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GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

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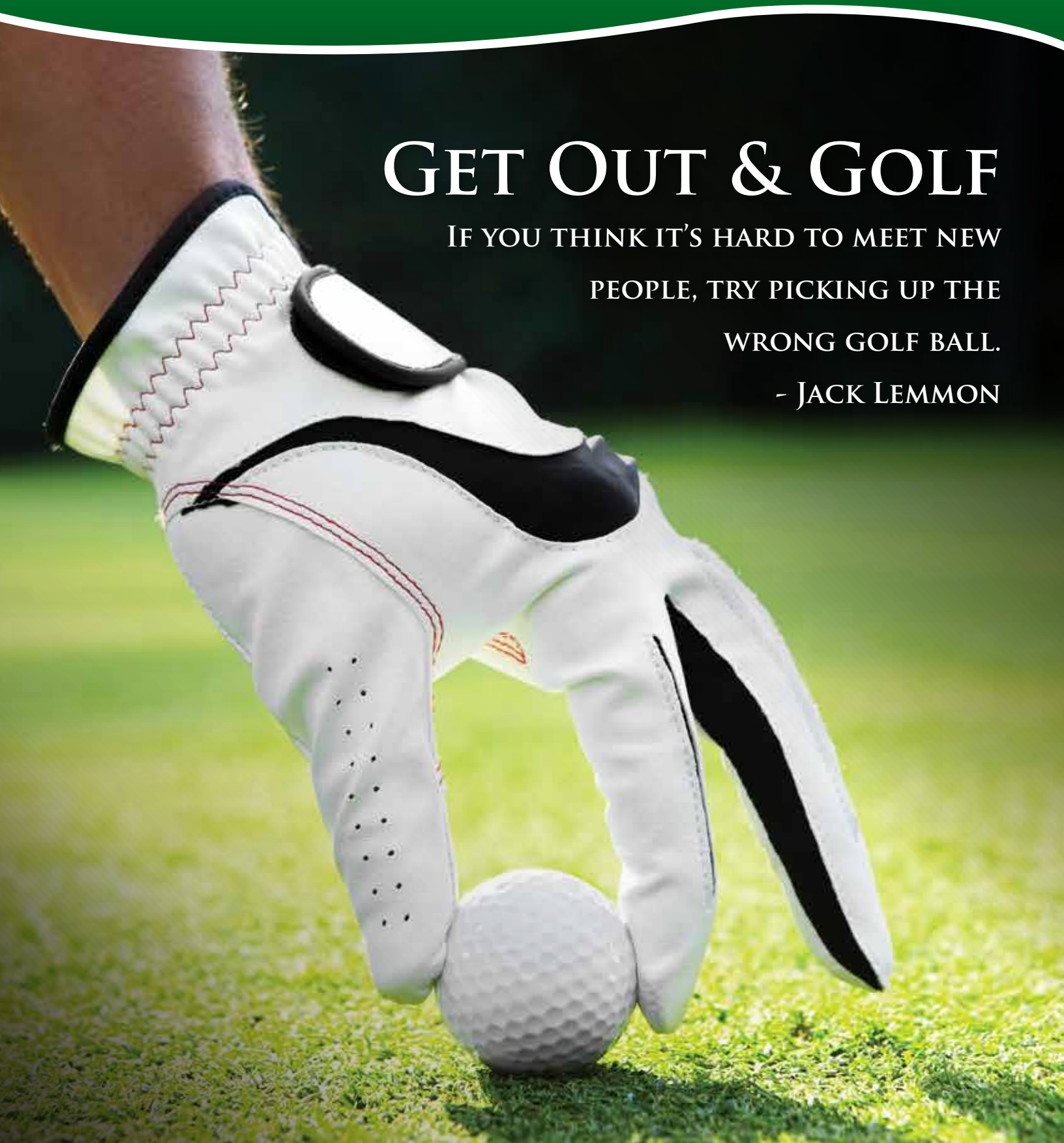


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GET OUT & GOLF

IF YOU THINK IT'S HARD TO MEET NEW
PEOPLE, TRY PICKING UP THE
WRONG GOLF BALL.

- JACK LEMMON



HOLE IN 1

CONGRATULATIONS!

Big Creek Golf & Country Club head professional James Stanofski, PGA, made a hole-in-one on #17 during the first round of the 2023 South Central PGA Professional Championship at Tulsa Country Club on August 14. James reports that he hit a pitching wedge to the 146-yard hole. The ball landed 15' behind the hole and spun back into the cup.

Thank you, James, for representing our Club so well.



VN: James Stanofski
 JURSE: Tulsa Country Club
 US AFFILIATION: Big Creek Golf & Country Club

South Central PGA

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out
JCS PC Champ-Mon	408	404	550	446	409	158	383	436	223	3402
Par	4	4	5	4	4	3	4	4	3	35
Stanofski, James	4	5	5	5	5	3	5	4	4	40

Professional Champions Club Car PGA ROLEX

August 14, 2023

	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Tot
	467	395	395	347	204	450	580	155	457	3450	6862
	4	4	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	35	70
JS	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	① 5		74	

SEAFOOD EXTRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH
5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Calling all seafood lovers! This is the dinner for you! Join us on Saturday, September 30 for a delicious assortment of seafood that is sure to make a splash. From snow crab legs to stuff flounder, we'll have something for everyone!

\$38.00 - Adults / \$19.00 - Kids (Kids menu will be available)

Buffet will be served from 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

**The dinner menu will not be available this evening.*

MENU:

Prime Rib	Corn Ribs
Steamed Snow Crab Legs	Parsley New Potatoes
Blackened Redfish	Green Beans
Peel & Eat Spiced Shrimp	Macaroni & Cheese
Stuffed Deviled Crab	Mixed Green Salad
Stuffed Flounder	Cole Slaw
Fried Shrimp	Fruit Salad
Fried Oysters	An Array of Desserts & Sweets
Rich Creamy Seafood Chowder	

Reservations are **Required**

CALL FOR RESERVATIONS - 870.425.0333



GOLF NEWS

Complete results for tournaments are available under the blue "Leaderboard" tab at bigcreekgolf.com/golf-course/tournaments/

2023 MATCH PLAY CLUB CHAMPION

Nick Coleman won the 2023 Big Creek Golf & Country Club Men's Match Play club championship by defeating 2021 champ Luke Jackson in 22 holes last Friday afternoon. This was Coleman's 19th year to compete for this title and the first time that he reached the final match.

Nick and Luke entered the back nine w Luke 1UP. Luke missed an 8-foot eagle putt on #10 but tapped in for a birdie. Nick was unable to convert his 5-footer for birdie so Luke went 2UP.

Still trailing by 2 with only three holes to play, Nick birdied the 16th to get one back. After trading bogeys on the tough par-three 17th, Nick forced extra holes with a par on #18.

On the 19th hole (Back on #1), Luke's tee shot got up against the lip of the fairway bunker that forced him to play out sideways. He scrambled and made a tying 15-foot par putt to continue the match. Luke then hit it in the water on the 20th hole (the par-5 #2), but still tied the hole w a scrambling par as Nick missed a 12-footer for birdie.

Luke had a 10-foot birdie putt on the 21st hole (#3) to win the match that just missed.

That brought the match to the 22nd hole (#4) where Nick had a lengthy birdie putt similar to the one he had faced in regulation. With his extended family (wife Leah and kids, parents Debbie and Mel Coleman) watching him compete together for the first time since his competitive college days at William Woods University, Nick stepped up to the putt right after his son Jack encouraged him "You got this. You know what this putt does." Nick says he was "lucky enough to make it for birdie and win the match."

Nick also thanked the large gallery of members who followed the match. "It was so hot and zero breeze so it was easy to lose focus. The crowd was amazing. So many people followed along in that heat cheering both of us on. It was really cool to see."



Photo of Nick Coleman w trophy and embracing his wife Leah after making the winning putt. Their son Jack is at left.

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2023 WOMEN'S HANDICAPPED MATCH PLAY CHAMPION

Judy Matty (pictured at left) won the 2023 Big Creek Golf & Country Club Women's Handicapped Match Play Club Championship August 18. She defeated the current Club stroke-play champ Alyssia Barton (at right) in the close final match 1UP.



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2023 SENIOR STROKE PLAY CLUB CHAMPION

Jim Wood (pictured w trophy) won the 2023 Big Creek Golf & Country Club Senior Stroke Play Club Championship this past weekend with a two-day score of 74-75--149, edging out second place finisher John Campbell by a single stroke. Larry Stevens (pictured at right) won the net division. The tournament was hampered by extensive rain delays both days which provided very tough playing conditions.



GROSS SCORES:

1. Jim Wood-----	74-75--149
2. John Campbell-----	75-75--150
3. Mike Robbins-----	79-77--156
4. Joey Sample-----	82-80--162
5. Larry Stevens-----	81-83--164
6. Jerry Gollinger-----	85-85--170
7. Robin Myers-----	87-91--178
8. Steve Judson-----	89-97--186
X. Paul Peck-----	93-WD
X. Steve Sinor-----	96-WD

NET SCORES:

1. Larry Stevens	(8 HCP)-----	73-75--148
2. Jim Wood	(0 HCP)-----	74-75--149
3. Mike Robbins	(3 HCP)-----	76-74--150
T4. Joey Sample	(4 HCP)-----	78-76--154
T4. John Campbell	(+2 HCP)---	77-77--154
T4. Jerry Gollinger	(8 HCP)-----	77-77--154
7. Robin Myers	(11 HCP)-----	76-80--156
8. Steve Judson	(9 HCP)-----	80-88--168
X. Steve Sinor	(10 HCP)-----	76-WD
X. Paul Peck	(6 HCP)-----	81-WD

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2023 JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPION

Cody Cormican won the 2023 Big Creek Golf & Country Club Junior Stroke-Play Club Championship this past weekend with a two-day score of 72-77--149. The tournament was delayed extensively both days by rain.



RESULTS:

1. Cody Cormican-----72-77--149
2. Ian Ellison-----78-75--153
3. Chace Berwald-----78-80--158
4. Jackson Corp-----85-84--169
5. Saylon Elmore-----89-90--179
6. Jack Coleman-----88-95--183
7. Teegan Booy-----99-89--188
8. Tucker Thompson-----99-94--193
9. Lincoln Sherry-----98-100--198

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COURSE UPDATES

Superintendent Brent Edens and his staff completed the installation of new Tahoma 31 collars around the par-four seventh green on August 21.



Superintendent Brent Edens and his staff were busy August 21 with an expansion project of our chipping green at Big Creek Golf & Country Club. Earlier this year he opened up new areas on the south side of the practice bunker while the original chipping green was used to experiment w some different varieties of bent grass.

He mowed the existing bermuda/zoysia mix to green height to stunt it and then oversewed 100% w the Pure Distinction bent grass variety, which is one of the varieties we have been inter-seeding into our original L93 bent grass greens. He has mowed a much larger addition on to the south side since the initial project has gone so well. Brent is going to tie the two existing greens together in a horseshoe shape around the bunker as an experiment.

Brent has also informed me that he is having to keep the greens overall on the slow side this week as we deal with five straight days of 100°+ weather. He is very pleased with the grass on the greens after our inter-seeding (ongoing), and he is predicting good things to come as we approach cooler weather in the fall.



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GHIN REMINDER:

USGA GHIN Handicap system will be used for all Member Events at Big Creek. This will be done so that Tournaments are fair and competitive for any caliber golfer. Please contact the golf shop to be put on the USGA Handicap system, or email James.Stanofski@Bigcreekgolf.com



ATTENTION:

Denim is no longer allowed on the course.

GOLF COURSE ETIQUETTE:

- Please repair ball marks on the greens
- Please Rake Bunkers
- Please repair divots with sand
- Please follow cart rules, the reason we are having to sod hole 15 is due to the lack of this

STROKE PLAY IS CONCLUDED:

Senior stroke play and junior stroke play both concluded August 13.

DRIVING RANGE NEW HOURS:

The driving range will now be open from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

SODDING GRASS HEADS UP:

On the golf course, we will be sodding Tahoma 31 Bermuda grass around a few of the greens that have yet to have the collars sodded. We will start with 7 green, then 14, then the Chipping green. Our plan for the chipping green is to expand the green we added in front of the bunker, and to unite the two with Tahoma sod and/or bentgrass to create a "Horseshoe green". We are still debating on the best way to preserve our collars for winter. The best option may be to cover the collars for the months of December, January, and February. Unfortunately, there's no great option to protect our collars during winter, but we will do the best we can.

Brent Edens, Superintendent

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NEW ARDOT HWY SIGNS FOR ARKANSAS GOLF TRAIL

You may have noticed new Arkansas Golf Trail directional signs for Big Creek Golf & Country Club. The old green signs on US HWY 62/412 on either side of our entrance as well as the old green sign on the Hwy 62/412 bypass near the Harps Food Stores location have all been replaced with new brown signs. The old signs' lettering was deteriorating, necessitating the replacement.

The first picture on the bypass w Big Creek's Managing Partner Lang Zimmerman is from June 3, 2005, when the trail was newish. The second photo, taken May 26, 2023, of the same sign shows how much the lettering had deteriorated. The third photo shows the new brown sign and was taken at same spot on the bypass this week.

The trail was originally called the Natural State Golf Trail when it opened on July 13, 2004.



GOLF CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER:

- Flag Tournament - Sunday, September 3 - Open to all players with a verifiable GHIN handicap. All players in the event will receive a flag. They will add their handicap to the par of the course (72). Example: If James Stanofski was a 4 handicap his shot allotment would be 76. When he is playing during his round where the ball lays 76, he places his flag in the ground at that point. If He is to shoot lower than 76 he must continue to play until getting to his 76th shot. The person who gets the furthest around the course is the winner.
- Arkansas State Golf Association Designated - Men, Senior Men, Women, Senior Women - Saturday afternoon & Sunday Morning tee times September 9-10, 2023 (Course Open)
- 100-Hole Marathon - Monday, Sep. 11 - James Stanofski is playing to raise money for Informed Choices a Christian based Women's center here in the Ozarks. Donations are welcome to proceed to this center.
- Tuesday Night Men's League Finale - Sep. 26
- Green Aerification - Sep 27-28 - One nine open all days
- Big Creek Men & Women Stroke Play Club Championship - (COURSE OPEN) - September 23-24, 2023 (Saturday & Sunday, tee times starting 8am both days)

OCTOBER:

- USGA Men's 4-Ball Qualifying - Oct. 18, 2023 (Wednesday) - Qualifiers advance to National site Philadelphia Cricket Club, May 25-29, 2024
- Big Creek Member / Member Tournament - October 28-29, 2023

NOVEMBER:

- Member InterClub Cup Matches - Steaks vs Hot Dogs - Nov. 4-5, 2023 (Saturday & Sunday) (Tentative)



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TENNIS NEWS & EVENTS

Monday

- Free Member Drill - 6:00 pm - Come mingle and work on your game with a live ball drill with members/coach.
- Pickleball Match Play - 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Bring your paddle and play other members in match play.

Tuesday

- Orange Ball Class (Ages 7-12) - 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm
- Junior Tennis Night - 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm - Intermediate Players ages 10+ will be paired up to play doubles and/or singles.

Wednesday

- Free Member Drill - 8:30 am - Come mingle and work on your game with a live ball drill with members/coach.
- Private lessons are available from 4:30 - 7:30

Thursday

- Pickleball - 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Come pickle with us! Social match play is organized by skill level. We will have four courts going so you will be matched up with a group that's your level.

Friday

- Live Ball drill with Matt Beavers - 8:00 am - \$15 per Player - Max of 5 Players

Private Lessons Available Monday - Friday

- Contact Chris for lessons and you can work out a time.

MIXED DOUBLES 24 HOUR TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 15 - 16

Mixed Doubles 24 Hour Tournament! Mixed Doubles competition that starts Friday September 15th and ends September 16th by noon. Will take the first 8 teams in a Round Robin format. \$10 for members. \$20 for non-members. All ages are welcome but teams have to be a combined NTRP of 7.5 or lower.

For questions, lessons, or to sign up for any class or social go to:

linktr.ee/bigcreektennis

or reach out to Chris Cash:

(870) 692 2662 -or- **ChrisCashTennis@gmail.com**



CLUBHOUSE NEWS

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO BIG CREEK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Danny and Elizabeth Ferguson

Mr. and Mrs. Larry and Kierra Forrester

Mr. Brendon Calhoun

Mr. Wade Robson

RESTAURANT CLOSINGS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

The grill will be closed for lunch service.

The dining room will still be available.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

The grill will be closed for lunch service.

The dining room will still be available.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

The dining room will be closed for lunch & dinner service.

The grill will still be available.

WINE OF THE MONTH

MEIOMI PINOT NOIR

The wine owes much of its complexity to its varied upbringing, unifying grapes from California's most notable wine-growing regions. Meiomi Pinot Noir brings you structure and depth seldom seen in a Pinot Noir wine, thanks to its unique and meticulous aging process. Aged for six months in French oak barrels, this California red wine's juicy strawberry flavor and notes of dark berries and toasted mocha add complexity and depth on the palate.

\$10 GLASS / \$38 BOTTLE



BOOK OF THE MONTH

THE JAPANESE LOVER

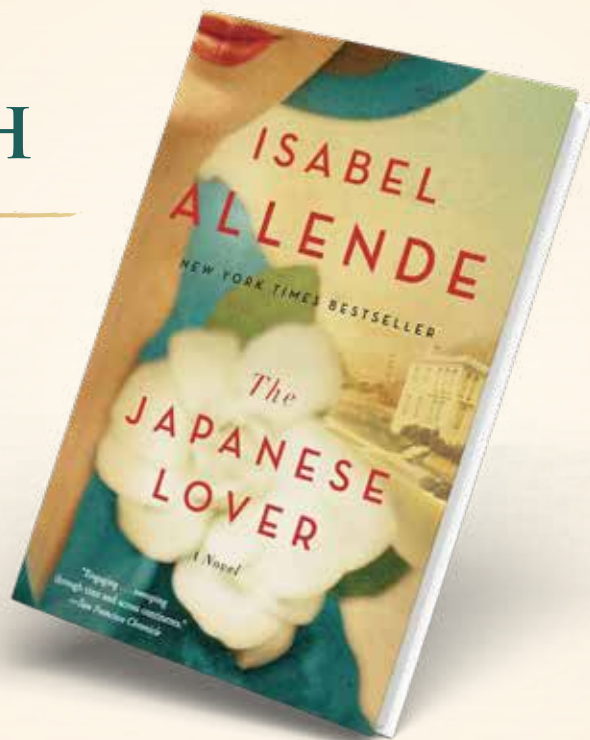
WRITTEN BY: ISABEL ALLENDE

The Japanese Lover is the eighteenth book by Chilean author Isabel Allende. It was published in 2015 and tells the story of a wartime love story between a Polish woman and a Japanese American in the aftermath of the Nazi Invasion of Poland in 1939. The book is set in World War II. Just like Allende's other books, it tells a story that spans decades.

It follows the magical realism and historical romance/fiction like her previous books.

The Japanese Lover also coincided with Allende receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom by US President, Barack Obama.

The book club will meet at noon on Wednesday, September 27.
Come join us! New members are always welcome.



THE POOL IS OPEN



- We will have a pool menu and full-service bar available by our pool servers.
- The kitchen is open from 11am - 9pm on Tuesday – Saturday.
- Guests fees are \$6.00 and will be charged to the member account.
- NO outside food or beverage is allowed at the pool.
- As a reminder, we do not allow PRIVATE pool parties. You are more than welcome to schedule a pool party, but the pool will be open for other members.
- All children under the age of 17 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

~ DINNER SPECIALS ~

TUESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

ROASTED HALF CHICKEN - \$20.00

Half of a chicken, roasted and served with dressing gravy, mashed potatoes, and vegetable of the day.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

ALL YOU CAN EAT FRIED SHRIMP - \$20.00

All-you-can-eat fried shrimp with French fries and Coleslaw.

THURSDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

BURGERS & BREW - \$15.00

Chef will create a specialty burger each week and it will be served with a side of your choice and a domestic beer.

FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

Chef's specials are created for a combination of flavors, textures, and colors, and are served as they were created for your enjoyment of the dish as it was intended to be.

SEAFOOD FRIDAY - \$TBD

The chef working with fishmongers to source the freshest seafood possible, and is depending on them to let us know what is available that day. We will try to post the catch on Thursdays.

SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

PRIME RIB - \$28.00

Our Slow-cooked roast Prime rib of beef with two sides.

FOOD MINIMUMS

September is the end of the 3rd Quarter.

Don't forget to spend \$150.00 on food and beverage before the end of the month.

Reservations are always requested to ensure we can give great service and to help make sure we are properly prepared.

Call us at **870.425.0333** to make a reservation.

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