



Lawton Country Club

March Newsletter

Clubhouse 353-2076

Pro Shop 353-2073

HOURS OF OPERATION (Effective March 10th)

Dining Room

Tues. Wed. Thur. & Sat.	11:00 - 2:00 and 5:00 - 10:00
Friday	11:00 - 2:00 and 5:00 - 10:00
Sunday	11:00 - 2:00

19th Hole and Lounge

(Limited Menu from 2:00 to 5:00)

Tues. Wed. Thur. & Sat	11:00 - 9:00
Friday	10:00 - 10:00
Sunday	10:00 - 7:00

Office

Mon. & Sat.	9:00 - 12:00
Tue. - Fri.	9:00 - 5:00

Pro Shop

Tue. - Sun.	8:00 - 7:00
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Tue. - Sun.	8:00 - 6:00
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from the general manager

Bill Stamps

February certainly treated us to some weather extremes. We had the greens covered much of the time, and there were some days that I saw players wearing shorts on the golf course. The anticipated warmer weather of March will mean we won't have to cover our greens as often, however we had some cold, icy weather last year in March and April. Let's keep our fingers crossed.

We had a very nice Valentine's Day dinner. Both seatings were well attended and the special meal was great. Music that night was provided by guitarist Johnathan Henry and was very well received by the attendees. We plan on having him more often, so join us for a fun evening.

We are delighted to welcome Lisa Marion from El Greco Restaurant as our Food and Beverage Director. Lisa has brought some key members from her kitchen and wait staff to join our current staff. During this transition period, we ask for your patience and understanding. We have tried to coordinate this change to be as smooth as possible. Lisa's menu is evolving. She will be incorporating some of her signature dishes with some of the established favorites, and will be featuring "special" specials each week. Your suggestions are appreciated. We would appreciate it if you would take advantage of the suggestion box in the foyer for your comments, enabling us to keep better records. Lesli and Ashley are no longer with us, and I want to wish them the best and thank them for their years of dedicated service.

On occasion, we have had members go behind the bar or go into the kitchen. It is against ABLE commission regulations for non-licensed personnel to be behind the bar. Also, the Oklahoma Health Department has very strong restrictions and requirements for personnel in a kitchen. I need to ask everyone to please refrain from doing so. We cannot jeopardize our liquor license or our food handling permit. We have been a little short-handed at times, but Lisa is bringing on a full time bartender and we feel this will provide better bar service. There is never a justifiable reason for a member entering the kitchen.

David Anderson will be on the piano in the dining room on Friday, March 13, so make your reservations. Daylight Saving Time goes into effect Sunday, March 8, and we will be changing to new operating hours. Please see the schedule in the upper right hand corner for details. Please note that between 2:00 and 5:00 each day the dining room will close and we will be offering a limited menu in the Lounge and the 19th Hole. This allows us to focus on a separate lunch menu and dinner menu, while still providing a limited menu during late afternoon.

There have been some questions lately regarding the tip pool for the wait staff. The wait staff does share proportionally in the 15% tip that is added to each ticket. If you want to reward exceptional service for your waiter or waitress, any amount that you add on the "additional gratuity" line on the ticket will go directly to your server. Additionally, any cash tip that you leave will go directly to your server.

board minutes

In anticipation of a spring membership drive, the board voted to waive the initiation fee for anyone joining the club until June 15. At that time, the initiation fee will increase to \$1,200 for all clubhouse, associate and stock memberships. The fee can be paid in twelve installments of \$100 each.

golf course news

Johnny Wilson

Due to the weather conditions in February, we have kept the greens covered most of the month. We will continue to use the same guidelines of covering and uncovering throughout the winter and in the winters to come. I would like to thank those who understand and those with questions or disagreements, please feel free to talk to me.

We will be spraying pre-emergence early this month. This is a process we will repeat in the fall. Aerification of the greens is scheduled in May.

As far as golf, March doesn't have much, but April really gets us rolling. April 8th will be very busy with a Callaway Demo Day on the driving range from 2:00 to 6:00 pm. Then at 6:00 pm we will have the once very popular Masters Draw. Dinner will be at 6:00 pm with the draw shortly after. For those that don't know, you can enter the draw for \$100.00 and get a player in the Masters. We will draw a player and a member and if that player wins, the member wins. For more information, call the Pro Shop.

Also in April we will have our first two Monday scrambles. Great Plains Technology Center on the 6th and Ambucs on the 20th. There will also be the All-City Jr. High on the 2nd and the Elgin Jr. High on the 9th.

We are looking at reviving Ladies Day. We would like to play on Thursday mornings. This is an opportunity for the lady golfers to get together for a non-competitive round of golf (nine holes or eighteen) with lunch and perhaps an adult beverage. We would also like to schedule a few "guys and dolls" events. In the past, this has been a fun nine holes of golf with drinks and hors d'oeuvres following. Please let me know if you would be interested.

Last, but not least, please take advantage of our huge sale now going on in the pro shop. All clothing is 50% off. We are trying to reduce the current inventory to make room for the new spring apparel.

Membership Drive

LCC will conduct a critical membership drive this spring. We will be using individual contact by current members with prospective members as our main recruiting tool. An organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, March 24 at 6:00 in the ballroom for ANYONE interested in helping. Please attend this meeting regardless of the level of assistance you will be able to provide. We are seeking input from as many people as possible in our attempt to capitalize on a variety of conditions that we think can lead to a healthy growth in our club membership. If you are interested but can't make the meeting, call Mike Duncan at 695-6564 or Cindy Sheppard at 695-5336.