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**NVHS BOOSTER CLUB FEATURED ATHLETES OF THE WEEK  
GIRLS GOLF PROGRAM**

*The NVHS Athletic Booster Club is proud to present the featured athletes of this week, the graduating seniors of the Class of 2016. Coach Keller has decided to feature these athletes because of all they have done together as a group for Neuqua golf over the years. They are a very close, supportive group who shared many successes over the years. The 2016 group of seniors is the largest to date, so this is a very unique set of players. Sometimes golf is seen as an individual sport, but they prove that golf becomes even a better sport when it is viewed from the perspective of a team.*

**Booster Club Reporter:** *Are you all dedicated uniquely to golf? What made you girls choose golf as your HS sport?*

**All:** Most girls have played golf on the team for either all four years or at least three years. Many of the girls have played golf for quite a while, some even their whole life. Not all of us play only golf. Kiwi Ferrarelli is a varsity soccer player here at Neuqua. Jessica Yuen used to play basketball but later decided to focus exclusively on golf. Emily Steinhaus plays lacrosse at Neuqua.

**Kiwi Ferrarelli:** It's really different than other sports like soccer. It was a good outlet to try something different and I ended up really enjoying it.

**Booster Club Reporter:** *But what happens when the game gets tough?*

**Maddie Yerkes:** Despite poor scores and impediments, our coaches have always encouraged us to remain optimistic and persevere through the difficulties. In every match there are shots that are disappointing so we are forced to be optimistic, knowing that the coaches will help guide use through the struggle.

**Booster Club Reporter:** *How would you translate this lesson from the coaches in a sentence?*

**Morgan Reid:** Trust yourself and your abilities. Have faith in your teammates

**Booster Club Reporter:** *What are the values that you girls will take home from having been part of the Neuqua golf team?*

**Lauren Rouck:** The importance of teamwork, honesty, and perseverance.

**Booster Club Reporter:** *What would you say to someone who is considering joining a team in high school?*

**Emily Steinhaus:** Absolutely do it! It's a great way to get involved and meet with people of similar interests.

**Booster Club Reporter:** *What do you know now that would have helped a lot had you known it when you were just starting?*

**Peggy Kern:** That it's important to practice in the off season (especially in your first years of High School).

**Booster Club Reporter:** *How do you deal with the pressure to win, or the fear of losing?*

**All:** You can't discover who you are without failing. In golf (and many sports), it's going to happen to everybody. You can grow from losing or struggling. Staying calm and modest is the best way to deal with pressure.

**Booster Club Reporter:** *What makes you girls, winners?*

**All:** The team has stayed together over the four years. Most of the seniors started on the team together four years ago and have been dedicated to each other.