

HELLO
May

OAKWOOD CONNECTION



Dear Members,

What a change from April, 2022. We experienced wonderful weather last month and fortunately avoided all the damaging storms throughout the Quad Cities. April rounds of golf were up by 200 rounds when compared to April 2022. We also had the privilege of Hosting the Missouri Valley Conference Collegiate Men's Championship April 22-25. This event brought in a significant amount of revenue for the club and showcased the beautiful grounds of Oakwood to all the players and spectators. The Team Championship was won by the Illinois State Redbirds while the overall Medalist, from the Valparaiso Beacons, Anthony Delisanti posted a 66, 64, and 70.

Chef Michael is settling in nicely within our team here at Oakwood. Our seafood buffet was a success showcasing some of Chef Michael's talents, while many of you also had an opportunity to meet with him. Easter events were very well attended with just shy of 400 people for our Easter Weekend Brunches.

I would also like everyone to welcome Sous Chef Marisa Lopez to the Oakwood team. Marisa will be assisting Chef Michael on the line during lunch and dinner services along with preparation for private events and banquets. We are excited for Marisa to join and provide even more improvement to our food and beverage operations.

The club hosted the annual meeting on Tuesday, April 25 where I spoke about continued membership growth as we have added around 30 new members this season thus far. Modern marketing approaches to attract new young memberships is beginning to see results. Since March 1st, we have added 17 new memberships with another 18 thinking or club tours scheduled. Traditionally, we see a significant growth of social and junior members in May so I look forward to reporting those numbers next month.

I am also excited to announce that we will be increasing our kitchen hours to provide more value to our membership. As a friendly reminder, with the warmer days on the horizon, **we strongly encourage you to make a reservation for lunch and/or dinner**. This will ensure we can plan for your arrival and provide you with the best service possible. If dining on the patio, we ask you to stop by the hostess stand to make sure we can accommodate you. If we do not have any reservations past 7:30pm Thursday - Saturday, we will begin kitchen closing procedures prior to 8:00pm.

New Kitchen Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: Closed (11am bar service with deli sandwiches available)

Wednesday: 11am-7pm (Lunch Menu & Pizza)

Thursday-Saturday: 11am-8pm

Sunday: 11am-6pm (Lunch Menu & Pizza)

New Office Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday-Friday: 10am-5pm

Looking forward to seeing you at the Club,

Paul Block

General Manager

Fellow Members-

As Paul noted in his message, April started out strong for the club in terms of both golf and food and beverage activity. We appreciate the support of our members and hope the favorable weather continues now that we enter May.

Thanks to all members who attended the annual meeting on Tuesday, April 25. We did achieve a quorum (barely I might add) and were able to properly conduct the business portion of the meeting, the election of 3 directors to serve a three-year term ending with the 2026 annual meeting. First, I would like to thank two directors whose terms expired this year, Mitch Heckenkamp and Jim Solis. Both Mitch and Jim were very engaged during their time, and we truly appreciate the contributions they made to the Board. Jeffrey O'Connor and John "Omar" Bradley, along with Brian Laufenberg (Incumbent) were elected as Board members at the meeting. At the Board meeting immediately following the annual membership meeting, officers were elected for the 2023/2024 year. I will continue as President, Stephanie Crompton will serve as VP, Gary McCormick, Treasurer, and Brian Laufenberg, Secretary. Serving on the Board is a valuable experience for any member. I hope in the future you will consider offering your talents to the club as a Board Member. In addition to serving on the Board, we will soon be forming committees for the 2023/2024 fiscal year. If you are interested in being a member of a committee, please reach out to me or Paul Block, we'll be happy to discuss the opportunity with you.

For those stockholders who could not attend the annual meeting, please feel free to contact the office to receive a copy of the presentation via email. At a high level, 2023/2024 is going to be a challenge compared to the financially successful years we experienced over the past two fiscal years, but we are optimistic we can achieve the necessary membership growth to make this year a success.

As we move toward warmer weather, activities around the club will pick up. We are about a month away from the pool opening. Please come out and enjoy all your club has to offer. I look forward to seeing many of you soon.

Regards,

Steve McCann, Board President

WELCOME TO SPRIN/TER!

We have had some wild temperature swings so far this spring, right? It will not be long, and we will be complaining about the heat.

We want to welcome all our new members. We are kicking off the ladies' golf season, albeit a little late, on Thursday, May 4th, and every Thursday thereafter (our "ladies' day").

There will be a Meet and Greet on May 18th. Social hour will be 4:30 to 5:30 with appetizers and bar service. This is a great time to come meet the women from the club. Bridge, mahjong, golf, pool, and social members are all invited. We will have a short presentation at approximately 6 p.m. from a member of the women's board, Eric, and others detailing events happening at the club.

We will be mixing it up this year with different golf games on Thursdays at 11 a.m. Eric, our Pro, will be planning fun events at least once or twice a month, along with a little gambling (\$2 or \$3) for some competition. If you would like to join in, just sign up in the pro shop before you play that day to get in the game. Eric will send out the game and format in his weekly golf update. No matter what your level of golf is, most games will be based on your handicap, so you will be able to compete against all levels. If you do not have an established PGA handicap, please see Eric or Nic in the pro shop and they will get you started. It takes very few rounds to do so. Golfers who do not have established handicaps are still welcome to play on Thursdays if the game does not require a handicap. You are welcome to form your own group of ladies to play with that day or you can play with the draw group at 11.

There is an established draw group at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays, availability and weather permitting. You need to sign in or call the pro shop to get your name on the signup sheet before 10:45. The groups are drawn at 10:45. This is a great way to meet the members. This group may also play a side skins game for \$2, but you do not have to play the side game if you choose not to. Let the pro shop know before you begin to play.

The golfers who do not have established handicaps are still welcome to play on Thursdays if the game does not require a handicap. Also, a 9-hole league one night during the week after work is being formed. Check with Eric or Nic in the golf shop to sign up and get more information. This will be an anything-goes format for those who would just like to play for fun. However, if you would like to establish a handicap, this is a great way to get started! No matter your level, we are excited to have you as members and would like to accommodate your golf desires. Please let the golf shop, or any member know your phone number to text, so we can get you on your way to play.

During the winter and during golf season on days when weather does not permit, the ladies meet to play cards, usually euchre, at 11 a.m. on Thursdays.

The bridge group and mahjong group meet on certain days. Please contact the office to get the information. There are social events coming up, such as luge night, pool parties, and other social events, just for the ladies.

Welcome to spring of 2023!

The Ladies Organization.

GOLF CLINICS

LADIES CLINICS
WEDNESDAYS

MAY 3
MAY 10
MAY 24

MEN'S CLINICS
THURSDAYS

MAY 4
MAY 11
MAY 25

Week 1 - Full Swing
Week 2 - Short Game
Week 3 - On Course

START @ 5:30P

OFFERED @ NO CHARGE





CINCO DE MAYO

SPECIAL

BEEF OR CHICKEN ENCHILADA
WITH CILANTRO LIME RICE

\$14⁺⁺

THUR MAY 4TH-
SAT MAY 6TH

available while supplies last



Couples Golf Glow Ball

Friday, May 5th
8:00p Shotgun

Let's light up the night, as couples compete in a fun filled night of glow ball.

Teams of 4 - 5 couples will play 9 holes of alternate shot scramble

Who can play: Couples Event - Guest are Welcome

Cost: \$100++ per couple (Glow ball supplies \$40, Cart \$20, Dinner \$40)

Sign Up Deadline: May 1st

Limited to the first 40 couples

Oakwood Country Club

GRAB YOUR DERBY ATTIRE AND JOIN US FOR OUR



Kentucky Derby P A R T Y

SATURDAY

May
6th

5:30PM - 7:00PM

DERBY DRINKS & APPS

**PARAMUTUAL BETTING ON
CHAMPIONSHIP RACE**

RSVP 309-799-3153



Oakwood Country Club

MEN'S OPENING SMOKER

FRIDAY MAY 12TH - 12:30P SHOTGUN START

Start off the season right by bringing out some guests or getting together with a group of members and enjoy a great day of golf followed by a delicious dinner!

Format: 2 of 4 Best Ball & Individual Stroke Play

Who can play: Men's Event – Guests Are Welcome

Cost: \$65++ (Cart \$15, Prizes \$20, Dinner \$30)



New Member Cocktail Party

Saturday May 13th | 6:00pm



New Members of Oakwood are invited to join us for complimentary hors d' oeuvres & a chance to meet and mingle with fellow new members, the Board of Directors, veteran members & the staff of Oakwood!!



Kindly RSVP by May 9th at 309-799-3153 or kelli@oakwoodgolf.org

Mother's Day

- Oakwood Country Club -

Please join us for Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday May 14th, 2023

10AM to 2PM

Reservations Required

Brunch Buffet

\$30.95 adults | \$11.95 children (5-12) | under 4 free

Made to Order Omelets | Creamy Scrambled Eggs
Hash Brown Casserole | Applewood Smoked Bacon
Country Sausage Links | Belgium Waffles w/Maple Syrup
& Whipped Cinnamon Butter

Fruit & Berry Display | Assorted Cheese & Crackers
Strawberry Fluff Salad | Caprese Salad | Corn Chowder
Spring Garden Blend Salad

Smoked Steamship Maple Glazed Ham
Rosemary Roasted Leg of Lamb with Mint Sauce

Pan Seared Chicken Chasseur | Roast Sirloin of Beef
Garlic Shrimp Stir Fry

Chef's Assorted Pastries & Desserts

All Mothers Will Receive One Complimentary Mimosa

48 Hour Cancellation Policy

Cancellations or modifications are required
48 hours prior to event or charges will be
posted per your reservation.

MAY

2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	01	02	03	04	05	06
		TITLEIST DEMO DAY	Ladies Clinic	CINCO DE MAYO Men's Clinic	Couples Golf Glow Ball CINCO DE MAYO	Kentucky Derby 149 Derby Party CINCO DE MAYO
07	08	09	10	11	12	13
TOUR EDGE DEMO DAY	SKIP A LONG GOLF OUTING COURSE CLOSED UNTIL 5:30PM	Interclub @ Elm Crest	Ladies Clinic	FAMILY NIGHT PASTA BAR Men's Clinic	Opening Smoker	OAKWOOD New Member PARTY
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Mother's Day Buffet				Ladies Meet & Greet FAMILY NIGHT FRIED CHICKEN		Stroke Play Championship
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Stroke Play Championship		Interclub vs Geneva (home)	Pool Opens Ladies Clinic	FAMILY NIGHT KABOBS Men's Clinic		
28	29	30	31			
	MEMORIAL DAY Stroke Play & Buffet		Pool drink specials			



June 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				01 JR GOLF Family Night ENCHILADAS	02	03
04	05 Waterman Cup 1:00pm 	06	07	08 JR GOLF Family Night PASTA BAR	09 Heaven & Hell 	10
11  Super unday CALLAWAY DEMO DAY	12 ARC GOLF OUTING COURSE CLOSED UNTIL 4:00PM	13 Ladies 9 Hole Golf Mixer  9 Hole Golf League	14 Interclub @ Thunder Hills	15 JR GOLF Family Night CHINESE	16	17  Divorce Open
18 happy Father's Day	19	20 Interclub vs Hunters Ridge (home)  9 Hole Golf League	21 Men's Guest Day 	22 JR GOLF Family Night FAJITAS	23  COUPLES GOLF FISHING	24
25 Parent Child 	26	27  9 Hole Golf League	28 Ladies Pool Bash 	29 JR GOLF Family Night CHICKEN FRIED STEAK	30 SUMMER KIDS CAMP OUT   Ladies Guest Day	



Golf Shop Talk

May 2023



This month at Oakwood...

- 2nd - Titleist Demo Day 11a - 5p
- 5th - Couples Golf Glow Ball
- 7th - Tour Edge Demo Day 1p - 5p
- 9th - Interclub @ Elmcrest
- 12th - **Men's Opening Smoker 12:30p**
- 20th & 21st - Stroke Play Championship
- 25th - Interclub vs. Geneva (home)
- 29th - Memorial Day Stroke Play



Call the golf shop to get signed up for any of the event above!

NE Iowa Interclub Schedule

- TBD - Sunnyside (Home)
- 5/9 - Elmcrest (Away)
- 5/25 - Geneva (Home)
- 6/14 - Thunder Hills (Away)
- 6/20 - Hunters Ridge (Home)
- 7/26 - The Meadows (Away)
- 8/3 - Dubuque Golf (Away)

Let me know if you are interested in playing in any of these matches!

Golf Shop Spotlight





OAKWOOD CC



STROKE

CHAMPIONSHIP

PLAY

MAY 20 & 21 – AM TEE TIMES

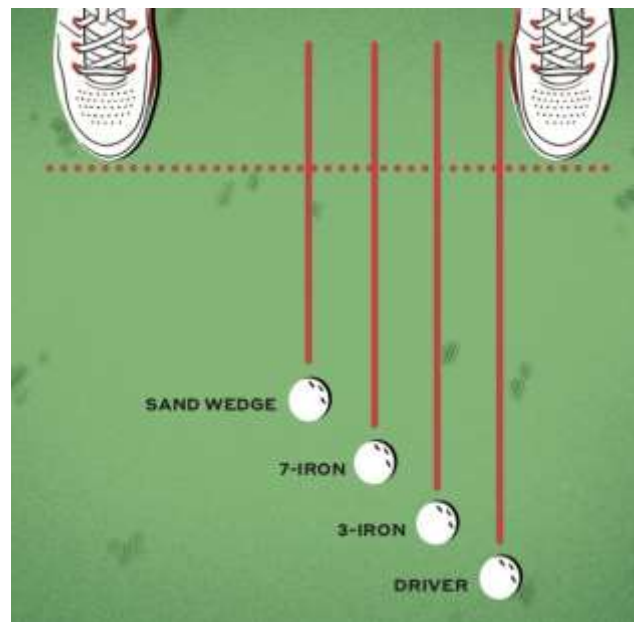
36 Hole Stroke Play
Men & Women
Gross & Net Divisions

Entry Fee - \$30
Prizes & Trophies



Keep It Simple - Ball Position

Early in the season it is important to pay attention to the fundamentals. Proper ball position allows you to swing more freely, and make better contact. See the chart below for an example of where the ball should be in relation to your stance.



Playing the ball too far back can cause these problems...

Shots move to the right because the club does not have time to square up

A reverse tilt in the downswing - resulting in poor contact that is often heavy

Playing the ball too far forward can cause these problems...

Shot that move to the left because the club has over-rotated as it approaches impact

A sway into the ball on the downswing resulting in poor contact this is often thin

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OAKWOOD CC

2023 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Front 9

April

22 - 25 Missouri Valley Conference
26 - Men's Guest Day
28 - Ladies Guest Day

May

5 - Couples Golf Glow Ball
12 - Men's Opening Smoker
20 & 21 - Stroke Play Championship
29 - Memorial Day Golf Event

June

3 - Velie Cup @ Pinnacle
4 - Velie Cup @ Short Hills
6 - Waterman Cup @ Oakwood
9 - Heaven & Hell Best Ball
11 - Super Sunday
13 - Ladies Golf Scramble
17 - Divorce Open
21 - Men's Guest Day
23 - Couples Golf Fishing Night
25 - Parent-Child Event
27 - Waterman Cup @ Crow Valley
30 - Ladies Guest Day

Back 9

July

2 - Red, White, Blue Golf Event
14 - Men's Trifecta
16 - Super Sunday
21 - Couples Golf Pool Party
23 - The Derby
28 - Ladies Member-Guest
29 & 30 - Club Championship

August

5 & 6 - Club Championship
10-12 - Men's Member-Guest
17 - Solon Golf Trip
18 - Couples Golf 70's Night
19 & 20 - QC AM Tour
25 & 27 - Solheim Cup

September

3 - Labor Day Golf Event
10 - Senior Playday
15 - Closing Smoker
18-21 - IWGA Senior AM
30 - 2 Person Scramble





Memorial Day Golf Event

Play in your normal game, but before you head out sign up to compete in our Memorial Day Switch Tee Event.

18 holes – Individual Stroke Play – Gross & Net Divisions
Move up & back tee boxes depending on your score
from the previous hole
Memorial Day Buffet available all day

Who can Play: Men & Ladies Event – Member Only

Cost: \$15 per person (Prizes)

May 29th - Play in your normal groups – Must tee off by 2:00p





MEMORIAL DAY BUFFET

MONDAY MAY 29TH

11AM - 5PM

Adults \$15.95 | 5-12yrs \$10.95 | 0-4yrs FREE

MENU

Grilled Pork Tenderloin
Hamburgers
Chicken Fingers
Brats
Hot Dogs

Cucumber Salad
Cole Slaw
Pasta Salad
Baked Beans
Kettle Chips
Mac N Cheese
Corn on the Cobb





Oakwood Country Club
We proudly announce our club's participation in
PGA Junior League Golf!

Program Structure

Fun team scramble format for players of every skill level
All participants get to play in every competition
Weekly practices to help your junior golfer improve

PGA JLG Participants Receive

- Team Jerseys, golf balls, hat, t-shirt, back pack, and PGA JLG bag tags
- 4-5 regular season competitions plus coaching/practices
- Opportunity for advancement to post-season and All-Star teams
- Access to customized website home page for our PGA JLG team featuring schedules, standings and stats

Player Proficiency

- Advanced skills not required, must have access to a set of golf clubs
- If your child can drive, chip or putt... we have a role for them on our
- PGA Junior League Team!

Timeline

- May 12 is the Registration Deadline
- June - July: Regular Season (4-5 matches) & Practices (Sunday Afternoons)
- August: Postseason Qualifiers & Section Championships
- September: Regional Championship
- October: PGA JLG National Championship

How to Register

You can register your junior golfer to play at <http://www.pgajlg.com/register>. The registration fee is \$225 and includes: Golf Instruction, Matches, 2 Uniforms, T Shirt, Back Pack, Bag Tags and Golf Balls.

Schedule

June 6 - @ Davenport CC

June 21 - @ Palmer Hills

June 27 - @ Davenport CC

July 11 - @ Crow Valley

TBD - @ Oakwood

REGISTRATION CODE: OAK

Eric Drane, PGA
Oakwood Country Club
(309) 799-5558
eric@oakwoodgolf.org

Junior Golf Summer Camp



Instructors

Head Golf Professional	Eric Drane, PGA	eric@oakwoodgolf.org
Assistant Golf Professional	Nic Wadsager	nic@oakwoodgolf.org

Age Groups	Nickname	Holes	Time
13 – 18	Big Oaks	6-9	1:30pm – 2:30pm
11-12	Jr. Oaks	3	2:30pm – 4:00pm
9 - 10	Little Oaks	2	4:00pm – 5:30pm
8 & Under	Pee Wee	1	5:30pm – 6:30pm

Students in each group will receive 60 minutes of instruction followed by playing their assigned number of holes out on the golf course on specific play days. Instruction days with no play days scheduled will be contest days.

Parents/Guardians are asked to help supervise their children while out on the golf course.

Please arrive to class 5 minutes before the starting time - Meet on the putting green.

Schedule

June: *1st, 8th, *15th, 22nd, *29th

July: 6th, *13th

Fun Day: July 20th

Junior Club Championship: August *3rd

* Play Day

Fee

\$100 per student - Includes Instruction & Puma Golf Shoes

Topics covered throughout the program

Safety & golf course etiquette / Sportsmanship & basic rules of golf / Full Swing, Short Game, Course Management

Please return this portion to the golf shop by May 25th

NAME: _____

AGE: _____

MEMBER: _____

MEMBER # _____

CONTACT #: _____

SHOE SIZE: _____

EMAIL: _____



NE IOWA INTERCLUB 2023

May 9th - Elmcrest (Away) 1p
May 25th - Geneva (Home) 1p
June 14th - Thunder Hills (Away) 12:15p
June 20th - Hunters Ridge (Home) 1p
July 26th - Meadows GC (Away) 12p
August 3rd - Dubuque GC (Away) 1p
TBD - Sunnyside (Home) 1p

Call the golf shop to sign up!

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - CLOSED

TUESDAY - FRIDAY - 10AM - 5PM

FOOD SERVICE

MONDAY - CLOSED

TUESDAY - 11AM (BAR DELI)

WED - 11AM - 7PM (LUNCH MENU & PIZZA)

THURS - SATURDAY 11AM - 8PM

SUNDAY 11AM - 6PM (LUNCH MENU & PIZZA)

BEVERAGE SERVICE

MONDAY CLOSED

TUESDAY - FRIDAY OPEN AT 10AM

SATURDAY - SUNDAY OPEN AT 9AM

MAY GOLF SHOP HOURS

MONDAY - 11:30AM - 6:00PM

TUESDAY - FRIDAY 7:30AM - 6:00PM

SATURDAY & SUNDAY - 7:00AM - 6:00PM

*****The Golf Course & Practice Facility will open 30 minutes after the Golf Shop opens*****

Hours are subject to change. Please call the Clubhouse in the event of inclement weather.

309-799-3153



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2024

VICE PRESIDENT **STEPHANIE CROMPTON**
2025

TREASURER **GARY MCCORMICK**
2025

SECRETARY **BRIAN LAUFENBERG**
2026

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BRAD MULLER 2024

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