



Acorn

July 2009

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President's Notes

Welcome to all members of Oakbrook to another great summer of golf. Junior golf is in full swing here at the club; I would like to thank all the volunteers ahead of time for all the long hours you all put in. These children of Junior Golf benefit from all of your time and help in more ways than they will ever know.



Tim Herzog

Secondly, what a great time to be a member of Oakbrook Golf & Country Club. We have to be the only private club in the Pacific Northwest that is lowering our monthly dues—that's right—lowering our monthly dues. If by chance you missed the semi-annual meeting, we announced at that time a dues decrease of \$20.00 on all regular members dues effective August 1st. We also will be raising the initiation fee to \$2500.00 on July 15th for all new members. If you are a Trifecta member now would be a great time to step up to being a regular for the great price of only \$500.00. There are many more great things attached to our new program. There is a discounted price of \$35.00 for all regular members each time you bring out a guest to play our fantastic course.

If by now you haven't noticed, all of the above benefits are geared towards the regular membership class. We as a board feel it is time to show our regulars how important they are to our club and what a value it is going to be when we hit all the goals for our regular members. Again, now is the time to get on board and become a regular member because this club is back on the way up. Thanks to each and every person here at the Club...we are all glad you are here.

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July 4th Mixer

Saturday, July 4th

Breakfast Service:
7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
with Breakfast Specials

Lunch Buffet Service:
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MENU:
Fried Chicken • Baked Beans
Mac & Cheese • Coleslaw
Corn Bread • Salad Bar
Brownies

Price per Person: \$12.99 ++
(Lounge Closes at 5:00 p.m.)




Friday, July 3rd

PRIME RIB NIGHT

Reservations Required!

China Fundraiser Barbeque...



Down Home BBQ For Up Town China

Friday, July 24, 2009
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. on the Patio
(weather permitting)
Reservations Please!

MENU:
BBQ Country Style Pork Ribs
Bourbon Chicken
House Made Baked Beans
Chef's Macaroni & Cheese
Corn on the Cob
Cornbread with Green Chili & Cheddar
Mixed Greens with Traditional
Condiments and Assorted Dressings

Price per person: \$13.99 ++
A la Carte Desserts:
Lemon Shortcake, Double Chocolate
Cake or Ice Cream Sundaes

Regular Membership Enhancement Program

You may be asking yourself what exactly you can expect from this initiative. To make things a little easier to understand, here are the important facts you should know as a Regular Member or someone who is considering Regular Membership.

- At the close of business on July 15, 2009 the Regular initiation fee will be \$2,500.00 with no exceptions. Existing Trifecta's will have a one month window every March to upgrade for just \$500.00.
- Guests of a Regular Member, at any time, are \$35.00 plus tax.
- Regular Members will always have the lowest range fee.

- Single Regular Dues are currently \$385.00, Spousal are \$462.00. As of August 1st Regular dues will be \$365.00 with Spousal at \$439.00.
 - Beginning September 1, 2009 every Regular Member will receive a free locker.
 - As of January 1, 2010 Regular dues will go down once again to \$355.00 with Spousal at \$425.00.
- Your Board of Directors has already approved the above actions for Regular Membership Enhancement. Please talk to Kara about the program or upgrading your membership. 2366

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Next Acorn Deadline:

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If you are an "Acorn" contributor,
e-mail your articles to:

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Questions? Call 584-8888.

Notes from Kara, Your Club Manager

With so many things going on at Oakbrook I feel overwhelmed over what to write. By now you all must know about the Board approved Regular Membership Enhancement Plan. Just in case you haven't, I've written a little summary; please find it within this issue. I would like our Trifecta members to remember that they only have until July 15th to join as a Regular for \$500, otherwise you'll have to wait until next March to get in on this increasingly valuable membership.

Congratulations to Andy Richardson and Sam Santos (Sandy!), our 2009 Team Champions, nice job gentlemen! We all had a great time this year over the three tournament days. Please check out the pictures and results on our webpage: www.oakbrookgolfandcountryclub.com. I would also like to thank all those that participated this year; it's all the great teams that make this one of the most fun member events of the year. Also, thank you to our Tournament Chair Dick Fisk; another great event, Dick!

With July comes our 32nd Member Guest; the committee has been hard at work to bring you yet another wonderful tournament. The low price of \$450 per team should make participation an easy decision, think of all you get! This price includes three rounds of golf, a tee prize, hors d'oeuvres at the auction, two breakfasts, two lunches, and our famous Saturday banquet with great food and a live band. How can you say no? Please pick up a registration form at the front desk or in the pro shop. For those that are interested, we still have sponsorships available as well, come see me.

See you at the Club! 2365



Kara Brevet

Dee's Corner

Exciting events are going on this month with **Prime Rib Night** only days away, Friday, July 3rd. There will be wine specials available by the bottle this evening as well. Some great deals you don't want to miss; up to thirty five percent off on select wines! The **Down Home BBQ for Uptown China** fundraiser will be held on Friday, July 24th. The House Committee is looking forward to this event in hopes to raise funds for the club's much needed china. The BBQ dinner buffet will be served out on the patio from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with weather permitting. Chef Lance will be preparing a low cost but enjoyable buffet of home style dishes that will surely satisfy your palate. Please join us this evening; your participation is greatly appreciated. Call the front desk to make your reservations. With these events in mind, the **Member-Guest Banquet** will be on Saturday, July 18th with live music from the Rock-O-Diles. **Thursday Family Night** will continue throughout the summer with family style specials, burgers and all you can eat salad bar.

The new menu debuted last month and it will continue throughout the summer season. If you have any comments or suggestions for fall/winter menu ideas please feel free to share them with Kara, Chef Lance or myself. See you all at the club.

Down Home BBQ For Up Town China

It has come to the attention of the House Committee that our Club needs to replenish its china. On Easter there were 368 reservations and on Mothers Day there were 272 reservations. China must be rented when the club serves that many people. The House Committee and Staff (Kara, Dee, Lance and Dana) have researched many suppliers over the last five months. We have selected an Oneida pattern from Sysco which is extremely durable, versatile and handsome. It will be on display at the front desk. Our goal is to begin with two hundred 7-piece place settings at \$68.00 each including tax. We also need six dozen three bowl ensembles at \$50.00 a set. Your donations would be greatly appreciated.

The Social Committee and House Committee have planned a fun "Barbeque on the Patio" for Friday, July 24th to help raise funds for our china. Please plan to attend and support this worthy cause.

Sybil Hunter, House Committee Chair

In Memoriam

**MO FINNIGAN
STANLEY INGRAHAM**

18 Hole Ladies News

The Spring Tournament was hosted by Barb Musser and Pat Rutledge. Thank you ladies for a job well done! The three week tournament allowed you to take your two best rounds and toss out the third. The winners were:

Division A:

Low Gross: Alice Higgins

1st Low Net Tie: Julie Hoff, Lil Daily

3rd low Net: Sharon Bittner

Division B:

Low Gross: Norma Spitzer

1st Low Net: Shareen Michlitsch

2nd Low Net: Donna Hartly

3rd Low Net: Pat Rutledge

Division Gold:

Low Gross: Jayne Shannon

1st Low Net: Barb Sacks

2nd Low Net: Gidge Campbell

3rd Low Net: Sybil Hunter

Closest to the pin:

Division A: Becki Collins

Division Gold: Sybil Hunter

Most accurate:

Division A: Lil Daily

Division B: Layne McCullough

Division Gold: Barb Sacks

Great competition; congrats to all!

End of June is when you can change tee areas either Gold to Red or from Red to Green. There is a sign up sheet in the locker room if you choose to change.

June 16th was Fun Day chaired by Alice Higgins and Lynn Blackwood. It was quite a challenge to play with only four golf clubs. It was interesting to see who chose what. The scores were surprisingly low and I have decided that 14 clubs are definitely not necessary. There were prizes for long drive and KP's for different handicap groups. It was a 3-person team competition. Winners were:

1st Gross - 75: Jana Maxwell, Pam Burns, Donna Hartley

1st Net - 57: Julie Hoff, Joanna Taylor, Sharon George

2nd Net - 58 (3 way tie): Alice Higgins, Jan Mortensen, Becki Collins; Lil Daily,

Nine Hole Golfers' GUEST DAY TOURNAMENT

Thursday, July 30th

8 a.m. Coffee, Registration

9 a.m. Shotgun

Luncheon and Awards to Follow

Sign-up sheets are waiting for you and your guest!

Shareen Michlitsch, Susan Coolbaugh; Sharon Bittner, Layne McCullaugh

The table decorations were FUN, especially the alligators with the golf balls in their mouths, or maybe they were crocodiles!

To Molly Meyer our terrific photographer—thanks! Molly (I tend to cut peoples heads off) has a website with

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Oakbrook Golf & Country Club Member Guest Classic 2009

July 16th, 17th and 18th

Tournament Competition

9:00 a.m. Shotgun Friday and Saturday • Best Ball Format on Both Days

All Play Governed by USGA Rules

Oakbrook Handicap Committee Will Set All Handicaps

(Handicaps will be adjusted to 90% with an additional 10% reduction if the spread is more than 8 strokes)

For Thursday Practice Round Times Call the Pro-Shop after July 1st

The Club Rules and Dress Code will be Strictly Enforced

Member Name: _____ Club #: _____

Guest's Name: _____ GHIN #: _____

Guest's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Saturday Dinner Attendees (max 4): _____

Entry Fee: \$450 per team

Cash Check Charge Member Acct. # _____

Golf Cart Reservations (circle): Thurs Fri Sat

From the Tee

The game of golf has an innate quality to provide a person with the right attitude, work ethic, and integrity to become successful in the game of life. Our junior golf program has graduated three fine individuals that I would like to honor in my article this month.



Mike Fosnick

Caitlin Holland first picked up a golf club less than four years ago and she struggled just like any beginner would. Each successive year her improvement grew by leaps and bounds. First she made her high school team, and then came All League honors and she culminated her high school career with a top twenty-five finish at this year's state 4A girl's championships. She will be attending Whitman College this fall and joining the women's golf team.

Sam McAvoy has been a mainstay on the Charles Wright golf team for the past four years. One of the best young players to come out of Oakbrook in a long time, Sam finished his high school career with a seventh place finish at the state 1A high school championships. He will be attending the University of Washington this fall.

Deanna Wade also was a perennial number one player for the Charles Wright Academy girl's golf team. With Deanna's arrival, the team began to qualify each year for the state championships. Deanna has the ability to succeed by sheer will even when her swing was off. She saved her best finish for last by finishing 4th at the 1A girl's championships. Deanna will be attending The Cornish Institute of the Arts this fall.

As Oakbrook members, join me in congratulating these three fine individuals for their success on the golf course and more importantly their success in the classroom. We are proud of the outstanding young adults you have become and wish you nothing but happiness in the coming years. Learning the game, tasting success and giving back to the game. All three individuals have volunteered to come back and help with this year's group of junior golfers. And with the next large group of golf superstars on the horizon, we can use the help! 2093 See you on the next tee...

Mike Fosnick, Golf Professional

From the Green

This month I'd like to discuss cart etiquette. I've noticed many members who either don't understand our policy or choose to ignore this policy.

The 90 degree rule is quite simple. Drive down the cart path until your ball is 90 degrees to either your left or right. Drive directly to your ball, play your shot then return to the path the same way you entered. Players do this for their whole round. We do not drive down the middle of the fairway or rough. The yellow lines 50 yards from the green is the area where you must return to the path and remain on the path until the next hole.

No carts are allowed to the left of the 8th green and the 10th green. Also, no carts to the right of the 12th green and right of the 15th green. Cart traffic can cause severe damage if abused. My crew and I do everything we can to allow access to fairways for your carts. Please exercise the 90 degree rule so Oakbrook will remain enjoyable for everyone.



Jay Griswold

Hole-in-One

William Cosgrove
June 14, 2009
Hole #4

Dr. Steve Styskal
June 24, 2009
Hole #4

18-Hole News, *continued*

wonderful pictures of the 18 hole ladies from last year. If you want to view the photos the web site is:
www.kodakgallery.com/mollymeyer.

Team Golf in July is on the 6th at Tacoma Country & Golf Club with a 9:00 a.m. shot gun.

Guest Day is on July 7th with a 9:00 a.m. shot gun. It's always a lot of fun, so line up your guest or guests and have a great day!

Mark your calendars for August 18th for our can't miss **hole-in-one dinner**.

See you on the course!

July Schedule of Events

Wednesday 1st
Duplicate Bridge, 10:00am-Sunroom

Thursday 2nd
Twilight Golf

Friday 3rd
Prime Rib Night! Reservations Please!
6pm-8pm Dining Room or Lounge
Happy Hour 5pm-7pm, Lounge Only

Saturday 4th
July 4th Mixer
Breakfast Service: 7am-11am
with Breakfast Specials
Lunch Buffet Service: 11am-4pm
See ad on page 1 for Menu
Price per person: \$12.99 ++
(Lounge closes at 5:00pm)

Sunday 5th
Guest Day – 1/2 price Green Fees!

Tuesday 7th
18-Hole Ladies Guest Day

Wednesday 8th
House Committee Meeting 4:00pm

Friday 10th
Oakbrook Ladies Bunco, 12:00pm SR

Thursday 16th
Member Guest Day 1

Friday 17th
Member Guest Day 2

Saturday 18th
Widow's Bridge, 10:00am SR
Member Guest Final Day
Member Guest Banquet

Thursday 23rd
Social Committee Meeting

Friday 24th
China Fundraiser BBQ
"Down Home BBQ for Uptown China"
6pm-8pm Patio (Weather Permitting)
Reservations Please!
See ad on page 1 for Menu

Sunday 26th
Junior Golf Field Day, 3:00pm SG

Thursday 30th
9-Hole Ladies Guest Day

MEMBER-GUEST

Member-Guest is here – July 16, 17 and 18. An entry form is included in this issue of the *Acorn*, or you may pick up an entry form in the main office or pro shop (we can also email the form if you prefer). We have a **new low price** with all the same services and FUN! Once again, this is an Oakbrook event not to miss.

VISION

“Oakbrook Golf & Country Club is formed as a social and athletic organization. The Club will operate a golf course, clubhouse, tennis courts, swimming pool, and other recreational facilities. These facilities will be managed for the physical and emotional well being of its members, their families and guests. Physical amenities will be maintained in a fiscally prudent and attractive manner. A priority will be retention of existing members and stimulation of prospective members to join.”

Remember to check in at the Pro Shop before going to the 1st tee!

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