



Tracey Grotenhuis, President

From the President...

Each month when I prepare to write the newsletter, I look through the scrapbooks that showcase the history of Hillcrest. I continue to be amazed at its rich tradition and commitment by the membership to continue with projects to help Hillcrest prosper. 51 years ago in November, stockholders of HCC approved plans to expand facilities to an 18-hole golf course. Hillcrest President, Laddie Cimpl said the need for the 18-hole course “is in keeping with the growth of Yankton and Hillcrest itself”. He went on to say when the Club was organized in 1953, it had a membership of 90 and was currently at 294 in 1970. Four years prior, a planning committee set up a schedule of plans for the development of Hillcrest. Phase I

was building a swimming pool (completed in 1969), Phase II was remodeling the clubhouse (completed in 1970) and Phase III was to move ahead with the additional 9 holes, which would “be completely irrigated with an underground water system, feature sand traps, and larger greens”. I can’t help but think how past members would be extremely proud of the position that Hillcrest is in today with the current improvements and strong financial positioning we have achieved.

Update on the potential clubhouse project. We recently received a rough draft of the initial plans. Wren and staff reviewed the plans and gave their input on how the space can be best utilized in each of their departments. The Clubhouse Project Committee then met to give input and suggestions on the proposed footprint of the project. That collective input was passed on to RML Architects. The next step in the process will be for RML to provide us with drawings of the structure and what the actual clubhouse will look like from the outside. At that point, the Clubhouse Project Committee will meet again to review the drawings and provide input. It is our hope, that after those steps, we will be able to present the basic plans to the membership and determine support for the project, as we will need a commitment from the Club for the project to move forward in the process with RML architects.



Clubhouse with newly completed 18 green

At this time, some basic information that can be provided is the clubhouse will remain in its current location. The proposed clubhouse would be approximately 18,000 square feet with a 90-person Member’s Lounge and an Event Center that would accommodate 300 people – our current clubhouse is 12,727 square feet for reference. The lower level will have a golf simulator space, more functional snack shop/bar area, cart and club storage, locker room facilities, and bathrooms. The upstairs will have expanded views from the clubhouse with more decking overlooking our beautiful course. Rightfully so, finances are on the front of all our minds when contemplating this project. Fortunately, Hillcrest is in a very solid financial position. Coupled with some fundraising opportunities, we are projecting this project could be completed with financing and a member investment of approximately \$600/year. This would come out to an extra \$50/month per membership. As a board, we will provide the membership with all of the information that was collected during this

process, set up informational meetings, and eventually determine a fair and transparent process to determine the membership’s interest in proceeding with this project. Until then, I ask that you come in with an open mind and feel free to contact myself, board members or the project committee with any questions. We will do our best to answer any questions that you have with the information that we have in this stage of the process.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone – I hope you continue to utilize the Club for dining as the colder weather sets in!!!

Dining & Lounge Hours

Tuesday-Friday 11am-Close

Saturday 5pm-Close

Closed November 25-29



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From the Course...

November always means irrigation blowout. Starting on November 1 we will start emptying the irrigation lines of water and it normally takes as many as three days. I still have some snow mold preventative to put

down on the fairways and greens and the greens need their winter blanket of sand. Covers will go on based on the weather report but normally by Thanksgiving that job is complete. The leaf harvest will continue on days that we can get outside, otherwise our winter maintenance program will begin when we can't get outside.

The new cart path addition on #12 tee is nearly ready for concrete and I expect to get a day to get that done before it is too late in 2021. If the weather continues to hold, I plan on trying some more dormant seeding in the rough on #5, #14, and #3. And there is no reason to think we won't be making a tree removal plan for the winter months.

Menus available online at:

www.hillcrestyankton.com

Happy Thanksgiving

Holiday pies available!

Cherry, Apple, Pumpkin \$13 each

Pickup Wednesday, November 24th



We will be closed November 25th-29th.

Thanksgiving pies are available again this year. Let us do some of the work for you! Pies also count toward your minimum for the month!

If you missed out on supper club last month don't worry it will be back again November 13th! Menu details to come.

We still have a few open dates in December if you need to book your Holiday parties. Contact us at 665-4522 or hillcrestoffice@hillcrestyankton.com.

The Ladies White Elephant Christmas Party will be on Tuesday, December 7th.

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Congratulations to Henry Petersen for shooting below his age (a score of 91) on Tuesday, October 19th at Hillcrest. Henry is 93 years young.

Also on Tuesday, October 19th - Congratulations to Gary Stevens for shooting below his age (a score of 80). Gary is 84 years young.

Mark your calendar for April 4th. Sign up for the 49th Annual Hillcrest Pro/Am will be open to Members only. In 2022, the pro am will be limited to the first 52 teams. After May 13th, the pro am will be open to the public. The dates for 2022 will be August 4th-7th.

Golf Shop Hours
Monday- Friday – 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
The pro shop will close early if the weather is inclement.



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FALL SALE

30% off all clothing.

Golf shoes 15% off

All Caps \$20

**Titleist Tour Speed Balls
\$36/Dozen**

Putter's 20% off
In Stock Items only!

Tuesday Senior Group at The Country Clubs of Sioux Falls

