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### Golf Shop News

#### **Welcome New Members!!**

Please join us in welcoming our newest golfing member Wesley Montgomery to Elm Lake.

If you are thinking about holding a golf outing or event in 2018, please see Joseph as soon as possible before the dates fill up.

March 17<sup>th</sup> --- 1 Player Scramble @ 9am  
April 11<sup>th</sup> --- Wednesdays Team Event Starts 5p  
April 24<sup>th</sup> --- Boys 4A District High School Golf  
May 2<sup>nd</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Boys 4A State High School Tour  
May 5<sup>th</sup> - Birdies for Brazil Scramble @ 1pm  
May 16<sup>th</sup> - Greg Andrews Invitational @ 12:30p  
May 20<sup>th</sup> - Roast n' Boast Scramble @ 1:30pm  
June 9-10<sup>th</sup> - Palmer Home Ringer @ 1pm  
June 21<sup>st</sup> - Coca Cola Junior Tour 8am-1:30pm  
July 9-10 - Greens Airification  
August 18<sup>th</sup> - Battle of the Ages @ 9am  
Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> - Last day of Wednesdays Team Event  
October 12<sup>th</sup> - GTR Homebuilders @ 1pm  
October 13<sup>th</sup> - ATMAE Scramble @ 9am  
October 20<sup>th</sup> - National Fallen Fire Fighters Fundraiser Scramble @ 1:30pm  
Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Thanksgiving Day - Course Closed  
Dec 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day - Course Closed

We would like to remind all players to be respectful to other golfers on the course; you can help by:

- \* Filling divots and fixing ball marks,
- \* Picking up you trash,
- \* Do not spit sunflower seeds on the greens or throw cigarette butts on the course.

#### **PLEASE HELP**

The golf course is good and that creates a high demand for play. We have already seen days of 80 and even 100 players. It is important that you **MAKE TEE TIMES**. This will ensure that you have a spot on the tee and also help our staff with our preparation for each day. Please take a vow to make tee times 100% of the time. Communication is key!

Also on the topic of communication; we communicate to golfers *AS A WHOLE* for course rules. If you think that it could be dry enough for you to utilize a handicap flag you need to 1) ask the golf shop and 2) display that flag above the roof line of your cart. You do not determine the course rules, the management does; and the management will determine if and when it is cart path only and if/when handicap flags are allowed privileges. It is your job to ask and communicate (daily) with the golf shop if you want a special exception for a given day.

#### **Pay it 'Fore'ward**

....with our new board in the golf shop. Buy a drink or a gift card for a police officer, military member, staff member, or a fellow golfer you have seen going out of their way to help the course. See the board on the golf shop counter to pay it 'fore'ward or redeem a gift.

#### **From the Course**

We have had an unusually large amount of rain in the month of February this year. With this

much rain comes increased soil temperatures which leads to early bermudagrass green up and increased weed populations. With this in mind we are taking extra precaution with the course and having many days as cart path only.

We also have not been able to execute our weed control program as planned. We have currently sprayed about half of the rough with post/pre emerge herbicide and will finish the course as soon as it is safe to do so. Another down side to all the rain is that we were only able to complete one bunker in the month of February. Hole #8 bunker was completed a couple weeks ago and we will start our bunker renovation back up as soon as it dries out.

Due to all the rain and the soil compaction that comes along with it we decided to aerify greens with solid star tines on February 27. This cultivation practice will go a long way soften the greens and allow some much needed oxygen to the roots.

#### **From Tee's**

Spring is just around the corner, which means it's CRAWFISH season! We will be serving Crawfish on Saturdays starting this month. We will announce our kick-off to crawfish on Nextdoor.com and our Facebook page.

We would like to introduce our newest team member, the future "Chef" Vernita Wash. Vernita will graduate from the Culinary program at MUW this May. Come taste her signature dishes, showcased in our "Chef's Special", which changes weekly. All to tantalize your taste buds.

Thank you for your continued support. As  
always, Happy Eating!  
Daniel and Heather Doty