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ALL AMERICAN BUFFET

Saturday the 2nd, Sunday the 3rd and Monday the 4th we will serve our annual All American Buffet in the Lodge dining room. Feel free to dine in the Lodge or take your plate to the Pro Shop or pool side. We will serve each day 11:30 to 6 p.m.

The buffet will include burgers, brats, hot dogs, chicken breasts, BBQ pork, potato salad, cole slaw, watermelon and fudge brownies. The price is \$12 for adults, \$8 for kids 6 to 12 and no charge for children 5 and under with the purchase of an adult buffet. Beverages are extra.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The following were elected into membership of Lodge 590 at the 6/6/16 meeting:

Jerry Murphy, Solomon Smith, Mark Sharpless, Michael Reed, Bruce Pendland and Rick Walters by reinstatement.

The following were proposed for membership in Lodge 590 at the 6/6/16 meeting:

Jeff DeWitte by Ken Carien
Scott Eschen by Tim Tylee
Zach Harris by George Paulson
Colin Derdeyn by Jack Zimmerman
Jesse Allen by Tom Kaut
Gannon Hjerleid by Sean Beard
Brent Kirchner by Cathy Rozz
Anthony Burke by Jason Wagner
Kathleen Slater-Ryan by Jennifer Struthers
Josh Kimm by Patrick Gavin
Adam Haluska by Sean Merrick
Ben Eisenbach by Cathy Rozz
Ron Seholtens by Mark Vant Hul
Carrie Wilson by Bill Bednarz
Todd Salter by Dan Kellerman
Joel Bartlett by Ben Logsdon

Jacquelyn Buhmeyer by Jill Tentinger
Erin Schuessler by Heather Erwin

The following were elected into membership of Lodge 590 at the 6/20/16 meeting:

Jeffery DeWitte, Scott Eschen, Zach Harris, Colin Derdeyn, Jesse Allen, Gannon Hjerleid, Brent Kirchner, Anthony Burke, Kathleen Slater-Ryan, Josh Kimm, Adam Haluska, Ben Eisenbach, Ron Seholtens, Carrie Wilson, Todd Salter, Joel Bartlett, Jacquelyn Buhmeyer and Erin Schuessler.

The following were proposed for membership into Lodge 590 at the 6/20/16 meeting:

Ryan Majerus by Catherine Weiner
Renee Sweeting by Bill Bednarz
Ed Panther by Jobe Price
Chris Guinn by Steve Wilson
Heather Warner by Jennifer Struthers
Michelle Graves by Joe Bell

Initiation is scheduled for the July 18 and August 15 meetings.

NO LODGE MEETING MONDAY JULY 4TH

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

It has been a wonderful summer for Lodge 590 so far. We haven't seen sales totals this good since 2006. With the exception of the rain and wind storm on the 21st of June the course has never looked better. Superintendent Ned Giles and his new assistant John Wilkins, as well of the rest of the grounds crew are to be commended.

Also, thanks to all the members who answered our call for help to clean up the course the morning after the storm. The response was tremendous.

We need to acknowledge a few more members for their efforts in making Lodge 590 a great place to be.

The Friday night couples game organized by Pat Knebel and Ben Halupnik has been a huge success. We have seen ten to fifteen couples out enjoying the evening. Most of the couples come upstairs for dinner and really boost our sales in the dining room at a time of the evening when we generally empty out.

Thanks to Pat and Ben.

Also, Karen and Steve Stewart have really gone to work and reached out to the membership as we continue to raise money for our pool improvements. With their help we now have raised more than \$42,000.00.

It is always impressive the way our membership steps up when we need help.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6/6/16

I. General Manager Report

- A. Fri. 6/3 was 4th highest single sales day at \$5,400, record pool lunches served of 112.
- B. Combined with best Memorial Day weekend since 2010, 2 Man Ryder Cup resulted in record sales week beating old record by \$3,400.
- C. Karen and Steve Stewart writing letter to all long time lifetime pool members asking for donations.
- D. Current funds for pool stand at \$23,045.10 paid. \$7,400 more pledged. Work paid for so far \$32,845.42.
- E. Horton needs to put cap on drain by practice green and remove re-rod.

II. Old Business

- A. Jack Zimmerman had second meeting with the City's Board of Adjustments. New assessment will result in a little over \$10,000 increase.

III. New Business

- A. Jon Goodvin to make bid on our insurance package.
- B. Need to send ENF funds collected in to National.
- C. Need to promote Club championship for better participation this year.
- D. B.O.D. to draw up report on tax work done and send out to membership.

IV. Attendance

- Present:** Kurt Kimmerling, Greg Finger, Steve Wilson, Jack Zimmerman and Michael Carroll
- Absent:** Jason Tjarks and Mike Berg.

6/20/16

I. General Manager Report

- A. Pool funds little over \$42,000.
- B. Friday and Wednesday dinner counts remain strong.
- C. Pool business best in the last ten years.
- D. Will follow up with Pool committee on entertainment at the pool in July and/or August.
- E. Mulford says old pool heater to be removed on a cooler, rainy day.

II. Old Business

- A. Zimmerman informed attorney appeal process with City Assessor is finished.
- B. Kimmerling report work on pool south fence and golf course fences has been completed by D and N.

III. New Business

- A. Wilson to follow up with Horton on finishing pool wall project. Cap needs to be placed on drain by practice green, re-rod removed and small hole cemented.

IV. Attendance

- Present:** Greg Finger, Jason Tjarks, Steve Wilson, Jack Zimmerman and Mike Berg.
- Absent:** Kurt Kimmerling and Michael Carroll.

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JULY 2016

- Luncheons
- Dinners
- Private Parties
- Meetings
- Members / Guests

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Prime Rib Dinner 5:30 to 9 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	2 All American Buffet 11:30 to 6 Pro shop 7 a.m.
3 All American Buffet 11:30 to 6 Pro Shop 7 a.m.	4 No Meeting All American Buffet 11:30 to 6 Pro Shop 7 a.m.	5 Super Tuesday Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	6 Dinner 5:30 to 8:30 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	7 League 5:30 SG Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	8 Crab Legs Dinner 5:30 to 9 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	9 Hit & Giggle Open to all Elks Pro Shop 7 a.m.
10 Pro Shop 7 a.m.	11 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	12 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	13 Dinner 5:30 to 8:30 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	14 League 5:30 SG Red Hat Lunch Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	15 Beef Tenderloin Dinner 5:30 to 9 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	16 Pro Shop 7 a.m.
17 Pro Shop 7 a.m.	18 Lodge Meeting 7 p.m. Initiation Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	19 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	20 Dinner 5:30 to 8:30 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	21 League 5:30 SG Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	22 Walleye Dinner 5:30 to 9 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	23 Senior Men's Championship Pro Shop 7 a.m.
24 Senior Men's Championship Pro Shop 7 a.m.	25 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	26 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	27 Dinner 5:30 to 8:30 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	28 League 5:30 SG Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	29 Chicken Cordon Bleu Dinner 5:30 to 9 Lunch 11:30 to 1:30	30 Pro Shop 7 a.m.
31 Pro Shop 7 a.m.						

GOLF COMMITTEE NOTES

Insert in the July 1, 2016, Edition of the Iowa City Lodge No. 590 Bulletin

The golf course continues to be in excellent condition thanks to our Grounds Staff and Mother Nature. Plan to get out to the Lodge and participate in the following events scheduled for July and August:

Tuesday, July 5th – Ladies Super Tuesday event.

Saturday, July 9th – Hit & Giggle Couples event. This is a team event, 3-couples comprise a team. You will play best shot with men and women alternating shots. You may bring guests to this fun-filled event, a great opportunity to introduce our club to others.

Saturday and Sunday, July 23th & 24th – Elks Lodge 590 Senior Men's Club Championship to be held. You must be 50 years of age or older by June 23rd to participate. Champion is player with lowest gross-score over 36-holes of play. We also play an individual net-score event as part of tournament. Club Championship is open to men golf members only. Net-score play requires a USGA handicap. A Super Seniors event will also be held for players over 70 years of age.

Monday, August 1st – Hospice Golf Tournament. This event is open for public play and is the biggest charity event we host.

Tuesday, August 2nd – Ladies Super Tuesday event.

Tuesday, August 9th & Tuesday, August 16th – Ladies Club Championship. Eighteen hole event played over consecutive Tuesdays, you'll play nine holes each day.

Sunday, August 13th – Parent/Child Tournament.

Saturday, August 20th – Men's Ryder Cup Event. Our most popular event of the season, this 27-hole event features team play with different formats each 9-holes played. Find a partner or sign up individually and we'll get you partnered-up.

WOMEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

Twenty-six members continue to enjoy a full summer schedule of golfing. The next Super Tuesday is Salute to the Red, White, and Blue on July 5th. Chef Chris is preparing a picnic-style menu, and we'll be playing "String It Along." Members are encouraged to bring a guest who is not currently in League. This league is a great bargain with membership fee set at \$35. Why not give it a try!

FRIDAY NIGHT COUPLES GOLF

Interest was expressed in playing informal couples golf on Friday evenings, and we are giving it a try. The group is playing fun golf games such as best ball, scrambles, and various others to make it interesting and enjoyable for golfers of all abilities. Those needing a partner are welcome too. If you would like to receive notices for the ability to opt in each week, please email Patty Knebel at pkknebel@hotmail.com. Over 20 couples have asked to be added to this distribution group, so we're off to a good start. A notice will be sent out to this group each Monday concerning playing the following Friday. If you do not wish to play that week, no reply is necessary. An email with tee times and the game being played is sent on Thursday.

TO GOLFERS

With use of our golf course comes responsibilities. These include: Fixing ball marks on the green, fix yours and one more; repairing divots you've made on tees and fairways by replacing them or filling divot with sand; raking sand traps smooth after playing a shot from them.

NOTES FROM THE PRO

Happy July everybody! Is the Summer really half over already? Take advantage of our great golf course and come out and play!!!

There are two events to play in this month. Saturday, July 9th, is the ever-popular and most fun Couples Hit 'N Giggle. Get three couples together to form a team and play in this gender alternate shot scramble. Any Elk's Club Member or Guests of Elk's Club Members may play in this event. The Men's Senior Club Championship will be contested Saturday & Sunday July 23 & 24. This event is for Golf Members only.

Thanks everybody for your diligence in repairing your ball marks on the greens and general taking care of the golf course while you play. A golf course in good shape is enjoyed by all who play on it.

Terry Anderson
PGA Golf Professional
Elks Country Club
Iowa PGA Section

Status of Iowa City's property assessment of Elks Lodge 590

As you know from previous communications, Iowa City has decided to tax all four parcels of Lodge property. These are:

Parcel	Class	Description	Assessed Value
10-04-178-001	Commercial	9.84 acres, Drive range	\$38,700
10-04-301-001	Commercial	29.9 acres, Southwest corner of golf course	\$139,250
10-04-276-004	Commercial	10.5 acres, Northwest corner of golf course	\$36,250
10-04-426-001	Commercial	28.5 acres, Clubhouse, pool and parking lot, and middle portion of golf course	\$385,800

Property taxes have been paid by Lodge on parcels 10-04-178-001 and 10-04-276-004 for many years. New taxes will be due on parcels 10-04-301-001 and 10-04-426-001.

We have completed our appeal with Board of Review. While the appeals board didn't find enough evidence to prove our property is not assessable, exempt for taxes or misclassified, they did lower the assessed value of the parcel our Lodge building is on, finding a portion of clubhouse and parking lot exempt from property tax because they are necessary for our benevolent mission as Elks. Our new assessed property value is \$600,000.

Your Trustees have discussed the possibility of appealing our situation to district court. Given the history of these sorts of appeals in Iowa courts and the cost to adjudicate, we have decided to take no further action. We are currently working on a revised budget to learn the impact on our finances and how we may cover this expense. The first property tax payment based on this new assessment is due in September 2017.