

IN MEMORY OF CORNING COUPLE



Nick Crispino, son of Myron and Anne Crispino, gets ready to tee off at the tournament renamed in honor of his parents. PHOTOS BY JEFFERY SMITH\THE LEADER

# Tourney raises money for Corning Youth Center

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CORNING | More than 100 golfers turned out Saturday at the Chips Fore Children tournament, named in the honor of Myron and Anne Crispino, who were killed in a June motorcycle accident.

The newly named Myron & Anne Crispino Chips Fore Children tournament raises funds for the Flint Avenue youth center the couple so loved.

“We’re hoping to raise \$8,000 to \$9,000 this year,” said Lauri Andrukat, Youth Center board member and co-chair of the golf tournament. The event raised about \$5,000 last year.

“With the community’s overwhelming love for Myron and Anne, people signed up for this year’s



Fr. Louis Brown welcomed the golfers before they teed off at the Myron & Anne Crispino Chips Fore Children golf tourney.

event quickly,” said Robin Foster, executive director of the of Family Service Society. “The community has been very generous because of that love for Myron and Anne.”

Myron Crispino was a former Corning city

councilman and deputy mayor as well as a Corning Youth Center board member for more than 20 years. Anne Crispino was a longtime teacher at Elmira’s Notre Dame High

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School.

The couple were killed when their motorcycle drifted off the road June 8 on State Route 21 in the Town of Fremont and struck a guardrail.

Myron Crispino was driving the bike, authorities said. They were both 61.

Joe Carey, owner of The Site Cyber Bar & Grill Restaurant and a longtime friend of the Crispinos, said the work Myron was most proud of was with the Family Service Society, which operates the Corning Youth Center.

"He just loved working with the Corning Youth Center," Carey said. "To him it was very special."

Foster said more than 30,

four-man teams played in Sunday's tournament.

"It's the most the tournament has had in the six years it's been held," Foster said.

Nick Crispino teed off in memory of his parents.

"This is the first golf tournament I've ever played in, period. I'm treating it like it's good practice. It's definitely a good tournament and a great day."

Former city mayor Al Lewis and current Mayor Rich Negri were among the golfers.

"They both will be missed," Lewis said as Negri nodded his head in agreement.

"They were both great, great people," said Steve Castner, a longtime family friend. "I really have a hard time even thinking about it; a hard time realizing they are gone."