

8th Annual Golf Classic Held Special Guest – Coach Don Nehlen

The 8th annual CVCWVU golf classic was held Thursday, May 17th at Birkdale Golf Club and was attended by 40 golfers and an additional 19 dinner guests. Through the work of the board and chapter members we were able to raise over \$3,400 for our chapter. As always, our golf tournament is our biggest fund raiser of the year.

We congratulate the team of (from left to right) Cameron Payne, Dustin Cutlip, Justin Madron, and Izaak Mendelson for their first place win and are pictured with their trophies.



2nd place went to the team of Justin DuBrueler, Louis Gilmore, Jeff Hedrick, and John Moreland, while 3rd place went to the team of Al Dietz, Norm Bess, Less Bess, and Art Green.

The Mountaineer, Jonathan Kimble, was on hand to start the tournament with a "Musket Start" and then hit the course to cheer on the participants as well as take pictures with the attendees. Jonathan took over the duties of The Mountaineer earlier this spring and hails from Franklin in Pendleton County. Jonathan will make us proud as the face of WVU and this year. We thank him for joining us.



After a gorgeous day on the links, everyone enjoyed a buffet dinner and a cold beverage or two before our special guest Hall of Fame coach Don Nehlen took the stage to share a few words about his reign as coach, special moments in Mountaineer football history, and the move to the Big 12 in the upcoming season. We cannot express our gratitude enough to Coach Nehlen for joining us.



We also want to thank our sponsors who supported our event, Lowell and Janice Connor who sponsored the CVCWVUAA at the Birkdale Golf Club, Tara Ruth the Activities Chair, and those chapter members who donated their time to obtain sponsors and volunteer for the event. We'll be updating our website soon with more pictures and links to our sponsor's businesses.

If you missed it, you missed an excellent event...it was indeed "A Great Day to be a Mountaineer".

Congratulations 2012 Graduates

More than 4,200 Receive Degrees

An estimated 4,264 students from 46 states and 211 countries received their degrees from WVU over a 3 day period, May 11-13th. Ceremonies were held either at the WVU Coliseum, the Creative Arts Center, or the Morgantown Event Center.

It is the end of a significant part of their formal education, and the beginning of "the real world."

Bus Trip Update

WVU vs. JMU at FedEx Field

The CVCWVUAA has secured two 55 seat buses for the trip to FedEx Field for the game against JMU on Saturday, September 15th. Game time has yet to be announced.

We are still in the planning phase, so we do not have a cost or signup available at this time. Bus seating will be available to both members and friends of the CVCWVUAA and available on a first come first serve basis. We will send out a formal announcement, including information on tickets, once we have finalized plans and no seats will be reserved until the after that announcement.

This marks the first time that the Mountaineers will play a game at FedEx Field and will be the second meeting ever with the JMU Dukes. The DC Chapter will also be providing a tailgate to those who would want to buy a ticket to it.



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2012 Chapter Picnic

Location to be Announced

Your chapter's annual family picnic, "Summer Fest", will be held on Saturday, July 28th. This year's special guests from Morgantown will be Sarah Glen, Assistant Director of Employee Relations and Dave Durham, Director of Career Services from the WVU Career Services Center.

Be sure to mark your calendars to join us for this laid-back event and enjoy good food, a raffle, and Mountaineer fellowship. Bring your family and friends as all are invited. You do not have to be a paid member to attend. Registration information will be forwarded once we finalize the location and time.

Night out with the Squirrels

CVCWVUAA Night at the Diamond

Are you nuts about baseball? Come join the CVCWVUAA and Mountaineer fans at the Diamond on Tuesday, July 31st for the CVCWVUAA night at the diamond. First pitch is at 7:05pm.

Last year's event gain great reviews from our membership so don't miss this year's outing. We will be reserving box seats for this event at a cost of \$10 each. Please reply to this email or to John Radford at wvftballfan@msn.com if you think you will attend so we can be sure to secure tickets together for everyone.

A State of Minds

The Campaign for West Virginia University

A State of Minds: The Campaign for West Virginia's University is about investing in the values, ambition, intellect, and mindset that define one of the most exciting universities in the country.

With support from alumni, friends, foundations, and partners, West Virginia University will be in a position to lead the national and global dialogue on energy, health, the environment, the economy...and so much more. Learn more about the campaign at www.astateofminds.com

\$538 million of the \$750 million goal has been raised to date. Thank you for supporting A State of Minds: The Campaign for West Virginia's University.

A Richmond Flavor

Patrick Beilein to Coach at WV Wesleyan

Former WVU basketball player and son of former WVU coach John Beilein has been named head basketball coach at West Virginia Wesleyan. Beilein had been serving as director of basketball operations at Bradley University.

Patrick played high school basketball here in Richmond at Benedictine High School before following his father to WVU as a player. His father John was head coach at the University of Richmond before taking the same position at WVU.

Patrick scored over 1,000 points, including 242 three-point shots, in his WVU career and was a member of teams that advanced to the NCAA Sweet Sixteen and Elite Eight.

The CVCWVUAA wishes Patrick success in his new position.



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WVU vs. Alabama In 2014

Teams to Meet in Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game



WVU will meet Alabama for the first time on the gridiron to open the 2014 season in the Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game in Atlanta on Saturday, August 30, 2014.

"Alabama and West Virginia are consistently among the premier teams in the country and we're thrilled to be able to host such a high profile game with representatives from the SEC and the Big 12," said Gary Stokan, Chick-fil-A Bowl president and CEO. "This will be an epic blockbuster-type game the nation will anticipate for a long, long time and will continue our tradition of showcasing two top-ranked teams to open the season on Saturday night."

Tickets to the game will be evenly split between the two teams, creating a true neutral-site game. All tickets to the game will be sold through the university ticket offices. No tickets will be sold through the Chick-fil-A Bowl office.

"I believe that playing an opponent that has the national reputation that West Virginia does, one of the top programs in the country, provides a great challenge for our players and gives us something to look forward to in the offseason," said Nick Saban, Alabama head coach.

West Virginia is 24-22-2 all time against teams from the SEC and defeated Georgia to win the 2006 Sugar Bowl the year it was played in Atlanta's Georgia Dome, site of the game with Alabama.

"Playing in the Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game is a great opportunity for our football program and will be an exciting event for our fans," said Dana Holgorsen, West Virginia head coach. "Alabama is one of the top teams in college football history, and it will be a tough challenge for us."

"Playing in the Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game is yet another great way to showcase our football program on a national stage," Director of Athletics Oliver Luck said. "Playing Alabama will match-up two programs with great college football traditions. I have known Nick Saban since my playing days at West Virginia, and I have the utmost respect for him and his program."

ESPN's Mark Schlabach Top 25

Preseason Football Rankings

WVU holds the 8th spot in the ranking and the Big 12 (bold) has a total of 6 teams ranked, tied for first with the SEC. No Big East teams were ranked.

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| 1. LSU | 11. Michigan State | 21. Washington |
| 2. USC | 12. Stanford | 22. Oklahoma State |
| 3. Alabama | 13. Arkansas | 23. Virginia Tech |
| 4. Oregon | 14. TCU | 24. Nebraska |
| 5. Georgia | 15. Wisconsin | 25. Georgia Tech |
| 6. Oklahoma | 16. Clemson | |
| 7. Florida State | 17. Ohio State | |
| 8. West Virginia | 18. Kansas State | |
| 9. Michigan | 19. Texas | |
| 10. South Carolina | 20. Florida | |

Madsen Named to Rimington Watch List

WVU Senior Center Honored

West Virginia senior center Joe Madsen has been named to the Rimington Trophy preseason watch list. He is one of 50 players named to the list and one of four players from the Big 12 Conference. The Rimington Trophy will be awarded to the top center in the nation.
