# CedarCreekCountryClub

# The Beacon July 2018

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# HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

FROM YOUR
CEDAR CREEK COUNTRY
CLUB FAMILY



# Micki's Birthday and

# ELVIS NIGHT

SATURDAY, JULY 21ST 5:00PM

# LETTER FROM THE BOARD

#### Dear Members:

This month, I wanted to take the opportunity to answer three questions that I've heard discussed around the club. There are big, visible changes happening at our club, so obviously people have questions. Your board and I are always open to sharing whatever information you need to understand what is happening at your club.

Question 1: Why should I consider upgrading my membership to Charter level?

Our Charter membership trend has been declining for the last few years, and now stands at less than 100. Part of the reason for this decline is the monthly cost of Charter membership vs. other membership levels. Therefore, your board has been working on how we can provide more value to our Charter members to make this important membership level more appealing. Benefits of Charter membership have long included private cart use privilege and buyer's club membership at the pro shop. This year, we changed our pool guest fee policy to allow Charter members to bring guests at no cost. We also just replaced our "monthly free guest round" policy for golfers to instead offer unlimited accompanied guest rounds to charter members for half price. We found that few free rounds were being used, but some people would bring multiple guests and can now benefit from this new policy. You also may have noticed that we are increasing the cart fees for all golfers except for Charter members. Our cart fees are still less than other courses in the area, but Charter members can take a cart for their personal use for free (guests must still pay cart fees unless riding in a Charter member's personal cart). We will continue to look for ways to make the Charter membership level more attractive, but perhaps most importantly, Charter members are the shareholders of this club and have a voice into every decision that guides our future. I truly hope you will consider upgrading, especially during our special \$500 upgrade period through August 31.

Question 2: What is the long term plan for fairway replacement and other course improvements?

The truth is we have no fixed schedule for long term upgrades, but we are committed to improving your golf course as needs develop and funds allow us to act. This is why we have improved multiple tee boxes this year, and are now replacing the fairways on holes 1 and 9 with a better grade of turf. We expect everyone will really appreciate these new fairways, and we will hopefully continue replacing more fairways on an annual or perhaps biannual basis.

Question 3: How are we paying for these course upgrades? Am I going to be hit with a big assessment next year because we are spending so much money on these?

Your club maintains a dedicated account for golf course improvements that is funded by your contributions to the Sponsor Board and other fundraising activities. This account has grown to an amount sufficient to cover the cost of the improvements we are doing this year. These costs are not included in our club's operating cash flow, so these improvements are fully funded and have no impact on the club's financial net results.

If you ever have questions regarding club operations or decisions made by your board, please do not hesitate to ask by sending an email to the membership address. Meanwhile, I hope you are enjoying the summer, and look forward to seeing you at the club.

Sincerely,

Jeff Brighton

# Manager's Notes

Last week's aerification of the greens went well. For the first time in several years Dewayne and his crew successfully pulled ½" cores from the greens. This is a sign that we are getting some positive results from the extra yearly core pulling and vigorous verti-cutting practices which Dewayne is following. The main advancements being enhanced root depth and less thatch. Both improvements should eliminate our spring bare patches.

As I mentioned in our June Newsletter, Dewayne sprayed and killed one and nine fairways On June 11. On June 27 he began tilling the fairways, so they could be re-sodded. This process has now been completed and the fairways should reopen on August 3 for the Cedar Creek Open. Please avoid driving on these fairways until they are officially reopened.

Several of you have asked questions about keeping up with your handicaps while holes one and nine are closed. According to the USGA you should follow the proceeding rule:

**Q.** How do I post a score if a hole is not played or not played under the *Rules of Golf*?

**A.** For handicap purposes, the player must record a score of par plus any handicap strokes normally received for the holes not played or holes not played within accordance of with the *Rules of Golf*. These scores should have an "X" preceding the number. For example, player A is not able to play 16, 17 and 18 due to darkness. Player A has a Course Handicap of 12 and holes 16, 17 and 18 are a par 5, 3, 4, and are allocated as the 4, 16, and 10 handicap holes, respectively. Therefore, player A will record an x-6, x-s, x-5 on holes 16, 17 and 18, respectively.

Please visit Section 4-2 of the *USGA Handicap System* manual for further reference.

#### **Tournament Results**

Congratulations to the winners of this year's Member/Guest and the WGA Sponsored Steak n Beans golf tournaments. The Member/Guest winners are listed below. In the Steak n' Beans, Stephen's Team cruised to victory with a comfortable margin of 31.5 to 24.5 against Randy's Team.

| <u>First Flight</u>                 |      | Second Flight                 |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|-------------------------------|------|
| Derrick Perkins & Mike Senika       | 35.5 | Johnathan Webb & Scott Thomas | 36.5 |
| Jim and Jeb Stuart                  | 33.5 | Keven Betz & Wesley Moore     | 35   |
| Steven Murphey & Brady Scott        | 33.5 | Rick Miller & Doug Boyd       | 34.5 |
| Third Flight                        |      | Fourth Flight                 |      |
| Clayton Gautreaux & Mike Nelson     | 38   | Daren Day & Matt Hoover       | 35   |
| John Loar & Rob Loar                | 34.5 | Randy Squibb & Mike Wallis    | 34.5 |
| Tray Stewart & Steve Ketring        | 34   | Brant Bennett & Ken Jones     | 33.5 |
| Fifth Flight                        |      | Sixth Flight                  |      |
| Terry Butler & Kennon Rodgers       | 38.5 | Tim Reagan & Jordan Reagan    | 41   |
| Charles Hetmer & Christopher Hetmer | 36.5 | Kyle Walker & Jeff Kinkade    | 34.5 |
| David Cary & Buddy Morgan           | 33   | Sam Grimes & Stewart Mayfield | 33   |

# POA UPDATE



# 4TH OF JULY cccc poa CELEBRATION

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - Wednesday, JULY 4, 2018

#### 10:00 AM - DOG SHOW (Hosted by the beautiful Tiffany Lilly)

- \* Will be held next to the driving range
- \* Prizes awarded for best costume, sports ability, tricks, etc.
- \* ALL DOGS MUST BE ON LEASHES, PLEASE!

#### 6:00 PM - GOLF CART PARADE

- \* Assemble at the clubhouse by 5:40 pm
- \* All types of wheeled vehicles decorated in a patriotic theme are welcome! (Golf carts, 4 wheelers, ATV's, bicycles, etc.)
- \* Drivers must be 16 yrs of age or older.
- \* Winner will be announced at the picnic

#### 7:00 PM - COMMUNITY PICNIC & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

- \* Sharla Vrzalik's back yard located at the corner of Jeanell & Shore Drive
- \* POA will provide hot dogs and Fried Chicken from Julio's Market (Kaufman)
- \* Please bring a covered dish to feed all in your family to share!(disposable dishes & serving ware)
- \* Bring your own beverages. Keg beer will be available (donations for beer are appreciated!)
- \* "Chris & Zac Experience" will perform from 6:30-9:00. Dinner is at 7:00 pm.
- \* We are having a 50/50 Raffle. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Winner will be announced prior to the fireworks.
- \* Don't forget your chairs and blankets.

#### 9:00 PM - FIREWORKS (Fireworks aficionado - Spencer Stuart)

- \* Donations for fireworks are needed and appreciated!
- \* Please do NOT bring your own fireworks to the community picnic.
- \* Remember, dogs and fireworks do not mix well.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF THOSE VOLUNTEERS THAT HELPED MAKE THIS EVENT POSSIBLE. PLEASE BE MINDFUL AND TREAT THE VRZALIK'S PROPERTY WITH RESPECT AND CLEAN-UP AFTER YOURSELF. THIS EVENT IS FOR THE PAID POA MEMBERS. WE WILL BE GLAD TO TAKE YOUR DUES (\$50/YEARLY) AT THE PICNIC. WE WILL HAVE REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE.

PORT-A-TOILETS PROVIDED BY RUB-A-DUB PLUMBING, GBC. DUMPSTER PROVIDED BY JIBA SALES, KAUFMAN. THANK YOU!!

# **EVERYTHING GOLF**

### 2018 SCHEDULE

| July    |                                 |         |
|---------|---------------------------------|---------|
| 14      | MGA Event                       | 1:00PM  |
| 23      | Aerify Greens (Pencil Tines)    | All Day |
| 26      | North Texas Junior PGA          | 9:00AM  |
| August: |                                 |         |
| 4       | Cedar Creek Open (2018)         | 8:00AM  |
| 5       | Cedar Creek Open (2018)         | 8:00AM  |
| 11      | CCCC Vs. Pinnacle - Ryder Cup   | TBA     |
| 12      | CCCC Vs. Pinnacle - Ryder Cup   | TBA     |
| 6       | Aerify Tees                     | All Day |
| 13      | Aerify Greens - Pull 1/2" Cores | Front 9 |
| 14      | Aerify Greens - Pull 1/2" Cores | Back 9  |
| 25      | MGA Event                       | 1:00PM  |
| Sept:   |                                 |         |
| 3       | Labor Day Scramble              | 9:00AM  |
| 13-14   | WGA Championship                | 8:30 AM |
| 15-16   | Club Championship               |         |
| 22      | MGA Final Event                 | 1:00PM  |
| 29      | Guys & Gals                     | 8:30AM  |



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# FITNESS SOLUTIONS TAKE CARE OF YOUR BODY It's the only place you have to live. Group Classes \$10 Per Session or \$35 for the month \$30 Personal Training Extreme Bootcamp - 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Basic Fitness Class-7:00 PM-8:00 PM

## WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

Greetings from the WGA:

Thanks to the many generous donors at Hole #8 at the Member/Guest tournament, we made \$946.00 for our Scholarship Fund. Together with the money we made at our garage sale, we will be able to award four scholarships. The recipients will be announced soon.

The WGA sponsored the Steak & Beans tournament in June. We had a great turnout....40 players. Stephen Caillet's team feasted on steaks and Randy Pate's team had to settle for beans. It was a very hot weekend so it was a challenge to get through two days of golf but everyone still had a good time!

We are pleased to announce that Carolyn Ericson has rejoined the WGA. Welcome back, Carolyn. We now have 37 members...the largest membership we have had in several years.

The next couple of months are going to be hot on the golf course so stay cool and hydrate...hydrate...hydrate...

Linda Goode

WGA President





JULY 14TH, 2018 It is important to play in as many tournaments as possible to earn points for the Year-End Championship. If you're not already a member of the men's Golf Association just contact the Country Club office to join.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**







**Ladies Night Bunco** 



Thursday, July 19th at 6:30 P.M.

\$2 DRINK SPECIALS: REGULAR DRAFT BEER HOUSE WINES WELL DRINKS



#### Canasta

**Wednesday Mornings at 10AM** 

Come join the fun! Great for all ages and skill levels!



Micki's Birthday and

SATURDAY, JULY 21ST 5:00PM

#### **Gold Seating**

(Sold Out)

8 General Admission Tickets includes Graceland Buffet
Two bottles of wine
Option to add two extra seats to table for \$40 per

#### **Silver Seating**

\$300 Per Table

8 General Admission Tickets includes Graceland Buffet One bottle of wine
Option to add two extra seats to table for \$35 per

General Admission
\$30 Per Ticket Or \$240 Per Table
(Lounge Seating)
General Admission Ticket includes Graceland Buffet



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Group Classes Starting at \$10 per person / Personal Training Starting at \$30 per session

\$10 Group Classes \$30 Personal Training **Every Tuesday Evening** 

# What's Cooking at Cedar Creek

Hello Members of Cedar Creek Country Club,

Its July already and the summer is passing us by so fast. It only seems like it was yesterday that we just opened the pool. I guess that I need to cut straight to the chase and get to the meat of the matter. Our new menu, with several new menu options and a fresh look have been in the works for several weeks. I'm glad to tell you that Saturday, July 7th from 5-8 p.m. all members are cordially invited to come down to the club and order the new items that will be found on the fresh new menu. Dinner for July 7th will include only new items that will be on the menu. This will give you, the member, an opportunity to see the selections and try what will hopefully become some of your summer favorites. It will also give our servers the opportunity to present and describe these tasty delights to you. And finally, this will allow the kitchen the opportunity to prepare and present these welcomed additions. A full menu will be available as of July 10th, but just for the night of July 7th only the new additions will be served. These items are new to you as well as the staff, so please allow a few minutes more for the accurate and correct preparation. I truly believe that this will be an enjoyable night.

Sincerely,

Jason Bryant

Restaurant Manager



#### Tuesday \$9.99 All You Can Eat Chef's Special Buffet

July 3rd: Hamburger Steak

> July 10th: Lasagna

July 17th: Taco Bar \$2.50 Dos Equis Cans \$2.50 Margaritas

July 24th:
Beer Battered Cod and
Fried Catfish

July 31st: Fried Chicken

#### <u>Wednesday</u> \$5.99 All you Can Eat Pizza Bar

\$10 Carry out Pizza



#### Thursday \$9.99 Plated Specials

July 5th: Southwest Chicken

July 12th:
Tortilla Crusted Tilapia with
pineapple salsa

**July 19th:** Chicken Fried Steak

July 26th: Street Tacos

**\$2 Drink Specials:**Regular Draft Beer
House Wines
Well Drinks

#### Friday Steak Night

Filet Mignon 6oz - \$17 / 8oz - \$23 - Or -Ribeye 12oz - \$18/ 16oz - \$25

Served with: Baked potato, Chef's Choice Vegetable and Salad Bar





| SUN | MON               | TUES   | WED  | <b>THURS</b>      | FRI  | SAT   |
|-----|-------------------|--|--|-------------------|--|---|
| 1   | 2<br>Club Closed  | 3<br>\$10 Chef's<br>Special Buffet<br>Pot of Gold<br>Dinner  | 4 Flag Day Tournament  Canasta 10AM \$5.99 All You Can Eat Pizza         | 5<br>WGA Playday  | 6<br>ROTARY MEETING <b>Steak Night</b>     | 7<br>New Menu<br>Night  |
| 8   | 9<br>Club Closed  | 10<br>\$10 Chef's<br>Special Buffet<br>Pot of Gold<br>Dinner | 11<br>BNI Meeting 8AM<br>Canasta 10AM<br>\$5.99 All You Can<br>Eat Pizza | 12<br>WGA Playday | 13<br>ROTARY MEETING<br>Steak Night        | 14<br>MGA Event<br>Private Event<br>in Ballroom<br>Pool Party |
| 15  | 16<br>Club Closed | 17<br>\$10 Chef's<br>Special Buffet<br>Pot of Gold<br>Dinner | 18<br>BNI Meeting 8AM<br>Canasta 10AM<br>\$5.99 All You Can<br>Eat Pizza | 19<br>WGA Playday | 20<br>ROTARY MEETING<br><b>Steak Night</b> | 21<br>Miki's<br>Birthday &<br>Elvis Night                     |
| 22  | 23<br>Club Closed | \$10 Chef's<br>Special Buffet<br>Pot of Gold<br>Dinner       | 25<br>BNI Meeting 8AM<br>Canasta 10AM<br>\$5.99 All You Can<br>Eat Pizza | 26<br>WGA Playday | 27<br>ROTARY MEETING  Steak Night          | 28  |
| 29  | 30<br>Club Closed | \$10 Chef's<br>Special Buffet<br>Pot of Gold<br>Dinner       |  |                   |  |   |
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#### SECTION 1 **SUN MON TUES WED THURS FRI SAT BNI Meeting 8AM** ROTARY MEETING WGA Playday Canasta 10AM \$5.99 All You Can Steak Night Eat Pizza 11 5 9 8 10 Cedar Creek Country Club V.S. Pinnacle Country Club WGA Playday **BNI Meeting 8AM** ROTARY MEETING First \$10 Chef's Club Closed Canasta 10AM Monthly **Special Buffet** \$5.99 All You Can Steak Night Family **Eat Pizza** Cookout Pot of Gold **Dinner** 12 13 14 18 15 16 17 Cedar Creek Country Club V.S. Pinnacle **BNI Meeting 8AM** ROTARY MEETING \$10 Chef's WGA Playday Club Closed Canasta 10AM **Special Buffet** Country Club \$5.99 All You Can Steak Night **Eat Pizza** Pot of Gold Dinner 19 20 22 23 24 25 21 **BNI Meeting 8AM** WGA Playday ROTARY MEETING MGA Event \$10 Chef's Club Closed Canasta 10AM **Special Buffet** \$5.99 All You Can Steak Night **Eat Pizza** Pot of Gold **Dinner** 27 29 26 28 30 31 **BNI Meeting 8AM** WGA Playday ROTARY MEETING Club Closed \$10 Chef's Canasta 10AM **Special Buffet** \$5.99 All You Can Steak Night **Eat Pizza** Pot of Gold **Dinner**



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#### CLUB HOURS OF OPERATION

|           | <b>OFFICES</b> | RESTAURANT   | <b>LOUNGE</b> | PRO SHOP          | <b>POOL</b> |
|-----------|----------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Sunday    | Closed         | 11 am - 5 pm | 11 am - 6 pm  | 7:00 am - 6:30 pm | 11am-7pm    |
| Monday    | 9 am - 2 pm    | Closed       | Closed        | Closed            | Closed      |
| Tuesday   | 9 am - 5 pm    | 12pm - 8 pm  | 11 am - 8 pm  | 7:00 am - 6:30 pm | 11am-8pm    |
| Wednesday | 9 am - 5 pm    | 11 am - 8 pm | 11 am - 8 pm  | 7:00 am - 6:30 pm | 11am-8pm    |
| Thursday  | 9 am - 5 pm    | 11 am - 8 pm | 11 am - 8 pm  | 7:00 am - 6:30 pm | 11am-8pm    |
| Friday    | 9 am - 5 pm    | 11 am - 9pm  | 10 am - 10 pm | 7:00 am - 6:30 pm | 11am-9pm    |
| Saturday  | Closed         | 11 am - 8 pm | 10 am - 9 pm  | 7:00 am - 6:30 pm | 11am-9pm    |

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#### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:**

If you have an announcement for the upcoming newsletter, send it via email to membership@cedarcreekcountryclub.com, no later than the 25th of the month

If we may be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Looking for the perfect place to host a reunion, meeting, wedding, or soiree?
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