

## **President's Corner**

### Greetings Members,

22 days until Spring! If you are like me, the approaching golf season as well as other outside activities is a welcome sight. I'm looking forward to the 'In-Season' calendar at the Club. You will be hearing more information in the coming weeks, so stay tuned.

If you haven't noticed, the Club's Foundation has initiated its first major project of golf course restoration – Cleaning/Restoring the Creek. Although the weather hasn't completely cooperated (need ground freeze) on a consistent basis, work is ongoing and will provide a significant improvement to our historic course. Part of the project also includes the removal of all stumps throughout the course.

The member retreat held on January 28<sup>th</sup> has provided our board with the priorities and chart of work to be accomplished the remainder of the year. My thanks to all who participated in this 3-hour discussion. These sessions have played a huge part in the club's annual improvement and accomplishments.

I want to encourage you to continue using the Club to enjoy the dining and social experiences we have to offer – even if we can't play a round of golf or swim in the pool quite yet. It's a great place to 'hang' with friends and family!

I look forward to seeing many of you at 'The Club'.

Sincerely,

Jim Weaton



\$750,000 Goal

Our Unique History,
Our Future

### **Our Time**

Over the course of the next few months, the Kahgahgee Historic Golf Foundation of our Fairfield Golf & Country Club will embark on a major capital drive to raise the resources necessary to do the following:

- ✓ Preserve & Maintain the Historic (1892) Fairfield Golf & Country Club Course.
- ✓ Create inclusive programs for more youth and families to learn the lifetime game of golf.
- ✓ Endow the Foundation so as to live in perpetuity.

To gain an understanding of the significance of the Foundation and this campaign, in this edition, you can find 'FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS 'that will provide you with the significance of this endeavor.

For more information, contact Chuck Espy, Foundation Chair <u>cespy4@gmail.com</u> or Jim Weaton, Club President at j.weaton@lisco.com.











# WHY IS THE FOUNDATION INPORTANT TO THE FAIRFIELD GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB?

Because the Foundation's work is focused on the historic golf course, a significant amount of the related expenses will be shifted from general Club operations to the Foundation. This will allow Club operations to utilize funds previously directed to golf course expenses to other parts of Club activities (i.e. pool, clubhouse) for capital improvements and expanded services.

# WHY IS THE FOUNDATION CONDUCTING A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN?

This campaign will give the Foundation the ability to preserve and restore a historic gem. At the same time, it will provide program funding to increase a more inclusive golf community that will learn to enjoy this life-long sport. Lastly, resources raised will create an endowment that will impact the quality of life, education, and economic development of our community for generations.

# WHAT NEW PROGRAMS MIGHT THE FOUNDATION PROVIDE?

The Foundation will be developing opportunities (i.e., camps, lessons, tournaments, scholarships, equipment) that grow golf and become available to a broader demographic of our community.

# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THIS CAMPAIGN AND THE CLUB'S ANNUAL FUNDRAISING EVENTS?

The Foundation Campaign is a targeted 3-year pledge fundraising effort designed to raise focused funds related to golf. The Club's special events raise funds to provide financial support to the overall operations of the Club. A successful Fairfield Golf & Country Club needs generous donors for both Annual Special Events and Foundation Campaigns.

# WHERE WILL THE MONEY RAISED BY THE FOUNDATION CAMPAIGN BE SPENT?

The anticipated annual expense to preserve, maintain, and restore our historic golf course; provide new program opportunities to increase Club and Community participation with golf; and perpetuate the future of the Foundation is \$250,000 per year. Initial enthusiasm for the work of the Foundation has resulted in advanced financial commitments.

We will be asking ALL Club Members to consider a 3-year pledge commitment to help the Foundation raise \$750,000. You will be hearing more about the campaign schedule in the coming weeks.

# WHO WILL PROVIDE OVERSIGHT TO THE CAMPAIGN AND PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE 3-YEAR PERIOD?

Our Board of Directors of both the Club and Foundation have formally approved the legacy campaign and will regularly monitor progress throughout. Our golf course superintendent, Larry Padgett and the Club's Golf Committee will support the renovation projects and programs designed. The Club's Bookkeeper will coordinate collection/distribution post campaign. The ultimate oversight of the campaign resides with the Kahgahgee Foundation Board of Directors.



# WHEN I'M CONTACTED, CAN I MAKE MY GIFT OVER A PERIOD OF TIME?

**Absolutely.** For many, a pledge is the preferred way to make a generous gift which allows you to pay later or spread your payments over multiple months or years. This may allow you to donate at a higher level versus a one-year gift. As the donor, you can specify the time period and payment schedule you wish.

### ARE DONATIONS TO THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TAX-DEDUCTIBLE?

**Yes.** The Kahgahgee Historical Golf Foundation is a charitable non-profit Foundation with a 501(c)(3) designation by the IRS. Donors can feel secure if they choose to incorporate a gift with their tax planning goals. All donations will receive a letter documenting their contribution to the Kahgahgee Historical Golf Foundation.

### WILL DONORS BE PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGED?

**Yes.** Unless the donor chooses otherwise. The Foundation has a planned donor recognition program, including attractive naming opportunities for spaces in the Clubhouse and on the Golf Course as well as a donor recognition in our Clubhouse and on our website. However, we completely respect donor wishes and understand if public recognition is not desired. Gifts can remain anonymous if requested by the donor

### CAN I SPECIFY HOW MY GIFT WILL BE USED?

**Yes.** If a particular part of our projects has special meaning to you, or you wish to commemorate a family member, you can specify your gift be recognized in that way. You can leave a lasting legacy and further the Foundation's mission through the many naming opportunities we have.

# WHAT IS THE TIMELINE FOR RENOVATION AND COMPLETION?

We are currently in the early stages of the campaign process, with creek clearing and tree trimming begun in the winter of 2023. Our goal is to have ongoing renovation work and programs ongoing throughout the 3-year pledge period. Please check back for further progress updates or in future Club e-newsletters.

# HOW WILL THE RENOVATIONS IMPACT GOLF COURSE ACCESS OR PROGRAMS?

Our plan is to keep disruptions to the golf course and programs as minimal as possible. During the course of the restoration project, we may reroute some of our holes to accommodate players. We ask for your patience and support as we enhance and improve playing conditions. We anticipate little to no disruptions to programs and events throughout the project period. We will notify members in advance of any facility or schedule changes.



The Foundation Board is pleased to report that John and Deb Martin will serve as our Legacy Campaign's Co-Chair!



# Each Member of our Historic Golf & Country Club will receive a personal invitation to attend one of many presentations to secure your participation.

Friends of Kahgahgee 1892 Legacy Campaign	MY PLEDGE  2023 - 2026  Total Pledged: \$
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# **LEGACY CAMPAIGNTIMELINE**



Phase 1

April - May 2023

>Phase 2

June-July 2023 Phase 3

August 2023

CampaignCleanup

Campaign Lead & Major Gifts Solicitation Club Members & Community Gifts Solicitations (presentations at Club)

Celebration Event
Acknowledgement& Recognition completed

Phase 4

Sept. 2023-August 2026 Pledge billing procedure with club finance in place.

Communications throughout the-year pledge period.

Follow up onpledge receivables

Quarterly reports to the boards (Club/Foundation).

Evaluation of campaign completed, and report sent to boards for future campaign.



The Club's Planning Retreat was held on January 28th and provided great input by members to the Corporate Board in setting priorities for the remainder of the year. Below is a listing of several major projects the board will be addressing throughout 2023:

Supporting the Club Foundation's Legacy Campaign

Pool House/Upper Patio Deck Demolition

New Clover POS Install/Financial Integration

Food/Beverage Monthly Inventory Reconciliation

Website and Social Media Overhaul & Enhanced Marketing Presence

Installation of New Indoor/Outdoor Clubhouse Sound System

Corporate Membership Solicitation

Development of 'Off Season' Clubhouse Opportunities

Exploration of Regional Golf Club Reciprocity Program.

Standardization of Financial Accounting Systems of Reporting and Oversight

Property Tax Review

Line-Item Cost Containment Evaluation and Implementation

Additional Gaming Opportunities for Pool and Youth/Family Game Room



Saturday Evening, 3/4/23: Super Club At the Club

Friday, 3/17/23: St. Patrick's Day Party

**Date TBD - March Madness** 

Saturday, 4/1/23: Presidents ball honoring Past President, Lori Schaefer-Weaton

Date TBD - Surf & Turf Supper Club Night at the Club

Sunday, 4/9: Easter Brunch Friday, 4/21: Ladies night out Friday, 5/5/23: Cinco de Derby

Sunday, 5/14/23: Mother's Day Brunch

Memorial Day Weekend: Pool opening, golf outing, cook out

Wednesday, 5/31/23: Teacher appreciation event

Watch For Details For Each Event

# Golf/Pool Calendar Coming Soon!



# IF YOU KNOW OF A COMPANY LOOKING TO ADD INCENTIVE BENEFITS FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES, HAVE THEM CHECK OUT OUR CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM – THEY WILL BE GLAD THEY DID!

To participate, the company would, first, select one of three levels of Sponsorship of interest:

Bronze: \$5,000/year. 3-Year Company commitment required
 Silver: \$10,000/year. 3-Year Company commitment required
 Gold: \$20,000/year. 3-Year Company commitment required

All companies participating at the GOLD level will also receive additional benefits of: One (1) complimentary club membership/year to be used at their discretion; a 10% discount on an established club corporate account for food/beverage purchases; and 10% off green/cart fees for any company outing.

Depending on which corporate membership plan the company selects, their full-time employees would be entitled to a **reduced member rate** of:

Bronze 20%

Silver 30%

• Gold 50%

Note: Memberships are non-transferable

### CORPORATE BRONZE MEMBERSHIP RATE

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Member Category	All-In Member Rate:
Single Social	\$392
Family Social	\$741
Hybrid	\$1831
Single Under 35	\$872
Single 35+	\$1,438
Family Under 35	\$1,308
Family 35+	\$2,746



### CORPORATE SILVER MEMBERSHIP RATE CORPORATE GOLD MEMBERSHIP RATE

Member Category	All-In Member Rate:	Member Category	All-In Member Rate:
Single Social	\$343	Single Social	\$245
Family Social	\$648	Family Social	\$463
Hybrid	\$1,602	Hybrid	\$1,145
Single Under 35	\$763	Single Under 35	\$545
Single 35+	\$1,259	Single 35+	\$899
Family Under 35	\$1,144	Family Under 35	\$818
Family 35+	\$2,403	Family 35+	\$1,717

Need more information? Call Jim Weaton, President at (641) 451-1213 or email at <u>j.weaton@lisco.com</u>.



### **2023 MEMBERSHIP RATES (INCLUDING TAX)**

## Social Member:

Fee includes the use of the Clubhouse, Swimming Pool, Dining Room, 19<sup>th</sup> Hole, Social Events, and **reduced** rates to rent facilities. This category does not include golf.

Single: \$490.00 Family: \$926.00

# **Hybrid Member:**

Includes full use of the golf course for one person and full social for family. Social includes use of the Clubhouse, Swimming Pool, Dining Room, 19<sup>th</sup> Hole, Social Events, and **reduced** rates to rent facilities.

\$2,289.00

### **Full Member:**

Fee includes the full use of the Golf Course, Swimming Pool, Clubhouse, Dining Room, 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Social Events and **FREE** rental of facilities.

Single Full Under 35 \$1,090.00 Single Full 35+ \$1,798.00 Family Full Under 35 \$1,635.00 Family Full 35+ \$3,433.00

## **Junior Golf:**

18 years and under have full use of the golf course during normal business hours. Social and pool are not included.

NOTE: MEMBERSHIP RATES ARE PAID ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY JOIN DATE

YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



# Committed to serving you!



The success our Country Club has experienced would not be possible without our staff's contribution. **Take time to thank them!** 





#### FAIRFIELD GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Jim Weaton, President & Membership; Lori Schaefer-Weaton, Past President & Membership; Ben Stone, Vice President & Pool/Facilities; Daryl Boden, Secretary; Tom Thompson, Treasurer; Christie Kessel, Kitchen/Front of House; Jason Davis, Golf; Melissa Mahon, Social; Cooper Rose, Pool/Facilities.

KAHGAHGEE HISTORICAL GOLF FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Chuck Espy, Chair; Jim Horras; Martha Rasmussen, Tim Kuiken, Nate Weaton.