

The 15th Annual Otis Invitational



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Hosted By

Heritage Glen Golf Club
Angels Crossing Golf Club

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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.

The logistics section includes directions, multiple maps, and for those of you who enjoy taking the back-roads, phone numbers for when you get lost.

Our final count for 2012 is at 48 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 48 people, and deposits have been paid. If we can't replace you, you may not get a refund.

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

Soft spikes are required, so bring a replacement set of spikes if you still use the metal ones.

Tee Markers: We will play the white tees for both individual rounds. At Heritage, we will play the white tees for the scramble on Friday Saturday. We will play green tees for the scramble at Angels Crossing on Sunday.

We will have a group dinner on Saturday at Bravo! Restaurant & Café in Kalamazoo. We hope everyone will participate. The dinner price is included in your entrance fee, and includes appetizers, group dinner menu, and tip. There is a bar but you will be on your own tab for drinks this year.

We will also be meeting in the bar at Gallagher's (formerly Chianti's) on Thursday (after 6:00 p.m.) if you are interested in meeting up with many of the participants before the tournament.

The Prizes will be distributed as follows:

Closest To The Pin (4 holes per round, all 5 rounds)	\$40
Long Drive (1 hole per round, all 5 rounds)	\$40
Long Putt (2 holes per morning round)	\$40
Long Putt (2 holes per afternoon round)	\$40
Low Net 1 st place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$100
Low Net 2 nd place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$90
Low Net 3 rd place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$80
Low Net 4 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$70
Low Net 5 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$60
Low Net 6 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$50
Low Net 7 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$40
Low Net 8 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$30
Low Net 9 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$20
Low Net 10 th place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$10
Scramble Team Winners (each person, each scramble round)	\$70
Scramble Team 2 nd place (each person, each scramble round)	\$60
Scramble Team 3 rd place (each person, each scramble round)	\$50
Scramble Team 4 th place (each person, each scramble round)	\$40
Scramble Team 5 th place (each person, each scramble round)	\$30
Scramble Team 6 th place (each person, each scramble round)	\$20
Hole-In-One Pool (Will go up every year until we pay it out)	\$2200

Total cost per person: \$385 (not including the hotel room)

Birdie pool is mandatory. 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. A double eagle 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 Heritage.* Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #8, longest putt made on #6 & #14, and to the top 10 stroke play finishers. White tees. (Lunch is included at Heritage)

Friday PM - *Handicapped 4 man scramble play at Heritage.* 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 #9 & #18, and to the top 6 teams. White tees.

Saturday AM - *Stroke play with your foursome at Heritage.* Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #8, longest putt made on #6 & #14, and to the top 10 finishers. White tees. (Lunch is included at Heritage)

Saturday PM - *Handicapped 4 man scramble play at Heritage.* Teams are determined by a drunken draw with an A, B, C and D player. Handicaps are computed based 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 9 & 18, and to the top 6 teams. White Tees.

Sunday AM - *Handicapped 4 man scramble play at Angels Crossing.* Teams are determined by a drunken draft at Saturday night's dinner. Handicaps are computed based 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 9 & 18, and to the top 6 teams. Green Tees. "A" players will draft this year!

Official Otis Logistics

Tournament Date: Weekend of Friday, June 22, 2012

Tournament Location: Heritage Glen Golf Club (Friday & Saturday)
Paw Paw, Michigan (269) 657-2552

Angels Crossing Golf Club (Sunday)
Vicksburg, Michigan (269) 649-2700

Hotel Accommodations: Candlewood Suites
3443 Retail Place Drive
Kalamazoo, MI 49048.

It is on the EAST side of town. (THIS IS NEW THIS YEAR!)

You must call the hotel directly at 269-270-3203 and tell them you are with the Otis Golf Outing to get the \$89.99 / night rate. Rooms are reserved for Thursday thru Saturday night.

Saturday Night Dinner: We will have the entire group eat together at Bravo Restaurant & Café on Saturday night. Your dinner is included in the entry fee. Group Dinner menu with many options will be provided and (new this year) each person responsible for their own drink tab. 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 on Sunday

Cost Breakdown: Greens Fees are \$170 for the entire weekend. This includes 90 holes of golf, (\$385 Total per person) and a riding cart. Betting, Prize and Dinner money is \$215 for the entire weekend. (for closest to the pin, low net, long drive, long putt, scramble winners, the dinner, and other goodies.)
Birdie pool is mandatory. You will pay \$1 for every birdie made by others, and receive \$1 from everyone else for each birdie you make. **Please send all checks to Rob Westover, 9613 Manitou Park Drive, Minocqua, WI 54548.**

Tee Times: Begin at 7:30 on all three days. Please show up by 7:00 AM. Shotgun Starts!

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 Zimberoff 630-373-3404
Rob Westover 715-220-5636



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Official Otis Rules

Unless otherwise stated by the rules committee (Jason, 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!

PLAY WHEN YOU ARE SCHEDULED!

It is difficult to set up the tee times so that people do not play with the same foursome every day, and still keep teams fairly even. If you cannot play in the first or last tee time Sunday morning, you are not Otis material and you should stay home! Even though your odds are good that you will play when you want, be prepared to stick it out until the last minute. Do not assume you can get home early on Sunday. Make your travel plans accordingly. You have been warned.

NO COMPLAINING

No complaining about the conditions or rules! And especially – no complaining about the birdie pool!

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 double par on each hole. If you get to double par 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 has to 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. With this in mind, be prepared with an umbrella, rain suit, multiple towels, and spare gloves. As Bill Murray would say, "I don't think the hard stuff will come down for a while" Remember, we are coming 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 7:00 on all three days!

MOVING THE BALL:

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

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: (This year's honoree is Jordan Zimberoff, who is just recently a father at the ripe age of 39...)

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:

Must be signed by each member of the group and given to Zim after each round.

SCRAMBLES:

Drives: Minimum of 2 drives must be used from each player

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 putt!!)

Finish: Weather permitting, wait at least 30 feet behind the green for the following groups.

Friday Morning Individual Score

(Shotgun start – everyone needs to tee off at 7:30 AM!) (Be There At 7:00!)

Name	Otis Score
Mike Redenbaugh	86
Matt Kates	120
Matt Kock	82
Terry Bulger	94
Bill Krueger	81
Scott Kossman	99
Lance Murphy	101
Kai Bobkowski	91
Larry Ryan	98
Joe Ryan	95
Daryl Krumwiede	96
Todd Krumwiede	98
Jason Zimberoff	92
Jordan Zimberoff	99
Steve Rehfeldt	105
Dan Krasinski	115
Ron Blink	78
Pat DiDomenico	88
John Steffensen	88
Rob Westover	115
Fred Watson	84
Jeff Lake	97
John Wucki	106
Dave Compton	93
Xavier Gould-Marks	124
Aaron Munro	90
Doug Newton	86
Brian Fricke	118
Adam Kommers	89
Rob Rains	90
Greg Taylor	85
Bill Wahl	90
Nick Gilbertson	90
Tom Stockings	97
Brad Walbruck	96
Shawn Forth	100
Greg Wilson	86
Lou Zimmerman	89
Mark Fankhanel	95
Troy Fankhanel	100
Bryan Rehfeldt	92
John Hayes	102
Al Gasteier	104
Scott Holmes	89
Chris Schoenfeld	84
Joe Booth	94
Robert Planica	105
Phil Joschko	97

Friday Afternoon Scramble

Name	Score	HCP	Team HCP
Ron Blink	78	-1	
Xavier Gould-Marks	124	5	
Terry Bulger	94	3	
Mark Fankhanel	95	3	10
Bill Krueger	81	-1	
Matt Kates	120	5	
Joe Booth	94	3	
Joe Ryan	95	3	10
Matt Kock	82	-1	
Brian Fricke	118	5	
Dave Compton	93	2	
Daryl Krumwiede	96	3	9
Chris Schoenfeld	84	0	
Dan Krasinski	115	5	
Jason Zimberoff	92	2	
Brad Walbruck	96	3	10
Fred Watson	84	0	
Rob Westover	115	5	
Bryan Rehfeldt	92	2	
Phil Joschko	97	4	11
Greg Taylor	85	0	
John Wucki	106	5	
Kai Bobkowski	91	1	
Jeff Lake	97	4	10
Doug Newton	86	0	
Steve Rehfeldt	105	5	
Bill Wahl	90	1	
Tom Stockings	97	4	10
Mike Redenbaugh	86	0	
Robert Planica	105	5	
Rob Rains	90	1	
Todd Krumwiede	98	4	10
Greg Wilson	86	0	
Al Gasteier	104	5	
Aaron Munro	90	1	
Larry Ryan	98	4	10
Pat DiDomenico	88	0	
John Hayes	102	4	
Nick Gilbertson	90	1	
Scott Kossman	99	4	9
John Steffensen	88	0	
Lance Murphy	101	4	
Lou Zimmerman	89	1	
Jordan Zimberoff	99	4	9
Scott Holmes	89	1	
Troy Fankhanel	100	4	
Adam Kommers	89	1	
Shawn Forth	100	4	10

Saturday Morning Individual Score

(Shotgun Start – Everyone needs to tee Off At 7:30!) Be There At 7:00!

Name	Otis Score
Bill Krueger	81
Todd Krumwiede	98
Greg Taylor	85
Troy Fankhanel	100
Scott Holmes	89
John Steffensen	88
Xavier Gould-Marks	124
Rob Westover	115
Lance Murphy	101
Nick Gilbertson	90
Mark Fankhanel	95
Joe Booth	94
Chris Schoenfeld	84
Scott Kossman	99
Aaron Munro	90
Dan Krasinski	115
Adam Kommers	89
Jason Zimberoff	92
Al Gasteier	104
Dave Compton	93
Fred Watson	84
Steve Rehfeldt	105
Joe Ryan	95
Rob Rains	90
Bryan Rehfeldt	92
Phil Joschko	97
Jordan Zimberoff	99
Matt Kates	120
Kai Bobkowski	91
Lou Zimmerman	89
Tom Stockings	97
Brian Fricke	118
Ron Blink	78
Mike Redenbaugh	86
Doug Newton	86
Greg Wilson	86
Matt Kock	82
Daryl Krumwiede	96
Bill Wahl	90
Pat DiDomenico	88
Brad Walbruck	96
Terry Bulger	94
John Hayes	102
John Wucki	106
Shawn Forth	100
Jeff Lake	97
Larry Ryan	98
Robert Planica	105

Saturday Afternoon Scramble

Name	HCP		Team HCP
Ron Blink	78	-1	
Joe Booth	94	3	
Shawn Forth	100	4	
John Hayes	102	4	10
Bill Krueger	81	-1	
Aaron Munro	90	1	
Tom Stockings	97	4	
Xavier Gould-Marks	124	5	9
Mike Redenbaugh	86	0	
Terry Bulger	94	3	
Phil Joschko	97	4	
Rob Westover	115	5	12
Greg Taylor	85	0	
Dave Compton	93	2	
Mark Fankhanel	95	3	
Robert Planica	105	5	10
Matt Kock	82	-1	
Jason Zimberoff	92	2	
Larry Ryan	98	4	
John Wucki	106	5	10
Chris Schoenfeld	84	0	
Bryan Rehfeldt	92	2	
Todd Krumwiede	98	4	
Troy Fankhanel	100	4	10
Fred Watson	84	0	
Bill Wahl	90	1	
Jordan Zimberoff	99	4	
Al Gasteier	104	5	10
Doug Newton	86	0	
Rob Rains	90	1	
Brad Walbruck	96	3	
Scott Kossman	99	4	8
Greg Wilson	86	0	
Nick Gilbertson	90	1	
Joe Ryan	95	3	
Brian Fricke	118	5	9
Pat DiDomenico	88	0	
Kai Bobkowski	91	1	
Lance Murphy	101	4	
Dan Krasinski	115	5	10
John Steffensen	88	0	
Adam Kommers	89	1	
Jeff Lake	97	4	
Steve Rehfeldt	105	5	10
Scott Holmes	89	1	
Lou Zimmerman	89	1	
Daryl Krumwiede	96	3	
Matt Kates	120	5	10

Sunday Morning Scramble

(Shotgun start – everyone needs to be there at 7:30!)

Teams to be drafted by A players at dinner Saturday Night!

Name	Score	HCP	Team HCP
Ron Blink	78	-1	
Bill Krueger	81	-1	
Matt Kock	82	-1	
Chris Schoenfeld	84	0	
Fred Watson	84	0	
Greg Taylor	85	0	
Doug Newton	86	0	
Mike Redenbaugh	86	0	
Greg Wilson	86	0	
Pat DiDomenico	88	0	
John Steffensen	88	0	
Scott Holmes	89	1	

Player Bios

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

Score	Name	Mug Shot	Otis Nickname	Information
78	Ron Blink		"Fade"	So what is up with the nick-name "Fade?" For those of us that don't know, it really doesn't have much to do with his golf, although he can hit a power fade off the tee that leaves most of us green with envy. Those of us that have golfed with Ron over the past few years know that as the day gets longer, the bag gets lighter, Ron's skin turns four different shades of pink, the beer cart girl gets even better looking, and Ron's golf game mirrors the setting sun – fading into oblivion...
81	Bill Krueger		"Billy Baroo"	Billy's life for the past few decades has revolved around the game of golf. He works in the field, his wife will give him a game (if she gives him a few strokes!), and he even gets most of his caloric intake while on the course – liquid of course. But now Billy has two young children at home. Will the fate of thousands of fathers around the country befall him as well, and limit his time on the course and practice facilities, or will he stay near the top of our annual Otis scoreboard? Listen up and I'm sure you will hear the news early and often!
82	Matt Kock		"Out of Round"	Although not huge in build, Matt can crush the ball with the best of them. He hits the ball so hard, in fact that it often goes out of round – which may explain his occasional errant shot too. Matt is new to the Otis this year, and supposedly brings the group another badly needed A player. Will he be able to live up to the pressure while surrounded by his newest friends? Only one way to find out! Welcome and good luck!
84	Chris Schoenfeld		"Topher"	Chris carded a rejuvenated 80 last year on Friday, but like many of us was, due to the ravages of time, unable to continue on Sat. as injuries mounted. Hopefully this year the old bones will comply and Chris will be able to finish the weekend without donating more dollars to the local healthcare industry. If Topher does make it to the Sunday finish line, give him a pat on the back. But just do it gently.
84	Fred Watson		"Mr. Consistent"	Late June is usually a money-making time of year for Fred. Closest to the pins, scramble wins, and long puts are the norm for Mr. Consistent at the Otis. His last four rounds in the event, 84, 86, 83, and 85. Not only is he living up to the nickname, he is taking our cash in the process. Even with that, playing a round with Fred is always enjoyable. Buy him a beer to show your appreciation (and maybe get a little of your money back)!
85	Greg Taylor		"The Waiter"	Greg is now an Otis veteran, and last year he learned very quickly that fitting in with this bunch required a few key traits: drink, swing, drink, swing, drink, putt. Repeat... Greg seems to have no trouble following these strict Otis rules (and since TK Money was his sponsor, we were not surprised). On top of all of this, Greg also proved to be a top notch golfer (for our crew) and solidified himself as a strong A player. Will he be able to live up to his early returns? We will "Wait" and see...

86	Doug Newton		"Let's Have One More"	Doug is up a little higher again this year, after carding some impressive numbers two years running (remember, an object in motion tends to stay in motion). This is all the more impressive when you consider he was also amongst the leaders at the beer cart, bar, and post game festivities. One wonders how well he could shoot if his mind was focused solely on golf (lest he forget, for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction). The "Otis Poster Boy" roster keeps getting larger (which wasn't easy to do – see Blink) but Doug has quickly earned his place in the front row. And, if a cider beer or two falls near Doug, just blame his own brand of Newtonian physics...
86	Mike Redenbaugh		"Musky Mike"	Mike understands golf like he understands the oil markets. He is often a step ahead and usually ends up on the winning side of a wager. As father time takes his toll on his old joints, Mike's consistent long drives may be a thing of the past, but we should still expect to see at least a few timely 300+ yard bombs. His short game may look like it too has seen better days, but if a long putt is needed, Mike usually steps up. So, as we already mentioned, don't sell Mike short... he will most likely find a way to win.
86	Greg Wilson		"The Wiz"	We were a little disappointed last year when Greg did not reenact for us his cart driving prowess; alas, he did stay on all four wheels and out of the river. So while he kept his wheels dry, he certainly did not double disappoint and keep himself far from the "drink" (nor his cart partners over the weekend). Never let it be said the Greg does not know how to have fun on a golf course, or in the clubhouse, or in the car, or at a hotel, or at a restaurant, or...well, you get the point. Buy Greg a drink; he's probably just finishing one.
88	Pat DiDomenico		"Dee-Doe"	No more jokes about Pat's improvement, he has solidified his place near the top of the Oits' leader board. Now we have to find something else to make fun of each year. Hmm... where do we begin...We could tease him about his mustache, naw... we could tease him about his pre-shot routine, no...how about his choice of roomies... we'll save that for later... This can only mean one thing, buy Pat a lot more beer this year so we can induce some bio-inspiring behavior.
88	John Steffensen		"The Candy Man"	John is back with us again after missing a couple of years. But he has played these courses several times before, and should be a great guy to have on your scramble team. Don't forget – the A players draft on Sunday – so hopefully he can quickly remember who everyone is before Saturday night!
89	Scott Holmes		"The President of Canada"	What are the duties of the President of Canada? Reach out to neighboring countries with good will: Check. Work off the trade deficit by purchasing large quantities of Canadian beer while in the US. Check. Demonstrate the ability to stick one to 3 feet without ever slowing down to take a practice swing or even stop talking: Check. With all this in mind, it seems like Scottie is probably due for reelection.
89	Adam Kommers		"Rowdy Roddy Piper"	Adam seems to have rechanneled his old poster boy ways into new forms of entertainment. Lately, he has been known to sport some interesting duds at the Otis, often blazing his own fashion trail (similar to many of today's PGA pros). While his sartorial splendor is top notch, his once top of the leader board game seems to have gone the way of the Nehru jacket (both were winners in the '70's). Will Adam's game once again regain cover girl status, or will he merely knock us dead with his duds? Keep your eyes peeled!

89	Lou Zimmerman		"Mike Redenbaugh"	Lou comes to us from the world of energy. Got his undergrad at Purdue, grad school at U of Chicago. Hits Ping irons, enjoys red wine... wait – he reminds us a lot of someone else we know. Please try hard not to confuse him with Mike Redenbaugh, and please welcome him to the group for the first time. Good luck!
90	Nick Gilbertson		"The Natural"	Nick showed well in his second Otis, and first time in Kalamazoo. With a little more local knowledge we should expect to see another year of improving scores and money making shots. However, if you find the right size bottle of Jagermeister, you may be able to convince Nick to engage in some other types of shots, and keep some winnings for the rest of us. Oh, and don't be too surprised if you find him dozing in a nearby sand trap.
90	Aaron Munro		"Dream Home Munro"	Looking for real estate in western Canada? Yeah me neither. But in case you are – Aaron is your man. A friend of X's – we are hoping that between the two of them – they can average 110. And that would be if Aaron shot a little better than his number. Whatever happens, we are glad to have him with us, and wish him good luck in his first Otis!
90	Rob Rains		"Big Rob II"	Rob seems to have found his level, right in the low 90's range after some early signs of greatness a few years back. Maybe his penchant for late night shenanigans (not counting his rooming with Adam year after year) has offset his improved play and the golf gods have exacted their toll. It is hard to call someone with as much gravitas as Rob an enigma, so watch out for some surprisingly good golf intermixed with Team Buffet Buffoonery...
90	Bill Wahl		"The Set Up Man"	We are glad to have a long time Otis brother Bill back with us again this year. You want to be on his team, because his ability to lock in with his partners during the scrambles is well known. Add that to his knack for being in the middle of the fun wherever it is – and you have Bill. Welcome back and good luck!
91	Kai Bobkowski		"Kai Bob"	In last year's bio we predicted that Kai was due for some less than friendly morning scores (in keeping with his bipolar yearly score history). Move over Karnack, step aside Mistress Cleo, the bio authors are now officially psychic. Well, sort of... Kai was not awful last year, but he did not break the streak either – which means this year he should be back in the money. So make sure you buy him that extra beer and / or cigar to keep him a little lower on the leader board!
92	Bryan Rehfeldt		"The Professor"	After nearly 35 years of toil, Bryan has joined the ranks of the intentionally unemployed (he is retiring VERY soon). And while he is mulling some options for further work, we have a strong inkling that that the green golf courses around the globe will exert the strongest pull, and help him to enjoy many years of earned bliss out in the sun. Congrats on the retirement, and oh, we can't forget to mention his recent ascension to Grandfather too. It's already been quite a year for Bryan, be sure to toast him along the way!

92	Jason Zimmeroff		"Zim"	Zim simply continues to amaze us all. In addition to his (and Mike, Rob, and Bump's) nearly flawless operation of this entire weekend of Tomfoolery, he leaves his golf clubs in storage every year until June, and still manages to find his game before the weekend is over. In years past that usually meant "finding" a club in a tree, but over the past few it has somewhat shockingly meant low numbers and some cash. He carded an 83 on Saturday last year, stunning even himself. Will the luck of the non-Irish continue for him this year, or will he once again be searching for his pot of gold (and 5 iron) at the nearest rainbow?
93	Dave Compton		"Condo"	Last year Dave entered the weekend at a 93 in the predicted scores. On Friday he shot a 93; on Saturday, another 93 was inked on his card. Now shooting these numbers was, well, predictable, but shooting them both days was not. Dave is usually, shall we say, a little more erratic. Big scores one day, low the next. So, is he, like fellow big man Big Rob II finding his level, or was the consistency the fluke? Unlike this bio, Dave's great demeanor and humor are never confusing and always a joy on and off the course.
94	Joe Booth		"Jo Mamma"	Well, last year we put the kibosh on ol' Joe, proclaiming his good golf of years past as the new norm for him. Sorry about that! While his morning scores were not terrible, he did not meet his new higher expectations. So what to expect this year? We'll save him the pressure of more high predictions and just say that traversing 18 holes with Joe, as it has always been, will be an enjoyable round for all of his playing partners.
94	Terry Bulger		"Lefty"	If we had to point to one guy here who is the most responsible for us being at the Otis every year, it would be hard to find a more important person in the story than Terry. It was his work buddies that started the original Lapski group, and it was Terry that originally invited Mike Redenbaugh and his dad to go to Kalamazoo to play golf with them. Many years and several thousand gallons of beer later, we are still looking forward to this event every June, and hope for many more as we now play in our 15 th Otis. Thanks Terry!
95	Mark Fankhanel		"Mr. Sunscreen"	Mark proved to be the most versatile golfer at the Otis last year when he pulled a truly remarkable club out of his bag – his son! After a fellow participant was, due to the loudest hip pop ever heard, unable to continue, Mark called up his son Troy and got him to Kalamazoo in time for the next morning's rounds! Three cheers for the resourceful Fankhanel family! Troy even won long drive on Sunday morning! So why are we writing so much about Troy...we will let Mark tell you about his scores last year...
95	Joe Ryan			Joe is joining us for the first time this year. He is the son of our old friend Steve Ryan and though we expect there may be a steep learning curve on these Kalamazoo courses, we hear he can play and possibly even win some money at this year's event. So please help us out by giving him a warm welcome!
96	Darryl Krumwiede		"Brother Darryl"	After perusing last year's winners' board, it appears that young Todd bested his old man in individual winnings, and... their total scores for the morning rounds were a dead heat. So, has the challenge been raised, does the senior Krumwiede have to step up and protect his turf as best golfer in the family, or will young Todd put the pressure on once again this year and outduel his dad on the links? One thing is for sure, if Todd's strategy of keeping dad even in the beer count holds true, Darryl may be in some trouble!

96	Brad Walbruck		"The Instigator"	Brad did not disappoint in his new moniker, and even found some time to improve his golf game as well last year. If you shuffle through the Otis photo gallery you may see a few individuals chipping golf balls off of a Heineken can behind the 18 th green at Heritage. We're not saying Brad was responsible for this, but let's just say that in addition to a certain German liqueur; he also enjoys a good Dutch beer now and again.
97	Phil Joschko		"Mr. Mermaid"	We ran out of fish jokes in last year bio for Phil, so we will be sure to see Jeff Lake for a new bag of Mermaid-esque humor. Until then, we should let everyone know that Phil did indeed continue his improved golf last year and fired off an 89 on Friday. Will his good play get him into bed a little earlier, or will the lure of the nightlife hook Phil once again (sorry, couldn't let it go), Dive on in and find out!
97	Jeff Lake		"Mr. Demo Day"	Did you hear the one about the three vertically challenged waitresses attending the lumberjack competition? No, well, you can be sure Jeff did and will also be happy to deliver the punch line in true comedic fashion. With his usual arsenal of top of line equipment Jeff will attack the course again this year, attempting to find the lower scores of years past. And next year he will again return with the newest equipment... well, at least we can share in the jokes!
97	Tom Stockings		"Made In England"	Tom has now joined us for enough Otis mayhem to call him a veteran. And even though the accent might throw you for a moment – he is basically a beer drinking White Sox fan from Wisconsin. Even though he is only one for three on that checklist, we still enjoy having him around! Last year was not anything for him to write home about from the golf course either, so we are hoping for a return to form and a return to the money list for this year. Good luck!
98	Todd Krumwiede		"TK Money"	Todd is obviously a smart young man. He listened to the sage advice of the Otis bios last year and finally got himself some scratch, earning two individual prizes and, if we remember correctly, some scramble money as well. He also, as you've read above, nearly bested his old man for a total weekend score. Will the improved golf continue as the wayward days of youth move behind him, or will he once again light the old fires and find the best Kalamazoo nightlife has to offer? Our sage advice this year, vote the latter...
98	Larry Ryan		"The Ringleader"	Larry is back this year looking to find some of that old magic in his swing. You never really know what you are going to get with his golf game. The guys who are in the high 90's range can either be really bad or really good. Well – ok – really bad or sort of good... But one thing is for sure, everyone he plays with will have a good time, and we are all happy to have him back!
99	Scott Kossman		"Scottie Woo"	This year the bio voices would like to suggest we now have two Otis "Poster Boy" models... The big, brash, heavy drinking archetype, and now the other, yet equally important "quiet instigator." A number of us fall into this category each year, but Scott is the best example of this important part of our yearly nonsense. Scott never starts a round without making sure his bag is filled with all the necessities for a great day of golf. Clubs, margaritas, balls, margaritas, tees, margaritas, a towel or two, margaritas, and of course, salt and a lime...

99	Jordan Zimmeroff		"Little Zim"	Jordan has a knack for doing things in the "better late than never" fashion (grad school, career change, marriage, home ownership, etc.) so it should be no real shock that he has finally surrendered the last vestiges of his wayward youth, and joined the ranks of fatherhood! His daughter Samantha was born just two weeks ago (June 5 th) so don't be surprised if you see him on the phone a great deal, and buying a few make-up gifts for his forgiving wife. Feel free to toast his blurry eyed, sleepless demeanor and try not to laugh too hard at his game as he, like his brother, has let family concerns come before golf!
100	Shawn Forth		"Tank Car"	Shawn is now something of an Otis regular. His game can be explained one of two ways – he is either really hard on himself during the morning rounds – struggling to improve his score or win many prizes only to be unleashed by the fellowship of the scramble rounds, loosening up his swing and making him a valuable scramble player. Or – he is an A player secretly plotting to take all of our scramble money. Whatever the case, we are glad to have him back and look forward to figuring it out!
100	Troy Fankhanel		"The Sandbagger"	Troy did us a huge favor last year, showing up quickly after his dad called him to come help us replace an injured player. He quickly stepped to the tee and fired a 112 on his own. Then the scrambles started, and his teams won Saturday afternoon, and placed 3 rd on Sunday. Rumor has it, he was the A player on both teams too. But this left us with a dilemma on where to put his Otis score. Win money? Lower score! Welcome back, and good luck!
101	Lance Murphy		"Murph"	Lance is another Otis original and has a very well-earned reputation. While his total scores at the end of the day usually don't place him near the top, he finds a way to win some of the individual awards and a scramble dollar or two. In addition to his sneaky golf game, he's also another member of the "instigator" crew, as his golf bag is usually the place to go if you need a quick Guinness or MGD. If you need a refill, Murph will be happy to tee one up for you.
102	John Hayes		"The Anchor Man"	John just finished celebrating a milestone birthday, and to mark entering a new decade he has promised to take ten strokes off of his golf game, or at least that's what we hope he promised to do... John is a great cart partner regardless the direction of his drives, and since the Otis crowd is only about ½ the size of most of his family parties this weekend probably seems like a low key vacation to him anyway!
104	Al Gasteier		"The Mole"	So did anyone actually ask Al what it meant to be the "Head Mole" as suggested in last year's bio? Didn't think so... He was, for many years, the captain of a storied bowling team famously named the Moles (there is a song, seriously...) on which numerous Oti have participated. Well, Al has since retired from bowling and with this storied bowling career coming to a close he can now focus on golf. Accordingly, we should expect to see some impressive low scores this year. Well, even if we don't see some low numbers buy him a beer and you are sure to have a great afternoon!
105	Robert Planica		"Paparazzi"	Over the past few years we have seen Rob's game round into form. However, to describe that "form" would requires at least a few of the seven words you never hear on television. With his camera in hand, a beer in the cart, and a contagious smile always on the ready, Rob tirelessly makes his way around the course before, during and after each round immortalizing each Otis player and adding his own bit of humor to the mix!

105	Steve Rehfeldt		"Radar"	Rumor has it that Steve is now (and has been for a few years) in a weekly golf league. Will this added level of friendly competition give Steve the edge he needs to move up the net score leader board and add some individual awards as well? Seeing as he usually brings about 6 dozen balls with him each year, we doubt he is thinking along these same lines. Count on "radar" to at least find most fairways and keep his scramble teams in the short grass.
106	John Wucki		"Chewy"	John is quite the handyman back home. He has been known to build various and sundry projects from those giant swing sets to interior rehab jobs (and all of this in his spare time!) John can be a little crafty on the golf course as well. His overall numbers have gone up the past few years, but don't be surprised to see him hit some great shots, keep a scramble team in the mix, and win a few closest to the pins along the way. Even if the golf isn't going great, John always has a smile and encouraging word for his foursome.
115	Rob Westover		"Big Rob"	Otis co-founder Big Rob has some big holes in his game. Usually about 18... Rob has been fighting a nasty snap hook for so long you would think TBS would have made a mini-series out of it by now. Around the greens, however, count on Rob to sneak in some putts and roll some chips dangerously close as his scramble teams stay near the top. Oh, and don't forget that Rob is the money man each year, taking care of the collection and distribution of our winnings, so buying him a Captain and Coke now and again might be a good idea too...
115	Dan Krasinski		"Dan the Man"	Dan has known all of the Otis founders since the days before there was an Otis, and each year we have invited him to come participate only to be turned down. This year is different, and we hope that we are not going to be sorry. Although he has some natural talent for the game, he is also a relative newcomer to it so patience might be in order on his first trip to Kalamazoo. But no matter what happens, he should be a great teammate and willing participant in everything the Otis has to offer...
118	Brian Fricke		"Lippy Larry"	Brian shot some impressive numbers last year in Kalamazoo. Most of us cannot even count that high (especially when in Otis form). As the current holder of the infamous "Lumberjack Award" look for Brian to try find some lower scores somewhere over the course of the weekend. Even with his less than desirable individual scores, Brain has quickly found his niche in our crazy bunch and seems to be gunning for a spot on that "poster boy" front row. Will his frivolity keep him from surrendering the totem of chunk, or are lower numbers in his sights?
120	Matt Kates		"Medicine man"	Matt is very impressive in his medical consulting knowledge as a partner at Deloitte. However his golf game is in need of some serious consulting. We are not even sure a doctor would say that his game was alive. But where better to pick up a few pointers than from the Otis group? Well, ok maybe there are better places for that, but not better places for fun. Welcome to the group, and good luck!
124	Xavier Gould-Marks		"X"	Xavier has the distinction of being the only Otis golfer to have his first name start with the letter X. If we said anything else about his game it would be cruel... Actually, although X had a rough go of it on the Kalamazoo courses last year, we can still expect to see him hit a few in the right direction and maybe even scare a green or two. Be sure to note, however, that this will in no way infringe upon his ability to lead the charge to the bar before, during and after each round. Sometimes he will even get out of his cart first!

DNPCD Ken Redenbaugh



“Pa Baugh”

Otis Emeritus Ken Redenbaugh, or Pa Baugh, has retired from his active Otis playing days. As an Otis original, and one of the main reasons we have this tournament at all, it is proper to acknowledge him here each year. Ken was one of the Lapski participants that led to the formation of the Otis and his contributions to the history of the event should never be forgotten. Next time the tournament is up in Minocqua, be sure to buy Ken a beer and thank him for all those great years.

DNPCD Bump Waghorne



“Sweet Swingin’ ”

Bump is still on a golf hiatus. His back is healing, but the grueling 72 hour endurance test known as the Otis is not the best way to keep a healed back out of traction. Will he make a cameo appearance in Kalamazoo? Is the beer cold and low cost? Only he really knows... If he does, be sure to give him the Otis welcome he warmly deserves ;)

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 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 Zimberoff 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 also 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 Zimberoff 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 Zimberoff, Bump Waghorne, and Rob Westover, all former Lapski players, decided to create a new outing based on the 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.

This year, we again return to Kalamazoo with 48 of our own players, and two great golf courses! We wouldn't have it any other way. Thanks to everybody who has participated these fifteen years - and here's to many more!

Directions to the Candlewood Suites from Chicago

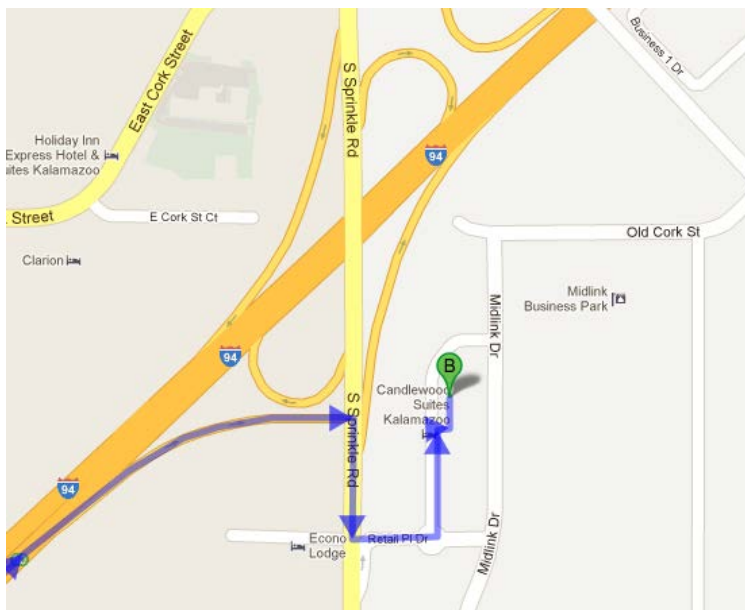
Take the tri-state toll way south towards Indiana.

Follow 294 south to 80-94 east.

Stay on I-94 all the way into Michigan and to Kalamazoo.

Drive through town, and Exit I-94 at Sprinkle Rd (Exit 80 South).

Turn left immediately on Retail Place Drive and follow to the hotel.



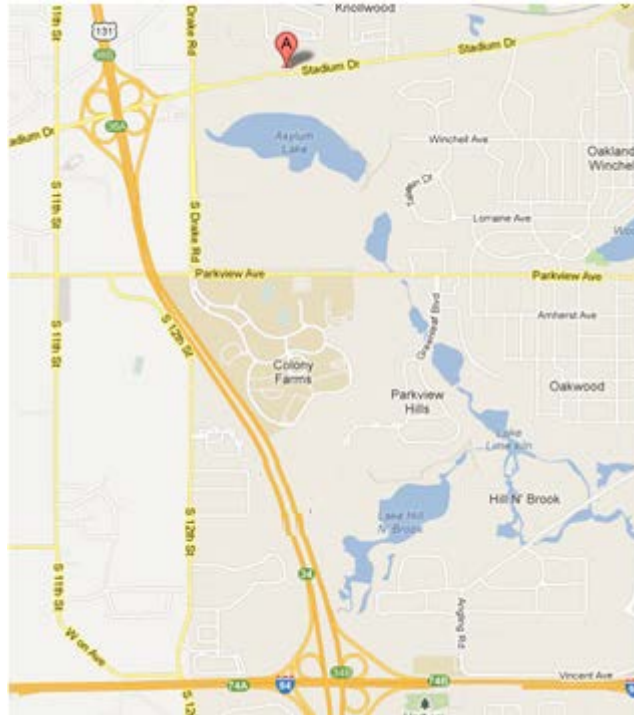
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3443 Retail Place Drive
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Tel: 1-269-270-3203

Gallagher's (Formerly Chianti's)

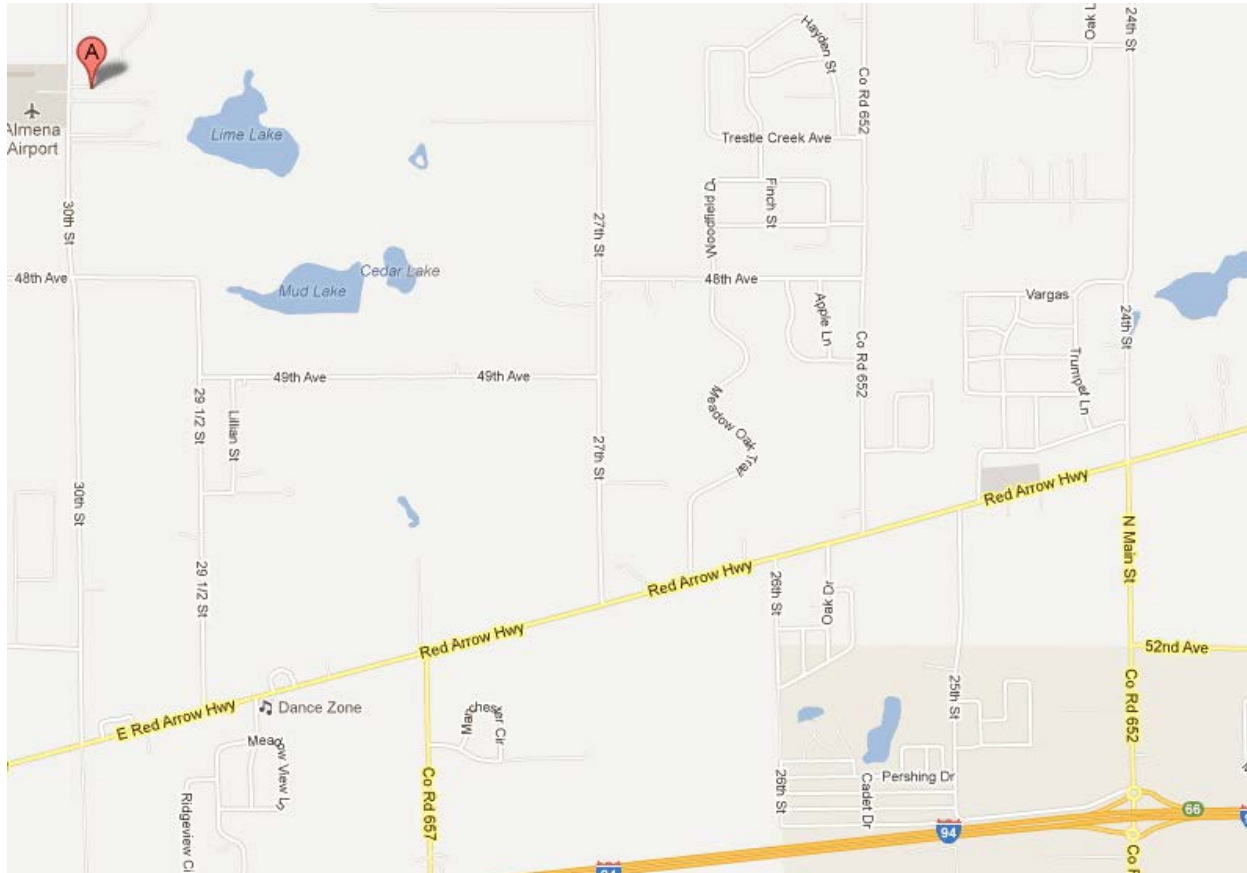
To get there, get back on I-94 (go west from hotel) to US 131 North.
Exit 131 on Stadium Drive heading east.
Restaurant is about a half mile down on your left.



**4210 Stadium Drive
Kalamazoo, MI 49008
(269) 372-7177**

Directions to Heritage Glen from Candlewood Suites

Get back on I-94 heading west.
Take exit 66 toward Mattawan. Turn right on N Main St.
Turn left at Red Arrow Highway.
Follow Red Arrow Hwy west to 30th Street.
Turn right on 30th St. and follow to Heritage, about 1 or 2 miles down on right.

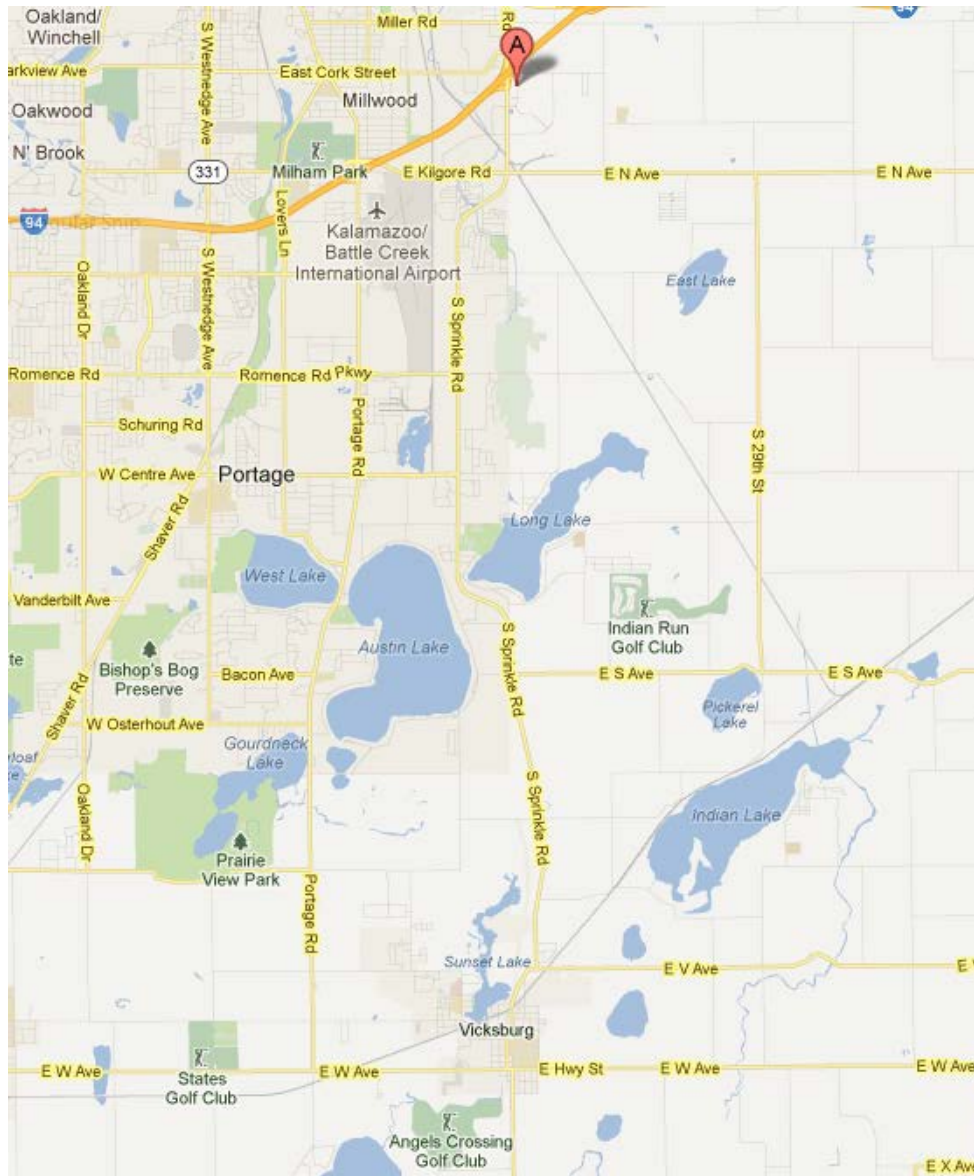


Heritage Glen Golf Club

29795 Heritage Lane
Paw Paw, MI 49079
1-269-657-2552

Directions to Angels Crossing from Candlewood Suites

Simply follow Sprinkle road south for a few miles to "W" Avenue.
Turn right. Course will be on your left.



Angels Crossing Golf Club

3600 East W Avenue
Vicksburg, MI 49097

Phone: 269-649-2700
www.golfangelscrossing.com



Heritage Glen Golf Club

29795 Heritage Lane
Paw Paw, MI 49079
(269) 657-2552

A challenging, public 18-hole, par 72 layout built on 235 acres of beautiful, rolling land in southwestern Michigan's wine region. Opened in 1994, it is located five miles northeast of Paw Paw.



(The Adam Kommers Memorial Bridge)

On this beautifully maintained course, golfers enjoy three different settings on the front nine alone - pines, hardwoods, and a bit of the links effect. The bent grass greens, fairways, and tees are superbly manicured. Golfers need to make their mark on the front, because they won't be able to let up at all on the back nine!

The 6th hole is 625 yards from the back tees. It's a narrow, double dogleg test that requires your best shot making ability.

Blue Tees: Course Rating 72.1, Slope 137, 6630 yards
White Tees: Course Rating 69.2, Slope 131, 6049 yards



Angels Crossing

3600 East W Avenue
Vicksburg, MI 49097

Phone: 269-649-2700

Sited on over 700 acres along the eastern edge of Michigan's only prairie, the golf holes traverse the varied topography through the meadows and wood stands that rise above Portage Creek, Barton Lake and the wetlands, which border fifteen of the holes of the golf course. The eighteen-hole course is a solitary pleasure with only five home sites, all located on the south side of its fifteenth hole.

Each W. Bruce Matthews III designed hole is spacious with plenty of room in the field of play in an honest, unmanufactured manner. Five sets of tees ranging from 4800-7100 yards test the physical and mental skills of all types of golfers. Classic in inspiration, the routing seamlessly flows through the property, blending power, accuracy and finesse. Bold, steep, grass faced bunkers with depths of three to twelve feet provide not only challenge but also offer dramatic views, texture and scale to the course. The bunkers, although large and deep, are not visible as you look back on the hole, in MacKenzie fashion.



Black Tees: Course Rating 72.3, Slope 127, 6749 yards
Green Tees: Course Rating 69.5, Slope 118, 6232 yards