

## **Saints Golf Team Boosters,**

With the high school season in full swing, our team has been very busy:

### **VARSITY TEAM NEWS**

- Our varsity team currently stands at 8-8 overall, 4-2 in Western League as we try to defend our Western League Championship from last season. The highlight of our high school matches to date would be defeating Cathedral Catholic by 1 stroke at Riverwalk GC;
- Individually, junior Haytham Yousif is in 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall in the Western League in scoring average with seniors Teddy Oitzman (4<sup>th</sup> overall) and Robert Case (5<sup>th</sup> overall) not far behind. We currently have the 4<sup>th</sup> best team average in San Diego Division 2 and have the 10<sup>th</sup> lowest scoring average in the entire CIF San Diego Section.
- On March 24<sup>th</sup>, we finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place out of the 8 teams in the Saints hosted San Diego Country Club Invitational;
- For the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, our team competed in the Champions Invitational at Terra Lago GC in Indio. Coming off of a strong 8<sup>th</sup> place finish last year out of the 47 team field, our team finished in 28<sup>th</sup> out of 47 teams this year. Though each of our players probably feel as though they could have played better, it was a pretty good showing against a tough field from around the country (and one team from Canada as well).

### **JUNIOR VARSITY TEAM**

- The junior varsity team is currently 6-5. With a total of 28 players in the Saints golf program, having the JV and Developmental teams allows younger players the opportunity to work to improve their games throughout the spring season. We have a team ladder in which players can move up based on their results on the course and several of our JV players over the past 4 years have moved into the varsity lineup along the way.
- We will be participating in two JV tournaments at the end of the high school season as a reward to those younger players on our team who have worked hard to earn their way into an event to help build the experience needed to compete in varsity matches in the coming years.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

With less than four weeks remaining in the regular spring golf season, CIF playoffs are approaching quickly:

- On May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, San Diego City League will have its championship at Balboa GC. Players will then participate over the following 5 days in the City League Match Play Championship
- The CIF San Diego Championship will be held on May 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at Admiral Baker GC. The top two teams from Admiral Baker as well as the top 10 individuals who are not on those two teams will qualify to move on to the CIF Southern Section Championship in Pasadena.

### **INFORMATION ON FORMER SAINTS GOLFERS STILL COMPETING IN THE SPORT:**

- Luis Calderon (Saints 2014), who was All-Western League and qualified for the CIF Southern Section Championship in 2013, is currently a sophomore on a golf scholarship at California State, Northridge (CSUN). He is playing in events regularly with the team and is currently their #4 player on the team;
- Tyler Torano (Saints 2010, Loyola Marymount 2014) recently earned his fully exempt status on the PGA Latino American Tour. As he gets ready to head back to South America for the next 4 weeks, Tyler has played in two events so far and made the cut in Panama last month to earn his first official money on the Tour and currently is 60<sup>th</sup> on the Tour's money list. The top finishers from this tour are given exemptions into the PGA Tour's Web.com Tour. As a side note, Tyler's Saints classmate Chris Derr is serving as his caddy and translator for all events!!
- Armando Favela (Saints 2005, Loyola-Chicago 2009) is also exempt on the PGA Latino American Tour and is currently in 30<sup>th</sup> place on the Tour. Armando has previously won an event on the Latino Tour which helped him earn his exempt status for 2015 on the Web.com Tour.

Thank you again to all who have helped make our Saints golf program so successful.

Sincerely  
Tom Isaak, Saints Golf