



West Shore Golf and Country Club

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By: John Kalisz III

My parents joined West Shore in the spring of 1973 which allowed me to start playing then. Since that time, the club has changed physically and moved into the 21st century. Some of the physical parts entailed rearranging the holes, clubhouse addition, a new halfway house, sprinkler system and drainage.

Moving to the 21st century was more painful for the male members. Back in 1973 we had approximately 350 members and, to join West Shore, all members had to be Class A members, which meant you had to pay about \$4000 to join the club. Most of the Class A members were male with only a hand full of women as Class A members. This distinction is very important because wives and junior golfers were not allowed to tee off on weekends until 2:30. However, the Class A women were allowed to tee off after 12:30 on weekends. My mom says women were considered second class citizens. Then, in the winter of 1992, the courts ruled that country clubs could not discriminate based on gender, which then allowed women to play at any time. As you can imagine, this did not set well with the men and they tried (but failed) not to follow the rule. I remember an article done by the Mellus newspaper on

women breaking the barrier and golfing at 8 a.m. at West Shore. The reason I remember this so well is there was a photo with the article about the first female to go out and play. It just happened to be my Mom.

A big physical change was the new halfway house. The building next to #1 tee box use to be the original halfway. Once the new one was built, the course layout had to be revised. The finishing hole for the front nine prior to the new halfway was hole #11. The par 3 started the back side. They also made hole #9 (11 now) a lot easier then it use to be. In the early 80's you could not see the green on your second shot. That is why the have that big red pole behind the green to give you something to aim at. Then the board decided to cut the hill down to its existing level and flattening out the green. This change made the hole parable. A 5 was a good score at that time, and still is today, but a 6 was normal.

A few other greens were made easier like #17. The bunkers were added throughout the course, but press space is limited for this discussion.

John Kalisz III
Vice President



April

- 10 - Golfer's Day
- 19 - National Garlic Day
- 22 - National Jelly Bean Day
- 26 - National Pretzel Day
- 27 - National Prime Rib Day
- 30 - National Honesty Day



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Board of Director Meeting Minutes: March

By: Bruce Markwardt

Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2014 Board of Directors Meeting

In Attendance: Mike Purcell, Jim Houston, Joe Wilson, Bruce Markwardt, Tony Panson, Rick Miles, John Kalisz, Mark Mercatante, Barb Thompson

Absent: Ray Charron

Meeting was called to order at 6:03

Minutes from the prior meeting were previously approved by email.

Committee Reports:

Finance – Mark Mercatante

Cash flow is positive due in large part to prepaid dues.

The delinquent list continues to improve.

Grounds and Greens – Mark Mercatante

There is a concern regarding the amount of ice cover on the greens. Could lose grass in areas with poor drainage.

We will likely have to aerify earlier this year to improve the condition of the greens.

Pro Shop and Tournaments – Bruce Markwardt

We have booked two returning Monday outings.

The 2014 Tournament Schedule was

approved.

House and Social – John Kalisz

Winter Wednesdays will continue. We will have a new menu this year.

Membership – Mike Purcell

We have 2 new members this year.

Divots – Mike Purcell

John will write the lead article for the April Divots.

Club Maintenance – Rick Miles

The painting of the dining room is done.

We have filed an insurance claim for water damage in the Superintendent's office. We are waiting for the insurance settlement.

We need a new garbage disposal in the kitchen.

By Laws – Mike Purcell

No report.

Special Projects – Mike Purcell

The Rowing Club will start fundraising for their building. It was agreed that we would not proceed with the sale until we were convinced the fundraising would be successful.

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*West Shore Ladies' Golf Get-together
&
2014 Season Kick-Off Meeting & Dinner*

All West Shore G&CC Members Invited
Non-League Members, Guests & prospective new Members Welcome

TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2014

Schedule of day's Events:

18 hole round of Golf 1:00 pm

9 hole round of Golf 3:00 pm

*Join Us for Any or All
of the day's Events*

Season Kick off Meeting 5:00 pm
Dinner & 50/50 Raffle

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For Golf & Dinner
reservations
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Proceeds of Raffle benefit "Beautify" West Shore

Come Play, Enjoy the Day, & Dine with Us

Dinner includes fresh Garden Salad with Rolls & Butter with your
choice of Chicken Pot Pie or Roasted Vegetable Pasta Primavera
followed by Chocolate white Chocolate Raspberry & Strawberry
Shortcake Cupcakes \$15 (includes tax/tip)

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED





HOUSE & SOCIAL

By: John Kalisz III



The board of directors and the Management staff would like to thank Alice Whaley, Vicky Kalisz, Joe Wilson Sr & Larry Trudelle for all the time they spent removing the wall paper and painting the dining room and hall way entrance area. When you see them at the club, let them know that they did a fantastic job.

This spring has been awful with record snow fall and cold temps. Hopefully we will be out golfing

by April. We will be having daily specials similar to last year and these will be posted in the golf carts as to what is being offered. These specials will change on a weekly basis. David has also made some changes to the menu. If you have any suggestions, let me know and I will contact David.

John Kalisz III
Vice President



Board of Director Meeting Minutes: March *continued*

By: Bruce Markwardt

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Correspondence –Mike Purcell

None

were reported in the Monroe paper but no further details are available.

Old Business

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50

New Business

Monroe Golf and Country Club has been sold. Terms of the sale

Bruce Markwardt
Secretary





Dining Room “Bites”

By Kimberly Summers



Welcome back, All! Whether you spent this winter in the Polar Vortex here or somewhere in the sun, we are glad to see everyone again.

The dining room looks nice and fresh, and please notice the woodwork and bar stools all polished up. Special thanks to Alice Whaley and Joe Wilson Sr. for their noteworthy efforts.

As we begin the season, the Clubhouse Grill will open with a limited menu on certain days. We will post the service schedule at the Bar and in the Pro Shop.

Then, sometime late April to early May, we will roll out the new Clubhouse Grill menu which has been totally redesigned. We hope it includes favorites, as well as the fresh new items we've chosen, all at reasonable prices. This menu has been designed in an effort to keep our regulars happy with many great options from which to choose, as well as providing a Club worthy experience to guests you may invite.

Please explore our new Clubhouse Grill menu. It will be conveniently located on the tables. We are offering 4 new appetizers for snacks and to share, 5 new salad options (some available in regular and mini size), as always our homemade soups and chilis, a new hand-pattied Angus bar burger, and assorted sandwiches from “home-style” to Signature. We hope everyone will enjoy the new Menu offerings.

We are also looking forward to the Ladies' Get-Together Day, Tuesday, April 29. We will be offering a lovely light dinner including dessert at 5 pm following the day's golf.



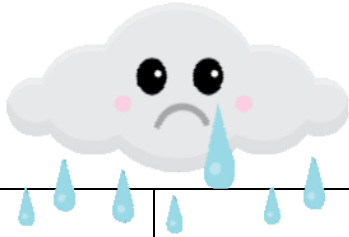
Choose your entrée from Chicken Pot Pie or Roasted Vegetable Pasta Primavera and dessert from Chocolate, White Chocolate, Raspberry, or Strawberry Shortcake Cupcakes. Dinner will be served, complete with a garden salad and fresh baked rolls and butter, too. Reservations are required. We hope to see all the ladies.

Check out the event poster in the front lobby display case. All ladies are invited including non-league members as well as league members, groups and individuals, and bring guests if you like. If you decide you do not want to golf, you are still invited to join the ladies for early dinner and raffle. A get-together to kick off the season!

Please call Mary Anne Voss to make your reservation. 734-675-4573 or mavoss@wowway.com

See you soon & welcome back.

Kimberly Summers



April 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 	2	3	4	5
6	7 4:00 St. Paul's #1	8 Clubhouse Closed	9 8:00 Arthritic League	10	11	12
13	14 3:00 Trenton HS 4:00 St. Paul's #2	15 Clubhouse Closed	16 8:00 Arthritic League 3:00 Trenton HS	17	18	19 9:30 Opening Day Event 2:30 Course Re-Opens Open Play
20 <i>Easter</i> 	21 4:00 St. Paul's #3	22 <i>Earth Day</i> 	23 8:00 Arthritic League 6:00 Men's League Banquet	24	25	26
27	28 4:00 St. Paul's #4	29 1:00 WS Ladies' Golf Get together	30 8:00 Arthritic League 2:00 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League			

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Judie Gljiva
- 2 - Allyson Zanetti
- 2 - Donna Bowman
- 3 - Gordie MacDougall
- 4 - Dale Vestrand
- 6 - Lee VanValkenburg
- 7 - Brian Champnella
- 9 - Patricia Bracey
- 10 - Eugene DeSance
- 11 - Bradley Vella

- 12 - Ashley Burke
- 19 - David Althouse
- 19 - Denise Wayne
- 20 - Nancy Cannon
- 26 - Kathy Klem
- 26 - Daniel Whaley
- 30 - John Farrell
- 30 - Gerald Hand





May 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 8:30 Ladies' League 4:00 Skins Night	2 8:30 Member Shot Gun 1:30 U of M Dearborn PM Shotgun	3 9:30 Spring Best Ball Morning Shotgun 2:30 Course Re-Opens
4	5 4:00 St Paul #5 Greens Aeration	6 8:00 Arthritic League 10:30 Ladies' League 5:30 Ladies' League	7 2:00 Cop's League 2:45 Trenton HS 4:45 Men's League	8 8:30 Ladies' League 4:00 Skins Night	9 9:00 GHS Boys Tournament AM Shotgun 3:00 Course Re-Opens	10
11 AM FootJoy Weekend Event - TBD	12 4:00 St Paul #6	13 8:00 Arthritic League 10:30 Ladies' League 5:30 Ladies' League	14 2:00 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League	15 8:30 Ladies' League 4:00 Skins Night	16	17 AM Tournament of Champions- am Tee Times
18	19 2:45 Trenton High School 4:00 St Paul #7	20 8:00 Arthritic League 10:30 Ladies' League 5	21 2:00 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League	22 9:00 MHSAA 4:00 Skins Night	23	24 AM Memorial Day Classic - AM Tee Times
25 AM Memorial Day Classic Morning Tee Time	26 Memorial Day Course Open AM Tee Times 	27 Course Closed	28 2:00 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League	29 8:30 Ladies' League 4:00 Skins Night	30	31

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 - Tami Holden | 10 - Len Fritz | 24 - David Cini |
| 2 - Liam Bazner | 11 - Hannah Champnella | 25 - Kevin Conners |
| 3 - Tim Bringard | 12 - Carol Ryan | 26 - Mario Ferrante |
| 5 - Garnette Bacalis | 13 - Kellen Mitchell | 26 - Pam Mierkowicz |
| 5 - Katherine Benko | 14 - Elijah Saco | 29 - Julie Reno |
| 6 - Margaret Herman | 17 - Kingkhan Boriboon | 29 - Audrey Atnip |
| 6 - Gloria Cochran | 17 - LeAndra Champnella | 29 - Osse Gljiva |
| 8 - Thomas Gunnell | 18 - Richard Robinson | |
| 9 - Leona Scott | 20 - Charlie Martin | |
| 10 - Beverly Williams | 22 - Philip Preston | |
| 10 - William Lowery | 22 - John Kalisz | |





'Beautify' West Shore Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 22nd

Melting snow and ice, gusting winds, rain and SNIRT (dirty snow) piles everywhere! It must be the beginning of spring!

And with spring, it's time for the 'Beautify' West Shore committee to start to review projects completed, talk about projects in progress, do spring clean-up, talk about raising funds, and discuss new ideas to tackle this year.

I would like to invite the Committee members, as well as any members, who would like to attend, to join us for a short morning meeting. It would be nice to see you all. I know it's early but everyone's input is important and helpful. Please join us, Tuesday, April 22 @ 9 am in the dining room. Coffee, bagels and donuts will be provided to fuel our ideas. (And then there's always golf afterwards, hopefully, course and weather permitting.)



WEST SHORE WEBSITE

The West Shore website is getting a little closer to being finished. We are still getting the roster put together and ironing out any glitches it may have. Thank you for your patience while we continue to work out any problems. Hopefully, we will have it running smoothly in no time.

As of now, members can access the website by going to: www.westshoregcc.com. Then, login under the “Members Only” tab. Your username is your member number. Your password will be the first initial of your name (Caps for the first initial)

and last name. If you’re a couples member, then use both your first initial. For Example: John Doe would be: Jdoe. John and Jane Doe would be: JJdoe

Members that have Jr. at the end of their name, add the jr to the end of your last name: John Doe Jr. would be: Jdoejr

Once you’re logged in, go into “Roster” under the “Members Only” tab. Click on your name and then you may enter or edit your information (such as add a photo) when you click on “Edit Profile”.

The screenshot shows the website's home page. At the top left is the club logo and name. A navigation menu below it includes 'Golf Course', 'Facilities', 'Members Only' (circled with an arrow), 'Membership Information', 'Club History', and 'Contact Us'. To the right is a weather widget for Grosse Ile showing 36°F and a forecast for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Below the navigation is a photo of the clubhouse with a sign that says 'West Shore Golf and Country Club'. At the bottom, there are three columns: 'Upcoming Events' with the text 'Club Reopens April 7th 2014!!!', 'Announcements' with 'Welcome to the new westshoregcc.com!', and 'Outings' with 'Upcoming Outing Information!'. The footer contains the text '© Joomla!shack'.

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