



# the Briarwood

GOLF COURSE & CLUB

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# “Merry” Merchandising

**Date: Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 9am – 4pm**

**Come out and join us at the Pro-Shop for giveaways, raffles, finger food, beer, and wine for all to enjoy while they spend their hard earned Pro-Shop credit, or just buying some last minute Christmas gifts!**



\*\*\*\*\*Remember\*\*\*\*\*

*Ask your server for a copy of your ticket to verify your member number. Sign one copy. Keep a copy for your records. Thank you.*

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# News *from the* President

Carey Ziebarth

Hello Members, winter seems to have set in as I write this as there is snow on the course and its bitter cold. Hopefully you all had a great golf season and maybe even have a golf trip planned to some warmer weather!! I am sure you have all noticed the new cart path from 4 to 5. It turned out great and Sean and his crew were quick to get the sod laid before the snow. I think it gives our club entry a real finished look!! We have started initial budgets for next year and the board has many things on the agenda. Thanks for supporting your club and allowing us to grow and make some positive changes. Hope to see you all at the club thru the Holiday season!!!! And I must say Congrats to all you Giz fans!!!!

I wish you and your families the very best thru Thanksgiving and Christmas. If you are traveling, travel safely!!

Sincerely,

Carey Ziebarth

# News *from the* Pro Shop

Scott Pekovich, Head Golf Pro

We have had a fairly open winter so far this year and it looks like we will have plenty more opportunities to play the course before New Years!

Winter Hours (If Course is Closed)      Monday – Saturday (9 - 2:30)      Sundays (Closed)

Winter Hours (If Course is Open)      Monday – Sunday (9 - 5:00)

We will be having our “Merry Merchandising” Party in the Pro-Shop this year, with a variety of NEW products for our Members to choose from. The party will be Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup>, from 9 – 4pm. This will be the last day that you will be able to use that hard earned Pro-Shop credit, so come on out and enjoy the fun, food, and prizes that will b given away that day!

Also be ready for the NEW 2014 Membership promotion that could allow you to pay less each month than you have in years past!!!!

On behalf of the Pro-Shop Staff I would personally like to thank all Members for a fantastic 2013 season. We are very proud to serve as your Golf Professionals here at Briarwood and are looking forward to providing an excellent golf experience with new and exciting ideas and events each and every year.

Come March the new Briarwood Tee colors will be Maroon & Silver, Go Griz!!!!

*Happy Holidays*

# News *from the* Maintenance

Sean Sullivan, CGCS

The ground has begun to freeze, which limits the winter projects that can be done. For the outside work, apart from some tree trimming, and some leaf blowing all we can do is to monitor the course conditions. The greens have been sprayed with fungicide, for snow mold protection, and a green pigment. New research suggests that spraying pigments on the greens will help with spring dormancy break. Allowing the greens to come out of dormancy quicker, so we will see. In addition, this year I will be applying a light topdressing to the greens to, further, protect the greens from the winter winds.

FYI, The additional rains that Briarwood got this season helped, not only the course, but the course budget as well. I was able to reduce the amount of water used by 35 million gallons. That in itself is a big reduction, but the savings to the course are realized in the reduction of electricity usage. Although we don't pay for the water, we pay for the electricity to pump from the river to the course, and again to pump onto the course. So this year we had a reduction on the river and irrigation utilities budget lines.

Over the next few months, Brian and I will be working on the equipment, making plans for the 2014 season, keeping up with our continuing education, and producing some more "one off" ball washers. Speaking of what we do here, if you are not already aware, Briarwood made it on the front cover of Western Turf magazine (Fall issue) and the main story within the magazine. In that issue, not only were there photos of the course, but photos of the ball washers and the bear. At times it may be difficult to think of Briarwood, beyond Billings and Montana. But I can tell you that our successes and innovations are known around the world, which is more than our local competition can say. The members of the greens committee will confirm that statement.

From me and the maintenance crew , thanks for your continued support.

Happy Holidays and safe travels.

Sean Sullivan, CGCS

# News from the CLUBHOUSE

Eric Smith, Food & Beverage Director

I would like to start by thanking everyone that came out for Bingo night in November. A big congratulations to the Keneally's, Hatler's, McKnire's and the many other winners! Bingo was a lot of fun and we had a great turn out. We are looking forward to having Bingo nights a few more times throughout the coming months. The next Bingo night is scheduled for Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup> with a Taco dinner buffet starting at 5:00 o'clock. We'll start the bingo calling at 6:00 o'clock. The buffet is \$12 for adults and \$8 for kids under 10. Bingo cards are \$2 each. Bring the whole family and come join the fun and the chance to win some Christmas cash or prizes!

In December we have holiday parties booked throughout the month. We are currently booked the first three Fridays and all four Saturdays in December. The parties will not close the restaurant completely but seating will be limited. Please don't let that stop you from coming to the bar or restaurant on those evenings. Call and make a reservation if it's convenient for you so we can have your table ready when you arrive.

## SUNDAY BRUNCH IS BACK!

Moving into the holiday season we are starting a Sunday brunch for the month of December. We will be serving brunch from 10am-2 pm EACH Sunday in December. Reservations are strongly suggested especially for parties of 6 or more. The menu will be posted at the clubhouse and sent to all the members via email.

We will be closed on Christmas day so our staff can enjoy the holiday with their families.

## New restaurant hours for the month of December:

For the next bingo night on December 15<sup>th</sup>, the restaurant will be open until 8:00. We will offer the taco buffet and we will also offer the regular.

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 11:30am-8pm

Thursday: 11:30am-8pm

Friday: 11:30am-8pm

Saturday: 8am-8pm

Sunday: 10am-2pm (Except Bingo Night)

## NEW YEARS EVE FESTIVITIES!

Come to The Briarwood for the New Years Eve party on the 31<sup>st</sup> of December with dinner and drinks to ring in the New Year. The menu will be sent out via email and posted at the clubhouse as soon as it's finalized. Save the date and come join the party with your fellow club members!

I hope that everyone enjoys their holiday season and we look forward to seeing everyone throughout the month of December.

Thank you for your continued support of our wonderful clubhouse!

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## December 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <b>Brunch</b> 10am-2pm	2	3	4	5	6 <b>Christmas Party</b>  Limited Seating	7 <b>Christmas Party</b>  Limited Seating
8 <b>Brunch</b> 10am-2pm	9	10	11	12	13 <b>Christmas Party</b>  Limited Seating	14 <b>Christmas Party</b>  Limited Seating
15 Bingo 5pm Taco Bar <b>Brunch 10-2</b> Pro-Shop "Party 9-4pm"	16	17	18	19	20 <b>Christmas Party</b>  Limited Seating	21 <b>Christmas Party</b>  Limited Seating
22 <b>Brunch</b> 10am-2pm	23	24 <b>Christmas Eve</b>	25 <b>Closed</b> 	26	27	28 <b>Christmas Party</b>  Limited Seating
29 <b>Brunch</b> 10am-2pm	30	31 <b>New Year's Eve Dinner</b> 				

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The Briarwood is proud to be home to the



Central High golf team

Welcome New Members



Proprietary/Corp	227
Business	7
Single	29
Young Professional	31
Non-Resident	5
Elite Social	23
Trial	1
Founder	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>331</b>



**Merry Christmas  
And  
Happy Holidays**

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GOLF COURSE  
PIZZA

**HOURS**

Monday.....CLOSED  
 Tuesday..... CLOSED  
 Wednesday..... 11:30-8PM  
 Thursday..... 11:30-8PM  
 Friday..... 11:30-8PM  
 Saturday..... 8am-8pm  
 Sunday..... 10am-2pm

**BAR HOURS**

Monday.....CLOSED  
 Tuesday..... CLOSED  
 Wednesday..... 11:30-8PM  
 Thursday..... 11:30-8PM  
 Friday..... 11:30-8PM  
 Saturday..... 8am-8pm  
 Sunday..... 10am-2pm

**TO  
GO!**

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