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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By: Gary Polipnick

After discussing the planned spending allocation changes to the minimums with some of our members and my colleagues on the board, we have decided to leave things as they are. Any monies you spend in either the bar or restaurant will apply towards your minimum. But, we still need your help. Revenues generated from weddings, class reunions, and other events generally held on Saturday's have dropped dramatically. In 2008 our sales were \$186,000 and we are projecting sales of \$150,000 in 2011. The primary reason for the reduction is that the average wedding has dropped by nearly 50 guests these past three years. Along with the bar sales, the revenue generated at these events help keep cost down across the entire club.

As a private club, we have a limited number of potential customers so we need your support in the dining room to help close the \$36,000 gap. To keep the hours we serve food consistent, we need to have staff on hand regardless of the number of customers. If you could, please keep **your** club in mind when making dining plans. If you have any comments, questions or concerns regarding the menu, quality of food, or the service, please contact Steve, Tami, or one of the board members so we can address them.

We will continue to look at all expenses to see if there are any opportunities to cut costs.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

GOLF SHOP MEMO

By: Steve Hlavacek

The weather has finally brought an end to our golfing season. It was good to see several of our members take advantage of the rather mild conditions in November and December and get those final rounds played. The Farmer's Almanac is predicting a snowy winter which should be good for the course but not much fun keeping your walks and driveway clear. We can be hopeful and look forward to an early opening in the Spring.

The winter season presents us all a chance to get in shape for another golfing season. Two of our members, Bev Fergus and Kristen Goetz, are putting together a class for those members interested in getting into better shape. www.beachbodycoach.com/FitTeam5
The class dates and times are not finalized but we anticipate meeting on Wednesday mornings starting in January and will meet

once a week for ten minutes. The remainder of the program will be done on your own and follow up done on line. If you are interested in getting involved and in better shape give me a call here at the club and we will give you more information.

On behalf of the golf shop staff, Gloria, Bob, Peter, Evan, Aliye, Corbin and myself we want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

MANAGER'S MEMO

By: Steve Hlavacek

New Year's Eve celebration at the club is only a few days away. Please make your reservation by calling 873-7861. Complete information about New Years is included in this tee-times. We will deliver you back home if you celebrate too much.

The club will remain open on Tuesday and Friday nights for dinner for our members, and Thursdays we will be open for Men's Night. We hope you will visit the club throughout the winter months and we look forward to seeing you. Thank you to all our members who have supported the club throughout the year.

Mark your calendar for our first Guest Chef Couples night on Tuesday, January 24th, featuring Jane & Forrest Lipke with their menu of Harold's chicken thighs served on rice, roasted brussel sprouts with pancetta, a green salad and a dessert.

Watch for information on our guest dinner promotions starting in January.

Happy New Year!

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

By: Mark Livingston

The course was able to remain open until December 20th this year which is the latest since I have been here. The small amount of snow we received along with winter temperatures led to the decision to finally close the course. We were unable to change the holes for the past month because the greens were frozen. Have no fear, spring

will come and the course will be open before you know it.

The snow will come and when it does it is important to stay off the course. Please do not sled or cross country ski on the course. This will cause ice to form under the snow and could lead to damage to the turf especially on the greens. Every winter we have people that ski across a green and it takes those areas longer to get growing in the spring. Snowmobiles are worse yet. There have been times when a snowmobile has driven across the course, even greens, and tore it up. If you see someone on the course this winter please let them know that it is not allowed.

This winter Tony and I will stay busy in the shop repairing and serving all the equipment. We will also travel to our national convention come February in Las Vegas for a few days of education and to attend the trade show. It will be nice to get to some warm weather in February and meet and network with other superintendents from across the country and get a look at all the new products and gadgets that are available to golf courses.

Besides going to Las Vegas we will keep busy doing all the things we put off all summer around our houses. We will go ice fishing a time or two and I am sure Tony will be working at his bar in Sun Prairie. Stop and visit Ski's Saloon on Main Street and maybe Tony will be working.

Have a great winter and pray for an early spring.

LADIES AUXILIARY

By: Marge Gerber

Wednesday, December 7th was the Christmas celebration for several ladies auxiliary members. Lenny and his staff served a wonderful prime rib luncheon. While we were enjoying our cheesecake dessert, the SHS Madrigal singers entertained us. They sang in several languages; perfectly in sync. It is very obvious that the students enjoy entertaining. It was wonderful to see and

hear these young people. Thank you to Ryan Casey and his group!

In this and upcoming articles, I will list the winners of euchre and bridge games. Today's euchre winners were Florence Folbrecht and Donna Onsrud. Victorious at bridge were Harriett Bebout and Betty Colden. Congrats to all!

Next month we will meet twice: January 4th and 18th. Lunch is served at noon, followed by a business meeting and then cards. It is a very relaxing time consisting of fellowship with food and ladies. If you are a female and have not joined us yet, please consider coming and sharing in on the fun!

Dues are \$15 for the year. This helps pay for the monetary prizes given to the high-scorers in cards.

We hope to see you in January!

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SPECIALS

January 6 - Blackened Red Snapper
Trio Peppercorn Crusted Duck Breast

January 13 – 12 oz Bone in New York Strip
Scallops Casino

January 20 – 16 oz Sirloin with Jack Daniels, mushrooms & onions
Cajun Seafood Boil

January 27 – Italian Breaded Black Angus Ribeye
Seafood Rockefeller

FRIDAY NIGHT BAR SPECIALS

January 6 – 14 Hands/Brandy Alexander

January 13 – Pinot Noir/Kahlua Mudslide

January 20 – Redrock Merlot/Grasshopper

January 27 – McWilliams Shiraz/Brandy Alexander

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| Club House (608)873-7861 | | | | | | |
| Golf Shop (608)873-8464 | | | | | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 Sons of Norway Dinner | 4 Ladies Auxiliary | 5 | 6 Member Dining | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 Oregon Town & Country | 11 | 12 | 13 Member Dining Tricor Insurance Holiday Party | 14 Zalk Joseph Holiday Party |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Ladies Auxiliary | 19 | 20 Member Dining | 21 Radio Shack Holiday Party Kotlowski Holiday Party |
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