

President's Column

by David Campbell



Winning is only half of it. Having fun is the other half. —Bum Phillips

Since I started writing this column, nearly a year ago, no quote has ever reflected what I am writing about more than this one. What everyone needs to understand is that no one likes to lose. At the start of each game both players want to win; like nearly every other game in the world, that is impossible. If you lose, try to remain positive and learn from your mistakes. Most importantly, have fun and enjoy the old friends or new people you meet at any place you are lucky enough to play.

This year's Grand National is being held in Milwaukee. There are many tournaments in Milwaukee and nearby the weekend before for you to play in. I hope that many of you can make the trip and enjoy the events planned around Grand National. I especially hope that you plan on attending this year's awards banquet. The theme for this year is "Happy Days—Back to the 50s." This will be a wonderful evening filled with crazy costumes and fun events.

Four years ago, at Grand National held in South Dakota, Scott Kooistra decided to have a Denim and Diamonds themed banquet. It was a huge success, and anyone lucky enough to attend will always remember Doc, Willie, and James as the Three Amigos. Since then, we have had the Red, White, and Blue banquet in Bethesda MD, and last year we were entertained by beach attire at the beach-themed GN in Lincoln City OR.



This year has the potential to top all the others. The Happy Days—Back to the 50s theme is sure to encourage some crazy outfits and bring us all back in time some sixty years. Those who watched *Happy Days* back in the 70s or 80s know

it took place in Milwaukee. So, get ready to Rock Around the Clock in Milwaukee at GN37.

In keeping with the *Happy Days* theme, I end this month's article with some useless knowledge. Fonzie didn't really love Pinkie! As it turned out, no one on the series did either, and she was written out very quickly. **CW**