



February 2024

## Hoof Beats

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### **President's Message By Keith Hilan**

Hello, everyone!

I'm so excited to reach out to you for the first time as your new club President. My predecessor, John Meislahn, did an exemplary job, and I will do my best to maintain that standard going forward. Also, as I mentioned at our January 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, I have a long history with the Saddle Club, a place rich with tradition. What began as a storied equestrian club in 1975 has been an important part of my life. My father, Sterling Hilan, was club President in 2000-2001, and over the years I've enjoyed many wonderful times at the club and made numerous long-lasting, meaningful friendships along the way. And, we are already well into another great year at the club!

I'd like to thank everyone who attended and participated in our Annual Meeting, where we welcomed our newest Board Member, Barbara Katona. We're also lucky that Marnie Goldschlag and Carol Nast are returning for new three-year terms of service on the Board. It takes a lot of behind-the-scenes work to carry out the wide variety of social activities we experience weekly. We can't repeat too often how much we appreciate our staff, Board and the many members who offer their time, energy, and expertise to make this place run smoothly.

On a financial note, we are cash positive for the year, and ended the year with a substantial balance. Once again, we will have significant outlays coming up this year on maintenance and capital improvements. For starters, we'll be resurfacing the tennis courts, replastering the pool, replacing the carpets, and redoing the kitchen floor. We may get another year or two from the roofs, but they will need to be replaced soon. The fact is, we should expect to spend at this level year after year to keep our aging facility in good working order.

Looking ahead, we have numerous terrific events, dinners, activities and entertainment planned for the year. From my perspective, the level of excitement and sense of connection have never been greater! I look forward to seeing all of you at the club, our idyllic place to relax, escape, and enjoy the simple pleasures of life.

Stay dry and safe, everyone!

## Social Activities for February & March

February 2	Friday Night Dinner
February 4	Sunday Brunch
February 6	Tightwad Tuesday Fried Chicken Dinner
<b>February 9</b>	<b>Friday Night Valentine's Dinner</b>
February 11	Sunday Brunch
February 13	Tightwad Tuesday, Mardi Gras Dinner Night
February 16	Friday Night Dinner
February 18	Sunday Brunch
February 20	Tightwad Tuesday
<b>February 23</b>	<b>Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner</b>
February 25	Sunday Brunch
February 27	Tightwad Tuesday
March 1	Friday Night Dinner
March 3	Sunday Brunch
March 5	Tightwad Tuesday Fried Chicken Dinner <b>Catholic Charities Caring Rides Informational Meeting (See flier)</b>
March 8	Friday Night Farm-to-Fork Dinner
March 10	Sunday Brunch
March 12	Tightwad Tuesday
March 15	Friday Night Dinner
March 17	Sunday Brunch
March 19	Tightwad Tuesday, St. Patrick's Day Dinner
<b>March 21</b>	<b>Lunch &amp; Learn with The Children's Museum, Collette Michaud, CEO</b>
March 22	Friday Night Dinner
March 24	Sunday Brunch
March 26	Tightwad Tuesday
<b>March 29</b>	<b>Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner</b>
March 31	Sunday Brunch

## *News from GM Lori ... Special Events!*

### **February**

- Friday Night Valentine's Dinner February 9  
*Bar opens 5:30; Dinner call 6:40*
- Tightwad Tuesday, Mardi Gras Night February 13
- Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner February 23

### **March**

- Fried Chicken Night *with 4:30pm* March 5  
*Caring Rides Meeting in the Bunk House*
- Tightwad Tuesday, St. Patrick's Day Dinner March 19
- Lunch & Learn, Children's Museum CEO March 21
- Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner March 29

### **Dinner Time ... A Request from Lori & Chef Joe**

When one of our service staff rings the bell for dinner, please make your way to your table. The stragglers hold up our dinner service, and staff members who work hard to prepare the meal and get it served timely would like for all of us to enjoy nice, hot food! So, please continue your conversation as you walk toward your table, and if you want an additional cocktail to go with your meal, request it before the dinner call. When you hear the dinner bell, please scoot your boots on in! Thank you.

### **Social Committee Ambassador Service**

What is this special service?

The WOSC Social Committee Ambassador will send cards, upon request, to any of our club members for special birthdays, special anniversaries, get well messages and condolence cards. If you would like the WOSC Social Committee Ambassador to send one of these special messages, please contact **Cheryl Tolin** at [lidcmt@gmail.com](mailto:lidcmt@gmail.com).

Herbert Inestroza  
Chair, WOSC Social Committee

### **Happy Birthday to these Wonderful Members!**

Our February birthdays are:

Barbara Donaldson, Catherine Buse, Chelsea Hedrick, Cheryl Tolin,  
Doug Patterson, Gloria Dermott, Henry Beaumont, Jim Fisher, Kay Marquet,  
Kevin Ireland, Laura Whooley, Linda Frye, Melinda Scatena,  
Mike O'Callaghan, Patti Martzall and Pete Eschelbach.

To have your name added to the Birthday list, sign up on the Birthday sheet tucked in the inside front cover of the Reservation Book in the club living room.

**From Bob Briner, Chair**  
**Arts & Entertainment**

The Arts & Entertainment committee is pleased to announce our lineup for the 2024 season. We are fully booked for the year starting April 26<sup>th</sup>, with our own incredible Bill Noteman and the Rockets. As you'll note from the attached schedule, we have some wonderful new talent this year, as well as a few of our favorites. Our events have been consistently selling out so expect many of these dates to be "members only" nights. Sign up early... The best is yet to come!

**WOSC 2024 Arts & Entertainment Schedule**

**\*April 26 ... Bill Noteman & The Rockets**

Blues and world class harmonica! Members only night.

**\*May 2 ... Our own local high school Rock & Roll band to entertain us on Burger Night during cocktail hour.**

**\*May 31 ... Tim Hockenberry & Billy Valentine**

Prepare to swoon with this dynamic duo.

**\*June 28 ... Leo Vigil band**

Leo is a Gene Krupa drummer and we'll be dancing round the fire pit!

**\*July 26 ... David Jackson & Friends**

A world class entertainer and master raconteur.

**\*August 30 ... Drew Harrison & Sun Kings**

John Lennon and Beatles galore!

**\*Sept 27 ... Tommy Thomsen**

Boy howdy! Bring your cowboy hat and your favorite gal.

**\*October 25 ... Spencer Day ... Our favorite piano crooner.**

**\*December 6 ... Maria Carrillo High School chorus for a touch of Christmas.**

**\*December 31... Bud E Luv Band. Our New Year's evening favorite.**

Possible additions:

TJ Carter and the Navarro twins

Rebecca Roudman & the Dirty Cello Band

## Let the Good Times Roll! The Sports & Activities Report from Kari Briner

Hello Saddle Club fans, and again, Happy 2024! If you were able to attend the annual meeting, you already know there has been a lot happening in the Sports and Activities arena of our club. As always, the overall monthly schedule for all activities is on the WOSC website.

A few key talking points ...

Our courts! Yay! Scott Bartley announced that they will be resurfaced this year. It is not possible to repair them again, so the BIG project of resurfacing will be done this year. They are quite needy! A question to put out there to all who use the courts ... ***Do we want to convert the left court to pickleball only and eliminate the tennis net and lines?*** If we go this route, we might even be able to create more than two pickleball courts. The right court will remain a tennis court. We are trying to get a sense of what the membership wants, so please email your thoughts to me. Remember, we have a court reservation system in place, so it is really quite easy to secure any of the courts within a 30-day timeframe.

In the springtime, once the weather is warmer and more consistent, we hope to offer another Sunday morning pickleball instructional clinic. Be watching for details ... The last one was a great success and well attended. Feel free to drop in and just WATCH pickleball on Sunday mornings if you would like to consider learning to play. It is great fun and very welcoming! Robin Crawford is our organizer.

[Rncrawford8@gmail.com](mailto:Rncrawford8@gmail.com)

At our annual meeting, we expressed our appreciation to Doug Pavese for his five years organizing the WOSC golf outing. He is passing the baton to a fairly new member, Joanne Phillips, who is very active in the Oakmont golf community. Thank you, Joanne! At that same meeting, we announced that the golf outing would be Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. This is no longer the case, and the date has been changed to Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. Reach out to Joanne at [tanzielewis@gmail.com](mailto:tanzielewis@gmail.com) for more information, and to let her know if you're willing to volunteer. More details coming soon.

Mark your calendars for our next Lunch and Learn, Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Collette Michaud, CEO and Founder of the Children's Museum of Sonoma County will be presenting. It is such an amazing program! See the flier included in this issue of Hoof Beats for more information.

See you at the club!

Questions, comments, concerns? Please email me at [kvigeland04@gmail.com](mailto:kvigeland04@gmail.com)





## **LUNCH**

### **Daily Soup - Cup \$6**

#### **Chicken Kale Caesar Salad \$18**

Grilled chicken, julienned dino kale, parmesan cheese, sourdough croutons, toasted almonds, and granny smith apples tossed with lemon vinaigrette

#### **Lori's Salad \$18**

Baby greens and romaine lettuce tossed in white balsamic vinaigrette with house-made applewood smoked bacon, oven roasted turkey breast, grilled shrimp, avocado, grape tomatoes, and hard-boiled egg

#### **Grilled Salmon Salad \$21**

Grilled salmon, garden greens, capers, olives, cucumber, and pickled red onions with a creamy lemon-dill vinaigrette

#### **Half Sandwich / Soup / Salad \$18**

Ham and Swiss on grilled artisan sourdough, cup of the daily soup, and a small garden salad

#### **Blackened Shrimp Tacos \$18**

Blackened shrimp, cabbage, mango salsa, and chipotle cream on local artisan tortillas

#### **California Turkey Melt \$18**

Oven roasted turkey breast on grilled sourdough with cheddar cheese, house-made applewood smoked bacon, grilled onions, avocado, and tomato

#### **Grilled Reuben \$18**

Corned beef brisket, thousand island dressing, house-made cabbage slaw, and Swiss cheese on grilled artisan marbled rye

#### **Bacon Cheddar Burger \$18**

Local ground beef patty with house-made applewood smoked bacon, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion, and house-made dill pickles on a grilled bun

**Impossible Burger** (plant based) available +\$3

*Sandwiches and Tacos served with fries, garlic fries, truffle fries, fruit cup, or small garden salad*

*An 18% gratuity will be added to all bills*

*"Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions."*

## Tightwad Tuesday

Clubhouse opens at 5:30pm

\$22.00 + tax per person

February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Fried Chicken**

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Radishes, Strawberries,  
Shaved Carrot, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Buttermilk Biscuits

Dessert:

Carrot Cake

February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Chicken Piccata**

Caesar Salad

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potatoes

Garlic Bread

Dessert:

Raspberry Cheesecake

February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Mardi Gras Theme**

**Blackened Catfish with  
Spicy Remoulade**

**Chicken and Shrimp Gumbo**

Mardi Gras Salad

Cajun Corn Maque Choux

Dirty Rice

Dessert:

Beignets

February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Beer Battered Fish and Chips**

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Butter Lettuce, Shaved radishes,  
and Strawberries, with Champagne Vinaigrette

Fruit Salad

Cole Slaw

Dessert:

Cinnamon Roll Cake with  
Whipped Cream

## Friday Night Dinner

Clubhouse opens 5:30pm

Dinner 6:45pm

\$50.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$40.00 + tax per person without alcohol

### February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Family Style Dinner

**Braised Pork Cheek Ragu  
with Fresh Rigatoni  
Pesto Crusted Seabass**

Endive Salad

Baby Greens, Toasted Almonds, Dried Cherries, Goat  
Cheese, Shaved Fennel, Meyer Lemon Vinaigrette

Sautéed Florentino Cauliflower  
and Green Beans

Dessert:

Lemon Olive Oil Cake

### February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Special Valentine's Day Menu Plated Duet Dinner

**Passed Appetizer:**  
Chipotle Shrimp Tostada

**Roasted Filet of Beef Tenderloin  
Seared Halibut with Salsa Verde**

Beet Salad

Mache, Baby Greens, Frisee, Baby Beets, Radish,  
Pistachios, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Baby Carrots, Roasted Carnival  
Cauliflower, and Rainbow Chard

Potato Puree

Dessert:

Chocolate Decadence

### February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Mixed Grill Night

**Hand Carved Grilled Steaks, BBQ  
Chicken, Ribs, Grilled Fish, and Sausages**

Wedge Salad

Grilled Vegetable Platter

Potato au Gratin

Dessert:

Kozlowski Farm's Pie with  
Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

### February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Prime Rib Dinner Family Style

**Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, *au jus*  
Seared Arctic Char with Sundried  
Tomato Pesto Cream**

Butter Lettuce and Citrus Panzanella  
Fennel, Croutons, Avocado, and Pickled Red Onion  
with a Champagne Vinaigrette

Roasted Acorn Squash and Caulilini  
with Sautéed Greens

Sour Cream and Caramelized Onion  
Mashed Potatoes

Dessert:

Chocolate Ganache Cake





# Catholic Charities Caring Ride Informational Meeting

Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

4:30pm, Wild Oak Saddle Club Bunk House



Catholic Charities Caring Rides is a free service for seniors 60 years of age and older, who live in Santa Rosa.

Dedicated and trained volunteer drivers take seniors to medical appointments, grocery shopping, and other similar errands.

Wild Oak Saddle Club is holding an informational meeting for those interested in learning more about being a volunteer driver for this wonderful program.

Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm, there will be a meet and greet in the Bunk House to host interested volunteers, explain the Caring Rides program, and answer questions. Thanks to a generous donor, a delicious comped fried chicken buffet dinner will follow at the club for attendees of the meeting.

**Reservations Required. Limited Attendance.**

Sign up in the reservation book in the Saddle Club living room, or by calling the club's voicemail reservation line at (707) 539-8634.

You're also welcome to invite a non-member friend who would like more information on being a volunteer driver.

\*If you want to enroll in this program to request help with a driver, call (707) 308-4811.

# WOSC Lunch & Learn

## Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>



**Collette Michaud, CEO & Founder  
Children's Museum of Sonoma County**

**Celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2024!**

The Children's Museum of Sonoma County engages children in joyful discovery experiences that develop foundational skills, create lasting memories, and spark a lifelong love of learning. Experiential exhibits emphasize hands-on engagement and learning through play with a focus on art, nature, and science.

**Come hear about this fabulous organization and all they offer our community!**



**Lunch at 11:45, with presentation to follow  
Advance Reservations Required  
Club reservation book or 707.539.8634 (reservation line)**

