



THE FIRST TEE COAL MINERS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE BANQUET AND GOLF TOURNAMENT
Honoring Calvin R. Kidd and Benefitting The First Tee of West Virginia



(Charleston, WV) – The First Tee Coal Miners Hall of Fame honoree has been selected; this year’s honoree will be Calvin R. Kidd. The annual induction ceremony and dinner will be held on Thursday, August 17th at White Oak Event Center beginning at 6:00pm. The following day, Friday, August 18th an 18-hole golf tournament will be held and all proceeds from these events benefit The First Tee of West Virginia.

Calvin R. Kidd was born November 21, 1947 in Montgomery, WV to Frank and Mary Kidd. Calvin and his family moved to Oak Hill, WV in 1952 where he and his wife and lifetime sweetheart, Carol continue to reside today. His family spans 4 generations in the coal industry and is an active member in both his church and community. The dedication and commitment Kidd has for his community and industry is evident in every aspect of life and career.

After graduating from then Collins High School, he attended both Marshall and Mountain State University and served our Country in both the National Guard and Army Reserves. Kidd’s career in the coal industry began in 1967 in a sales position at Long-Airdox Co. where he remained until 1997 when he ended his time there as Vice President of Sales. The next fifteen years he served as Account Specialist and Field Manager for Continental Conveyor and Equipment Co. before joining Quaker Chemical Corp. in 2012 where he still works in the Mining Division. In addition to Kidd’s time serving the coal industry, he also serves on several boards, and dedicates his time to several different community organizations.

In 2006 a Calvin Kidd Fellowship Award was established and is awarded annually by the WVU Mining and Engineering Department and in 2015 Calvin was inducted into the Coal Hall of Fame.

“Calvin Kidd has been selected as the 2017 Inductee to The First Tee Coal Classic Coal Miner’s Hall of Fame because of his commitment to God, Family, Coal and Community” comments Wood Duba, General Manager, Beaver Coal Company. “We are excited to honor Calvin and celebrate his achievements and involvement in the coal industry and within the community.”

The Hall of Fame Dinner will take place at White Oak Country Club on Thursday, August 17th at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$50 per person and include a chance to win an overnight golf package. The First Tee Coal Miners Hall of Fame Golf Tournament will follow the festivities taking place on Friday, August 18th. Teams will tee off in either the AM flight (8:00am shotgun) or PM flight (1:00pm shotgun) and all will have the opportunity to compete in a variety of challenge throughout the course, including a shot at \$10,000 on the par-3 Hole #6. Tickets to the Hall of Fame Dinner and Golf Tournament teams can be secured by contacting Dyane Corcoran at dcorcoran@beavercoal.com or 304.763.1487.

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ABOUT THE FIRST TEE OF WEST VIRGINIA: The First Tee of West Virginia is a state-wide youth development organization operated by the West Virginia Golf Association, focused on introducing the game of golf and its inherent values to young people. On golf courses, in elementary schools and on military installations, The First Tee has helped shape the lives of young people from all walks of life by teaching values like integrity, respect and perseverance.

Our mission, supported in part by Citizens Conservation Corps of West Virginia, Smith Land Surveying Inc., Little General Stores and Tri-State Roofing & Sheet Metal Company is to impact the lives of young people by providing educational programs that build character, instill life-enhancing values and promote healthy choices through the game of golf. Through our programs young people discover how skills essential to success on a golf course can also help them flourish in life.

ABOUT BEAVER COAL COMPANY: Beaver Coal Company, Limited owns approximately 50,000 acres of surface and mineral property centrally located in Raleigh County, West Virginia, and within a 10 mile radius of Beckley. Much of the property is serviced by all public utilities and is primed for commercial, industrial and residential development. Beaver Coal Company, Limited prefers to enter long-term ground leases of its surface property but has on numerous occasions sold property for development.

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