

# GENTLE CREEK GOLF CLUB

# GAZETTE

February 2010



## Upcoming Events at Gentle Creek

### Super Bowl Party

Gentle Creek will be hosting a Super Bowl party on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. We will have 6 tables of 8 reserved for the first 48 people. Tables will be \$50 and that will include all you can eat appetizers. (Chips and queso, chicken wings, and Miguel's tacos)

Walk ins welcome. (\$10 per person)

Call Chris ASAP to reserve your table.

There are only three tables left in the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole!

### Valentine's Dinner

This year's Valentine's dinner will be on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. The menu will consist of your choice of a 10oz. filet, two lobster tails, OR a 6oz. filet and one lobster tail. We will also be serving an appetizer, soup, salad and a dessert. I will be sending updates via email in the next few weeks with more details and price.

Reservations will be required and are being accepted now!

### Night Golf Tournament

On Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, we will be holding our first Night Golf Tournament. The format will be a 2 person scramble. You can sign up as a team or we can pair you up. The tournament will begin with a shotgun start at

4:00pm. After 9 holes, everyone will come in for appetizers and drinks, and then return to the course at 7pm for 9 holes of "night golf". The cost is \$45 per player which includes the golf cart, appetizers between rounds, 1 night golf ball, and prizes. Because of the need to order the night golf equipment, please call the golf shop by Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, to sign up.

### Men's Saturday Event

The first Saturday event of 2010 is a Men's 2 Person Scramble on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. The entry is \$45 plus cart and includes lunch. Play will begin with a 9:00am shotgun start. Pick your own partner or we will pair you up. Call the golf shop to sign up 972-346-2550.

## Gentle Creek Golf Reminders

### Pace of Play

Please play without undue delay. If there is one clear hole open in front of you, please allow the group behind you to play through. Play at a pace that is comfortable for those in front of you and behind you. A single or twosome has no priority on the golf course and should not expect to play through any group on the course. On weekends and holidays, twosomes will be requested to pair up to help make the pace of play comfortable for everyone.

### Guest Policy

Guest fees are \$75 Tuesday thru Friday noon and \$100 Friday noon thru Sunday and holidays. In-town guests (within 100 mile radius) are limited to 1 round per calendar month. In-Town Family Guests (father/mother, son/daughter, brother/sister) are 1/2 off the regular guest fee and are also limited to 1 round per calendar month.

### Dress Code

All men must wear shirts with collars and we do not allow denim (jeans) of any kind or color. This applies to both the golf course and the practice facilities. Please remind your guests so they can dress accordingly.

### Care of Your Golf Course

Please remember to fix your ball marks, sand your divots, and rake the bunkers. Golf Carts must remain on cart paths on all par 3's and around tees and greens. Please observe the golf cart 90-degree rule on par 4's and 5's. This will help ensure the course will remain in the best condition possible.

### Lakeside Grill Hours

7:00 am to 8:00 pm Tuesday - Wednesday

7:00 am to 9:00 pm Thursday - Saturday

7:00 am to 5:00 pm Sunday

# Valentine's Dinner

## Saturday, Feb. 13th

*Please join us for a wonderful five course evening to include lobster and beef tenderloin filets. Reservations are required so call Chris as soon as possible.*

### Reserve Your Table Today!



**Tables of 8 are \$50 and are limited to six!  
Cost covers all you can eat chicken wings,  
chips and queso, and Miguel's tacos!**

**Walk ins welcome! (\$10 per person)**

Last month brought with it temperatures that we haven't seen in North Texas for many years. On January 5<sup>th</sup>, we covered the greens to help protect them from the many hours of below freezing temperatures and gusty north winds. After removing the covers the next week, all seems to be well and we shouldn't see any damage from this extreme weather event.

This month, we will continue to work in our creeks, finish freshening up the bunkers, and apply pre-emerge herbicide for spring weeds in all of the rough areas. Also, this month we will begin working on a native grass restoration project. The scope of work for this year will include a large area on #9 and the left side of #8. The idea is to enhance the golf course by adding contrast between highly maintained turf and native grasses that are true "natives" to this area. This is not an attempt to change the way the golf course plays, but to create a new look that's pleasing and self sufficient. I will keep everyone informed on the progress of this project as we go along. Please keep in mind that these areas will be roped off to eliminate any damage from cart traffic.

Kyle Embry  
Golf Course Superintendent



## **New Membership Director!**

Gentle Creek Golf Club proudly introduces Denise Howeth as our new membership director. Denise has been with the club for five years, serving in the dining room and now takes on the role of bringing new members to the club. If any of you have friends, family, or neighbors that are interested in any form of membership including social memberships, please bring them to her attention.

972-346-2500 x1  
membership@gentlecreek.com

“It’s has been a pleasure serving you, literally, these past several years, and now I look forward to continue serving you in a different capacity. I am excited about what the Membership Director position holds for me. I look forward to the opportunity to grow in the position, as well as, the challenge to increase our membership. I appreciate your referrals and welcome any thoughts or ideas that you may have, as we all work together to make Gentle Creek the club we want it to be.”

Denise Howeth  
Membership Director  
Gentle Creek Golf Club



**Gentle Creek Golf Club**  
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Director of Golf - Jim Sanders  
Golf Course Superintendent - Kyle Embry  
Food & Beverage Director - Chris Wold  
Membership Director - Denise Howeth

Advisory Board Members:  
Andy Puglise

Steven Benavides      Shawn Watkins  
Scott Reed              Ben George

### *Monthly Golf Tip* *Jack Drulard*

Bad alignment is one of the biggest causes of poor shots. Try standing behind the ball and pick a target five feet in front of you. At address, align your clubface to the close target, and then align your body and feet parallel to the target line. This will help your clubface and your body align properly to produce more accurate shots.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Super Bowl Party	8	9	10	11	12	13 Valentine's Dinner
14	15	16	17 Member Appreciation Day	18	19	20 Men's Saturday Event
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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## March

13<sup>th</sup> Night Golf 2 Person Scramble  
27<sup>th</sup> Men's Saturday Event

## April

6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Ladies AM golf clinic  
10<sup>th</sup> Men's Saturday event  
12<sup>th</sup> Aerify Greens  
20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Ladies PM golf clinic

## Chairman's Corner

How about this "Global Warming"? This is usually a great time for us transplanted Texans. The cold weather, such as it is, isn't all that bad. The dry, firm fairways and slick, dormant Bermuda turf make for longer than average tee shots: especially if you can get that little toe-hook working. All in all, a normally fun time for us short knocking seniors. But this year? Nooooo! This year we have damp, cold, soggy, cart-path-only, wretched,,, well you get the idea. Has anyone seen Al Gore lately? Was he wearing a coat???

Politics aside, this has been a particularly difficult winter. Not much golf, not much outdoor anything. But as Grandmother used to say: "This too shall pass"!

Not that many of us have had a chance to see it, but month by month Kyle and his crew have continued to make changes and improvements that refine both the aesthetics and playability of the golf course. Thanks Kyle.

During this lull it would be a good time to continue thinking of how we can improve Gentle Creek. This is a subject that came up at the last Advisory Board meeting. The obvious problems/opportunities are the focus of the major committees and the GCGC staff. What we might spend a few minutes thinking about is identifying other areas where we can make things better. It would be most helpful if we had you, the members, participate. If you can see or even think of something that would improve the membership experience; let us know what it is. The primary purpose of the Advisory Board is to provide an information interface between you and management. Don't be shy about using the link. Like any other entity; we can't fix problems (big or small) that we don't know about. Participate; it will make it more fun for everyone.

Questions & comments: [apuglise@tx.rr.com](mailto:apuglise@tx.rr.com).

February golf tip : Contrary to what TW would have you believe, golf isn't for everybody. If you are having a miserable day; chances are that your playing companions are sharing your misery.