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President's Corner

We started the month with a Super Bowl party that was well attended; a big thank you to the dedicated Members who showed up. The Members brought quite a variety of pot luck food, Heather made up several baskets, Dosia Tiemann made one of her famous blackberry cobbles, I made a large bottle of homemade Irish Cream to raffle off, and there was a 50/50 drawing. All of these made the Club around \$400, plus we had a great bar.

We began serving limited food on Sundays – pizza, wings, and fries for example. So far, it's gone over well. We will improve service as time goes by. Spring will be here soon, so why not spend a Sunday afternoon on the deck or in the lounge. Also starting with Lent, we will be offering catfish nuggets as a regular item. We will see what the demand is and then decide if we want to keep it as a regular menu item.

Restaurant Week and Valentine's Day was a roaring success for the Club. I would have to say that Valentine's day was maybe our best in some time. Heather will have more to say in her blog.

The Queen of Hearts keeps growing. Thank you for the efforts of volunteers, employees, and players. The Club is zipping along, selling food, drinks, and tickets. The kitchen seems to be keeping up with demand and if demand keeps growing, we will likely add a food bar to expedite service. We've had a few issues, but by and large all is going well. I know that there have been a few problems with service, but our employees and volunteers are doing the best they can under these conditions. So please, if you have an issue, bring it to the attention of management. Please don't take it out on the employees or volunteers.

Volunteer of the Month

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Club Website

See the Club's website at thesportsmensclub.com for the Club's monthly bulletins, By-Laws, various facility rules, list of the Board of Directors, contacts and much more Club information.

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Remember, it's never too late to sign up to pay your 2020 dues, pad fees, or daily fees via ACH. Just contact me at the number or email below. It's easy and convenient.

In closing, I would like to give special thanks to the family of Rita and Dennis Maggos. Rita passed on 12/8/18 and Dennis passed on 1/11/20. They were long time Members and frequented the Club often. His family named the Sportsman's Club beneficiary of memorials, with supplemental funds provided by their son Mark Maggos. Thanks to their thoughtfulness and generosity, our Club now has new chairs in the dining room.



Until next month,
Brad Brands (618)419-1148 or bradcbrands@hotmail.com

SNY Members—Keeping You Posted

The next meeting is Tuesday, March 3rd at 6:30PM.

Please turn off all heaters/AC in your camper when you are not up there. Our electric bill is very high in the winter when there is hardly anyone there. Please check doors on the second and third floors of the clubhouse to ensure they are closed periodically.

The updated deer rules will be on the Club website very soon. The house, trailer and grounds rules will be on there also.

Thanks to all for cleaning the kitchen after the baby camo weekend. It looked great and it was spotless!!!!

Anyone that has a boat or trailer stored at Pleasant Hill that is not licensed, please remove it from the Club property. We want to clean the grounds up as soon as the weather breaks.

1st quarter trailer pad fees are due by March 31st.

Please note that there is no riding at the Pleasant Hill facility except between the hours of 2:00 am—1:00 pm from April 13 through May 14 due to Spring Turkey Season. There is no riding at all on #3 trail. When in doubt....please ask someone.

There are two temporary spots available. If you are interested in reserving one of them, please contact Heather in the Club's office.

Thank You,
Alan Medford
Sny Chairman

Trap House Rental

Members may only rent the trap house for someone else if that person is an immediate family Member (i.e., parent, grandparent, great grandparent, step parent, son, daughter, or in-law).

Dining Room Operation

For parties of eight (8) or more, we ask that you please call ahead.

The Dining Room Staff

Reminder!

Just a reminder, when you camp or fish, please be mindful of picking up any debris that you have. Please make sure that all bottles and cans are picked up after fishing, camping, etc.
Thank you!

Club News

Hoorah! March is here, which means spring is right around the corner.

I want to start off by thanking all that came out for our Valentine's Day dinner buffet. We had almost doubled our reservation list from the previous year. Katie and her crew did a fantastic job with the food as well as the appetizer/dessert buffet. It was a great evening.

Thank you to our February "guest bartenders", Sam and Todd Quigley. They did an outstanding job! They donated their tips to 5A's. All had a great time with them. March's "guest bartenders" are Paddy Coyle & Sherry Cowan. They will be bartending Sunday, March 15. Come see them sling some green beers that day. They will be here from 3-8pm. We will also be serving corned beef & cabbage on this day. If being a "guest bartender" is something of interest to you, please call me at the office @ 618-466-3042.

I have enclosed a copy of our "Lenten special". We will be serving catfish nuggets in ½ lb or 1 lb increments. In addition to these nuggets, we will also be serving a cod sandwich with fries option. Please take a look at the dinner specials. Katie has several fish options available for you during lent.

On Tuesday, March 17, we will be serving up our annual St. Patty's Day buffet in the dining room. I strongly recommend you make reservations. This will be served from 11am-8pm that day. You may also call ahead for take-out if you wish. Please see the attached menu for this.

Don't forget to check out our daily lunch specials. These are Monday-Saturday from 11am-4pm. If you can't come in and dine with us, call ahead. We will gladly get your lunch together for you.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the Members that utilize the Club frequently. We have had several birthday parties, for the young and older generations, showers, and many other activities in the Lakeside Lounge, the ballroom, and the trap house. Thank you for continuing to make this a family fun atmosphere!!!

Until next month,
Heather Gant
Operations Manager

March Lunch Specials

- 2: Double cheeseburger w/fries
- 3: Pork steaks w/baked beans
- 4: Spaghetti stuffed garlic bread
- 5: Southern style fried chicken sandwich
- 6: Fried shrimp Caesar
- 7: Chicken bacon ranch club
- 9: Loaded nachos
- 10: Shrimp po'boy
- 11: Liver & onions w/mashed potatoes & gravy
- 12: Country fried steak w/mashed potatoes & gravy
- 13: Crab cake sliders
- 14: Chicken bacon tomato flatbread pizza
- 16: Fried pork chops w/mashed potatoes & gravy
- 17: Meatball subs
- 18: Bratwurst burgers
- 19: Cobb salad
- 20: Surf & surf cod & shrimp tacos
- 21: Walking tacos
- 23: Asiago fried chicken on ciabatta
- 24: Taco salad
- 25: 2 pc fried chicken w/baked potato
- 26: ½ Club sandwich w/soup
- 27: Black bean burger
- 28: 9" supreme pizza
- 30: Popcorn shrimp, hush puppies & slaw
- 31: Ham & cheese Panini

Weekly Specials

Sunday

\$3.00 Bloody Mary

Monday

The Queen of Hearts

\$3.00 Margaritas

Tuesday

\$4.00 Long Island Teas

Wednesday

\$4.00 Wine

Thursday

Wings & Flatbread Pizza
Special

\$1.50 Domestic Drafts

\$1.75 Craft Drafts

Friday

\$13.00 Buckets

Saturday

\$13.00 Buckets

Have You Changed Your Address?

If you have changed your email address, phone number or your mailing address, please be sure to notify the Club.

Calendar of Events

March 4—Blood Drive 2-7pm

March 15—Guest Bartenders

March 17—St. Patty's Day Buffet



Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to: 2- Devin Williams; 3- Harry Humphrey, Carl Mayer, Troy Patton; 4- Jo Coleman, Allan Napp; 5- Traci Baumgartner; 6- James Curlovic, William Curlovic, Brian Mossman; 7- Jay Bennett, Edward Frankford; 8- Stephen Lee, Patrick Pohlman, Mary Wuellner; 9- Edward Hurley, Jeffrey Wiemers; 10- Chris Breitweiser, Walter Grabner, Tony Henkhaus; 11- Charles Miles, Randall Morris, Jerry Norman, Randy Rambeau; 13- Eric Peal; 14- Barbara Berry, Dan Pilkington; 15- Emily Medford; 16- David Davies; 17- Brad Brands, Patrick Croxton, Jodie Green, John Retzer, Patrick Wheeler; 18- Michael Bowman; 21- Thomas Juravich, Greg Landers, Chris Sawyer; 23- Jeff Fletcher, Michael Wilson; 26- Joseph Bayer, Tony Deangelo, Brian Grabner; 27- Dennis Wilson; 28- Danielle Dixon; 29- Roger Kamp; and 30- Craig Kittstein.

Deer Rules—Effective February 6, 2020

1. Each of the firearm seasons will start with the initial draw among the eligible adult hunters.
 - Draw will be held 90 minutes before shooting time.
 - If there are any remaining stands after the initial draw, then there will be a secondary draw for those who did not qualify for the initial draw. (See Rule #3)
 - If there is a stand available after the secondary draw, we will draw stands for Junior Members 16 years and over.
2. In the event we have more deer hunters than stands, the following procedures will be followed.
 - All hunters will be designated by their names being drawn at random.
 - The person chosen will have 1 minute to decide on the stand they would like. So on so forth.
3. Any hunter that has taken a deer is subject to participate in the secondary draw.
4. Deer stand vacated by a hunter because he or she filled their tag or quits hunting will be subject to be taken by a fellow hunter. A hunter wishing to move up to the vacated stand must sign the board to the stand he or she wishes to occupy and must be in that stand within the hour he or she writes their name. If more than one hunter wishes to occupy the available stand they will draw between them only.
5. If you have wounded a deer, you are able to track it between 10am-2pm or after dark.
6. Names of hunters and stands must be posted on the blackboard when drawing or claiming a stand and must be erased when vacating the stand.
7. Each hunter may leave the stand for 1 hour and/or rest break. After 2 hours, your stand will be declared vacant if you have not returned to it.
8. All hunters must comply with Illinois state laws. Tags and hunting license must be presented before you can register for draw.
9. Deer driving is prohibited.
10. Firearm hunters must hunt from their designated stand. If you are physically unable to climb in the stand you can hunt from the base of the tree.
11. Junior Members under the age of 16 must hunt with parent or legal guardian.
 - Junior Members over the age of 16 can participate in the Junior draw.

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12. The number of deer taken by each Member shall be limited to 2. Only one buck can be taken prior to first season.
 - A Junior Member gets one free deer under their parent or legal guardian.
 - Bucks only are allowed to be taken after second gun season.
13. All deer hunters using a permanent or portable tree stand must be secured with a safety device.
14. Portable deer stands will be limited to 2 per person. Portable stands may not be put up before September 1 prior to the current hunting season and must be taken down before March 1 the following year. Stands need to be labeled by owner.
15. A Junior Member reaching the age of 21 after July 1 deadline, provided they upgrade to adult Membership status and have paid their adult dues, have the option to:
 - Pay the appropriate dues; or,
 - Pay no dues and finish out the end of the year as a Junior Member.
16. New Members wishing to deer hunt must pay \$275.00. The fee will be \$75.00 if you are a waterfowl Member.
17. Eligible hunters will be limited to those listed on the previous year's deer hunting eligibility list. This limitation is imposed in the interest of safety, preservation of the deer herd, and limited number of suitable areas for quality deer hunting. In order for a Junior Member to move up to adult eligible status for deer hunting, their parent or legal guardian must be on the deer eligibility list or the Junior Member must be on it themselves.
18. Any eligible hunter that does not put in the required work time will lose his or her hunting eligibility for that year.
 - Must complete at least 2 work days or can pay \$100 per day for their work days.
 - Junior Members age 16 or over are subject to required work days.
19. The deer committee will, in the interest of safety, preservation of the deer herd, and the limited number of suitable areas to provide adequate space for quality deer hunting, will set the quota for how many deer hunters we can take on that year.
 - Any Member wishing to upgrade to deer hunting must tell the deer committee by July 1.
 - Only hunters that apply by the July 1 deadline will be considered.
20. All work must be completed on or before 1 month before the start of bow season. Stands that do not comply with the standards set by the deer committee, the Member responsible will lose hunting privileges unless he or she pays a \$200 fee for not working.

Deer Rules—Continued

21. Bow hunting is prohibited starting on the Monday before the weekend prior to Thanksgiving week and the Monday after the weekend that is after Thanksgiving through the end of second gun season. During this time, all foot and ATV, UTV traffic (Except for traffic related to waterfowl hunting) is prohibited in the bottoms.
22. #3 trail will be shut down starting bow season to all traffic besides foot. You can take your ATV OR UTV to retrieve a deer in compliance with the deer rules on retrieving a deer.
23. All bucks must have at least 4 points on 1 side, youth and seniors are exempt from this rule.
24. Firearm practice shooting will be from 1pm to 2pm during duck season.
25. Any adult Member may “adopt” a Junior Member or Junior family Member for the entire deer season. The Junior Member must be an eligible Junior Member of an adult deer hunter.
 - Adoptions must be designated by the July Sny meeting.

Violators of these rules will be referred to the Board of Directors for disciplinary action.

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**St Patricks Day
Corned Beef and Cabbage Buffet**

Tuesday March 17th
from 11a.m.-8p.m.

Adults: \$13.95

Children ages 4-12 \$6.95

Children 3 and under are free

Includes: Corned Beef,
Cabbage, Red Potatoes,
Carrots, Irish stew, Rye Bread...

Lenten Specials

****Catfish Nuggets****

1/2 lb \$ 4.50

1lb \$ 8.00

Add 2 sides for \$4.00

****Cod Sandwich**

w/ fries**

(with cheese, pickle, onion & tartar)

\$6.50

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Lunch is served Monday—Saturday from 11:00 am-3:00 pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Lakeside Lounge 1-8 \$3.00 Bloody Mary	2 Queen of Hearts \$3.00 margaritas	3 SNY Meeting 6:30 \$4.00 Long Island Teas	4 Chicken Alfredo Lasagna w/garlic bread \$10.95	5 BINGO 6:30 AYCE Fried Chicken & Pork Chops \$11.95 \$1.50 domestic drafts	6 Shrimp stuffed salmon filets w/2 sides \$15.95	7 Shrimp stuffed salmon filets w/2 sides \$15.95
8 Lakeside Lounge 1-8 \$3.00 Bloody Mary	9 Queen of Hearts \$3.00 margaritas	10 Board Meeting 6:30 \$4.00 Long Island Teas	11 Chicken enchiladas w/Mexican rice \$10.95	12 BINGO 6:30 AYCE Fried Chicken & Pork Chops \$11.95 \$1.50 domestic drafts	13 Fried whole catfish w/hush puppies & slaw \$18.95	14 Fried whole catfish w/hush puppies & slaw \$18.95
15 Lakeside Lounge 1-8 \$3.00 Bloody Mary Guest Bartenders	16 Queen of Hearts \$3.00 margaritas	17 Regular Meeting 6:30 \$4.00 Long Island Teas St. Patty's Day Buffet 	18 Chicken Kabobs w/2 sides \$12.95	19 BINGO 6:30 AYCE Fried Chicken & Pork Chops \$11.95 \$1.50 domestic drafts	20 Lemon butter cod filets over rice w/steamed vegetables \$14.95	21 Lemon butter cod filets over rice w/steamed vegetables \$14.95
22 Lakeside Lounge 1-8 \$3.00 Bloody Mary	23 Queen of Hearts \$3.00 margaritas	24 \$4.00 Long Island Teas	25 Cheesy bacon & ham scaloped casserole w/salad bar \$9.95	26 BINGO 6:30 AYCE Fried Chicken & Pork Chops \$11.95 \$1.50 domestic drafts	27 Shrimp Fajitas Platter \$16.95	28 Shrimp Fajitas Platter \$16.95
29 Lakeside Lounge 1-8 \$3.00 Bloody Mary	30 Queen of Hearts \$3.00 margaritas	31 \$4.00 Long Island Teas				

Dining Room Hours:

Wed: 5:00 pm—9:00 pm
Thurs: 5:00 pm—8:00 pm
Fri & Sat: 5:00 pm—9:00 pm

Lakeside Lounge Hours:

Sun: 1:00 pm—8:00 pm Limited Food
Mon-Sat: 11:00 am—12:30 am
Bar Menu Served on Tues-Sat from 11:00 am—7:30 pm

Office Hours: Tues-Fri: 9:00 am—5:00 pm