



# WEBB HILL COUNTRY CLUB

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Newsletter

February 2023

## Valentine's Banquet

Saturday, February 11th

We begin serving at 5:30 p.m.

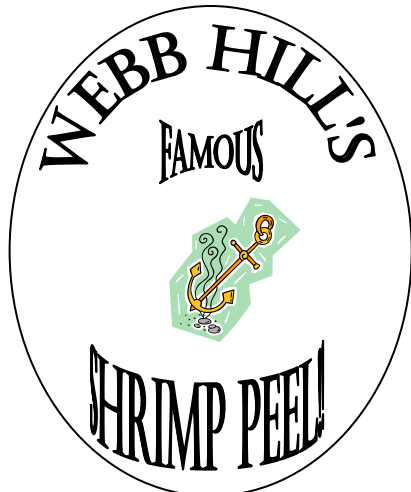
We have a special evening planned for you...  
Bring your valentine and enjoy a complimentary glass of Champagne  
and our fabulous buffet.

### Buffet Featuring:

Prime Rib of Beef, Our Delicious Grilled Three Cheese Stuffed Chicken Breast, Roasted Salmon  
with Dilled Hollandaise Sauce, Garden Fresh Salads and Vegetables,  
Fresh From the Oven Bread and...  
Webb Hill's Famous Dessert Table.

\$19.95++ per person

Early Reservations,  
Please



Saturday,  
February 25th

We will begin serving at 6:00 p.m.

\$17.95++ per person

A genuine old-fashioned shrimp peel party with all of the  
fresh gulf coast shrimp you can peel and eat. Plus, all your  
favorites: Fried Catfish, Shrimp Gumbo, Blackened Tilapia,  
Fried Chicken Tenders, Onion Rings, Hushpuppies, and more!  
Make plans to attend today.

# Shirley's Sugar Bowl

Dear Members,

Happy Valentine's Day. All of you are our Webb Hill Sweethearts this month. Here is a Valentine poem for you: "The rose is red, the violet's blue, the honey's sweet, and so are you." Please come to our banquet on Saturday, February 11th at 5:30. We will be serving our Prime Rib, Stuffed Chicken Breast and Roasted Salmon. We'll be looking for you!

We have tried to give you the best that we can with the resources made available. We know it has not always been perfect, but it is never due to lack of effort or care. With the high price of gasoline, electricity, fertilizer and cost of food, we hope you will understand. We are grateful to you for using your club!

Again, we want to say "Thank You" to our members who have been so kind to us: Joy and Howard Davis, Doris Ann and Mack Hurst, Sherry and Jon Anderson and Jenny and Butch Greene. Thank you so much!

A big birthday celebration goes out to Hub Bares and Mike Hogge's mother, Ann! Hope you have many more.

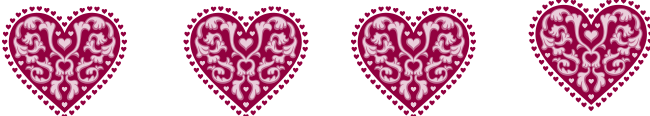
This month we have Sunday buffet on the 5th and 19th. Our Shrimp Peel is on Saturday the 25th. We hope you can come to what you enjoy. Don't forget the Thursday Buffets as well They fill up fast.

We are praying for you to stay safe and healthy the days ahead. Thank you for your support.

Our love,  
Charles & Shirley

My prayer for this month:

*"My help comes from the Lord, the maker of the heavens and earth."* Psalm 121:2



## Welcome to our New Members!



Arturo Facundo Jr.  
Betty Casselberry

## Webb Hill Bridge Notes...

Webb Hill's Bridge Club will meet on **Thursday, February 2nd** They will begin play at 9:30 a.m. Call the clubhouse at 903-496-7500 for additional information.



# Superintendent's Notes

.....From Wade Toeplitz

We had another good month on the hill. The weather has been great for January. It's allowed play to continue to stay busy. I'm so thankful for that. It does confuse the Bermuda at times, and we've recently started to see some of the greens popping green grass. That's a good sign of their recent health. Fingers crossed February isn't as cruel as usual.

I recently got to play a few holes myself. Something that every superintendent should do more often. It gives you whole other view rather than just someone who takes care of it. I have to say I'm pleased. Even this time of year when it's not able to recover from the traffic and it looks worn down. IT's difficult to keep the correct moisture but the greens are fairly smooth. However, I did come back and added to my list on the door of things to do and improve on. This really excited me because I know the course is going to be even better this year. We are really going to focus on fairways and tees this coming season. Hoping to relieve the compaction, smooth the washed areas and get full coverage of turf. It's going to be some hard work but the outcome will be worth it.

As I mentioned earlier, the course is not able to recover this time of year; so please be mindful of the ropes, and signs placed. We didn't put as many up this year, but I will have to soon. Remember all par 3's are cart path only. Of course, we are lenient on some that have a harder time getting around, but I rarely see golfers following these rules. You'll understand more when your ball is grounded in an area with little to no turf due to constant cart traffic. The idea is to give golfers the best playing condition possible. We need the cooperation from everyone to do this.

As always, thank you, to Charles, Shirley and Scott for all they do and have done. This course has weathered the storms for sure. That's something many course haven't succeeded in. And thank you to the members for your constant support of this wonderful club.

### Hole-in-One Update!

Congratulations to Corey Verner on his January 16th hole-in-one. Corey used his 8 iron on #11 to make the 168 yard shot. It was witnessed by his son, Michael White and Ethan Powell.

## February Dining Specials

Thursday Buffet Specials.....\$11.95++ per person  
Check your calendar for weekly specials and time.  
Reservations Appreciated

Sunday Family Buffet includes three entrees, an array of salads, fresh vegetables and our famous dessert table  
Adults \$15.95 Children 10-4 \$6.75  
Three and under eat free!!  
Reservations, Please

Burgers, Hotdogs, Deli Sandwiches and more from the grill...

\*\*Newsletter's front page and calendar cover other dining specials.

## Webb Hill Happenings

January 2023 got off to a fantastic start here on the hill. After late December's arctic freeze, we were blessed with above average temperatures and great golfing weather. We had great dining participation as well. Thank you all for your support during what is usually a very slow time of the year.

I have had a request to start monthly meetings regarding activities and events for the 2023 golfing season. I'm excited that we have a group of members motivated to have more club golfing events. We are planning to meet in the 19th hole on **Thursday, February 9th at 6 p.m.** All members are invited to participate. This will be a preliminary meeting to gather ideas and make initial plans.

Speaking of you our members.... I want to give you an overview of this past 2022 year here at Webb Hill. We had a good year regarding membership. We ended the year with an additional 57 members! We also saw our dining return back (almost) to pre-pandemic numbers during the last five months of the year. We are very grateful for our new members and our continued member support.

On the other hand, we were hit very hard with unexpected repairs and inflation in 2022. We spent over \$10K on pump repairs plus an additional \$15K just on irrigation/sprinkler repair. (We also pay over \$30K a year on insurance and over \$34K a year on property taxes. I'll not even get into utilities, labor, food and miscellaneous expenses....) I'm giving you these numbers just to give you a glimpse of what is involved expense-wise, and how we appreciate your support to keep things going. I'm hoping this next year that our emergency repair expenses come down and our other expenses stabilize. (We need to be saving for a new fleet of golf carts...) I am optimistic 2023 will be a great year!

Our maintenance staff has done a great job of cleaning on the course. This truly is the BEST I've ever seen this course this time of the year. The guys have done an exceptional job, and I'm excited at what Wade has planned for the future. Thank you guys!

We have a busy month planned for you in February. Don't forget to make early reservations for our Valentine's Banquet on Saturday, February 11th. We are hoping for a large attendance for this special evening! Our always popular Shrimp Peel will be on Saturday the 25th, and our Sunday buffets will be on the 5th and 19th. Remember dine-in and take-out are available for ALL scheduled events. Just call with your reservations!

I'm praying for everyone to stay safe and healthy through the days ahead, and this wonderful weather continues. Thank you all for your continued support. You are the reason we are here. -Scott

### Handicaps....Don't Forget...

Golf handicaps will be billed in February for \$30. This is what the Texas Golf Association charges Webb Hill. If you are on this list and need to be taken off, please contact Mel in the shop. If you are not on the list and wish to be added, let us know. This service provides you with updated handicaps every three weeks and gives you the opportunity to go online to check your handicap (with up to the date handicap) anytime you wish. You may also bring in any scorecards from any other course to be posted. Notify Mel or Scott of any changes that need to be made.

## Mel's Golf Shop News

Hello to everyone and welcome to February. What weird weather we're having. It's either frozen or setting records for high temperatures.

The last few years our bad cold weather has not hit until February. Let's hope it doesn't get rough this year so our golf course will green up early. I know our grounds crew is anxious for warmer weather. They have so many projects lined up for this upcoming season to really enhance the course.

We will be hosting a forum on **Thursday, February 9th at 6 p.m.**, for our golfers to get together and discuss what they would like to do as far as tournaments and events here on the Hill. One of the things that we will be putting into place this upcoming season, beginning in March, we will be requiring tee times, and as a member you can book up to two weeks in advance. Non-members will be able to book one week in advance. This will help with pace of play. We are also looking at instigating a marshals program on the weekends. One of our biggest problems with slow play is the simple fact that this golf course was not designed to play fast. There are too many places to lose balls. This causes the course to stack up. Single players or twosomes are not automatically allowed to go through everybody, most clubs will not even allow you to even play a single or a twosome; so keep that in mind while you are out there. We are also planning on upgrading the range balls. We hope to have new ones coming in this February or first part of March, so you will have a good reason to come out and practice to make your game better.

It's that time of year we will be having some high school events coming up with some Monday closings of the course. Please pay attention to any notes on the front door or on the board up in the golf shop. Monday, March 6, March 20, March 27 And April 3, we will be hosting high school events. We will be shut down till 3 o'clock on those days, so mark these on your calendar. Most of the schools we have in our area or smaller divisions and this is the only chance some of these kids have to play or where they can play. So let's be a little patient with them for the February and March golf season. They can use all the support you can give them.

As always, we look forward for your continued support. Let's get out and enjoy your facility, the best dining in the area, and, I'm proud to say they are the absolute best golf course in the area. It's all for you to come out and enjoy. We look forward to seeing you all!

## Course Closings

Monday, March 6th	
High School Tournament. ....	Course Closed until 3:00
Monday, March 20th	
High School Tournament. ....	Course Closed until 3:00
Monday, March 27th	
District Golf Tournament. ....	Course Closed until 3:00
Monday, April 3rd	
District Golf Tournament. ....	Course Closed until 3:00
<b>Additional information posted in golf shop</b>	