

Lynbrook Community Chest Mayor's Golf Outing 2026 Recap & 2027 Planning Meeting

Meeting: Thursday, September 17th at 12:30 PM

Location: River Mill Tavern

Attendees: Mayor Beach, Jeff G., John G., Harold, Justin, Glenn, Carol, Mike Paladino, Dr. Ben Tienber, Shari, Eric

1. **Herald/Publicity:** Harold commented that the outing was not mentioned in the Herald pamphlet. He noted that a significant portion of the money raised through the outing is given back to the community and local organizations. The group also agreed that the coverage/ads in the newspaper looked very nice.
2. **Golf Format:** Justin commented that he liked the 9-hole format. Discussion about maybe a 3rd course for 9 holes but adds another level to have 3 courses.
3. **Distribution of Funds:** Committee approved the distribution of funds as follows:

Lynbrook Community Chest – \$45,000
American Legion – \$3,000
VFW – \$4,000
Lynbrook Scholarship Fund – \$3,000
Malverne Scholarship Fund – \$1,000
Key Club – \$1,000, payable to Lynbrook Public Schools. Mayor Beach suggested adding the Key Club.
Total Distribution: \$57,000 of \$60,000
4. **On course activities:**
Cannon: Justin did not like the cannon and felt a catcher was also needed. Eric noted that people at Seawane did not want to participate because there were only 9 holes to drive from. It was not profitable and was decided that the cannon will not be included next year.
Beat the Junior: profitable. Mike Giossi does a great job.
5. **Payments at Event:** Discussed accepting credit card and/or Venmo payments at the event for raffle boards and other on-course activities, rather than limiting cashless payment options to the dinner raffles, as many people do not carry cash.
6. **DJ/Auction:** Everyone loved the DJ and the live auction items. Need to figure out items for next year, in addition to the two golf course packages.
7. **Hempstead Country Club:** The group agreed to use Hempstead as the second course for next year. We are waiting for pricing and availability. The deposit will be sent once the contract is approved.
8. **Inwood:** The Inwood contract was approved. A \$5,000 deposit check was sent on 9/18.

9. **Patio/Cigars:** The use of the patio for cocktails was a success, and everyone enjoyed the cigars. For next year, consider providing cigar cutters and matches, which could be customized with the event or sponsor logo.

10. **2027 Honorees:** Potential honorees discussed for next year:

Nick Deninno – Lynbrook East Rockaway Little League

Elsie Lane

Matt Sarosy, Principal — suggested by Dr. Ben

Pioneer Sports — previously suggested by John G. The group will hold off until the current project is completed.

11. **Distribution of Checks:** Checks will be distributed at the Lynbrook Board Meeting on October 19th @ 7pm.

12. **2027 Golf Pricing:** Need to review pricing for individual golfers and foursomes for next year. This is especially important for golfers playing at the second course, since those golfers will also attend dinner at Inwood and we will incur an additional dinner cost for each golfer. The current pricing does not provide the appropriate margin for the golf or foursome packages and should be reviewed before registration opens.

13. **Sponsorships:** Sponsorships are working well and should continue for 2027. We will review the existing sponsorship opportunities and consider whether any additional opportunities make sense for next year.

14. **2027 Planning:** Continue reviewing golf pricing, dinner pricing, second-course costs, and other event expenses to ensure the 2027 outing remains profitable and maximizes the amount that can be returned to the community.