



## Cordero Memorial expects to be a hit

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Josie Cordero pleasantly greeted golfers, visitors and co-workers for 25 years at the stop-off snack bar at El Prado Golf Course in Chino.

"How's the family? How are you feeling? How can I help you?" she asked, always with a smile.

Golfers loved her, co-workers hugged her, everyone laughed at her funny stories about life as a golf course snack-bar host. Her best anecdotes centered around her family, especially her famous pitching-star grandson, Chad Cordero.

Josie, known as "the El Prado icon," died from cancer complications on May 10, 2007.

"Jodie left us too early," said Men's Club president John Kramer. "We celebrate her life and remember the love and knowledge she gave to all of us."

To honor Josie, a longtime Chino resident, the Jodie Cordero Memorial Tournament will be held at El Prado on July 28.

Her grandson, Chad Cordero, 26, a Don Lugo High School graduate and now a pitcher for the Washington Nationals, is expected to be on hand

to serve as the tournament presenter.

All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. Entry is \$85.

We're all teeing it up for Josie, and contributing to cancer research in her memory.

"It looks like a full house," Kramer said Tuesday. "You know, Jose had an awful lot of friends." We know.

For information, call Kramer at (909) 988-0012.

### UHCC WOMEN LOOK BACK

They backed out the carts from the storage barn 25 years ago just in time for the first-ever meeting of the Women's Club at Upland Hills Country Club.

So, on Aug. 21, 1983, Rosemary Hemsath and JoJene Middlesworth, the first president and vice president, held that initial meeting in that cart barn for the newly formed 130-member club.

Meetings then for the seven-member board were held in the pro shop.

Members of the Women's Club are currently marking the group's 25th anniversary by holding monthly events, and a special tournament and luncheon is planned for Aug. 21.

Long-time members recall that the area near the country club opened up with 126 homes. The area boomed, and now 543 homes line the



fairways, and tiny saplings have turned into lush, mature trees.

The clubhouse, built in 1989, provides banquet facilities and a cafe downstairs.

The club's annual invitational tournament, which started in 1984 continues to grow and now rates as one of the largest in Southern California.

#### LOCAL NOTES

Nolan Moore of Ontario High School won the Varsity division of the 2008 Butterfield Stage High School Open Thursday held at the El Prado course. Moore shot an even par 72 to edge Matt Kim of Esperanza by one stroke.

Third place went to Chino's Evan Von Ranzow, who shot 76.

Brian Yao of San Marino posted an 88 to win the Junior Varsity division. Alex Demesa, Chino Hills, was runner-up with 93.

El Prado teaching professional Rick Hunter hosted the tournament which attracted many of the Southland's top young players. ...

Joe Toledo of Chino led the scoring Thursday as the traveling Folga group took on the narrow fairways of Via Verde Country Club in San Dimas.

Toledo's 86 beat out Upland's Carl Bunch by a single stroke.

George Gaspar, Chino (96), was the only other

player to break 100 on the special outing to benefit cancer research.

Scheduled next for Folga are the rolling fairways of Anaheim Hills Golf Club on July 13. ...

All golfers are welcome to tee off in the second Skins Game of the summer at Marshall Canyon Golf Club in La Verne on Tuesday. An 11 a.m. start is planned.

In the inaugural event, Kyle Mendoza, assistant pro at Candlewood Country Club, fired a medalist-winning 68 and picked up one skin with an eagle on the par four No. 6 hole.

Marshall Canyon professional Ken Murray Jr. shot 69 and walked off with three skins. Aaron Hobbs, Ontario, who recently completed his final season at Cal State Northridge, won two skins.

Entry fee, which includes golf, cart and gross skins competition, is \$45. ...

The first of six free clinics for young golfers up to age 17 is scheduled at El Prado Golf Course on Saturday, July 19, at 2:30 to 4 p.m.

The summer clinics, which have run for more than 30 years, offer juniors of all ability levels golf clubs, range balls, and instruction, all free of charge. Interested juniors can sign up at the golf course.