# SMOKE SIGNALS

Pottawattomie Country Club

February, 2023

### **PRESIDENT'S POST**

I've been away from the cold Midwest for a couple of weeks so I have not been as active in the goings on at the Club. When I returned this week, I was amazed with all the activity and excitement!

Justin Stevens, our new director of golf, has hit the ground running putting his stamp on the Golf Shop and golf operations. The golf simulator is up and running and many Members have benefitted from it, improving their game along the way. Congratulations to those of you that have taken advantage of the golf lessons offered by our Pro's Mike and Justin. Winter weekend dining is being offered for the first time in many years and the response is exceeding our expectations. Chef Luis has joined our culinary staff and the feedback is very positive. The replacement of our antiquated computer server is complete. Bob Mathes and the Grounds Committee have finalized the design for a short game practice area and hope to begin construction on it in the not-to-distant future. David Baldwin and the Marketing and Membership Committee have worked tirelessly designing marketing materials and membership flyers. The new bar stools have arrived. Wow! So much for the usual "down-time"!

All of this activity is the result of the arduous efforts of so many of our amazing and committed Members and staff. Our dedicated Members and devoted staff give their time and skills for the sole benefit of the Club. Pottawattomie is in a better place because of them. A big "thank you" from all of us.

One final note - I continue to receive very positive comments about the design and content in Smoke Signals. This is a first-rate publication that clearly communicates the activity at our Club. I know of no other country club monthly publication that comes close to the quality of Smoke Signals. Thanks to Pott Members Lisa Zirpolo, David Baldwin, and the various contributors for their continuing efforts.

Stay Warm,

Tom Young President



# A MINUTE WITH MATT

Hopefully you made it out to the year-end holiday party that took place in late December. We were so happy to see so many of you for the festive event! Gus masterminded the extensive food offerings with the laborious help of the kitchen and culinary staff. If you weren't able to make it, do not worry. We will be having a similar party in the Spring to kick off



the 2023 season. Dates and times to be announced in the near future. Make sure you always check your email for the Constant Contacts, read Smoke Signals each month or refer to the Pott website (which will be dramatically updated in the next few months).

We are currently very busy with the newly designed Member Loyalty Program. This is the most exciting membership offering to date. In general, Pottawattomie is flourishing like never before with so many positive things happening and more still to come. We are excited to share our many accomplishments with others so please spread the good news!

Upgrades going on at your Club...

The new server has been installed and the robust nature of the system will give us the opportunity to serve the membership with state-of-the-art technology. The new bar stools have arrived and look awesome in the Clubhouse Lounge! We are excited to have our Members plant themselves on these comfortable seats. You may find that sipping your favorite libation could go on for hours. In preparation for the busy season, a replacement fridge has arrived and the old one has been trashed.

Thanks to several of our Members offering me suggestions and recommendations, we have successfully filled several key spots in our staffing. We are very excited to announce the addition of our new Director of Golf Operations, Justin Stevens. You can read more about Justin in this issue of Smoke Signals. He is definitely no stranger to Northern Indiana golf and is excited to share his vast experiences with you all. Many of you may have already interacted with Justin. He and Mike Nygren have been actively involved in reorganizing the Golf Shop, both front and back, as well as being active with the newly installed simulator. We have really taken our golf staff to another level having two PGA certified golf pros. Justin and Mike have known each other for years and are excited to work together to make golf at Pottawattomie Country Club even better than before.

We have also added Luis Moreno to bolster the kitchen staff in Gus's absence. As many of you know, Gus travels to Mexico in the winter months to spend time with family and friends. He will rejoin us later this month. Luis comes to us all the way from Farina's in Long Beach. We welcome his cooking experience, kitchen knowledge and his strong desire to put out great tasting entrees. We have had remarkable dining success in January, with Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday Brunch.

When you consider the staff as family, it is no surprise that our "family" rose up to manage one recent Friday night when, for a variety of legitimate reasons, Luis would be the only one in the kitchen and we already had 35 reservations. Upon my arrival that late that afternoon, I was pleased to see that our newest family member brought in not only his mother, who would work side by side with him expertly preparing the meal, but Luis also had his brother come along to do the necessary time-consuming prep work. The night went off without a hitch and the Members were able to enjoy a delicious dinner. I am looking forward to weaving together the entire culinary team this spring.

## A MINUTE WITH MATT cont...

We will continue to be open for dinner on Friday and Saturday nights as well as Sunday Brunch from 11-2pm. Beginning February 9th, we will also be open for dinner on Thursday nights. To justify being open on Thursdays, we will need your reservation by 12pm on that day. If you have last minute thoughts to come in, please call ahead to make sure that we are in fact open.

I would like to bring you up to speed on the future of our beloved Pickleball plans. We are both excited and motivated about the opportunity to add courts. The fundraising to date stands at \$40k which includes \$15k from assessment money. We are halfway to our monetary needs with a goal of having three more championship courts. Prior to December you may recall that we were asking for pledges. If you weren't able to decide then, this is hopefully the time to consider donating any amount to make your Club the best it can be.

We have plans in place to definitely begin construction on one more court, if not all three courts. It is obviously more cost efficient to do the complete project all at once, but we also are committed to being fiscally responsible. We will start our collecting drive near the end of February. If you know now that you would like to be a part of this awesome opportunity of growth, please contact either myself or Ricky Turim (rturim@aol.com) directly. We will start construction at the beginning of May and hope to celebrate the completion by Memorial Day Weekend.

The fun has begun regarding the golf simulator. As the popularity continues and the numbers of interested participants grow, it is necessary to download and implement the TEAMREACH App. The user name (ie "group code") is pott simulator. The complimentary App can be downloaded to your cellular phone making reservations easy to do. Just go to the team reach calendar icon and pick your requested time. If you want a time that doesn't appear to be available, please call Justin, Mike, or me and we will try to work things out for you. Please familiarize yourself to the Simulator Guidelines in this issue of Smoke Signals prior to coming out for the fun.

Other Clubhouse Ballroom winter activities include Cornhole and rallying on the indoor Pickleball court. Anyone interested in either trying out pickleball or sharpening their existing Pickleball skills, can call me to set up a time (219-872-8624).

Speaking of indoor fun and activities, please join us for Super Bowl Sunday! On February 12 we will be offering Sunday Brunch (11-2pm) and then segue into football fun. Given that the game doesn't start until early evening, this would be the perfect time to enjoy the various aforementioned ballroom activities! The bar will remain open all day long and into the night and a variety of small plate finger foods will be offered. Pottawattomie is the perfect place to enjoy the festive day with your fellow Members and any guests you may want to entertain. There will be a large screen tv in addition to our other televisions and plenty of chairs to position yourself in the perfect spot for the big game!

Another opportunity available at Pottawattomie, and the weather gods agree, is Cross Country Skiing at the Pottawattomie Ski Lodge. We had our first cross country skiers the past weekend. Although it was appropriately cold, they came prepared, and their dogs loved it as well! If this snow continues, Pottawattomie would be the place to be to take in some sledding, followed up by a Hot Toddy in the lounge.

January has been a very productive month in regards to cleaning. The entire kitchen (including all equipment, shelving, and storage) has been cleaned top to bottom. This was organized and implemented

## A MINUTE WITH MATT cont...

by Luis and his brother John over a three-week period. In the Golf Shop, Justin made good use of his first week, by giving the shop and backroom a thorough cleaning up and clearing out, putting together a new look for the front and an organized environment for the back.

Thank you for your continued support, making Pottawattomie the best place to be!

Warmly,

Matt Wooldridge General Manager





The Marketing and Membership Committee is gearing up for another successful season of new member recruitment and getting the word out about our fantastic country club. Plans are finalized for new ad campaigns in local publications such as The Beacher, Lakefront Living Magazine, The New Buffalo Times and on Facebook. Our website will undergo a complete facelift to improve ease of use, add new features and enhance its professional appearance. Everyone received a Constant Contact email from me with the links to flyers describing our membership classes. Here they are again...so please pass them along!

#### Family Membership Corporate Golf Membership Individual Membership

#### Intermediate Membership Junior Membership Social Membership Pool Membership

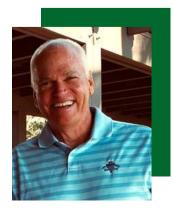
As you read this issue of Smoke Signals, please take a careful look at the full page description of the Membership Loyalty Program that follows this article. The program is now underway and we already have several new Pott Members!

Please consider helping your Club by <u>clicking here</u> on our Google Business page and leaving a review about the Club based on your experience at Pottawattomie CC. Your comments can be brief, address one specific memory or the entire season. Your remarks can be about golf, social events, pool enjoyment, dining, meeting new friends, gathering with old friends, entertaining guests, etc. Your words might just encourage someone to come and learn more about us. Again, thanks for all the ways you promote the Club to friends and neighbors.

Finally, we extend a warm welcome to our new Golf Members, Justin Lucas and Chris Boothe; and to or new Social Members, Bryan and Sarah Bylica.

Thanks for your Efforts,

David Baldwin, and the entire Marketing and Membership Committee



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#### MEMBERSHIP LOYALTY PROGRAM

Member loyalty is our number one recruiting tool for new members. There is nothing more fun than going to your club and have your friends and family join you. Working with the Membership/Marketing Committee we designed the MLP to reward our members to reach out to family and friends with an incredible opportunity.

For all our current members the offer is as follows: invite someone you know to join the Club and our 2023 initiation fees for a desired golf membership will be reduced by half. They will be invited to join as early as the 15th of January with access to all winter amenities at the Club and **start paying dues April 1st.** This special offering will be **limited and will end April 1st.** 











Call us to schedule a personal tour!

# WELCOME! Justin Stevens

Pottawattomie's new PGA Director of Golf Justin Stevens knows a little bit about golf. Actually, quite a bit about the game. He should. It's been his livelihood pretty much his



entire life and he elected to carry this passion into his professional life.

Born and raised in Medaryville, IN, just about an hour south of Michigan City, Justin took up golf early and never looked back. He did so well, he successfully competed on his West Central High School team and then coasted right in to Trine University, located in Angola IN. While at Trine, Justin participated and won numerous tournaments with Trine. Despite a very demanding practice and game schedule, Justin graduated from Trine, Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree, double majoring in Marketing and Business Administration with a focus on Golf Management.

Justin took a little bit of time to breathe and play golf for fun. At this same time, Justin was also working in golf retail before landing his first job as the PGA Assistant at Long Beach Country Club. While at Long Beach, Justin worked hard for them while also working on his personal goals. In 2017, Justin achieved his ultimate goal, receiving certification to be a member of the PGA. Becoming a PGA Pro, opened up new opportunities and aspirations. Justin chose to focus on improving other golfers' games, starting with women and kids. In the ten years he spent at Long Beach, Justin was in charge of their women's league and events, conducted the junior golf program, improved the games of many with his private lessons, ran numerous golf events and kept the golf shop well stocked.

As much as Justin enjoyed his time at Long Beach, his demeanor doesn't allow him to be comfortable and content. Justin wants nothing more than to keep improving, particularly on the course. In 2021, he challenged himself to further expand upon his profession by becoming a specialized professional in teaching and coaching. Despite knowing pretty much everything about the game, attending the numerous classes, seminars and coaching summits offered a wealth of information regarding ball flight laws, forces and torques as well as the body's motion sequence. When his schedule allowed, Justin volunteered with the Big Brothers Big Sisters program as well as working with mentally challenged youth with the thought of expanding upon his teaching abilities. Two very different types of players, not at all what Justin had thus been exposed to, both of which he found incredibly gratifying, enlightening and priceless.

Most recently, Justin worked as the PGA Director of Golf at Maplecrest Country Club where he was able to utilize his valuable experiences while overseeing the entire golf operation, increasing the women's league and expanding upon the junior program.

# Justin Stevens cont...

Despite the amount of time Justin spends on the course and in the Golf Shop, one of his favorite things is walking in to his LaPorte home to his lovely family. Justin and his wife Maggie have three children, Annabelle, Jackson and Madelynn; four, two and five months. Although his kids' extracurricular activities keep this family quite busy, they all look forward to annual trips to visit extended family and local zoos.

This "off-season" is anything but a quiet season so far for Justin. He and Mike are aggressively improving upon Pottawattomie's Golf Shop, both the retail section and the behind-the-scenes storage area. Justin and Mike have known each other for several years and have great mutual respect for each other's professional golf skills. Together as a team, they are excited to work side by side and look forward to providing our Members with an exceptional golf experience. Having two PGA Pros available to you is something Pottawattomie is thrilled to offer our loyal Members.

Speaking of the Golf Shop, Justin just attended the PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando where he met with many vendors that introduced him to exciting new apparel lines and useful course technology. He is so excited to meet the many Pottawattomie Golf Members and looks forward to hopefully playing a few rounds with as many of you as possible. Don't let his 3.2 index scare you away. Remember, he is a specialized professional in teaching and coaching.

Speaking of teaching, consider reaching out to Justin or Mike for a private lesson at Pottawattomie's Golf Simulator. That might just be exactly what your game needs right now in preparation for the upcoming spectacular season at Pottawattomie!







"What do you do in the winter?"

It's one of the most common questions I get when talking about my occupation. In this part of the country, it is a fair question. The answer is as varied as it would be if you were asking about work in the summer.

Assuming a regular winter, we "put the course to bed" in mid to late November. This involves a few key procedures. First, we drain the irrigation system and blow out all the water. We turn off all the electrical systems related to the irrigation system and that's it for that system until April.

We next apply all our winter plant protectants. This is a combination of products that help the grass tolerate it's time under the snow (which hasn't been much of an issue this season). Greens, tees, fairways, approaches and collars get treated.

The last bit of work we do to prepare the course for winter is a heavy application of sand on all the greens. We don't work the sand into the green at all. We want the sand on top to act as a buffer between the important parts of the grass plant and snow and ice.

The golf course is ready for winter and we move on to the projects. This is where things can get interesting. Here at Pottawattomie, our winter projects are diverse depending on the year. We rebuild bridges, remove trees, renovate bunkers, repair the irrigation system, construct tees, pour cart paths, plant native grasses...the list never seems to get shorter.

And of course, we plow snow.

It has been another productive winter. The course is in great condition for the spring and we look forward to showcasing the improvements that have been made this winter.

Keep Shoveling,

Matt Wagner, Course Superintendent, and the entire Grounds Crew

# Turf Talk



















I am thrilled to announce to all Members of some great news regarding our golf course. The Grounds Committee and the Pottawattomie Board have approved a superb new short game practice area for Pottawattamie. The golf course architecture firm of C.E. Designs spent numerous hours and have now completed plans for this welcome addition. Together we have come up with the anticipated time and money needed to bring this to completion and the Grounds Committee is determined to make this a reality!

Although the estimated price tag for this awe-inspiring addition is in the neighborhood of \$75,000, I am even more pleased to announce that three anonymous donors have offered to match, dollar for dollar, up to \$25,000. This incredibly kind and generous commitment will get us more than 66% of the way to making this a reality. One caveat, firm monetary commitments must be received by June 1st, 2023 as we need all finances to be in order before beginning the project. Knowing these figures will also allow us to establish a timeline for completion.

The proposed practice facility will be located behind the 18th green and across from the existing putting practice green. This new improved upon area will consist of a chipping area, a sand trap and a green. This addition will complete our outside practice area. Golfing Members will be able to warm up at the driving range, proceed to the short game area and then knock down a few putts, all before even starting their round.

This is, in my humble opinion, a game changer for the Club and I highly recommend and hope that sufficient donor dollars are offered to make this happen. It is not often that we have commitments for a third of the costs before even asking Members! Please contact Laurie with your kind donation as soon as possible so as not to jeopardize the pledges of our anonymous donors. Remember, this is your country club and any amount of donations eventually add up to seeing this as a reality!

# Grounds - Short Game Area cont...

Below you will find sketches of the proposed design. I am confident that you all will be as happy as the Grounds Committee is with the concept. After much consideration and discussion, this was by far the best location for this addition. Todd Clark, the architect at C.E. Designs, has shown us his creative thinking and I want to offer profound thanks for his vision.

For those of you visiting the Club this winter, take the time to look out at the course and see the continuing work that happens all year round. This year we will be doing extensive clearing around the Creekside and trimming and removing dead and/or diseased trees. 2023 is shaping up to be our best year yet on the golf course and I for one am looking forward to the arrival of golf weather!

On behalf of the entire Grounds Committee, I wish you all a delightful and cozy winter!

**Bob Mathes** 



#### **Guidelines for Posting Out of Season Scores**

The USGA Rules of Handicapping states – A score is acceptable for handicap purposes if the round has been played on a golf course during its active season. **The active season for the Chicago District is April 1-October 31.** However, many parts of our country have a year round active golf season.

- The last day of the CDGA and CWDGA official season is the last day that scores for rounds played at golf clubs in the Chicago District can be posted for handicap purposes.
- Rounds played after that date (no matter how good the weather might be) within our District or in any section of the country that is "off-season" are not acceptable for posting.
- If you play golf during the winter months in a section of the country that is "in-season" (e.g., Florida, Arizona, Southern California, etc.), those scores are to be posted for handicap purposes.
- You can post scores from the "Sun Belt" through My CDGA Caddie (website) or My CDGA (app).

If you have a membership number through another association it is important to link that number with your CDGA number for the purposes of the World Handicap System. Contact Lynn Boyd, CDGA senior director of handicapping, at (630) 685-2304 with the information that you are a member of another club in another part of the country and provide your additional association number. Once linked, you will see that all of your scores will be combined as part of the World Handicap System.



#### 2023 MEN'S GOLF SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- April 29 Opening Big Cup Scramble, 9am shotgun start
- May 6 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- May 13 Shamble, 9am shotgun start
- May 20 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- May 27 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- May 29 Pro Shop event, One Net Best Ball Blind Draw
- June 2 Men's Single Match Play Championship begins
- June 3 3-2-1 Tournament, 8:30am shotgun start
- June 10 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- June 17 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- June 22 Member-Guest practice round
- June 23 Member-Guest, 8am shotgun start
- June 24 Member-Guest, 8am shotgun start
- July 1 Flag Day
- July 7 Calcutta Auction
- July 8 Calcutta, 8:30am shotgun start
- July 15 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game; Social golf event in the afternoon
- July 22 Member-Member, 8am shotgun start
- July 29 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- August 5 Club Championship, tee times
- August 6 Club Championship, tee times
- August 12 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- August 19 Quota game, 8:30am shotgun start
- August 26 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game; Social golf event in the afternoon
- September 1-4 Labor Day weekend; Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- September 9 Men's Big Cup, 9am shotgun start
- September 10 Couple's Big Cup, 12pm shotgun start
- September 16 Pottawattomie Cup Playoff, 8:30am tee times
- September 23 President's Ryder Cup, 9am shotgun start
- September 30 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- October 7 Cross Country, 10am shotgun start
- October 14 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game
- October 21 Open Play, 9am Joiner's Game

#### **2023 WGA GOLF SCHEDULE**

#### Tuesdays from May-September 18 Hole Play – 8:30am Shotgun 9 Hole Play - 9:30am

May 9	Opening Breakfast Scramble/Meeting: 9:00am, Golf to follow
May 16	Open Play
May 23	Open Play
May 25	Nine and Dine 3:30pm, dinner to follow
May 30	1st Medal "Stroke" Play
June 6	Open Play, Match Play 1st round begins
June 13	2nd Medal "Stroke" Play
June 20	Solheim Cup
June 22	Nine and Dine 3:30pm, Dinner to follow
June 27	Flag Day and Match Play 2nd round begins
July 4	Holiday
July 11	Exchange Day with Long Beach CC
July 18	Galcutta and Match Play 3rd round begins
July 20	Nine and Dine 3:30pm, Dinner to follow
July 25	WGA Mid-Season Meeting Scramble
August 1	3rd Medal "Stroke" Play
August 8	Guest Day; Match Play 4th round begins
August 15	Open Play
August 17	Nine and Dine 3:30pm, Dinner to follow
August 22	4th Medal "Stroke" Play
August 29	Member/Member; Match Play 5th round begins
September 5	5th Medal "Stroke" Play
September 12	Big Cup: End date for all Match play
September 14	Nine and Dine 3:30pm, Dinner to follow
September 19	WGA Finale, Awards, End of Season Meeting, Scramble
TBD	Season End WGA Dinner Party

#### Joiners Group: Thursdays at 8:30am, Sundays at 11am Open to All Female Pott Golfers! Just show up!



#### **GOLF SIMULATOR GUIDELINES**

- Hours of Operation: Wednesday thru Saturday 12-8pm, Sunday 11am-4pm.
- Reservations must be made by calling Pottawattomie (219-872-8624).

• Use of simulator is limited to four people per hour. This same group of four may not reserve more than two consecutive one-hour intervals, with the second hour being reserved by a separate name than that used for the first hour.

• Individual reservations are limited to one one-hour reservation.

• Golf Members, as well as their significant partner, are able to use the simulator on a complimentary basis.

• Social Members are able to use the simulator at a \$10/hour.

• Golf and/or Social Members are allowed to bring guests to use the simulator at \$10/person/hour. All guests must be accompanied by at least one Golf and/or Social Member.

• Private lessons can be arranged with Pottawattomie's Director of Golf Operations Justin Stevens.

For details, costs, and reservations, please call Justin directly at (219-863-4485).

# Socia

The 2023 Pottawattomie Social season is going to be great! There are several exciting Members on the Social Committee that want nothing more than you to have fun. The following is a preliminary schedule of upcoming events to put in your calendar.

There will definitely be additional events planned (such as the Summer Nights on the Patio, Wine Tastings/Dinners, etc.) and extensive details of all events spelled out. The calendar will be updated often, so definitely check it out each month in Smoke Signals.

The Social Committee looks forward to seeing you all summer long!

Enjoy,

Tim Dunigan and the entire Social Committee (Tom & Eve Minogue, Dave & Beth Bozeman, Rick & Deanne Turim, Johanne Dunigan, John Hosty, Mary Toomey, Lisa & Paul Zirpolo and Greg & Lisa Suffield)



#### 2023 POTTAWATTOMIE SOCIAL EVENTS (preliminary)

March 18	St Patrick's Day Party
April 8-9	Masters Watch Party
May 6	Kentucky Derby Gala
May 14	Mother's Day
May 20	Special Entertainment (tbd, but get this date in your calendar!)
June 7	Game Night
June 17	Special Entertainment (tbd, get this date in your calendar!)
June 18	Father's Day
July 2	Family BBQ and Fireworks
July 12	Game Night
July 15	9-Hole Scramble (casual men/women golf event)
July 29	Special Entertainment (tbd, get this date in your calendar!)
August 16	Game Night
August 26	9-Hole Scramble (casual men/women golf event)
September 13	Game Night
October 14	9-Hole Scramble (casual men/women golf event)

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- For PICKLEBALL refer to TeamReach (pccpickleball) to connect with players! Contact Member Rick Turim for details (rturim@aol.com)
- For POTTAWATOMIE'S CYCLING CLUB...contact Member Paul Zirpolo for details (paulzirpolo@gmail.com
- For POTTAWATTOMIE FISH WHISPERERS-check in with Golf Shop before casting! Contact Member Joe Cole for additional details (joseph.cole@comcast.net)
- YOGA IN THE WATER AEROBICS with yogi Cinda -official start day still up in the air. Check back each month.
- MAHJONG-FRIDAYS, 11:00am in the Clubhouse. Contact Member Beth Bozeman with questions (beth.bozeman@comcast.net)
- CANASTA-FRIDAYS, 11am in the Clubhouse. Contact Member Ruthie Friedell with questions (rfriedell@rcn.com)
- POOL SIDE YOGA with yogi Cinda-official start day still up in the air. Check back each month.
- For POTTAWATTOMIE BOOK CLUB, contact Karen Marvinac with questions (karen@marvinac.com)
- For POTTAWATTOMIE WINE CLUB, contact Member Joe Cole with questions (joseph.cole@comcast.net)

#### 2023 POTTAWATTOMIE SOCIAL EVENTS (PRELIMINARY)

-Social Golf outings: open to both Golf and Social Members (with applicable golf fees for Social Members). Themes and tee off times yet to be determined.

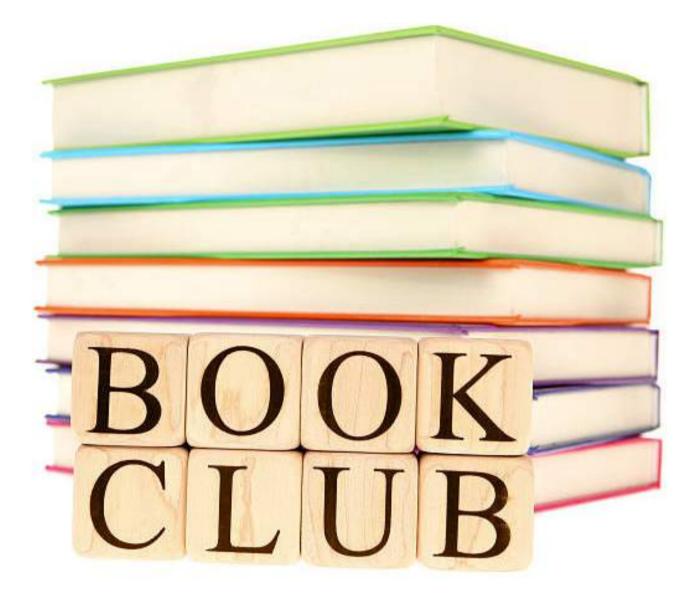
-Wine Club: which entails several wine tastings throughout the active season and two Gourmet Wine Dinners (exact dates of all tbd), is open to all Pott Members with actual Wine Club Members receiving a discounted price and priority seating to the events. Wine storage lockers are available to lease on a yearly basis for \$150 (make rental arrangements with Laurie).

-Game Nights: typically begin at 6pm, exact game played TBD, a \$5pp buy in for payouts.

-Summer Nights on the Patio: simple music along with drink specials on the deck, weather permitting. PATIO RESERVATIONS NOT ACCEPTED FOR THESE MUSICAL EVENTS.

\*\*\*SOCIAL CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*





The next gathering will take place on February 15th, 4:30pm (central standard time). Due to the fact that several Pott Members are traveling, the meeting will take place using Zoom. If you anticipate joining in on the fun, or just want to know more about the Book Club, please reach out to Pott Member Karen Marvinac (karen@marvinac.com). She can provide you the pertinent Zoom information and answer any questions you may have.

The book being discussed in February is Night Came with Many Stars, by Simon Van Booy. Per NPR, this book is considered one of this acclaimed author's best pieces of work.

#### Quick summary of the book....

In Kentucky, back in 1933, Carol's daddy lost his 13-year-old daughter in a game of cards. Awardwinning author Simon Van Booy's spellbinding novel spans decades as he tells the story of Carol and the people in her life. Incidents intersect and lives unexpectedly change course in this masterfully interwoven story of chance and choice that leads home again to a night blessed with light.

This complimentary Book Club welcomes all Pottawattomie Members, as well as their friends. It isn't necessary that you participate in every monthly discussion, but when you see how much fun this group is, you will probably will!





#### **Current Board Members**

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Have a question, comment, concern? We'd like to hear from you!

#### **Club Management Team**

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