

# NOVEMBER Newsletter



HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING!





## President's Message

Fellow Members-

October turned out well weather wise, hope you have had ample opportunities to enjoy golf or other club activities. While golf opportunities will diminish somewhat during November, the House and Entertainment Committee is working hard to schedule indoor activities for the rest of the fall and right up to our shutdown in early January. Those are listed elsewhere in the newsletter. I hope you'll take advantage of any or all of them.

We are rapidly approaching the Holiday season. Please keep Oakwood in mind as you organize Holiday work functions, or gatherings of friends and family. Marc and his staff are eager and willing to help you put together a party plan to suit any sized gathering.

Please read Marc's newsletter article regarding monthly minimums for 2022. If you do have questions, don't hesitate to reach out to the office.

### Private Club Network.

Oakwood previously was a member of the Private Club Network. Due to low usage by the membership, the Board made the decision a while back to discontinue membership as we did not feel the cost justified the benefit for the few members who were utilizing the program. We did revisit membership for 2022 at our last Board meeting and again made the decision not to renew our association with the Private Club Network. If you are traveling and are having issues securing a tee time at the course of your choosing, we'd encourage you to reach out to Eric Drane to see if he can assist you. I think our experience has been that Eric is able to secure tee times at many courses without the benefit of belonging to the PCN.

I hope to see many of you around the club either playing those last rounds of golf for the year or enjoying many of the events we have scheduled for November. If I don't see you before, have a great Thanksgiving.

Kind regards,

Steve McCann, Board President

### Halloween Party 2021





## General Manager's Letter

Fall is here but a lot is still happening at Oakwood. Thanks to the families who joined us for the Halloween party, it was *scary* to see so many of you present... Thank you also to the members who volunteered, from Dan Hoskins and Dan Neises who scared the bejesus out of the kids on the hayride, to Debbie Bohman who helped with the craft table, once a teacher, always a teacher, I guess.

The house & entertainment committee met recently to plan some of the fall events, I love their creativity and input. As you'll see in the newsletter, they are not short on ideas! Hope you can join us for some these events. By the way, if any of you have a train set you would be willing to lend us, it sure would be fun to have one for the upcoming the Polar Express event on Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Thanks to Troy for building a new forward tee on hole #16. With the assistance of members, we have identified locations for other forward tees on hole # 17 and #18 as well. Before these are finalized, you will see in the future temporary forward tee markers in the fairway. We are looking forward to your feedback on these temporary locations to determine if indeed, these forward tees will meet with your expectations. Once approved, these will be built as time allows but what a great opportunity to offer more options to golfers of all ages and skill levels.

### Winter Minimum Update

This year, the annual Club shutdown will take place from January 9<sup>th</sup> to February 10<sup>th</sup>. This hiatus affects your ability to utilize your monthly minimum. Currently we are bundling together January and February minimums. This year, we are changing our approach, and we think you will appreciate the increased flexibility it will provide.

Effective January 2022, we will forego the January minimum. As a tradeoff for this change, starting in February and every month after that, your food & beverage minimum will increase by \$5.00/month for those members that have monthly minimums. The January minimum is Jan 1-Jan 31 for last names starting with N-Z and Jan 16 - Feb 15 for last names starting with A-M. We trust you will see this as an equitable change since now you'll have a food & beverage minimum for 11 months since January will always be excluded. If you have an annual minimum, there won't be any changes for you.

As always, we encourage you to support the food & beverage operation by dining with us or ordering food to go. Planning a holiday party with friends or associates is always a great way to use your minimum! Please direct any questions to Marc Struelens by calling 309 799 3153 or via email at [marc@oakwoodgolf.org](mailto:marc@oakwoodgolf.org).

Happy Holidays,

Marc Struelens  
General Manager





OAKWOOD CC

# MONDAY IS LADIES' NIGHT!

Bar Luge  
Cocktails  
Gourmet Pizza's  
\$15 person

**Prosciutto** - Balsamic Fig Spread, Argula,  
Walnuts drizzled with Balsamic Glaze

**Hawaiian** - Canadian Bacon & Pineapple

**Pesto** - Sun Dried Tomato, Fresh  
Mozzeralla, Garlic Chicken  
and more!

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH  
FROM 4 - 7PM**

Got a double X chromosome?  
You're in!  
Guests are welcome!

RSVP by November 3rd



## **NOVEMBER Newsletter – Ladies of Oakwood Organization**

**Hello, Ladies! This will be my last newsletter for the year and thought I would update you on a few things.**

**First, if you attended our spring gathering both Troy and Eric talked about forward tees for the ladies. If you have been on the course you will see changes for #16, #17 and #18 that have taken place or are in the works. Next year plans have been discussed to add others so keep this in mind as we will be looking for input from the members. Thank you to Rose Barnet, Cindi Erickson, and Stephanie Crompton for being part of this planning.**

**Second, thank you to our officers for continuing for another year. Deb Kell was voted in as secretary for the 2022 year as Christa Lohmeir had completed two years as secretary. Thank you to Christa for serving. I would also like to thank all our committee chairs for remaining. However, we are in need of a Member/Guest chair and a chair for Nine, Wine and Dine. If you would be interested in these positions, please contact me. If we cannot find anyone to fill these positions, then we will NOT have these two events which would be a shame.**

**Thank you to Deb Behan for planning our fall gathering menu and for the cute fall decorations. Also, thank you to Wanda Robb for bringing in a guest speaker, Mackenzie Banwart with ORA, who shared ways for keeping in shape over the winter.**

**Don't forget that cards are played on Thursdays @ 11:00 during inclement weather. Bridge is played all year long and starts earlier in the morning. If you don't play cards, stop in for lunch or a cocktail. This would be a great way to keep in touch during the winter months.**

**Jan Knox, President**

**[Cell#309-738-6465](tel:309-738-6465)/[Email-jsknox51@gmail.com](mailto:jsknox51@gmail.com)**

**“Nothing is more beautiful than the loveliness of the woods before sunrise.”**

**–George Washington Carver**



# IT'S GAME TIME!

FOOTBALL SUNDAYS ARE BACK!

EVERY SUNDAY STARTING NOVEMBER 7TH

## MENU

CHILI - SERVED WITH CRACKERS, SHREDDED CHEDDAR CHEESE & GREEN ONIONS  
CUP \$4 BOWL \$6

SOUP DU JOUR - SERVED WITH CRACKERS  
CUP \$4 BOWL \$6

HOT DOG BASKET - GRILLED HOT DOG, FRENCH FRIES & COLE SLAW \$8.75

BURGER BASKET - 6 OUNCE BURGER, CHOICE OF CHEESE, LETTUCE, TOMATO, ONION, PICKLE,  
FRENCH FRIES & COLE SLAW \$8.75

GRILLED CHICKEN BASKET - GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH ON A REGULAR BUN, LETTUCE,  
TOMATO, ONIONS, PICKLE, FRENCH FRIES & COLE SLAW \$8.75

QUESADILLA W/ CHICKEN - SERVED WITH SALSA, SOUR CREAM & GUACOMOLE \$12.75

OAKWOOD CHICKEN STRIPS - THREE ALL WHITE MEAT STRIPS  
SERVED WITH FRENCH FRIES & COLE SLAW \$7.75

1/2 SOUTHWESTERN CHICKEN WRAP - SERVED WITH FRENCH FRIES & COLE SLAW \$8.75

CHILI CHEESE FRIES - FRENCH FRIES TOPPED WITH CHILI, SHREDDED CHEDDAR CHEESE,  
GREEN ONION, & SOUR CREAM SERVED ON THE SIDE \$6.00

POTATO SKINS - LOADED WITH SHREDDED CHEDDAR CHEESE, BACON, GREEN ONION  
& SOUR CREAM SERVED ON THE SIDE \$6.00

CHILI LOADED POTATO SKINS - TOPPED WITH CHILI, SHREDDED CHEDDAR CHEESE.  
GREEN ONION & SOUR CREAM SERVED ON THE SIDE \$6.00

DINE IN ONLY - REGULAR MENU AVAILABLE  
ENDS JAN. 2ND

FOOD SPECIALS SERVED UNTIL 4:00PM

# **EUCHRE TOURNAMENT**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 20TH**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 10TH**

**PLAY STARTS AT 1:00PM**

**\$5 PER PERSON**

**RSVP REQUESTED  
309-799-3153**





OAKWOOD COUNTRY CLUB'S

# *Christmas Tree Give Away*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH  
5:00 - 8:00PM**

Oakwood Community Outreach  
The Club will donate up to 10 5' pre-lit trees to  
families or organizations in need.

Members will:

- Provide their own decorations
- Form their Group (these can be family members or friends)
- Suggest Beneficiaries (the club will have suggestions as well)
- Be ready to have fun for a good cause

SIGN UP ON THE POSTED FORMS IN THE CLUB  
LOBBY OR LOCKER ROOMS NO LATER THAN  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH.

COMPLIMENTARY PIZZA & POP TO ALL WHO  
PARTICIPATE





**WEDNESDAY  
11.24.21**



**HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING!**

**WE ARE OPEN FOR DINING ON WEDNESDAY!  
REGULAR MENU AVAILABLE  
STARTING AT 5:00PM**

***THANKSGIVING SPECIAL***

**ROAST TURKEY (MIX OF WHITE & DARK MEAT)  
SERVED WITH MASHED POTATOES, TURKEY GRAVY,  
STUFFING & GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE \$18.99**

**AVAILABLE FOR DINE IN OR TO GO - HOT OR COLD**

**ORDER DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 19TH  
AVAILABLE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS ON NOVEMBER 24TH**

**CALL 309-799-3153 FOR RESERVATIONS**





# THE POLAR EXPRESS

## PAJAMA PARTY

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD**

**Buffet Starts at 6:00**

**Movie Starts at 6:45**

**Make your own Pasta Buffet and Pizza Buffet**

**Adults \$12.95 - Kids \$7.95**

---

**Hot Cocoa Bar and Cookie Decorating Station**

**Dress your family up in their favorite pajamas and enjoy  
a movie and dinner with us!**

**Call 309-799-3153 for Reservations**





# Brunch with Santa

**Saturday, December 11th**

**10:00am - 1:00pm**

**PHOTO OP WITH SANTA  
COOKIE DECORATING STATION  
SPECIAL GIFT FROM SANTA**



**ADULTS \$16.95 - \$18.95 AFTER DEC. 7TH  
KIDS 5-12 \$7.95 - \$9.95 AFTER DEC. 7TH  
4 & UNDER \$4.95 - \$6.95 AFTER DEC. 7TH**

## **MENU**




**SCRAMBLED EGGS - BREAKFAST BAKE CASSEROLE - BACON - SAUSAGE LINKS  
FRENCH TOAST WITH WARM FRUIT TOPPING - FRUIT SALAD - MASHED POTATOES - CHICKEN GRAVY  
CHICKEN CASSEROLE - QUICHE - BREAKFAST PIZZA - CROQUE MONSIEUR SANDWICHES - BAKED HAM  
ASSORTED PASTRIES AND DESSERTS: INCLUDING CRANBERRY YOGURT MUFFINS, CUPCAKES, MINI-DANISH**

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY DECEMBER 7TH**

**CALL 309-799-3153**



# November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Family Night Enchiladas 	5	6
7 Football Sunday Menu 	8 	9	10	11 Family Night Chicken Fried Steak 	12	13
14 Euchre Tournament  Football Sunday Menu	15	16	17	18 Family Night Pasta 	19	20 Christmas Tree Give Away Party 
21 Football Sunday Menu 	22	23	24 Club Open for Regular Dining  Thanksgiving TO GO	25 Club Closed 	26	27 Prime Rib Night 
28 Football Sunday Menu 	29	30				

# December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Family Night Enchiladas 	3 <b>Polar Express Pajama Party</b> 	4
5 <b>Football Sunday Menu</b> 	6	7	8	9 Family Night Chicken Fried Steak 	10	11 <b>Brunch w/ Santa</b> 
12 <b>Euchre Tournament</b>  <b>Football Sunday Menu</b>	13	14	15	16 Family Night Pasta 	17 <b>Holiday Dinner &amp; Dance</b> 	18
19 <b>Football Sunday Menu</b> 	20	21	22	23 Holiday Dinner To Go/Dine In 	24 <b>Club Closed</b>	25 <b>Club Closed</b>
26 <b>Football Sunday Menu</b> 	27	28	29	30 Family Night BBQ 	31 NYE Dinner 	Jan 1 <b>Club Closed</b>
Jan 2 <b>Football Sunday Menu</b> 	Jan 3	Jan 4	Jan 5	Jan 6	Jan 7	Jan 8 <b>Closing Down the House Party</b> 



OAKWOOD COUNTRY CLUB INVITES YOU TO OUR

# *Holiday Dinner & Dance*

*Friday, December 17th*

*6:00 Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres*

*7:00 Dinner*



## MENU

BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP - HARVEST FALL SALAD

ROASTED SIRLOIN WITH SHRIMP AND SCALLOPS SCAMPI, BALSAMIC ROASTED  
FALL VEGETABLES, GARLIC MASHED POTATOES

FLOURLESS CHOCOLATE TORTE TOPPED WITH CHOCOLATE GANACHE

---

\$40 PER PERSON

RSVP BY DECEMBER 14TH

\$45 PER PERSON AFTER DECEMBER 14TH

309-799-3153





# CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

*Sunday, December 19th*  
*10:00am - 1:00pm*

---

Baked Feta Egg Casserole - Pecan Pie French Toast Casserole  
Veggie Frittata - Roasted Potatoes w/Rosemary and Onion  
Roasted Cauliflower and Pomegranate Salad  
Pomegranate-Hazelnut Roasted Brussels Sprouts  
Hasselback Butternut Squash  
Sweet Potato Puree w/Streusel Topping  
Broccoli w/Garlic Bacon and Parmesan - Stuffed Peppers  
Bagels and Lox - Omelets Station - Carving Station (Prime Rib)  
Assorted Fresh Pastries, Desserts and Pies

---

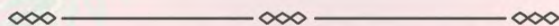
Adults \$24.95 - Kids 5-12 \$11.95  
4 & Under Complimentary

Reservations Required - 309-799-3153



# HOLIDAY DINNER TO GO/DINE IN

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23RD



SLICED ROAST BEEF COOKED MEDIUM RARE  
WITH PORT WINE & MUSHROOM DEMI GLAZE  
\$22.95

APPLE SMOKED HONEY PINAPPLE GLAZED HAM  
\$17.95

BAKED SALMON WITH LOBSTER CREAM SAUCE  
\$21.95

FRESH GREEN BEAN ALMANDINE  
SCALLOPED POTATOES AU GRATIN

BROWN BUTTER CAKE WITH ROASTED APPLES,  
CARAMEL & CINNAMON SAUCE



Pick up times on December 23rd  
5:00, 5:30 and 6:00PM

Order deadline is December 14th  
Can be ordered Hot or Cold  
- A la carte Available -  
309-799-3153

# NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER



Friday, December 31st



## Special Menu

Crab Cake with Key Lime Remoulade \$8.99

Traditional Baked Scallops Au Gratin \$9.99

Surf & Turf - 6oz Filet, Shrimp, Asparagus & Roasted Potatoes \$26.95

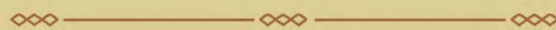
Salmon Wellington \$22.95

Prime Rib \$25.95

Crème Brûlée for Two \$8.00

Chocolate Lava Cake \$6.00

Brown Butter Cake with Cinnamon Ice Cream \$6.00



To Go Order Deadline: December 27th

RSVP 309-799-3153

A la carte Available



CLOSING DOWN THE HOUSE

# PARTY

**JAN. 8, 2022**

6:00 COCKTAILS  
& HORS D'OEUVRE

7:00 SMORGASBORD

8:00  
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY  
"SAVED BY SUMMER"  
BAND

\$30.00 ++ PER PERSON



ENJOY THE CLUB ONE LAST TIME BEFORE  
THE ANNUAL SHUT DOWN

# Golf Shop Talk

*November 2021*



This time of year is a time we use to reflect on all that we are thankful for. As my sixth year at Oakwood nears an end, I am thankful for all of the great people at Oakwood that I have had the opportunity to meet and develop friendships with. Hopefully we still have plenty of golf ahead of us this month...the golf course is still in great shape, and looks amazing this time of year with the leaves changing colors. Our November hours of operation are below, make sure to check your e-mail for any frost delays we may have in the mornings when the temperatures near freezing overnight. Finally, it's hard to believe, but Christmas will be here before we know it, and what better place to get some of your shopping done than in the golf shop - check below for our Fall Sale deals!

Eric Drane

Head Golf Professional

## November Golf Course Hours of Operation

Monday - Open (weather permitting)

Tuesday - Sunday - 1st tee open @ 9a

***Golf Polos & Bottoms - 20% OFF***

***Outerwear - 10% OFF***

***Shoes - 15% OFF***

***Golf Bags - 10% OFF***

***Bushnell - 10% OFF***





# 2021 Season Long Match Play



## *Results*



### **2-Man Match Play**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$550/team**

*Steve Bush & Brad Greeno*

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$350/team**

*Jeff Harrop & Cameron Harrop*

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$150/team**

*Brad Muller & Steve McCann*

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$150/team**

*Kyle Jungers & Justin Berry*

### **Women's Team Match Play**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$70/team**

*Carol McCormick & Vikki Lagerstrom*

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$46/team**

*Christa Lohmeier & Leslie O'Melia*

### **Men's Individual Match Play**

#### **Group 1 – Final Match**

*Mike VanDeHeede vs. Mick Haverland*

#### **Group 1 – T3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$40**

*Mark Rice & Pieter Hanson*

#### **Group 2 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$120**

*Darrell Koenig*

#### **Group 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$80**



## Golf Tips - Playing in the Wind

It sure has been windy out lately! So I figured there is no better time to discuss some tips on playing in the wind. When you are playing in the wind controlling your trajectory is key. We have all hit those shots that get up in the wind and get blown way off line.

A few things I focus on when playing in the wind are...

1. Take more club

Approximately one club for every 10 mph of wind

2. Swing Easy When It's Breezy

70-80% of your normal speed

3. Keep the shaft leaning forward

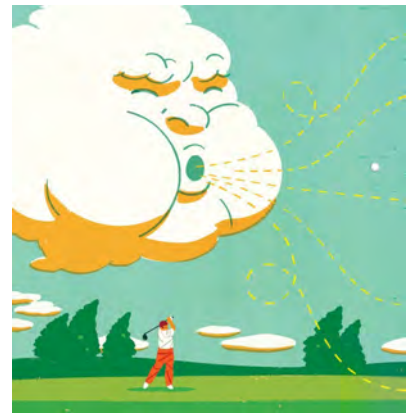
This helps keep loft off the club into impact

4. Get your body turned through and your weight transferred to the front side

If the body/weight falls away from the target you will add loft to the shot

5. Keep your follow through shorter and lower

A low finish position keeps loft off the club resulting in a lower ball flight



**For more tips check out the my website of follow me on social media!**

[www.ericdranegolf.com](http://www.ericdranegolf.com)





January 1st, 2022

---

Final Day To  
Redeem  
Golf Shop Credit

---

Call or e-mail the golf shop to find  
out how much you have on the books

## **BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS**

MONDAY - FRIDAY 10AM - 5PM

## **FOOD SERVICE**

MONDAY & TUESDAY CLOSED

WED (PIZZA TO GO ONLY) 4PM - 7:00PM

THURS - SATURDAY 11AM - 7:30PM

SUNDAY 11AM - 4PM

## **BEVERAGE SERVICE**

MONDAY & TUESDAY CLOSED

WEDNESDAY - SUNDAY OPEN AT 11AM

## **NOVEMBER GOLF SHOP HOURS**

MONDAY - OPEN WEATHER PERMITTING

TUESDAY - SUNDAY 1ST TEE OPEN AT 9:00AM

**\*\*HOURS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\***

PLEASE CALL THE CLUBHOUSE IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER

309-799-3153



## 2021/2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT - STEVE MCCANN  
2023

VICE PRESIDENT - STEPHANIE CROMPTON  
2022

TREASURER - GARY MCCORMICK  
2022

SECRETARY - BRIAN LAUFENBERG  
2023

## LADIES' ORGANIZATION

JAN KNOX - PRESIDENT

VIKKI LAGERSTROM - VICE PRESIDENT

CHRISTA LOHMEIER - SECRETARY

LESLIE O'MELIA - TREASURER



## OAKWOOD COUNTRY CLUB STAFF

GENERAL MANAGER/COO, MARC STRUELENS, CCM  
MARC@OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

CLUBHOUSE MANAGER, KYLE DOXSTADER  
KYLE@OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, ANGIE SAMMS  
ANGIE@OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

OAKWOOD CHEF, MADONNA MILLER  
CHEF@OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

GOLF PROFESSIONAL, ERIC DRANE  
ERIC@OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

ASSISTANT GOLF PROFESSIONAL, NIC WADSAGER  
NIC@OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

GROUNDS SUPERINTENDENT, TROY SHATTUCK  
TROY@OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

CLUBHOUSE/OFFICE PHONE# 309-799-3153

PRO SHOP PHONE# 309-799-5558

GROUNDS PHONE# 309-234-5141

WWW.OAKWOODGOLF.ORG

