



STOUGHTON COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: Ted Waskowski

The Board is in the final stages of updating the Club's list of priorities for the coming year, so if you have any thoughts on what projects would do the most to improve the Club, please let any of us know. We have a pretty ambitious package of projects on tap for this year but if all goes well, we might be able to add to that. We have received many compliments on the improved porch. If you get a chance, thank Clyde Olson, as he was the driving force on that.

We will open the course as soon as we can. With better weather this week, we should know more about what is possible soon. Think spring!

MANAGER'S REPORT

By: Steve Hlavacek

Easter Brunch: Don't forget to put our Easter Brunch on your calendar. We will have a great brunch and the Easter Bunny will be here for the kids Easter Egg Hunt. The Hunt will start at 10:30 sharp. If we have rain or inclement weather, the hunt will be moved inside. Please make your reservations now, you will not be disappointed!!

Golf Car Maintenance Day, sponsored by Premier Golf Cart Company, will take place on Monday, March 31st. You need to make a reservation with Premier to insure your cart will be serviced. Call 608-246-0444 to make your reservation. If you will not be available that day, just let me know and I will insure Premier finds your cart.

GOLF SHOP MEMO

By: Steve Hlavacek

Even though the course will probably not be open by Masters week, come to the club and watch. We will have some Masters Sandwich Specials and free drinks every time someone gets an eagle.

The McFarland State Bank has generously sponsored our new cards. The new cards will feature a new concept called "Combo Tees" that feature a combination of tees to give you different options of which tees you play. This concept is new in the golf world and is especially helpful in encouraging faster play on the course. Try it out when the course opens.

Callaway Demo Day is May 4th, from 12:00 to 5:30. The Callaway sales rep and club fitter will be here with all the new Callaway clubs and they will be available for you to try out. Please make a reservation to make sure we have time available for a proper fit.

FROM THE KITCHEN

By: Daniel Minnema 'Dutch'

What a winter! Hopefully we can all put it behind us and move on to some spring weather. I am looking forward to a full year of golfing, cooking and getting busy. I am putting final touches on both menus, which I hope to start next month. I have heard many compliments on Friday night specials with many members wanting me to add them to the menu. I would love to put everything on the menu, but I choose to keep you all guessing. A good base menu with specials changing every weekend, provides a wonderful dining environment.

Some new appetizers on the new Friday Night menu are escargot, crab-tini and fresh ceviche. I am working on doing some cold cut sandwiches for those of you who want to order in the morning and want lunch coming off the 9th green. Friday night dining continues to be strong, however, my goal is to have 200 guests every weekend throughout the golf season. With the newly remodeled patio, outside patio and inside dining, the seating is feasible.

I am planning on starting a pasta buffet on Tuesday Evenings. There will be three choices of pasta, a fresh salad, garlic bread and a vegetable. The price for the buffet will be \$11. I am looking forward to preparing dinner for the Ladies Spring Fling on May 7th. Sign up early for this event

If you haven't already heard, food prices are increasing because of severe drought. However, this will not affect any prices here. There are many bowling banquets coming up this month and soon the Jimmy Buffett night will be here.

I thank you all for your encouraging words. I always take them to heart!

Happy eating!

LADIES AUXILIARY

By: Marge Gerber

Will Spring ever arrive? The auxiliary ladies don't seem to mind the weather, because the atmosphere during our meetings is warm and festive.

On March 5th, we gained two new members: Rosanna Schmidt and Jan Walker. Welcome aboard!

Hostesses for the March 5th gathering were Shirley Nygaard and Ardys Pfundheller. The tables were decorated with lovely spring flowers. Mary Sundby and Suzette Mulooly hosted the March 19th meeting. Of course, the decorations were St. Patrick's related. Several ladies were attired in green.

The high scorers in euchre were Lois Rothen and Sharon Folbrecht. Victorious in bridge were Ardys Pfundheller, Shirley Nygaard, Barb Entwistle and Karin Campbell.

We continue to enjoy friendship and a good time. We hope to see you there!

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

By: Mark Livingston

be the case especially if compared to the last 4 months. See you on the course.

This winter has been one of the longest and coldest in recent memory. The course had nearly 100 days of continuous snow cover and the lakes had upwards of three feet of ice on them. Normally I enjoy the slower schedule I have during the "off season" but this year has been too much. Four straight months in a cold shop with now windows has given Tony and I a serious case of cabin fever. Hopefully you were spending the winter somewhere warm or at least took a warm weather vacation.

What has all this cold weather done to the golf course? Time will tell but from what I've seen things seem to have overwintered fairly well. There are still many areas with snow on them as I write this article but with 60 degree temperatures forecasted for this weekend those will soon be gone. What we worry about this time of year is big temperature swings. We don't want the grass to start growing and get green and succulent then get hit with single digit temps that will freeze and damage the plant. So far the thawing has been slow, which is not great for impatient golfers, but it is best for the grass.

Once the course does open please remember to take extra care in the early season. Divots and ballmarks take longer to heal when the grass is not growing vigorously. Cart traffic can also cause more damage in the early season. Please watch where you drive and take care not to continue using areas that are wet or mudded up from other carts.

Next month when I write an article for the *Tee Times* I hope I will be talking about the beautiful weather we have been experiencing. I am sure that will

EASTER BRUNCH

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Easter Egg Hunt with the Easter Bunny will begin at 10:30

Chef Carved Prime Rib & Buffet Ham
Chicken Supreme
Bacon & Sausage
Scrambled Eggs
Cheesy Hash browns
Mashed Potatoes & Homemade Gravy
Asparagus
French Toast Sticks & Maple Syrup
Chicken Strips & French Fries
Macaroni & Cheese
Omelet Station
Soft Serve Ice Cream & Toppings
Assorted Desserts

\$17 per person \$8 children age 12 & under

*Gratuity and tax not included
Reservations are required*

April 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Club House (608)873-7861 Golf Shop (608)873-8464						
		1	2 <i>Ladies Auxiliary</i>	3	4	5
6	7	8 <i>Oregon Town & Country</i>	9	10	11	12
13	14 <i>Bowling Banquet</i>	15	16 <i>Ladies Auxiliary</i>	17 <i>Bowling Banquet</i>	18	19
20 <i>Easter Brunch</i>	21	22	23 <i>Bowling Banquet</i>	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 <i>Ladies Auxiliary</i>			



Attention all Parrotheads!!!

It's Back!!

'Jimmy Buffett Night'

Saturday, May 24th 6:00 - 10:00

Great Music

Great Hors d'oeuvres

Margaritas & Contests

Bring a guest or more

Only \$10 per person

Sign up online or at 873-7861



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