

First Tee - Cleveland's **Fairway Report**

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The Clubhouse Recap

This year's 100 Hole Golf Marathon was the best ever. Three records were broken on July 18 at Seneca Golf Course in Broadview Heights, highlighted by a record 42 golfers raising the most money (more than \$83,000 from nearly 800 donors) in the fifth annual event.

Not to be overlooked, Rob Cheffins and Zach Geyser etched their names in First Tee - Cleveland lore by playing a record 181 holes in 14 hours (For context, that's like playing 2½ PGA Tour events

Here are some examples of what the dollars can buy:

- 1,100 registration fee scholarships
- 500 sets of clubs for kids
- · 4,100 uniform shirts and hats for kids
- · 164 field trips to golf course for kids
- Hiring 9 full-time alumni interns

The busy month of July also featured golf camps and cooking classes with Elizabeth Baptist Church, Fatima and Cleveland Rotary Club and First Tee - Cleveland's participation in Highland Park Golf Course's "Kids Day."

Next on the Tee

Members of the First Tee - Cleveland Ambassador Committee host Golftoberfest, featuring 18 holes of golf, food and drinks, on Friday, October 3rd at Sleepy Hollow Golf Course.

The cost (\$1,200 per foursome or \$300 per person) directly supports programs across our organization. Your contribution truly makes a difference!

Sign up today at golftober25.givesmart.com

Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus and You! For just \$100, you have a chance to play at the iconic Pebble Beach Golf Links - where Woods and Nicklaus both won U.S. Opens.

Limited to 500 tickets. The Pebble Beach Play & Stay Raffle offers a three-night stay at The Lodge at Pebble Beach (with a room of the ocean) plus golf for two (with cart) at Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill. If that's not enough, you get \$1,000 to spend on dining, shopping, spa treatments and souvenirs.

Enter for your chance to win at <u>25pebble.givesmart.com</u>

Community Corner

At 9 years old, **Peter Titas-Logan** is a veteran of First Tee Cleveland. Peter, who lives in Cleveland Heights and attends Hawken, has been a participant in the program since 2022 and is one of the biggest cheerleaders of First Tee.

He interviewed his golf-crazy parents — Christine Titas and Andrew Logan — about his journey.

PETER: How did you hear about First Tee?

CHRISTINE: Dad and I were playing at Briardale during the week after school while you were home with grandma. We saw a bunch of kids on the course, and we wondered what is this all about. We asked about it and ended up talking to Coach David (Alexander) about the program. He told us to check it out online, and we did.

PETER: Why did you sign me up?

ANDREW: It looked like the kids were having fun, and we thought it was something we thought you might enjoy. We'd been interested in making sure you learned some lifetime sports, and your mom and I both love golf, and we were hoping you might take a liking to it so we could all play together.

PETER: How have you seen me grow as a person?

CHRISTINE: Your leadership skills have definitely gotten better. Even the coaches have been impressed with how empathetic you are and how it makes you happy to help out others. First Tee has helped you realize you have that capability.

ANDREW: Since the first time you swung a club and got frustrated about how hard golf is to now being on the golf course playing nine holes and having fun and being positive is great to see.



Christine Titas, Peter Titas-Logan and Andrew Logan

STAY CONNECTED, STAY INFORMED, AND KEEP SWINGING!