

# Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2023

# METRO ATL TOPGOLF CHALLENGE PRESENTED BY KPMG

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023 5:30PM - 8:30PM



Join us for some friendly competition, as we raise awareness and support to coach more Atlanta high school student-athletes for success in life!

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TO LEARN MORE

#### PLUS! SILENT AUCTION

- Private Golf Villa in Cabo
- Club Level ATL Hawks Tickets
- Solo Stove Firepit
- and more!



### ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Katherine Hayek

Central Ohio Class of 2019



#### **HIGH SCHOOL:**

**Upper Arlington High School** 

HANDSHAKE AMERICA COACH: Lory Fry

#### **GREATEST TAKEAWAY:**

"I was pretty shy in high school.
Handshake America gave me experience
communicating with others in a
professional setting, as well as a support
system of peers and mentors. I now have
a newfound sense of confidence."

#### WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

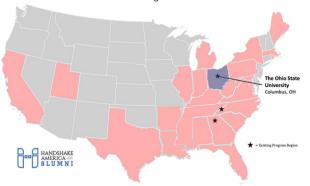
"I'm currently a senior at The Ohio State University with a major in Marketing and minors in Sociology and Professional Writing. I've had two summer internships, one based out of Chicago, and can't wait to pursue a career in PR, marketing or communications!"

#### WHAT DO YOU DO FOR FUN?

"I live on Ohio State's campus with 7 of my best friends and spend time with them. I love running, travelling, ceramics and animals. One of my favorite things are my family's two Great Danes."

#### WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

115 Colleges in 24 States





NOW ACCEPTING Student-Athlete Applications

for our 2024 Program!

Deadline is November 15, 2023

# PARENT'S PERSPECTIVE

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What Emily gained through Handshake America was invaluable. Learning the 5 P's has helped my daughter's emotional intelligence blossom. As a parent, I'm very thankful she was involved in this program.

**Sue Baldauff** 

Metro Atlanta Class of 2022 - Parent

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# Bianca Christopher

Metro Atlanta - 2023 Coach

**TEAM SPLASH** 

Current Residence: Atlanta, GA

Family: My husband and I were married in Savannah (GA) in 2020. We recently moved to Johns Creek and are expecting our first child in January. His family is from Atlanta and I grew up in Cupertino, California.

High School: Cupertino High School (CA)

College: Georgia Tech University

Professional: Manager - Financial Reporting @ Cox

Enterprises, Inc.

For Fun: I love to cook, long walks/hikes with friends and family, trying new workout classes and watching crime shows with my husband.

Why Do You Coach? It is a great way to connect with the younger generation and help them explore potential career paths. I love seeing them use their skills learned from being on sports teams in both school and their future adult lives.

Years Coaching: Rookie

# **TEAM OF THE MONTH**



REGION: WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA TEAM NAME: APP ST CARDINALS

#### **COACHES**

Mark Visk - 2nd Year Coach
Surgeon, Orthopedic Specialites of Spartanburg

Steve Delaney - Rookie Coach Retired - Former CEO, Celestica Inc

Kellie Prusiecki - Rookie Coach Retired

#### **STUDENT-ATHLETES**

McKenna Baker Olivia Brock Edward Giroir Deana McMinn Reese Meadows Bronsyn Wyant Rosman
Hendersonville
East Henderson
West Henderson
North Henderson
Brevard

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Bronsyn Wyant

## **LEARN HOW YOU CAN JOIN THE TEAM**

- As a Coach
- As a **Regional Volunteer**
- As a **School Partner**
- As a **Corporate Teammate**
- As a Financial Teammate

REGIONAL LEADERS

Central Ohio - Joel Juday

Metro Atlanta - Tommy Kramer

Western Carolina - Doug Probst



## YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES DIFFERENCE

In 2023, your support enabled us to...

- COACH 56% MORE STUDENT-ATHLETES
- LAUNCH A NEW INTERACTIVE PLATFORM
- ROLL OUT OUR NATIONAL ALUMNI PROGRAM



FUEL OUR GROWTH

#### SPECIAL THANKS to our NATIONAL TEAMMATES

#### **LEADERS**

Penny & Rick

Marjorie & Jorge

Patty & Doug

**JACKSON** 

MORALES

**PROBST** 



#### **GOLD**

Trisha & Bill Cindy & Dave **JORDAN PROBST** 

Roy **PROBST** 

Ronnie ROBINSON STEPHENSON

Ruth & Keith

Deloitte.



#### **SILVER**

**BURGDOERFER** 

Jessica & Adam CHAIT

Rachel & Joel **JUDAY** 

Bonnie & Steve KNIER

Judy & Chris LANNING

Beth Robyn & Ron MURPHY RANSOM

Angela & Roger RAWLINS

Jill & Peter RISCH

Lisa & Paul SHREVE

Debra & Brian SINGLETON

WILSON

Jennie & Mark Michelle & Chris WISECUP







Lake Toxaway **CHARITIES** 



#### **BRONZE**

Brenda & Bob Elaine & Bart BARKLEY BOYER

Dain BUSSEWITZ Barry

Kurt ESPOSITO GATTERDAM

Bill HOLEHOUSE KRAMER MARTIN

Matt

Cody Dave MORLAN

Jared **POFF** 

Kellie & Drew PRUSIECKI

Lauren RISCH

Stephen ROGERS

Paul SCHROEDER VISK

Brian WALKERLY

Adam WEINGARTNER WENDLING

Larry

Abercrombie & Fitch

















#### **IN-KIND TEAMMATES**













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