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I Didn't Really Know....

It seems that we can wave or say hello to the same person every day, thinking that that is enough to know them! But it really isn't...

Lately I have been spending more time getting to know our player's assistants, some of whom have worked at Greate Bay for a very long time. I thought that seeing them most every day for the last six years was all I needed to think that I knew them, but I realize I misled myself. For six years I missed out on knowing these interesting and accomplished individuals. I'd like to share a few glimpses of these men:

Joe DiSanti – Joe served in the army and was stationed in Oklahoma, training artillery men, and then made his career as a union carpenter for 35 years. For the last ten years, Joe has volunteered his time to work at Shore Memorial Hospital in the emergency room.

Dick Bullock – Dick is a graduate of Atlantic City High, after which he served as a marine for six years, and then worked as an electrician for 42 years! He now holds memberships in the VFW and Elks Club. Dick is also a United Way volunteer.

Tom Gourley – Tom grew up in the Philadelphia area, served in the army and was stationed in Germany for three years. After returning to the States, he became a highly respected Philadelphia Fire Fighter and made this his career for 26 years.

Jim Thorpe – Jim served in the Navy and was assigned to the Battleship "Wisconsin". He then worked as a printer until he retired. Jim now helps his wife organize and run the Bridge Club at Greate Bay CC, and also helps out at Johnson's Appliances in Ocean City.

Wayne White – Wayne graduated from West Point and served in the army for nine years, many as an elite Army Ranger during the Korean War. He went on to work for General Electric for over 30 years. Wayne now lives in Ocean City and is a member of the VFW and the American Legion.

John Kemenosh – John is our newest player's assistant, contributing his experiences as a former ranger at the Ocean City course, and a lifelong golfer. John is currently an Ocean City councilman. John is also a veteran of the Navy, serving our country during World War II.

There is still much more to know about these men who after serving our country, having had successful careers, raising families, volunteering, and helping our communities, have now chosen to be part of our Greate Bay team. Not only should we all get to know them better, but for all they've contributed to our country, we should salute them!

Ken Thompson, Golf Course Superintendent



It's always a Greate day at Greate Bay!