



Oakwood Connection

October 2023

Fellow Members,

As we close the book on September, we will still have some good weather left to come out and enjoy a round of golf or take part in the many events the club has to offer this fall. I hope you all have the chance to take part in some or all the events planned. With the recent cooler temperatures and decent amounts of rain, the course is in great shape to round out the golf season.

As most of you probably know, Oakwood hosted the IWGA Women's Senior Open the week of September 18. Thanks to Eric, Paul, Kyle and all the staff for a job well done. A special thank you to Stephanie Crompton for chairing the event, and to all the member volunteers for their help not only during the Open, but also for the countless hours spent leading up to that week. Without the collective effort of all involved, this event would not have been as successful as it was. I had the opportunity to attend the banquet on Wednesday of that week, which was very well done. Thanks to Chef Greg and his staff for a fabulous meal. Finally, congratulations to all the participants from Oakwood. Our Oakwood members who participated in the event represented us very nicely.

We have had a lot of compliments on Greg Simmons since he took over as Executive Chef in September. I hope you can come out and enjoy one or more of his offerings soon.

We have a very competitive fall membership special in place if you know of anyone thinking of joining the club. Even though we are toward the end of the golf season, this is a good opportunity for someone to enjoy a month to 6 weeks of golf for the remainder of this year and lock in their membership for the 2023-2024 season. If you know of someone who has an interest, contact the office for more details.

While we are a little more than 6 months away from our annual membership meeting, I'd like to plant the seed about running for an open Board position. We have three openings for Board seats at every annual meeting. I'd love to see some of our talented members raise their hand and run for the Board. This is a great opportunity to not only learn about how the club works, but for you to be heard and help weigh in on how the club moves forward into the future. I'd be more than happy to talk to anyone who has an interest so you can make an informed decision about seeking a Board seat.

Thank you for your support of the Club. I hope to see you out enjoying some great fall weather soon.

**Regards,
Steve McCann, Board President**

Dear Members,

Fall has arrived and with that chillier temperatures but fall golf remains fun to play even if the temperatures are brisk when you tee off. We encourage you to play and take advantage of the fantastic course conditions Troy and his staff have been maintaining.

Oakwood had the privilege of hosting the IWGA Women's State Senior Amateur Championship event September 18-21 for the 3rd time in its history. A very special thank you goes out to Stephanie Crompton; Stephanie was instrumental with the planning and organization of this special event. Also, a big thank you to the entire staff, volunteers, and participants for assisting in a memorable week for Oakwood and the IWGA.

Mark your Calendars for Oakwood's 100th Anniversary celebration on Saturday, October 7th. Oakwood Country Club was originally established in 1923 on the original land plot in Moline before purchasing the land where we presently reside in 1967.

The holiday seasons are upon us, and the golf staff are making sure the shop is stocked with a variety of new items for the fall season. Keep the shop in mind when planning your holiday shopping.

Talking about the holidays, keep us in mind when planning your holiday gatherings with family, friends, or business associates in our banquet facilities.

Other events to make plans for is our Murder Mystery on Saturday, October 14 and Oktoberfest taking place Thursday, October 19th – 21st. where we will be featuring food and drink specials celebrating Oktoberfest. Ending the month of October is our Annual Halloween party for the whole family on Saturday, October 28th.

Please take note of changes to the restaurant hours of operation on Wednesday's:

11:00am – 4:00pm: Lunch

4:00pm – 8:00pm: Pizza's To Go

See you at the club soon,

Paul Block, PGA

General Manager

LADIES LNKS

The Illinois Women's Golf Association event was a rousing success. The Oakwood course was in wonderful shape, the food was excellent, and the camaraderie was top tier. Thank you to all the volunteers, staff in the clubhouse, grounds staff, and pro shop staff for putting on a great event.

Fall has fallen upon us. We have had excellent weather, though, and there is still time to get many more rounds in before the snowflakes descend. Check Eric's post for future events. However, this is the time we will be losing some of our members to the snowbird migration. We will miss them, but maybe we should venture out to visit them in their respective states? Yes!!!

We plan to have a closing gathering in early October. Please check your emails for the date and time. It will be a time for us to talk among ourselves about how things have been going throughout the year. We will have a suggestion box available. Please bring your opinions and thoughts to write down and share – anonymously. It's only been this year since we have let the clubhouse and pro shop take over our events for the year. We would like to hear what suggestions you have for us to take into the next year. At this time we do not expect to make any major changes to the women's organization. We need to evaluate before we have a potential vote in the future.

“Golf is a game in which the slowest people in the world are those in front of you and the fastest are those behind.”

The Ladies Organization,
Deb Kell, President



100 Year Anniversary Party

Please join us for the
Italian Buffet starting at 5PM and the Night People at 6:30 PM!

Children 5-12
15++

Italian Buffet Includes:
Caesar Salad
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Lasagna
Chicken Alfredo
Garlic Toast
Cookies

Adults
30++

October 7th | 5 PM

Oakwood Country Club

1067 US HW 6, Coal Valley, IL

Please RSVP at 309-799-3153



GOLF SHOP TALK

OCTOBER 2023

Fall is here, but that doesn't mean it's time to put the golf clubs away yet, as there are plenty of good days of golf ahead!

I think we can all agree that the golf course has been in great shape all year long - even with drought like conditions for most of the Summer. September 13th was National "Thank A Super" Day - so the next time you see Troy or any of his staff out on the golf course, stop and thank them for all of their hard work to make Oakwood one of the best courses in the Midwest.

Our event calendar wraps up this upcoming weekend with our Super Sunday Chili Open. I want to thank all of you that have participated in the club events throughout the year.

October Golf Shop Hours of Operation

Monday - 1st tee open @ 12:00p

Tuesday - Friday - 1st tee open @ 8:30a

Saturday & Sunday - 1st tee open @ 8:00a

⚡ OAKWOOD CC ⚡

CHILI OPEN

10.08.23 **BRING THE HEAT!** 1PM SHOTGUN

4 person scramble - teams selected by golf shop

Mixed Event - Members Only

Entry includes - cart fee, prizes, chili buffet





Meet the Chef

Greg Simmons



Introduction

Please welcome our New Executive Chef, Greg Simmons. Greg has over 30 years' experience as an Executive Chef in both the corporate sector and private sector.

All About me

Most recently, he assisted in getting a first-time restaurant owner up and running. Greg was also the Executive Chef at the now Vibrant Arena until the pandemic of 2020. Prior to that he was the Executive Chef for Aramark at their top Midwest Clients, Palmer College and Deere & Company. He studied Culinary Arts at Black Hawk College and has additional experience at country clubs and restaurants. Greg competed in the Aramark Culinary Excellence (ACE) challenge and was a member of the winning team in 2005. In his off time, he enjoys golfing with his wife and spending time working in the yard.

Contact Details

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Phone : 309.799.3153

FAMILY BUFFETS



**OCT
5TH**

POLISH

ITALIAN

**OCT
12TH**

**OCT
19TH**

GERMAN

SPAIN

**OCT
26TH**



Hello OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
01	02	03	04	05 Autumn Creek Happy Hour Family Night Polish	06	07 100 Year Anniversary Party PARTY Time!
08 Super Sunday Chili Open	09	10	11	12 Family Night Italian	13	14 Murder Mystery Night
15 Euchre	16	17	18	19 Oktober Fest Family Night German	20 Oktober Fest	21 Oktober Fest
22	23	24	25	26 Family Night Spain	27	28 Halloween Party
29	30 Happy Halloween	31				

Hello November

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			01 Autumn Creek Happy Hour Family Night Family Picnic	02	03	04
05	06	07	08	09 Family Night Holiday Dinner	10 Veteran's Day Fall Harvest	11
12 Euchre	13	14	15	16 Family Night Meatloaf	17	18
19	20	21	22 Happy Thanksgiving	23 	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Family Night Pasta		

OAKWOOD COUNTRY CLUB INVITE YOU TO:

Murder Mystery



Night

\$60++

DINNER:

SPRING SALAD MIX WITH LEMON CHAMPAGNE VINAIGRETTE
BEEF WELLINGTON WITH DEMI
SEARED POTATO PILLAR
GREMOLATA ASPARAGUS
POUND CAKE WITH RUM & CARAMEL APPLES, VANILLA CREAM
& CANDIED PECANS

Doors open at 6 PM
Price includes
dinner and the
show.

14 October 2023
Oakwood Country
Club
1067 US HWY 6

Reservations
Required.
309-799-3153



BEER - MUSIC - FOOD

1067 US HW 6, COAL VALLEY, IL
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The flyer is set against a dark blue background with a night sky, clouds, and silhouettes of trees and a building. At the top center is a yellow circle with a witch on a broom. Two black bat silhouettes are on either side. The title 'SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN PARTY' is in large, bold, blue letters with an orange drop shadow. Below the title, the date and start times are listed. A small spider icon is between the date and times. The activities are listed in a stylized font, and the food menu is in a cursive font. The background also features a large, faint purple spiderweb.

SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN PARTY

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 28**

**STARTS AT 5:30PM
DINNER AT 5:45PM**

Food | Music | DANCE | GAMES

*pumpkin decorating - cookie decorating -
candy hunt - scary scavenger hunt -
hay rack rides - dj games - costume parade
& much more*

*tater bugs - spaghetti & eyeballs - bloody nuggets -
scary loaf - creepy mashed potatoes -
zombie mac & cheese - vampire vegetables -
spider eggs - mummy dogs - devilish desserts
& more*

ADULTS \$22±± | KIDS 5-12 15±± | KIDS 4 & UNDER FREE

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - 309.799.3153

**ADDITIONAL FEE WILL BE APPLIED FOR THOSE WITHOUT RESERVATIONS



HOST YOUR

Holiday PARTY

AT OAKWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

Call the main office to
reserve your date today!

*Various party options
available*



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Oakwood Members,

The 54th Illinois Senior Amateur Women's Championship held September 19-21, 2023, has come to a close. After three days of Championship Women's Golf at Oakwood Country Club, an overall Champion, Mary Ellen Martin of Winfield, Illinois was crowned Champion. Oakwood Country Club also crowned Winner's of our own. Flight Winners are determined by "Age Group" and Oakwood Winners are as follows:

Sandy Rice - Overall Low Net & "McLear" flight Low Gross & Low Net Winner

Rose Barnett - "Page" flight Low Gross and Low Net Winner

Donna Edwards - "McLear" flight Low Net Winner 2nd Place

Shelly Foster - "Page" flight Low Net Winner 2nd Place

Joyce Aller - "Wessel" flight Low Net Winner 2nd Place

Oakwood also wants to recognize three other participants that competed in the competition:

Denise Killion & Laurie Redden & Carol McCormick

Please help me in Congratulating the above Oakwood Ladies and recognizing their accomplishments. We all are **VERY PROUD!**

Hosting a tournament of this magnitude takes the help of many people to make it successful. And "SUCCESSFUL" it was. As Chair of this event, I needed surrounded myself with "Great" people. I personally want to recognize those who gave their time, and went above and beyond to help our Club.

Please help me recognize the following:

Paul Block, General Manager & Alyssa Sierra, Office Administrative Assistant

Kyle Doxstader, Clubhouse Manager, and his Staff

Eric Drane, Golf Professional, and his Staff

Troy Shattuck, Grounds Superintendent, and his Staff

Gregory Simmons, Executive Chef

To all of our Staff that worked countless hours to make this event a SUCCESS - Thank You!

I also want to recognize **"My Committee Chairs"**. They are as follows:

BANQUET - Deb Behan & Mary Ann Rush, & **HELPERS** Mary Ann Connors, Mary Lewis, Mary Jo Maloney

REGISTRATION - Carol Holmes & Patti DeLeu & **HELPERS** Mary Jo Maloney, Fran Spurgetis

PUBLICITY - Dottie Tubbs & Darla Evans

HOSPITALITY - Leslie O'Melia & Jana Pitlak & **GREETERS** - Margie Delgado and Joyce Aller -

HELPERS - located on the Veranda and at Hole 12 & !5 to provide Water & Snacks for all Golfers - Jan Leone, Rhonda VanDeCastele, Carol Holmes, Jane Osborn, Cathy Parchert, & Teresa Lemon

VOLUNTEERS - Wanda Robb & Brenda Kratzberg - Spotters were located on Holes 4, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 15, sitting through Sun, Wind, & Rain. Volunteers showed up for their shift times and we are so **VERY GRATEFUL**. Please see volunteers listed below:

Dan Edwards - Darrel Koenig - Rick Forrest - Kathy Forrest - Bill Redden - Randy Erickson - Mike Behan - Barry Rush - Frank Leone - Mike Owens - Doug Jacquin - Tim Knox - Mike Criswell - Sara Criswell - Don DeLeu - Mark Megraw - Brad Greeno - Paula Greeno - Jon DeDecker - Karen Williams - Steve Hayes - Brian Pearson - Roger Killion - John Westensee - Steve Kratzberg, Sr - Steve Kratzberg, Jr. - Dave Iglehart - Denny Scrutchfield

Also, "Thank You" to Jim Berry for letting us use his Club Car to transport our Volunteers during the Tournament.

PHOTOGRAPHY - Roger Killian & Craig Leslie - We will **CHERISH** the pictures forever!

To all of our Volunteers and the time you gave of yourselves to help our Committees and Oakwood Country Club, we **APPLAUD YOU ALL!**

"THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES"!

Stephanie Crompton, Chair of the IWGA 54th Women's Senior Amateur Championship



MEN'S CLOSING SMOKER

Team Net Division

1st - Jim Pitlik, Tyler Pitlik, Ron Heinzman, Brett Riley

2nd - Chad Bloomfield, Steve Kratzberg Jr., Jeff Tubbs, Barry Mulvania

3rd - Larry Selser, Bradley Skrzyniarz, Tim Martin, Kevin Koehler

4th - Mark Depoorter, Jim Skaggs, Lance Luther, Chris Larson

Team Gross Division

1st - Mark Ray, Dave Holmes, Tim Buckwalter, Jason Sturtevant

Flag Event Winners

#3 - Barry Mulvania

#8 - Jay Wallace

#14 - Chris Larson

#17 - Bill Redden

Skins Game

Gross Skin - Chad Bloomfield (#10)

Net Skins - Mark Ray (#2 & #18) Denny Scrutchfield (#8)



OAKWOOD CC

SENIOR PLAY DAY

RESULTS

Senior Men

Gross 1st - Mark Rice (72) \$30

Net 1st - Steve Hayes (71) \$30

Super-Senior Men

Gross 1st - Gary McCormick (82) \$25

Net 1st - Greg Bateman (67) \$25

Senior Women

Gross 1st - Michelle Trede (85) \$30

Net 1st - Carol McCormick (67) \$30

Super-Senior Women

Gross 1st - Sandy Rice (83) \$35

Net 1st - Leslie O'Melia (69) \$35

Closest To The Pin

#8 - Mary Ann Connors

#14 - Darrell Koenig

#17 - Gary McCormick

\$20 Golf Shop Credit

1st Place Men's Team

Mark Rice

Todd Nelson

Gary McCormick

Greg Bateman

1st Place Women's Team

Donna Edwards

Jana Pitlik

Margie Delgado

\$100 Golf Shop Credit/Team



2023/2024 OFFICERS

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2024

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2025

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GARY MCCORMICK
2025

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2026

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GROUNDS

309-234-5141

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - CLOSED

TUESDAY - FRIDAY - 9AM - 4PM

FOOD SERVICE

MONDAY - CLOSED

TUESDAY - GRAB & GO

WED - 11AM - 4PM (LUNCH MENU)

PIZZA TO GO 4PM-8PM

THURS - SATURDAY - 11AM - 8PM

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

BEVERAGE SERVICE

MONDAY CLOSED

TUESDAY - FRIDAY OPEN AT 10AM

SATURDAY - SUNDAY OPEN AT 9AM

OCTOBER GOLF SHOP HOURS

MONDAY - 11:30AM - 6:00PM

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

SATURDAY & SUNDAY - 6:30AM - 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.

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