

New Menu Items!

Mushroom Swiss Burger \$8.50

6 oz beef patty smothered with mushrooms and Swiss cheese

Hawaiian Chicken Sandwich \$8.50

Chicken breast topped with Canadian bacon, Swiss cheese, and pineapple. Served on a Kaiser roll.

Shrimp Basket \$6.00

6 oz of crispy golden jumbo shrimp served with your favorite side

10 oz Sirloin Steak..... \$13.00

A 10 oz certified angus beef sirloin steak served with sautéed mushrooms

Breaded Shrimp \$9.00

A heaping platter of succulent fried shrimp served with your favorite side

Pan Fried Walleye \$15.00

Walleye dusted with flour and lightly fried

Welcome New Members!

Lew Hammerstein Proprietary

Membership Status

(as of November 27, 2009)

Proprietary/Corp-Primary 274

Non-Resident 12

Social..... 26

Briarwood Subdivision 24

Founder 8

TOTAL..... 344

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News from the **DIRECTOR** of OPERATIONS

Katie Whitbeck

Wow! What great November weather we had. Let's hope that this continues through December. I want to thank everyone for a wonderful season at The Briarwood. I also wanted to say thank you to members who donated to our employee Christmas fund. It is very much appreciated.

We currently have a couple of members trying to sell their certificates. If you know of anyone who is interested, please get in contact with me. There are some great deals for interested members. Remember; if you bring in a new member, you receive a golf cart punch card. What a great perk!

The club will be staying busy with Christmas parties, so please check the calendar to make sure we can accommodate you if you decide to come out to the club. A couple of parties are scheduled that require the closure of the clubhouse, please plan accordingly. Also, remember that December is the last month to use your restaurant minimum. Please call ahead for reservations.

I hope everyone has a great holiday season. I hope to see you soon at The Briarwood!

News from the **PRO SHOP**

Rob Jones

The annual Pro Shop Christmas Party and Sale is coming up on Friday, December 4th from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. We will have pretty much everything on sale, but more importantly, we will have some of Audrey's good food and free drinks for your enjoyment. So please join us down

in the Pro Shop for a little Christmas cheer and ice cold beer!

The Pro Shop and driving range will continue to be open as long as the weather permits with the exception of Christmas Day. The hours will vary depending on darkness and frost so please call first

before making a special trip out. And once the snow does finally shut us down you can always call my cell if no one is in the Pro Shop (672-3701) and I will meet you there.

May all of you have a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!

News from the **MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT**

Sean Sullivan, CGCS

Irrigation:

We have blown out the irrigation system for the season. From now until spring start up we will be working around the course to improve distribution. As the weather permits we will be working to add heads or entire zones. Most of the work will be in the #14 and #4 areas.

Equipment:

As part of the winter maintenance program we will be going through all the equipment. The winter is when we replace bearings, seals, hoses, oil, etc. In addition to the mechanical repairs we also sharpen the blades and reels in preparation of the spring start up. We will also be servicing the golf cart fleet. This includes oil changes, replacing belts, sand bottle holders, and replacing front end parts.

The Ponds:

The upper pond had to be drained in order to access the 8" pipe line that used to go to the sewer plant. Caps have been placed on both ends of the pipe line. If anyone digging hits the pipeline that runs between the upper pond and the old sewer plant, the upper pond would drain several million gallons of water. That is why

we had to cap both end of the pipeline. Starting next spring, Briarwood will be responsible for the water management of the upper pond. We will have in place a valve that will enable us to transfer water from the lower pond to the upper pond. Instead of effluent water being dumped into the pond, it will be river water. The lower pond was taken down in order to accommodate the water we receive from rain runoff and snow melt. The pond was so full in 2009 that there was standing water in the pump house. The water was deep enough that we had fish swimming inside the building. To prepare for bigger rain and snow events, we had to remove more water.

The Grass:

The course is in good shape going into winter. Just remember any damage done will be seen for the next 5 months. So try to reduce winter damage by scattering! Spread the wear around to reduce the time the grass has to heal in the spring. Also, it's winter in Montana—expect frost delays. Don't pressure the Pro Shop into letting you out early. The damage may not be permanent, but it will certainly extend the recuperation time in the spring.

Thank You

Please extend my congratulations and thanks to anyone who had anything to do with the surf and turf dinner. For those members who were unable to make the effort to attend - **TOO BAD FOR YOU!!** My party of 6 declared the steaks perfectly seasoned and cooked, the crab generous and delectable, the asparagus done just right and the desserts yummy! As a person who is quite particular about restaurant dinners, this is a well earned compliment from me. I am proud of the chefs who did such an outstanding job! As always, the service was superb - with our server meeting all of our requests with a smile and professional attention. I am delighted to see the Briarwood returning to the excellent cuisine I enjoyed when i first joined 13 years ago! Kudos to you all!

—Cindy Holtz



REMINDER!

December is the last month for "Use-it-or-lose-it"! Please check the December calendar and plan accordingly.

Great Christmas Gift Idea!!

There are 4 Montana Heart Necklaces left over from The Bash. The necklaces were made by Montana Silversmiths and cost \$25 (a \$30 retail value.) If interested, please contact Beth Brown @ 259-9359 or Lynn Benson @252-0634

December 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 Stag Night	3	4 Northwest Farm Credit Party ----- Blue Creek Bunco	5 Rainmakers Motorcycle Club Party
6 Lumberyard Supply Party Clubhouse Closed	7	8	9	10	11 Billings Federal Credit Union Party Clubhouse Closed	12 ID Corp Party
13	14	15 Downtown Exchange Club Party Clubhouse Closed	16	17	18 Thompson Pools Party	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Clubhouse Closed	26
27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve		

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

HOURS

MONDAYCLOSED
TUESDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
WEDNESDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
THURSDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
FRIDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
SATURDAY 8:30 AM - 8 PM
SUNDAY 8:30 AM - 7 PM

PIZZA

TO GO!

CALL THE
RESTAURANT AT

245-2966

BAR HOURS

Monday 4 pm-9pm
Tuesday 10 am-8 pm
Wednesday 10 am-close
Thursday 10 am-8 pm
Friday 10 am-close
Saturday 8:30 am-close
Sunday 8:30 am-7 pm

NOW SERVING BREAKFAST

MENU

2 eggs, hash browns, bacon or
sausage, toast\$6.50
2 Eggs Benedict
with hash browns\$5.50
2 breakfast sandwiches
with hash browns\$6.50
Biscuits & Gravy\$5.50