

## From the President...



Tracey Grotenhuis, President

Hello, September! As usual, this month seems to sneak up on us very quickly. After wrapping up a busy summer season of golf and a very successful Pro-Am, some of our best golf is still in front of us! If you attended any of the Pro-Am events last month, you were able to see that we had a record number of teams participating and it was reported that revenue was up around \$20,000. The Pro-Am Committee has already met and will be making some minor adjustments to make next year's tournament even better! Thank you to all the members that participated, volunteered, supported financially, and attended the nightly events to make it one of the best tournaments to date.

A brief update on the potential clubhouse project. Our staff met with Mike Neswick from RML Architects last month to do a walkthrough of our existing clubhouse. Recommendations and adjustments to the existing elements we currently have were made by Department Heads and communicated to RML. Todd Van Maanen coordinated a topographic survey conducted by Meridian Land Surveying, which was also submitted to RML to assist with the site design work. This survey will assist RML in developing the possibilities of a potential clubhouse and outdoor spaces. RML Architects will use all this information to start designing the potential clubhouse and will meet with the clubhouse subcommittee to refine the design and add more details if needed. Once this process is completed, we will present it to the membership to see if it's a project the Club would like to move forward with in the future.

Time for some fun trivia! Who in the picture below was an original-born member of Hillcrest and is still currently a member, being born in 1953 when Hillcrest opened, and has continued to be a member ever since then making her our only "LIFETIME" member? You guessed it – Jane (Pike) Adamson. The picture below documented the time Jane and ladies played the newly remodeled Hole #16 for the first time in 1983.



Barb Vandovec, Jane Adamson, Max Stepp  
Frae Binder, Marty Wood, Edith Pike

As the days become shorter and nights become busier, please make sure to continue to keep Hillcrest as your dining option. Whether it's for a business lunch or a quick meal before a Bucks or Gazelles game – Kasey will be coming out with a new fall menu that will be sure not to disappoint. Also, a reminder to see Scott down in the Pro-Shop to use the credit that you earned over the summer as October 31 is the deadline to spend it!



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## From the Course...

Summer recovery is in full swing on the golf course and the recent rains have more to do with improving conditions than anything we do.

But here are some of the things we are doing. The tees have been aerified and we reseeded about a

dozen tees. I am hauling plugs from the nursery to trouble areas too. 15 fairway has been reseeded and a realistic goal is to just reduce and replace a percentage of the poa population and experience less death next year.

Approaches and fairways are in the process of being aerified and the golf course will be closed the Monday after Labor Day for greens aerification.

We have aerified a couple of rough areas and over seeded with more drought resistant grasses. We have a number of other rough areas we will continue to work on throughout the fall. When we have a spare moment we are filling up stump holes and reseeding. There are unlimited old stumps to fix on the property.

And a quick note on #4. I decided most of the grass behind 4 was bentgrass and shots long of the green were difficult because of grass type. We have had good success cutting it out and replacing it with sod, but we have had good success expanding short grass areas too and it is the cheapest and least labor intensive option.

The pool will be open on Labor Day, but not the next day.

## From Kasey & Adessa...

Next month we'll be working on a new dining menu with a few new offerings and some of your old favs, including a Feature Menu. Supper Clubs will also be returning!

Now is the time to start planning Christmas parties. We have dates left available. Please contact us if you'd like to book your party.

Menus are available online at [www.hillcrestyakton.com](http://www.hillcrestyakton.com). As always, reservations are appreciated for groups larger than 8.

*Open Dining available Tuesday-Friday  
11am-Close  
Saturday 5pm-Close  
Open Lounge available Tuesday-Saturday  
11am-Close  
Sunday 12pm-6pm*

Supper Club is  
returning!  
Stay tuned for  
more details!

# Hillcrest Newsletter

All of the tee sheets, results, and player statistics will be listed on [golfgenius.com](http://golfgenius.com). Go to the schedule of events page and click on the golf genius link and it will take you to the tee sheets and results.

September pro shop/snack shop hours are Monday open at noon. Tuesday-Sunday open at 8:30 a.m.

Golf Shop Credit expires on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

## Upcoming events:

September 10<sup>th</sup> YHS Boys Invitational  
10:00 shotgun start

September 11<sup>th</sup> KPI Employee outing 9:00  
shotgun start

September 18<sup>th</sup> Yankton vs. Vermillion  
Challenge 10:00 shotgun start

September 25<sup>th</sup> Marchand Cup at Fox Run  
October 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> SDGA Sodak Cup



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## *From the Golf Shop*

Congratulations:

Marc Gubbels for winning the 2021 City  
Championship

Steve Weiland won the Senior City Championship

Congratulations to Don Neukirch and Rodger Brandt  
on winning Senior League this year.



Congratulations Ken Bertsch for making a hole in one during Senior League on September 1<sup>st</sup>. He aced the 11<sup>th</sup> hole with a 7 iron. He was playing with Terry Frick, John Ehret, and Chuck Olsen. This was his second ace, the last one was in 1993. Ken was in the hole n one club.