

remember. He was a strong supporter and believer in his beloved Saint John. The Paul Grannan Fund will continue to fulfill that role year after year. Any day at 1:22 pm, his regular tee-off time, friends can be reminded "that you just have to have fun every day".

September 26, 2002

**Dear God**

You're in luck. Granny is available for a game next Wednesday afternoon at 1:22. Please arrange for lots of sun and no rain. (That won't be a problem.....will it?)

There are a few things you should know before you play golf with this guy:

- If you have trouble hitting it straight while people are telling loud, funny stories during your backswing then you might be spending a bit of time in the woods.
- If it is a windy day and you are playing for \$10 per hole, it's OK to mark your ball with a leaf instead of a coin.
- There is no penalty for a lost ball unless someone sees you drop the replacement.
- Tell your Greenskeeper that he may begin to see the odd tire mark on his greens and he will certainly be finding a lot of soggy old cigar butts on the tee boxes.
- If you see him the next day and he calls you "BIG GUY", don't be too flattered..... it just means he forgot your name.

We have been trying to teach Paul the proper rules of golf for many years. You will quickly notice that we haven't had much luck. Even with all your powers there's not much chance you're going to do any better. Accept him as he is and if you find that too frustrating then send him back.

*We'd love another chance.*

Johnny Mihichuk • Billy Chown • Billy Randell  
Darcy Murphy • Doug Trecartin • Dave Green

*The Cottage*

*Sun-drenched waves of golden hue  
Blown across St. Andrews harbor,  
To splash against the patio's planks  
Where Paul sat with friends to chatter.*

*Paul loved this cottage beside the sea,  
He enjoyed the days he spent here  
Mowing the lawn, trimming the hedge,  
Entertaining the guests who came here.*

*I played with Paul when he was young,  
I played with him last summer,  
He gathered his brothers and sisters about  
And we sang old songs together.*

*His very last day was filled with fun  
Preparing this place for winter;  
He spoke a truth as he puffed a cigar:  
"It doesn't get any better."*

*Now Paul is gone, but his joy remains  
Carried on by Chris, Jamie and Janis,  
Who also love this cottage fair,  
And so generously shared it with us.*

*Love,  
Jim and Sharon - December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2001*

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Golfing Friends



Paul in St. Andrew's



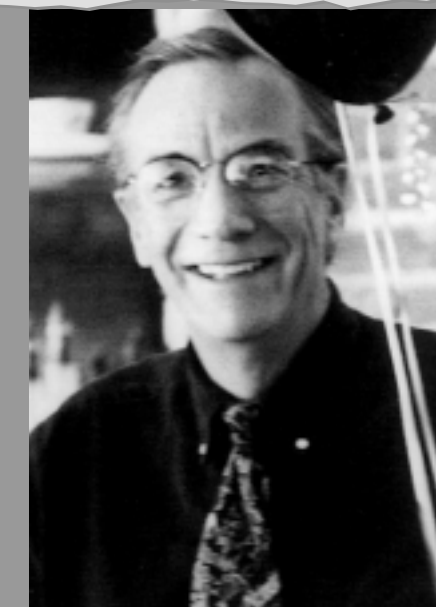
Sunset in St. Andrew's

**Paul Grannan Annual Golf Tournament  
Establishes  
The Paul Grannan Fund**

Paul Grannan  
1943-2001

The family, friends, business and sporting associates of the late Paul Grannan have come together to create a lasting memorial which will benefit the community he so loved, his native Saint John. The Paul Grannan Fund with The Greater Saint John Community Foundation will benefit dozens of local charities, year after year with earnings from the permanently endowed fund. These are the very charities which Paul himself supported and helped with their respective campaigns over the years.

Born in 1943, Paul Grannan was the youngest son of the late Sir Richmond Louis Grannan (he was knighted by the Pope as a knight of St. Gregory for his service to church and community) and the late Elizabeth Margarett Gorman. With nineteen years separating him from Jim, the eldest, his oldest sister Betty says he, as the baby, was "well-loved". Their attendance, along with Dick & Maureen, Marianne, Pat & Judy, Paul's wife, Janis and their sons Chris and Jamie, Janis' parents, Pat & Ted Mallender and brother Gary Mallender confirms this love and marks the 2002 Paul Grannan Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser at Riverside Golf and Country Club, as a memorable family affair.



Paul Grannan



The Grannan home on Rockland Rd.



The Grannan Family, clockwise from left:  
Betty, Dick, Pat, Richmond Louis (Dick),  
Jim, Elizabeth Margarett (Doe),  
Marianne and Paul

The Grannans lived for many years on Rockland Road, moving from the North End in 1951 to Sunset Drive in Lancaster. Paul attended Holy Trinity, St. Rose and St. Patrick's Schools, graduating from St. Malachy's High. Even in those early years at St. Rose, his love of sports, particularly hockey, became evident. Paul was part of the Provincial High School hockey championship team at St. Mac's in Grade 12. He played at St. Thomas University and later while at the New Brunswick Community College, and for the Simonds Stars.

Paul's acumen for business did not begin in the hospitality industry but at Rothesay Paper. It wasn't long, however, before he showed his talents for the Wandlyn chain of hotels and motels around the Maritimes and in Windsor Ontario. While there, he turned around the Sheraton Viscount to a winning operation and then was called upon to head up the Admiral Beatty Hotel in his hometown. He arrived back with his lovely new wife, Janis, a native of Windsor. Paul's brother Pat describes her as a "wonderful woman" of "unbelievable heart" who has been "very strong" since losing her husband so suddenly.

In the seventies, Paul launched his career in the restaurant business with Pier One and became Saint John's premier restaurateur with Grannans, Mexicali Rosa's, Il Fornello (now



St. Rose Hockey Team, Paul, 6th from left C. 1960



The Grannans and Mallenders



Chris, Wayne Gretsky, Paul and Jamie



Paul and Janis

D'Amico), Churchills, The Church St. Steakhouse, the Water Street Dinner Theatre and Steamers. His success meant working "unreal hours" from early morning to the wee hours of the next day while never missing a stride in his daily running ritual.

Paul and Janis welcomed two sons, Chris and Jamie, who have now become an integral part of the Grannan Hospitality Group. While they were very young, serious illness struck Paul with an unexpected blow. He battled it successfully twice and appreciated life even more keenly because of it. He took time to enjoy his family more and the sports which always were part of his life. Golf became a regular feature along with running. Paul ran impressive times in the Boston and New York marathons as well as in London, England. His keen interest in golf took him to the Masters, numerous Skins games, the Canadian Open as well as playing at dozens of courses across Canada and the US. "Always moving", he loved the excitement of big events like the World Series and the Super Bowl. "Granny" was proud to be a founding owner of the Saint John Flames hockey team.

In recent years, the Grannans came to relax and love the St. Andrews seashore. It was there that a family reunion and the simple beauty of a sunset meant the most. A loyal friend, Paul's generosity, ability to get along well with people and positive attitude are qualities which many cherish and



Jamie and Chris Grannan



The Grannans dine out



"Granny" & some golfing friends



Golfing Friends