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COUNTRY CLUB

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MEMBER NEWSLETTER



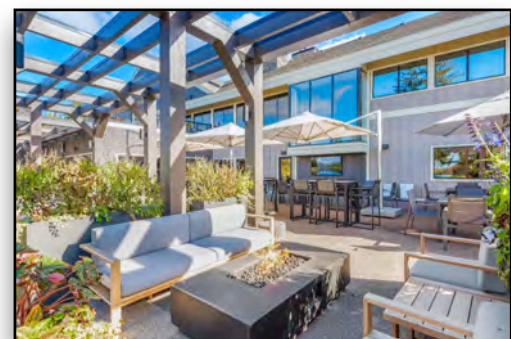
## *From Your GM...* By Pete LaCoursiere, General Manager

If there's a golf season that's ever felt within grasp but a moving target tough to pin down, this is it! We're close and as you'll read in Eric's article, there's a silver lining to this hard pack of snow we've had covering our turf all winter, as it's resulted in a very thin to nonexistent frost layer. Once these warm temps arrive to melt our snow, we'll be set to get underway very soon!

Entering my third season here at DCC (WOW that was fast), I'm genuinely excited to roll the sleeves up with the rest of our dedicated team for a great year at the Club. Along with so many Clubs and businesses within the hospitality industry over the past couple of years, DCC endured its fair share of personnel shake-ups, with Covid being the main culprit for this reset. But now, a 1/4 of the way through 2023, anniversaries have been celebrated, and now have an entire team of upper-management securing at least one year of all working together. Our goals are unified and are built around distinguishing Dellwood Country Club as the predominant Club when it comes to providing attainable luxury within a comfortable, welcoming and FUN environment for our Members of all ages. We'll let our off-season preparation speak for itself and hope you all enjoy spending additional time at the Club this spring as we partake in some additional activities once Mother Nature allows.

Aside from the efforts our team has put in to elevate our levels of service, we're fortunate to have ownership that continues to invest back into the Club to enhance the Club and its offerings. We had a successful Annual Club Closure in March. Every minute of our 10-day closure was needed to refresh carpet, refinish tables and paint within the Clubhouse.

After our Easter events, we'll finish up our interior refresh with new carpet and new chandeliers in the Ballroom. Outside, we are underway with roof replacement of the Clubhouse, Cart Barn, Pool House and Tennis Building. Once completed, we'll be hitting these same buildings with new exterior paint to wrap up our Clubhouse related projects for the season so that we'll all be able to enjoy the Club without interruption this summer!





As Michelle had mentioned in her article, we will be releasing an updated Club Policies and Member Handbook to all Members on Monday, April 3. These policies will be accessible through the Club's website in the Members Area, but will also come in the form of email via DocuSign to acknowledge conveniently through electronic signature. Please be aware we are required to have a signed copy of acknowledgement on file for each and every Membership. This document is intended to provide each Member full clarity of all Club policies, protect you as a Member, and protect the Club to ensure its existence long-term. There are a couple of redefined policies that are in place beginning this season:

- No-Show Policies - Whether it's a tee time on the course or in the Vault, or a Cabana at the Pool, no-show policies exist to prevent wasted reservations that would prevent access from another Member. Please be courteous by cancelling in advance any reservation you will not be using.
- Golf Attire - Defined in the Policies, but includes mens shirts to be tucked in at all times on the golf course and throughout the practice facilities. Members are responsible for their guests, and our staff is instructed to politely remind every golfer of this policy when necessary.

Finally, please remember that we have a wonderful group of Members that serve on our Advisory Committee, who generously make themselves available to our team, but also to the rest of the Membership to field questions, thoughts, concerns, and HOPEFULLY ideas! Some of the best improvements to the Club have come directly from your feedback. To learn more about our Committee, or to send them an email, use this link [HERE](#).

See you all soon!





## *From Michelle's Desk*

by Michelle Murray  
Office / HR Manager Manager

Falling right behind fall, Spring is one of my favorite times of year at the Club. I know that once I hear the sounds of the leaf blowers and mowers that we are ready to vamp up the busiest season here at DCC. I also enjoy seeing Colleen outside making all of our landscapes and gardens so beautiful. Colleen has been a part of the DCC team for over 30 years, and is fantastic at her job!

You will notice that the membership dues increase for all Golf and Athletic members is on your March statement. We bill one month ahead, so this reflects your April dues.

We have also been working hard on updating our Club policies and procedures. You will see an email from us soon that will require a DocuSign signature from all members. Please make sure to take the time and read them over. There are new and important policies when it comes to attire on the golf course and canceling tee-times within a reasonable time frame that you will not want to miss.

Although we still saw many of your smiling faces here over the winter, I am excited to see those who could not be here as much!

Michelle



## From Catering & Events:

by Katie Boyd  
Director of Banquets & Events

Hello Dellwood Country Club! The sun is shining and we will be outside soon! Plans for outside spring and summer events are in the works. Dates for some new events will be officially announced soon, but due to the sheer excitement of planning these events, I wanted to be the first to mention a few we are adding to the calendar. New events this year will include:

The DCC Beer Dabbler, Yappy Hour with Tito's, Adult (21+) Pool Party and More!

Of course we have a few Dellwood Country Club traditions that we are hosting this spring that will continue to be a great time with amazing food & beverage:

4/2/2023 – Easter Egg Hunt! The Easter Bunny will be stopping by DCC to hide a lot of eggs this year! Of course, no egg hunt would be complete without a great food buffet, candy buffet, cookie decorating & crafts! We will have stations to make Easter cards, bunny masks, bunny headbands, and of course cookie decorating.

4/9/2023 – Easter Brunch – a thoughtfully elegant event for the entire family, complete with a famous Dellwood Country Club buffet in the ballroom. You may want to think of making your reservation soon, spring has almost sprung!

4/23/2023 – Earth Day Living Art Workshop! This is the first living art workshop that we have done for Adults AND young adults. We are so excited! And, do not worry one bit if you do not have a green thumb or crafting experience. Val from Mossy Roots will teach us all! There will be two different sizes of projects available, heavy appetizers, desserts and beverages.

5/14/2023 – Mother's Day Brunch – Grab your favorite lady and bring her to DCC on 5/14/23 if you truly want to see Mom smile! The culinary team will have one of their famous buffets, as well as desserts. There will be drink specials, and a take-away gift for all mom's that day.

After April, it's onward to warmer weather! New member pool party, the DCC Luau, golf tournaments, and any other reason we can find to gather and have a good time. All event registrations and information are available through the Foretees app.

Before you know it, it's Holiday party planning time! Please give the Events department a call at (651) 426-4155 or email [katie@dellwoodcountryclub.com](mailto:katie@dellwoodcountryclub.com) to book your holiday fun!

See you around the Club!

Katie Boyd



## *From the Course*

By Eric Peterson,  
Superintendent

It most definitely is Spring by the calendar. It feels like our winter is been here a long time and our spring weather has not helped us put an end to winter. We have been below average for temperatures but the good news is that there isn't much frost in the ground due to the early snowfall that insulated the ground and kept the cold temperatures of January and February from penetrating the soil. What this means is once temperatures rise and the snow clears it should not take long for the course to be playable.

In preparation for the coming season we have been working to solidify our crew for the season. As many of you know we typically apply for working visas to bring some staff up from Mexico. We need workers that can be here from before we open until late fall. These positions are very difficult to fill as they are seasonal and the H2B visa program allows for foreign workers to enter the U.S. legally and work for a season and then return home.

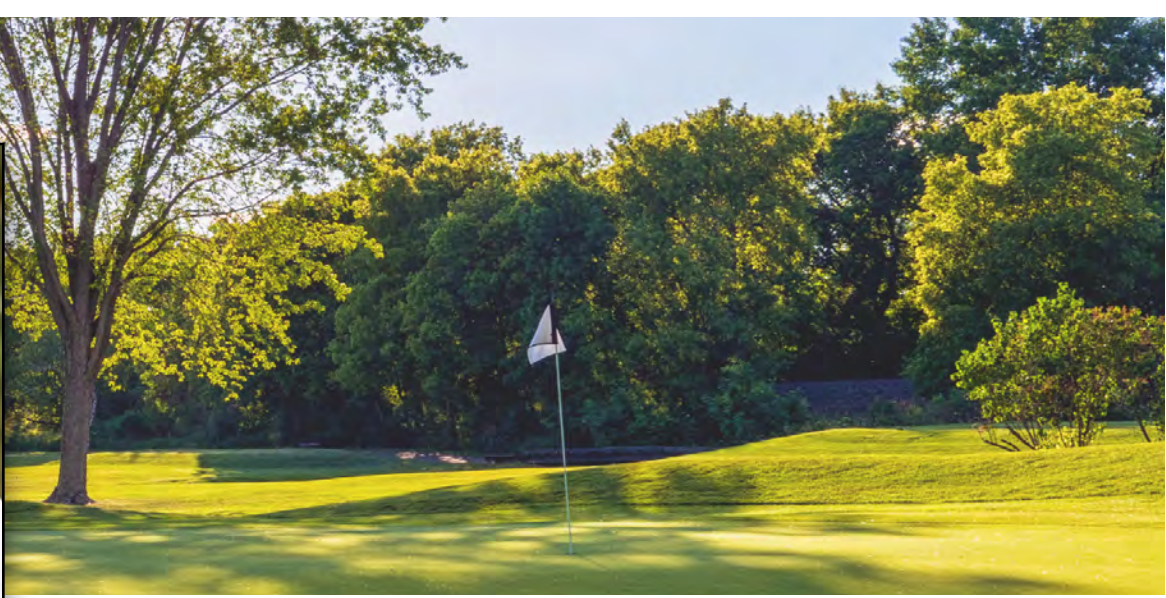
As you can imagine the need for these workers is extremely high. The program only allows for roughly 48,000 visas for our half of the season and the need exceeds 130,000 visas. These visas are given out using a lottery system. Last year we did not receive any visas, but have received much better news this year! We are headed into this season knowing that we have received our visas and should see our staff arrive around April 16th.

Before the warm up we were able to get some much needed tree removals done. We had a number of trees that needed to be removed on the 10th hole. We had 4 dead Ash trees we removed near the green. This work was done in house. We also had some much needed removals done along side our pump house to the right of 10 green. These trees were removed by an outside tree service due to their proximity to our neighbors and our pump house. These removals were necessary because they were starting to cause damage to the pump house building.

We are excited for the upcoming season and seeing you on the course again.

Cheers to Spring!

Eric Peterson



## *From the Kitchen* by Michael Lopata Chef de Cuisine

Happy April!

The Club is looking great, the sun is slowly but surely getting higher and higher in the sky, and the Grill is staying busy! We are so close to pool, golf and event season and we couldn't be more excited about it over here in the culinary corner of the Club. With our Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Brunch quickly on the horizon, we are gearing up for what we expect to be our busiest season at Dellwood. We have been busy this winter introducing new theme nights and specials, and we will roll those over into the summer. The Cozy Cantina will lead into weekly Taco Tuesday specials, and we will carry on Wing Wednesdays, introducing a new sauce each Wednesday during the summer. We will once again be out on the patio cooking weekly outdoor specials Wednesday night, and we will also be expanding this to Thursday night for Ladies Night. Utilizing our outdoor space in this way allows us to get you food quickly right after you walk off the course and also allows the grill to keep pace at the pool and the restaurant. Our depot offerings will expand to include more sandwich and wrap options to keep things fresh and seasonal.

As we move into our busy time of the year, I personally want to thank each and everyone of you for supporting the Club this past winter. Our goal with the Super Smokehouse, Cozy Cantina, Wing Wednesday, and numerous theme weekends was to keep the F&B side of the Club relevant and at the forefront of your minds during a time when the Club can be pretty quiet. Your support and willingness to brave the elements to come out and support us allowed us to retain our entire culinary staff from last year through the winter. We have had zero turnover in culinary and were able to find hours for all team members, which in years past was not possible. Thank you for giving us all the opportunity to cook for you, and while three months ago, the idea of a full pool, golf course, and grill was nothing but a pipe dream, we are ready to kick off 2023 and do what we love to do for our members and their guests, which is finding as many outlets and avenues that we possibly can to cook you the most delicious food that we can produce. All the while, being sure to keep everything as homemade as possible and rotating items through the season to keep everyone on their toes and introducing new flavors, techniques, and specials.

See you at the Club!

Michael



## Food & Wine

by Brita Van Guilder  
Food & Beverage Director

### *Upcoming Weekend Specials in April*

***Fri, Mar 31 to Sat, Apr 1  
AYCE Fish Fry***

***Fri, Apr 7 - Sat, Apr 8  
Seafood Extravaganza***

***Fri, Apr 14 - Sat, Apr 15  
DCC Steakhouse***

***Fri, Apr 21 - Sat, Apr 22  
Thai One On***

***Fri, Apr 28 - Sat, Apr 29  
Party Like it's 1999***

Is it just me, or is this year flying by? Maybe flying because you're having so much fun at Dellwood! Well, it's safe to say that although we were closed most of March, we were busy enhancing the Clubhouse and making improvements in just about every place you look. New carpeting throughout, paint, and even the office and women's locker room got a little face-lift. While this was going on, I was able to sneak away for a week in San Diego to enjoy some R&R before the season is back in full gear. My boyfriend and I both lived there for a number of years so it was nice to go back to some of our favorite spots, see old friends, and enjoy weather much nicer than Minnesota.

As we enter into April I wanted to provide an F&B update on our staffing levels for the season as well as our cocktail and wine menu changeover. Every year at the end of February, I reach out to all past seasonal staff to see who is coming back for the current season. It always varies from year to year depending on the age of staff, business levels, etc, but last year we hired almost a completely new staff except for a few of our veterans.

2023 presents a stark difference, with nearly 70% of last year's team returning from last year. This translates into a more experienced and trained staff who understand the culture and service we strive for at DCC. It provides countless familiar faces for our members, and it's welcoming, in my opinion, to see the same people from day to day, week to week, when you call DCC home.





April is also the time that I like to turn over our wine and cocktail menu for the season. I mean, even with snow on the ground, who doesn't want to drink a fresh, fruity cocktail? Gunnar and our F&B team will be carefully curating our cocktail list and debuting mid-April for everyone to try out. There will be something for everyone, even some past favorites making another appearance. If you have any ideas or favorites you make at home, shoot them our way for perhaps a feature on the list. As for the wine list, we are consolidating some reds to make room for some lovely, patio crushing whites. This year I am adding some more variety with regions as well, featuring a Chardonnay from Tasmania with notes of zesty citrus and ripe melon! Be on the look out for its debut mid month.

As always, Cheers!

## Mixing it Up

w/ Gunnar Van Guilder  
Head Bartender



Golf season is "almost" in full swing! It is starting to warm up... well at least slightly. Here at DCC, we are working on putting together a list of the COOLEST spring and summer drinks to keep you cool on the patio, on the course, or on the lazy river!

One of these cool concoctions coming to the spring/summer cocktail menu is the Bramble!



The Bramble is a classic gin-based cocktail combining lemon, and blackberry liqueur, shaken over ice. To mix it up a little, I will be using Chambord liqueur as well as shaking the cocktail with a few blackberries! This gives the drink a great texture as well as natural flavor!

See you at the Club soon!



## *From the Pro*

By Clayton Johnson,  
Head Golf Professional

As we inch closer to the start of the 2023 golf season, it might be time to stop into our fully stocked Golf Shop! We have some new companies that we will be carrying this year. Calliope, Greyson, and Cole Haan Shoes are some of the latest women's lines. We have added Stitch and Cole Haan Shoes on the men's side, and Vuori for both men's and women's.

You will notice a few new things on the range and golf course this year. Sand bottle holders on hole 10 and at the depot area. It would be best to sand all divots in the fairways; this helps keep the course looking great during the season. As we transition off mats at the range this year, you will notice that the range crates will be divided out with yellow and white golf balls. The white range balls on the left side of the range crate will be for woods (yes, they will be limited flight), and the yellow balls will be our standard range balls. We ask that everyone use white range balls if you are hitting woods.

We are excited to announce a new short course at Dellwood CC! The new course measures just over 3,000 yards for men, women, and kids. The course will have its own scorecard and course and rating for both men and women. We will have plates that will be located on the fairways or tee boxes on par 3's from where you will tee off from.

We look forward to everyone getting out and playing this course and enjoying all the different tee offers that we have at Dellwood CC.

As the NCAA Season is coming to a close, I would like to wish Ryan Chesley and the Minnesota Golden Gophers Hockey Team Good Luck as they play in the Semi-Finals of the Frozen Four on April 6th against Boston University. Good Luck and Ski-U-Mah!



## Dialing It In w/ Cory Moran First Asst. Golf Professional

I'm excited to start my second season here at Dellwood! Teaching golf is a passion of mine and I really enjoy the opportunity to connect with members by helping them improve their golf game. This season, I'm excited for the opportunity to expand upon my teaching here at Dellwood by offering clinics and online lesson sign ups. As we get closer to the golf season, I will provide further details on my clinic offerings for the season. Once we open the course, look for my lesson availability on the Foretees App under the Golf Lesson tab.

### Junior Golf Update

- ▶ We have updated our junior program and are excited to now offer three sessions spanning from May-August. Each session will be five weeks. Programs will include basics such as putting, chipping and full swing instruction and incorporate fun games, golf course etiquette and on course play/practice. Our goal is to provide a fun atmosphere and learning environment for the juniors to enjoy the game of golf at Dellwood! Info and Sign Up [HERE](#).
- ▶ PGA Junior League is back again this year at Dellwood CC! I'm happy to be back captaining one of our teams again this season and looking to build on Dellwood CC's league winning success from last year. League signups are currently open. Sign up today!
- ▶ We are also be continuing our US Kids Club program. For those of you that are currently in or interested in the program, please stop by the golf shop in April to check sizing and drop off your old set with us. We have begun the process of taking inventory of our current sets and will be placing club orders to fill the gaps for the upcoming season throughout the month of April. Information for PGA Junior League and US Kids Golf Programs, along with registration, is available [HERE](#).

Lots to look forward to this season, and we can't wait for the 2023 golf season to begin! I look forward to seeing everyone again on the golf course soon!

DELLWOOD COUNTRY CLUB PRESENTS...

# Easter Egg ~ HUNT ~



SUNDAY, APRIL 2

SEATING TIMES: 10:00, 10:15, 10:30 AND 12:00, 12:15, 12:30

EGG HUNT AT 11:30

Reservations  
Required!



Registration Is  
Available In The  
Club App!

FAMILY FRIENDLY BUFFET, EGG HUNT ON THE LAWN, PHOTOS WITH EASTER BUNNY



# WOMENS SPRING GOLF KICKOFF

A social event open to all women golfers to kick off the 2023 golf season. Learn about the events scheduled for this season and camaraderie.

**THURSDAY APRIL 6TH, 2023**

**4-7 PM**

**DCC BAR**

**FUN FOOD AND DRINK SPECIALS  
JUST FOR THE LADIES!**



DELLWOOD COUNTRY CLUB PRESENTS...

# Easter Brunch

~ SAVE THE DATE! ~

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

SEATING TIMES OFFERED:

9:45, 10:00, 10:15

11:30, 11:45, 12:00

1:15, 1:30, 1:45

Registration Is  
Available In The  
Club App!

Reservations  
Required!



# LIVING ART WORKSHOP

SUNDAY

04.23.2023

1:30PM-3:30PM



Ages 10+ and up!

Location:  
DCC Ballroom

DELLWOOD COUNTRY CLUB



Earth Day

Register/Pay on the DCC APP

Hors d'oeuvres, Dessert  
&  
Non-alcoholic Drinks  
\$25/Person

\*Bar available to member charge

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Creative Instruction by:  
Valerie Heaton  
MOSSY ROOTS  
BOTANICAL

Ages 12+ \$55 / 8x10 Art  
Ages 10-12 \$40 / 5x7 Art



# Mothers Day **BRUNCH**

Sign up on  
the club  
app!

Sunday, May 14th

SEATING TIMES:

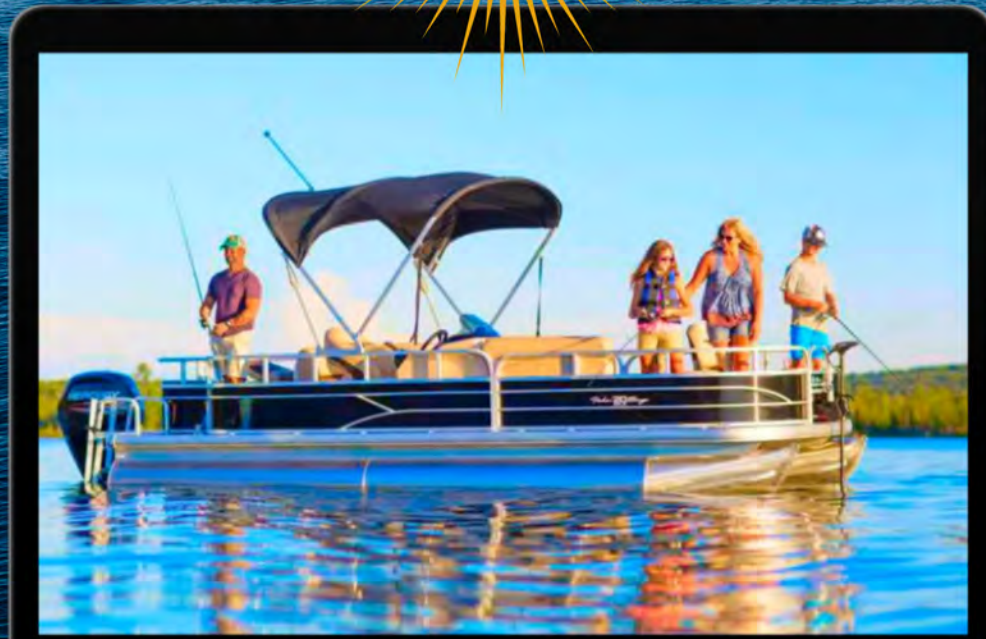
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