

## **INSIDER**

February 22

Orange Tree circa 1976. My first visit to Orlando and what I remember distinctly are not just the orange groves, but the permeating scent of orange blossoms. To this day whenever I encounter that fragrance, I immediately feel like a kid again. Looking at these photos, I am transported still.

But there are so many more stories than mine, and throughout OTGC's 50th year celebration this year, you'll be hearing those. Members who have been with us for 5 decades (yes, FIVE!) share their memories, including what tournaments were like in the beginning (can you say potluck?), plus special messages from the owners, more photos from the archives, and surprises galore. (Hint: check out our Save the Date section of this newsletter).



Pictured is an aerial view of Orange Tree Lane from the Phase 1 resident entrance. The house was one of the first in the neighborhood. You'll see hole #13 on the right, and #14 tee box on the left.



2022 is certainly going to be a special year for our OTGC family, and I am so glad you are a part of it.

Shannon

#### **COUPLES MIXER**

Sunday, February 13th at 12:30pm
4-player teams, 2 best ball net format
Make your own foursome or sign up as a
couple and have the Pro Shop pair you up
Guests are welcome! \$40/player
\$85/guest

Entry fee includes golf, dinner and prizes.
Sign up through Golf Genius or contact
the Pro Shop for more information.
Defending Champs: Kyle & Alan Keefe,
Sharon & Tom Venker





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It's a faithless love, but you hit four good shots and you've started your day right.

**Dinah Shore** 

#### **BULLETIN**



Be sure to check out the Orange Tree Insider! Hosted by Lauren Thompson, it's an informative monthly video segment in collaboration with the Golf Channel. Episodes can be found on the main page of our website and our Facebook page.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Lynn Reagin – just celebrated her 20th Anniversary as a valued employee of OTGC



Team OTGC beat Golden Ocala 17-7 in Match 2 Of the FSGA Men's Interclub season



Ladies One-Day Member Guest Champions:

- 1st Place gross: Julie Jackson and Soyoung Cho
- 2nd Place gross: Kim Nigrelli and Prudence Horensburger



- 1st Place net: Evangeline
   Ossmann and Kim Goyette
- 2nd Place net: Diane Vore and Lisa Shaw



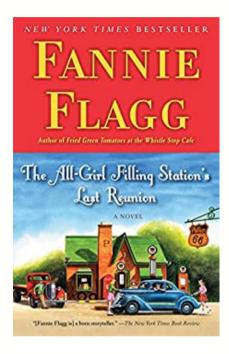
#### **HOLES-IN-ONE**

David Bulger #11 Erik Berger #5

#### **BOOK CLUB**

This year the OTGC Book Club will be reading some of our member's favorite books!

February's pick, The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg, was chosen by Kathy Wisne. Says Kathy: "When looking for a humorous, well told tale, Fannie Flagg is at the top of my list (even her name makes me smile). Colorful characters and southern charm combine with family secrets and mystery... Fill 'er up, please!"



OTGC Book Club meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 2pm. This month's meeting is February 24th, and is open to all members. You don't have to make it every month to participate... join us in any month the book selection interest you! If you have a favorite book you would like considered for discussion, please email Shannon at swisneeorangetreegolfclub.com, and be sure to tell her why it's a favorite of yours!

#### **PRO SHOP NEWS**

Golf etiquette reminders:

- Singles and twosomes do not have priority on the course and other groups are not required to let them pass. Nor should a single or twosome jump around from hole to hole.
- The expected pace of play for a foursome is 4 hours and 15 minutes or less.
- Play one golf ball and do not use the course as a practice field.
- When the course is closed, it is CLOSED. Even if you are walking or have your own cart. Please be respectful of closings, especially on Mondays, holidays, and rain closures.

#### **BRIDGE CLUB**

Open to men and women, social and golf members! Rubber bridge every Wednesday at 1 pm. Email Linda Kenney to sign up: linda@fisystants.com





#### **ADDITIONS FROM ACCOUNTING**

By Katrina Pare
Office Administrator

Members with private carts: information about the required insurance for your golf cart has been emailed. If you need a re-send, or have any questions, please reach out to me:

kpare@orangetreegolfclub.com.

Email your documentation or bring a current copy of your insurance to the accounting office by Friday, February 25th.

Email blast list: Our database has been updated and you will begin receiving most of your OTGC communication from info@orangetreegolfclub.com. Please make sure that address is added to your safe senders list. It will be utilized for the bulk of our email communication.

Member Portal Update: Dining Menus and our monthly newsletter have been added to the member portal section of our website.





#### **NEWS FROM "THE SUPE"**

By Rob Torri Superintendent

#### The #1 Rule of Golf? Always leave the golf course better than you found it!

The upkeep in an excellent golf course is not solely a Superintendent's or grounds crew's job. Part of that responsibility also lies with the golfer. My tagline above ↑ says that the #1 Rule of Golf is to leave the golf course better than you found it. Here are some tips on how you as a player can help keep your home course in the best shape possible:

- Bunkers on the golf course should not be used as practice bunkers; we have a practice are for that sole purpose. Also please rake bunkers as if your ball was going to land there next. Lastly, please place bunker rakes outside of the bunker, parallel with the bunker's edge.
- Divots: If you take a divot please replace and/or refill with sand seed provided on the carts.
- Ball marks: Please remember to repair all ball marks plus 1.
- Carts: Please keep carts on paths at all times around tees and greens. A good rule of thumb to remember is that if there is a cart path, you should be on it. And remember to park all four tires squarely on the path. Parking on the edge/ in the grass is more detrimental to its regrowth than driving over it to get around another cart.

#### **LADIES 9-HOLE**

Did you know? OTGC offers a 9-Hole ladies league! Open to all women golf members from beginners to experienced players, the 9-hole league plays Tuesday and Friday mornings. Contact the Pro Shop or member Mickey Cook for more information. Check out our Save the Date section for their Invitational in March!



#### **CELEBRATIONS**

Chinese New Year, or Lunar New Year, is a 15-day festival that is celebrated annually depending on the sighting of the new moon. This year the celebration begins February 1st. A full 20% of the Earth's population celebrates, using more fireworks than any other day of the year. It's a celebration marked by good food, red envelopes, and blessings for everyone.

An animal is associated with each new year and 2022 is the Year of the Tiger: Tigers are courageous and active people who love a good challenge and adventure in life. People born in years of the Tiger are vigorous and ambitious, daring and courageous, enthusiastic and generous, self-confident with a sense of justice and a commitment to help others for the greater good. Other Tiger years are 1938, 1950, 1962, 1974, 1986, 1998, and 2010.

For more interesting facts on the tiger or Chinese New Year, visit chinesenewyear.net





#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

- 1 DEBBIE AUSTIN
  GEORGE YENCHAK
- 2 JONATHAN STEDING
- 4 BERT DULING
- 4 LOUELLA PALERMO
  JASON WHITTEN
  BRENDAN VALDES
- 6 SCOTT MUSUMECI KAT WHITTEN BILL SCILLIAN
- 7 MIKE O'MALLEY
- 9 MIKE CRUIKSHANK LISA SZETO
- 10 DOUG SPENCER
  JIM KOCHAN
- 12 ROY POWELL
  IAN KINNEAR
  HANK LOWRY
- 13 HEXI YUAN
- 14 JARRETT RODEGHIER
- 15 MIKE SMITH ART WIMER
- 16 JOE MANNELLA, SR. JEFF SARGENT
- 17 TOLLIE YOUNG
  RICK DICICCO
- 18 CECIL MCKINNEY
- 19 HANNAH KRUCZEK
- 23 MIHO KURAMOTO
- 24 LARRY JACKSON
  GREG RODEGHIER
  JIM BORGAN
  ASHLEY BACOT
- 25 JEFF STEEGE
- 26 REX KURAMOTO
  HUANG CHEN
  WILLIAM HOWELL
- 27 BRIAN FUCILE
  BOB HASSEL
  COLIN GRIMSTEAD
- 29 DREW HAN

## CATERING WITH KIRSTEN

By Restaurant and Event Manager Kirsten Carter



#### **VALENTINE FIZZ**

#### Ingredients:

- Raspberry Sorbet
- Chambord (raspberry liquer)
- Champagne or Prosecco
- Fresh raspberries for garnish

#### Instructions:

- 1. Spoon a tablespoon of sorbet into the bottom of a champagne flute, add ½ oz of Chambord
- 2. Slowly add Champagne (be careful, the sorbet will make it bubble up!)
- 3. Garnish with Raspberry
- 4. Enjoy!

This recipe can be easily adapted into a non-alcoholic mocktail by replacing the raspberry liqueur with a splash of cranrazz juice and using sparkling grape juice instead of champagne.



#### PETE'S EATS

By Executive Chef Pete Madden



### NO-FUSS VALENTINE'S DAY COOKIES

#### Ingredients

- 1 Pack of Strawberry Cake Mix
- 2 Eggs
- 1/2 Cup vegetable or canola oil
- Sprinkles!

#### Instructions

- 1. Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees F. Mix together all of the ingredients until combined. I added some sprinkles to the mix as well!
- 2.Roll cookies into golf-ball size or use a mini ice-cream scoop (2 tablespoons) to get a perfect shape. Place onto a lightly greased cookie sheet about 2 inches apart. Add sprinkles to the tops and bake for 9-12 minutes or until edges start to brown. Cool for a few minutes and enjoy!



#### DOGS OF OTGC



Meet Charlie and Heidi! Charlie is a six-year-old Chocolate Lab, she may be the only Lab in existence to be afraid of all bodies of

existence to be afraid of all bodies of water. But it's ok! She likes to pass her time sleeping on the pool deck or running with her friends around the park.

Her stepsister, Heidi, is what we like to refer to as a terror. Heidi is a 10-year-old Jack Russell - Beagle mix, with a nose that wants to sniff every blade of grass, and the energy to let her do it. She can be a handful. When Heidi isn't sniffing everything in sight she can be found barking at clouds or at her sister Charlie.



Charlie and Heidi's human is Katrina!



#### **SAVE THE DATE**

February 3: Men's One-Day Member Guest

February 5: Movie Night

February 5-6: RESCHEDUED Men's Club Championship Open Division

February 13: Couples Mixer

February 15: Rob's Revenge/Tough
Day Tournament

February 19-20: Men's Club
Championship - Senior and Super
Senior Division

February 25: Fine Dining Dinner

March 1: Ladies 9-Hole Invitational

March 3: Men's One-Day Member Guest

March 19: St. Patrick's Day
Tournament

**April 1-2: Men's Member Guest** 

**April 6-7: Ladies Member Guest** 

October 1: 50th Anniversary Party



# February 2022 at



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	Hours of Operation
Oan't furget we are social!  off  Powerball 8:16 am Ladies 8:40 am MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	7 CLOSED	1 Morning Game 8:00 am  Ladies 8:32 am  Ladies 9-Hole 8:48 am  Coach's Game 12:00 pm  8 Morning Game 8:00 am  Ladies 8:32 am  Ladies 9-Hole 8:48 am  Coach's Game 12:00 pm	2 Morning Game 8:00 am  Scratch Game 1:00 pm  Junior Camp 5:00-5:00 pm  Pub Night 5:50-8:00 pm  9 Morning Game 8:00 am  Scratch Game 1:00 pm  Junior Camp 5:00-5:00 pm  Pub Night 5:50-8:00 pm	Morning Game 8:00 am OTWGA 8:48 am MEN'S ONE-DAY MEMBER GUEST 1:00 pm  10 Morning Game 8:00 am OTWGA 9:00 am Coach's Game 12:00 pm	4 Morning Game 8:00 am  Ladies 9-Hole 9:28 am  Scratch Game 1:00 pm  Dinner Service 5:30-8:00 pm  11 Morning Game 8:00 am  Ladies 9-Hole 9:28 am  Scratch Game 1:00 pm  Dinner Service 5:30-8:00 pm	5 Morning Game 7:52 am Powerball 8:00 am Ladies 9:00 am Scratch Game 1:00 pm MOVIE NIGHT MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP  12 Morning Game 7:52 am Powerball 8:00 am Ladies 9:00 am Scratch Game 1:00 pm	Pro Shop: Tuesday-Sunday 7am-6pm Range: Tuesday-Saturday 7am-7pm Sunday 7am-6pm Tuesday: Food Service 8am-3pm
Powerball 8:16 am  Ladies 8:40 am  COUPLES MIXER 1:00 pm	14 CLOSED Happy Valentine's Day!	15 ROB'S REVENGE Morning Game 8:00 am  Ladies 8:32 am  Ladies 9-Hole 8:48 am  Rob's Revenge 1:00pm	16 Morning Game 8:00 am Scratch Game 1:00 pm Junior Camp 5:00-5:00 pm Pub Night 5:30-8:00 pm	17 Morning Game 8:00 am OTWGA 9:00 am Coach's Game 12:00 pm Scratch Game Banquet 5:00 pm (Dining Room closes early to those not in the event)	18 Morning Game 8:00 am Ladies 9-Hole 9:28 am Scratch Game 1:00 pm Dinner Service 5:30-8:00 pm Autopay will run on this date	19 Morning Game 7:52 am Powerball 8:00 am Ladies 9:00 am Scratch Game 1:00 pm MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP Senior & Super Senior Divisions	Bar Service 8a-6pm Wednesday: F&B Service 8am-8pm Pub Night 5:30pm-8pm Thursday:
Powerball 8:16 am  Ladies 8:40 am  MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP Senior & Super Senior Divisions	21 CLOSED	22 Morning Game 8:00 am  Ladies 8:52 am  Ladies 9-Hole 8:48 am  Coach's Game 12:00 pm	23 <sub>Morning</sub> Game 8:00 am Scratch Game 1:00 pm Junior Camp 3:00-5:00 pm Pub Night 5:30-8:00 pm	24 Morning Game 8:00 am  OTWGA 9:00 am  Coach's Game 12:00 pm  Book Club 2:00 pm	Morning Game 8:00 am Ladies 9-Hole 9:28 am Scratch Game 1:00 pm Fine Dining Dinner (limited seating) 5:30-8:00 pm	26 Morning Game 7:52 am  Powerball 8:00 am  Ladies 9:00 am  Scratch Game 1:00 pm	F&B Service 8am-6pm Friday: Food Service 8am-8pm Bar Service 8am-9pm
Powerball 8:16 am Ladies 8:40 am	28						Dinner Menu 5:30pm-8pm Saturday & Sunday: F&B Service 7:30am-6pm

<sup>\*</sup>Please continue to make reservations for Wednesday and Friday night dinners so that we can maintain proper occupancy and social distancing. You may call 407.351.4041, or email restaurant@orangetreegolfclub.com And remember, you may call up to and during dinner service. Carryout is always available too!