

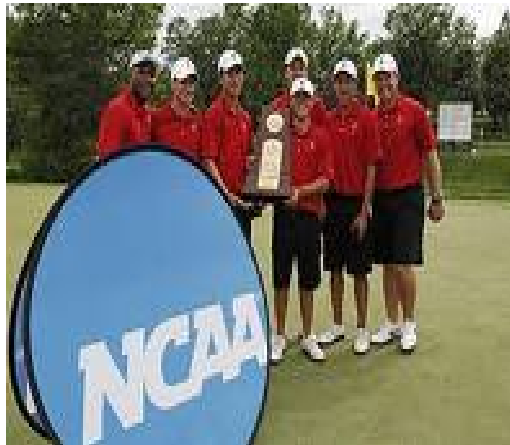
A Note to Parents of Junior Golfers, from Debbie and Marlo Bramlett.....

Parents of 2011 PGA Member, Joseph Bramlett and Members of San Jose Country Club.



U.S Amateur – Age 14

2002



Stanford University

Class of 2010



PGA Tour

Rookie Season 2011

Making a decision to join a country club was an easy math equation. Debbie and I were looking at what the junior golf population was doing to help advance their kids in attaining a possible college scholarship. Well, when one looks at what the cost of doing that is, the math just doesn't add up. Our feeling was to find a place that had a good, family atmosphere and could give all of us, including Joseph, a great place to challenge him. He didn't need to play in every junior tournament around the country to become better.

In 1997, Debbie and I were looking at several private clubs that had the ability to allow Joseph to grow in the game of golf. After many months of seeing club after club, we decided on San Jose Country Club. It had everything that we were looking for in a club.

One was, the small, yet difficult greens. Our thinking was that this would make Joe a better wedge player, from approach shots to his creativeness around the greens.

Another was the friendliness to juniors, from golf course length and playability, all the way to our members. There are only a few holes at San Jose that are on long side for juniors, but for the most part, there aren't any that would make playing golf discouraging. As for the membership, they have a lot of respect for what the juniors are trying to do and accomplish with respects to the game. Not only do they enjoy the juniors, but many are very accomplished players who would offer assistance.

In 2003, I felt San Jose CC became complete when hiring Bill Johnson as the Director of Instruction. Joseph had been a student of Bill's for a couple years prior, but once Bill stepped on property, we really saw the growth in Joseph's game. The access to Bill outside the normal lessons, were huge.

San Jose CC has not only become a home away from home, it has become part of our family.

Marlo Bramlett