

Jones Pools silence Menno's bats

The Stouffville Jones Pools' pitching tandem of Joe German and Greg Dalgarno limited the Stouffville Menno's to just three hits en route to a 4-1 win in Oshawa City and District Softball League action Thursday at Memorial Park.

Jeff Boadway had the key hit for Jones Pools in the fourth inning with a two-run homer.

Scott Eyre, Brett Boyd and Tim Lofgren each collected singles for the

Menno's, who scored their lone run in the seventh inning.

German pitched the first four innings to earn the win.

Byron Baranieski worked four innings for the Menno's and allowed seven hits and three runs to take the loss.

Now 7-4 on the season, the Menno's will host Pickering Wednesday at Memorial Park at 8:45 p.m.

SDSS baseball coach turns to golf event to help strike out Lou Gehrig's disease

Son remembers dad with charity tourney at Angus Glen

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Chris Stoikos' memory lives on.

The Richmond Hill man, father of Andy Stoikos, head baseball coach and literary teacher on the Stouffville District Secondary School staff, died 16 years ago as a result of ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis), better known as Lou Gehrig's disease. He was 53.

In an effort to increase the awareness of ALS and raise funds for services, equipment and research, the 15th annual Chris Stoikos Memorial Golf Tournament will be held June 30 at Angus Glen Golf Club in Unionville.

Over the past 14 years, more than \$75,000 has been raised. The target figure this year is \$6,000.

With two-thirds of the maximum 144 spots already sold, the current tourney could set a



ANDY STOIKOS: Charity golf event coach started 14 years ago has helped raise more than \$75,000.

record, Andy says.

"We hope it's the biggest and the best," he said.

Stoikos Sr., an avid golfer and member of the Mill Run course in Uxbridge, was stricken with the disabling disease in 1988 and died 10 months later.

'STRUGGLE TO MAKE SENSE'

"It's been a struggle to make sense of anything," Andy says. "He went to the doctor for a check-up and 10 months later, he was gone."

"The disease ravaged his body and left his mind alone to watch," he said. "My father literally melted away before our eyes."

A memorial tree and a commemorative plaque hold places of prominence on Mill Run's sixth tee, the highest elevated point on the course.

The tournament begins with practice rounds at 10 a.m., followed by registrations and a barbecue lunch at 11 a.m. The shotgun start is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. with dinner and awards at 7.

The cost is \$250 per person; \$75 for dinner guests.

The Chris Stoikos Memorial Tournament is endorsed by PGA golfing legend Tom Watson.

Watson's long-time caddy, Bruce Edwards, was diagnosed with ALS last year. Despite the seriousness of his illness, for which there is no cure, Edwards accompanied Watson during the 2003 United States Open, a feat still described as remarkable.

For further information, log on to: www.chrisstoikosmemorial.com.

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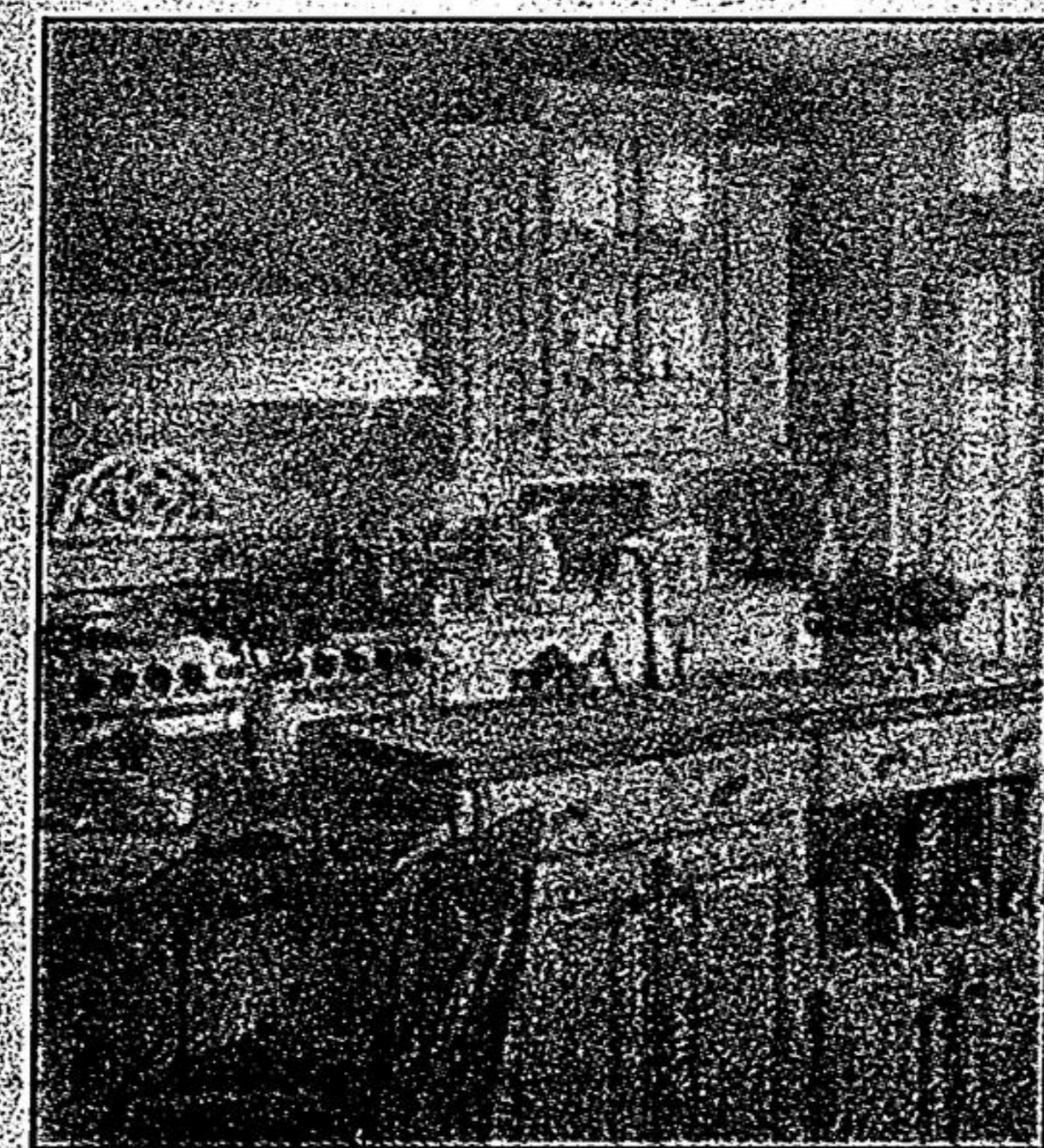
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