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Grown men crying? Blame golf

Chicken Soup for the Soul collection proves sports are more than a pastime

COS COB, Conn. – Golf is more than a game for those who play it – it’s an obsession. The exhilarating and often-frustrating game demands a steady swing, razor-sharp focus and an insatiable desire to constantly up your game. And for many, the love for the sport goes above and beyond the green, and seeps into everyday life.

Whether you’ve just completed your very first lesson, or are fondly looking back on the days when you were at the top of your game, the universal adoration of golf and sports is explained in *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Tales of Golf and Sport* (Chicken Soup for the Soul Publishing, LLC., October 2008, \$14.95), offers 101 stories and poems about golfing, athletes and sports from the beloved Chicken Soup for the Soul® book series. Written from the perspectives of professional and amateur golfers, contributors share their experiences, fondest memories and wisdom gained on the green.

In addition, it is part of the new “101 Best Stories” series by the new publisher of Chicken Soup for the Soul® books. With refreshed cover designs and interior layouts, books in the “101 Best Stories” series offer the Editor’s favorite tales and poems submitted in the 15-year history of Chicken Soup for the Soul®, reflecting the brand’s excitement and energy on this memorable anniversary.

“Through the years, I have come to realize that my father had an appreciation and love for golf that few ever realize,” writes *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Tales of Golf and Sport* contributor John Keating. “To him, golf was not just playing eighteen holes; it was the whole experience: the preparation, the wager, the good holes and the bad, the occasional par, the traditional cold potato soup and beer afterward, the discussion of world events, the hot shower and clean clothes. All were integral parts of a golf day, with each segment to be enjoyed to its fullest. The score was important, but only briefly and a small part of the picture.”

Featuring real-life stories that offer insight gained by golf and sports enthusiasts while on the green, on the mound or on the court, *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Tales of Golf and Sport* shares admirable principles of team play and sportsmanship that transcend any particular sport. It is part of the “101 Best Stories” series by the new publisher of Chicken Soup for the Soul books. With refreshed cover designs and interior layouts, books in the “101 Best Stories” series offer the Editor’s favorite tales and poems submitted in the 15-year history of Chicken Soup for the Soul, reflecting the brand’s excitement and new energy on this memorable anniversary.

In *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Tales of Golf and Sport*, you’ll read stories about:

- How author Kate Meyers finally learned how to play golf after serving as the editor of a popular golf magazine for several years
- How author Jan Collins’s father remained loyal to his love of golf, even as his Alzheimer’s disease worsened
- How author and amateur golfer Jeff Kahler wagered a bet against golf legend Payne Stewart while golfing in Scotland, and won

Chicken Soup for the Soul: Tales of Golf and Sport (Jack Canfield, Mark Victor Hansen and Amy Newmark) released October 2008. Chicken Soup for the Soul Publishing, LLC, publishes all the latest titles in the famous Chicken Soup for the Soul book series which are distributed through Simon and Schuster, Inc. Since 1993, books in the Chicken Soup for the Soul series have sold over 112 million copies, with titles translated into over 40 languages. Chicken Soup for the Soul Publishing also licenses the right to use its famous trademark to high quality licensees through IMG, the world's premier licensing agent. The company is currently implementing a plan to expand into all media, is working with TV networks on several TV shows and is developing a major Internet presence dedicated to life improvement, emotional support and inspiration. In 2007, *USA Today* named *Chicken Soup for the Soul* one of the five most memorable and impactful books in the last quarter century. For more information visit: www.chickensoup.com.

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