

Union Club Hotel

The 27^{th-ish} Annual
Otis Invitational



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Hosted By
Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex
West Lafayette, IN

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27th Annual Otis Invitational

Welcome Otis Participants!

This program will become your Otis bible, containing and pertaining to everything you could want to know about the tournament.

The most important rule, as always is to have a great time.

And in addition to the rules, this program contains prize money info, format, tee times, logistics, and of course, the now infamous Player Bios.

Our final count for 2024 is 32 players.

If you cannot play, let us know immediately, so we can fill your spot. Uneven scramble teams are no fun for anybody. Also, we have already committed to bring 32 people, and deposits have been paid. If we can't replace you, you may not get a refund.

Tee times begin at 8:00 AM on Friday and 8:00 AM on Saturday. These are both shotguns, so you **NEED TO BE THERE EARLY!** Please make sure you get to the courses by 7:30 AM on Friday and Saturday!

Tee Markers: We will play the gold tees at both courses for all individual and scramble rounds.

We will have a group dinner on Saturday at "Nine Irish Brothers" 119 Howard Ave in West Lafayette - at 9 pm (or whenever we can all get there.) We hope everyone will participate. The dinner price is ***not*** included in your entrance fee this year. Order off the menu. There is a bar, but you will be on your own tab for drinks this year.

We are also planning to meet at "Harry's Chocolate Shop" 329 W. State St. in West Lafayette on Thursday evening as people come into town. We will have a room reserved there.

You can call Zim at 630-373-3404 or Mike at 715-220-1610 if you get lost.



The Prizes will be distributed as follows:

Closest To the Pin (4 holes per round, all 4 rounds)	\$40
Long Drive (1 hole per round, all 4 rounds)	\$40
Long Putt (2 holes per round, all 4 rounds)	\$40

Low Net 1 st place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$70
Low Net 2 nd place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$60
Low Net 3 rd place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$50
Low Net 4 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$40
Low Net 5 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$30
Low Net 6 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$20
Low Net 7 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$15
Low Net 8 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$10
Low Net 9 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$5

Scramble Team Winners (each person, each scramble round)	\$50
Scramble Team 2 nd place (each person, each scramble round)	\$40
Scramble Team 3 rd place (each person, each scramble round)	\$30
Scramble Team 4 th place (each person, each scramble round)	\$20
Scramble Team 5 th place (each person, each scramble round)	\$10

Hole-In-One Pool (Will go up every year until we pay it out)	\$6,700
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The golf fees for all 4 rounds will be \$275 per person (includes green fees and riding cart, and one boxed lunch!) Betting / door prize money is \$175 for the entire weekend.

Total cost per person: \$450 (not including the hotel room.)

Birdie pool is optional. You will pay \$1 for every birdie made by others, and receive \$1 from everyone else if you make a birdie. If someone scores an eagle, it will be counted as 2 birdies. An albatross will count as 3 birdies. (Ya never know....) Hole-In-One Pool is total for the weekend. We will split it if more than one.





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Official Otis Format

Friday AM - *Stroke play with your foursome at Ackerman Allen.* Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #15 (water in play), longest putt made on #6 and #12, and to the top 9 finishers. Gold tees. This is a SHOTGUN start. Be at the course by 7:30 am. Tee off at 8:00 am.

Friday PM – *Handicapped 4-man scramble play at Ackerman Allen.* Teams are determined by a high/low pairing based on your pre-tournament approved score. For example, each team would consist of players ranked in the A, B, C, and D tiers (to be determined ahead of time.) Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #18, longest putt made on #3 and #18, and to the top 6 teams. Gold tees. Everyone will start on #1 and finish on #18.

Saturday AM - *Stroke play with your foursome at Kampen Cosler.* Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #14 (water in play), longest putt made on #4 & #16, and to the top 9 finishers. Gold tees. This is a SHOTGUN start. Be at the course by 7:30 am. Tee off at 8:00 am.

Saturday PM - *Handicapped 4-man scramble play at Kampen Cosler.* Teams are determined by a drunken draw with an A, B, C and D player. Handicaps are computed based on your pre-approved average score. Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #18, longest putt made on #7 & #18, and to the top 6 teams. Gold tees. Everyone will start on #1 and finish on #18.

Official Otis Logistics

Tournament Date:	Weekend of Friday, June 28, 2024		
Tournament Location:	Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex West Lafayette, IN (765) 494-3139		
Motel Accommodations:	Union Club Hotel at Purdue 201 Grant St, West Lafayette, IN 47906 (765) 494-8922 Rooms are \$169 per night double occupancy. Each room will have 2 double beds or one King. Block of rooms reserved under the Otis Golf Outing		
Saturday Night Dinner:	We will have the entire group eat together at “Nine Irish Brothers” on Saturday night. Your dinner is *not* included in the entry fee this year. Order off the menu as normal with beer and wine available for purchase. For other meals, you are on your own. There are many good spots to eat around the area.		
Tournament Format:	36 Holes on Friday and Saturday. 18 holes of stroke play in the morning, 18-hole scrambles in the afternoon.		
Cost Breakdown: (\$450 Total per person)	Greens Fees are \$275 for the entire weekend. This includes 72 holes of golf and a riding cart. Betting, Prize, and one lunch is \$175 for the entire weekend. (For closest to the pin, low net, long drive, long putt, scramble winners, and other goodies.) Birdie pool is optional. You will pay \$1 for every birdie made by others and receive \$1 from everyone else for each birdie you make.		
	Please send all entry fee checks to: Rob Westover, 9262 Brown Court, Minocqua, WI 54548.		
Tee Times:	Begin at 8:00 on Friday, and Saturday. Scrambles around 2:00 pm for first tee time.		
Player Handicaps:	Your handicap will be determined by a mutually agreed upon average score. If you have not played with us before, you will need to agree on a score with someone who has. We will adjust your score up or down if we determine that you normally play a very easy or difficult course. We ask you to be honest. The competition will not be very much fun if there are a lot of “sandbaggers”.		
Other information call	Mike Redenbaugh	715-220-1610	
	Jason Zimmeroff	630-373-3404	
	Rob Westover	715-220-5636	



2024 Otis Invitational

Official Otis Rules

Unless otherwise stated by the rules committee (Zim, Rob and Mike), USGA rules apply. Here are some clarifications and local rules that should help eliminate confusion.

SHOW UP!

We go through a lot of planning to set up the Otis each year, so if you cannot make it, please do everything possible to tell us early and we will try to find a replacement. Uneven scramble teams are not fun for anybody. If you play, you will be among the first to get invited back every year!

NO COMPLAINING

No complaining about the conditions or rules!

NO GIMMIES IN THE SCRAMBLES!

PLAYOFFS...

for the scrambles will only take place if time allows, and the golf course is agreeable to it. We may go back to the first hole or have a putting contest to decide – if time allows. We may also just split the prize money among the winning teams.

KEEP PACE:

Please take no more than triple bogey on each hole. If you get to triple bogey and are still not in the hole, give it up and move on! Please keep up with the group ahead of you. We need to get a lot of people through the course in time to tee off again in the afternoon, and we do not want dinner to be later than it must be.

RAIN:

You are expected to play through all weather. We follow a modified Otis rule. (The original Otis rule is, if the bar is open, you must drink!), thus the modified rule is: if the course is open you must play. Be prepared with an umbrella, rain suit, multiple towels, and spare gloves. As Bill Murray would say, “I don’t think the heavy stuff gonna come down for quite a while.” Remember, we are going a long way to play, so be prepared! Besides, everyone will face the same conditions.

SHIRTS & SHOES:

Soft Spike shoes are required. Most of us have converted by now, but it is still worth mentioning. Please wear shirts with a collar.

TEE TIMES

Arrive at least 30 minutes before the morning tee time. BE THERE BY 7:30 on Fri/Sat!

MOVING THE BALL:

Fairway and Rough- You are allowed to move the ball no more than six inches (winter rules)

OUT OF BOUNDS:

All Courses - All holes - you are allowed to drop the ball where it went OB with a ONE stroke penalty. If the ball is OB but playable, you still must drop it back in play and take the one stroke penalty!

LOST BALLS:

You may drop a ball in the area where you think the ball disappeared (you must get agreement from your partners on the spot), and then take a ONE stroke penalty.

WATER HAZARDS:

Standard - Drop where the ball crossed the margin of the hazard, one stroke penalty (i.e., on a par 3 if you hit your tee shot in the water, after your drop, you will be hitting your 3rd shot.)

SCORECARDS:

Circle all birdies, double circle eagles. Triple Bogey is max score per hole. The card must be signed by one member of the group and given to Zim after each round.

SCRAMBLES:

- Drives: Minimum of 2 drives must be used from each player within 18 holes.
Position - You must hit your shot within 1 club length of where the ball was marked. You can not change the playing surface (i.e., if you are in the rough or sand you must play the ball from the rough or sand). Also, you may not move the ball closer to the hole.
- Putting: Once the ball is in the hole, that is your score (i.e., DON'T tap the ball in if someone else still has a chance to make the previous putt!!)
- Finish: Weather permitting, wait at least 30 feet behind the 18th green for the following groups.



Friday Morning Individual Score

(Shotgun start – everyone needs to tee off at 8:00 AM!)

(Be There At 7:30!)

Name	Otis Score
Kevin Brewster	89
Eric Wienrich	90
Mike Redenbaugh	89
Matt Redenbaugh	115
Joe Paver	74
Bill Krueger	85
Dave Compton	90
Tom Bulger	108
Terry Bulger	89
Joe Booth	88
Maciek Milewski	105
Josh Redenbaugh	110
Brad Walbruck	89
Jason Zimberoff	92
Phil Joschko	96
Eric Walbruck	105
Kai Bobkowski	92
Troy Fankhanel	92
Brian Ziegelbauer	97
Doug Newton	84
Keyvan Pischevar	81
Lou Zimmerman	86
Bump Waghorne	99
Lance Murphy	102
Cole Holloway	86
Mike Reda	93
Robert Planica	98
Matt Bulger	105
Bill Holloway	93
Bryan Rehfeldt	94
Mark Fankhanel	96
Scott Kossman	97

Friday Afternoon Scramble

Approximate 1st Tee Time: 2:00 PM

Name	Score	HCP	Team HCP
Bill Krueger	85	1	14
Kai Bobkowski	92	3	
Robert Planica	98	4	
Maciek Milewski	105	6	
Doug Newton	84	1	12
Terry Bulger	89	2	
Mike Reda	93	3	
Matt Redenbaugh	115	6	
Mike Redenbaugh	89	2	14
Brad Walbruck	89	2	
Brian Ziegelbauer	97	4	
Josh Redenbaugh	110	6	
Cole Holloway	86	1	12
Dave Compton	90	2	
Bill Holloway	93	3	
Eric Walbruck	105	6	
Lou Zimmerman	86	1	11
Eric Wienrich	90	2	
Phil Joschko	96	4	
Scott Kossman	97	4	
Joe Booth	88	2	11
Kevin Brewster	89	2	
Bryan Rehfeldt	94	3	
Bump Waghorne	99	4	
Joe Paver	74	-3	11
Jason Zimberoff	92	3	
Lance Murphy	102	5	
Matt Bulger	105	6	
Keyvan Pischevar	81	0	13
Troy Fankhanel	92	3	
Mark Fankhanel	96	4	
Tom Bulger	108	6	

Saturday Morning Individual Score

(Shotgun Start – Everyone needs to tee Off At 8:00!)

Be There At 7:30!

Name	Otis Score
Joe Paver	74
Kevin Brewster	89
Kai Bobkowski	92
Scott Kossman	97
Bill Krueger	85
Brian Ziegelbauer	97
Mark Fankhanel	96
Matt Redenbaugh	115
Doug Newton	84
Mike Redenbaugh	89
Eric Walbruck	105
Bryan Rehfeldt	94
Terry Bulger	89
Lou Zimmerman	86
Matt Bulger	105
Tom Bulger	108
Cole Holloway	86
Jason Zimmeroff	92
Bump Waghorne	99
Josh Redenbaugh	110
Joe Booth	88
Eric Wienrich	90
Troy Fankhanel	92
Lance Murphy	102
Brad Walbruck	89
Bill Holloway	93
Mike Reda	93
Maciek Milewski	105
Keyvan Pischevar	81
Dave Compton	90
Phil Joschko	96
Robert Planica	98






Saturday Afternoon Scramble








Approximate 1st Tee Time: 2:00 PM








Name	Score	HCP	Team HCP
Cole Holloway	86	1	13
Eric Wienrich	90	2	
Brian Ziegelbauer	97	4	
Tom Bulger	108	6	
Bill Krueger	85	1	12
Brad Walbruck	89	2	
Scott Kossman	97	4	
Lance Murphy	102	5	
Lou Zimmerman	86	1	12
Kevin Brewster	89	2	
Troy Fankhanel	92	3	
Josh Redenbaugh	110	6	
Doug Newton	84	1	13
Dave Compton	90	2	
Mark Fankhanel	96	4	
Matt Bulger	105	6	
Keyvan Pischevar	81	0	12
Jason Zimmeroff	92	3	
Bryan Rehfeldt	94	3	
Maciek Milewski	105	6	
Joe Booth	88	2	14
Kai Bobkowski	92	3	
Mike Reda	93	3	
Eric Walbruck	105	6	
Joe Paver	74	-3	10
Bill Holloway	93	3	
Robert Planica	98	4	
Matt Redenbaugh	115	6	
Mike Redenbaugh	89	2	12
Terry Bulger	89	2	
Phil Joschko	96	4	
Bump Waghorne	99	4	








Player Bios







This is the famous Otis Bio section. If you have a better nickname, tell Rob, Mike, or Zim and we will try to change it next time...


Score	Name	Mug Shot	Otis Nickname	Information
74	Joe Paver		"The Designated Driver"	Joe had a pretty good time at the Otis last year. Low net, lots of cash prizes, the shot maker award, etc. So, his score has dropped accordingly. We shall see if he can continue his dominance now that everyone is chasing him.
81	Keyvan Pischevar		"The Lightweight"	Keyvan was a steady participant in his first Otis last year, carding scores right near his expected number, and playing well in the scrambles. Let's see if he can keep it up while sharing a room with perhaps the loudest snoring person in the group – Dave Compton.
84	Doug Newton		"Just One More"	We were considering changing Doug's nickname to "The Human Thumb" after seeing this photo, but that wouldn't be a nice thing to type in the program. This Edmonton Oilers fan has had an exciting month. Let's see if he can keep the energy going in Indiana!
85	Bill Krueger		"Billy Baroo"	Always a positive influence on the group he golfs with, Billy's outbursts can be heard from far away on any golf course. He maintains his spot on page 1, but maybe the days of finishing as the low net golfer are behind him. Or are they? Yeah. They are.
86	Cole Holloway		"Ace"	Cole is Zim's first cousin, once removed. What does that really mean anyways? We think it means that if he doesn't play well this year, he is in danger of being removed from page one. Fun will be had either way!

86	Lou Zimmerman		"Lou Purdue"	Lou is excited to return to the Otis now that we are descending on his alma mater. Will he continue to be a steady A player and move up the rankings? Or will Harry's Chocolate Shop be calling to distract him? Either way, it will be an enjoyable weekend.
88	Joe Booth		"Jo Mamma"	Joe has remained a steady force at the Otis for several years in a row, cementing his spot in the A player range. Though if you ask him, he probably doesn't think of himself that way. Maybe that's because he is very humble, or maybe it's because we don't really have enough great golfers in our group this year. We think both can be true!
89	Kevin Brewster		"Boom Boom"	We are putting Kevin in the 8 th position here to round out the A players only because he is alphabetically the top golfer among the guys with an 89 score. Just take the win, Kevin.
89	Mike Redenbaugh		"Page 2"	Mike has been consistently inconsistent in recent Otis history, so he has continued to slide down the list into the middle of Page 2. But don't be surprised if that inconsistency earns him some low net money before the weekend is over.
89	Terry Bulger		"Lefty"	One of the longest tenured Otis players, Terry is bringing both of his sons with him for the first time. Tom has played a bit in the past, but this is the first year for Matt. Will the family presence put extra pressure on dad? Or will he continue his usually consistent ok-ness on the course?
89	Brad Walbruck		"The Instigator"	Brad is also bringing his son Eric for the first time, and it will be fun to see if he behaves any better with his kid around. We suspect not.
90	Dave Compton		"City of"	Another fixture on the Otis program, Dave returns to see if he can continue his extremely average style of golf. But beware – he is sneaky good sometimes and will probably take some of our money before we go home.

90	Eric Wienrich		"Musky Maniac"	Eric is joining us for his first Otis and looks to be a good addition to the group. Working part time with the Minocqua crew in Wisconsin, he is also an expert at sporting the Carhartt hat, and fishing for Musky – which has been cleverly cropped out of this photo because we were slightly intimidated by it. Eric was also an Evans Scholar in college – so he might be good at golf too.
92	Kai Bobkowski		"Kai Bob"	When Kai steps to the tee, he just looks like a golfer. Then you see him swing and realize he is well suited for the Otis. We also expect Kai to collect a lot of money this year – but only because he helps organize the birdie pool and must give that money to the winners.
92	Troy Fankhanel		"The Sandbagger"	Troy slid a couple of spots down in the rankings last year but is still quite a bit better than he was when he first started playing in the Otis. One thing has never changed though – his ability to have as much fun as anyone in the group.
92	Jason Zimmeroff		"Zim"	Zim comes to the Otis to play his first round of golf of the year on a Pete Dye course. We suspect that this is not a very good way to shoot a low score. We also suspect that even if we were playing an easy par 3 course, there would not be a low score.
93	Bill Holloway		"Old N Slow"	Bill is Zim's first cousin. Their moms were sisters. As they both approach old age, they are also playing more like their moms every day. So, the family resemblance may be hard to escape this year.
93	Mike Reda		"Choke"	Choke fired a few lower than normal (for him) scores last year, so he has crept up a few spots on the board this year. But this has happened before. We wonder – is the trip back down inevitable this year? Probably.
94	Bryan Rehfeldt		"The Professor"	The lone Rehfeldt on the roster this year returns to represent the long and storied legacy that is Rehfeldt golf at the Otis. It is long, and it is storied, but not necessarily great! Whatever the case this year, it is always fun to have Bryan around.

96	Mark Fankhanel		"Mr. Sunscreen"	Mark has been coming to the Otis for so long that entire golf courses have ceased to exist while others have been built and added to the Otis roster. Of course, the same can be said for most of us. But that doesn't matter to Mark. He just consistently stays around his number and has fun no matter how ancient we have become.
96	Phil Joschko		"Mr. Mermaid"	Phil will be bringing the Mermaid Experience to Purdue this year, so it will be interesting to learn where his evenings will be spent. Will it be in retirement at the local pub? We suspect that Matt Redenbaugh – a recent graduate of Purdue, may have some advice for him.
97	Scott Kossman		"Scottie Woo"	Scott moved up a spot or two last year, and we would normally say something like "Will his rise up the leaderboard continue?" But – the answer is probably no. If history is any indicator, there will be some reverting to the mean. What is the mean? About 10 margaritas per round.
97	Brian Ziegelbauer		"Chief"	Brian is now a regular at the Otis and is proving it big time this year by showing up even without his usual wing man (Kock) in attendance. He also played slightly better than his number last year, so he is looking to keep that momentum going.
98	Robert Planica		"Paparazzi"	Robert and his camera will be in attendance as usual this year, and we wanted to remind everyone that the worst picture of you may wind up in a future edition of the bios. Just ask Scottie Woo. But it is great to have the fun remembered and we thank Robert for all he does to help. Even if it isn't usually help with golf.
99	Bump Waghorne		"Sweet Swingin"	Bump is back again to make sure that all the scramble money is well cared for in his bank account when he goes home. This year, we have returned him to his historic Otis score and scramble handicap in hopes of keeping some of that money for ourselves.
102	Lance Murphy		"Murph"	Lance finds himself slightly higher on the board than last year, but there is still a long climb to get to the first page of the bios. We are not really sure that will ever happen, but we are sure that now that he has retired, he will be spending plenty of time trying!

105	Matt Bulger			Matt is joining us for the first time, so we grabbed his LinkedIn photo at the last minute just to avoid using the stock photo of a lemur. Terry has us listing him slightly ahead of his brother, which is not all that surprising if any of you remember seeing Tom play in the past. Welcome to the group Matt, and good luck!
105	Maciek Milewski		"Mr. Tyskie"	After playing with him last year, this writer is convinced that 105 is a bit deceiving for Maciek. He will definitely be an asset to any scramble team with his assortment of beer, his additional handicap strokes, and maybe – just maybe – an occasional good shot.
105	Eric Walbruck		"The Young Bruck"	Ping Pong Paddle Hands a.k.a. The Assassin - The instigator's son, joins us for the first time. He took up golf a couple years ago and has really put some time into it, though the results may not show it yet. He grew up in Minocqua playing baseball and football for coach legends Brad and Mike. They report that no matter how softly you throw Eric a pass, or a pitch, he is sure to bat it up in the air off his hands, before someone catches it, which might be him, a teammate or the opponent. Eric is also an avid hunter, known for shooting grouse in the prime last 20 mins of deer hunting, making sure that no deer would be within 40 acres of his stand.
108	Tom Bulger		"The Bulge"	Tom has played in the Otis before, and if his scores from back then are any indication, he is not going to be in contention for a lot of low net money this year at 108. But it has also been a long time since we saw him, and being the son of Terry, there must be a little bit of golf talent in there somewhere. Right?
110	Josh Redenbaugh		"Mr. Brightside"	Josh has not been playing golf for very long but is now listed 5 shots better than his older brother. Of course, this is kind of like saying the Cubs are better than the White Sox.
115	Matt Redenbaugh		"Captain Redbeard"	Matt – is the White Sox. (see above) But fear not! We are at his alma mater this week, and if anyone will know how to have a good time at Purdue – it will be him!

DNPCD	Xavier Gould-Marks		"X"	Xavier was on the roster to play this year but has requested to take a breather and help us get back down to 32 golfers. He will still be in attendance – likely riding around in a golf cart with Rob Westover. What could go wrong?
DNPCD	Rob Westover		"Big Rob"	<p>Rob is once again sidelined due to an injured ability to play golf. But he will be attending to help with a putting line in the scrambles, or to help lighten the beer cooler on your cart.</p> <p>To be clear – Rob and X will be designated putters. They will be on random holes during the scrambles to be an extra putter. They will go first to show you the line. If they make the putt – it counts!</p>



Otis Invitational History

Long ago there was a group of guys who played golf on Sunday Mornings at Arrowhead golf course in Wheaton. One of them was Terry Bulger, who worked for a bank in Chicago. One day (sometime in the late '80's) Terry asked two of his golfing partners - Ken Redenbaugh and his son Mike – if they would like to join him in a golf outing run by some of the guys he worked with at the bank.

These two co-workers of Terry's had organized a golf outing in Kalamazoo Michigan at Thornapple Creek golf course, and played 90 holes there in three days. The group - made up of mostly bank employees and their friends - was called the Lapski – after its co-organizers named Gonski and Lapitina.

Back then, Thornapple was a course unlike any that they had seen - rolling terrain, a great layout with lots of trouble, and unbelievably fast greens. It was truly a golf paradise.

Terry, Mike and Ken played in the Lapski for a number of years – occasionally adding a few other neighbors and friends to the group. Eventually, Mike asked his friend Jason Zimmeroff to join the group.

By this time, the Lapski group had grown to about 40 men, but the quality of the greens at Thornapple started to fall off from the glory days. So, they had also added another course to the schedule on Saturdays, called Heritage Glen. The Friday and Sunday rounds were still played at Thornapple though.

The Lapski golfers were more serious about the winning and scoring, and it sometimes led to a lot of under-the-breath muttering about sandbaggers and people not following the rules. It did sometimes take away from what we thought the spirit of the trip should be.

With the addition of Jason Zimmeroff also came many of his friends and family members. After a couple of years, Mike and Jason were bringing at least 12 guys to Michigan with them to play in the Lapski – and a great time was had by all...

...Until one dark day at the beginning of 1998, Mike got the phone call that changed history forever. The Lapski group wanted to go back to inviting more of the bank employees and more of their friends, and we were asked to only bring 4 players that coming summer.

That was all we needed to hear. How could we choose who could and couldn't go? Would we hang our heads and agree to this? NO!

The group of Mike Redenbaugh, Jason Zimmeroff, Bump Wagborne, and Rob Westover, all former Lapski players, decided to create a new outing based on our self-described "Oti" (pronounced oat-eye) club of over-served drinking buddies... named, of course, after everyone's favorite town drunk – Otis Campbell of Mayberry.

We immediately got together and came up with the idea for the Otis Invitational - a group that would be made up of all of our friends and family. Although we did bring many of the long-time Lapski guys with us, we hope that we left all of the bickering and BS with the old group. We even replaced the Sunday individual scoring round with a scramble to make it more fun – along with a few other minor changes that we all wanted to make. As we got older – we eliminated the Sunday round completely.

This year, we are trying a new place with 32 of our own players! Thanks to everybody who has participated these 27* years - and here's to many more!

*Note: the 23rd Otis was held during COVID in 2020 – as a small October scramble in Illinois. It was a nice break from the pandemic. Then – for the first time ever, we were completely rained out in 2021 during what would have been the 24th year (but we still got to hang out and even play at an indoor golf course). 2022 was back to normal finally, and we are keeping the streak alive at 27 years of Otis Golf in 2024!



Finally, many of us remember the Andy Griffith Show...

And we believe we know why Mayberry was so peaceful and quiet....nobody was married.

Here are the single people that come to mind: Andy, Aunt Bea, Barney, Floyd, Howard, Goober, Gomer, Sam, Ernest T. Bass, the Darling Boys, Helen, Thelma Lou, Clara...

In fact, the only one married was Otis - and he stayed drunk.