

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

[January 2017
Newsletter]

DAKOTA DUNES COUNTRY CLUB

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2017

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the Angel Tree at
the Club so successful!
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kids for Christmas!

Welcome

NEW MEMBERS

Kenneth & Margie Doyle



EDDIE CARPENTER
General Manager

Dear Members

Happy New Year!!!! I would first like to thank our members for their Holiday Fund that our employee's receive. Your generosity was greatly appreciated by our staff. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. The holidays have always been a special time for me, my family and the extended family of my Country Club Members. I truly hope that each of you enjoyed this delightful time of year and were able to spend a lot of time with those you love. At the Club, we are looking forward to a productive and prosperous 2017.

The Golf staff and the Golf Maintenance staff are working on winter projects in preparation for the 2017 season. One big improvement we have in store for 2017 is a lot of new equipment for the golf course. The lease on our old equipment expired. We negotiated a new lease at roughly the same price. With this lease we are getting new state-of-the-art equipment which will help our staff produce outstanding playing conditions on our championship golf course.

Chef Al and Jim are introducing a new menu for the Club. With Chef Al's extensive background in fine dining, he and Jim are planning on introducing an eclectic menu at reasonable prices. Our goal is to make your dining experience at the Club so terrific, that considering to drive out of the neighborhood to go to another restaurant will not be an option. If you haven't had a chance to experience Chef Al's cuisine, please make a reservation and come up to the Club for a great dining experience.

The Board of Managers and I have been working on some new ideas for Membership options. Now that I have been here for a full season, my goal was to evaluate our current Membership Programs. Then give the Board of Managers some options about how to best market the club and increase our membership levels. Later this month, we will be introducing new options to recruit more members as well as a better incentive for Equity Member referrals.

I would like to encourage all members to tell a friend or a neighbor about your experiences here at the club. The best source for new memberships at any private club is always from existing members. If you know someone who might be interested, let me know so we can get them out to the club and experience this wonderful facility. Why not have your friends and neighbors enjoy all this club has to offer with you?

I am very proud to be your General Manager. If you would like to chat about anything, please stop by the club and see me or send me an email. I'm here for you.

Dakota Dunes Country Club – Turning Moments into Memories

Eddie Carpenter

General Manager

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Winter Poker League

Tuesday Nights at 7:00pm
in the Palmer Lounge.

First hand is dealt on January 17th.

The game is Texas Hold 'em.

Call Rick for more information

Pizza Time

Saturday, January 14 from 12pm—2pm

**Kids bring your parents to the Dining Room
and make your own Pizza. Cost is \$10**

You make 'em.
We bake 'em.



Valentine's Day

Tuesday, February 14th
Make plans to spend the night
with your loved one at your Club!

A special menu is being planned for this
special evening

**In the meantime,
mark your calendars!**

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JIM TIECK

Food & Beverage Director

A note from the Food and Beverage Department

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

The Staff at your Dakota Dunes Country Club would like to thank our members for your employee Christmas fund. The cards were given to the staff mid-December and were greatly appreciated. **THANK YOU!!**

The beginning of the New Year has brought us two new faces to our management team. Long awaited menu adjustments to your menu by Chef Al will be debuting in early January with some great additions such as several healthy choice options with a little input by several members, so Al says thank you.

Rachelle Muhlbauer, your new Event Coordinator joined us two months ago and has brought a whole new meaning to the word energy (at least for me). So, in the near future if you are planning any events such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, retirements, bridal or baby showers give her a call and she will help you plan your special day.

January will be starting with the weekly features returning, cooking classes, new wine menu, and lots of great food and friendship at your Club. Chef Al was very pleased about the member participation on his first cooking class he has chosen January 25th as his next class, so please call and make your reservation.

In the food industry we try to balance a fine line to provide quality and quantity at member friendly pricing while food costs change daily. This is one reason reservations are key to your dining experience. Waste from overproduction is critical and underproduction results in running out of a menu selection. Even if a reservation is last minute it still gives us a "heads up". Staffing is another fine line when no reservations are on the books and causes the staff to "be in the weeds," this results in member dissatisfaction. So please, even if you are on your way to the club, give us a call and we will do our very best to be prepared to serve you in the manner you expect.

Thank you

Dining Hours

Tuesday – Saturday 11:00am – 9:00pm
Sunday Breakfast 10:00am – 1:00pm

Palmer Hours

Tuesday – Saturday 11:00am – 9:00pm
Sunday 10:00am – 2:00pm



JUSTIN ARLT

Head PGA Professional

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As you make those decisive New Year's Resolutions, (*some of which are the same ones we had last year*), remember to include working on your golf game! The 2017 year will focus on helping the members improve their games and enjoy playing better golf. Staff will put a bigger focus on private lessons, club fitting and course management sessions for those that want to improve.

Overall 2016 was a pretty good year despite member play being down drastically with fewer members. The best part of the year was the great spring and fall weather that extended our playing season by over a month. We had 213 open days this season which is about 13 more than average so we definitely stretched the season as far as we could. The golf course without any question was amazing. Without questions the green speeds and condition of the fairways were as good as I have seen in my 15 years here. Our superintendent of 25 years should certainly be commended for his efforts this summer on his Silver Anniversary with DDCC.

As for me, the year 2016 was difficult in thanks to my ruptured Achilles. Spending an entire season on one leg wasn't a lot of fun. You learn to appreciate a lot of little things when you're injured. I appreciated the members understanding my limitations and my wonderful staff for stepping up and doing more to help us have a great year. I'm looking forward to playing golf again in 2017 and I'm going to get back into competitive golf again as a resolution. I wasted no time after being invited to play in the Monterey Bay Invitational Pro -Am by Golf Digest. As you read this Ron Bond, Doug Wells, Dan McManus and my Dad will join me at Pebble Beach for a 54-hole team event. My goal is to not finish dead last in the Professional side of things and help my amateur team have fun. The event runs January 5th, 6th, 7th and can be followed online at Montereybayinv.com and the Pebble Beach website. Let's hope team Dakota Dunes gets rid of offseason rust quickly and represents well!

Major Champions Salute from 2016

Member-Member - Men – Jim Anderson & Tim Ward

Member - Member - Ladies – Kris Brown & Colleen Hagemeyer

Men's Invitational – Jim Anderson & Dick Salzbach

Women's Invitational – Britini Freed & Katie Farley

Men's Club Champion – Mark Brown

Senior Club Champion – Mark Wetz

Women's Club Champion – Mindy Krause

Dunes Cup - East Team

Congratulations

Golf Shop Hours

Tuesday—Friday	10:00am—5:00pm
Saturday	10:00am—2:00pm
Sunday—Monday	Closed

Please join us for the



Member Mixer

Friday, January 20th at 6:00pm

Stop out to your Club to meet new and fellow members while enjoying an evening at your Club.

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DOUG HAUSMAN
Golf Course Superintendent

"FROM THE GOLF COURSE"

We in Golf Course Maintenance hope the Membership at Dakota Dunes have spent time with friends and family over the Holidays. Hopefully, the weather has allowed for travel either by plane or on the ground without issues. At the date of this writing, it's 28 degrees with sun and the wind trending out of the South feels just great. We just set record lows for December the previous day cleaning up from a "Yankee clipper" out of the northwest. Thirty minutes was about the limit of exposure that man or beast could tolerate.

For the past couple of weeks we have been clearing volunteer trees off of the lake bank on the pond at the second hole. It is imperative that we do this as this pond still has a pvc lake liner intact. If this brush is allowed to flourish, the integrity of the lake liner will be compromised causing lake failure. At this date the process is approximately seventy percent complete. As time allows we will be doing the same thing at number one. This lake also is depending upon the pvc lake liner and is also our water supply to irrigate the golf course. We will also be starting on the green site at number twelve. Here we have shade, root, and air flow issues to deal with to improve a tough green site. We have had great fall moisture as well as deep freezing temperatures to set us up to minimize damage to the turf surrounds.

Once done with number twelve, we hope to move to number nine at the back of the green site. Here we are battling root pressure under the green. When done one will be hard pressed to notice that anything was done leaving trees to continue to frame the holes.

The weather and temperatures have been very cooperative which makes it pleasant for outside work. Due to the short day light hours we really don't expect these temperatures to change too much with regard to tree work. We'll still be well below freezing at night so we don't think that things will get too "juicy" and soft on the surface. We still have some over seeding work to finish on some of the bunker faces to do so we hope to accomplish this as well with the warmer temperatures. On south slopes things should soften up just enough to allow vertical slits to be cut to deliver the links, fescue mixture exactly where we need it to be. We will also continue preparing the golf course fleet for the upcoming season.

Reach for your Putter

It's Putt Putt Golf and everyone is invited for an evening of crazy golf & fun!

We will be staging a 9 hole course throughout the Banquet Room and upstairs Clubhouse.

Saturday, January 21st

**Course opens at
7:30pm for Adult play!**

**Families have fun early on the
course at 6:00pm!**

Goofy holes, contests, drinks, and
outrageous fun!

Sign up now with Rick!



Zumba Fitness is at your Club!

Have you tried Zumba at your Club?

Zumba class is designed to bring people together to sweat it out. Zumba mixes low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, calorie-burning dance fitness party. A total workout, combining all elements of fitness – cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class.

A 10 class punch card may be purchased for \$65 or drop ins are \$8.

Zumba will be Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:45am—9:30am

For questions, contact Rick.

TONING

with Carol

Monday and Wednesday
8:50am—9:30am; Rec Center

And now Thursdays at 8:30am

Lengthen muscles faster and more efficiently by combining fluid, large muscle, low impact, pilates and barre inspired moves. Hand weights, a pilates bar (empower bar) and small ball may be used and are optional.

No sign up required. Please just introduce



Step it up!

with marsha

Step class is held on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday at 9:30am in the Board Room. Free!

Bring your Step!

Start 2017 with the right step.
no class Jan. 11 - 12



February 15th 6:30 pm
More info to follow!

Cardio & Strength with Karen



Monday, Wednesday, & Friday at 8:00am in the Rec Center.
Open to all members at NO COST!



RICK PRUETT
Activities Coordinator

Happy New Year to everyone. I hope that 2017 brings you all the happiness that you wish for!

We have a lot of fun activities to kick off our new year here at the club. We will continue with Pasta Nights every Wednesday as well as Birthday Night on Thursday's. Please call by noon on Wednesday for Birthday reservations if you would like a cake.

"Girls Night Out" will return on January 11th and January 25th. The first Ladies Fun Night will be games and socializing in the Palmer. The Ladies Night on the 25th will be a cooking class hosted by Chef Al, this class will feature a healthy choice food option.

Kids, we have some fun for you as well Saturday January 14th will be Kids Pizza Day. Kids can come in between 12pm and 2pm and make your own pizza, choose whatever toppings you want and we will bake it for you in the kitchen! Cost for this is \$10. See the ad for this event on page 2.

Putt Putt Golf is back on January 21st. This is a fun time as we turn the banquet room and upper level of the club house into a fun and competitive putt putt course. Kids can play the course from 6:00pm—7:00pm, then the course will be open for adult use only at 7:00pm. We will have great hole prizes and competitions. Make plans to attend.

January 20th will be our Member Mixer. Come meet new members, socialize with our current members, and just have a relaxing time in the 19th Hole. We will have some drink specials and free appetizers at 6:00pm.

Thanks for making 2016 a great year at the club. We are excited for what 2017 has in store.

What's coming up?

DDCC Fitness Expo! Wednesday February 15th. At 6:30pm. Come meet our Fitness Instructors, try out their class, and enjoy some healthy snacks and drinks. This event will be open to the public so bring a friend to show off your club!

Activities

January 4,11,18,25: Pasta Night

January 5,12,19,26: Birthday Night

January 11: Girls Night Out

7:00pm Palmer: Games, Socializing and Fun!

January 14: Kid's Pizza Day

12:00pm—2:00pm Dining Room: Make your own pizza

January 17: Poker League Begins

7:00pm Palmer Lounge: Email Rick to sign up!

January 20: Member Mixer

6:00pm Dining Room: Eat, drink and be social!

January 21: Putt Putt Golf

6:00pm/7:30pm Clubhouse: 3rd Annual Fun Night of putt putt golf!

January 25: Girls Night Out—Cooking Class

6:30pm Banquet Room: Chef Al introduces a Healthy Choice

Save the Date

Saturday, JANUARY 21

6:00pm—7:00pm-Kids

7:00pm-Adults

PUTT PUTT GOLF

GirlsNightOut™

Wednesday Jan. 11th & 25th

January 11th is Game Night in the Palmer (7:00pm)

January 25th is Chef Al's Cooking Class (6:30pm)

Ladies come enjoy a wonderful night with our award winning Chef! Chef Al will show you how to make a great Healthy dish.

Call or email Rick to sign up! Deadline to sign up for cooking class is Monday Jan. 23rd.

rpruett@dakotadunescountryclub.com

January 2017 – Rec Center							February 2017 ▶
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