



## MEMBER NEWSLETTER



From the President

By Brienna Schuette, Club President

Dear DCC Friends,

This winter's special-edition "Super El Niño" is a gift. That's likely a very unpopular thing to say in the company of our avid skiers, ice-fishers, snowmobilers and environmentalists, but I've never been one to hold back contempt for living in a frozen tundra nine months out of the year.

Might the warmer weather mean an early start to our season of outdoor adventures here at Dellwood? Only Mother Nature knows. Nevertheless, it's exciting to think about gearing up for golf, tennis, pickleball and swimming here at the club.

In the spirit of warmth, fun and community, here are my Top 3 recommendations for making the most of your membership this spring at Dellwood:

1) Get involved in Women's Golf or encourage someone you love to do so."Reluctant" mildly describes how I felt about golf when we first joined Dellwood. Fortunately, early in our membership, I met some really gracious, kind women who encouraged me to try golf again. I found out that playing 9-holes on a Women's Thursday Night is actually therapeutic. My game isn't much better, but at least I can laugh about it now. The fun and camaraderie shared on summer Thursdays is something special.

If you're new or returning golfer, or just reluctant like I was, join us for the Women's Golf Kick-Off Event Thursday, April 4 from 4-6 p.m. where we'll preview both the women's 9- and 18-hole seasons over cocktails. RSVP on ForeTees.



2) Attend the Egg Hunt or Easter Brunch events. There's no better way to celebrate the renewal that Easter brings and elevate the joy around this season for all family members. Really. Like so many others at the club, I'm raising two kids, working full-time and trying to keep the house from burning down. I have no energy or desire to prepare a sugared ham, nor do I have the energy to attempt to bring my own mother's stress level off the ceiling as she coordinates an egg hunt followed by the presentation of an extensive Easter dinner. Nah. Uh. Make your reservation. Bring grandma and grandpa. Have a mimosa. Call it a day. Life will be better for all.



3) Sign up for Couples Golf Events. Our stellar golf and events teams have already launched the calendar of Couples Golf Events for the upcoming season. This series of laid-back scramble-style events are the best way to meet other members and have a blast on the course. Next to Thursday Women's Golf nights, these are my favorite part of being a DCC member. They're filling fast, so get into FourTees and lock in your spots.

Yours in bad golf,

Brienna



From Your GM... By Pete LaCoursiere

General Manager

Does anyone else have the golf bug right now? I'd imagine some of you have found a local muni to dust off the clubs and take in some natural Vitamin D this weekend. While it's tempting to pull the ropes around the greens, Eric shares some quality insight on the subject along with the risks and exposure to damage by opening up this time of year. Hang in there everybody. I feel like we are inching our way to a much earlier than average open this season! For now, take advantage of the world's best technology in The Vault to get dialed in for the upcoming year!

Our annual Club Closure is set to begin next week, running from Monday, March 4 -Tuesday, March 12. We will be resume our Winter Hours on Wednesday, March 13. Any changes to operating hours will be communicated, and will be in-line with the opening of the golf course. This year we will be conducting much of the same spring cleaning by shampooing carpets, paint and baseboard touch-ups, and deep service-area cleaning, but will also be addressing some updates in our Fitness Center. Unlike in years past, our Fitness Center will be CLOSED during this Closure, as we will be using this time to improve this space for our Members. Hopefully you'll find some good modifications to your workouts and utilize the outdoors, and we'll be ready to welcome you back when the Club reopens on March 13.



#### New Club Management Software in 2024!

Our team has spent the last few months preparing for a full shift from our current management and point-of-sale software to a new version from Minnesota-based Foretees, with a go-live date of April 1. What will this mean to you? We believe all good things! Most of you are already using our Club App, a Foretees product, as is our online tee time, Cabana and Tennis/Pickleball reservation systems. This change puts our entire system under one roof. You'll soon be able to access registrations for events more conveniently, and viewing of your Member statement will now be accessible through the Club App. Takeout orders will now be directed through the App as opposed to being forced to call them in (which we'll still accept but now you have the option!). We believe this will enhance the services we provide in the Pool area as well, with the ability to order directly from your phone and have it brought to your specific table. In this scenario, we streamline the process on the ordering AND delivery end, equating to faster service and a fresher product.

As we approach April, we'll be in touch with you to guide you through any changes, as minimal as they may be, that you'll be seeing as we complete this upgrade.

# Club Closure

Monday, March 4 -Tuesday, March 12

All areas of the Club will be closed during this time! Please call the main line or shoot us an email if we can assist you with any needs throughout this window.

The Grill will reopen at 4:00 on Wednesday, March 13 as we resume standard Winter Hours, which will change as we approach the opening of the Golf Course!

## Tennis / Pickleball at Dellwood

The nets are up and our reservation system is now OPEN on Foretees to make court reservations! With junior programs right around the corner, we'll continue to keep availability of courts updated on the App.

The popularity of Pickleball continues to grow, and has us excited for our first FULL season of offering four premium courts right here at Dellwood. Any expansion of junior and adult Pickleball programs will be communicated through this Newsletter along with our Connection emails.





From Catering & Events:

by Katie Boyd Director of Banquets & Events

Hello Dellwoodian's!

Soon, winter will thaw once more, and spring will be here. As we enter into the "busy" season at the club, many of you enter into the busy seasons of life as well. Kids are out of school, people are headed to the lake on weekends, and before you know it it's time for that cold, white stuff to be falling from the sky again. Why mention time, and how fleeting it really is? Well, word has spread: Dellwood has great food, service and spaces to host memorable events! Our calendar is filling quickly, and we love hosting with our membership. So, I thought it great to mention that if you are looking to host over the 2024 calendar year, please send a message to Sarah or I letting us know! We can save the date and space, then tackle the rest of the details when you are ready.

Some of you may not know this, but we have many event spaces to utilize for all different types of events, of all sizes with a variety of menus available (all of them DELECTIBLE). Dellwood is the spot to host Holiday gatherings, baby showers, bridal showers, rehearsal dinners, birthday parties, business meetings, golf tournaments, weddings, graduation parties, school banquets.....the list goes on. If you just want to gather with friends and have great food & drink, well we will just have to invent a party with you.

NEW SPACE AVAILABLE for hosting an event in winter season 2024-2025: TUESDAY's in the member bar area. The clubhouse is closed Tuesdays in the off season, but the member bar is now available for members to host with menu selections from our banquets and catering menu. It's a great spot for a holiday happy hour after for your office group, or a social networking event, the list goes on! As you are reading you may be thinking "who would I call to plan such an event?" Or, "Who will help me to invent a party?!?". The answer to that question is two part (or two person rather). The first being Katie Boyd, Director of Banquets & Events. The second, Sarah Drayna, Banquets & Events manager.

Katie, Sarah, and the entire Dellwood Country Club management team are already underway collaborating with our talented culinary team to create exciting member events for the upcoming 2024 calendar year. But, don't worry.....we have saved some dates for all of you to add special events to the calendar as well.

We hope to see you all around the club. Happy Holiday's!!

The Dellwood Country Club Events Team,

Katie Boyd - Director of Banquets & Events - katie@dellwoodcountryclub.com Sarah Drayna - Banquets & Events Mgr - sarah@dellwoodcountryclub.com

## P.S.. You do not need to be a member to host a wedding or event at Dellwood Country Club (although you get some nice perks if you are). Tell everyone!!



CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY AT THE CLUB WITH FOOD & BEVERAGE SPECIALS WHEN WE REOPENTHE WEEK AFTER CLUB SHUTDOW N!



Food & Wine

by Brita Van Guilder Food & Beverage

Winter is flying by! Or lack of winter, shall I say? Can't believe the weather we've been having but I, like I'm sure most of you, are glad to not be shoveling my driveway every week. If you missed it, we even opened our driving range a few weeks ago when it got to 50 degrees – record breaking! Even warmer weather is on the horizon and that means two of the best things – golf (obviously) and...new cocktail menu!!

This spring we will be releasing our new cocktail and wine menu, taking us through the summer months. Herman, James, and I spend a great deal of time planning and experimenting with different seasonal ingredients, as well as taking into account the newest trends in the wine and spirit world to bring you a specially curated list, sure to make your mouth water. When we plan out a new list, we are grateful to have the opportunity to sometimes meet directly with suppliers, getting first dibs on a great selection of products. This past week we had the pleasure of meeting with Moët Hennessy, which houses many recognizable brands such as Moët & Chandon, Krug, Veuve Clicquot, Hennessy, Joseph Phelps, and Belvedere. They showed us a great selection of champagnes and even a fun twist on a modern cocktail – so stay tuned for some new additions to the menu coming in April.

As always, we look forward to welcoming more members back to the club as the weather gets warmer, so see you soon! Cheers!

TASTE TESTING IN CABO!



From the Kitchen

Chef Peter Christenson Corporate Chef



Dear Members,

I am eager to leave winter behind and look forward to warmer weather. It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Tapas & Tequilas event a few weeks back. Hopefully we will see you again soon at our upcoming Beer Dabbler event on Saturday, April 27th.Please mark your calendars!!

Our culinary team will be working hard to continue our monthly food specials in the grill. We will also be looking forward to adding new seasonal items on our menu as fresh produce and other seasonal items become available.

With summer just around the corner, we are eager to fire up the grill and enjoy some fresh air on our patio! Our team really enjoys cooking al fresco as it gives us the time to meet our newest members as well as see some familiar faces. See you around the club!

-Chef Peter Christenson







As mentioned, we run specials and revise our menus seasonally. I am curious as to what menu items you would like to see on the menu.

Please email ideas to: <u>chef@dellwoodcountryclub.com</u>. Thank you! Chef Peter



Dialing It In By Cory Moran,

lst Assistant Golf Professional

What a crazy winter! Seems like spring is right around the corner. With that said, I have updated information for the 2024 season on our US Kids Rental Program and Dellwood PGA Junior League Teams.. Hope to see you all on the course soon!

## US Kids Rental Program

Need clubs for your junior golfer? Our U.S. Kids Club Rental Program is an affordable way for your child always to have equipment correctly fit for their height and skill level. Save over 50% off MSRP!

Designed to ensure your junior golfer always has the correct length clubs at half the cost. Golf is difficult enough but almost impossible with the wrong-sized clubs. Swinging a club that is too long or short, heavy or light can create life-long habits. Always having the correct length clubs will help your junior golfer play better and have more fun!

The first year your junior will receive a brand-new set of US Kids Clubs w/ Bag. Quality golf clubs fit for their correct height and skill level, theirs to keep until they grow out of them, generally 12-18 months. As your junior grows, you will be able to upgrade equipment and trade up to the correct size and/or skill level.

### <u> 1st year – Buy-in cost:</u>

39-45 inches 4 CLUB SET W/BAG - \$175
48-54 inches 5 CLUB SET W/BAG - \$200
57-63 inches 5 CLUB SET W/BAG - \$225
Every Year After:
39-45 inches - \$75
48-54 inches - \$95
57-63 inches - \$120
\*7 CLUB SET, Tour Series and epTOUR (Full Sets) are available at different prices.

CALLING ALL JUNIOR CLUBS! We will be adding a new labeling system to our US Kids clubs to help track our set inventory and order any possible replacement clubs for the 2024 season. If you are already enrolled in our rental program, please stop by the golf shop with your junior set(s) so we can apply our new labels and have your junior(s) get fit for the 2024 season.

## 2024 PGA Junior League Info

Registration is now open for the 2024 season! Register at:<u>www.pgajrleague.com</u>

Click on the orange sign up button in the upper right-hand corner labeled Find Programs, then search keyword Dellwood

Passcode you will need to register is: dellwoodcc

Cost: \$549/player (\$450 coaching fee + \$99 PGA fee)

That will include:

PGA junior league swag bag with home/away jerseys, hat and bag tag

Exciting new section this season! Dellwood team will now play in the St. Paul Private League with White Bear Yacht Club, North Oaks, Midland Hills, Town and Country, Mendakota, and Southview.

Dellwood will be looking to have two teams again this season (The Express and The Engineers). Each team will get 6 matches and the matches will be Saturday afternoons at 5pm.

Final schedules will finalize in early March. Season run 8 weeks and begins June 8th and runs through August 3rd. Each team will have two bye weeks mixed in.

Weekly practices will be held Tuesday afternoons throughout the PGA JLG season and instructed Cory Moran and Scott Springer.

Postseason play if either team qualifies.

Please e-mail me: <u>cory@dellwoodcountryclub.com</u> if you have any further questions about either of these programs.





From the Pro

By Golf Professional Clayton Johnson

#### New Men's League!

We are excited to announce a 9-Hole Men's League that begins Wednesday, May 8th. The league takes place on Wednesday's, and consists of a 10-week season with the Finals on August 14th. Register a 6-man squad or sign up as an individual or partial team and we will round you out to 6. Busy summer schedule? Our format supports that! Whether all team members play or not, we take your best three scores using a Modified Stableford points system, using all net scoring. There will be weekly payouts for top three individuals and top three teams, as well as payouts for the top 4 teams that advance to the Finals in August. The cost for the league is \$600 per team (\$100 per player if a full 6-person team), 100% of which is paid back out. Wednesday tee sheets will display a 12:00-6:00 time block for League Play.

Our primary goal is to provide a fun, yet casually competitive environment that supports our Club's foundation of being open and inviting. We believe the 9-hole format will be accomodating to those that have a difficult time carving out time to play a full 18, although we anticipate most to still play a full round. The form to sign up is on the Club App, but can also be accessed <u>HERE</u>.



#### Titleist Golf Ball Promo!

It's back.. the annual Titleist 3+1 Promotion is here for a limited time. Four dozen personalized ProV1's for \$179. see the flyer HERE for more details. Send us your orders ASAP, the program runs through March 29 or until supplies last.

## Guest Passes & Cart Passes Now Available

Golf season is right around the corner. Take advantage of our annual passes for both guests and cart usage.

Guest "6-Pack" = \$360

Unlimited Guest Pass = \$2,500

**Unlimited Cart Pass:** 

Single \$1,400 - Couple \$2,400

To purchase send us a note or stop by the Shop!

From the Course

By Eric Peterson, Superintendent



Spring is definitely in the air. The weather has been warm all winter but as we head into March it is trending toward a possible early opening. I thought I would lay out some of what we are looking to have happen both weather wise and preparations in order to open.

Obviously we need the course to be snow free but most importantly we need the frost to come out of the ground and temperatures to stay consistently above freezing. Right now we have very little, if any, frost in the taller grass. It is absolutely critical that the frost comes out of the greens and the ground firms up before we allow play to begin. Without a stable sublayer we risk damaging roots and cause compacting of the soil. Once things thaw and playing surfaces warm and begin to grow we can do our first mowing. Other than a few areas where we have done tree removals the golf course is very clean overall, so we don't anticipate any delay in opening due to cleanup.

As we head into a new season we have a goal of improving firmness and smoothness on our greens. A common goal amongst Clubs needless to say, but different variables dictate which methods will prove to be successful at each Club. In the past we have always set out to incorporate topdressing into our yearly calendar but between weather and events it often gets delayed or bumped altogether. Additionally, the sand is very abrasive to the reels of the



mowers and dulls the blades, effecting the quality of cut. In an effort to address these issues, we will begin a weekly topdressing schedule on Monday's, consisting of dust-like applications. The process begins with a fresh mow of the surface, then the topdress application, followed by a roll to smooth the surface. The greens will get another roll the following morning, to be resumed by our regular mowing and rolling schedule by Wednesday and through the week. We will stick to this schedule moving forward and monitor green speed and member feedback and will adjust if necessary. We're excited to initiate this process on the belief it will enhance our Member experience at the Club. We'll see you on the course soon!











THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED!



















# EGG HUNT #2 AT 11:30 SEATING TIMES: 11:30, 11:45, 12:00

RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CLUB APP!

BUFFET VEGG HUNT VPHOTOS VCRAFTS

Dellwood Country Club Presents...

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## SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST, 2024



# Registration NOW available on the club app!

Seating times begin at

## DELLWOOD COUNTRY CLUB PRESENTS:



## Saturday,

## April 27th, 2024

BEGINS AT 2:00PM FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Join us!

TASTY LOCAL BEERS, GREAT FOOD, GOOD COMPANY!



SIGN UP COMING SOON!

## SPARKLING WINE EVENT

## Thursday, May 9th

6-8pm

COST: \$49.00/PERSON INCLUDES TASTING & APPS!

TASTING BUBBLES FROM AROUND THE WORLD! FEATURING: CHAMPAGNE, CAVA, PROSECCO, & MORE!

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EVENT PARNTNERSHIP WITH:





## Sunday, May 12th, 2024

## **SEATING TIMES:**

10:00, 10:15, 10:30 and 11:45, 12:00, & 12:15



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## NEW! 2024 MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE EVERY WEDNESDAY, STARTING MAY 8TH

Teams of SIX Weekly Payouts

Sign up in the Shop or on the App

100% PAYOUT - \$600 PER TEAM - PLAY ANY TIME ON WEDNESDAY MODIFIED STABLEFORD POINTS - BEST 3 SCORES EACH WEEK - 9 HOLES



Dellwood Country Club's in-house culinary, catering and events teams are dedicated to customizing events to fit your vision for menu, space and décor. All event spaces offer sweeping views of our 18-hole championship golf course.



Golf Tournaments • Corporate Events & Training Sessions • Weddings Fundraising Events • Retirement Celebrations • Bridal & Baby Showers Graduation Parties • School & Athletic Banquets • Rehearsal Dinners Holiday Parties • Family Reunions • Quinceñeras • Surprise Parties

The DCC Events Team is looking forward to helping host your special event here at the club!

Let's start planning! 651-426-4155 Katie@dellwoocountryclub.com www.dellwoodcountryclub.com/events-banquets 2024



- **3.1** Family Trivia Grand Finale!
- 3.2 & 3.3 Breakfast Bar
- 3.15 DCC Night Out! Rock Ballet 🚋
- 3.24 Easter Egg Hunt
- 3.31 Easter Brunch
- 4.4 LG Spring Social
- 4.27 DCC Beer Dabbler
- 4.30 LG 18-hole opener
- 5.1 MG Opener
- 5.2 LG 9-hole opener
- 5.3 Demo Day
- 5.9 Sparkling Wine Tasting 🚋
- 5.12 Mother's Day Brunch
- 5.17 Couples Golf Opener
- 5.24 MG & LG Memorial Classic
- 5.31 MG Boxcar Member/Member
- 6.1 MG Boxcar
- 6.6 LG June Mixer
- 6.13 LG 9-Hole Guest
- 6.14 Couples Golf Night
- 6.19 MG Guest Day
- 6.21 Live Music Night
- 6.25. LG Guest Day
- 6.29 Luau & Couples Golf Night
- 7.11 & 7.12 LG Solheim Cup
- 7.12 Live Music
- 7.17-7.20 MG Invitational B&G
- 7.23 LG Travelling Team
- 7.26 Couples Golf Night
- 7.27 Live Music

## 8.3 & 8.4 MG Club Championship

- 8.7 Pro-Am
- 8.9 Couples Golf Guest Night
- 8.15 LG Play with DCC Staff
- 8.16 Live Music
- 8.22 Live Music
- 9.6 Couples Golf Closer
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- 9.20 & 9.21 MG Member/Member 🥮
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- 9.24 LG 18-Hole Closer
- 9.25 MG Closing Stag
- 9.26 LG 9-Hole Closer
- 9.27-9.30 MG Ryder Cup
- 9.27 DCC Oktoberfest
- 10.5 LG Derby
- 10.8 MG Derby
- 10.11 Couples Golf Glow Ball
- 10.20 BOO Bash
- 11.7 Family BINGO Night
- 11.8 Wine Dinner
- 11.11 Bar Trivia Night
- 11.21 Family Trivia Night
- 11.28 Thanksgiving
- Pick-up OR Buffet
- 12.5 Bar BINGO Night
- 12.8 Santa Brunch
- 12.12 Family BINGO Night
- 12.18 Floral Centerpiece Workshop
- 12.18-12.22 Winter Elegance
- 12.26-12.28 Winter Elegance
- 12.29 End Of Year Brunch & Sleigh

### PLEASE NOTE:

DCC RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADD MORE FUN THROUGH OUT THE YEAR!



2024



#### CLUB CALENDAR EVENTS OF

#### CALENDAR KEY

- Special Member Event Member Holiday Event

-Men's Golf -Couples Golf -Family Game Nights Ladies Golf —Culinary Happenings —Bar Game Nights

#### **EVENTS & WEDDINGS '24**







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\*Bold indicates Clubhouse Closed

2024 Advisory Committee



Paul Edwards



Kate Gonzalez

Member Since: 2012

Amenity Used Most: Golf

**Favorite Menu Item**: Big fan of our Turkey Burger, right behind that is the Ahi Tuna salad and the Filet.

What I Enjoy Most about DCC: The group of 20 or so guys that gather on Wednesday's and Saturday's. Play a little 2 of 4 Net game. Great group of people.

**More About Me.** I enjoy wakeboarding, the outdoors, my new labrador and keeping busy in retirement.

Member Since: 2020

Amenity Used Most: Golf, but we use it all!

Favorite Menu Item: Farmhouse Salad w/ Chicken

What I Enjoy Most about DCC: Women's Golf on Thursday nights! So fun to get out on the beautiful course with friends and stay for dinner & drinks afterwards.

Little Did We Know.. I have been known to, how do I say this, out-drive my husband!



Sara Han

Member Since: 2020
Amenity Used Most: Golf
Favorite Menu Item: Turkey Burger w/ Cranberry Aioli & Bootleggers
What I Enjoy Most about DCC: Women's League on Thursday nights and Couples Golf Events. Lifelong friendships have been created through these events.
Claim to Fame: My husband Steve & I won the Couples Club Championship in 2022!



Lisa Kaler

Member Since: 2022

Amenity Used Most: Pool is #1

**Favorite Menu Item**: I'm advocating to bring back the Tater Tatchos!

What I Enjoy Most about DCC: I love the family friendly atmosphere and the many events that children enjoy participating in. Big fan of the sleigh rides!

**Claim to Fame:** I once made a net hole in one on the second hole during the big Box Car Member-Member Tournament!



Adam Larson

Member Since: 2020

Amenity Used Most: Golf, Pool a close 2nd (thanks to my son Aksel, 7)

Favorite Menu Item: Chicken Wings, extra crispy, buffalo sauce

What I Enjoy Most about DCC: The welcoming nature of the Club. Very family friendly, accepting, no cliques,& the right balance of laid back, casual, and still nice. Claim to Fame: I once eagled Holes 5 & 8 and failed to break 40 on the front!



**Bill LeBlanc** 

Member Since: 2012 Amenity Used Most: Golf & Restaraunt Favorite Menu Item: Everything breakfast

What I Enjoy Most about DCC: #1-Great golf events. #2-The people! I'm fascinated at how approachable members are and the respect everyone has for one another.

**Claim to Fame:** I've had two aces at DCC on the same hole: #16 which was #7 the first time I aced it. The second one was with Driver, but hey, it was from the tips!



Blair Oklobzija

#### Member Since: 2016

Amenity Used Most: Myself: Golf. My wife Amanda & Kids: Pool

**Favorite Menu Item**: Seafood Risotta & Oktoberfest Pretzels! **What I Enjoy Most about DCC**: The overall welcoming feel. I entertain a lot of customers and business partners at the Club and they all love the experience and look forward to coming back.

**All Family:** Amanda and I have three boys, Miles (14), Oliver (12) & Calvin (10). They love hanging at the pool and enjoy the food!



Beth Pilacinski

#### Member Since: 2009

Amenity Used Most: Golf. IMO it's one of the most alluring courses in the Metro

Favorite Menu Item: Seared Ahi Tuna w/ Sweet Chili Sauce and Wasabi Aioli

What I Enjoy Most about DCC: Dellwood Members have become second family. I've created lifetime friendships with men & women, young and old. Every summer I look forward to seeing the next generation partake in Junior Golf Camps.

**Claim to Fame:** I aced Hole #12. On Mother's Day. AND in front of all my kids. That's tough to beat!

## <u>Representing DCC Staff:</u>

Clayton Johnson, Head Golf Professional Pete LaCoursiere, General Manager Michelle Murray, Office Manager Brita van Guilder, Director of Food & Beverage

