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GOLF COMMITTEE NOTES

With the golf winding down—it's been a fabulous fall season but temperatures have to drop soon—the Lodge would like to extend thanks to the following volunteers that helped around the course and with events:

Golf Committee members – Rob Cordle, Bob Foley, Vince Hargrave, Norby Jordan, Ron Kramer and Steve White. This group worked throughout the year establishing and managing golf events, setting and policing golf course policies, and running golf fundraisers.

Ladies Golf Committee – Thanks to Pat Knebel, Julie Manfull, Sue Schaefer, and Deb Thome who provided input to Golf Committee on ladies golf issues, established and coordinated Tuesday ladies golf with Lodge staff, and ensured that every Super Tuesday program was fun for all.

Thursday Night League – Rob Cordle has organized and run this very successful league for many years and should be acknowledged for the effort. This year, Rob also promoted a Thursday night fundraiser that collected \$1,003 for our golf improvement fund. Thanks to Rob and those members who donated to the fundraiser.

Friday Night Couples – Pat Knebel and Ben Halupnik brought an idea back from their Arizona winter stays and established a Friday evening couples group. Anyone who played on Fridays will agree, the competition was fierce and it was a very good time for all that participated.

Landscape Work – Thanks to Susan Carroll, Katy Carlson and Wyn Seeley who worked this year on landscaping and plantings around our tee boxes, clubhouse and pool area. The flowers and plantings around the tee markers looked great.

Finally, a thanks to our grounds staff Ned Giles, our GCSAA professional and his assistant John Wilkens. They worked every day to keep our course in excellent condition throughout the season. And to Terry Anderson, our PGA professional, for assisting the Golf Committee with our events, running our very successful weeklong junior golf academy, and providing golf lessons and club maintenance for our membership.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

As we move into cooler weather and the holiday season please refer to the calendar for our adjusted hours at the Lodge. Once Superintendent Ned Giles pulls the flag pins we will no longer operate on Saturdays and Sundays, with the exception of private parties.

Thanksgiving week we will not serve dinner Wednesday the 23rd or Friday the 25th. The Pro Shop will be open Wednesday the 23rd from 11 to 5. We will be closed the rest of the week Thursday the 24th through Sunday the 27th.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Motion to change by-law to increase Lodge 590 annual social dues from \$225 to \$275 will be voted on at the regular Lodge meeting Monday November 7th at 7 p.m. Members must present a current membership card to enter the meeting.

NOTES FROM THE PRO

What a fantastic Fall we have had for golf! The season is not over so do not put your golf clubs away for the winter just yet. As the days progress through November the time will come that the course will eventually close. Please call the club before coming out to play golf to make sure the golf course is open.

Thank you all members for your patronage this season! Many events had record participation this past season. The golf committee and I look forward to another banner year in 2017! Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Terry Anderson, PGA Golf Professional Elks Country Club, Iowa PGA Section

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

10/3/16

I. General Manager Report

A. 26 candidates invited for 10/17 meeting.

B. Need to encourage members to attend 11/7 meeting for vote on dues increase.

C. Operating money still okay, will tighten in November and December.

II. Old Business

A. Attorney reviewed letter from sellers of Jack Young property and said it is okay to sign.

B. Michael Carroll will get document signed and notarized.

III. New Business

A. None.

IV. Attendance

Present: Greg Finger, Jason Tjarks, Steve Wilson, Jack Zimmerman, Michael Carroll and Mike Berg.

Absent: Kurt Kimmerling.

10/17/16

I. General Manager Report

A. Dinner counts on Wednesdays and Fridays have stayed strong.

B. 18 Early Buy so far. 5 FGM, 11 SGM, 1 season cart rental, 12 cart storage and 1 trail fee.

II. Old Business

A. Kurt Kimmerling and Michael Carroll signed revised plot description and returned to Jack Young attorney.

B. DNR has indicated about one and a half acres of the old driving range is wetland and will allow the Lodge to remove from property tax assessment.

III. New Business

A. Steve Wilson led discussion on ways to increase revenue for the Lodge as we head into November, December and January.

B. Ideas considered: discounts for late seating on dinner nights, possible monthly brunch, birthday drinks and discounts on wine with dinner purchase.

IV. Attendance

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Absent: Jack Zimmerman.





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NOVEMBER 2016

- Luncheons
 - Dinners
- Private Parties
 Meetings
 Members / Guests

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Ι	2	3	4	5
					Prime Rib	At Penn State
		Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Dinner 5:30 to 8:30 Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Dinner 5:30 to 9 Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Private Party Pro Shop 7 a.m.
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					Crab Legs	Michigan 7 p.m.
Pro Shop 7 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Dinner 5:30 to 8:30 Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Dinner 5:30 to 9 Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 7 a.m.
13	14	15	16	17	18	61
FrostBuster Private Meeting					Beef Tenderloin	
Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Dinner 5:30 to 8:30 Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Dinner 5:30 to 9 Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 7 a.m.
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Lodge Meeting / p.m.		Pro Shop 11 to 5	Happy Ihanksgwung	Nebraska	Private Party
Pro Shop 7 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	No Dinner	Closed	No Dinner Closed	Closed
27	28	29	30			
Closed	Pro Shop 11 to 4	Pro Shop 11 to 4	Pro Shop 11 to 4			

ELKS CLUB BPO #590 2017 GOLF AND SWIMMING SEASON MEMBERSHIP 637 Foster Road, Iowa City, Iowa 52245				
Name	Spouse	9		
Member #	Home F	Phone		
Children: Age		Age		
Age		Age		
Member's Signature				
	Deduct If paid by 12/1/16			
1 Family Golf Membership USGA Certified Handicap (Please indicate for which family member you desire a handicap)	\$28.80 n/a	\$960.00 \$20/person	\$ 	
2 Single Golf Membership USGA Certified Handicap	\$20.55 n/a	\$685.00 \$20/person		
3 Junior Golf Membership USGA Certified Handicap	\$7.50	\$250.00 FREE	\$0.00	
4 Family Swimming	\$12.00	\$400.00		
5 Season Cart Rental	\$15.15	\$505.00		
6 Cart Storage (Includes gas and electricity)	\$9.30	\$310.00		
7 Trail Fee (Private carts not stored on Elks Property)	\$3.00	\$110.00		
		Subtotal		
		6% Sales Tax		
8 Locker Rental				
Annual Locker Fee	\$2.25	\$75.00		
10 Year Locker Fee	\$15.00	\$500.00		
Lifetime Locker Fee	\$22.50	\$750.00		
		Total with sales Tax		



September 30, 2016

- To: Elks Lodge 590 Membership
- FR: Board of Trustees
- RE: Proposed Elks Lodge 590 Dues for Year 2017

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, Practice field	\$38,700
10-04-301-001	Commercial	29.9 acres, Southwest corner of golf course (does not include Holes #3 & #4 we don't own this land)	\$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
Totals		78.94 acres	\$600,000

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 total assessed property value is \$600,000.

Your Trustees are pursuing two property tax exemptions to mitigate future levies. First, the State of lowa offers a ten-year exemption if a portion of a property is placed in Forest Preserve. We estimate that perhaps thirty acres of our property; generally land that fronts the lowa River from Hole #5, along Holes #6 and #7, and then east to the practice field; meets Forest Preserve requirements. Second, the State offers a yearly Wetland Property Exemption. We plan to submit an application for a portion of our practice field, maybe as many as three acres, for a wetlands exemption.

Regardless of how our exemption applications turn out, we will need to assess our membership for Johnson County's tax levy. We estimate our tax bill commencing September 2017 will be around \$20,000. (Actual charge will not be known until we receive our tax bill in early 2017.) Our proposal is to increase annual Lodge dues to \$293.50 for Year 2017. This will have us collect an additional \$30,000, allowing us to accrue enough money to pay both our September 2017 and April 2018 property tax bills. *Any money received in excess of what is needed for the tax bill will be placed in an account that will be reserved for future property tax bills.*

The proposed dues increase will be brought to the membership for a vote at our Monday, November 7th Lodge meeting.



PLANS:

- Goal is to hide the concrete base.
- Bring in boulders.
- Plant grasses and shrubs.

Ned estimates a cost of \$1,000-\$2,000

If the amount of money raised exceeds the cost, the excess will go into the golf course improvement fund.

We are looking for 15 members to contribute \$100 each.

Contact Katy or Gary Carlson if you wish to help with the project.

- Katy: 321-2806
- Gary: 321-1649
- garykatycarlson@msn.com

We will match contributions up to \$500