



2015

# ANNUAL REPORT

COUNTRY CLUB *of* DETROIT, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN 48236



**ANNUAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 4, 2015**



### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Country Club *of* Detroit is dedicated to providing its members an outstanding membership experience featuring superior service and premier facilities, enriched by distinctive social events and family activities.

### **VISION**

To be the premier country club in Michigan.



## 2014-2015 OFFICERS

President

Immediate Past President/1897/Strategic Planning Chair

Vice President/Secretary/Membership Chair

Treasurer/Finance Chair

David K. FitzSimons, Jr.

Frank J. Roney

Dainforth B. French, Jr.

John A. Capuano

### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

David K. FitzSimons, Jr.

William L. Hyde

John A. Capuano

Frank J. Roney

Roger W. Hull, Jr.

John Van Osdol

Dainforth B. French, Jr.

Gary R. Glenn

T. Hart Mecke III

### MANAGEMENT

#### EXECUTIVE STAFF

Craig Cutler

Bruce Lilley

Constance Plantinga

General Manager/COO

Clubhouse Manager

Controller

#### ADMINISTRATION

Karen Bauer

Laura Tumbarello, CMP

Charla Fluent

Assistant Controller

Senior Executive Assistant

Membership Director

#### CLUBHOUSE

Brian Beland, CMC

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Paul Centkowski

Joseph Conflitti

David Blackwell

Executive Chef

Chef de Cuisine

Sous Chef

Sous Chef

Pastry Chef

Catering Director

Member Events Coordinator

Food & Beverage Manager/Sommelier

Assistant Manager/Banquets & Dining

Assistant Manager /Food & Beverage

Receiving Manager

Chief Engineer

Director of Bowling Operations

Executive Housekeeper

#### GOLF

Matthew Bodde

Alex Macko

Justin Pollock

Jacob Troyer

Jason Wagner

Head Golf Professional

Assistant Golf Professional

Assistant Golf Professional

Assistant Golf Professional

Golf Services Manager

**GROUNDS**

Ross Miller  
Kevin Peck  
Bryan Kiel  
Victor Anderson  
Cassandra Budzik

Golf Course Superintendent  
Senior Assistant Superintendent  
Assistant Superintendent  
Equipment Manager  
Horticulturist

**DAY CAMP**

Ellen Durand

Day Camp Director

**AQUATICS**

Elizabeth Nelson

Pool Director

**RACQUET SPORTS**

Joseph Shaheen  
Madeleine Paolucci

Tennis Professional  
Paddle Tennis Professional

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**  
**COUNTRY CLUB *of* DETROIT**  
November 4, 2015

Dear Members,

It has been an honor to serve as your President this year. I believe 2015 will be remembered as a year in which our Club took a tremendous step forward in fulfilling our mission as the “Premier Country Club in the State of Michigan.” After three years of discussion and planning, our new Summer Village opened to rave reviews in May and in October; we began construction of our new Health & Fitness and Bowling Center. What an exciting time for our Club and all of us as Members.

The key for us as a Board was to continue the momentum we established in 2013 and 2014 and build on the strategic vision and goals we have established.

- Continue to improve operational excellence
- Improve the Club Governance
- Grow our Membership
- Improve the Golf Experience
- Execute our Long Range Plan
- Continue to grow our 1897 Annual Enrichment and Legacy Funds

As you review the Annual Report and the individual committee reports from the Committee Chairs, keep in mind the dedication and generous commitment many of our fellow Members made to the Club and the committees they served. I want to thank all them for their effort in supporting the Club.

**Operational Excellence**

With the opening of the Summer Village, we experienced a major shift in how we operate the Club by providing multiple, attractive dining choices for our Members. The Summer Village offered Members a best-in-class casual dining experience that took the pressure off of our Main Dining Room, Terrace, Outer Porch and Tavern business. This allowed our management and staff to better serve Members and their families by spreading the volume of diners between the Clubhouse and Poolside Grille. End of September revenue put the Club up 27% in food and beverage over the same time in 2014; the Poolside Grille sold more than four times the volume of the former snack bar.

In addition, the Club continues to make investments in our operational infrastructure. Our overnight rooms have been refreshed with new paint, molding, window treatments, mattresses and linens. Most notably, we have converted an old linen closet into a concierge breakfast area. The outer wood trim on the Clubhouse facing the golf course is close to being complete. This has been a painstaking effort that has been in the works for three seasons and is likely to continue for two more and looks spectacular. Lastly, the Short Game Practice Area that opened in June has really enhanced the golf experience. Not only the multiple shot selections you can have but also the ability to work on your game with little to no distraction.

Operationally, the Board is very pleased with our leadership, the strategy to continuously improve and the high level of commitment from our staff to the Club and the Membership.

### **Improve the Club Governance**

The Board decided to take to the Membership a major By-Law change in our governance in 2015. Effectively, new Board Members would be nominated by a committee of four at-large Members, two junior Board Members and chaired by the Immediate Past President not on the Board. There are a number of reasons the Board believes this to be a prudent change. It encourages more Active Members to stand for election. The Board requires a variety of specific professional skills and most importantly, the Board requires Members who are truly passionate about and invested in the Club through committees. By a significant majority of voting Members who voted, the By-Law change was approved and is in effect.

I would also like to thank outgoing Board Members, Roger Hull and Gary Glenn, for their six years of service to the Board. Both were instrumental leaders in shaping our vision and strategy to grow the Club as we came out of the Great Recession.

### **Grow our Membership**

Once again this year, we made excellent progress in our Membership initiatives. As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, we have added 42 new Members and for the third year in a row, we will have a positive net new Membership year. Our plan to add new Member facing amenities to attract new Members is working and we fully expect that it will continue as we look forward to completing the new Health & Fitness and Bowling Center. I want to thank the membership for your commitment to attracting your friends and family to CCD.

### **Golf Experience**

Ross Miller and his team continue to improve our golf course experience. The Championship Course was noticeably firm and fast while our greens continue to progress as Ross and his team improve drainage through verticutting and top dressing. As mentioned earlier, the new Short Game Practice Area has been a great success offering Members a fantastic practice area and excellent turf conditions. Another greatly improved area is our Short Course. New sand in the bunkers and better putting surfaces has made it a great place for Members and their children to improve their game.

Regarding Matt Bodde, after careful consideration, Craig Cutler and the Board decided that we will be concluding his 25 year association with the Club at the end of 2015. Matt has been the leader of our golf operations for the past 18 years and is a friend to many Members and our families. We will do everything possible to assure Matt a smooth transition. Going forward, we have formed a search committee for a nationwide search for a new Director of Golf. We are confident that our Club will attract the best and brightest candidates in the country for this important role. The process will be thorough and the committee will include a cross-section of our golfing membership along with several Members of the Board and Craig Cutler. This was a very difficult decision, but after extensive review from the committee structure, Board of Governors and General Manager, it is believed to be in the best interest of the Club to seek new leadership for the CCD Golf Program.

### **Execute on our Long Range Plan**

Phase IIa of our Long Range Plan, in which we now call our Summer Village, was completed on time and opened to great fanfare on May 22<sup>nd</sup> with over 500 Members attending the Grand Opening. It truly became the place to be at the Club during the summer. Poolside Grille revenues exceeded the old snack bar by a factor of four. Members of all ages have been very happy with the result. The process and execution of this project took a tremendous amount of work by all involved who made it a first class operation. We all should be proud of what we have accomplished by making such a significant investment in our Club.

Phase IIb construction is underway. During the summer, we began light demolition by taking out the old bowling lanes and removing the drop down ceiling to expose the original natatorium ceiling. The next phase will be demolition of the old pool and underpinning of the natatorium wing of the building to pour new concrete foundations. In addition, we will be renovating the Men's wet area in the locker room and constructing a new casual entrance to the Club. As these projects are not as time sensitive as the Summer Village, we are planning on having the Men's wet area completed by the spring of 2016 and the new Health & Fitness and Bowling Center completed by the fall of 2016.

### **1897 Annual Enrichment Fund**

The 1897 Annual Enrichment Fund is in its third year. This has been a successful program with close to \$350,000 in pledged contributions over this time and over 100 Members per year contributing to the fund. The fund specifically contributes to Member facing amenities to improve our Member experience. In 2015, the Fund contributed to the development of a new Short Game Practice Area and refreshing our overnight rooms for the guests of our Members. Both have been very successful and well received by the membership. We are in the process of securing funds for refreshing the Men's Locker Room with new carpet, staining the wood darker to match the rest of the Club, new lights and painting. In addition, we would like to purchase replicas of the two U.S. Amateur trophies that were played at CCD in 1915 and 1954 that would be displayed in our trophy case at the new casual entrance to our Club.

Our annual goal is to try and raise \$150,000 a year for the 1897 Annual Fund. To give that some perspective, if the 650 local dues paying Members gave just \$500 a year, the fund would generate \$325,000 annually. As beautiful as our Club is, we have so much more we could do to refresh the building and its décor and furnishings. Please seriously consider giving a minimum of \$500 a year to the fund to help improve the membership experience.

I want to conclude by thanking our COO and General Manager, Craig Cutler, and his management team and staff. Their commitment to excellence by serving the Club and all of us as Members is truly remarkable. They have taken the Club to a new level of professional management and service and they deserve our gratitude in making us feel welcome and comfortable. I also want to thank my fellow Governors for their commitment throughout a busy and very successful year. This is a passionate Board that works thoughtfully to serve in the best interest of the membership as we strive to be the "Premier Country Club in the State of Michigan." Finally, I want to thank the membership for your support. It has been my pleasure to serve you and "The Good Company" that comes with it. I am blessed and honored to be a Member of The Country Club of Detroit. Thank you for your trust in me to serve as your President.

*Mr. David K. FitzSimons, Jr.  
Board of Governors*

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. John A. Capuano, Chairperson

Mr. Gustaf R. Andreasen, Mr. Richard M. Bolton, Mr. Joseph J. Curtis, Jr.,  
Mr. John U. Fauster IV, Mr. Steven E. Grob, Mr. Jeffrey M. Harness,  
Mr. Jeffrey C. Huebner and Mr. Daniel N. Roma

### **2014 – Full Year Operating Results**

Our audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 once again produced a “clean” opinion from our independent auditors, and demonstrate that the Club had another strong year of operating results.

Revenues of \$9,100,000 grew 6.6% over 2013, and the operating profit of \$42,000 was comparable (as a not-for-profit our objective is to break even each year). Membership dues revenue increased 2.9%; food & beverage (F&B) sales grew an impressive 13.5%; golf revenue was modestly up; and swimming, bowling, day camp, and other clubhouse activities each increased over the prior year, and combined were up 18.7%.

Expenses were up 6.6%, but a portion of this was attributable to non-recurring start up costs associated with the Summer Village. Since private clubs serve a much smaller potential audience than a for-profit restaurant, food and beverage operations produce a loss each year. But, due largely to the growth in our F&B sales and increased banquet activity in 2014, the Club decreased losses associated with F&B by 37% from the prior year. We anticipate similar gains in 2015. As an example of how vibrant the Club has become, Member F&B revenue has increased nearly 50% since 2012.

With regard to the Club’s financial strength, Total Assets at December 31, 2014 increased over \$1,800,000 from the prior year-end, and Total Members’ Equity increased by more than \$1,200,000.

Our independent auditors provided statistics measuring CCD against five comparable local clubs they also audit. We compared very favorably, including in the following categories: F&B revenue, F&B cost (as a percentage of sales), net F&B, initiation and transfer fees, and full dues paying members.

### **Year-to-date September 2015 – Unaudited Operating Results**

For the first time in the Club’s long history, we did not fully shut down this past winter, and our Members responded favorably by frequenting the Grille Room in large numbers. The new Summer Village also opened to extremely positive reviews from Members and their guests. As a result, through the first nine months of our calendar fiscal year, the Club has enjoyed a strong 2015. Total revenues exceeded \$7,632,000, and grew by 10.8% over the comparable 2014 period. The largest contributor to this increase was Food & Beverage revenue, which exceeded last year by 21.4%. Based mainly on a second consecutive year of very strong net new Member growth, as well as the approved annual dues increase, Membership dues revenue increased 6.4%. Golf revenue grew over 4%, though fell short of budgeted figures. All other combined sources of revenue increased in excess of 8%.

As would be expected, the substantial increase in F&B revenue was accompanied by a proportionate increase in the cost of those sales and associated labor costs. Total Club operating expenses increased 10.6% over last year, but that compares favorably with the 10.8% revenue increase.



Through September 30, net operating income approximated \$111,000, which is ahead of last year and the 2015 budget. Cash balances in both the Operating and Capital categories are healthy and consistent with our cash flow projections.

### **2015 Capital Expenditures**

During the budget preparation process for 2015, \$250,000 out of our normal capital budget of \$500,000 was earmarked for upgrades to the Poolside Grille kitchen as part of Phase IIa of our Long Range Plan; \$90,000 was allocated for greens and grounds equipment, and we were able to augment this figure with \$30,000 in proceeds from equipment we sold. \$50,000 was budgeted for computers and network connection to the Summer Village; \$45,000 was budgeted for upgrades to our sleeping rooms. Of course, as we have grown accustomed with a facility as large and old as ours, there are the inevitable unanticipated capital projects. We provided a contingency of \$65,000 to address these projects.

### **Phase IIa – Long Range Plan**

A diverse cross section of our membership responded favorably to the Summer Village, heavily utilizing this new amenity. In the past, typical snack bar sales approximated \$80,000; sales at the Summer Village exceeded \$330,000. The Club experienced a marked increase in all activities impacted by the Phase IIa project, including tennis, pool visits and ala carte dining.

### **Phase II – Financing**

Since the Federal Reserve has been clear that it will soon begin the process of increasing short-term interest rates, the Board, following the recommendation of the Finance Committee, decided to lock in a fixed interest rate on a \$1,500,000 loan at an attractive 3.44% rate. This loan was comprised of \$400,000 in pre-existing long-term debt that resulted from the employee pension plan buyout, and the \$1,100,000 budget to rebuild our parking lots, entry road and associated site lighting. This loan is being paid off over ten years by earmarking \$100,000/year out of our annual capital budget. The Club can repay an additional \$75,000 of principal each year without penalty, and plans to do so before year-end.

Following completion of Phase IIa, the Club also recently fixed the approximately \$3,700,000 portion of our construction loan drawn to date at a rate of 3.68%. As communicated prior to commencement of the Phase II projects, additional funds received from initiation fees, beyond that required for the annual capital budget, will be used to pay down long-term debt. Consistent with this communication, the Club made an additional payment of \$121,000 in 2014, and will pay down an additional \$375,000 of this long-term debt prior to year-end.

The Club's financial picture is favorable as we embark on Phase IIb, including the new Bowling Center, Health & Fitness Center, and Men's wet areas. These additional enhancements will meet the evolving needs of our current Members, while adding value to their membership. In addition, as demonstrated by our experience with the recently introduced improvements, these distinguish us and enable us to continue attracting new Members who further strengthen the Club.

*Mr. John A. Capuano, Chairperson*

## 1897 FOUNDATION FUND COMMITTEE

Mr. Frank J. Roney, Chairperson

Mr. David K. FitzSimons, Jr., Mr. Andrew W. Ottaway,  
Mr. Roger W. Hull, Jr. and Mr. John E. Danaher

The 1897 Fund plays a critical role in generating additional capital for the Country Club of Detroit. Contributions are used to protect, preserve and enrich the Club, as well as to support special projects for the refreshment of Member facing amenities. 1897 Fund capital investments enable the Club to increase the speed and frequency of capital improvements. The 1897 Fund was repositioned in 2013 to serve as an annual enrichment fund. Annual recurring support from our Members is very important given the many continuing demands for capital investments at the Club.

The primary focus of the 1897 Fund Committee this year was to:

- Broaden member awareness and recurring member support of our Annual Enrichment Fund;
- Recognize last year's contributors in a recognition book sent to all Members in July;
- Generate funds for the refreshing of the Men's Golf Locker Room (non wet areas);
- Generate support for the purchase and permanent display of replica copies for the 1915 and 1954 Amateur Tournaments held at CCD; and,
- Meet our Financial Target of \$150,000 during calendar year 2015.

I am pleased to report the following year-to-date progress on these efforts but we will need your full support between now and year-end in order to meet our financial target.

- Over 80 members have contributed a combined \$78,000 to the Fund so far this calendar year.
- Since the inception in 2013, we have raised \$355,000 from roughly 280 pledges.

### **New Founding Members**

I wish take a moment to recognize another very important group of 1897 Fund supporters, our New Founding Members. These Members are leading in the style of the original fifteen Governors who invested in our Club back in 1897 and secured our first century of prosperity. This program provides an opportunity for significant one-time gifts to support investments to ensure the Club thrives for the next century. The generosity of these members is considerable and has played an important role in the funding of our Phase II projects, including the Summer Village, our new Health & Fitness and Bowling facilities and the renovation of the Men's wet areas of the golf locker rooms.

To date, we have significant pledges from five leading Members. Several other members are considering large "legacy" gifts and we would welcome your support as well. We will continue this program through the end of 2016 and then we will recognize all New Founding Members on a bronze plaque in our Clubhouse.

*Mr. Frank J. Roney, Chairperson*

## **1897 BOARD OF ADVISORS**

Mr. Frank J. Roney, Chairperson

### **Board of Advisors:**

Mr. David K. FitzSimons, Jr., Board President,  
Mr. Roger W. Hull, Jr., House Committee Chair,  
Mr. Kevin P. A. Broderick, Mrs. Jane P. Burton, Mr. Jon B. Cotton,  
Mr. Sean P. Cotton, Mr. John E. Danaher, Mr. Robert J. Diehl, Mr. John C. Donnelly,  
Mr. Michael R. Fisher, Mr. Kenneth A. Fruehauf, Mr. Eugene A Gargaro,  
Mrs. Susan Hastings, Mr. Michael P. Hayden, Mr. Michael D. Hollerbach,  
Mr. Edward J. Miller, Dr. Paul C. Nehra, Mr. Fredrick L. Olds,  
Mr. Andrew W. Ottaway, Mr. Edward Russell III, Mr. Stephen G. Schafer,  
Mr. Louis Theros and Mr. Robert L. Thibodeau, Jr.

The 1897 Fund Board of Advisors meets up to twice annually with the Board of Governors and the 1897 Fund Committee, to receive an update regarding Club Strategy, our Master Facilities Plan and to discuss ideas for use of 1897 Fund capital in the next calendar year.

The Board of Advisors met in October this year to discuss the Annual Enrichment Fund targets for 2016. The consensus of the Committee was that the next projects, after the refresh of the Men's Golf Locker Room (non wet areas) and the purchase of the USGA Amateur Trophies, should be the renovation of the French Room into a semi-permanent card room and ladies lounge. The thought is to supplement the Club's capital investments plans to ensure we can appropriately redecorate this room with new furniture, card tables and chairs and other accessories.

*Mr. Frank J. Roney, Chairperson*

## PHASE II CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Mr. Frank J. Roney, Chairperson

Mr. Andrew W. Ottaway, Mr. David K. FitzSimons, Jr., Mr. David J. DeBrunner,  
Mr. Edward Russell III, Mr. James R. Case, Mr. James C. Bieri,  
Mr. Michael F. Ryan and Mr. Craig K. Cutler

The Board of Governors established a Phase II Construction Oversight Committee to review and monitor all Phase II construction activities associated with the Phase IIa – the Summer Village and Phase IIb - the new Health & Fitness and Bowling Centers. The specific responsibility of the Committee was to maintain control over the scope, schedule and cost of the projects and to make recommendations to the Board as the Committee considers appropriate.

Members were asked to serve on the Committee based on their professional expertise. Committee members included two past Presidents, our current President, experts from the financial, building and development industries, an attorney with expertise in the construction industry, an engineer and our Club General Manager.

The Committee met nearly every month during 2014 and 2015 to review the scope, schedule, and cost of the various projects. The Committee also provided oversight on the construction, resurfacing and lighting of our parking lots and roads.

The Grand Opening of our Summer Village occurred on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> with over 500 Members participating. Everyone had the opportunity to tour our new Racquets, Poolside Grille, and Locker Room Buildings. Our renovated main pool and new toddler pool with spray features along with our new sport courts and children's playground opened for families on Saturday morning, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Robert Wood designed the new Racquets, Poolside Grille, Locker Room and Pool Mechanical buildings. James DeBard, Rob's partner, was the architect. The objective in the design of these buildings was to ensure they compliment the English Tudor architecture of our historic Clubhouse. Great care was taken to use high quality materials that would last for generations.

Paul Andriese from Grissim Metz Andriese was our Landscape and Site Architect. Paul and Rob, working together, originated the concept of an English Summer Village. Paul's work respects and compliments the original layout of the Club Campus, which was designed by Albert Kahn in 1925. Note that over 140 new deciduous trees and over 300 new evergreen trees were planted on this site.

The final designs were reviewed and vetted by a Design Team of David FitzSimons, Jr., Bill Hyde and John Van Osdol and in Member workshops and meetings involving input and feedback from over 150 of our Members last year.

The firm of Frank Rewold and Son was our project Construction Manager and Member Ed Russell and his company, Russell Development, was responsible for the exceptional carpentry work as the primary sub-contractor to Rewold. The high quality of the finishes throughout these buildings is due to Ed's efforts.

One very special contribution by Ed Russell is the large ceiling beams in the Poolside Grille and Racquets Building. These beams are a gift of Ed's to the Club and came from the Buhl Barn that resided near Grosse Pointe Boulevard, on the site of what is today the home of Peggy and Peter Kross.

I want to thank Craig Cutler and the entire Management Team and Staff of CCD. For many months, they carried an extra load over and above their day jobs to ensure the success of this project for our Members.

Looking ahead, we are well into the construction of Phase IIb of our Long-Range Plan and expect to open the renovated Men's wet areas in May 2016 and the new Health & Fitness and Bowling Centers in the fall of 2016. The new amenities will help us serve our existing Members and also attract new Members in the years ahead.

*Mr. Frank J. Roney, Chairperson*

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. Dainforth B. French, Jr., Chairperson

Mrs. Christine Alcantara, Mrs. Allison Baker, Mr. L. Douglas Blatt, Mr. Matthew J. Blyth,  
Mr. Shawn J. Coyle, Mr. W. Scott Crane, Mr. Joseph J. Curtis, Jr., Mr. James H. Dingeman III,  
Mrs. Michelle Giorgio and Mr. Jack Valente

2015 was an excellent year for Membership growth at the Country Club of Detroit. As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, the Club has accepted 42 new Members of which nine (9) are Active Golf, one (1) is Active Limited Golf, seven (7) are Junior and Intermediate, 22 are Social, zero (0) are Clergy and three (3) are National Golf Members (we also have a number of potential new members currently posted for membership). Factoring in resignations, deaths and reinstatements, we have a net increase of 23 Members year-to-date.

The enthusiasm and excitement over our Club's Long Range Plan continues to be a strong driver in our Membership growth. The completion of the Summer Village was met by the membership with incredible enthusiasm and support and the community at-large has taken notice. As we continue to execute on the final stages of Phase II of our Long Range Plan, the fitness area and bowling center, I fully expect that the positive trends in membership growth will continue. I am convinced, however, that the most significant factor in our Member growth is our existing Members who have taken the time to help recruit their friends, family and associates to be Members of our Club. We have a long tradition of proper introduction and vetting of new prospective members by our Membership. We purposely do not advertise or market the Club in any other way so Member involvement in membership recruitment is paramount to our success.

I want to thank the Committee Members listed above for their dedication and support to the Committee and for the tireless hours of work our prior Membership Director, Laura Tumbarello, and our new Membership Director, Charla Fluent, have put in to run our Membership Program. Most importantly, I want to thank those Members who have been instrumental in introducing us to our new Members in 2015. With your continued help, we look forward to continuing this strong momentum in Membership growth and to a very successful 2016.

*Mr. Dainforth B. French, Jr., Chairperson*

### Membership Counts:

<u>Category</u>	<u>12/31/2014</u>	<u>9/30/2015</u>
Active Golf	359	377
Active Golf Senior	37	38
Active Limited Golf	52	50
Active Limited Golf Senior	23	22
Intermediate (30-34)	6	7
Junior (21-29)	3	7
Legacy Non-Resident (21-40)	13	13
Lifetime	74	72
Military	1	0
National Golf	4	7
Non-Resident	116	110
Spouse's Privilege	45	45
Social (35+)	88	97
Social Legacy (35+)	7	9
Social (30-34)	3	2
Social Legacy (30-34)	6	6
Social (21-29)	2	0
Social Legacy (21-29)	0	0
Clergy	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
	843	866

## HOUSE COMMITTEE

Mr. Roger W. Hull, Jr., Chairperson

Mr. John Francis, Mrs. Barbara Gehlert, Mr. Jay T. Hunter, Mrs. Beth Jaskolski,  
Mr. William B. Krag, Mr. John W. Lambrecht, Jr., Mrs. Anne Mabley, Mrs. Amy MacKethan,  
Mrs. Kelly Oliver, Mr. John E. Park, Jr. and Mrs. Barbara Reed

### **Purpose of the Committee**

With the goal of enhancing membership experience and in collaboration with the Board of Governors and Club executive management, the House Committee provides direction for clubhouse operations including food and beverage, interior decorating and housekeeping, house rules, art and archives.

### **Focus of the Committee in 2015**

- **Renovation of Clubhouse Exterior:**

The renovation of the exterior wood surfaces of the Clubhouse is nearing completion with work accomplished throughout the year and more recently on the north exterior facing the 18<sup>th</sup> green. Although this work required the presence of scaffolding on the patio, we believe that the results have been well worth the temporary inconvenience. The newly finished surfaces add a rich texture restoring the Tudor style of the original design. This important and meticulous work has been accomplished by our own maintenance staff.

- **Guest Room Renovations:**

We are very pleased with the ongoing efforts to update the interior décor of our guest rooms. Each of the rooms features new soft goods, bedding, and other room amenities such as flat screen TVs. This has led to an improved room occupancy rate, member satisfaction, and incremental revenue. Chief among the renovations was the creative re-purposing of an old storage closet converted into a handsome and inviting concierge area featuring newspapers, refreshments and other amenities. We look forward to accomplishing our longer term plan to upgrade our plumbing infrastructure in the guest bath rooms. If you haven't looked at our guest room area recently, please ask a member of the management team for a tour. We think that you'll be both surprised and delighted.

- **Summer Village:**

Since the Grand Opening party on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, the completely renovated pool and tennis facilities opened for a summer season of increased member activity that exceeded our best hopes. During this first full season of operations, these new member amenities have created quite a buzz, not only within our membership but around the Grosse Pointes and beyond. As with any new endeavor, our management team has gained valuable experience while operating these facilities and will recommend adjustments, changes as necessary to better serve our growing membership. Your input is always welcome.

- **Stewardship Initiative:**

During the past year, and led by our Clubhouse Manager, Mr. Bruce Lilley, great strides have been made in efforts to be better neighbors and to steward our resources in an eco-friendly manner. The Club is now composting kitchen waste, and recycling cardboard and plastic. Through the installation of bee colonies on our property, we are now able to produce our own honey which is being utilized by Chef Brian and his capable staff. Herb plots have been planted. We are also converting to LED lighting where practical.

- **Clubhouse Art, Artifacts and Archives:**

The House Committee would once again like to recognize Mr. William Krag, Mr. John Park and Mr. Jay Hunter for their continuing effort to curate our extensive collection of art and archival items for the enjoyment of our membership. In 2015, the Club retained the services of a WSU graduate Library Science student, Mr. Stewart Sturton, to assist in the cataloging of the many items contained within the Clubhouse. This committee is currently assisting management with plans to create a dynamic display of artifacts and photos that will become an integral feature in the finish of the new Health & Fitness and Bowling Center. The Club welcomes the donation or loan of anything of historical interest. Please contact Mr. Lilley if you have something to contribute.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Members listed above who gave of their time and talent for the benefit of their fellow Members through their participation on this committee in 2015. And, as I end my six years as a member of our Club Board, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all of the Governors with whom I served, our amazing management team, our hard working staff and, most of all, to you, my fellow members. It has been a privilege to serve.

*Mr. Roger W. Hull, Jr., Chairperson*



## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Mr. T. Hart Mecke, III, Chairperson

Mr. Todd Baker, Mrs. Mindy Barry, Mr. Fernando Borrego, Mrs. Tania Borrego,  
Mrs. Debbie Caputo, Mrs. Sandra Cavataio, Mrs. Melissa Fradenburg, Mr. Jay Fradenburg,  
Mrs. Mary Fromm, Mrs. Jane Kronner, Mr. John Kronner, Mrs. Joan McKean,  
Mrs. Sarah Monahan, Mrs. Kate Peabody, Mrs. Amy Russell,  
Mr. Mark Russell and Mrs. Mary Wilson

While many of us enjoy golf, tennis, and bowling, it is the social events that often bring groups of Members together at the Club, and this past year was not an exception. Whether it was holiday meals, art lectures, or parties in the Great Hall, there were many reasons to visit the Club this past year. The focus of the Social Committee was to identify activities that would draw the largest cross-section of Members to the Club. We tried to do this by updating some of our traditional parties and trying new ideas.

Since the last Annual Report, several new events were held late in the fall of 2014. Shortly after the Annual Meeting in November, the first Governors' Ball was held. This was the revival of our traditional Black Tie Dinner Dance and it was well attended. December saw the first Jingle Mingle, our casual drop-in gathering in the Great Hall. Members got together in their holiday themed attire for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres before either heading off to other commitments or stepping down the hall for dinner. Watch the calendar this fall for both of these parties.

One of the more successful ideas this year was to hold a series of Art Lectures. Starting in April with "Treasure Houses of Britain" and ending in September with "1914: The Last Summer," all of these lectures were well received by the Members. The final lecture, which included dinner, was over-subscribed. As many Members have requested more events like these, we plan to add several to the calendar for 2016.

CCD celebrated several milestones this year. April saw the closing of the bowling center located over the old pool. Members took the opportunity to throw a last ball, see historical pictures and memorabilia from the bowling center and visit with fellow bowlers. In August, before construction began, the pool was open for viewing. Many of us stopped by to see both the Pewabic tiles that lined the facility and the vaulted ceiling for the first time.

The highlight of the year was the opening of the Summer Village in May. Over 500 Members stopped by on a warm Friday evening to watch the ribbon cutting and to sample Chef Brian's new menu for the Poolside Grille. During June, July and August, the restaurant was busy every day and the parties held in the Summer Village were all successful. The Labor Day BBQ that started in the afternoon and lasted into the evening wrapped up the summer fun.

In early September, the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1915 U.S. Amateur has observed with a somewhat soggy round of golf followed by a great lecture on the history of the event at CCD. Many of us had our picture taken with the two Havemeyer Trophies that were brought to the Club for the centennial party. Following the presentation, Chef Brian prepared an outstanding dinner for this important anniversary.

Needless to say, all of the traditional social events were held at the Club this past year. Family favorites included the Halloween Party, Christmas Eve Dinner, and Easter and Mother's Day Brunches. As always, the Feather Party, Back to the Club Party and Lobster Party were completely booked. We look forward to hosting these events annually as they help us build memories of our families and friends at the CCD.

It is without question that Tracy Okoniewski and Sheena Luther were instrumental while working with the Social Committee to set up and run the events. Their tireless efforts led us through the year without incident. If you have any ideas for future events, be sure to bring it up with any Committee Member or with Tracy and Sheena. Finding out what the Membership likes is the first step toward a successful social calendar that will bring us together at the Club.

*Mr. T. Hart Mecke III, Chairperson*

## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. John Van Osdol, Chairperson

Mr. George Baer III, Mr. James Bieri, Mrs. Kate Peabody, Mr. Mark Russell,  
Mr. Jack Valente and Mrs. Phoebe Weinberg

Never, in the history of our Club, has there been more ways to communicate with each other. The mission of the Communications Committee is to review and utilize these channels to make sure our Members are properly informed about activities, amenities and key management and Board decisions in a clear and timely fashion.

Based on a recent communications survey, our monthly bulletin, "In Good Company" is the most popular communication channel with our Membership. Many of us also take advantage of the club website and weekly emails. Additional communications involve traditional mailings – including this Annual Report, framed notices around our Club, Facebook, Twitter and blogs. Given the many improvements that have been going on at our Club, we have hosted numerous "Town Hall" meetings; allowing Members an interactive dialogue as we learn about the progress of these projects.

But wait. There's more.

Over the course of this year, our committee looked at a number of ways to enhance communication throughout the Club. Some are little touches like personalizing the salutation on letters from our Club and increasing the frequency of email posts about events at our Club from biweekly to weekly. Others have been more involved, such as implementing digital signage, investigating text alerts, and working to improve our website.

A beta test of digital signage located at the front desk during the month of September was successful. Daily events were outlined so attendees were easily informed upon entry, regardless of the availability of the receptionist. The plan is to roll out additional digital signage in strategic locations throughout our Club to keep Members and guests informed of events and tournament results, display pictures and in some cases court reservations. Each display can be customized based on its location in the Club. Planned locations for the signage include the Racquets Building, The Summer Village, men's and women's locker rooms, the Pro Shop and the Fitness Center.

All of our Members own cell phones, and most have smartphones, so the concept of texting important, immediate news to our Membership has arrived at CCD. Members have the opportunity to opt into this service, and be conveniently informed of weather delays, pool closures, club closures and other immediate Club news of timely interest. When you register for this service, you can choose what types of alerts you wish to receive, so if you aren't a tennis player, you won't get any updates about what's happening on the courts.

Our website is utilized by much of our Membership. Data shows that most Members use the Member directory, along with the photo gallery and weekly calendar. The membership directory was refreshed earlier this year for better clarity of information, along with the ability of Members to include their photos on the site if desired. It is also clear that more and more Members are getting comfortable making reservations online and seeing who else plans to attend any given event. Keeping the website updated with timely, pertinent information remains a challenge and continues to be a focus for this committee. We are working to simplify the site and make sure all Club and Member information you are looking for is easily found on our site.

While we continue to maintain a Facebook page and Twitter account, few of our Members utilize these social media channels. Consequently, in the past year we have focused on improving the communication channels already embraced by our membership, while introducing a couple of new channels that will ensure all our Members stay well-informed about Club news and happenings.

I am very grateful for all the Members and staff who contributed their time and talents to the Communications Committee this year. Thank you for helping improve communications at our Club.

*Mr. John Van Osdol, Chairperson*

## **GOLF COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT**

Mr. William L. Hyde, Chairperson

Mr. William G. Adlhoch, Mrs. Joannie Capuano, Mr. Michael P. Hayden,  
Mr. Kevin W. McMahan, Dr. Rainer J. Schmidt and Mr. John Van Osdol

The Championship course was open, Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. The year started with a very wet spring and a mild summer. As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, we had 14,000 rounds played and are hopeful for the continuation of a mild fall to allow for an extended season.

The 2015 Men's Invitational, led by Jim Becker and co-chaired by Gus Andreasen, continued the 9-hole match play format. This year's field was decreased to 72 teams participating in an effort to improve the pace of the event and was held Father's Day weekend. The event was won by Dan French and Dan Carroll, improving on Mr. French's runner-up finish from 2014. The 2016 Men's Invitational is planned for the same Father's Day weekend, June 16-18.

In 2015, we started our 12<sup>th</sup> season of the Men's League allowing for a competitive series during the summer and casual walk-up golfers. 25 two-man teams were split into three flights and competed each week for Stableford points that were amassed during 15 weeks of play, ending with a playoff between three flight champions. After a 9-hole playoff the team of Ty Clutterbuck and Peter Huebner came out on top. Despite some challenging weather early in the season, over 100 golfers enjoyed Thursday evening golf as walk-ups over the course of the summer. The league continued through the month of September following the completion of the summer long competition.

The 36-hole Sweeney Cup stroke play event was decided in a playoff with Lance Johnson taking down Tom Sullivan, Jr. on the first extra hole.

CCD's Club Championships were very exciting as well. On the men's side, Tom Sullivan, Jr. defeated Matt Blyth in the finals. This marks Tom's 12th win in the Club Championship.

On the ladies' side, Patty Marantette defeated Dr. Donna Tepper on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole. This is Marantette's 3<sup>rd</sup> Club Championship.

At the junior level, Patrick Sullivan bested little brother Tommy to win the boy's Junior Club Championship and the girl's Junior Champion was Mollie DeBrunner.

In this year's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Colt Cup, a two-day inter-club competition between teams from Orchard Lake Country Club (OLCC) and Country Club of Detroit (CCD), CCD stormed to a convincing 24 point victory. CCD caught up with OLCC, with each club winning the tournament 5 times.

This year's Member-Member Tournament held September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, was a great weekend of golf. The field consisted of 26 teams. The event was won by Gus Andreasen and Lou Ray. The gross division was won by Chip Cicone and Scott Crane.

This was the third year hosting the Annual Lakeshore Cup. This event pitted a team of 12 members from CCD against a 12-man team from Lochmoor Club (LC) for a two-day challenge. CCD was surrendered the cup to LC with a point total of 35 to CCD's 19 points. This match stands CCD-2 LC-1.

The 7<sup>th</sup> year of the Colt Invitational was held in Chicago this year at Knollwood Country Club. The clubs visiting this year included Orchard Lake CC, Hamilton GC, Country Club of Milwaukee, North Shore CC and Country Club of Detroit.

## **Junior Golf**

The Junior Golf Program for the 2015 Season set a new record with 240 total juniors participating in an organized clinic over the summer. This is an increase of 37% from 2014:

- 18 Total Participants in the “Little Linksters” category (3-5 years of age)
- 65 Total Participants in Junior Golf (6-9 years of age)
- 66 Total Participants in Junior Golf (10–13 years of age)
- 63 Total Participants in the New Advanced Players Program (13-18 years of age)
- 28 Total Participants in the Tournament Players Program (11-18 years of age)

This year, we continued the US Kids Level 1, 2 and 3 Programs to our Junior Golf Program. This was a great success for the children. These levels gave the parents and children some tangible goals for the students to strive for with achievement pins, culminating with the passing of each level. We will continue to expand on this success and continue to strive for excellence in our Junior Program.

Given our growth in Junior Golfers at the Club, it is no surprise that the talent level is growing right along with it. Our 2015 Junior Club Championship had 23 participants looking to qualify into our 8 player Match Play Bracket. As a true testament to the rise in talent, it took a score of 77 or better to qualify for Match Play. We are pleased to announce Patrick Sullivan defeated Tommy Sullivan in the Final Match of our Junior Club Championship earning Patrick Sullivan the title of 2015 Junior Club Champion.

Further demonstrating the growth in our Junior Golf Program at the Club, we added a Girls Division to our Junior Club Championship, the low 4 qualifiers earned their way into our Match Play Bracket. It is our pleasure to highlight Mollie DeBrunner who defeated Haley Martin in the Final Match to earn the title of our 2015 Girls Junior Club Champion.

We have had several outstanding accomplishments to come out of our Junior Golfers this season, Jack Jones carded a Hole-in-One on Hole #5 on our Short Course earlier this year, and Tommy Sullivan carded a Hole-in-One in competition on Hole #17 at Eagle Eye Golf Course in Bath, Michigan. One of our proudest accomplishments and a true reflection of the talent we have at our Club, Tommy Sullivan won his US Regional Qualifier for the Drive, Chip & Putt Championship at Medinah Country Club earning him a trip to Augusta National this upcoming April. The Drive, Chip & Putt Championship has been a wonderful platform for young golfers across the country. This upcoming April marks the third running of this Championship with two out of the three years Country Club of Detroit being represented (Coalter Smith) (Tommy Sullivan) in the Final Stage has been a remarkable reflection of the strength of Juniors at our Club.

This year's Candy Cup, a quadruple shotgun event on the short course, was the biggest ever with nearly 85 teams participating. The winner of this event was Roger and Will Mason.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the dedication and efforts of our Golf Services Manager, Jason Wagner and his staff this past year. Their efforts in managing starting times, 125 caddies, over 4600 caddie rounds, the bag room, a fleet of 60 golf carts and the tournaments greatly contributed to a premier golfing experience at our Club.

I would also like to recognize the excellent contributions of our Head Golf Professional Matt Bodde and his staff. Assistants, Justin Pollock, Alex Macko and Jacob Troyer have enhanced our golf experience at CCD through dedication, enthusiasm, and patient teaching and tournament operations. We continued our relationship with Ferris State University' PGM golf program by hosting an intern for the season. Zach Mctheeney did a good job for our Club. Renee Capshaw, in her third season as shop manager, continued the improvements she began making last year by

bringing in new brands and presenting the product in a much more fashionable way. This year we also had some great much more fashionable way. This year we also had some great part-time staff, Ashley Kelly, Kaela Sanocki and Cary Cecsott; I would like to thank each of them for their service this past year.

2015 was another great year for golf at CCD. I would like to thank the Golf Committee Members for their hard work in contributing to such a successful season. I would also like to thank our golfing members who, together with their families and guests, have supported the various golf events and programs at our Club throughout the golf season.

*Mr. William L. Hyde, Golf Chairperson*

## 2015 GOLF TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### **Spring Evans Member-Member**

Gross Champions Dainforth French, Jr. & Tom Sullivan, Jr.  
Net Champions Gary Doyon & David Warren

### **President's Cup**

Champion Michael Shields  
Runner-Up Thomas Klippstein

### **Men's Member/Guest**

Overall Net Dainforth French, Jr. & Dan Carroll  
Runner-Up Paul Wortman & Greg Pease

### **Men's Net Club Championship**

Champion Michael Donovan  
Runner-Up Christopher Walsh

### **Sweeney Cup**

Champion Lance Johnson  
Runner-Up Thomas Sullivan, Jr.

### **Mixed Member-Member**

Gross Champion Rick Tepper & Mary Wilson  
Net Champion Michael Donovan & Anita Watson  
Runner-Up Robert Lucas & Joannie Capuano

### **Senior Club Championship**

50-64 Champion Ben Liston  
Runner – Up Jim Becker  
65 + Champion Stephen Wasinger  
Runner-Up Fred Batten

### **Men's Club Championship**

Championship Flight Thomas P. Sullivan, Jr.  
Runner-Up Matt Blyth

**Parent Child Championship**

Gross Champion

Net Champion

Matt &amp; Alex Blyth

Andrew &amp; Coalter Smith

**Senior Member-Guest**

Gross Champions

Net Champions

Charles Tompkins &amp; Ed Wunsch

Jim O'Connor &amp; Rick Corona

**Junior Club Championship**

Boys Champion

Girls Champion

Patrick Sullivan

Mollie DeBrunner

**Chapman Cup**

Gross Champions

Net Champions

Roger Mason &amp; Bryan Schmakel

Matt Blyth &amp; Pat Dixon

**Candy Cup**

Champion

Roger &amp; Will Mason

**Fall Men's Member-Member**

Gross Champions

Net Champions

Gus Andreasen &amp; Lou Ray

Chip Ciconte &amp; Scott Crane

**Husband & Wife Tournament**

Gross Champions

Net Champions

C. H. &amp; Suzie Crane III

Dan &amp; Anita Watson



## GREENS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. William L. Hyde, Chairperson

Mr. James C. Becker, Mr. Dale R. Burmeister, Mrs. Joannie Capuano,  
Mr. Dainforth B. French, Jr., Mr. Steven E. Grob, Mr. Michael D. Hollerbach,  
Dr. John Okonowski, Mr. John D. Standish and Mr. Thomas P. Sullivan, Jr.

After a cold wet March and early April, the Championship Golf Course opened April 11<sup>th</sup> with excellent playing conditions. Unlike the previous spring, the course came out of winter in relatively good shape with far less ice damage than in 2014. This was due to a little bit of luck and a lot of hard work by the greens staff, led by Ross Miller, to reduce the amount of poa annua that we have in our fairways and other parts of the golf course over the summer of 2014 when we extensively re-sodded and seeded the areas typically affected by ice damage. This effort continued over the summer, with topdressing of the fairways and other means which have resulted in 90%+ of bent grass on our fairways.

The greens surfaces were outstanding this year. A cool, somewhat dry start to the season kept the surfaces fast and firm; however, a wet June and July softened the greens more than we would like. In addition, a great deal of work was done (and continues to be done) to improve drainage and to increase the amount of sand in the top of our greens profile to encourage ideal playing conditions. This includes regular verticutting and topdressing, as well as core aeration this spring and use of the Graden sand injection system this fall and again next spring. Ross and the Greens Committee are confident this diligent regimen will continue to yield good results.

This season also saw the opening of the new Short Game Practice Facility, which provided the membership with an outstanding practice facility and excellent turf conditions. The work to prepare this area was minimal compared to the extensive work our staff did to complete the landscaping and maintenance of the new pool and racquets facility on the lower campus. We all owe a debt of gratitude to Ross, Cassandra and their team for their effort and leadership on this major project.

The short course is enjoying its finest conditions in years and it is getting more play than ever. The bunkers received new sand and the putting surfaces were outstanding. This facility, designed by Robert Trent Jones, is a unique advantage our Club enjoys and is a great place for young children and newer players to learn the game and sharpen their skills.

As the season closes, the staff continues its hard work. We are reseeding several natural areas with a blend of fescues which will enhance playing conditions and provide a more aesthetically pleasing look. We plan to continue this effort in more areas in the coming years. In addition, we are continuing our bunker face renovations, installing drip irrigation and turf type fescues which are less "thirsty" than bluegrass and that will be fed through new drip irrigation. Lastly, we are addressing areas of the rough where inconsistent turf conditions and a wide variety of grasses make play awkward and which look a bit shabby. This process will include some sodding, re-seeding and aeration. We expect the results to unfold over the coming seasons – there's a lot of grass out there!

Special thanks go out to the entire Greens crew and their leadership; Greens Superintendent Ross Miller, his First Assistant Kevin Peck, Second Assistant Bryan Kiel, and last, but certainly not least, Horticulturist Cassandra Budzik whose talents we are so lucky to have keeping our grounds as beautiful as any in the world.

*Mr. William L. Hyde, Golf Chairperson*

**WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE**  
Mrs. Joannie Frear Capuano, Chairperson

Mrs. Anita Watson – Vice Chair	Mrs. Michele Glenn – Tournament Chair
Mrs. Amy Van Osdol – Asst. Tournament Chair	Mrs. Allison Baker – Secretary
Ms. Cosette Campbell – Treasurer	Mrs. Kay Agney-Lucas – Asst. Treasurer
Mrs. Lynne Olds – 9 Hole Co-Chair	Mrs. Mickey Nichols – 9 Hole Co-Chair
Dr. Donna Tepper – Handicaps	Mrs. Patty Marantette – Rules
Mrs. Mary Louise Drennen – Asst. Rules Chair	Mrs. Beth Jaskolski – Locker Room
Mrs. Martha Speer – Historian	Mrs. Nancy Orr – Advisor
Mrs. Cathy Broderick – District Representative	Mrs. Lynn Fruehauf Wood – Nominating Chair

The 2015 Women's Golf Season began on May 7<sup>th</sup> with an afternoon scramble followed by supper and a meeting. We are delighted to have 27 new or returning members of the Women's Golf Association. Most weeks in the season, we have two events each Thursday morning: one for those interested in playing 18 holes and the other for those who choose to play 9. This year we also trialed a new idea – permitting women to play on Thursday mornings while working to establish a handicap. This led to a very active and full program of ladies' golf. Our Thursday events offer an opportunity for women to hone their golf skills and develop camaraderie.

We also continue to have a great competitive experience playing against other clubs in southeast Michigan throughout the summer and I would like to thank CCD's Women's Golf Association Interclub Captains, Cosette Campbell and Pam Cavanaugh, for their effort and the lady golfers who represented CCD this year. This presents us with a terrific opportunity to experience golf at other clubs, gain team match play experience, and widen our circle of golf friends.

For those unable to play during the day, the women once again continued their tradition of 9 holes of golf followed by a glass of wine on Tuesday evenings from Memorial Day to Labor Day. This informal event is a great way to connect with other women golfers and line up those weekend games!

Women's golf at the CCD is made possible through the support and dedication of many people at the Club. I would like to thank Matt Bodde and Jake Troyer, for their continued support of women's golf; Jason Wagner and the golf services personnel for organizing our events and getting us off the tee box on time each week; Cassandra Budzik for providing us with flowers at our tees, in our restrooms and for our lunches; and Ross Miller and his staff for maintaining the golf course and ensuring the benches and ball washers were on the forward tees for our events. Ross' pink cup liners were a fun diversion this year! We thank Shirley Clark for continuing to unlock the new lockers over and over, and making sure our trophies and shoes were always polished. Special thanks to Chef Brian Beland, his staff, and Tracy Okoniewski and Sheena Luther for handling all special arrangements for our events. We had creative and fun events with delicious food. A big thank you to Jackie Zeiter who cheerfully administered the Women's Golf Program.

Finally, thank you to the members of the Women's Golf Committee for the time and hard work that they invest in our Ladies Golf program and to all of the members who participated in women's golf at the CCD. Our events would not be nearly as successful without our vibrant group of women.

## 2015 WOMEN'S MAJOR EVENT RESULTS

### **Club Championship**

Club Champion	Mrs. Patty Marantette
Jane MacFarlane Trophy	Dr. Donna Tepper
1 <sup>st</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Carolyn Cobane
2 <sup>nd</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Beth Jaskolski
3 <sup>rd</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Michele Glenn
4 <sup>th</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Anita Watson

### **Ace of Aces Tournament**

Winner	Mrs. Beth Jaskolski
Runner-Up	Ms. Deborah George

### **Joe Belfore Tournament**

Winner	Mrs. Carol Burke
Runner-Up	Dr. Maggie Gall

### **Rosemary Lowe Chesbrough Memorial Tournament**

Winner	Ms. Deborah George
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### **Dorothy S. Higbie Trophy**

Winner	Dr. Donna Tepper
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### **George Haggarty, Sr. Trophy**

Winner	Dr. Maggie Gall
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### **Margaret Watkins Stroke Play Tournament**

Overall Low Gross	Mrs. Patty Marantette
Overall Low Net	Mrs. Beth Jaskolski
1 <sup>st</sup> Flight Low Gross	Mrs. Mary Wilson
Low Net	Mrs. Kathy Petz
2 <sup>nd</sup> Flight Low Gross	Mrs. Coleen Kordas
Low Net	Mrs. Joannie Capuano
Least Putts	Mrs. Dorothy Wasinger
3 <sup>rd</sup> Flight Low Gross	Mrs. Joan Long
Low Net	Dr. Maggie Gall
4 <sup>th</sup> Flight Low Gross:	Mrs. Anita Watson
Low Net	Mrs. Allison Baker

### **Member-Guest Tournament Hollywood Legends**

Low Net Winners	Mrs. Coleen Kordas & Mrs. Michelle Edmonds
Low Gross	Mrs. Susie Keane & Ms. Jo Manley
1st Flight Winners	Mrs. Patty Marantette & Ms. Chris Dinverno
2 <sup>nd</sup> Flight Winners	Mrs. Beth Jaskolski & Mrs. Linda Boyle
3 <sup>rd</sup> Flight Winners	Mrs. Lynn Wood & Mrs. Gail Janutol
4 <sup>th</sup> Flight Winners	Mrs. Joan Watts & Ms. Bunny Brooks

**Member-Member**

Dorothy McGivern Trophy	Mrs. Carol Burke & Mrs. Mickey Shield
Low Gross	Mrs. Carolyn Cobane & Mrs. Patty Marantette
1 <sup>st</sup> Flight Winners	Mrs. Michele Glenn & Mrs. Beth Jaskolski
2 <sup>nd</sup> Flight Winners	Mrs. Anne Mabley & Dr. Pat West
3 <sup>rd</sup> Flight Winners	Mrs. Kathy Petz & Mrs. Anita Watson
4 <sup>th</sup> Flight Winners	Mrs. Arlene Lewis & Mrs. Nancy Roney
9 Hole Winners	Mrs. Jennifer Blyth & Mrs. Tracy Skupien

**Ringer Trophy**

Winner	Mrs. Patty Marantette
1 <sup>st</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Cathy Broderick
2 <sup>nd</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Mickey Shield
3 <sup>rd</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Kay Agney-Lucas
4 <sup>th</sup> Flight Winner	Mrs. Allison Baker & Mrs. Anita Watson

**Sue Sprague Trophy**

Winner	Dr. Donna Tepper
Runner-Up	Mrs. Susan Hastings

**Ten-on-the-Tee**

Winner	Mrs. Carol Burke
Runner-Up	Mrs. Joannie Capuano

**Player of the Year (18)** Mrs. Anita Watson

**Mary Louise Drennan Spirit Award (18)**

Winner	Mrs. Anita Watson
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**9-Hole Spirit Award**

Winner	Mrs. Andrea Thibodeau
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**Most Improved - Jean Dodds Memorial Trophy**

Winner	Mrs. Darrene Baer
Runner-Up	The Honorable Suzanne Liston Faunce

## SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Mr. Gary R. Glenn Sports Chairperson

Dr. Mark Herman and Dr. Shiva Maralani, Swimming Co-Chairs

Mr. Kevin McMahon and Mrs. Beth McMahon, Swimming Co-Chairs

The 2015 Stingray season was outstanding. The team was able to build upon its increasing success over the past several years, competing in the upper division of MICSA for the first time in 16 years. This was a huge boost for the team's enthusiasm and spirit. Not only did the team move to the higher playing field, but they were also able to finish the season with 2 victories, finishing 2-4 overall.

CCD has a terrific representation at the MICSA Finals. There were 33 swimmers who placed in the top 12 at Finals. There were 2 MICSA records and 9 club records set at Finals. This fueled the team to finish 5<sup>th</sup> overall, guaranteeing a return to the upper division again for next season. A breakdown of CCD swimmer results at MICSA was published in the August Bulletin and listed below.

Swim team enrollment was again its highest level in recent years. Likewise the Little Rays Program has continued to grow. The total swim team numbered 143 swimmers, with growth at all age levels. The addition of new families with older, seasoned swimmers combined with growth of the Little Rays hopefully, will assure continued success in the future. The team also has arguably its largest percentage of year-round swimmers ever, which certainly improved our competitiveness against other teams.

Team spirit and enthusiasm was tremendous. Continuation of the personalized swim caps as well as an offering of a broad array of clothing and logo wear for both swimmers and parents allowed everyone opportunity to show off their team spirit. Swim team pasta dinners were continued on select Wednesdays after practice. The swim team campout was again a huge success, with approximately 40 tents and families spending the night. This remains one of the highlights of the swim season.

One of the most anticipated and exciting aspects of the season was the ability to host meets in the new Summer Village facility. Feedback from our guests was outstanding. There was more than ample room to accommodate the swimmers and spectators poolside. The ability to serve meals and set-up the dance in one location was terrific. As with any new process, there needs to be some feedback allowed for areas of improvement. One concern for next year will be evaluating the backup plan in case of inclement weather.

Last year, the team won the Corsan Challenge, a fundraiser for Detroit Swims sponsored by Olympic gold medalist and former MICSA swimmer Peter Vanderkay. Although the team did not participate again this year, there was instead a special fundraising event organized by team captain Steven Lesha. This was a fun and popular relay event raising nearly \$2,000 for Detroit Swims, which teaches children in the city of Detroit how to swim. Although Steven has graduated from the team, the committee hopes to have him continue this worthy effort annually. Steven was also selected by the coaching staff to be the second recipient of the new "Distinguished Stingray" Award. It is created to honor the individual swimmer who most demonstrates the characteristics of hard work, teamwork, sportsmanship, and character. It currently hangs in the main hallway outside near the entrance to the bowling center.

One goal for the 2016 season is to have a scoreboard for the meets. After visiting other facilities with a scoreboard, there is no doubt that it heightens the spectator experience. Parents, spectators and even the swimmers are much more engaged in the meet. During the off-season, the committee hopes to work with our meet technician, Liz Nelson, and club management to investigate scoreboard options that can be presented to the Board.

We would to thank the Board and management for all of their support.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Dr. Mark Herman and Dr. Shiva Maralani*  
*Mr. Kevin McMahon and Mrs. Beth McMahon*

The great amount of effort and dedication of the Swim Committee is acknowledged, recognized and appreciated. We are all excited about the growing success of the program.

*Mr. Gary R. Glenn, Sports Chairperson*

### Highlights from the 2015 MICSA Finals

The Country Club of Detroit swim team had an awesome MICSA Finals at Plum Hollow Country Club this weekend of July 24-26, 2015. The team coached by **Liz Nelson, Devlin Francis, Scott McDonald and Kelsey Chapman**, finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall. Our team displayed great team spirit, as well as very impressive individual and relay finishes. Congratulations to the following swimmers for finishing in the top 12

#### Individual Events

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>FASTEST TIME</u>
<b><u>8 and Under:</u></b>			
Grace McKee	Girls 25 meter Freestyle	12 <sup>th</sup>	20.25
Steve McMahon	Boys 25 meter Breaststroke	6 <sup>th</sup>	30.5
	Boys 25 meter Butterfly	5 <sup>th</sup>	24.03
Alex Rothis	Boys 25 meter Freestyle	10 <sup>th</sup>	20.37
Anna Wesley	Girls 50 meter Freestyle	11 <sup>th</sup>	44.29
Pete O'Donnell	Boys 25 meter Backstroke	9 <sup>th</sup>	27.71
<b><u>9 and 10:</u></b>			
Ginger McMahon	Girls 50 meter Breaststroke	1 <sup>st</sup>	37.86*
	Girls 100 meter IM	1 <sup>st</sup>	1:17.76*
Mason Melegari	Boys 100 meter IM	6 <sup>th</sup>	1:41.04
	Boys 100 meter Freestyle	7 <sup>th</sup>	1:23.30
Myles Melegari	Boys 50 meter Breaststroke	4 <sup>th</sup>	50.37
Drew Rulison	Boys 100 meter Freestyle	5 <sup>th</sup>	1:20.70
Elle Ottaway	Girls 100 meter Freestyle	5 <sup>th</sup>	1:16.37
	Girls 100 meter IM	5 <sup>th</sup>	1:32.06
Olivia Yoo	Girls 25 meter Butterfly	1 <sup>st</sup>	15.09
	Girls 100 meter IM	4 <sup>th</sup>	1:28.27

**11 & 12:**

Hayden Barry	Girls 100 meter Freestyle	10 <sup>th</sup>	1:12.15
	Girls 50 meter Freestyle	10 <sup>th</sup>	32.58
Jennifer Crowley	Girls 50 meter Butterfly	5 <sup>th</sup>	35.37
	Girls 50 meter Freestyle	8 <sup>th</sup>	32.04
Ryan English	Boys 50 meter Backstroke	9 <sup>th</sup>	41.86
	Boys 50 meter Freestyle	12 <sup>th</sup>	35.24
Jack Gehlert	Boys 100 meter Freestyle	8 <sup>th</sup>	1:14.22
	Boys 50 meter Butterfly	8 <sup>th</sup>	39.60
Sophia Herman	Girls 100 meter Freestyle	12 <sup>th</sup>	1:15.08
	Girls 50 meter Butterfly	10 <sup>th</sup>	38.82
Eric Howell	Boys 50 meter Backstroke	11 <sup>th</sup>	43.07
	Boys 50 meter Freestyle	10 <sup>th</sup>	34.04
Charlie Rulison	Boys 50 meter Breaststroke	12 <sup>th</sup>	43.86
Grace Wesley	Girls 50 meter Backstroke	2 <sup>nd</sup>	35.07
	Girls 100 meter IM	8 <sup>th</sup>	1:26.07
Miles Wujek	Boys 50 meter Backstroke	6 <sup>th</sup>	39.76

**13 & 14:**

Riley Francis	Boys 50 meter Backstroke	3 <sup>rd</sup>	31.62
	Boys 100 meter IM	6 <sup>th</sup>	1:08.64*
Sophie Housey	Girls 100 meter Freestyle	1 <sup>st</sup>	57.22*
	Girls 50 meter Freestyle	1 <sup>st</sup>	26.67*
Thomas Wacker	Boys 100 meter Freestyle	12 <sup>th</sup>	1:07.67
	Boys 50 meter Freestyle	12 <sup>th</sup>	31.04
Jackson Wujek	Boys 50 meter Breaststroke	5 <sup>th</sup>	36.06
	Boys 50 meter Butterfly	3 <sup>rd</sup>	29.68
Cameron Howell	Boys 50 meter Backstroke	4 <sup>th</sup>	33.55

**15 & 17:**

Cameron Francis	Boys 100 meter Freestyle	5 <sup>th</sup>	55.59
	Boys 50 meter Backstroke	5 <sup>th</sup>	29.13*
Caroline Frederickson	Girls 100 meter Freestyle	12 <sup>th</sup>	1:02.80
	Girls 50 meter Freestyle	4 <sup>th</sup>	28.30
Olivia Frederickson	Girls 50 meter Butterfly	12 <sup>th</sup>	32.74
	Girls 50 meter Freestyle	5 <sup>th</sup>	28.38
Kayleigh Gehlert	Girls 50 meter Breaststroke	3 <sup>rd</sup>	35.58*
	Girls 100 meter IM	7 <sup>th</sup>	1:11.39
Julia Gehlert	Girls 50 meter Backstroke	5 <sup>th</sup>	31.67*
	Girls 50 meter Butterfly	7 <sup>th</sup>	31.03
Steven Lesha	Boys 100 meter Freestyle	4 <sup>th</sup>	55.08
	Boys 50 meter Backstroke	8 <sup>th</sup>	29.66

Stephanie Shea	Girls 50 meter Butterfly	11 <sup>th</sup>	32.72
Patrick Waterston	Boys 50 meter Butterfly	9 <sup>th</sup>	28.21
	Boys 50 meter Freestyle	5 <sup>th</sup>	25.58

### **Relays**

**Mixed 8 and Under 100 Meter Freestyle Relay: 5<sup>th</sup> place, 1:23.80**

Steve McMahon, Grace McKee, Emma O'Donnell, Anna Wesley

**Mixed 8 and Under 100 Meter Medley Relay: 11<sup>th</sup> place, 1:58.85**

Emma O'Donnell, Alex Rotheris, Grace McKee, Peter O'Donnell

**Girls 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 1<sup>st</sup> place, 1:56.91\***

Caroline Frederickson, Jennifer Crowley, Ginger McMahon, Sophie Housey

**Girls 200 Meter Medley Relay: 8<sup>th</sup> place, 2:20.22**

Grace Wesley, Kayleigh Gehlert, Olivia Yoo, Hanna Ottaway

**Boys 200 Meter Freestyle Relay: 8<sup>th</sup> place, 2:02.68**

Jackson Wujek, Mason Melegari, Jack Gehlert, Patrick Waterston

**Boys 200 Meter Medley Relay: 8<sup>th</sup> place, 2:22.34**

Cameron Francis, Charlie Rulison, Riley Francis, Myles Melegari

*\*Denotes a New Club Record*

Congratulations to all of our swimmers on an awesome season!

The CCD coaching staff would like to thank everyone who volunteered at this summer's home dual meets, as well as those who assisted in other swim team events throughout the season. We hope to continue the increase in team spirit and enthusiasm during the 2015 season and beyond!

*Liz Nelson  
CCD Pool Director*



## **BOWLING COMMITTEE**

Mr. Gary R. Glenn, Sports Chairperson

Mr. Kevin C. Monahan, Bowling Chairperson

Mrs. Sarah Monahan/Mrs. Lisa Roma, Ladies League Chairs

Mr. Mark Russell/Mr. Jamie Dingeman III, Men's League Chairs

Mr. James Bieri and Mrs. Jeannie Bieri, Tuesday Mixed League Chairs

Mrs. Kay Agney-Lucas, Thursday Mixed League Chair

Bowling was more popular than ever this year. The Men's League boasted six-man teams and a full component of bowlers on a weekly basis. The Wednesday Morning Ladies League continued to have full participation, and the Thursday Mixed League, once again, had a waiting list, and as a result, a new league on Tuesday nights was added.

On very short notice, Joseph Conflitti, stepped in as Bowling Director and did a most wonderful job. Everyone enjoys his graciousness and good humor.

A new event, the Pirate Bowling Open was added this year [complimentary to the Pirate Open], and was raucous and lively event. Mike Pyenta, took home the honors on his birthday. A great way to celebrate!

CCD did not fare well during the annual inter-club tournament with Grosse Point Yacht Club. GPYC was victorious by 1,100 pins.

This season, GPYC has graciously permitted the Men's League to bowl on Tuesday nights and the Ladies' League to bowl on Tuesday mornings. We also located a commercial establishment for the Mixed League, so the fine bowling tradition at CCD will continue uninterrupted.

I personally thank Kevin Monahan as Bowling Chairperson for his efforts, good humor and insight. Each of the League Chairs are also thanked for their efforts at promoting bowling at CCD.

Below, recognition is given to the following members for the success in bowling tournaments and league play.

### **2014-2015 Bowling Season Results**

<b>Bowler of the Year</b>	Gary Glenn
<b>Men's Club Champion</b>	Dan Francis
<b>Women's Club Champion</b>	Michele Glenn
<b>Men's Waldo</b>	Tom Klippstein
<b>Women's Waldo</b>	Michele Glenn
<b>Mixed Doubles</b>	Chick and Sally VanDusen
<b>Men's Doubles</b>	Andy Martin and George Baer
<b>Women's Doubles</b>	Donna Tepper and Mimi Crawford
<b>Men's Senior Champion</b>	Roger Hull
<b>Women's Senior Champion</b>	Lucy Prost
<b>Club Team Champions</b>	Thursday Night Mixed Jeff Jaskolski, Maxine Moseley, Gary Glenn, Cleve Thurber

**League Champions**

**Tuesday Night Mixed**

**Wednesday Ladies**

**Wednesday Men**

**Thursday Night Mixed**

Kathie Harness, Bill Shield, Dan Francis, Clark Standish

Dorothy Wasinger, Rosie McNair, Becky Schlaff, Chris Giorgio

Steven Webber, Ben Paddock, Robert Rahm, Mark Russell,

Fred Rinke, David FitzSimons

Jeff Jaskolski, Maxine Moseley, Gary Glenn, Cleve Thurber

**SEASON HIGH SCORES**

**High Actual**

Rick Tepper 288/Suzanne Liston 208

**High Series Actual**

Rick Tepper 734/Suzanne Liston 572

**High Handicap**

Matt Blyth 301/Polly Tech 287

**High Series with Handicap**

Jay Fradenburg 768/Jo Ellen Ulrich 731

*Mr. Gary R. Glenn, Sports Chairperson*

## 2015 TENNIS COMMITTEE

Mr. Gary R. Glenn, Sports Chairperson

Mr. Charles B. Begg, Jr., Mr. Shawn Coyle, Mrs. Mary DeBrunner,  
Mrs. Pamela Flom, Mrs. Deborah Grob, Mr. C. Kirk Haggarty,  
Mrs. Julie Kornmeier, Mr. Steve Kornmeier, Dr. Julie Henry-Kelly and Mr. Michael Stines

With the opening of the Summer Village, the tennis program was the busiest in the 8 years that Joe Shaheen has been Tennis Director. During the morning hours of 8:30 am to 12:00 noon, court usage was usually between 6 to 7 courts occupied. Junior participation in clinics, tournaments, team matches and match play was the strongest in June and July, and very strong in August. Head Tennis Professional, Joe Shaheen and Assistant Tennis Professionals, Madeleine Paolucci and Mike Rose, gave lessons and clinics all summer season long. Members were able to take lessons 7 days a week from May until October. This has become more than a five month season instead of the usual Memorial Day to Labor Day season. Seven days a week, our professionals are on the court starting at 8:00 am. Our communication through emails to the membership were improved greatly this season and appreciated by the feedback we received.

The Ladies' Interclub used the courts on Tuesdays and Thursdays from June through August with an end-of-season party in August. We had a Memorial Day Scramble. This year we had two Adult-Child Divisions with 38 players participating.

The Member/Guest Doubles Event included a Men's and Women's division. We also had a Women's Member/Member Tournament that had 20 players. We held a few Margarita Mixers that were well attended. We initiated a Try Tennis Together clinic that was popular with players returning to tennis again. We held two Serve and be Served Tennis Mixers that were well attended. Our Labor Day Family Appreciation day was attended by 28 players. The Junior Club Championship included two age group divisions. We introduced a Junior Tennis Ladder that had 24 players battling it out weekly for the top spots in two divisions. Junior Tennis players of all ages and abilities played Interclub round robin matches every Friday this summer. CCD had over 65 juniors participating this year. After the tennis matches, we hosted 9 Junior Pizza Parties.

The clay courts were in terrific shape for the whole season. The tennis department is now in charge of clay court maintenance and the crew did a great job all season long. The sprinkling system saves water and evenly distributes water to the clay courts keeping them in the best playing shape. There is now very little down time for maintaining the courts.

This season we added a CCD logo windscreen which adds a touch of class to a new and wonderful tennis facility. Future improvements to the tennis courts and facility will include improvement in the drainage system on Court 1. This year Greens and Grounds transplanted 3 trees and several tall grass plants to the Southeast corner of the courts. It adds needed shade and a nice entry view to the Tennis Courts.

*Mr. Gary R. Glenn, Sports Chairperson*

## TENNIS EVENT RESULTS

<b>Memorial Day Women's Champion</b>	Holly FitzSimons
<b>Memorial Day Women's Champion</b>	John Caputo
<b>Memorial Day Girl's Champion</b>	Hollin Sutherland
<b>Memorial Day Boy's Champion</b>	Jackson Marchal
<b>Memorial Day Jr. Boy's Champion</b>	Mikey Kornmeier
<b>Men's Member/Guest Champions</b>	Steve Kornmeier and Michael Paolucci
<b>Men's Member/Guest Finalists</b>	Shawn Coyle and Ken Prather
<b>Women's Member/Guest Champions</b>	Christie Scoggin and Paula Cornwall
<b>Women's Member/Guest Finalists</b>	Susie Sine and Jill Pietrowsky
<b>Women's Member/Guest 3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>	Fay Savage and Michelle Schneider
<b>Women's Member/Guest Consolation</b>	Julie Kornmeier and Hidee Neuenschwander
<b>Women's Member/Member Champions</b>	Christie Scoggin and Lil Rinke
<b>Women's Member/Member Finalists</b>	Mary DeBrunner and Melisa McEnroe
<b>Junior Club Boy's Singles Champion</b>	Turner Sine
<b>Junior Club Boy's Singles Finalist</b>	Ryan Murphy
<b>Junior Club U10 Boy's Singles Champion</b>	Blake Ilitch
<b>Junior Club U10 Boy's Singles Finalist</b>	Mikey Kornmeier
<b>Junior Club Girl's Singles Champion</b>	Molly Plowman
<b>Junior Club Girl's Singles Finalist</b>	Molly Perkins
<b>Junior Club U10 Girl's Singles Champion</b>	Olivia Kowal
<b>Junior Club U10 Girl's Singles Finalist</b>	Caroline Coyle
<b>Toby Hansen Jr. Div. I Adult/Child Champions</b>	Greg Cooksey and William Cooksey
<b>Toby Hansen Jr. Div. I Adult/Child Finalists</b>	John Jones and Lily Jones
<b>Toby Hansen Jr. Div. I Adult/Child Consolation</b>	Polly Begg and Molly Perkins
<b>Toby Hansen Jr. Div. II Adult/Child Champions</b>	Shawn Coyle and son Shawn Coyle
<b>Toby Hansen Jr. Div. II Adult/Child Finalists</b>	Julie Kornmeier and Mikey Kornmeier
<b>Toby Hansen Jr. Div. II Adult/Child Consolation</b>	David Sutherland and Hollin Sutherland
<b>Toby Hansen Jr. Div. I Adult/Child Consolation</b>	Mary DeBrunner and Baird Perkins
<b>Junior Tennis Ladder Champion Division 1</b>	William Cooksey
<b>Junior Tennis Ladder Champion Division 2</b>	Mikey Kornmeier
<b>Junior Sportsmanship Awards</b>	Jackson Marchal, Ryan Murphy Molly Plowman, Alston Smith

### **Junior Matches:**

There were over 65 juniors who participated from ages 5 to 16 in our Friday 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm Match Play and Pizza Party.

## PADDLE TENNIS COMMITTEE

Mr. Gary Glenn, Sports Chairperson

Mr. William Flom, Chairperson

Mr. Christopher Charlton, Mrs. Lila Hyde, Mrs. Tanya Rulison,

Mrs. Christie Scoggin and Mr. Michael Shields

Our 2014-2015 CCD Paddle Tennis Program experienced a move as part of the Phase 11a renovation. Courts were available for member use in December of 2014. Construction of the new Racquets Building was completed in May of 2015 and will be available for the upcoming 2015-2016 paddle tennis season. Once again the CCD paddle tennis courts and their venue are the premier facility in Grosse Pointe.

The junior and adult paddle program is under the direction of Madeleine Paolucci, our CCD Paddle Tennis Professional. She coordinated junior paddle tennis lessons on Wednesdays and paddle tennis parties on Fridays for our juniors. In addition, Madeleine instructed adults on Wednesdays and Thursdays as well as by individual appointment, by request of CCD members. The junior paddle parties remain a popular event, and familiar as well as new adult faces were seen on the paddle tennis courts.

While this season, the Racquets Building remained a construction area, the Detroit Invitational Tournament Event was hosted at another area club. This event is an APTA (American Platform Tennis Association) event and rotates locations every few years. This season, the Mixed Doubles Tournament also was on hiatus as construction was taking place. We look forward to the upcoming season to host the CCD Mixed Doubles Event once again.

A new event was introduced involving inter club paddle tennis to continue the momentum of our CCD Paddle Tennis Program. This event was a mixed inter club tournament with competition vs the GPYC. Our own Shawn Coyle and Sharon Wacker were the champions of the event.

The much anticipated second year of our popular adult-child paddle tennis tournament was held in March. Amidst some tough competition, the team of Cliff Grabowski Sr. and Cliff Grabowski Jr. were victorious. Most importantly for the adult-child event, sportsmanship was emphasized and all levels of play encouraged.

At the conclusion of the season, Madeleine coordinated the introduction of the low bounce ball paddle tennis balls. Low bounce paddle tennis balls are used in the spring/summer months. Several members purchased the low bounce balls and were able to continue play during the warmer temperatures. The second year of paddle tennis rackets being available for purchase for our CCD members was also a success.

Madeleine Paolucci is very appreciative of the committee and member support. We continue with our traditional popular programs, and add new ideas which is helping the growth of our CCD paddle tennis program. Paddle tennis can be such a joy during our winter months. It is our hope that we continue to see some familiar faces, as well as some new faces with our junior, adult, inter club and events in our amazing new Racquets Building.

*Mr. Gary R. Glenn, Sports Chairperson*

## DAY CAMP

Day Camp hosted 189 enthusiastic campers ranging in age from 3 to 11 with many new campers to our program and many visiting grandchildren from out-of-town. Our enrollment continued to grow even after Day Camp had begun and with the continued addition of the Camper Sponsorship Program we were able to gain revenue beyond the budgeted amount, with our net balance exceeding all expectations. The Sponsorship program continues to be well received by CCD members as they were able to bring friends and relatives to Day Camp.

Day Camp enjoyed the new playground and sport court which enables us to add new programs and activities. We had nice camp weather and the schedule seemed to keep everyone busy. We continue to add new activities filled with music, games and magic as well as adding different special activities on Fridays.

We are always looking to improve our offerings and hope to provide the campers with different and innovative activities. We will continue to give many Club parents and grandparents this unique summer opportunity as we feel strongly about the enrichment of these children in a fun, flexible and spacious environment.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Ellen Durand, Day Camp Director*

# **COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT**

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

# COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Governors  
Country Club of Detroit

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Country Club of Detroit (a not-for-profit corporation), as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of revenue, expenses, and changes in members' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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**Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Country Club of Detroit as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*UHY LLP*

Farmington Hills, Michigan  
June 12, 2015

**COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT  
BALANCE SHEETS**

	<u>December 31,</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$ 1,802,679	\$ 1,974,924
Accounts receivable, net	541,840	569,976
Pledges receivable - current portion	64,167	-
Member notes receivable - current portion	371,262	347,413
Inventories	194,622	215,226
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	<u>151,765</u>	<u>175,463</u>
Total current assets	3,126,335	3,283,002
Pledges receivable - net of current portion	59,166	-
Member notes receivable - net of current portion	285,497	215,080
Property and equipment, net	<u>11,461,861</u>	<u>9,609,059</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 14,932,859</u>	<u>\$ 13,107,141</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ -	\$ 115,031
Accounts payable	355,563	406,621
Accrued liabilities:		
Payroll and payroll taxes	368,372	346,322
Other accrued liabilities	<u>105,694</u>	<u>112,600</u>
Total current liabilities	829,629	980,574
Line of credit	1,114,130	-
Long-term debt - net of current portion	<u>-</u>	<u>374,454</u>
Total liabilities	1,943,759	1,355,028
<b>MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>	<u>12,989,100</u>	<u>11,752,113</u>
Total liabilities and members' equity	<u>\$ 14,932,859</u>	<u>\$ 13,107,141</u>

**COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT**  
**STATEMENTS OF REVENUE, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY**

	Years ended December 31,	
	2014	2013
<b>Revenue</b>		
Membership dues	\$ 4,579,458	\$ 4,450,476
Fees for services:		
Food and beverage sales	2,887,717	2,544,404
Golf	1,076,892	1,071,964
Bowling	51,368	47,411
Swimming	41,960	34,409
Day camp	123,406	113,486
Clubhouse	153,557	120,510
Other activities	186,548	153,142
	<b>9,100,906</b>	<b>8,535,802</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Food and beverage	3,130,688	2,887,412
Golf	2,035,026	1,908,637
Bowling	100,949	93,853
Swimming	144,970	127,986
Day camp	93,509	91,215
Clubhouse	1,595,904	1,508,246
Other activities	83,147	70,421
General and administrative	1,448,519	1,408,159
Property taxes and insurance	426,373	399,709
	<b>9,059,085</b>	<b>8,495,638</b>
Increase in members' equity before other activities	41,821	40,164
<b>Other Activities</b>		
Initiation and transfer fees	887,705	733,238
Depreciation and amortization expense	(966,683)	(1,086,055)
Interest expense	(25,481)	(24,825)
Gain on disposal of assets	4,735	6,798
1897 fund contributions	337,675	104,925
Insurance proceeds - net of expenses	29,925	49,127
Capital reserve fee	246,990	242,770
Long range plan fee	680,300	-
	<b>1,236,987</b>	<b>66,142</b>
Increase in members' equity	1,236,987	66,142
Members' Equity - Beginning of year	<b>11,752,113</b>	<b>11,685,971</b>
Members' Equity - End of year	<b>\$ 12,989,100</b>	<b>\$ 11,752,113</b>

See notes to financial statements.

**COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT  
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

	<u>Years ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Increase in members' equity	\$ 1,236,987	\$ 66,142
Adjustments to reconcile increase in members' equity to net cash from operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	966,683	1,086,055
Gain on disposal of property and equipment	(4,735)	(6,798)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	1,242	330
Initiation and transfer fees	(887,705)	(733,238)
Capital reserve fee	(246,990)	(242,770)
Long range plan fee	(680,300)	
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	26,894	93,398
Pledges receivable	(123,333)	-
Inventories and prepaid expenses	44,302	29,459
Pension withdrawal liability	-	(998,000)
Accounts payable	(51,058)	11,054
Accrued liabilities	15,144	(1,126)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>297,131</u>	<u>(695,494)</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of property and equipment	(2,853,828)	(536,031)
Proceeds from disposition of property and equipment	39,078	7,428
Net cash (used in) investing activities	<u>(2,814,750)</u>	<u>(528,603)</u>
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Payments on long-term debt	(489,485)	(110,515)
Initiation and transfer fees	793,439	817,178
Capital reserve fees	246,990	242,770
Long range plan fee	680,300	-
Net activity on line of credit	1,114,130	-
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>2,345,374</u>	<u>949,433</u>
<b>NET (DECREASE) IN CASH</b>	<b>(172,245)</b>	<b>(274,664)</b>
<b>CASH, at beginning of year</b>	<b>1,974,924</b>	<b>2,249,588</b>
<b>CASH, at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 1,802,679</b>	<b>\$ 1,974,924</b>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:</b>		
Interest paid	<u>\$ 25,481</u>	<u>\$ 24,825</u>

**COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**NOTE 1 – NATURE OF BUSINESS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Country Club of Detroit (the "Club") located in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, is a not-for-profit organization that provides dining, athletic, and social facilities to its members. The Club's revenue is derived primarily from club dues, food and beverage revenue, greens and cart fees, and other club charges.

**Basis of Presentation**

The Club follows accounting standards set by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). The FASB sets generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) that the Club follows to ensure it consistently reports its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. References to GAAP issued by the FASB in the following footnotes are the *FASB Accounting Standards Codification* (ASC).

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the ASC topic "Presentation of Financial Statements for Not-for-Profit Entities." The Club is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. No temporarily or permanently restricted assets were held by the Club and accordingly, these financial statements do not reflect any activities related to these classes of net assets.

**Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

Accounts receivable are stated at net realizable value and are due primarily from members. An allowance for doubtful accounts is recorded based on a specific assessment of charges that remain unpaid following normal payment periods. All amounts deemed uncollectible are charged against the allowance for doubtful accounts in the period that the determination is made. The allowance for doubtful accounts was \$26,214 and \$27,456 for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**Inventories**

Inventories consist of food and beverages and are stated at the lower of cost, determined on the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method, or market.

**Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment are recorded at cost, which includes amounts for new facilities and expenditures that substantially extend the useful lives of existing buildings and equipment. Expenditures for normal repairs and maintenance are charged to operations as incurred. The provision for depreciation and amortization is computed by the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of the various properties.

**COUNTRY CLUB OF DETROIT**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**NOTE 1 – NATURE OF BUSINESS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**  
(Continued)

**Member Notes Receivable**

The Club offers an optional payment plan for new members. Initiation and transfer fees are recognized in the year the membership is approved and accepted. The balance of the receivable due in excess of one year is classified as long-term member notes receivable on the balance sheet. The Club posts all potential new members to allow for any concerns that Club members have regarding the potential new member. The credit quality worthiness of the potential new members is implied by the sponsorship of current Club members. The board reviews and approves all member notes receivable. The Club's member notes receivable are periodically evaluated individually for collectability based on history with members and any necessary allowances are recorded. Management has determined that there is no allowance for doubtful accounts deemed necessary at December 31, 2014 and 2013.

**Pledges Receivable**

Pledges receivable relate to a new Founding Members program that began during the year ended December 31, 2014. Members' pledges are recorded as donation revenue when pledged. Based on management's estimates of pledges receivable, management concluded that an allowance for uncollectible pledges was not necessary.

**Members' Dues**

The members' dues are recognized as revenue in the applicable membership period.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Concentration of Cash**

The bank accounts maintained by the Club are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. At various times during the year, cash balances exceeded federally insured limits. The Club has not experienced any losses in such accounts and management does not believe the Club is exposed to any significant credit risk related to cash.

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**NOTE 1 – NATURE OF BUSINESS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**  
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**Income Taxes**

The Internal Revenue Service has exempted the Club from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Tax Reform Act of 1969 imposed a corporate income tax on the “unrelated business income” of an otherwise tax-exempt club. No provision for income taxes is reflected on the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Members’ equity due to the fact that the Club did not generate any unrelated business income.

ASC guidance regarding accounting for uncertainty in income taxes clarifies the accounting for income taxes by prescribing the minimum recognition threshold an income tax position is required to meet before being recognized in the financial statements and applies to all income tax positions. Each income tax position is assessed using a two step process. A determination is first made as to whether it is more likely than not that the income tax position will be sustained, based upon technical merits, upon examination by the taxing authorities. If the income tax position is expected to meet the more likely than not criteria, the benefit recorded in the financial statements equals the largest amount that is greater than 50% likely to be realized upon its ultimate settlement. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, there were no uncertain tax positions that require accrual.

None of the Club’s federal or state income tax returns are currently under examination by the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) or state authorities. However, fiscal years 2011 and later remain subject to examination by the IRS and the State of Michigan.

**Sales Tax**

The Club reports its sales tax on the net basis in accordance with ASC Topic Sales Tax.

**Subsequent Events**

The financial statements and related disclosures include evaluation of events up to and including June 12, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



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**NOTE 2 – PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

The cost of property and equipment is summarized as follows:

	December 31,	
	2014	2013
Land	\$ 389,895	\$ 389,895
Land improvements	8,852,703	8,778,402
Buildings	3,222,424	3,222,424
Building improvements	10,206,754	9,423,026
Machinery and equipment	1,912,918	1,796,458
Transportation equipment	181,227	181,227
Furniture and fixtures	2,681,011	2,503,963
Computer equipment and software	307,319	334,414
Construction in progress	1,268,860	105,076
	<u>29,023,111</u>	<u>26,734,885</u>
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>17,561,250</u>	<u>17,125,826</u>
	<u>\$ 11,461,861</u>	<u>\$ 9,609,059</u>

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$966,683 and \$1,086,055 for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**NOTE 3 – LINES OF CREDIT**

In 2013, the Club had a line-of-credit with maximum borrowings of \$1.1 million with interest at the selected prime-based rate (greater of 1.5 percent or bank's prime rate), the overnight LIBOR-based rate (greater of 1.5 percent or the sum of the overnight LIBOR plus overnight margin), or the periodic LIBOR-based rate (greater of 1.5 percent or the sum of the periodic LIBOR plus the periodic LIBOR margin). There were no borrowings outstanding on this line of credit at December 31, 2014 and 2013. This line-of-credit was replaced in 2014.

In 2014, the Club replaced its existing line-of-credit and term loan described in Note 4 into a revolving line of credit. The Club may borrow up to \$500,000 under the revolving line-of-credit agreement and at December 31, 2014, the line of credit was unused. Amounts borrowed under the agreement accrue interest at 1.5 percent over the 30 day LIBOR. Borrowings under this line-of-credit agreement are collateralized by substantially all of the Club's assets. The note is subject to certain loan restrictions and covenants as more fully described in the line-of-credit agreement. The revolving line-of-credit matures in September 2016.

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**NOTE 3 – LINES OF CREDIT (Continued)**

In 2014, the Club also entered into two non-revolving lines-of-credit for the purpose of funding certain renovations of the Club. The Club may borrow up to \$8.25 million and \$1.5 million on the non-revolving lines-of-credit, respectively. At December 31, 2014, the Club had outstanding borrowings on these lines of credit of \$-0- and \$1,114,130, respectively. Amounts borrowed under the line-of-credit agreements accrue interest at 1.5 percent over the 30 day LIBOR. Borrowings under these agreements are collateralized by substantially all of the Club's assets. The lines-of-credit are scheduled to convert to term debt in September 2016. The lines of credit are subject to certain loan covenants as described in the loan agreements. At December 31, 2014, the Club was in compliance with these covenants.

Subsequent to year end, the Club reached its maximum borrowing on the \$1.5 million line of credit described above and entered into a term loan agreement with the bank. The Club is required to pay monthly principal and interest payments of \$14,812 beginning June 1, 2015 through May 1, 2025 at 3.44% interest.

The following is a schedule of future principal payments required under the promissory note:

<u>Years ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015	\$ 74,221
2016	130,747
2017	135,316
2018	140,045
2019	144,940
Subsequent to 2019	<u>874,731</u>
	<u>\$ 1,500,000</u>

**NOTE 4 – LONG-TERM DEBT**

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	<u>December 31,</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Note payable to a financial institution in monthly installments of \$11,064 including interest at 4%. During the year ended December 31, 2014, the note was refinanced as described in Note 3.	\$ -	\$ 489,485
Less: Current portion of long-term debt	<u>-</u>	<u>115,031</u>
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 374,454</u>

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**NOTE 5 – PENSION PLANS**

In 2013, the Club began administering a defined contribution plan for all eligible union employees. During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Club contributed approximately \$41,000 and \$43,000, respectively to this plan pursuant to the Club's union agreement.

The Club also administers a defined contribution plan for all eligible non-union employees. During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Club contributed \$14,500 and \$-0-, respectively, to this plan. Contributions by the Club under this plan, when elected by the Club, are based on a percentage of the participant's compensation.

**NOTE 6 – OPERATING LEASES**

The Club is obligated under operating leases for golf carts and office equipment through October 2019. Total rent expense under these leases was approximately \$66,000 for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

As of December 31, 2014, future lease commitments consist of the following:

<u>Years ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015	\$ 64,798
2016	52,062
2017	52,062
2018	52,062
2019	<u>52,062</u>
	<u>\$ 273,046</u>

**NOTE 7 – INSURANCE PROCEEDS**

The Club experienced a fire during 2010, destroying fixed assets with an original cost of approximately \$454,000, and resulting in a loss on disposal of the destroyed assets of approximately \$97,000. The Club incurred expenses related to the fire of \$-0- and \$138,000 in 2014 and 2013, respectively. The Club maintained insurance for the assets and received insurance proceeds of approximately \$4,800 and \$187,000 in 2014 and 2013, respectively. The Club has used these proceeds to rebuild the impacted assets and purchase equipment destroyed by the fire.

In 2014, water damaged a portion of the main clubhouse. The Club received insurance proceeds of approximately \$91,000 and has replaced the assets damaged with the insurance proceeds.