



# October Newsletter

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## Open House

Friday October 13, 5:00 - 8:00pm

**We are so excited for you to meet our new club manager, Tyler Paxson.**

Come out to the club for free appetizers and lots of conversation.  
Don't miss out on this opportunity to get to know Tyler  
and to give him a chance to know us!

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**Il Sisters-Boutique Event Design and Rental** is pleased to be a part of the Lakeside team. We are ready to give your event a very personal and unique touch. You don't have to sacrifice your vision or your budget. We have a wonderful selection of décor items to rent and offer a full array of design services. We also have relationships with multiple vendors to cover all your event needs. From inception to completion we will work with our clients to ensure that their event is a very special and memorable day!

Please stop by our office in the cardroom and check out the redo of that space! Take a business card and please check our website at [www.twosistersdesign.wixsite.com/twosisters](http://www.twosistersdesign.wixsite.com/twosisters). Please email us at [jana@twosisters.us](mailto:jana@twosisters.us) or [elyce@twosisters.us](mailto:elyce@twosisters.us) or call with any event or design questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service to the Lakeside Members!



## Upcoming Golf Events OCTOBER & November

### OCTOBER

15th - October Breakfast Scramble

### NOVEMBER

5th - Cross Country

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## Upcoming Social Events for OCTOBER

**LCC Bourbon Club**  
**Thursday, October 12th**  
**6pm ~ 7pm**

Cost: \$15 per person  
(members and their guests welcome)

Please RSVP by **Wednesday, October 11th**. Call the clubhouse at (309) 827-5402 or email [janae.bledsoe@lakesideblm.com](mailto:janae.bledsoe@lakesideblm.com).



Details to come as soon as the featured bourbons and meal are selected!

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### Monday Night Euchre

Come out on Monday evenings beginning September 11th (during Monday Night Football) for Euchre fun, food & friendship.

The fun starts at 6:00pm with a potluck meal. Cards begin at 7:00 pm. Play ends at 9:30 pm.

Bring a dish to share and get ready to have some fun!  
We draw for teams, so singles are welcome!  
See you there!!!

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### Kids' Halloween Party & Movie Night

Attention All Parents & Grandparents! Join us on Sunday, October 29, for our annual Kids' Halloween Party & Movie Night starting at 3:00pm!

Dress up in your Halloween costume and enjoy a kid-friendly craft, hotdogs and s'mores, a Halloween-themed movie, and, of course, CANDY!

RSVP by October 27th by contacting the office or by emailing Sean Craig, so we can make sure to have enough supplies for everyone!

# **LCC CASH BASH**

**Saturday November 11, 2017**

**Doors Open at 6:00pm  
Drawing starts at 7:00pm**

**LAKESIDE COUNTRY CLUB**

**Free Food & Open Call Drinks!!!**

**16 - \$100 Prizes\***

**5 - \$500 Prizes\***

**GRAND PRIZE - \$5,000\***

**\*Prize Amounts subject to sale of all 200 tickets**

**Only 200 Tickets/Numbers Sold  
\$100 each (Admits 2 people)**

**Tickets sold on first come, first serve basis.  
Full Payment Required for ticket to be issued.**

**Proceeds to Benefit:  
Lakeside Capital Improvement Fund**

**Contact:**

**Sean Craig: (309)531-1109**

**Brian Schenk: (309)275-5438**

**Mail Checks to:  
1201 Croxton Ave, Bloomington, IL 61701**

**JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED EVENING AND WATCH AS THE PRIZES ARE  
DRAWN!!!**

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# Important Club Information

## ◆ **WWW Update:**

Our weekly Wild Wing Wednesday pot is over \$6000! We will be here every Wednesday in October. There is also a 50/50 pot. The proceeds from WWW goes towards club improvements and the 50/50 proceeds go to the Entertainment committee to support the bands on the patio all summer. Come out for your chance to win either pot...or maybe both?!

## ◆ **Updated Kitchen Hours:**

Effective September 4th, the Kitchen will be closed on Tuesdays. Pizzas will still be available in the 19th Hole. The Kitchen hours will remain this way for the remainder of 2017.

## ◆ **19th Hole Hours:**

As the golf season winds down, the 19th Hole hours will change. So long as members are here to enjoy the club, the 19th Hole will remain open during the day. Once the weather turns, the 19th Hole will move to "Winter Hours" and will only be open in the evenings.

## ◆ **Holiday Party Bookings:**

December is booking up fast for family and company Holiday parties. Please contact the club, as soon as you can, if you would like to book a Holiday event. Dates are limited, so get your reservation in before we are full.

◆ **Meeting Room Space:** Are you or your business looking for a space to hold a meeting or conference during the week? Look no further than Lakeside! The Card Room and Banquet Room are both great places to hold meetings. Call for more information.

## ◆ **Got Gatorade?**

Why yes, yes we do! We have a large inventory of Gatorade. Some of it expires in November. So have we got a deal for you! For \$17, you can buy a flat of 24.

◆ **Automatic Payment Updates:** With the new online portal, we will no longer be responsible for running cards each month. It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to make sure you pay your bill in a timely manner. Please use the online portal, mail in a check, or pay while you are at the club using cash, check, credit or debit card.

◆ **Automatic Gratuities:** If you order food or drink **and do not close out your ticket**, your account will be charged for the amount owed and an **automatic 18% gratuity** will be added. Please make sure to sign out before you leave. **These appear under the Srv Chg column on your monthly bill.**

## ◆ **Late Payment Reminders:**

We cannot accept payments for member balances after the month ends without a 2% late fee. Timely payment avoid those late charges. If you need to make payment arrangements, please contact me by the 25th of of the month. Also, any member who is over 60 days past due on their account cannot charge, and their name will be posted on the delinquent list located outside the office. If your account is over 90 days past due, your account will be involuntarily suspended, and will need to pay the full amount due in order to be re-instated as a member of the club. You will not be allowed at the club until your balance is paid in full.



# President's Letter to Members

By Sean Craig, President of LCC

Dear Lakeside Country Club Members:

I would like to remind the members of Lakeside Country Club that we have our annual member's meeting on Monday, November 6. This is a great time to ask the Board questions and hear what the Board sees for the future of Lakeside Country Club. We also elect new members to the Board. The Board of Lakeside Country Club consists of eight board members that serve two year terms. Right now, we have four board members whose terms are up that have to be filled by re-election to the board or the election of new board members. If you are interested in running for the board, you have to be a member in good standing.

## Newsletter repeated from September 24,2017

Dear Lakeside Country Club Members:

I just want to give you an update on our progress to find a new club manager. A committee was formed of 2 board members and 2 non board members. We had 6 candidates respond and we narrowed the list down to 4.

After interviewing the 4 candidates, we are pleased to announce Tyler Paxson will be the new club manager of Lakeside Country Club. Tyler has been the Assistant General Manager at Kewanee Dunes Golf Club in Kewanee, Illinois since 2012. Tyler will join Lakeside in early October.

I have talked about the new direction for the club, I would also like to announce a new partnership with Two Sisters. Jana Bishop & Elyce Bishop, owners of Two Sister, will be handling the event planning for the club. We are partnering with Two Sisters to make sure our MPR room is rented out and that it is profitable. This will also help Tyler to concentrate on the daily activities of the club.

If you have any questions please contact me at [\(309\) 531-1109](tel:3095311109) or [seanpcraig@yahoo.com](mailto:seanpcraig@yahoo.com). You can also contact one of the other board members.

Sincerely

Sean P Craig  
President, Lakeside Country Club

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## **From the Desk of the Manager... and What I Have Learned Sitting Behind It**

When I ran for the board at Lakeside, I never dreamed that one day I would be sitting behind the desk in the manager's office. Trying to keep the club running until a new manager could be hired. I came in to work with Robbie to understand how to run payroll and the month end member statements, and I have been in this chair almost every day since. I don't remember deciding to do this, it just happened. Each day, things needed to be done and I had the time and some of the skills to do it. So here I sit.

I wanted to share with you what I have learned while spending my days, and a lot of nights, at Lakeside. I have learned something each and every day. Some good, some bad, and a lot that

falls into the “*I had NO idea*” category! They are not listed in any sort of order, other than the way I recalled them. Here goes:

There were a lot of things that had to be figured out quickly; job interviews, hiring people, making schedules, training when you have no idea how the software works, inventory, who locks up, who will unlock in the morning, where anything is stored in the club...

**I thank God for Tim Hezlep!** He didn't hesitate to jump in and help in any and every way that was needed and even a few I didn't know we needed! He was the bartender, the server, the busboy, the janitor helping to set up for a wedding, then tear it down to set up for another event the next morning, the kitchen go between for II Sisters and myself on a **LOT** of events, and so much more than I can quickly mention here. Tim's work ethic and dedication to Lakeside was amazing to watch. **Thank you Tim, I can't say it often enough!**

We buy food, soda, paper products, beer, liquor, linens, and even stuff from a vendor that sells “everything except the food”. There is more than one vendor for each of the items I listed. You work with sales and delivery people from each one of these businesses, every week! That is a lot of people to get to know and it is very important to be here to meet with them. If you don't, you might run out of something or end up with a huge inventory of stuff that you will not use before the expiration date. (See the **Got Gatorade?** section under Important Club Information.)

You CANNOT be friends with the staff that works under you and you CANNOT play favorites. Everyone needs to follow the same rules and policies.

It is a very difficult decision when you have to let someone go.

It takes a lot of time to balance the sales reports from *each* register (there can be up to 5) to make sure the money in *each* format(cash, checks, charges and member charges) matches the money being recorded in your club accounts!

The software we use for membership management and point of sales (POS) is not user friendly and very antiquated. I have over 20 years experience working with and supporting software. I am not afraid to dig in and figure out how things work. With this software, it is next to impossible to generate reports to help track everything needed to gauge our profit/loss or margins. This software needs to be replaced and that is not a cheap endeavor.

There is a LOT more to this job than being the “face” of the club!

When somebody offers you help, even if you don't delegate well, accept it and ask them what are you good at or what would you like to help with?

If you don't understand something, don't be afraid to ask for help!

All of this is my way of trying to explain how challenging this job is. We have worked to take part of that workload off the shoulders of the new manager by partnering with II Sisters. They are working hard and already booking quite a few weddings into the fall of 2018! This frees up the manager to focus on other activities that need to be done. And there is a lot that needs to happen in the near future. New club software, new menus, training new employees and the biggest change is to bring the club back to life! We are working on lots of ideas to get people excited about coming out to the club and some specifically to help grow membership.

Hang on... we're just getting started and it is going to be great!

Janae Bledsoe  
Board Member



## 2017 Membership Incentives

All New 2017 Members will Receive:  
10% Discounted Credit For Their  
Membership! Referring member will  
receive a 10% credit in year two.

Stop by the Office or talk to a Board  
member for more information!

### Dining Room Hours

#### Wednesdays

11:00am ~ 2:00pm (Lunch)

#### Thursdays

11:00am ~ 2:00pm (Lunch)  
5:30pm ~ 8:30pm (Dinner)

#### Fridays

11:00am ~ 2:00pm (Lunch)  
5:30pm ~ 9:00pm (Dinner)

#### Saturdays

5:30pm ~ 8:30pm (Dinner)

#### Sundays

9:30am ~ 2:00pm  
(Breakfast & Lunch)

### 19th Hole Hours

#### Mondays

12:00pm ~ 7:00pm\*  
(Kitchen Closed All Day)

#### Tuesdays

11:00pm ~ 7:00pm\*  
(Kitchen Closed All Day)

#### Wednesdays ~ Fridays

11:00pm ~ 9:00pm\*  
(Kitchen Open until 8:30pm)

#### Saturdays

10:00am ~ 8:30pm\*  
(Kitchen Open until 8:30pm)

#### Sundays

9:00am ~ 5:00pm\*  
(Kitchen Open Until 2:00pm)

*\*These times are tentative and  
may change with weather and  
member patronage\**

## Lakeside Country Club

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