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President's Message By John Whiting

As the old axiom goes: "Out with the old, in with the new!" And so it goes for my one-year term as your club President. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and celebrated the New Year in style. It's been a delight to get to know so many members, in addition to working together with a terrific Board of Directors. Our Board's 1st Vice President Jolene Cortright will step up to the position of President on Annual Meeting night Tuesday, January 18th. She is no stranger to those of us who have been around for a while, and this is her second term as Madame President! That's a first in club history.

At the Annual Meeting, members are invited to a complimentary wine/appetizer time at 5:00pm, then we will move to the Bunk House at 6:00 to conduct some club business including the election of new Directors. The candidates for election are: Jennifer Ammons, Pat Biagi, David Buse, Linda Canar, Keith Hilan, and Dan McMahon. Ballots were mailed to proprietary members and should be returned prior to the January 18th meeting.

Since this is my last column, I'd like to mention some highlights from this past year:

- We successfully navigated another year with ever-changing Covid restrictions, beginning the year with our Annual Meeting held on Zoom. With the months that followed, we were able to safely hold the majority of our usual calendared social activities ending with a spectacular New Year's Eve party.
- During repeated cycles of lockdown when takeout food was our only option, our members' generous donations allowed the club to cater nutritious, bountiful meals for many different groups, including Valley of the Moon Children's Home, The Living Room, SRJC at-risk students, Roseland Creek Elementary School families, Sonoma Valley Firefighters, and Ortiz Family Plaza. Additionally, later in the year, we hosted special fundraiser dinners for several local non-profits. In addition to having an active social scene, WOSC is a caring club.
- Our sold-out Kentucky Derby Day party with its live and silent auction raised a record amount in support of the club.
- Two important documents were recently created and circulated to members: a comprehensive Member Guide and Code of Conduct.
- We approved a major club enhancement to replace the deck and all doors leading to it, so there will no longer be a step up or down when moving between the dining room and deck.
- Once again, we enjoyed an incredible lineup of diverse live entertainment to include: Tommy Thomsen, Spencer Day, Carlos Reyes, Bill Noteman and The Rockets, Caravanserai Band, Billy Valentine/Tim Hockenberry/Gary Mule Deer, Streets of Bakersfield, Chloe Tula/Rebecca Roudman/Jason Eckl, Transcendence Theatre Company, and Steve Puleo. Wow!

I've said it before, but it bears repeating: We have a great club with an engaged Board and an energetic, competent staff. Wild Oak Saddle Club is a "home away from home," a slice of paradise in our beautiful Sonoma County. I leave you with my best wishes for a healthy, happy and prosperous new year. Hope to see you at the club in 2022!

Social Activities for January & February

January 2	Club closed No Sunday Brunch
January 4	Tightwad Tuesday Fried Chicken Dinner
January 7	Friday Night Seafood Dinner
January 9	Sunday Brunch
January 11	Tightwad Tuesday
January 14	Friday Night Farm-to-Fork Dinner
January 16	Sunday Brunch
January 18	Annual Club Meeting NO Tightwad Tuesday Dinner
January 21	Friday Night Dinner
January 23	Sunday Brunch
January 25	Tightwad Tuesday
January 28	Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner
January 30	Sunday Brunch
February 1	Tightwad Tuesday Fried Chicken Dinner
February 4	Friday Night
February 6	Sunday Brunch
February 8	Tightwad Tuesday
February 11	Friday Night Farm-to-fork Valentine's Dinner
February 13	Sunday Brunch
February 15	Tightwad Tuesday
February 18	Friday Night Dinner
February 20	Sunday Brunch
February 22	Tightwad Tuesday
February 25	Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner
February 27	Sunday Brunch

News from GM Lori... Special Events

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| • Annual Club Meeting | January 18 |
| • Club opens at 5:00 for Bar and appetizers; meeting at 6:00 (Bunk House) | |
| • Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner | January 28 |
| • Tightwad Tuesday Fried Chicken | February 1 |
| • Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner | February 25 |

Construction of the new deck begins Monday, January 3rd

A Message from John Whiting, WOSC Board President

This next week, WOSC will embark on one of the largest capital improvements in the club's history with the replacement of the entire outside deck and French doors leading to the deck. The January time frame was chosen to minimize disruption to the club. **Here are important adjustments to our dining arrangements during the next few weeks of construction:**

- * Tuesday and Friday night dinners will be served family style rather than buffet, and **members will be dining inside** in the main dining room area. Per current Sonoma County guidelines, masks should be worn inside unless you are eating/drinking.
- * Since seating capacity will be limited, all table space will need to be filled; this is a great opportunity to meet and greet other members you may not regularly dine with.
- * **Going forward, on Tightwad Tuesday nights, takeout meals will be available.** Come join friends in the bar area, then pick up your to-go order at 6:30. **Takeout orders should be placed in advance by calling the club directly at 539-8629.**
- * An additional dinner evening may be added to the regular schedule, if needed.
- * The outdoor firepit area will continue to be heated and utilized, unless it's raining.
- * **To enter the club, come through the main front door or the side door by the fire pit/bar area.** The bar will be open as usual.
- * **For your safety, avoid the deck area. Please do not attempt to enter or navigate the deck until construction is completed!**

Among other features, the improvements being undertaken include:

- * Bringing the entire deck up to current structural codes, and making the deck ADA accessible.
- * Replacing the existing French doors with new Cantina Doors.
- * Replacing the two smaller doors on each end of the dining room.
- * Reducing and re-centering the stairs that lead down to the road, so that when live performances occur, the stage will be centered on the expanded deck, eliminating the dead corner.

Thank you to all our membership for bearing with us during the next few weeks. **Note that our January 18th Annual Meeting will be held in the Bunk House, with the Club House opening prior to that at 5:00 for complimentary bar/appetizers.** That evening, Jan 18, there will be no take-out or Tightwad Tuesday dining. We hope to have work concluded and the deck area re-opened mid-February. We will keep you posted on progress!

Announcements

Notice of Annual General Meeting, January 18th – 6:00pm

The Annual General Meeting will be Tuesday, January 18th, 2022

Club opens at 5:00 for Bar and Appetizers; Meeting at 6:00 in the Bunk House

Complimentary wine+bar & hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5:00, with the meeting scheduled to start promptly at 6:00 in the Bunk House. Our outgoing Board will be recognized, with new Board Directors elected and announced. Club President John Whiting will pass the mantle to 1st Vice President Jolene Cortright. Come find out what we've accomplished this past year and what's in store for 2022. This upbeat meeting is always a special time of camaraderie and fun. So, mark your calendars. You surely won't want to miss it.

Board Election

Pursuant to Article IV, 4.7(a) of the Wild Oak Saddle Club Bylaws, the following individuals have been proposed by the Nominations Committee for election to Membership on the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting on January 18, 2022:

Jennifer Ammons, Pat Biagi, David Buse, Linda Canar, Keith Hilen, Dan McMahon

Hard copies of election ballots were previously mailed. Proprietary members, please vote and return your ballot by mail prior to the meeting or drop it off in the club office.

January Birthdays!

We send our warmest wishes for a Happy Birthday to these wonderful members!

Betty Jemail, Burt Schraga, Cheryl Peterson, Dianne Brinson, Fran Randol,
Gail Wood, Jamei Haswell, Jan Hathaway, Joann Mitchell, Kathy Langs,
Lynn Davis, Mark Trione, Nancy Doyle, Wendy Stephens

Special Invitation from The Museum of Sonoma County

Last July, the club hosted a fundraiser benefit for The Museum of Sonoma County to support their new exhibition: "Sonoma County Stories" featuring the Oral Histories of esteemed local historian Gaye LeBaron. The exhibition, scheduled to open in 2022, is the only permanent Sonoma County history exhibition featuring the diverse histories and cultures of our county. Many of our club members have donated to the Museum to support this project.

On Saturday, January 15 from 4:30pm to 6:00 pm, WOSC members are invited for an VIP preview on-site tour. The pre-demolition site tour of the exhibition space features the Museum's Executive Director Jeff Nathanson, History Curator Eric Stanley, and Architect Scott Bartley. More information is included in a flier in this newsletter. Reservations are required and may be made by visiting the Museum's website, www.museumsc.org - Calendar of Events.



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YOU ARE INVITED!

In appreciation of your generous support

Please join the Museum of Sonoma County's
Board of Directors and Leadership Council
for an on-site tour and update
Sonoma County Stories
Exhibition Space VIP Preview Tour
Saturday, January 15, 2022
4:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Thank you for your support of the ***Sonoma County Stories*** project. Please join us to connect with other donors & friends in the Mezzanine Gallery prior to renovation.

Museum of Sonoma County

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RSVP - Space is limited for everyone's health and safety. The event is free but reservations are required. To register, go to www.museumsc.org and click on Calendar of Events.



LUNCH

Daily Soup – Cup \$5

Chicken Kale Caesar Salad \$15

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

Cobb Salad \$16

Romaine tossed in buttermilk-chive dressing with diced applewood smoked bacon, grilled chicken, avocado, cherry tomatoes, hard-boiled egg, and Point Reyes blue cheese crumbles

Slider Duo \$15

Local ground beef slider with burger sauce, grilled onions, cheddar cheese, and iceberg lettuce on toasted potato roll

House-smoked BBQ pulled pork and coleslaw on toasted ciabatta roll

Turkey and Avocado Melt \$15

Oven roasted turkey breast, house-made applewood smoked bacon, cheddar-jack cheese, avocado, roasted bell pepper mayonnaise on grilled ciabatta

Blackened Shrimp Tacos \$15

Blackened shrimp, cabbage and cilantro slaw, chipotle cream, on artisan tortillas

Roasted NY Steak Sandwich \$15

Thin sliced roasted NY steak, baby spinach, grilled onions, and pesto mayonnaise on grilled focaccia

Bacon Cheddar Burger \$15

Local ground beef, toasted bun with house-made applewood smoked bacon, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion, and house-made dill pickles; **Impossible Burger** (plant based) available +\$2

*Sandwiches and tacos served with fries, garlic fries, side fruit or small garden salad
Desserts available; ask server*

Tightwad Tuesday

Clubhouse opens at 5:30pm

\$18.00 + tax per person

January 4th, 2022

Fried Chicken

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Radishes, Apples, Shaved Carrot,

Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Buttermilk Biscuits

Dessert:

Ice Cream Machine and Sundae Bar

January 11th, 2022

Breaded Pork Chop

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Butter Lettuce, Radishes, Black Berries,

Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Whipped Sweet Potatoes

Dessert:

Banana Caramel Bread Pudding with

Whipped Cream

January 18th, 2022

Annual Meeting

Clubhouse Opens at 5:30pm

Meeting at 6:00pm

Complimentary Wine and Appetizers

Burger Sliders

Spring Rolls with Sweet Chili Sauce

January 25th, 2022

Clubhouse Opens at 5:30pm

Dinner at 6:15pm

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Butter Lettuce, Radishes,

Black Berries, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Saffron Rice Pilaf

Dessert:

Vanilla Cake with Chocolate Fudge Frosting

February 1st, 2022

Fried Chicken

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Radishes, Strawberries,

Shaved Carrot, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Buttermilk Biscuits

Dessert:

Ice Cream Sundae Bar

Friday Night Dinner

Clubhouse opens 5:30pm

Dinner 6:45pm

\$45.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$35.00 + tax per person without alcohol

January 7th, 2022
Seafood Night
Family Style Dinner

Crispy Fish Tacos
Fettuccini with Shrimp, Clams, and
Mussels in a Garlic Butter and Wine Sauce
Winter Citrus Salad
Baby Greens, Cara Cara Oranges, Blood Oranges,
Mandarins, Avocado, and
Mint-Champagne Vinaigrette
Braised Turnips and Roasted Broccolini
with Sautéed Spinach

Dessert:

Lemon Crème Brulee

January 21st, 2022
Mixed Grill Night
Family Style

Hand Carved Grilled Steaks, Chicken,
Grilled Fish, and Sausages
Butter Lettuce Salad
Seasonal Vegetables
Potato Gratin

Dessert:

Kozlowski Farms Berry Pie with
Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

January 14th, 2022
Farm to Fork
Family Style Dinner

Sourcing the Best local ingredients; menu will
be announced Tuesday, January 11th.

January 28th, 2022
Family Style Prime Rib Dinner
Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, *au jus*
Pacific Snapper Provencal

Poached Pear Salad
Baby Kale, Heirloom Greens, Dried
Cranberries, Toasted Almonds, Blue Cheese,
Shaved Radish, Champagne Vinaigrette
Broccoli Romanesco, Rutabaga,
Butternut Squash
Truffle and Chive Mashed Potatoes

Dessert:

Mississippi Mud Pie

\$65.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$55.00 + tax per person without alcohol