

MAY 2018



COUNTRY CLUB OF PEORIA

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FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

BY CHRIS REIS, CCM

May is here and I can't believe Summer is around the corner. This has been a long Winter & Spring!!! We are starting to prepare for our Summer activities around the Club but due to the weather, we are delayed in many of our Spring projects around the Clubhouse and golf course. Please be patient as our staff is working hard to complete our "to do" list.

NEW FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER

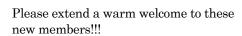
I am happy to announce we have hired Randall James to fill our second open Food & Beverage Manager position. Randall will start at CCP on Monday, May 21st. Randall will be graduating in May from Western Carolina University with a double major in Hospitality & Tourism Management and Marketing. He also has a culinary arts degree and has spent time in both the front and back of the house. His work experience includes: Lake Toxaway Country Club (Lake Toxaway, NC) and the Biltmore Park Hilton Hotel (Asheville, NC). Randall has been very active with CMAA at the collegiate level and is currently the Vice President of the student chapter at Western Carolina University. I look forward to Randall joining CCP and feel he will be a great addition to our Food & Beverage team.

NEW MEMBERS

The following members have been approved for membership:

- Christopher & Kerrie Jarvis (Regular)

- Kristina Marshall (Social)
- Micah & Mattilyn LeMoine (Junior)
- Nicholas (Nick) & Ellen Yates (Associate)





The membership levels of the Club are strong, but this is the ideal time of year to encourage new members. The best recruitment method is word of mouth. Please reach out to your friends, colleagues, family and neighbors and tell them about Country Club of Peoria and the value of membership at one of the premier clubs in the Midwest.

DIDYOU KNOW?

- 1. The initiation fee for a new member is \$2,000.
- The Club offers three types of golfing memberships based on age: Junior (ages 21 29), Associate (ages 30 39) and Regular (age 40 or over). Monthly dues are different based on each category.
- The Club offers a Social membership and it includes all amenities except the use of the golf course (Social members can access the golf course

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CLUB NEWS

GENERAL MANAGER

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up to 4 times a year but must pay a guest fee).

4. The fitness center is available to all members of CCP and is open seven days a week. Michael Buhs, fitness director, is available Monday through Friday for any questions or assistance. Michael does offer personal training sessions for an additional fee.

Please contact me directly to discuss membership at Country Club of Peoria.

CREDIT CARDS AT CCP

Starting May 1st, credit cards will be accepted at the Clubhouse, Golf Shop and 19th Hole for CCP members and their guests. The following policies for credit card payments have been approved by the Board of Directors:

- Credit card payments will be swipe only. CCP staff will not take a credit card number verbally or sent by email as payment.
- 2. The Club will not store any credit card information on file.
- 3. Members and their guests are

welcome to use credit cards as payment for the following:

- a. Food & Beverage services in the Clubhouse, 19th hole & golf course
- b. Greens & Golf Fees
- c. Private parties or events
- d. Members using a credit card for food & beverage charges will be credited for minimum spending
- 4. The Club will not accept credit cards as payment for monthly member statement balances.
- 5. A convenience fee of 4% will be automatically added to all credit card payments.
- The convenience fee is to offset all fees incurred by the Club to offer credit card payments.
- The Club will no longer accept cash as a form of payment. Member charges or credit cards will be the only form of payment.

If you have questions please speak with me or any of the management staff and we'll be happy to assist you.

MOTHER'S DAY (SUNDAY, MAY 13TH) RESERVATIONS

This year the Club will be implementing a new reservation system for our large holiday brunches. Reservations will be taken on the ½ hour starting at 10:30am. Room requests will be taken and the staff and I will do all we can to accommodate these requests. This change is to better accommodate more members at these events and create an even flow of members and their guests throughout the day. This reservation system will also allow us to better utilize areas of the club which in turn will allow for a more enjoyable experience for everyone.

And finally, please continue to share with me your comments and concerns about your club. I enjoy hearing about what you think of CCP.

I look forward to seeing everyone and thank you for the continued support of Country Club of Peoria.

TASTY NOTES FROM CHEF STEPHEN

BY CHEF STEPHEN HURD

Springtime is finally here! That means local springtime vegetables and summer fruits will soon be available. I am excited to bring fresh, organic, local and sustainable products to the menu. If you haven't dined at the Club lately, you are missing out! Every Friday and Saturday night in April we have been featuring two Heart Healthy specials which will continue through May. These specials are made from scratch using products that are either local, organic, non-GMO and/or gluten free. The idea behind this is to make local farm fresh products the focus and blend them with a healthy, low-calorie recipe that tastes great! We will continue to source local products

from Dixons Seafood, Raber's Meats, and the local farmers markets.

Our Easter buffet saw close to 250 people celebrate good food and fun. I hope to see even more of the membership at our Mother's Day Buffet. As always, we will be hosting our wine pairing dinners throughout the year as they continue to be sold out and great successes! If you still have not joined us for one of these incredible experiences, please do.

In trying to provide the best dining experience in Peoria, I have been pleased to receive such positive comments about the food and service throughout the Club. The food and beverage team

works long and hard to provide the best food and dining experience, so it is always great to hear our hard work

is producing "good results". This spring and summer we will be offering fresh, new ideas from new beverage options to food specials to further enhance your dining choices with the hopes of getting continued positive feedback from the membership. Enjoy and let me know what you think. I am always looking for ways to improve your dining experience here at the Club. Let's get cooking!

FROM THE FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER

BY BEN BEAVERSON

Exciting things are happening with the beverage program here at CCP! We have a great updated wine list that features a lot of amazing wines, weekly drink specials, and weekly wine features that are sure to please anyone. And on top of all that, we have two new beers on tap in the New Bar!

When I first started here at the end of February, I was blown away with the creativity of our staff at CCP and the ideas that they have as well as their dedication to you, the members, through recommending what you have voiced to them and how we can improve the experience at the Club. As a result of your suggestions coupled with the creativity of staff, we have started doing weekly drink specials known as "Kaye's Drink of the Week." It is always amazing what the staff comes up with! We've had great

drinks like the Irish Cola, the Orange Blossom, the Salty Dog, and Purple Rain. These drinks are amazing and I highly recommend stopping by to try each week's creation!

Starting on May 1st, we'll have an updated wine list that Chef and I have been working on that is comprehensive and offers fantastic wines! New to the wine list is our Bin #97 Features, which honor the fantastic wine heritage at CCP that dates back to the origination of the Club in 1897. The two wines we'll be featuring in May for the Bin #97 are the Landmark Vinevards Overlook Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Landmark Vineyards has local roots to Peoria with the winery owner, Damaris Deere Ford, being the great-granddaughter of John Deere, inventor of the first steel plow in Moline, IL.

Like I said earlier, exciting things are happening with the beverage program at the Club! We are extremely excited to offer these amazing wines and drinks to you the members. I hope to see you here at the Club soon!

Santé, Ben

SAVE THE DATES

TWILIGHT GOLF

FRIDAY, MAY 18

BUFFET DINER

\$30 (plus tax)

5:00pm Cocktails 5:30pm Shotgun Start 7:30-8:00pm Buffet

FAMILY TWILIGHT GOLF

SATURDAY, MAY 19

BUFFET DINNER

\$18.95 per adult (plus tax) \$12.95 per child (plus tax)

3:00pm Arrival 3:45pm Shotgun Start 5:30pm Buffet

Fun on the Run Inflatables, Snow Cones, Cotton Candy, and Complimentary Beer, Wine, Soda

HEAVEN/HELL STAG

THURSDAY, MAY 24

\$40 (plus tax) includes lunch and dinner

11:00am Lunch 1:00pm Shotgun Start 5:00pm Hors D'oeurvres 6:00pm Dinner

FROM THE GOLF SHOP

BY SCOTT BROWNFIELD

May has to be better!! The slow start to the season has everyone ready to go!! Hopefully by the time of this posting all the Spring projects are caught up both on the course and around the shop. We hate excuses, and strive for results, but Mother Nature was not the most accommodating this Spring.

THE CARPET CLASSIC on March 9th was a huge success. We had over 110 players try their luck on the carpets of the Club. Congratulations to Kevin Cassulo our 2018 Carpet Classic Champion!! We will keep everyone informed on when Mr. Cassulo will attempt his \$10,000 Twilight Putt.

THE GRANDVIEW INVITATIONAL is

officially sold out once again (60 Teams). Several people are still on the waiting list and will be forwarded to the 2019

you haven't played and wish to play in the future, please contact the golf shop



to be placed on the waiting list.

DURINGTHE 2018 GOLF SEASON.

the Professional Staff will be collecting scorecards. We will be recording scores hole-by-hole to check the current handicapping of the holes. In particular, the Professional Staff will be looking for scorecards of players with handicaps of 0-8 and 15-20. Please turn in your scorecards to the golf shop and the Professional Staff will gladly post your score in the computer. Reminder, those playing in the Grandview, each player must have ten scores posted prior to the tournament.

CLUB ATHLETICS

6TH ANNUAL CARPET CLASSIC RESULTS

MEN'S DIVISION

1st: Kevin Cassulo (17)

2nd: Tyler Petersen (18)

3rd: Drew Faries (19)

4th: Dan Tyre (20)

5th: Bill Cook (21)

T-6th: Harry Puterbaugh (22)

T-6th: Jeromee Hermann (22)

T-6th: Greg Miller (22)

T-6th: Mike Gibbons V (22)

T-6th: Mark Newton (22)

T-6th: Tom Mathers (22)

LADIES DIVISION

1st: Kristin Mathers (20)

T-2nd: Marci Shoff (21)

T-2nd: Laura Miller (21)

T-4th: Jennifer Tyre (22)

T-4th: Kathy Puterbaugh (22)

T-6th: Lisa Clemson (23)

T-6th: Mary Hasten (23)

T-6th: Laura Petersen (23)



FROM TEE TO GREEN

BY ANDY MORRIS

Well if April showers bring May flowers, what do April snow showers bring? It appears to bring a mad rush to our department to catch up on all the things we should have accomplished in April! What a wild spring or extended winter depending on how you look at it. We have had one of the wettest springs on record and the April snow events kept things interesting. Hopefully May will provide us with some good weather for golf and the flowers that the April showers are supposed to bring!

With the weather we had in April it definitely has set us back slightly. It is a much different year than 2017 but that is what makes being a turf manager interesting. Every year is different! May will be a busy month for the golf maintenance staff as we play some catch up and get the course ready for the challenges that summer typically brings. We will be doing our aeration on the 29th and 30th of April so the greens will be recovering the first week in May. Just a reminder that the course will be closed on Monday, April 30th and Tuesday, May 1st so we may complete this important agronomic practice. With some warmer temps the greens will be back in shape 10-12 days after we aerate them. As always, we appreciate your patience with this process.

We will also see the golf maintenance parking lot get resurfaced in early May. It should not impact golf play much, but if you happen to be down past the golf maintenance facility please pay attention to any closed off areas or signage. We would hate to have a cart drive into fresh concrete! The work on the lot should be completed by mid-May so well before Memorial Day weekend. Of course, any project of this type is weather dependent so hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate with us.

In May we continue to bring in our seasonal staff and get our team assembled by Memorial Day. This year we will have two interns with us for the season. Tyler Inselmann is attending ICC majoring in turfgrass management/ horticulture. Tyler grew up in Pekin and is a very solid amateur golfer. Our other intern is Andrej Buchka. Andrej attends Concordia Lutheran College in Wisconsin and is majoring in Landscape Design with an emphasis in Golf Course Architecture. Andrej is from Peoria and is an accomplished hockey player having played locally for the Peoria Mustangs and plays collegiately for Concordia

Lutheran College. We look forward to working with both these young men and welcome them

to CCP for the season. This year we have a returning seasoned crew so we will hit the ground running to get things in shape on the course.

Well May usually provides some of the best golfing weather of the season. As stated above, every year is different and thus far 2018 has not been typical but let's hope for the best! Get the clubs out and ready as the 2018 season has started (maybe a little late but it is here!).

See you on the course!

COURSE CLOSINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 30 AND TUESDAY, MAY 1 FOR AERATION

TUESDAY, MAY 29 FOR MEMORIAL DAY

FROM THE POOL MANAGER

BY LYNNTHOMPSON

Hoping for good weather by May!! I am happy to announce that many of our guards are returning this year as well as several new guards. We have also been able to do some updates that will help the pool area to look great!

The pool will open on **Saturday, May 26th**: 10:00am - 7:30pm

WEEKEND/HOLIDAY HOURS

10:00am - 7:30pm

WEEKDAY HOURS

12:00pm - 7:30pm

SWIMTEAM QUALIFIER

Saturday, June 2nd at 9:00am This is for parents/swimmers who are not sure if they are ready for swim team. Coaches will be available to test the swimmers and make recommendations for swim team, pre-team, lessons, etc.

PRE-TEAM

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 12:00–12:30pm

Pre-Team is for those swimmers who know how to swim freestyle, but who can't swim the length of the pool without assistance. Swimmers must be able to participate confidently in water activities and basic strokes will be taught.

Pre-Team is meant for swimmers that intend to join the Swim Team by July!

GROUP LESSONS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00–9:30am or 12:30–1:00pm

Group lessons are for those with some water experience. Participants must be able to float on back/stomach unassisted and the focus of lessons will be on learning freestyle and building water confidence. NOTE: Must be 4+ years old. A minimum of 3 swimmers is required for group lessons.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are for those with no previous water experience. The focus of private lessons is to build water confidence and teach basic swimming needs. Lessons are available to swimmers of all levels of experience and will be on an individual basis at a time that works for both the swimmer and instructor. Arrangements can be made through Lynn Thompson at <a href="https://linearchy.com/lin

SWIM TEAM

Head Coach:

Allison Thompson

Assistants:

Chance

McQuigg, Coleton Schrock, and Hayley Norris

Diving Coaches

Emma Krantz and Kolbe Schendl

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Begins Monday, June 4, 2018

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

10 and under Swimming 9:30–10:30am Diving 10:30–11:15am

11 and up Swimming 10:30am–12:00pm Diving 9:30–10:30am

Thursday

10:00 – 11:00am All ages swim

No diving on Thursdays

I am looking forward to another great season here at the CCP!



FROM THE TENNIS SHOP

BY SHANE SMITH

Hopefully with May finally here, that means warmer weather will give members at the Country Club of Peoria opportunities to get out and play on the tennis courts. Before many of the tennis programs begin in June, I wanted to highlight one of the new changes for the tennis programs this summer. In hopes to improve communication between the tennis programs and the members at the Club, I am implementing an app called **Remind**. Through the use of **Remind** I will be able to communicate when clinics or events are canceled. I will also be able to notify members about upcoming events at the tennis courts. If you have a smartphone you can easily join by downloading the app, or if you don't have a smartphone, it is easy to join as well. Below are separate codes for whether you are interested in the Junior Tennis Programs or the Adult Tennis Programs. Hope to see you soon out at the tennis courts!

CCP JUNIOR TENNIS

Option A

On a smartphone go to the link <u>rmd.at/7a8h7e</u> then follow the directions.

Option B

Text the message <u>@7a8h7e</u> to the number 81010. If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting <u>@7a8h7e</u> to 309-379-8183.

CCP ADULT TENNIS

Option A

On a smartphone go to the link <u>rmd.at/a8keke</u> then follow the directions.

Option B

Text the message <u>@a8keke</u> to the number 81010 If you're having trouble with **81010** try texting <u>@a8keke</u> to 309-379-8183.

TENNIS EVENTS

JUNIOR TENNIS IMPORTANT DATES

MAY 27

Memorial Day Jr. Round Robin (11 & up) 1:00pm

JUNE 8

Jr. French Open (ages 11 & up) 1:00pm

JUNE 29

Jr. Doubles Championship (10 & up) Jr. Mini Tennis Championship (4-10) 1:00pm

JULY 13

Wimbledon Junior Open (11 & up) 1:00pm

JULY 28

Jr. Club Championship (11 & up) 9:00am

AUGUST 4

Parent/Child Round Robin 9:00am

JUNIOR TENNIS SPECIAL EVENTS

JUNE 8

Tennis Kids Night 5:30-8:00pm

JULY 13

Tennis Kids Night 5:30-8:00pm

JULY 27

Junior Tennis Carnival 5:30-8:00pm

JULY 27-28

Senior Tennis Campout 8:00pm-9:00am

*Possible make-up date for Junior Carnival & Senior Campout Is August 3rd.

ADULT TENNIS SOCIAL EVENTS

JUNE 23

Mixed Doubles Sip & Serve

AUGUST 11

Mixed Doubles Sip & Serve

ADULT TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

French Adult Open 9:00am

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

Women's Double Championship 5:30pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

Wimbledon Adult Open 9:00am

SATURDAY, JULY 14

Adult Tennis Mixed Doubles Tournament 9:00am

FROM THE FITNESS DIRECTOR

BY MICHAEL BUHS

Spring is finally here! I hope everybody had a great winter, but it's time for the season to change. In May I'll be offering a couple of different opportunities in the fitness center. First, camp will be back starting May 1st. I will be holding my Boot Camp on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 – 9:30am. You must call and make an appointment for the first available slots. Available spots will fill up QUICK so please sign up AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

I will also be offering **Group Fitness Classes**. Rates start at \$25 per session if you purchase 2 and \$20 per session if you buy 3. These are awesome savings to get you ready for the beach and shorts weather. It is also a great way for you and your friends to stay active and get fit together.

Finally, I will be offering a **Cardio/ Strength Express Workout** for those people that are on the go as they are only 30 minutes long.

Call me at 309-645-7776 or email me at michaelbuhs@ymail.com to discuss

any of these options or to customize a program to your specific fitness needs!





HEALTHY ALTERNATIVE DINNER

FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS IN MAY

5:30 - 9:00pm

Each Friday & Saturday night in the month of May, Chef Stephen and his staff will offer evening specials that are designed to be healthy, heart-smart and delicious.

Come out and see and what the culinary staff is up to! We think you're going to like it!



SIGN UP!

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR JUNIOR SPORTS ACTIVITIES?

DON'T FORGET TO GET EVERYONE SIGNED UP BEFORE THE SUMMER BEGINS!

JUNIOR GOLF

Scott Brownfield at sbrownfield@ccofpeoria.org

JUNIOR TENNIS

Shane Smith at 309-696-5291 (cell)



Lynn Thompson at lthompson@ccofpeoria.org

KIDS KAMP

Sarah Behrens at sbehrens@ccofpeoria.org



THURSDAY HOMESTYLE FEATURE

THURSDAYS IN MAY

5:30 - 9:00 pm \$16.50 per person (plus tax) **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

Join us on Thursday nights for special homemade comfort dishes. All featured items will include a choice of soup or salad:

MAY 3

Liver and onions with mashed potatoes and gravy

MAY 10

Meatloaf & mashed potatoes

MAY 17

Rotisserie chicken with mashed potatoes

MAY 24

Turkey pot pie

MAY 31

Country fried steak

CINCO DE MAYO

SATURDAY, MAY 5

5:30 — 9:00pm \$22 per adult (plus tax), \$12 per child (plus tax)

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with an inspired buffet menu featuring specials in honor of the holiday. Beer and margarita specials available.



SUNDAY MIMOSA BRUNCH & GOLFER'S SPECIAL

SUNDAYS IN MAY

11:00am – 2:00pm \$19.50 per adult, \$13 per child (plus tax) \$9.75 golfers (plus tax)

We will offer our brunch at half price for golfers who tee off or finish between 11am – 2pm (excluding Mother's Day Brunch).

A complimentary glass of champagne or a mimosa is included for each paying adult.

JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS BUFFET MENU FEATURING:

Salad bar French toast or waffles
Fruit & cheese tray Carving station
Smoked salmon display Chef's entrees
Omelet station Vegetable medley
Bacon & sausage Breakfast potatoes
Eggs Benedict Assorted cookie bars

KIDS BUFFET INCLUDES:

Chicken fingers, macaroni & cheese, French fries

NOTE: From time-time, substitutions must be made. We apologize for any inconvenience.



SUNDAY DINNER SERVICE

SUNDAY, MAY 6

The Club will be open for dinner on Sundays starting May 6.

Dinner Service is provided until 8:30pm.



CCP BOOK CLUB MEETING - MAY

TUESDAY, MAY 15

Join us at **5:30pm**, with dinner to follow at **6:45pm**.

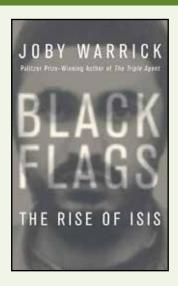
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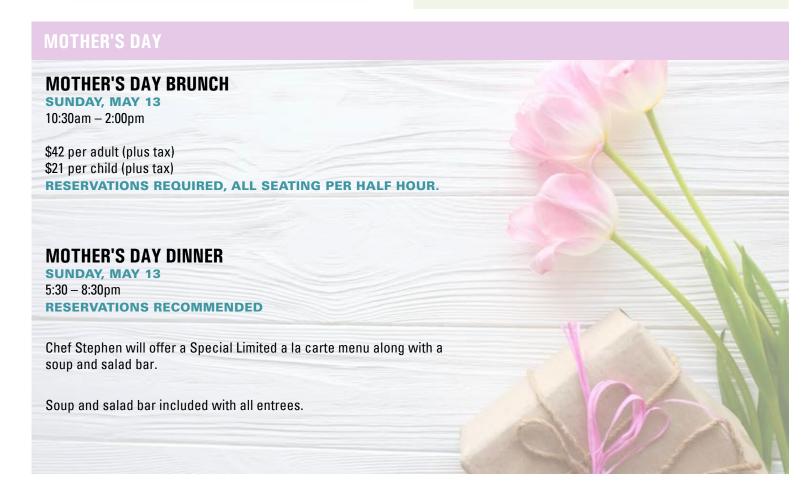
Black Flag

Author: Joby Warrick
Presenter: Beth Schlicksup

Call the Front Desk to make reservations at 686-2582.

Please e-mail Jill Terry if you have any questions, terryjet2@aol.com







MEMORIAL DAY PRO SHOP COOKOUT

MONDAY, MAY 28

12:00pm

\$18 per adult (plus tax), \$12 per child (plus tax)

Celebrate with a round of golf and lunch at the Club!

MENU

Chef grilled burgers
Sausage and peppers
Chicken breasts
Assorted salads
Fresh fruit
Chips
Brownies
Cookies

MEMORIAL DAY TERRACE DINNER BUFFET

MONDAY, MAY 28

5:00 - 8:00pm

\$18 per adult (plus tax), \$12 per child (plus tax)

Enjoy live music while you take in the view and feast of a festive traditional Memorial Day buffet!

NOTE: No a la carte dinner service



MAY 2018 CCP CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	Aerification Board Meeting Course closed	2	Homestyle Dinner Feature Men's League	4 Ladies' Golf	Cinco De Mayo Dinner Buffet No a la carte Dinner Service
6 Sunday Brunch Dinner Service Begins	7 Club closed	8 Ladies' Golf Golf/Grounds Committee	9	10 Homestyle Dinner Feature Men's League	11	12
13 Mother's Day Brunch Mother's Day Dinner Mother's Day	14 Club closed	Ladies' Golf Book Club	Finance Meeting House Committee	17 Homestyle Dinner Feature Men's League	18 Twilight Golf	19 Family Twilight
20 Sunday Brunch	21 Club closed	22 Ladies' Golf	23	24 Homestyle Dinner Feature Heaven/Hell Men's Golf Stag	25	26 Pool Opens
27 Sunday Brunch	28 Memorial Day at the Club No a la carte Dinner Service	29 Club closed due to holiday Course closed	30	31 Homestyle Dinner Feature Men's League	1	2





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Golf Pro Shop | (309) 685-1212 Grounds Mainenance | (309) 682-9432
19th Hole | (309) 685-3464 Fax | (309) 686-7019
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