; Deer Park, Valentine; Southern Hills, Hastings; Ogallala CC; Cozad CC; and Holdrege CC; plus, a 2 day "state" tournament at Kearney CC). Our current tournament schedule has grown to over thirty-five events in recent years.

Our group originated as the Western Nebraska State Senior Golf Association in 1984. However, it was soon learned that a Panhandle or Western NE Senior Golf Association was being organized at about the same time, so in 1985 the name was officially changed to the present Central Nebraska Senior Golf Association.

In just over 2 years, the organization had grown to 458 members. When Treadway and Richardson resigned due to health reasons, Norris Rusmisell took over as president on August 25, 1986, with a treasury balance of \$3,075.98. Membership appears to have peaked at 653 in 1994, but suffered serious declines in the later 1990's. With the peaks and valleys came some financial shortfalls. Past Treasurer Stretch Welsh often related a story of calling other board members for donations as he did not have enough money for stamps to send out the next year's due's billings. Fortunately, we have rebuilt our membership numbers and finances. CNSGA now maintains a minimum reserve of \$8,000 in savings accounts to allow continued operations in case of an emergency.

At the board meeting April 27, 1987, the annual two-day "state" tournament was officially renamed the "Jerry Treadway Memorial Tournament" and has continued as an annual individual event. Following the sudden death of Jerry's son and then President Don Treadway, a special board meeting held on April 22, 2010, renamed it the "Treadway Memorial Tournament" to honor both Jerry and Don Treadway's many contributions. Over the years, several annual tournaments were locally named to honor other lost members. So, in 2015, the Board voted to rename the event as the "Memorial Tournament" to honor all deceased members who have contributed to the organization.

Several members have been recognized by the **Nebraska Golf Hall of Fame**.

**Wally Hopp**, inducted in 1994, was a Charter Member and Charter Board Member of CNSGA. A Hastings native, he was a dominant sand greens golfer in the days when grass greens were only found in large metro areas. Wally was the state sand greens champion in 1945, 1952, 1953, and 1956.

**Dean Candeia**, inducted in 1997, was also a Charter Member and Charter Board Member of CNSGA. The North Platte native also was a well-known sand greens player, winning the state sand greens championship in 1949, 1950, and 1951.

**Jerry Treadway** inducted in 2007, this was originally noted as the Davis Award. Jerry was the driving force behind the creation of the Central Nebraska Senior Golf Association and was elected as it's first president in 1984. Under Jerry's leadership the CNSGA became the largest senior golf organization in Nebraska.

**FA "Andy" Anderson** inducted in 2012 and was also initially noted as the Davis Award. Andy took over as Executive Director of CNSGA in August 2005. Under his watch CNSGA expanded from approximately 400 members to well over 500, and tournaments increased from about 22-24 to 34-36 per year. Andy also created the CNSGA website and began email communication with players and other golf organizations.

Full bios of the above are on the CNSGA website under the Home page tab and are also on the Nebraska Golf Hall of Fame website.

# 2024 Tourney Schedule

DATE	COURSE	FORMAT
May 1 -- Wed	Meadowlark Hills -- Kearney	3-man Scramble -- U-PICK
May 8 -- Wed	Alma GC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
May 9 -- Thurs	York CC	4-man Scramble -- U-PICK
May 14 -- Tues	Ord GC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
May 22 -- Wed	Elks CC -- Hastings	4-man Scramble -- U-PICK
May 29 -- Wed	Bayside GC	3-man Scramble -- U-PICK
May 30 -- Thurs	Gibbon Valley View GC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
June 3 -- Mon	Broken Bow CC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
June 6 -- Thurs	Southern Hills GC -- Hastings	2-man Scramble -- U-PICK
June 10 -- Mon	Cross Creek -- Cambridge	4/2 SHAMBLE -- U-PICK
June 12 -- Wed	Arnold GC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
June 18 -- Tues	Centura Hills -- Cairo	4-man Scramble -- U-PICK
June 24 -- Mon	Kearney CC	3-man Scramble -- U-PICK
July 2 -- Tuesday	Buffalo Ridge GC	2-man Scramble -- U-PICK
July 8 -- Mon	Crandall Creek GC -- Ogallala	2-man Scramble -- U-PICK
July 11 -- Thurs	Awarii Dunes -- Axtell	2-man Scramble -- U-PICK
July 16 -- Tues	Cozad CC	2-man CHAPMAN-- U-PICK
July 18 -- Thurs	Pawnee Hills GC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
July 23 -- Tues	Ravenna GC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
July 25 -- Thurs	Heritage Hills, McCook	3-man Scramble -- U-PICK
July 31 -- Wed	Wildhorse GC -- Gothenburg	2-man SHAMBLE -- U-PICK
Aug 5 -- Mon	Arrowhead GC -- Curtis	2-man Scramble -- U-PICK
Aug 8 -- Thurs	Holdrege CC	2-man SHAMBLE -- U-PICK
Aug 12 -- Mon	Lochland CC -- Hastings	4-man Scramble -- U-PICK
Aug 20 -- Tues	<b>MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT</b> -- annual membership meeting at dinner Centura Hills GC -- Individual AND 2-man Best Ball	
Aug 26 -- Mon	Frederick Peak GC, Valentine	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
Aug 27 -- Tues	Theford GC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
Aug 29 -- Thurs	Fox Hollow -- Sutton	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
Sept 3 -- Tues	Oregon Trail -- Sutherland	2-man Scramble -- U-PICK
Sept 5 -- Thurs	Loup City CC	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
Sept 9 -- Mon	PRESIDENT'S CUP -- ENSGA -- Lochland CC -- 2 U-PICK	
Sept 10 -- Tues	Calamus GC - Burwell	3-man Scramble -- MIXER
Sept 12 -- Thurs	Lake Maloney, North Platte	3-man Scramble -- U-PICK
Sept 18 -- Wed	Lakeside GC -- Johnson Lake	2-man Scramble -- U-PICK

U-PICKS **may** be handicapped which will pay both Gross and Net places; -- **OR** -- they **may** pay Gross places only. Those using handicaps will be according to the current tournament policies. All MIXERS are Gross payouts only. Those events paying Gross places only will be flighted by scores on specific holes; front nine / back nine scores; counting down scores to divide into flights; by total team handicap; or by another random method.

**NOTE:** Some U-PICKS **MAY** accept individual entries. You need to check with the club **BEFORE** you mail an entry form.

Host clubs should have players 64 & younger play the regular men's tees, those between 65 & 74 play the senior tees, and over 75 play the forward tees. Not all courses have senior tees, and tee assignments will be on a course-by-course basis. Players 75 and older **ONLY** may use forward most tees, regardless of handicap or flight. **EXCEPTION:** The Memorial Tournament will have tee boxes assigned by age & flight as in the past.

**2024 TOURNEY SCHEDULE:**

We have 33 tournaments again packed into Nebraska's short summer season. The season starts on May 1<sup>st</sup> at Meadowlark Hills. The **2024 Memorial Tournament** location will be at **Centura Hills GC** at Cairo. As in the past, we will hold our annual membership meeting and elect directors during the dinner following the tourney. We add **Pawnee Hills GC** at Fullerton as a new club this year, and welcome back **Buffalo Ridge GC** at Kearney. Due to a late scheduling conflict, we will miss River's Edge at North Platte. Check the schedule or entry forms as several clubs did change formats this year.

The Membership Roster is available on the web site [www.cnsga.com](http://www.cnsga.com) and it is updated periodically as new players join. Players who cannot access the web site may ask a friend to look up a player's address, phone, etc. OR they can contact me 308-325-2035 or [Andy@lakewayinc.net](mailto:Andy@lakewayinc.net) for information on specific members. I have added a second roster sorted by hometown to make it easier to pool travel or look up a past playing partner. Rosters do also now show the year players joined / rejoined CNSGA. Let me know of any errors.

As always, all tournaments will include 18 holes of golf, cart, and a meal after golf. Host Clubs are required to pay back a minimum of 30% of the entry fee as a prize pool. Cozad CC is trying an interesting Shamble / Alternate Shot format – Google Chapman Format for more information. Holdrege CC and Wildhorse GC will be 2-Man / Best Ball format, with the Tee shot being a scramble (Shamble Format), Cross Creek GC will do a 4-man/2 BestBall Shamble. The rest are 2, 3 or 4-man scramble formats. Some will allow players to "Pick your Team" and are shown as **U-PICK** on the entry form. Those shown as **MIXER**, mean the host club will assign the teams and give you a chance to "mix" and meet new partners, you will NOT be allowed to choose your partner at these events. We will continue to give host clubs more flexibility in flighting, team make up, handicapping, etc., so expect some variations. Some events will use handicaps for individuals or teams and will pay both gross and net places. Others will be flighted based on scores on specific holes, front nine vs. back nine, total team handicap, gross team score, or some other system, and will pay gross places only. **If you want to sign up for a U-PICK as an individual, you need to FIRST contact the club to see if they will accept an individual entry.**

The 2023 Tee policy change will continue in 2024. Players 64 and under will play the regular men's tees, players 65-74 will play senior tees, and those 75+ will use forward tees. All regardless of handicap or event format. The policy for Gimmie Putts will remain: "All putts for birdie or better must be holed out. Players should use good judgment in giving other putts. This is to apply to all tournaments, including the Memorial Tournament." Generally, "gimmies" should be limited to a putter's grip or about 12". I have included the full Tourney Policies in this booklet. They are also on the website.

An updated tournament schedule is included in this newsletter, please discard all previous versions. Entry Forms are also included. Both are also on our website: [www.cnsga.com](http://www.cnsga.com). Entry forms AND checks should be **mailed directly to the course**. As long-time members know, some tournaments do fill, so I encourage you to get your entries mailed as soon as you know your plans. **Clubs will require a completed entry form from every player. If one person sends the entry for a team, they need to fill out a separate entry form each team member.**

**SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS:**

Your association annually awards scholarships to high school seniors with the emphasis on golf participation. **THANK YOU to everyone who made an additional voluntary donation, this program would not exist without your support.** The 2024 Scholarship winners of \$1,000 each are: **Sam Wells**, St Paul; **Branden Fleischman**, Overton; **Camryn Johnson**, Berwyn; **Sarah McKeon**, Ravenna; and **Sidney O'Dey**, Hastings. The winners have been notified, so please feel free to congratulate those that you know personally. Check the website for additional details. NOTE: Scholarships were awarded based on merit & qualifications of the applicants. There was a significant scoring difference between these five applicants and the rest of the field. As a result of the successful raffles last year, we will carryover a reserve in the scholarship fund to next year.

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

Your association remains financially very healthy. Our income and expenses remain consistent. Membership has also been consistent at about 500-525 the last several years (558 end of 2023). In FY 2022/2023 we collected \$13,950 in dues. Members generously gave an additional \$6,949.80 (\$1,500 was from two raffles) to the Scholarship fund. Our host clubs pay \$1 per player at each tournament, which totaled \$2,165 in 2023. We had \$13.64 in interest income and \$150 in advertising. Which makes a total revenue of \$23,228.44. Our major expenses are printing & mailing and office supplies which totaled \$2,840.94; \$7,200 in administrative fees; \$3,900.26 for drawing merchandise; \$1,345.00 for Memorial tourney Payouts, \$300 for hole-in-ones; \$1,387.22 for director meeting expenses, and we gave \$6,000 in scholarships. So, our total expenses in 2022/23 were \$22,973.42. We ended the year with a positive cash flow of \$255.02.

We ended the year with \$8,664.82 in checking. The Fidelity Funds account with total deposits of \$8,000, had grown to \$10,781.15 at the end of FY 2022-23. We also had about \$1,850 in carry over drawing items, mostly golf balls, which was up from \$950 the previous year. By a resolution of the Board a few years ago, we do maintain a minimum reserve of \$8,000 (about 1/2 years operating budget), which is now in the Fidelity account.

As stated at the beginning, your association is in very good fiscal condition. If anyone wants more detailed financial information, they can contact me or any other board member.

## EMAIL:

Like it or not, the electronic communication age is upon us. Since you are getting this printed book, I may not have your email address. Emails allow me to send updates on tournaments and other information. It also saves the association a huge amount on printing and mailing expenses. I am very protective of your information, and do not share it with any other organizations. To get added to the email updates, just contact me at: FA "Andy" Anderson, CNSGA, PO Box 321, Kearney, NE 68848 -- 308-325-2035 or [Andy@lakewayinc.net](mailto:Andy@lakewayinc.net). Be sure to include your name in the email.

## SUGGESTIONS / COMMENTS:

The directors of CNSGA welcome your constructive comments and suggestions. This is your association; we need your input and direction. If you have suggestions on new tournament formats, new courses, ideas for recruiting new members, or other suggestions please contact one of the Board members below.

Hope you enjoy the year. ANDY

### CNSGA BOARD:

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**CENTRAL NEBRASKA SENIOR GOLF ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL TOURNAMENT POLICIES and RULES:**

**DESIGNATED DIRECTOR:**

A CNSGA Designated Director will be assigned to each event. DD's will make initial contact about 3 weeks ahead of tournaments. Hopefully, this will result in improved communication and more uniformity in our tournaments. Host Clubs should feel free to contact your DD, or Executive Director with any questions.

**CANCELLATIONS:**

Full refunds of entry fees are required for cancellations 14 days or more prior to the tournament. At the club's option they may charge a \$10 fee for cancellations received 7-13 days prior; or may charge \$25 for cancellations received 6 days or less prior to the tournament. Clubs may set a cutoff date for entries and are not required to take late entries.

**ENTRY FORMS:**

Completed Entry Forms and payment are required from **EVERY** player. Players are NOT considered entered until BOTH are received by the Host Club. If a club is gracious enough to accept a phone entry, then players need to complete the entry form before playing. Teams / individuals may be placed on stand-by status until entry form and payment is received from all team members. If an event fills, those on stand-by will be excluded. Host Clubs need to retain all entry forms for 30 days following the event in case of questions.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

**Tournaments are for PAID MEMBERS ONLY, participants MUST join CNSGA prior to playing.** Clubs may use standby non-member players to fill teams, BUT they are not eligible to receive tournament winnings.

**PLEASE HAVE STAND-BY PLAYERS AVAILABLE.**

If possible, Host Clubs should have 1-2 stand-by players available. In the event you are missing a player, consult with the CNSGA Designated Director present to adjust teams or handicaps.

**TOURNAMENT FORMATS:**

Most CNSGA tournaments are 2, 3 or 4-man scrambles or Best-Ball events. Formats are agreed upon at the time tourney agreements are negotiated. Host Clubs have flexibility in setting other formats, but they must be approved by the CNSGA Executive Director, or the Designated Director for that event.

**MULLIGANS:**

Since they slow play, Mulligans are NOT permitted under normal policies. Requests to sell Mulligans may be considered to fund specific programs BUT must be approved by the Executive Director prior to the event.

**FLIGHTING:**

Clubs have flexibility in setting teams and flights. You may flight by handicap; "weighted" handicap; scores on random or selected holes; front 9 or back 9; or any other method you choose. You may also simply list all gross team scores, then countdown to divide into flights. Just be fair **AND tell the players how you determined the teams / flights.**

**TEAM MAKE-UP: HOST CLUB PAIRED EVENTS – MIXERS -- (NOT pick your partner)**

Our PREFERRED method is to: FIRST divide the field into multiple flights by individual handicaps, THEN make up teams within the flights keeping total team handicaps as equal as possible. Consider having a Super Senior flight (over age 75) if you have enough players. You may use other options for team make-up, but again BE FAIR and TELL THE PLAYERS your method.

**HANDICAPING:** This will apply mostly to U-PICK Your Team events, but clubs may use with MIXERS if they choose. Host Clubs may choose to pay Gross places ONLY. **HOWEVER -- IF** you give handicap strokes to individuals or teams, then you **MUST pay both Gross and Net places.**

**SCRAMBLES:** WEIGHTED HANDICAP system: calculate team handicaps by giving 50% of the low handicap and 25% of the higher handicap as an adjusted team handicap (i.e. a 4 handicapper with a 24 handicap partner would get 2 + 6, or a total team handicap of 8 from their gross score) -- on 3 & 4 man scrambles give 50%, 25%, 10% & 10% -- round to a single stroke to keep it simple. THEN divide the field into flights by total TEAM handicap.

**BEST BALL:** Give each individual player 100% of their individual handicap on a hole-by-hole basis. MAXIMUM handicap of 2 strokes per hole. **In a SHAMBLE give a maximum of one stroke on par 3's as players may use their partners tee shot, maximum of 2 strokes on par 4's & 5's.** NOTE: CNSGA reserves the right to adjust individual player's handicaps at

any event. If you question a player's handicap, contact a CNSGA Director immediately, we will work with you to solve the question.

**TEES: NEW in 2023 and to continue in 2024.**

Players 64 & younger should play the regular men's tees; those between 65 & 74 play the senior tees; and over 75 play the forward tees; **regardless of handicap, flight, or gender.** Not all courses have senior tees, and tee assignments will be on a course-by-course basis. As a guide, try to have each tee box give approximately a 10-25-50 yd advantage on par 3's and 25-50- 75 yd on par 4's & 5's – you know your course, use good judgement, but the **advantage needs to be legitimate**). Super Senior flights should be limited to players aged 75 and older. EXCEPTION: The Memorial Tournament will have tee boxes assigned by age & flight as in the past.

To conserve carts, 3-man scrambles may play as 6-somes. Maximum of 4 players per tee box on all other formats, use A & B teams on a tee box when needed to accommodate a large field.

**SCORE CARDS:**

**Make individual score cards for EACH team.** It is much easier to adjust in case of no-shows or late entries. Teams should EXCHANGE SCORE CARDS and have someone from EACH team sign when finished. Players are responsible for submitting a complete & correct score card, once submitted it cannot be changed.

**AGE:**

Players age for all purposes is as of player's birthday in the current calendar year.

**WINTER RULES:**

All our events are "Winter Rules" or preferred lies on the entire course. Player's may improve lies within one club length (no closer to the hole) even in hazards. However, the improvement MUST be in the same cut of grass. Balls in tall rough may NOT be moved to first cut rough, balls in the fringe may NOT be moved to the fairway, etc. Balls played from a hazard may be placed BUT lies may not be improved to be outside of the hazard. **NOTE:** Players are expected to use discretion and fair play in taking the one club length allowance. For example, a ball found in water should NOT be moved to a dry location, even though it is still within the hazard and within one club length of the original spot. Similar consideration should be given if a ball is within (or behind) the branches of a tree, bush, or other natural obstacle. **Players may improve the lie, but NOT the line of a shot.** Once on the green, putts must be played within 6" of the original spot, not nearer the hole.

**OUT of BOUNDS – LOST BALL:**

To save time play Lost Ball / Out of Bounds the same as a ball unplayable in a hazard. Drop under same rules as ball in hazard with a one stroke penalty. Do not return to the tee box or place of previous shot. Penalty is one stroke, not stoke distance.

**SLOW PLAY:**

Slow play is an increasing problem. Include this in your announcements. Keep up with the group in front. If you fall behind, pick up the pace. PLAY READY GOLF, hit when the way is clear. If your shot does not directly affect the other team, you may hit at the same time or alternate shots.

**GIMMIE PUTTS: Revised in 2018 and continues in 2024.**

**All putts for birdie or better must be holed out.** Players should use good judgment in giving other putts. This is to apply to all tournaments INCLUDING Memorial Tournament.

**UNCLAIMED PAYOUTS:**

Host Clubs are responsible for mailing payouts to players when the entire field does not finish at the same time. Example: when scheduled tee times are used instead of shotgun starts.

**GPS – LASER:**

CNSGA will allow any measuring device approved by the USGA to be used at our tournaments.

**FLAG PRIZES:**

CNSGA encourages (but does not require) awarding flag prizes to give more players a chance at winning something. Flag prizes DO count toward the 30% required minimum payback. Try to avoid multiple flag prize winners - one per player is preferred. Try to give all players a chance to win: long drive for different age groups; more long putt or closest chip from off the green prizes, and few close in two or close in three prizes, etc.



## GENERAL RULES:

- **INSIST** on a completed Entry Form from every player. This is needed if a question on handicap and for contact information.
- Hold all entry forms for at least 30 days following your tournament in case of a question.
- Tournament agreements require a **MINIMUM of 30%** of the entry fee be paid back
- CNSGA wants to pay as many players as possible, rather than have any single player receive a large payback
- Pay no more than **1-1½ times the entry fee** for 1<sup>st</sup> place (i.e., \$50 entry should pay \$50-\$75 maximum for 1<sup>st</sup> place). NOTE: Due to increases in entry fees, payouts have also increased. Try to keep 1<sup>st</sup> place at \$60-75 maximum. Pay more places.
- **ALL HANDICAPPED events require paying BOTH Gross and NET places** -- see Handicapping above
- Try to make paybacks easily divisible between players, try to have small bills in the envelope to make division easier
- If using merchandise certificates have them preprinted to save time (these seniors seem to be in a hurry)
- To speed play, conceding or tapping-in putts will not negate remaining partners a chance to make the original putt

## Suggestions / Observations:

- Have morning coffee & rolls, and a choice of noon sandwiches available. These can be at an additional charge, but clubs with complementary coffee & rolls have better attendance.
- The meal a high priority for many of our players. Tournaments with poor meals suffer in attendance. Cost is a concern but **provide the best meal you can afford.**
- IF there is any possibility of running out of food, **YOU need to SERVE** it to control the portion sizes
- Free Range balls are a nice PERK and get positive player comments.
- Use drawing tickets as a tool so players check-in as they arrive, that way you know if anyone is missing,
- Have a greeter with a master list to get players to the right cart & post a master list by the entry door
- **Have players names on the carts, and carts lined up by hole assignment**
- Have players names (& handicaps if applicable) on each team score card – one card for EACH team.
- Remind players to exchange score cards and check their cards
- **(Required)** Post flights & scores after the event so players can see where they finished/placed
- **(Required)** Provide CNSGA with scores and placings -- New in 2022
- Have enough help to tend bar, serve food, and calculate / post scores
- **Have 1-2 local standby players available** with varying handicaps, as there are often last-minute cancellations or no-shows
- Clubs may use non-CNSGA members as fill-ins (age 50+), BUT they can NOT receive any tournament payouts (encourage them to join CNSGA)
- Be sure to have a couple of extra carts available, in case of a break down
- If enough players, consider having a “Super Senior” flight for players over 75
- Round payouts to be easily divided (example do not give \$50 to be divided 3 ways, pay \$48 or \$51 instead)
- Use small bills to aid in division among the winning team OR have merchandise certificates pre-printed
- Tournaments that consistently “fill” are the ones that provide the best meals and service

**THANK YOU** for agreeing to host a CNSGA event. **Contact me** with any questions or suggestions. We want to get as many people to your tournament as possible, as your success is our success.

FA “Andy” Anderson, Exec Director, CNSGA, PO Box 321, Kearney, NE 68848  
308-325-2035 or [Andy@lakewayinc.net](mailto:Andy@lakewayinc.net)

## **The Gospel According to St. Titleist**

1. It is almost impossible to remember how tragic a place the world is when one is playing golf. -- *Robert Lynd*
2. If profanity had any influence on the flight of the ball, the game of golf would be played far better than it is. -- *Horace G. Hutchinson*
3. They say golf is like life, but don't believe them. Golf is more complicated than that. -- *Gardner Dickinson*
4. If a lot of people gripped a knife and fork as poorly as they do a golf club, they'd starve to death. -- *Sam Snead*
5. If you drink, don't drive. Don't even putt. -- *Dean Martin*
6. If you are going to throw a club, it is important to throw it ahead of you, down the fairway, so you don't have to waste energy going back to pick it up. -- *Tommy Bolt*
7. Man blames fate for all other accidents, but feels personally responsible when he makes a hole-in-one. -- *Bishop Sheen*
8. I don't say my golf game is bad, but if I grew tomatoes they'd come up sliced. -- *Arnold Palmer*
9. My handicap? Woods and irons. -- *Chris Codioli*
10. The ardent golfer would play Mount Everest if somebody would put a flag stick on top. -- *Pete Dye*
11. I'm hitting the woods just great; but having a terrible time getting out of them!-- *Buddy Hackett*
12. The only time my prayers are never answered is playing golf. -- *Billy Graham*
13. If you think it's hard to meet new people, try picking up the wrong golf ball. -- *Jack Lemmon*
14. It's good sportsmanship to not pick up lost golf balls while they are still rolling. -- *Mark Twain*
15. Don't play too much golf. Two rounds a day are plenty. -- *Harry Vardon*
16. May thy ball lie in green pastures, and not in still waters. -- *Ben Hogan*
17. If I hit it right, it's a slice. If I hit it left, it's a hook. If I hit it straight, it's a miracle. -- *Anon*
18. Golf is a game invented by the same people who think music comes out of a bagpipe. -- *Lee Trevino*

Finally:

19. The No: 1 Golf rule you MUST follow: Always take the car keys out of your golf bag before you throw it into the creek.

**Here are a couple applications to give to your golf friends.  
Let them join the fun at CNSGA.**

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CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

(To avoid errors, you may send an email to [Andy@lakewayinc.net](mailto:Andy@lakewayinc.net) -- please include your name, and I will save the address to the roster)

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