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EARLY BUY

Once again the Board of Directors has decided to offer an early buy program on our recreational fees. Refer to the enclosed fee sheet for discounts available on all services for the 2017 season.

Please notice there are two different deadlines for the purchase of the service. First deadline is November 1, 2016 for the biggest savings; the second deadline will be December 1, 2016. You can send a check in, stop in and pay with credit card or call 351-3700 and pay over the phone.

BY-LAW CHANGE

It was moved and seconded at the September 19th regular Lodge meeting to increase the annual regular dues for Lodge 590 from \$225 to \$275. Combined with the national and state dues the total for the annual social dues would increase from \$243.50 to \$293.50.

The vote to increase the dues will be taken at the regular Lodge meeting on Monday November 7th, 2016. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS MUST PRESENT A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

POOL FUNDRAISER

Our most recent tally of monies raised for the pool improvements sits at \$50,445.10, a little over our goal of \$50,000. Congrats to all.

Of that total \$38,645.10 has been paid. \$11,800 needs to be collected. Most of that will be collected over the next 24 months, as we allowed members to purchase the lifetime pool membership of \$2,500 and spread it over a two year period.

Expenditures have included \$28,500 for the walkway, landscape wall and fencing on the west side of the pool. \$4,345.42 was used to purchase new tables and umbrellas.

\$6,415.07 covered the purchase and installation of a new heater, as well as the removal of the old heater.

\$4,942.04 was paid for pool ladders to replace the three destroyed when the landscape wall collapsed last winter.

\$2,339.69 was used to purchase a new chemical monitoring system. \$1,967.35 purchased a new robotic cleaning vacuum, (Dolphin).

Finally \$742.88 was used for the speed bumps and \$875 to repair fencing on the south side between the pool and putting green.

Total expenditures amounted to \$50,127.45.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

A reminder that our lunch service has been suspended until spring of 2017, our card players are still welcome to use the Lodge dining room for their games. We will still be here for dinner service on Wednesdays and Fridays starting at 5:30, although Wednesday October 26th and Friday October 28th we will be serving a buffet on those evenings. Items offered and costs of the buffets will be included in our e-mails for that week.

Green fees have been discounted for the rest of the season. Nine holes is \$12.50, down from \$15. Eighteen holes is now \$20, a five dollar decrease. Cart fees will remain the same.

Please take note of two more important items in this bulletin. First a motion to increase Lodge 590 local dues was made at the 9/19/16 meeting and will be voted on at the 11/7/16 meeting.

Secondly the B.O.D. has offered an Early Buy program on recreational fees for the 2017 season. A fee sheet with the savings and deadlines is included in this bulletin.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The following were elected into membership in Lodge 590 at the 9/19/16 meeting: Tom Gorzelanny Emmett Carmichael Kylor Sorensen Kira Lindenboom.

The following were proposed for membership in Lodge 590 at the 9/19/19 meeting: Nick Aupperle by Don Sharp Brian Lough by Don Sharp.

INITIATION TO BE HELD MONDAY OCTOBER 17^{TH} AT 7 P.M.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

9/5/16

No meeting

9/19/16

I. General Manager Report

A. Decisions on dues and fee increases need to be made in order to get early buy in October bulletin.

B. Time to post fall green fees.

C. More complaints from neighbors on #3 tee about members urinating in public.

D. Community Foundation of Johnson county raised fees from 1.0% to 1.25%.

E. Another initiation needs to be scheduled.

F. Pool fundraiser surpassed goal by \$445.10.

II. Old Business

A. Research into applying for forest reserve status for some of our land, to get tax

break, is ongoing. Application needs to be submitted every 10 years.

B. Recent insurance bid to be tabled.

III. New Business

A. Attorney for the seller of the Jack Young property spoke with B.O.D. They need our signature to sell because original survey of land was incorrect. B.O.D. voted 6 to 0 to have an attorney look at the proposal.

B. Research into claiming wetland status for part of our old driving range, also tax credit, will be done. Application needs to be submitted annually.

IV. Attendance

Present: Kurt Kimmerling, Greg Finger, Jason Tjarks, Steve Wilson, Jack Zimmerman, Michael Carroll and Mike Berg. **Absent:** None.





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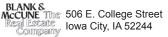


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OCTOBER 2016

- Luncheons

 - Dinners
- Private Parties
 Meetings
 Members / Guests

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						l Northwestern
						11 a.m.
						Pro Shop 7 a.m.
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Lodge Meeting 7 n.m.				Prime Rib	At Minnesota
			Dinner 5:30 to 8:30		<i>Dinner</i> 5:30 to 9	Private Party
Pro Shop 7 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro shop 7 a.m.
6	01	II	12	13	14	15
					Crab Legs	At Purdue
						Private Party
			Dinner 5:30 to 8:30		Dinner 5:30 to 9	
Pro Shop 7 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 7 a.m.
16	17	18	61	20	21	22
	Lodge Meeting				Beef Tenderloin	Wisconsin
Private Party	Initiation					
	7 p.m.		Dinner 5:30 to 8:30		Dinner 5:30 to 9	
Pro Shop 7 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 7 a.m.
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Pro Shop 7 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.		Buffet		Buffet	Bye
20	21					Chili Open
30	31		Dinner 5:30 to 8:30		Dinner 5:30 to 9	
Pro Shop 7 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 8 a.m.	Pro Shop 7 a.m.

GOLF COMMITTEE NOTES

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

Days are growing shorter but there's still time this season to enjoy some golf. Plan to get out and play.

Saturday, October 29th – Chili Open Golf and Silent Auction Fundraiser. Our last planned golf event of the season and always a favorite. Open to all Elks and their family members over 16 years of age. Bring a golf related auction item and some cash-money!

Take Care of Your Golf Course

Golfers, you can help maintain course conditions by: 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 with sand; and raking sand traps smooth after playing a shot from them.

Unacceptable on the Course!

Our Lodge has again received a complaint from a neighbors about someone using the third tee as a bathroom. Yikes! Latest incident was reported during Thursday Night League play. Please refrain from this activity, neighbor will provide a photograph next time they observe it happening.

Get an End-of-Season Deal on Golf

End-of-season golf deals are now available: Fees for a round of golf have been reduced for balance of season, contact Lodge for details. Ten-play nine-hole punch cards are also for \$135.

Golf Improvement Fund

We've collected \$703 towards this fund for the year. Our goal is \$1,000 so please place your

donation in the jar marked "Golf Course Improvement Fund." You'll find the jar in the proshop.

Check to See if You Have a Prize Waiting

There are unclaimed tournament prizes are behind the bar in proshop. Be sure to check, you may have Elks Bucks or cash prizes.

Elks Bucks Expire Soon

If you have Elks Bucks, you need to spend them by October 31st.



Elks Photos on Facebook

Check out the Lodge 590 Facebook page and view photos taken at recent golf competitions.





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.

	ELKS CLUB BPO #590 2017 GOLF AND SWIMMING SEASON MEMBERSHIP 637 Foster Road, Iowa City, Iowa 52245								
	Name			Spouse					
	Member #			Home Phone					
	Children:								
		Age		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 hand	\$57.60 n/a	\$28.80 n/a	\$960.00 \$20/person	\$ 				
2	Single Golf Membership USGA Certified Handicap	\$41.10 n/a	\$20.55 n/a	\$685.00 \$20/person					
3	Junior Golf Membership USGA Certified Handicap	\$15.00	\$7.50	\$250.00 FREE	\$0.00				
4	Family Swimming	\$24.00	\$12.00	\$400.00					
5	Season Cart Rental	\$30.30	\$15.15	\$505.00					
6	Cart Storage (Includes gas and electricity)	\$18.60	\$9.30	\$310.00					
7	Trail Fee (Private carts not stored on Elks Property)	\$6.60	\$3.00	\$110.00					
				Subtotal					
				6% Sales Tax					
8	Locker Rental								
	Annual Locker Fee	\$4.50	\$2.25	\$75.00					
	10 Year Locker Fee	\$30.00	\$15.00	\$500.00					
	Lifetime Locker Fee	\$45.00	\$22.50	\$750.00					
				Total with sales Tax					