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Mastering the Masters

by Samuel Dye

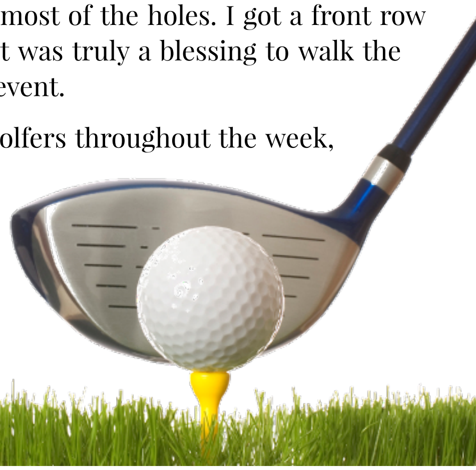
I've been an avid golf fan since I was a kid, and over the years I've really come to love watching the various tournaments week in and week out. There are two types of tournaments in golf: your regular run-of-the-mill tournaments that oftentimes go unnoticed in the weekly sports roundup and the Major tournaments that seem to capture the attention of the national sports media. None of these Major tournaments capture attention quite like the Masters Tournament.

Every April, the eyes of the world turn their gaze towards tiny Augusta, Georgia, and the world's most well known and exclusive golf course: Augusta National Golf Club. Augusta National has been around since the 1930s, and over the years, the Masters Tournament has grown to become a spectacle of sports. As a golf fan, the Masters is the crown jewel of tournaments, and getting tickets is nearly impossible unless you are lucky enough to be selected in the annual lottery or you are willing to spend a small fortune to purchase tickets on the secondary market.

Going to the Masters has been on my bucket list for quite some time, but I didn't expect to be able to go anytime soon. Through a series of events and a connection with an Augusta native, I received an email a week before the 2019 tournament was slated to begin asking if I had any interest in working as a "Media Runner" for the duration of the tournament. Immediately I began coordinating how I could make this work – I called my wife and got the green light from her (I'm a smart man) and worked it out with Tom and the team. It was happening – I was going to the Masters Tournament!

My job there was, in my opinion, the best possible scenario: I followed around a photographer all day from Wednesday through Sunday and had access to the designated media areas that provided unobstructed views of most of the holes. I got a front row seat to watch the greatest players in the world play the most revered course in the world. It was truly a blessing to walk the hallowed grounds of Augusta National and experience firsthand the thrill of this spectacular event.

This year's tournament did not disappoint as the leader-board was packed with big name golfers throughout the week, and Tiger Woods, arguably the most famous player in the game's history, finally secured his elusive 15th Major Championship and 5th Green Jacket. I was fortunate to be standing at the 18th green to see him tap in the putt that secured his victory. The energy of the crowd was electric as we all witnessed the culmination of a compelling comeback story. That is a moment that will be explicitly etched in my memory for the rest of my life.



Stewardship Strides by Tom Dundorf

Previously in Stewardship Strides, I introduced the three categories of clients that work well with FWP: Emerging Affluent, Mass Affluent (EAs and MAs were the focus of prior Stewardship Strides articles) and High Net Worth. I would like to discuss High Net Worth (HNWs) and why we work so well with them.

Generally, the differentiator between MAs and HNW clients is their capacity to transfer life-altering wealth during their life-time. Many MAs will transfer, at death, life-altering wealth yet during their lifetime their wealth will predominantly be used to maintain their own lifestyle. Bill and Melinda Gates are well known for their thoughtfulness of the distribution of their wealth and the impact they intend for it to have. Most wealth holders, whether MAs or HNW, have not been thoughtful as to the impact their wealth will have on their loved ones. Biblical wisdom here is most beneficial: Proverbs 20:21 "An inheritance claimed too soon will not be blessed at the end." Proverbs 13:22 "A good person leaves an inheritance for their children's children" and 1 Chronicles 29:12-13 "Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name."

If we can help our children see that the wealth we have is not ours but God's and He has entrusted us to steward that wealth for our joy and His glory then we have a proper mindset to train our children to receive wealth, steward it wisely and pass it, along with wisdom, to the next generation for continued excellent stewardship. If we see God as the rightful owner and He shares with us His wealth and His wisdom to enjoy and glorify Him then we can model for our children how to seek His guidance for the greatest positive impact. If we believe God is the rightful owner we can seek His wisdom on how to steward the wealth with freedom, joy and positive impact. This perspective also creates humility whether you are the "wealth creator" or inheritor.

If you are, or know someone who is HNW and could benefit from having a "Most Trusted Advisor" to support your/their journey, we would be humbled and honored to meet with you/them. We are confident that any introductory meeting we conduct will have 1 of 3 outcomes to enhance your/their journey: 1. Valuable counsel, 2. Referral to another advisor outside of FWP or 3. Discovery there is a basis for a long-term mutually beneficial relationship. Clearly, you can see why we love introductions to people; all three potential outcomes leave the individuals grateful that our clients introduced their friends/family to FWP.

Raspberry Cobbler by Rhonda Weaver


1-1/4 C sugar, separated


1 C self-rising flour


1 C milk


½ C butter, melted

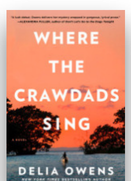

2 C frozen (or fresh) raspberries

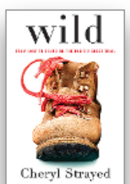

Ice cream (Optional)

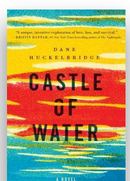
Whisk together 1 cup sugar, flour, and milk just until blended; whisk in melted butter. Pour batter into a lightly greased 12 x 8 inch or 11 x 8 inch baking dish; sprinkle raspberries and remaining quarter-cup sugar evenly over batter. Bake cobbler at 350 degrees for 50 minutes - 1 hour or until golden brown and bubbly. Top with a scoop of ice cream, if desired. Makes 6 servings.

Readers are LEADERS

People make time to read for a variety of reasons. Some read for knowledge, some for self-improvement, and some for pure pleasure. Whatever your motivation is for reading, we hope some of our picks will peak your interest.

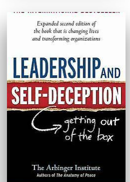


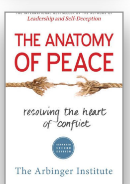


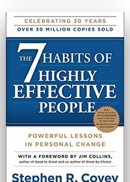


"FWP Page Turners" Book Club Favorite Reads:

- Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens
- Castle of Water by Dane Huckelbridge
- Wild by Cheryl Strayed

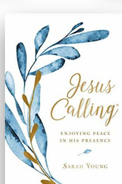






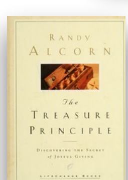
Self-Improvement & Insight:

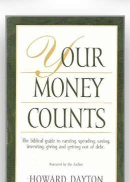
- Leadership and Self-Deception by The Arbinger Institute
- The Anatomy of Peace by The Arbinger Institute
- The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People by Stephen Covey

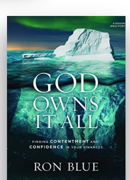


Devotionals / Spiritual:

- Jesus Calling by Sara Young
- Goliath Must Fall by Louie Giglio







For the Financially Minded:

- The Treasure Principle by Randy Alcorn
- Your Money Counts by Howard Dayton
- God Owns it All by Ron Blue

See our Suggested Reading List on our Resources page for more options https://www.fwpnc.com/resources

Smell What's Cookin' at Hospitality House by Rhonda Weaver







On the morning of March 21st, the Family Wealth Partners Team put on our matching 'FWP Volunteer' t-shirts, grabbed our bags of groceries and headed to the Hospitality House of Charlotte to make lunch for their guests. I'm not sure if it was the aroma of the homemade chicken noodle soup simmering on the stove, the butter toasting on the grilled cheese sandwiches or the fresh baked cookies coming out of the oven that brought guests (and staff) out of their rooms and offices, but an hour into our cooking, people started to appear. They all asked the same question, "When is lunch?" Not to toot our own horns, but we were told the meal tasted as good as it smelled.

Cooking and serving lunch at the Hospitality House of Charlotte was our service/mission project for the 1st quarter of 2019. We try to do something each quarter as a team that takes us outside of the four walls of FWP and into the larger community, giving us the opportunity to be the Hands and Feet of Christ to our brothers and sisters.

The Hospitality House of Charlotte is located on Scott Ave, near all of the major hospitals, and provides an affordable place for out-patients and families of patients who are hospitalized to stay while receiving treatment. The house can accommodate 20 families, providing them all the amenities of home, including 3 meals a day. A majority of the supplies, food, and services are provided by volunteers.

If you're interested in learning how you can help, visit their website at www.hospitalityhouseofcharlotte.org

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