Newsletter



The First Tee® Harrisonburg





751 Participants in our 2018 Certification Program!

6,321 Participants in our 2018 Outreach Program!

A message from The First Tee of Harrisonburg Board Chairman, Dan Nardi . . .



We have much to be thankful for in 2018. Our sponsors and donors have provided increased support and our youth participants continue to grow. 2017 was a great year for our growth and expansion and in 2018 we exceeded our 2017 youth participation levels by 10% for kids in certification classes (now 751), and by 11% for our National School Program and Outreach Programs (now 6,321). A BIG THANK YOU to our many supporters and kids and parents. Our growth in Harrisonburg/Rockingham County and Staunton, Waynesboro and Augusta County has been amazing and we are looking forward to building Shenandoah and Page County programming in 2019.

As a Board and organization, we continue to look for ways to provide the needed support in terms of donations and in-kind support. This Newsletter is a small way to acknowledge our many sponsors and numerous In-kind Supporters. Our Nine Core Values and Life Skills Program resonate, and we are proud that we can offer greater than 80% of our kid's financial support so all interested kids can enjoy programing, have access to our facilities, use of free clubs if needed, and play golf for free. Jason Crawford, a current Board Member and Massanutten PGA Professional, sums it up best, "As a PGA golf professional and Certified First Tee Coach, I enjoy having the opportunity to share this life-long sport with kids from all backgrounds." We thank all of our donors, sponsors and volunteers who help us bring our program to life.

We are thankful for our relationships with Heritage Oaks, Massanutten Resort, Lakeview, Ironwood, and Waynesboro Country Club. We have excellent outdoor and indoor facilities at our The First Tee Rotary Learning Center at Heritage Oaks Golf Course, with a new indoor golf simulator as of December!

Please come see us! Parents and kids, volunteers, donors and golfers – all are always welcome. Thank you for your support.

Dan Nardi, Board Chair

Greg McLaughlin named World Golf Foundation CEO & President of The First Tee Newly consolidated role to bring together direction and leadership of World Golf Foundation, The First Tee, World Golf Hall of Fame.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Florida, and PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Florida (November 28, 2018) – The World Golf Foundation Board of Directors announced today that Greg McLaughlin will assume the combined roles and responsibilities of World Golf Foundation Chief Executive Officer & President of The First Tee. McLaughlin most recently served as President of PGA TOUR Champions, since January 2015; prior to his role at the TOUR, he was CEO of the Tiger Woods Foundation for 14 years.

McLaughlin will strategically direct the World Golf Foundation, The First Tee and World Golf Hall of Fame, expanding the reach, impact and global prominence of each and ensuring financial performance and sustainability. McLaughlin will serve as a leader among the world's top golf organizations, and a key ambassador and spokesperson for the game of golf.

"As a member of the greater golf community for more than 30 years, I have



always been proud of what the collective efforts of our sport have done and continue to do to inspire communities and change lives, especially for young people who can learn and grow through the values of golf," said McLaughlin. "This is an exciting time in the evolution of the World Golf Foundation and, specifically, The First Tee, and I am humbled by and excited for the opportunity to lead our industry's efforts to increase participation and global awareness of golf as a sport that is welcoming to all."

McLaughlin joined the PGA TOUR in 2014, initially as Senior Vice President of the TOUR's Championship Management division; he was promoted to PGA TOUR Champions President in 2015 and Executive Vice President of the PGA TOUR in 2018. McLaughlin has been instrumental in the success of PGA TOUR Champions, overseeing a record-setting 20-year marketing partnership with Charles Schwab & Co., the implementation of the Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs and the addition of several new title sponsors and markets.

Prior to joining the Tiger Woods Foundation in 2000, McLaughlin was the Vice President of Tournaments at the (now-named) Genesis Open, Honda Classic and BMW Championship. McLaughlin graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in Economics. He also received his Juris Doctor from Chicago-Kent College of Law.

Our Mission Statement

"To impact the lives of young people by providing educational programs that build character, instill life-enhancing values and promote healthy choices through the game of golf"

The First Tee of Harrisonburg Board of Directors

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We would like to welcome three new members who joined The First Tee of Harrisonburg Board of Directors in 2018!

Peter Wray



Larry Rogers



Melissa Andrews



The First Tee of Harrisonburg Staff

Executive Director	**Program Director**	**Program Coordinator**
Garrett King	Jeff Simmons	Tom Tattersall

Contact Information and Program Locations

There are a number of ways to contact us at The First Tee of Harrisonburg and we'd love to hear from you! Please be sure to follow us throughout the year on our website and on social media for details, updates, information on ways to help, and LOTS of wonderful photos from our many events and programs all season long!

Home office & Program Location #1
The First Tee of Harrisonburg
Rotary Learning Center
Heritage Oaks Golf Course
690 Garbers Church Road
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
540-437-4239

Program Location #2
Woodstone Meadows Golf Course
Massanutten Resort
300 Silverstone Lane
McGaheysville, VA 22840
www.massresort.com
540-289-4919

Program Location #3
Lakeview Golf Course
4101 Shen Lake Drive
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
www.lakeviewgolf.net/
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Program Location #5
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1117 Meadowbrook Road
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Certification

ADVANCING THROUGH THE PROGRAM

From ages 7 through 18, youth progress through levels by demonstrating **The First Tee Nine Core Values**, life and golf skills as well as passing an assessment. All participants, regardless of age, start at the PLAYer level. The pinnacle of The First Tee is completing Ace.

- **PLAYer** (required minimum age 7)
  Tee it up for the first time and learn the game of golf and The First Tee's Code of Conduct.
- **Par** (recommended minimum age 9)
  Focus on interpersonal and self-management skills on and off the course.
- **Birdie** (recommended minimum age 11)
  Emphasis on setting goals and making them a reality.
- **Eagle** (recommended minimum age 13)
  Learn resilience, conflict resolution, and future planning.
- **Ace** (required minimum age 14 or entering 9th grade)
  Put it all together and hone in on setting goals, career education, and giving back to the community.



In 2018, we had 751 participants in our Certification Program

Outreach-National School Program-DRIVE

"Outreach" consists of our National School Programs, DRIVE, and any other interaction we have with youth that is not considered our Certification Program. This can range from fieldtrips to our facilities, going to schools and working with their students, and community programs where we interact with kids and their parents.



In 2018, we had 6,321 participants in our Outreach Programs.

Program Director and Level III Coach Jeff Simmons introduces the game of golf and its inherent values to youth at Bluestone Elementary School in Harrisonburg in late November 2018.

National School Program

The National School Program brings our curriculum to the school's gym during physical education class. Through safe, fun activities, elementary students are learning the basic skills of the lifelong sport of golf. By teaching elementary students The First Tee Nine Core Values and Nine Healthy Habits, we're putting them on the course to a healthy and active lifestyle.





NATIONAL SCHOOL PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Create a safe introduction to golf for today's students and teachers.
- Ensure that golf education meets the same national standards developed by the Society for Health and Physical Educators (SHAPE).
- Help students build character and confidence through the positive personal and social values associated with the game.
- Engage students in daily lesson activities that lead to development of basic golf motor skills.
- Show students that golf can be a great lifelong recreation and health-enhancing activity.
- Make the positive values of golf a part of the classroom and students' everyday lives.

THE FIRST TEE OF HARRISONBURG'S NATIONAL PROGRAM LOCATIONS

- Thomas Harrison Middle School
- Skyline Middle School
- John Wayland Elementary
- Elkton Elementary
- McGaheysville Elementary
- Plains Elementary
- Wilson Elementary
- Craigsville Elementary
- Riverheads Elementary
- North River Elementary
- Bessie Weller Elementary
- Ware Elementary
- McSwain Elementary

RECENT PARENT TESTIMONIALS!

"As a parent of two First Tee participants, I was excited to have my kids involved in a program which teaches them core values such as honesty, courtesy, and respect using a sport I love, golf. But it's more than that. When I became a volunteer, I got to see things from the inside, looking out. The coaches/volunteers bridge these core values outside of golf to school and family and how kids can practice these things in each setting. I've also been able to connect with parents of the kids who sometimes go to the same school as mine or I know through work which I might not otherwise have that opportunity and that further builds on the relationship with the kids. Having random kids thank you (or hug you) when the class is over is something you can only experience when you volunteer."

James Hairston (Parent/Volunteer Coach)

"My son enjoyed the well-organized, easy-to-follow exercises at each First Tee practice session. He also really liked his coach, Tom Tattersall, who made practice interesting and exciting."

Susan Lentati

"Thank you all for the wonderful opportunities that you offer to our area youth. The First Tee program is built on the nine core values we want to instill in every young citizen. The program is also an excellent way to introduce all youth to a sport that can be a lifelong form of exercise, increasing the health and wellbeing of the players.

Adam enjoys being part of the First Tee and feels like it gives him many opportunities to play a sport with his friends that they all enjoy. Thank you all again."

Angie Osinkosky

"I really appreciate the core values my son is learning and I find Jeff to be a fantastic role model."

Rick Deloney

"I can't say enough great things about this program for our Montevideo kids! And having the JMU Golf team at the practices have been so special. Thank you! My son, Camden, has loved this program and it has instilled a love of golf into him. Thank you again for making this program possible! Best,"

Jill Langridge

Staunton-Waynesboro-Augusta County Update

The First Tee of Harrisonburg is excited to announce its completion of the first Little Legends, PLAYer, and Par classes at both of our green grass locations in Augusta County. We were able to reach over 75 kids from ages 5 to 15 at our Augusta County Locations for our certification curriculum, a number we would like to double by next year. Classes started in April at both The Club at Ironwood and Waynesboro Golf & Country Club. We are excited to conclude a year of full classes and great support from the local community and golf community alike.

Thanks to the support of Dr. Eric Bond, Eric Obaugh and Steve McDonough we will be implementing our National School Program at seven different elementary schools in Augusta County and Staunton City in 2019.



STAUNTON-AUGUSTA YMCA UPDATE



In March, The First Tee of Harrisonburg offered its first ever PLAYer level class in the Staunton-Augusta area. Thanks to a newly developed partnership with the Staunton-Augusta YMCA, we offered a no-cost PLAYer class to local homeschool students all month long. Two separate classes comprised of over 35 kids met weekly to learn about the Nine Core Values and the game golf. The First Tee of Harrisonburg would like to thank the staff and everyone involved at the Staunton-Augusta YMCA for allowing us the opportunity to positively impact local youth through the game of golf.





Picture:
Tom Tattersall (Program Coordinator & Level 2 The First Tee Coach) explains how important honesty and integrity are in life and while playing golf.

Middle School Golf Club

Our golf programs with Thomas Harrison, Skyline and Montevideo Middle Schools were, once again, well attended during the spring and fall semesters. We are extremely proud of this no-cost program provided for city and county students interested in learning the game of golf. Thomas Harrison and Skyline Middle School students visit our Rotary Learning Center at Heritage Oaks Golf Course Thursday afternoons while Montevideo students participate at Lakeview Golf Course Friday afternoons. Thank you to all of our coaches and volunteers who supported these activities and a very special **Thank You** to the JMU Men's and Women's golf teams for all their volunteer work!







WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CORE VALUE?

The First Tee of Harrisonburg would like to welcome Ellery Bond to our program! Ellery is from Waynesboro and participated in her first PLAYer class at Waynesboro Country Club this past April. We asked Ellery to introduce herself and answer the question: **What is your favorite Core Value?**

"My name is Ellary Bond and I am a 5th grader at Westwood Hills Elementary School in Waynesboro. I am a Girl Scout and I take Ballet, Jazz, and Hip Hop classes at ODPAS.

My favorite core value is Sportsmanship and I like to show it by not bragging when I win. My favorite club to use is the putter because it's more challenging. Some of the things we work on are stance, grip, and aim. I like The First Tee because Coach Tom is nice, I have a lot of fun learning new skills, and golf is a great activity to share with my dad."

Did You Know?

Did you know The First Tee of Harrisonburg will start a special program for Veterans in 2019? We are very excited to start a new program called "Fairways for Heroes" in the Spring of 2019. Our veterans are the backbone of the United States of America and without them, there would be no Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. Our new Fairways for Heroes program will provide local veterans and their families' free golf instruction, equipment, access to our learning facilities, and plenty of great fellowship. Thanks to the commitment and support of our local golf professionals this program will be a huge success and a great way to give back to those who served our nation.

Fairways for Heroes

Did you know The First Tee of Harrisonburg works with at-risk youth who face criminal charges? For nearly ten years, The First Tee of Harrisonburg has been running a very successful Juvenile Diversion program. This unique program is designed to keep children out of the court system who have committed their first offense. Participants in this program are referred to our facilities by juvenile probation officers from the 26th District Juvenile Court Service Unit. During this nine-week program participants receive mentorship and guidance on goal setting, interpersonal skills, conflict resolution and more. In addition, participants in the program are introduced to the game of golf and the 9 Core Values of The First Tee. The goal of this program is to help participants reflect on the choices they have made and supply them with skills they need to make better choices in the future. We are extremely proud of this unique program made possible through a strong partnership with the Juvenile Intake Officers within our 26th District Juvenile Court Service Unit.

Did you know The First Tee of Harrisonburg has a new indoor golf simulator? That's right! We now have an indoor golf simulator featuring a 13ft x 10ft impact screen where golfers can hit real balls and watch their shot go soaring in to virtual air. Utilizing the SkyTrak launch monitor, we can now practice or play all year long regardless of what's going on outside. This project was made possible thanks to a grant provided by the Harrisonburg-Massanutten Rotary Club, a generous donation from local golf enthusiast Troy Taylor, and materials donated by Eagle Carpet. Thank you!!!



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THE POWER OF SUPPORT

The First Tee of Harrisonburg is grateful to the many individuals, foundations, corporations, golf course staff, volunteers and coaches for providing chapter support during 2018. We also appreciate the many in-kind donations received throughout the year that help our chapter save $thousands$ each year. Thanks to this incredible support and promotion, we were able to introduce the Life Skills Experience and golf to over 7,000 young people in our community!

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Thank You In-kind Supporters!

Throughout the year we receive tons of in-kind support from individuals and organizations in the form of golf equipment, golf balls, food, furniture, tournament giveaways, and much more. We would like to recognize the following in-kind supporters who have helped our chapter over the last year. Thank you so much for supporting The First Tee of Harrisonburg!

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6th Annual Michael L. Carrier Golf Tournament



Bryce Huffman

The *Michael L. Carrier Golf Tournament* was established by the Carrier family in 2013 to honor and remember Michael for his love of golf and also to support the mission of The First Tee. Your participation and support of the *Michael L. Carrier Golf Tournament* means a lot and will continue to help a young person build character and life skills that can be used in school, at home and in the community. Our 2018 tournament was a great success! We raised over $30,000 in sponsorships and silent auction proceeds!

We also offered the second $1,000 *Michael L. Carrier Scholarship* to a local high school senior. Bryce Huffman (Turner Ashby High School) was the recipient of the 2018 scholarship. Bryce now attends the University of Virginia. Your contributions made it possible to provide this scholarship. Thank You!!

The MLC tournament always provides good food, fun, fellowship and lots of competition to all who attend. Prizes are awarded for the longest drive, closest to the pin and lowest scores. Lunch is provided as well as door prizes and silent auction items.

Our 2018 tournament winners (pictured right) were Mike Orndorff, Nate Hilderbrand, Duane Yoder, and Joe Lockenger. Congratulations!

The Carrier family deeply appreciates your continued support and generosity and we look forward to seeing you next year on **Saturday, April 27, 2019** at Heritage Oaks Golf Course.







We would like to send a special thank you to the tournament committee members!
Linda Carrier--Dale Hulvey--Dick and Jenny Lyons--Kim Huffman
Matasha Owens--Dan Nardi--Garrett King--Jeff Simmons

2018 Charlie Obaugh AutoGroup Two-Player Championship a Huge Success!



Left to right: Garrett King (TFTH Executive Director), Eric Obaugh (TFTH Board Member), Dan Nardi (TFTH Boarc Chair), Tom Tattersall (TFTH Program Coordinator).

For the second year in a row our chapter partnered with Mr. Eric Obaugh (pictured above) and the Charlie Obaugh AutoGroup Two-Player Championship held at The Club at Ironwood in Staunton. Thank you so much to everyone who participated either as a player or sponsor. The First Tee of Harrisonburg raised over $5k thanks to a very generous donation of $3,000 from the Charlie Obaugh AutoGroup family. Congratulations to this year's championship flight winners Tim Floyd and Andrew Bartley!

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2019 Charlie Obaugh Two-Player Championship

At

The Club at Ironwood

May 4th & 5th, 2019

17th Annual The First Tee of Harrisonburg Golf Classic

On June 22nd The First Tee of Harrisonburg hosted its 17th Annual The First Tee of Harrisonburg Golf Classic fundraiser at Heritage Oaks Golf Course. Over 100 golfers participated in the 4-person captain's choice event which raised just over $35,000 to support our youth development efforts! We would like to recognize all who played and sponsored and give a very special **THANK YOU** to Renee Good Whitmore with Old Dominion Realty for being this year's ACE Sponsor!



Congragulations to Mike Orndorff, Duane Yoder, Joe Lockinger, and Nathan Hilderbrand for winning this year's tournament!

Another very special
THANK YOU
to the entire Harrisonburg
Chick-fil-A family
for donating lunch!



Left to right: Dylan Thompson, Linda Baker, Schuyler Harmisson, Roger Baker. Thank you Roger and Linda Baker for inviting two of our participants to play on your team, and congrats for placing 2nd in your flight!

SAVE THE DATE!

18th Annual

The First Tee of Harrisonburg

Golf Classic

June 21, 2019

Inaugural The First Tee & Harrisonburg Elks Lodge 450 Charity Golf Tournament

This past July our chapter partnered with the Harrisonburg Elks Lodge 450 to host a joint fundraising golf tournament at Lakeview Golf Course. Thank you to everyone who participated as a player or sponsor and to Joe Bowman Auto Plaza for being this year's title sponsor! Congratulations to this year's winning team!





Congratulations to this year's winning team of Bryan Saunders, Daniel Williams, Marc Rinker, & Brian Ratliff!

McDonough Toyota 2-Man Augusta Championship

Thank you Mr. Frank and Steve McDonough for supporting our chapter once again in 2018! Congratulations to our Executive Director, Garrett King, and his playing partner Chris Beahm for winning the 2018 McDonough Toyota 2-Man Augusta County Championship! This two-day event was held August 18th & 19th at The Club at Ironwood in Staunton and once again benefited The First Tee of Harrisonburg. This year's tournament was sold out so make sure you save the date for next year's event and sign up ASAP!

The 2019 Augusta County Championship will be held again at The Club at Ironwood in August 2019.

We would also like to congratulate Chris Beahm for achieving a huge milestone in earning his first ever hole-in-one! During the Saturday round Chris hit a perfect 9-iron to the 155 yard 17th hole, and was pleasantly surprised to find his ball at the bottom of the cup.





Left to right: Garrett King, Steve McDonough, Frank McDonough, Chris Beahm

3rd Annual The First Tee of Harrisonburg at Massanutten Golf Tournament

Our chapter wrapped up the 2018 event season in style with our 3rd Annual The First Tee of Harrisonburg at Massanutten Golf Tournament at Woodstone Meadows Golf Course. For the third year in a row our ACE SPONSOR was McDaniel Contractor Services, LLC out of Elkton, VA!







Thank you to everyone who participated as a player or sponsor, and congratulations to this year's winning team of Troy and Tony Taylor, Peter Reesor, and Kelly Cragin.

SAVE THE DATE!
Join us next year at the 4th Annual The First Tee of Harrisonburg at Massanutten Golf Tournament on September 28, 2019!

We would also like to recognize Travis and Cori Loan and everyone at Tropical Smoothie Café for graciously catering our tournament lunch for the second year in a row! Thank you!!!

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Thank You to Our Coaches, Volunteers, and Partners!

Without our hard-working volunteers and coaches we would not be able to accomplish what we did this year. With their help we were able to expand and grow our territory, participation and donor base.

The First Tee of Harrisonburg is proud to announce that we sent four individuals this year to The First Tee Coaches Program training in Richmond this past May. We look forward to working with Steve Claffey, Burke Hershey, John Rayford and Andy Stelton, PGA in 2019 and can't thank them enough for their dedication and commitment to youth development and the game of golf.

COACHES SPOTLIGHT



Steve Claffey

I was born and raised in Staunton Va. I attended N. L. Deavers golf programs at Gypsy Hill as a kid. After graduating R.E. Lee and the University of Virginia, I worked for Kmart and Sears for 41 years around the East Coast. I then transferred back to Valley in 1996 where I joined Ironwood soon after the move and enjoy playing there and playing other courses in area with the VSGA program I am married with two children and two awesome grandsons who are showing an interest in the game. I want to make sure they get the opportunity to play the best sport out there and learn some good life skills at the same time!!



Burke Hershey

I started playing golf at Gypsy Hill when I was 13. Bill Meade and I would get $5.00 from our parents and play all day....$3.50 for the golf and the rest for a sandwich and drink. Once we walked 63 holes! After a hamstring injuriein college track and later, softball, golf became my main sport. I have had the privilege to travel to play a number of courses.

I graduated from Lee High School and Bridgewater College. Afterwards, I worked with my Father, Mother and sisters, Sandy and Becky, at Hershey Tire. Later, I became the President and led the company almost 30 years. Our family has been blessed with wonderful support from the area. After retiring in the fall of 2017, Linda and I enjoy traveling, gardening and adventures with our three dogs. Also, we look forward to visiting our son, Trey, who is working in Moscow, Russia.

The First Tee has brought a new joy to the sport that I love. To see the talent of these young players as they develop is special. Golf is important, but more important are the Life Skills and Healthy Habits that are shared with each student. They teach me as much as I share with them. The smiles and laughs we have together make the program rock! My hope is that seeds planted will provide a step-up for each of these young friends.

WE'RE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO ALL OF OUR PROGRAM PARTNERS AND VOLUNTEERS!

2018 Volunteers & Coaches

James Hairston
Dee Michael
Bob Lewis
Greg Engel
Blake Clark
Jason Crawford, PGA
Mark Moretti, PGA
Andy Stelten, PGA
Ryan Hite
Michael Wilhite
Emily Villacrusis
Luke Mowery
Chris Sorber

Tyler Monk
Zach Dobrin
Lester Hershey
Steve Claffey
John Rayford
Mike Layman
Dan and Alyce Nardi
Jordan Biller
Jacob Carrara
Eric Hooke
Greg See
Charles King
Windsor Vaughn

Staff at
Staunton/Augusta YMCA
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Glenn Payne, PGA
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JMU Womens Golf Team
JMU Overcoming Barrier's
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Melissa Andrews
Michelle Koontz

2018 Partner Organizations

Our program partnerships are extremely important towards our overall success. Thank you program partners!

A message from Brent Holsinger, Founder and President of On the Road Collaborative:

> "The First Tee is an important resource for youth in our community. The game of golf was a defining part of my childhood, not only because I enjoyed and had success playing, but for the life lessons of perseverance, confidence and honesty that it taught me. We are fortunate that First Tee of Harrisonburg exists locally to provide these same life-changing opportunities for so many youth in our area."

Rockingham County Summer School Program
Harrisonburg High School Summer School Program
Harrisonburg High School Summer Enrichment Program
Harrisonburg High School Golf Team
Staunton/Augusta YMCA
On the Road Collaborative
James Madison University Overcoming Barriers
Spotswood Elementary School
Bluestone Elementary School
Thomas Harrison Middle School
Skyline Middle School
Montevideo Middle School
Riverbend Elementary School
Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Dept.
Charterhouse School in Edinburg
Shenandoah Valley Academy
McGaheysville Elementary School
Elkton Elementary School
John Wayland Elementary School
Plains Elementary School
Craigsville Elementary School
North River Elementary School
Riverheads Elementary School
Wilson Elementary School
Ware Elementary School
McSwain Elementary School
Bessie Weller Elementary School
Heritage Oaks Golf Course
Lakeview Golf Course
Massanutten Resort
The Club at Ironwood
Waynesboro Country Club
Shenvalee Resort
Harrisonburg Massanutten Rotary Club

SAVE THE DATE!

OPEN HOUSE Thank You! Event @ TFTH Rotary Learning Center-January 8th, 2019 5pm-8pm.
7th Annual Michael L. Carrier Golf Tournament @ Heritage Oaks Golf Course-April 27th, 2019
Charlie Obaugh Auto Group Two Player Championship @ The Club at Ironwood-May 4th & 5th, 2019
18th Annual The First Tee of Harrisonburg Golf Classic @ Heritage Oaks Golf Course-June 21st, 2019
McDonough Toyota 2-Man Augusta County Championship-August 17th & 18th, 2019
4th Annual The First Tee at Massanutten Golf Tournament @ Woodstone Meadows -September 28th, 2019

Are you looking for a great space to host your child's birthday party? Gender reveal party? Church retreat or wedding activities?

The First Tee of Harrisonburg Rotary Learning Center can accommodate your special event needs and would love to help! In the past 12 months we have hosted several birthday parties, baby showers, church retreats, and one wedding! It's truly a win-win, we provide a great space for your event in return for a contribution to our organization (rates may vary, please call for more details).



The First Tee participant, Jeffrey Riggs' birthday party.



Event space decorated for a wedding.

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We are excited to announce our "2019 The First Tee Golf Card" is now available for sale! The purchase price is $50 and all proceeds benefit The First Tee of Harrisonburg. This year, 14 local golf courses and Mulligan's Golf Center generously agreed to FREE driving range balls and reduced golf rates. These coupon books make great gifts for all occasions and they SAVE you hundreds! Make your $50 donation online at www.thefirstteeharrisonburg.org and receive your 2019 golf card today!

- (1) $25.00 round of golf with cart coupon to the following courses: Bryce Resort, Fisher Mountain Golf Club, Heritage Oaks Golf Course, Lakeview Golf Club, Luray Caverns Country Club, Woodstone Meadows Golf Course, Mountain Greens Golf Course, Waynesboro Country Club, and Packsaddle Ridge Golf Club.
- $35.00 round of golf with cart to the following courses: The Club at Ironwood, Hunting Hills Country Club, and Mariners Landing Golf & Country Club.
- (1) $45.00 round of golf with cart coupon to Spotswood Country Club. Monday - Friday only.
- (1) $25 round of golf with cart coupon to Shenvalee Golf Resort Monday-Thursday.
- (2) FREE Large bucket coupons to Mulligan's Golf Center. No purchase necessary.
- (1) FREE bucket of range balls coupon to the following: Bryce Resort, Packsaddle Ridge Golf Club, Shenvalee Golf Resort, Woodstone Meadows Golf Course.
- (1) Buy one, get one free bucket of range balls at Heritage Oaks Golf Course.



Free range balls are also included with your round at The Club at Ironwood and Lakeview Golf Course.