



The December 2024 Maple Leaf

Greetings all!

Administration:

We have worked on the insurance package for the club. For 2024, we had to split up the commercial package to get replacement cost on the house. Grinnell Mutual has agreed to give us Functional Replacement Cost and overall we will save about \$3000 in premium in 2025 vs 2024. The nominating committee is being formed to fill the 3 open slots on the board. Please consider running for the board as we need to have a strong board to oversee the operation of the club. The Annual meeting will be March 23, 2025

Finances:

We have made it through 2024! Unfortunately, we had to dip into our capital improvement funds to cover payroll and regular bills these past few months. At the annual meeting, the board will be proposing an increase in dues for 2025, and hopefully put together a 5-year plan to offset future inflationary pressures to the budget. Invoices will go out January 1 with the current dues amounts. Once we discuss our proposals in the Annual Meeting, we will send out further invoices as needed. This past year a considerable amount of members paid their dues annually! This takes off a huge burden off of Stephanie and the board in following up on late payors. With that being said, the board will be discussing increasing the late fees over the next few meetings and will announce the new late fee at the annual meeting.

Golf:

Thanks to Jim and his crew for a great season! Fun fact, we started mowing the greens in February! This was the first time that we could recall starting our golf season that early! All of our equipment is currently in working order, and a budget has been set for 2025. Reminder, the course is closed if there is frost or snow on the greens.

Pool:

We will be ordering filters for about \$3,000 that will be required to open the pool next season. Additionally, there are four options being considered for chemical providers. We also have a quote for \$5,000 for a new controller and probes from Sunrise. We are currently working on creating a seasonal closing manual for future reference.

House & Grounds:

The door to the outdoor freezer will be replaced early next year. We are exploring options for incorporating solar energy into our operations.

Social:

The annual open house had a great turnout. The Santa breakfast is scheduled for the 21st, and the New Year's Eve party will be held at the end of the month. Additionally, we have two comedians lined up for the comedy night on February 1st.

Please come out and enjoy the club over the rest of the Holiday Season!

Tom Conklin, President

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