

# Legacy

Scholarships for Kids Who Work in Golf



Newsletter

Spring 2018

## Fund Friends Meet Hopeful Ouimet Applicants



Throughout the Spring, the Ouimet Fund held interviews at supporting clubs across the state. These interviews allow those present to get to know the 185

new scholarship applicants, all of whom have a goal of becoming a Ouimet Scholar this upcoming September. These interviews would not be possible, however, without the support of volunteers who come from all over Massachusetts to interview these applicants.

### INTERVIEW EXPERIENCE

Interviewing is a rewarding and enjoyable experience for all involved, as volunteers meet some of the amazing young people who work at our clubs and will receive the support. The contribution of time is incredibly valuable

for The Fund in the overall evaluation of each applicant. Applicant interviews last approximately 20 minutes each, and a typical volunteer will interview five to six students in a days' "session." Four to six interviewers are in the room at one time and following the conversation with the applicant, conduct independent scoring as part of the Ouimet "admissions" process.

### MEETING FUTURE LEADERS

Mark Tansey, a Ouimet Alumnus ('97) and loyal donor, commented after one of the larger sessions at Golf House in Norton in April, "I can't believe how strong this class of applicants was today. I was also thanking them for their time. It was so encouraging knowing that these are our future leaders, and are already doing so much in the community."

Mark's sentiment about the impressive young men and women is not uncommon year after year. Any Ouimet donor who would like to participate in this important program in 2019, please reach out to Director of Scholarships – Michelle Edwards, at [MichelleE@ouimet.org](mailto:MichelleE@ouimet.org).

## Student Speaker Josh Belinsky Impresses at Ouimet Banquet

Josh Belinsky of Westwood and Northeastern University was the Student Speaker for the Ouimet Fund's Annual Banquet on March 27th, 2018. He shared the podium with PGA TOUR and 2018 Ryder Cup Captain Jim Furyk, who was the principal Honoree.

### A OUIMET SUCCESS STORY

Josh caddied for 12 years at Blue Hill Country Club in Canton. He finished classes in December and will be graduating in May from Northeastern with a Business degree. Due to his excellent grades and rigorous work ethic, Josh earned fantastic internships, including at Liberty

Mutual and in a co-op program at State Street Bank. He has also been involved in several entrepreneurial pursuits, including launching an energy bar product and a real estate technology company. At Westwood High School, from which he graduated in 2013, he was a member of two Massachusetts State High School Championship golf teams.





*Play 100 or more holes in one day to raise money for need-based scholarships for kids who work in golf!*

## A Record Year in 2017!

**42** participants

Over **\$370,000** raised



**12 NEW PLAYERS**



## How it all works:

- On August 6th, marathoners set aside traditional golf rules and do whatever it takes to play as many holes as they can! (Gimmees Encouraged! No Looking for Lost Balls! Play Holes Out of Order!)
- Field is made up of individuals fundraising through their personal networks, family and friends, their corporate offices and some representing country clubs/golf courses.
- An endurance golf challenge open to anyone who wants to play tons of golf and raise money in support of Ouimet Scholars.
- Participants will experience a truly unique day of golf, food, fun and prizes.



**Reserve your spot today at**  
[www.ouimet.org/2018golfmarathon/](http://www.ouimet.org/2018golfmarathon/)



## Caroline Arnold

Franklin Country Club  
 Boston University '19

*Today, I am a junior studying Nutrition and Dietetics at Boston University with the help of a Ouimet Scholarship. Being a Ouimet Scholar has also opened so many doors for me, such as being able to take the Dale Carnegie course over the summer and learning leadership skills, and has even brought me to fun events like baseball games and caddying opportunities. I am so thankful for the Ouimet Fund.*

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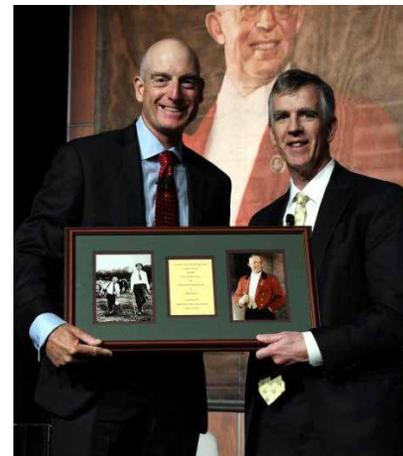
## Ouimet Honoree Jim Furyk, Ryder Cup Highlight 2018 Banquet

This year's Ryder Cup Captain Jim Furyk was the guest speaker and honored with the 21st Francis Ouimet Award for Lifelong Contributions to Golf at the Francis Ouimet Scholarship Fund's 67th Annual Banquet. The Banquet, which has become the largest annual golf dinner in America, was held on Tuesday, March 27th at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center.

### A MODEL PLAYER & CAPTAIN

"We were thrilled to have Jim Furyk as our 2018 Honoree. He has a tremendous record, and has been one of the top players on the PGA TOUR for the past 24 years," said Jim Blue, Ouimet Fund President. "He's played on nine Ryder Cup teams, including here in Boston in 1999, and is greatly respected for his charitable work. We are all looking forward to him leading the U.S. Team in at the Ryder Cup Matches in Paris." Not only was the 2018 Ryder Cup Captain in attendance, but the historic Ryder Cup trophy was also on display for all guests to enjoy and take pictures next to.

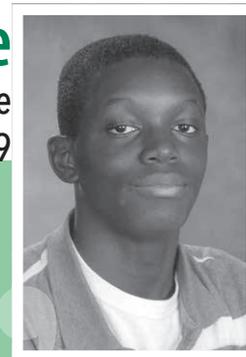
Jim joins an extremely impressive group of past Ouimet Honorees, a list that features some of the legends of the game such as Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player. This year's Banquet drew nearly 1,200 guests to the Convention Center and, as always, is a central event in the Ouimet Fund's ability to award more scholarship money every year. The Fund announced it plans to increase annual scholarships again beyond this year's record \$2 Million. Through the 2017-2018 academic year, The Fund has awarded nearly \$34 Million to 5,700 Scholars.



## Thomas Akukwe

George Wright Golf Course

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences '19



*I am currently a junior at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences in Boston majoring in Public Health. I'd like to extend a major thank you to the numerous donors of the Ouimet Fund. With your amazing support, I have been able to afford and attend an institution that has prepared me for the future in ways I never thought possible. Thank you.*



*Nearly 80 clubs received their tags in April, which represents their annual commitment to the Bag Tag Program.*

## Thank You to our Nearly 80 Clubs Supporting the Bag Tag Program

Thank you to the THOUSANDS of club members across the state who support the Bag Tag Program annually. Since 1955, the Bag Tag has been the cornerstone of our fundraising programs, and continues to make a huge impact in allowing us to keep pace with the growing financial need of our Scholars. These members of our supporting clubs, along with the Ouimet Chairperson, not only provide their financial support but

are essential in promoting the scholarship opportunity to the young people working at their club.

The newly designed bag tags (pictured) arrived at our supporting clubs on April 1st and we hope that they are displayed proudly. If your club is not yet involved, or would like to enhance your program, we encourage you to contact the Ouimet Fund office.



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## Ouimet Scholar Aodhan Doyle Achieves Dream at 2018 Olympics

While most college juniors are in the middle of studying for midterm exams, Ouimet Scholar Aodhan Doyle (Syracuse University '19, The Captains Golf Course) spent February as an intern for NBC at the Jeongseon Alpine Center in South Korea. It was a dream internship, but one that was extremely difficult to get. There were seven available spots in the internship program, and over 500 students applied.

### GIVING CREDIT TO OUIMET INTERVIEW

The interview process was somewhat rigorous, and it took months to hear back from NBC. Aodhan felt the interview went well, and he gave a great deal of credit for his preparation to the Ouimet Fund scholarship interview process. "There's no doubt that going through the Ouimet interview

process helped prepare me for that," Aodhan mentioned, when speaking of his interview with NBC. "it gave me experience answering questions on the fly, and confidence that I didn't have to be

nervous." He was clearly well prepared, because he eventually did get the call with good news from NBC – he was going to South Korea. To read more about Aodhan's story, and hear about other Scholars on a regular basis, follow the Fund on social media and check in on [Ouimet.org](http://Ouimet.org)!

