



St. Patty's Day Dinner

**Friday, March 20th
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

Our menu will include your favorite
Irish dishes.

Please call today to get your table
reserved.

Welcome New Members!

Sammy & Stephanie
Saunders.....Proprietary
Jay JamiesonProprietary
Mark GaughanProprietary

Membership Status	
(as of February 23, 2009)	
Proprietary/Corp-Primary	282
Non-Resident	11
Social.....	27
Briarwood Subdivision	23
Founder	8
TOTAL.....	351

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Message *from the* PRESIDENT

Kelly Varnes

Well here we go. It is March and time to start playing golf in swirling or threatening snow, the portents of nice days to come, and the darn incessant wind of spring in the Rocky Mountain West. Golf will likely be a bit haphazard in March with the chance the course could be closed with work on the sewer project. The contractors have encountered numerous delays with the boring portion of the project. Most recently, several issues arose with the casing and boring hole under the number 8 fairway. Hopefully these issues will be resolved as soon as possible and then the contractor can finish the trench over the rest of the front nine so we can begin to put it all back together. So please call out to the pro-shop before driving out to play to be sure the course is open. Remember, even after the city crews leave the course, we will have the concrete work

being finished on the cart path from the bridge on number 5 through the number 7 tee box. Our subcontractor and Sean's crew will also be at work putting the course back together. We will move as quickly as we can but weather and other delays will certainly arise. It wouldn't be Briarwood otherwise.

The annual meeting will be Tuesday March 10th. I encourage all of you to attend. We plan on keeping it as short as we can, but still pass on the information the membership should have or may want. Thanks go to Scott Hatler for his service. He had to step off of the board to handle increased family duties and some professional development. Good luck, Scott. We will see you on the course. Also related to the annual meeting will be new committee assignments. The committees are important to the running of the club. The commitment is about an hour and a half per month

for a meeting. The committees consist of Greens, House, Golf, and Finance. Please let Katie or a board member know if you are interested.

The golf calendar is almost set for the summer. Please take part in some of the organized events the club offers. One of the most enjoyable for the men and women are the respective kick off days. There isn't any reason that these two events should not be filled to capacity. You get the chance to meet new members in a low pressure team oriented competition.

We are mindful of the national economy. All of our decisions this winter have been made with trepidation over what might happen next. We have tried to keep the club moving forward and made financial decisions that were cautious. We remain optimistic, hope you are too, and that you will remember the club, stick with us, and use it this golf season.

News *from the* PRO SHOP

Rob Jones

Finally! It is the first part of March and we are only a couple of good snow storms away from golf weather. It has been a long winter without a lot of golf, with the early snow fall and colder temps, and now the construction project going in full swing (for them)...there hasn't been many opportunities to play The Briarwood. Hopefully the construction project will speed up and the back 9 will dry out just in time for some nice warm days!

I want to give you a heads up on some of the club events that we have scheduled as of the end of February.

Men's Kick Off – April 26th

The Bash – June 27th

Couples Kick Off – May 3rd

The Tangle – July 23rd – 25th

Ladies Kick Off – May 17th

Club Championship – Aug 1st – 2nd

Member/Member – June 6th – 7th

Please set aside these dates for some great golf tournaments within the club.

Also there is a free USGA Rules Clinic for anyone interested in learning more about the rules that govern our game. The clinic is March 12th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Lake Hills Golf Course. If you would like more information please call the pro shop.

It won't be too long before everyone's back on the course and we are talking about golf and not construction. I can't wait for that day!

News *from the* Restaurant & Events Manager

Brittney Wilken

We have some fun events happening in the clubhouse this month.

The first event to get excited for is March Madness. We will be having a fun competition with this tournament. It's also another great excuse to get out of the house. This year's bracket will be all online. To enter we need you to stop in the clubhouse pay an entry fee of \$20 along with your email address. I

will then send you an invitation via email which lets you then set up your bracket with your favorite teams. This should be a great way to keep everybody organized with the bracket. We are only letting 50 participants in the competition this year so please sign up early! The Elite 8 and Final 4 games will on at the clubhouse along with beer pitcher and appetizer specials. At the end of the tournament a cash

prize will be given to the winner of the bracket competition. Good Luck to all you NCAA fans!

St. Patrick's Day is another holiday we will be celebrating in the month of March. Since St. Pat's Day falls in the middle of the week this year we will have our dinner on Friday the 20th. We will have a true Irish theme to our menu for everyone to enjoy. Call in for reservations today!

March 2009						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Restaurant CLOSED	3	4	5	6	7
8 Daylight Savings	9 Restaurant CLOSED	10 Annual Meeting	11	12	13	14
15	16 Restaurant CLOSED	17 St. Patty's Day	18	19	20 St. Patty's Day Dinner	21 Private Party
22	23 Restaurant CLOSED	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Restaurant CLOSED	31				



- Ladies -

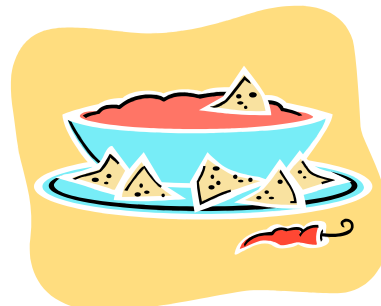
Margaritas, Chips & Salsa Short Game Clinic April 18th

OK. Now that we got your attention, the Ladies Association is hosting a hands-on clinic FOR ALL WOMEN GOLFERS, April 18th – 11:00 at the driving range.

You bring your wedge, 9 iron, 7 iron – Rob will check our grips, check our swing planes and direct us on those mid-range shots. By the end of the hour, you'll be able to "feel" the shot, know how far it goes and have a better understanding of which club you should use out on the course.

And just as you are figuring it out, the dining room will bring out the chips, salsa and margaritas. We'll encourage you to take a few notes, a few sips and a few more, swings then join us for a Mexican lunch bar in the dining room.

Always a fun time. Call the proshop 248-2702 and sign-up for the Short Game Clinic.



News *from the* MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Sean Sullivan, CGCS

Sewer Line Project: It took over 4 weeks to complete the boring operation at #8. With that completed COP Construction can begin to trench across the golf course. If it is assumed that there are no buried surprises, then COP can cross the course in about 2 weeks. Once we are given the okay to start renovating, we will have Roe Construction carry out the work. Once the frost is out of the ground the cart path work will resume. The new bridge is completed and Harddrives will tie the cart path and roads in to the bridge sometime this Spring. At some point this Spring you will notice that some trees were removed during the construction of the sewer line. There are provisions in the contract for replacing the trees, so don't be worried about that.

Tree Committee: For those that don't know Briarwood has a tree

committee. The tree committee met twice in the Fall and we drove around the course, discussing (naturally) the trees. The tree committee provides guidance for short and long term plans for tree planting on the course, also for removing and relocation of trees. So there is no need to worry that the maintenance department is acting without regards to the wishes of the members. For those that don't know I used to work for the U.S. Forest Service and my degree is in Forest Management, at Texas A & M University.

Irrigation: During March, while Roe and COP are working on the sewer line the maintenance staff will be working on irrigation projects. One project will be that of improving the distribution of water on #4. The other project will be around the clubhouse, pool area, and tennis courts.

Equipment: March is the month that we finish the repair and servicing of the equipment. For 2009, we have purchased some new equipment that will allow us to provide a better green surface. We have, also, purchased a tractor to help with the aeration and verticutting of the golf course. The Yamaha golf carts are going on their 4th year; we need them to last until at least the end of 2010. If you think the cart has a problem of any kind let the maintenance department know, ASAP.

The Course: The course has wintered very well. Other than the areas affected by the sewer line, the course will be in very good condition for the beginning of the golfing season. The tentative dates for greens and tee aeration is April 6, 7, and 8.

ANNUAL MEETING

March 10th • 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like to know what will be going on at Briarwood this year **PLEASE** attend the annual meeting. We will also be voting on the 2009 board members. This is **YOUR** club, so helpful suggestions and feedback are always welcomed to help insure we are giving you the best experience at The Briarwood Country Club.

HOURS

MONDAYCLOSED
TUESDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
WEDNESDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
THURSDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
FRIDAY 10 AM - 8 PM
SATURDAY 9 AM - 8 PM
SUNDAY 9 AM - 5 PM

**PIZZA
TO GO!**
CALL THE
RESTAURANT AT

245-2966

BAR HOURS

MondayCLOSED
Tuesday 10 am-8 pm
Wednesday 10 am-close
Thursday 10 am-8 pm
Friday 10 am-close
Saturday 9 am-close
Sunday 9 am-5 pm

NOW SERVING

BREAKFAST

Tues-Fri..9-11 Sat/Sun .. 9-12

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