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TRI-STATE PGA PROFESSIONALS TO HONOR VETERANS OF PGA HOPE PROGRAM

PITTSBURGH, PA – Over the past 8 weeks, Tri State PGA Professionals Ron Lucas, Ed Vietmier, and Jim Cichra have been teaching Western PA Veterans and Patriots the game of golf through PGA HOPE (Helping Our Patriots Everywhere). The program shows disabled veterans the adaptive golf technique, so that our disabled veterans can play the game of golf without restriction. The veterans in our group are dealing issues that many veterans endure, such as: paralysis, PTSD, and other ailments, such as amputations and blindness. Throughout the 8 weeks, members from the V.A. Hospital, Allegheny County Sheriff's Office, Woodland Foundation, and local business owners have assisted in getting our disabled veterans to this program. The final day of the program will be tomorrow, Wednesday, July 26th at the Woodlands Foundation located at 134 Shenot Road in Wexford. The event will begin at 5:00PM with the award's reception commencing at 8:00PM.

We are pleased to share the results of the program with the public for any newcomers who show interest in PGA HOPE. Our goal is to let disabled veterans know that regardless of their physical restrictions, they can still enjoy the game of golf.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact PGA Professional Ron Lucas at 412.400.3104 or Sergeant Douglas Clark of the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office at 412.287.3323. We hope to see you there!

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