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#### MANHATTAN COUNTRY CLUB NEWSLETTER

#### February 2013

Club XIX Hours Breakfast Sunday: 8am-11am

Lunch Tuesday-Sunday: 11am-5pm

Dinner Tuesday-Saturday: 5pm-9pm

Manhattan Room By Reservation Only Lunch Tuesday-Friday: 11am-2pm

Dinner Friday-Saturday: 6pm-9pm

#### **Fitness Hours**

Tuesday-Friday: 5am - 8pm Saturday: 8am - 8pm Sunday: 8am - 5pm Monday: 8:30am - 4pm

#### **Golf Shop Hours**

Tuesday - Sunday: 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday: Closed



#### Valentine's Day Dinner

Thursday, February 14, Reservations from 5 to 8pm Appetizers

Fried Lobster Bites - with a sweet Thai dipping sauce -OR-Five cheese Jumbo pasta shell - with a red wine marinara

Soup or Salad

Warm Tomato and Fennel Bisque -OR-

Fresh Spring Mix tossed w/ black walnuts, dried cherries, heirloom tomatoes Entrées

All entrees served with stuffed new potatoes and sautéed broccolini Black Grouper 8oz. 35

Lightly crusted and sautéed grouper served with a lemon dill cream sauce New Zealand Frenched Lamb Rack 8oz. 38

Fresh herb crusted lamb roasted to perfection served with a fresh mint Demi Glaze

#### Stuffed Pork Tenderloin 10oz. 28

Pork tenderloin stuffed with spinach and Stilton Bleu cheese polenta, roasted and sliced intro medallions, drizzled with a balsamic reduction Filet Mignon 10oz. 48

Certified Black Angus Omega Beef bone-in filet mignon grilled and served with a tamarind Demi Glaze

#### Dessert

Ménage à Trois - Nutella Grand Marnier chocolate mousse, A Tuxedo covered strawberry, and a fresh blackberry and orange sweet tart

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# February Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1 Friday Afternoon Cocktails	2
3	4 Club Closed	5 10oz Sirloin Date Night	6 Dessert Bridge	7 Ladies Day Bridge Fried Chicken Night	8 Friday Afternoon Cocktails	9 INDOOR PUTT-PUTT CHALLENGE
10	11 Club Closed	12 Fat Tuesday Specials	13	14 Valentine's Day Dinner	15 Friday Afternoon Cocktails Social & Dining F&B Min Ends	16 Social & Dining F&B Min <b>Starts</b>
17	18 Club Closed	19 10oz Sirloin Date Night	20 Dinner Bridge	21 Ladies Day Bridge Fried Chicken Night	22 Friday Afternoon Cocktails	23
24 Sunday Brunch 10:30am to 2pm	25 Club Closed	26 10oz Sirloin Date Night	27	28 Ladies Day Bridge Fried Chicken Night Golf Members F&B Min <b>Ends</b>	1 Friday Afternoon Cocktails Golf Members F&B Min Starts	2

# **Upcoming Events**

#### February 9 - Indoor Putt-Putt Challenge

• This will be a fun event with 9 creative holes set up throughout the inside of the club! Sign up today in the golf shop!

- February 12 Fat Tuesday Specials
  - Join us on Fat Tuesday for some great themed food and drink specials.
- February 14 Valentine's Day Dinner
- Our 3 course Valentine's Day Dinner will be from 5 to 8pm. Space is limited so make your reservations early! **February 14 Valentine's Babysitting** 
  - We will offer free babysitting for anyone attending our Valentine's Dinner

#### February 24 – Sunday Brunch

• Sunday Brunch will be available from 10:30am to 2:00pm on the last Sunday of February.

#### February 1, 8, 15, 22 – Friday Afternoon Cocktails

• Friday Afternoon Cocktails will be held each Friday from 4 to 6pm in Club XIX. We will have free light hors d'oeuvres as well as drink specials. Each week we will have a drawing for a club credit at 6pm sharp! If the member whose name is drawn is not present to win the pot will go up \$50 the next Friday!

## How Can I Pay?

There are many options for payment when dining or golfing at MCC. Members always have the option of charging to their member account. Other options of payment for both members and guests include *cash*, *check and credit cards*. This means you can bring your guests to the club and pay just as you would at any other establishment. You don't have to feel as if you are responsible to pick up the tab!



# February Birthdays

- 1 Susan Martin, Roger Fingland
- 3 Mitzi Eyestone
- 4 Edward Seaton, Jason Shamburg, Cathy Mores
- 6 Harley Volkman, Tim White, Ethan Bernick, Robert Voelker
- 7 Bill Sanford, Paul Miller, Rick Fulton
- 9 Angie Roesler, Katie Philp, John Louis Von Hagen, Brady Sauder, Kay Fiser
- 10 John Young
- 11 John Walters, Linda Felber, Tamara Burton
- 12 Ester Carpenter, Nathan Schrock
- 13 Lori Farley, Peter Dorhout, Bob Limbocker
- 14 Thomas Hintz
- 15 Larry Fox, Brad Johnson, Robert Haines
- 16 Mary Jo Dlabal, Tom Carlin, Sherri Gwinner, Hank Doering, Kathy Stevens

- 17 Joe Jones, Lee Borck, Duane McCoy, Karl Greiner, Nancy Wilson
- 18 Janet Daniels
- 19 Kathy Carlin
- 20 Michael Heiberger, Tim Sieloff, Susan Morgan, Shon Robben, Josh Salmans
- 21 Beth Kesinger, Chad Weiberg, Melissa Legleiter, Bob Clore
- 22 Maryellen Beauregard, Janette Roberts, Lila Levin
- 23 David Soldan, Lori Levin, Chardie Baird, Katie Olsen
- 24 Rick Altobello, Jeffery Kruse, Mary Giller
- 25 Suzanne Bedros
- 26 B.L. Flinchbaugh, Dennis Mullin, Sally Lindquist, Mark Grinter
- 27 Jane Rowlett, Jon Brott
- 28 Brandy Veatch

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# ndoor Putt-Putt Challenge

# Saturday, February 9th



\$10 Entry Fee
100 % Cash Pay Back
Format: 9 Holes
2 Person Team
Alternate Shot

Time:12:30~2:00 pm This fun event will be set up throughout the inside of MCC!

# **During February:**

All Men's and Women's clothing will be drastically reduced to make room for spring apparel.



Come in and take advantage of these GREAT SAVINGS!

# Men's Golf Bus Trip

Date: March 1, 2, & 3 Location: Winstar Golf & Casino Re-play Rates: \$22 subject to tee-time availability Total Trip Cost: Approximately \$500\* \*This includes bus trip, 2 nights stay and 2 rounds of golf



A coach bus will leave MCC at 6am on Friday, March 1. The first round of golf will be played Friday afternoon. Saturday is open for golf and personnel enjoyment. Sunday the bus will depart for Manhattan at 10am. We MUST have 30 men sign up for this trip to go!

# WinStar Casino & Golf

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# Valentine's Day Babysitting

We will be offering FREE babysitting to anyone who makes a reservation for dinner. A pizza dinner will be offered for \$5 per child.



# To RSVP For Valentine's Dinner call 539-7501.



Reservations can be made be made between 5 and 8pm. There will be no Club XIX service on the night of February 14.



Drink Specials: Classic Hurricane Bourbon Sweet Tea

Food Specials: Shrimp Po'boy Fresh Oysters – Raw or Fried Gumbo Blackened Catfish \*Specials will run all day\*

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF MCC:

I wish to express my thanks for allowing me to be your Golf Course Superintendent for the past 32 years. It has been the best years of my life. I have tried my best to give you the best possible golf course within my means. I would also like to thank

you for the awesome parting gifts. I hope to put the golf clubs and membership to good use. It has also been my pleasure to work with the finest staff past and present that any club could ask for. Once again I will miss driving this beautiful golf course and seeing all of you.

My Deepest Thanks, CLIFF DIPMAN



## Food & Beverage News

The grand reopening and the dueling pianos event was a wonderful start to 2013. Thank you for all the members that attended and participated, it was definitely a lot of fun! For 2013 I have partnered up with US Foods to bring in a new line of beef options. This new beef is called Omega Beef and is from locally raised cattle. The beef is 100% genetically Certified Black Angus Cattle. There are also added benefits to this beef. A portion of beef has the same amount of Omega 3 as a portion of salmon. The beef will also improve your cholesterol and is healthy for you. Please feel free to ask me any questions when you see me around the club. My team and I are extremely

excited about this new product, and anxiously await your feedback.

Valentine's Day is right around the corner. We have created an exquisite



menu for you and your loved one. Please come and join us so that we can be a part of your special day. Be sure to make your reservations soon as this event usually fills up quickly! Fat Tuesday is coming up on February 12 and we will be having food and drink specials that day. Thanks again for a wonderful year, and many more to come.

Ryan Crain – Executive Chef

# A Note From Our Golf Pro

I am happy to report we had a financially successful year in the food and beverage operation compared to previous years. In 2010 and 2011, both ended losses over \$40,000. In 2012 we turned a profit of \$6,200. Thank you to the members who continuously support us by dining in the Club and sponsoring additional events!



Over the closure, we revised

our banquet packet and it features many new items that are sure to satisfy everyone. Remember that one of the benefits of being a member at Manhattan Country Club is free room rentals, so I urge you to give us try. We are the perfect setting for business meetings and retreats, luncheons, dinner parties, wedding receptions and more! Please e-mail me at

tracy@themanhattancountryclub.com or give me a call in the office at 539-7501 to set up a banquet today!

If you haven't yet, I encourage you to come to the club on Tuesday's for our date night. Two 10 oz. top sirloin steaks with sides for \$22.95. We also feature half price wine bottles on Tuesday evenings, a perfect reason to come out to the club! On Thursday evenings we have our popular fried chicken night. The fried chicken is served family style and comes with a veggie starter, biscuits, mashed potatoes and gravy, chef's vegetable and coleslaw for only \$11.95! Come by with some friends and I look forward to seeing you at the club soon!

Tracy Jackson – Food & Beverage Manager

Now the cold days of winter are upon us I wanted to take the time to fill you in on what the golf shop staff has been working towards. The past few months we have been getting ready for a busy 2013 golf season. This is the time of year we organize all the preliminary steps for golf tournaments. We also place orders for golf equipment and clothing that you see in the golf shop. We have also been organizing golf clinics for ladies, junior golf, men and women's leagues and preparing ourselves for another year of giving professional lessons.

On Saturday, February 9 we will be hosting an Indoor Putt-Putt Challenge. Grab a partner and come join us from 12:30 to 2pm, \$10 cash entry fee that will be paid back 100% CASH.

We are also planning a bus trip to the Winstar Hotel and Casino at the boarder of Oklahoma and Texas on March 1 - 3. We will leave early on Friday the  $1^{st}$  play a round of golf. Play a round on Saturday and Sunday morning and head back to Manhattan on Sunday Afternoon. If we can get 30 - 40 men to go, it will cost approximately \$500 per person for the bus, 2 nights hotel and 2 rounds of golf. If you are interested contact Denny or Nate at 539-6221.



Denny Woods - Certified PGA Professional

## A Message from our General Manager

As you know, we have experienced a substantial downturn in our national economy over the past few years and many private clubs around the country are struggling to survive. In fact, over the past few years hundreds of clubs have been forced to close their doors, have been absorbed by bigger clubs, or became semi-private or public golf facilities. We understand challenges remain moving forward and are trying to position Manhattan Country Club for success.

That said, we had a large turnout for our Special Membership Meeting on January 21 and with a 90% approval rate, passed all of the items up for a vote. Those were, to combine the dues and assessments, a 10% increase in dues and approval of the 2 new membership categories which are our first steps to success. You will notice on your next statement a slight increase in dues which will help positioned the club to cash flow in 2013 provided we reach our membership goals of recruitment and retention.

In order for the Club to continue operating in the same fashion we need you to get involved and help us recruit new members. We have an opportunity and need to increase the membership of our Club by a minimum of 75 members in the near future. We have developed some attractive new membership categories and credits for you to help recruit new members. We will need a strong 2013 membership drive and active member participation in order to have a successful year and continue to prosper as a private club.

Our entire staff is here to assist you in your efforts so please don't hesitate to ask any one of us for a membership packet or to help answer questions you may have. In the near future, we will be hosting monthly "Open Houses" for you to bring a potential new member for a club tour. As weather permits, we will host a couple of Member-Guest days whereby you'll be able to bring a potential member for a complimentary round of golf and an opportunity to show off your club during an FAC event. Please watch the email blast and newsletter for the specific dates.

As always, please contact me with any questions, comments or concerns you may have. I look forward to seeing you around the club.

Dave

#### Pre Payment Option Family Regular Golf Members

For a limited time only we will be offering a pre payment option for our Family Regular Golf Members. For \$25,000 you may pre pay your dues, club storage, range, locker and unlimited cart usage. The advantage of this option is to lock in the current rates for a period up to 48 months. The goal in raising these funds is to pay down our line of credit and pay off our existing equipment leases which will allow us to improve our monthly cash flow and get new grounds equipment! If you are interested in this option or would like more information please contact Dave Kelley at 539-7501.



# **Membership Information**

Membership is off to a great start for 2013! At our membership meeting on January 21 we had many positive comments and great ideas. Our new membership categories were approved by our stockholding members. We added an Individual Golf Membership for both the young professional age group as well as the regular age group. We also added a Single Young Professional Golf Membership for only \$200 a month. We feel these additional categories should help attract more potential members to MCC!

We have also started our 2013 Spring Promotion! Under this promotion your potential members can join without paying dues until April! New members have the option of paying half of their initiation fee when they join and the other half on April 1. There are also many benefits for you to bring in a new member outlined below.

We are striving to reach 535 members by June, but we need your help! Potential members are everywhere. If you know of anyone who may have some interest in Manhattan Country Club and would like for me to contact them, please do not hesitate to contact me with their information. If you have any ideas for membership in the future I would love to hear from you!

Mallory Mitchell - Membership Director



# New Members: Pay <u>No Dues</u> Until April!

New members will not have to pay any dues until April 1, 2013!

New members also get the option of paying 50%

of their initiation fee on their joining day and the other 50% April 1.

#### **Current Members:**

Receive the amount of dues credit outlined for the new member's corresponding category!

By bringing in a new golf member, Family Regular Golf members and Family Young Professional Golf members have the option of taking dues credit **OR** moving down to an Individual Golf Category.

New Member Category	<b>Dues Credit</b>		
Dining	\$50		
Social	\$175		
Non-Resident Golf	\$275		
Single Young Professional Golf	\$250		
Individual Young Professional Golf	\$275		
Family Young Professional Golf	\$300		
Single Regular Golf	\$300		
Individual Regular Golf	\$375		
Family Regular Golf	\$500		

#### \*NEW\* Individual Golf Membership

An Individual Golf Membership is available to couples with one designated golfer. The designated golfer has full access to all of the Club's facilities and amenities. The spouse of the designated golfer will have access to all amenities but will be limited to golfing 3 times annually with the payment of a green fee. Dependent children will have privileges to everything with the exception of the golf course. This membership is available to both regular members and young professionals under the age of 35.

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