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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Please mark your calendar and make your reservations early for an exceptional wine pairing dinner! On Saturday, April 12th, Mr. Mark Ketcham of Ketcham Estate will travel from northern California to host a wine pairing dinner featuring his estate wines. Chef Rick is hard at work creating a menu that will highlight the wine and a detailed menu will follow in future emails.

Mark Ketcham is an enthusiastic wine maker with a great story of how he ended up in the wine business. All of his wines are award winning with limited production, and many are not available to the general public. Due to the caliber of wine, this event will be priced higher than most, but promises to be worth every penny!!

Seating will be limited, and advanced reservations are required for ordering purposes. Regardless of your wine tasting experience, this is one event you don't want to miss!

Here is a list of the wines we will be drinking with retail value of \$32.00 - \$58.00 per bottle. If you would like to read more about Mark please go to: www.ketchamestate.com.



2012

Ketcham Estate Viognier

2011

Ketcham Estate Russian River Pinot Noir

2011

Ketcham Estate-Ketcham Vineyard Pinot Noir

2011

Ketchan Estate-Savannah & Nick's Cuvee Pinot Noir

2009

Don-Whitney Pinot Noir de Amore

BUNKER PROGRESS





Our club's crew members are busy in the warming weather installing bunker liners on top of the new drainage and pea gravel layers. We are trying a new technique to control future erosion whereby we push the liner up under the edge of the new grass sod that will finish the project. Superintendent Brent Edens predicts that the new sand will be installed and the projects finished by the second or third week of March.

NCAA DIVISION II TOURNAMENT

The 2014 Henderson State University First Federal Invitational at Big Creek will be held April 6th through April 8th. Participating schools are all NCAA Division II institutions and come from various conferences: Great American Conference, Mid-America Conference, and Northern-Sun Conference.

The format will be 36 holes of stroke play. Sunday (April 6) practice round. 18 holes Monday (April 7th) 18 holes Tuesday (April 8th).

Each team is made up of 5 players and the top 4 scores from each team are used in competition. The current teams are as follows:

Men:

Henderson State University
South Western Oklahoma State University
Augustana College
Ouachita Baptist University
Arkansas Tech University
Murray State College
Missouri Western University
Delta State University
Lindenwood University
University of Sioux Falls
Harding University
John Brown University
Missouri Southern State University

Women:

Henderson State University
South Western Oklahoma State University
Northwest Missouri State University
Arkansas Tech University
University of Central Oklahoma
Missouri Western University
Harding University
University of Sioux Falls
Murray State College

CLUBHOUSE NEWS



Valentine's Day dinner at Big Creek was extremely busy with members coming in for dinner both before and after the orchestral performance at ASU-MH that night, as well as all times in between. Pictured here is the chef's spectacular ice sculpture of a heart topped by two love birds above the dessert table.

PUTT PUTT WINNERS



Congratulations to Julie Bramlett and Jeremy Flowers, the winners of the 2014 Big Creek Putt - Putt Dinner Championship. Members enjoyed drinks and dinner before the 7:30 competition which Pros Eddie Roethlisberger and Casey Thoren laid out through the dining areas

BOOK OF THE MONTH



Widowed for the second time at age 31, Katherine Parr falls deeply for the dashing courtier, Thomas Seymour and hopes at last to marry for love. Obliged to return to her court, she attracts he attentions of the ailing, egotistical, and dangerously powerful Henry VIII. Not in a position to refuse the royal proposal, Katherine must wed and become his sixth queen.

Wednesday, March 26th, 10:30 am

PRO SHOP NEWS

Beginning March 1, the Golf Shop hours will be Monday, 10:30 - 6:00 and Tuesday through Saturday 7:30 to 6:00.

The Tuesday Night Men's League will begin on April 15th. The format will once again be a scramble skins game with all teams blind drawn. You may call the golf shop to sign-up for the league.