

# Funny People

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Dwight's #12 is mothballed for the summer; Glover's win at Bethpage is in the history books; and Tom Watson's 8-iron approach let a historic victory slip away at the British Open – and the folks in Capital Markets are making headlines of their own with the 2009 Wii Olympics. The first event, Wii basketball was held in late May and their golf event, fittingly, coincided with last month's U.S. Open. Much like the U.S. Open, with rain delays resulting in an amazing finish; Jeff Shafer, Trey Killingsworth and Carlos Ibanez played to a 3-way tie and had to go into a Sudden Death round to determine the winner. Jeff putted first in the “death round” and first he remained, as Trey and Carlos came up short on the makeshift putting green.

Capital Market's “Olympic-themed” team-builders, kicked off in May, when over thirty Capital Markets associates vied for the basketball trophy with Patrick “Hollywood” Hilgers winning the Gold. The tourney consisted of a 5-shot shoot-around on the Wii. Competition was fierce, “I had to bring my A-game”, said Patrick.

“All this fun has a purpose,” says Capital Markets Fun Committee spokesperson Jana Whitney. “Jeff wanted us to develop a year-long agenda that would keep our Capital Markets associates engaged and build company spirit.” Her other comrades in arms are Rhonda Uzodinma, Jack King, Laurel Lamb and Anita Desai. The committee plans to divert from the Olympic theme for July's “Movie Premiere” team builder but will pick the sports theme back up for the remainder of the year. There are also plans to invite other CNL SBU teams to participate in an upcoming challenge in the fall and the committee tells TSN they are in talks with CNL Lifestyle Company but have not formalized anything yet.

Capital Markets is not the only fun committee around CNL. The Group Services Fun Committee is planning a team builder for next month and, of course, the “fun REIT” (aka: CNL Lifestyle Properties) has a well-established Entertainment Committee who plan their charity and team building events. Lifestyle's next event is a Hard Knocks simulated combat laser tag excursion also scheduled for August. Scared of that!

Everyone knows that when people feel good, they work better, are more creative and more productive. CNL's leadership wants to inspire positive feelings in all associates and thanks to their support -- our “fun” committees help foster an environment that also yields good business results. Kudos to all fun committee members who work just for the fun of it!

