



West Shore Golf & Country Club
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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By: Mike Purcell

A New Season

Now that it is finally time to shake off the cold and start enjoying this fine Spring weather, I would like to welcome back all of our returning members, and welcome the new members that have joined West Shore Golf and Country Club late last year and this year.

We really appreciate every single member that have stayed with us, and want to extend a hand in friendship to every new member this year. Some are returning to us after leaving for a while, and some are brand new to West Shore. I ask all of our returning members to please make every new member feel welcome here at our club.

One of the greatest benefits of belonging to West Shore is participating in the large number of tournaments and leagues we have. If you are new, check out the tournament schedule in this issue of Divots, or talk to Joe in the Pro Shop. Joe can also help you find a game if you are new and don't know many members.

As many of you know, we have lost some members over the win-

ter and still need around 20 new members to make this another great golf season. Our members are the best salespeople we have. Take advantage of our Buddy Program-when you sign up a new member you lower your own dues. Please do everything you can to get the word out about what a great place West Shore Golf and Country Club is for anyone that loves to play golf.

Mike Purcell
 Secretary, Board of Directors



BUDDY UP!



Points of Interest

April

- 1 - April Fools Day
- 7 - National Beer Day
- 14 - National Pecan Day
- 22 - Earth Day
- 22 - National Jelly Bean Day
- 26 - National Pretzel Day
- 29 - Arbor Day

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Board of Directors Meeting—January 2016

By: Mike Purcell

In Attendance: Mike Purcell, Jim Houston, Joe Wilson, Tom Tanciar, Barb Thompson, Brad Scott, Mark Enright, Ray Charron, John Kalisz

Absent: Janet Schwyn

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

Minutes from the prior meeting were previously approved by email.

Committee Reports:

Finance – John Kalisz

Dues payments are slow this time of year. Delinquent members are much lower than normal for this time of year but will be pursued to meet their obligations.

All bills are up to date and January bills will be paid on time.

Grounds and Greens – Mike Purcell

The rain shelters will be getting new roof shingles weather permitting in the next 3 months.

The coyote problem still exists, but they are keeping the Canadian geese off of the course.

The golf course was closed 12/28/15 for the season, much later than the normal time due to the warm early winter.

Jim will be in the market for a new greens mower and other equipment this off season.

Pro Shop and Tournaments – Brad Scott

The new cart lease proposal was received and discussed with MidWest Golf Turf. Joe Wilson will proceed with implementing the new agreement with a spring 2016 target.

The Tournament Committee will meet to finalize the 2016 schedule.

House and Social – Ray Charron

Overall, there was a big year over year improvement in bar sales and profit.

Jim will be working on staff requirements for the 2016 season.

Membership – Brad Scott

144 members with one new member joining since last meeting.

Members of Monroe Country Club have been contacted about joining.

Divots – Janet Schwyn (Mark Enright)

The next Divots will be published April 2016.

Club Maintenance – Tom Tanciar

The hot water tank has failed, a plan has been developed to use a feed from the boiler system to supply hot water in the kitchen.

The new dining room door has been ordered and will be installed in March.

By Laws – Mike Purcell

No report.

Special Projects – Mark Enright

The business office will be painted in February.

Handicaps – Janet Schwyn (Mark Enright)

No report.

Correspondence – Mark Enright

Resignation letters from Bragadin, Martin, Brown, Hoprasart, Boriboon, and Cannon were read and discussed.

Old Business

Discussion on policing the 3 round limit per month for guests was discussed with suggestions on how to enforce the rule with the Pro Shop.

Discussion on the offer by Rick Robinson to become a Capital member.

New Business

None.

The meeting was adjourned 7:41 pm.

Mike Purcell

Secretary



Board of Directors Meeting—February 2016

By: Mike Purcell

In Attendance: Mike Purcell, Jim Houston, Joe Wilson, Tom Tanciar, Mark Enright, John Kalisz

Absent: Janet Schwyn, Brad Scott, Ray Charron

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

Minutes from the prior meeting were previously approved by email.

Committee Reports:

Finance – John Kalisz

Dues payments are as anticipated for this time of year.

All bills are up to date and February bills including all taxes will be paid on time.

Preliminary 2016 year proposed budget reviewed

Grounds and Greens – Mike Purcell

The rain shelters have been re-shingled.

The mower blades/reels will be re-sharpened this month.

New equipment purchased for the course is a new greens mower and sprayer.

Jim led the discussion on a “new” used heavy duty cart for the golf course.

Pro Shop and Tournaments – Brad Scott (Joe Wilson)

The new cart lease contract was discussed and will be signed the week of 2/8/16, to start the season with new carts.

Big response to the couple’s league – could add a second night (Tuesday).

House & Social – Ray Charron (Jim Houston)

New tablecloths and napkins will be purchased for

the dining room.

Member George Ouellette will sandblast and repaint outside tables and chairs over the next 2 months.

Membership – Brad Scott (Mark Enright)

142 members

Divots – Janet Schwyn (Mark Enright)

The next Divots will be published April 2016.

Club Maintenance – Tom Tanciar

The hot water issues have been fixed at a cost of approximately \$2,000.00.

The new dining room door has been installed. Some work is required on the patio bricks so they meet up the new door correctly

By Laws – Mike Purcell

No report.

Special Projects – Mark Enright

The business office painting will be completed in February.

Handicaps – Janet Schwyn (Mark Enright)

No report.

Correspondence – Mark Enright

None

Old Business

Gene Goreta will be contacted concerning attorney status.

New Business

None.

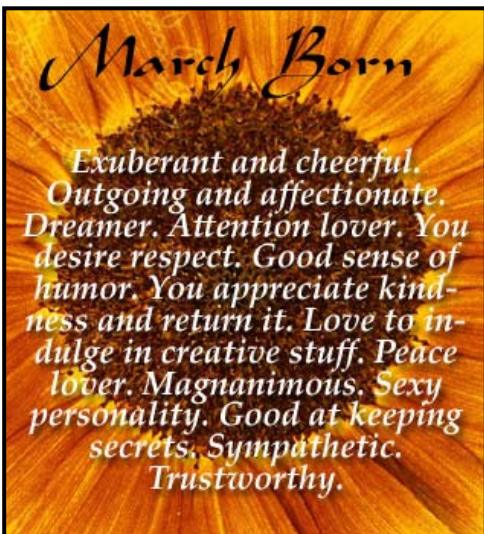
The meeting was adjourned 7:27 pm.

Mike Purcell



March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Board Meeting 6:00	15	16	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day 	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 	28	29	30	31		



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 01 - Janet Wilson | 18 - Robert Walters |
| 01 - Joseph Menna | 19 - Chris Phillips |
| 02 - Jacob Reno | 23 - Jack Genaw |
| 05 - Linda Wilson | 23 - Penny Lucia |
| 05 - Douglas Shepherd | 24 - Don Harris |
| 05 - Josephine Wahl | 24 - Stephen Papalas |
| 09 - Jacob Aslanian | 26 - Don Daniel |
| 11 - MacKenzie Champnella | 28 - John Kalisz IV |
| 12 - Ann Marie Carter | 28 - Marjorie Pedigo |
| 15 - Brandon Thomas | 28 - Nick Sheppard |
| 18 - Larry Loselle | 28 - Matt Church |



April 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 	2
3	4 4:00 St. Paul #1	5 Clubhouse Closed	6	7	8	9
10	11 4:00 St. Paul #2 Board Meeting 6:00	12 Clubhouse Closed	13	14	15	16
17	18 4:00 St. Paul #3	19 Clubhouse Closed	20 9:00 Downriver HS Jamboree AM Shotgun	21	22 	23
24	25 4:00 St. Paul #4	26 Clubhouse Closed	27	28	29 	30 9:45 Opening Event Morning Shotgun

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 01 - Judie Glijva | 15 - Ivan Mahanic |
| 02 - Alvin Slimp | 16 - Jay Tobin |
| 04 - Dale Vestrand | 17 - Jeff Hornauer |
| 06 - Lee VanValkenburg | 17 - Lynn Iverson |
| 07 - Brian Champnella | 19 - David Althouse |
| 09 - Patricia Bracey | 21 - Rob Ryan |
| 10 - Eugene DeSance | 26 - Daniel Whaley |
| 10 - Kathleen Everingham | 26 - Kathy Klem |
| 12 - Ted Campau | 29 - Craig Morga |
| 12 - Josh Sheppard | 30 - John Farrell |
| 15 - Luke Everingham | 30 - Gerald Hand |

April Born

*Amiable. Diplomatic. Always ready to help others.
Adventurous. Great sense of humor. Loves to enjoy life.
Totally active and restless. More emotional than practical. A good motivator.
Spiritual and God-fearing. Good looking and sexy.
Faithful lover. Hasty decision maker. Brainy and clever.*



May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 4:00 St. Paul #5	3	4 2:30 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League	5	6 9:00 GIHS Tourn. AM Shotgun 3:00 Open Play	7 AM Member Shotgun PM THS Athletics 1:30 Shotgun
8	9 Course Closed Clubhouse Closed Greens Aerification Board Meeting 6:00	10 6:00 Couples League Begins	11 2:30 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League	12 8:30 Ladies' League 4:00 Skins Night 6:00 Couples	13	14
15	16 4:00 St. Paul #6	17 6:00 Couples League	18 2:30 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League	19 4:00 Skins Night 6:00 Couples League	20	21 Tournament of Champions- AM Tee Times
22	23 4:00 St. Paul #7	24 6:00 Couples League	25 2:30 Cop's League 4:45 Men's League	26 4:00 Skins Night 6:00 Couples League	27	28 AM Memorial Day Classic Morning Tee Times
29 AM Memorial Day Classic Moring Tee Times	30 Course Open Memorial Day AM Tee Times	31 Course Closed Clubhouse Closed				

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 05 - Garnette Bacalis | 15 - Michael Aslanian | 26 - Pam Mierkowicz |
| 05 - Katherine Benko | 17 - Brian Aslanian | 29 - Bonnie Wendell |
| 09 - Leona Scott | 17 - LeAndra Champnella | 29 - Julie Reno |
| 10 - William Lowery | 17 - Annette Phillips | 29 - Osse Gljiva |
| 11 - Kara Howey | 18 - Richard Robinson | |
| 11 - Hannah Champnella | 19 - Mike Sanfilippo | |
| 13 - Rich Mierkowicz | 22 - John Kalisz | |
| 14 - Kelsey Holmes | 25 - Caroline Kelly | |
| 14 - Elijah Saco | 26 - Mario Ferrante | |

Born in May
















Pleasing and attractive personality. Good looking. You adapt well to new situations. Joyful attitude towards life. Independent. Secretive. Intelligent mind. You get easily angry. Very stubborn at times. You love attention. More logical than emotional. You dream big. Dynamic and active. Quick to return favors. Honest.





2016 Tournament Schedule



	<i>Tournament</i>	<i>2016 Date</i>	<i>Entry (per person)</i>
	Opening Day Event*	Sat. April 30	\$27.00
	Tournament of Champions	Sat. May 21	\$19.00
	Memorial Day Classic	Sat. May 28 Sun. May 29	\$28.00
	West Shore Open***	Fri. June 3	TBD
	Match Play	Sat. June 4** Sun. June 5 Sat. June 11 Sun. June 12	\$20.00
	Old Pal	Sat. June 18 Sun. June 19	\$42.00
	Firecracker Open*	Mon. July 4	\$26.00
	Men's Invitational*	Wed. July 13- Sun. July 17	TBD
	Ladies' Invitational*	Wed. July 27 Thurs. July 28	TBD
	Senior Club Championship	Sat. July 30 Sun. July 31	\$21.00
	Men's Senior Invitational*	Wed. Aug. 10 Thurs. Aug. 11	TBD
	Couples Invitational	Sat. Aug 27	TBD
	Club Championship	Sat. Sept 3 Sun. Sept 4 Mon. Sept. 5#	\$22.00
	President's Day Scramble*	Sun. Sept. 11	\$27.00
	Superintendent's Revenge*	Sun. Oct 2	\$33.00

* = Meal(s) Included in Event Entry Fee

**= Qualifier for Championship Flights (Men's and Women's)

*** = Previously Fund the Sand

- Championship Flights Only



Board of Directors Meeting March—2016

By: Mike Purcell

Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting

In Attendance: Mike Purcell, Jim Houston, Joe Wilson, Tom Tanciar, Brad Scott, John Kalisz, Ray Charron, Mark Mercatante, Barb Thompson, Jim Nelson

Absent: Mark Enright

Meeting was chaired by Vice President Brad Scott

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Minutes from the prior meeting were previously approved by email.

Committee Reports:

Finance – John Kalisz

Prepaid dues and cart fees were discussed, to determine how the funds will be allocated in the budget.

All bills are up to date and March bills including all taxes will be paid on time.

Delinquent members were discussed, all of those that owe the club money will be contacted and will be told that their playing privileges will be suspended until they are paid up.

Grounds and Greens – Mike Purcell

Due to the large amount of rain the opening of the course will be pushed back to the week of 3/21/16 or later if we get an additional amount of rain.

The new golf carts have arrived and are in place to start the season.

New equipment purchased for the course is a new greens mower and sprayer, delivery should be in April.

The cart path on hole #1 needs repair before opening the course for play due to deteriorating over the winter.

A “new” used work cart will be purchased from our dealer when available and will be inspected by Jim prior to purchase.

The parking lot will be repaired and the Township will inspect the road in front of the parking lot to see what can be done about the standing water issue where the road and driveway meet.

Pro Shop and Tournaments – Brad Scott

The Pro Shop staff is in place for the start of the season.

There will be a Tuesday night Couples League along with the Thursday night Couples League.

Merchandise is arriving in the Pro Shop.

The plan for tracking individual payments for golf carts is in place.

The tournament schedule will be published this week.

House and Social – Ray Charron

Staff will be in place to open the clubhouse by April 1, 2016.

Member George Ouellette has sandblasted and painted all of the outdoor furniture that needed to be painted.

Membership – Brad Scott

140 members



Board of Directors Meeting—March 2016 Cont.

By: Mike Purcell

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New members 7

Divots – Mark Mercatante

The next Divots will be published April 2016, Mike Purcell will write the Board article.

Club Maintenance – Tom Tanciar

The fence by the kitchen/Pro Shop is in need of repair, bids will be solicited.

By Laws – Mike Purcell

No report.

Special Projects – Mark Enright

No report

Handicaps – Mark Mercatante

Committee will meet soon

Correspondence – Mark Enright (Brad Scott)

None

Old Business

None

New Business

A reciprocal agreement with GICC will be discussed with their management team.

Island Cup with GICC will be discussed with their management team.

Guest Policy – More effort will be made to enforce the guest policy by discussing the policy with members that may be abusing the policy along with their guests.

Discussion on the Employee Handbook followed with agreement that every employee be given a copy.

The meeting was adjourned 8:10 pm.

Mike Purcell

Secretary



LADIES' LEAGUE



Ladies' League starts Thursday, May 5th.

Please be at the Club by 8:15. We will have a shot gun start at 8:30. You will need to bring \$3 for the Game of the Day.

If you have questions please contact Mary Anne Voss at

734-675-4573 or mavoss@wowway.com.

Did **YOU** Know?

From West Shore's Rules and Bylaws:

“An individual can play as a guest *no more* than three times in any one month (except for scheduled Invitational's practice and play).”

“Any member wishing to resign from the Club must submit a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Board of Directors expressing his/her desire to resign. Any resignation request received prior to July 1, in any year, will become effective on the first day of the month following the month in which the request was received and the resigning member shall forfeit any and all rights of membership on that date. Any resignation request received on July 1 or later, in any year, will become effective on December 31 of that year and the resigning member shall pay the dues and any other financial obligations placed on the membership for the remainder of that year. A member submitting a request to resign after July 1 that remains in good standing with the Club, will continue to have the rights of membership until said resignation becomes effective on December 31 of that year.”



MEN'S LEAGUE 2016

**COME JOIN US
PLAY BEGINS MAY 4, 2016**

OPENING BANQUET

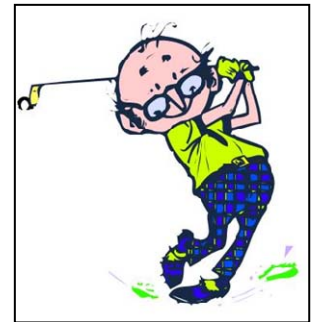
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CONTACT Dennis Bracey:

dennisbracey@comcast.net

by April 13th to join the league

Entry fee is \$150



A West Shore handicap is required before you join the league



OFFICE GETS NEW MAKEOVER

Getting Ready to Paint



During



After





West Shore Membership Buddy Program Breakdown



- All members currently paying the full dues rate (\$410, \$450, \$270, \$315) are eligible to bring in a new member for a monthly dues discount of \$65 per month.
- Bring in a friend to join West Shore and both the current and new member will receive a \$65 dues credit each month (\$45 for those on Under 36 Program)
- Buddy Program can also include two new members joining together and each will receive full membership privileges, discounts, and terms mentioned below
- Membership for the new member will start on April 1, 2016. (New member will be allowed to play at no dues charge / cart fee from the day they join until April 1, 2016.)
- Discount will begin April 1, 2016 for existing and new members. Dues discount will only end whenever someone leaves the club; The other member will go back to the regular dues rate unless another buddy is found. (i.e. both members will receive the credit in 2017,2018,2019....)
- The discount will stay \$65 less than the normal dues rate determined by the board of directors.





West Shore Membership Buddy Program Breakdown (Cont)



- \$5 cart fees will apply to all members on the program.
- New Member will pay Full April Dues with Application and receive full membership privileges for the remainder of 2015
- New Member must commit to paying dues till minimum end of year 2016, but buddy discount will continue for both parties until one of the members leave the club
- This program is limited to just one buddy per member and may not be split between existing members
- New member may be Single or Couple and rate will be \$65 less than normal rate for both parties.
- Existing members may not go on this program with Under 36 new members, but Under 36 members will receive the discount if they bring in a full single or full couple or anyone Under 36.
- Legacy members are not eligible for the program and Honorary members will only receive a \$15 discount
- New member brought in may be anyone including past members of West Shore, but all new applicants will be pending approval of the Board of Directors.
- If you leave West Shore in 2015 or in future seasons you will not be eligible for the buddy discount in future years or any other specials that may be introduced.**





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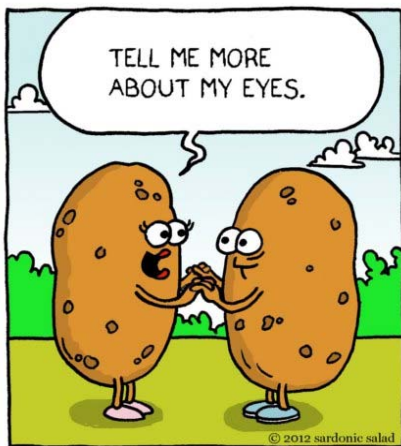
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