

# ORLEANS COUNTRY CLUB

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I'd like to begin this letter, on behalf of the directors, by thanking Greg Bean and his outside crew and Horace Archer along with his staff for the great year they had. They all show great pride in each and every task they do which results in great rewards to Orleans Country Club.

## Restaurant Operation

The Board of Directors are pleased to announce the appointment of Emily Maclure as OCC's restaurant manager/lessee. Emily is a 1997 graduate of Lake Region Union High School and a 2001 graduate of Northeastern University in Boston. Emily comes to OCC with a wealth of experience in management. For the last two years, Emily was the director of operations for Fairfax Partners in Los Angeles where she over saw four supper club/lounge properties; Crown Bar, Winston's, The Dime, and The Gasser Lounge. Prior to becoming director of operations, Emily was general manager at The Dime for three years. Emily has also sold real estate in LA and VT at the Keller Williams Realty in LA and Century 21/Farm and Forest Realty, Inc. in Derby. Through her college years and following she had four years experience as bartender at a popular Boston establishment called Whiskeys Sports Bar and Restaurant.

## From Emily:

*"Through all my travels, I still haven't found a place that compares to the beauty of Northern Vermont. I realized there is no place I would rather start my own business than in a place where I have the support of my family and friends. My vision for the Orleans Country Club Restaurant and Lounge is to create a welcoming atmosphere where members and neighbors alike can enjoy our delicious and affordable pub style menu or just relax with friends over a cocktail."*

You will notice that there has been a \$75 Assessment added to all levels of dues this year (except Jr.). In an effort to keep our dues low, we have continuously overlooked the need for new equipment for the outside maintenance operation. Other than some new mowers, OCC has not purchased any significant equipment in over 10 or more years. The \$75 from each member will be set aside in a separate account to use for capital expenditures of this nature. Sure, most will say this is just a dues increase but by having an assessment, it will not be taxed and we will be able to keep it out of the operations account and thus having it in a "savings account" for the much needed equipment.

## Hot News for 2010

- Please note the **"Mail to"** address change on the membership application. In an effort to simplify the Secretary's duties Pat Hunt Inc., our current accountant, will also handle the membership deposits and spreadsheets.
- **Deadline for all early bird discounts is April 15<sup>th</sup>. The payment plan is still available.**
- Our reciprocal program has been very well received and over the summer expanded to 12 reciprocal courses. They include Newport, St. Johnsbury, Barre, Jay Peak, Enosburg, Champlain CC (Swanton), Richford, and VT National. And in near by NH -- The Maplewood, Bethlehem Country Club as well as Owls Nest in Campton, NH. Dufferin Heights in Canada is also included. See the web site for details concerning each individual course.
- The Marketing Committee is becoming more involved with online marketing techniques through facebook, and is developing an email-marketing program. Also, they are meeting with the NEKTTA about the possibility of being a part of their new Central Reservations System on their regional tourism website TraveltheKingdom.com. Please be sure to check our website out at [www.orleanscc.com](http://www.orleanscc.com).
- **VERY IMPORTANT** – OCC Junior Golf Program. Please take the time to read the enclosed letter from the new OCC Junior Program Committee Members. As it states in the letter, this is a win-win situation. If helping out financially is not possible at this time, volunteering your time is equally beneficial to all.
- Enclosed in the mailing are two raffle tickets for a 2011 membership. It is the first of some fundraising plans that we will be doing over the course of the summer. If, after you have purchased the two enclosed, you feel that you can sell more to others please let me know and I will make sure you get them. Thanks to the many donations we received and all that participated in our fundraising events last year we put \$10,000 towards the principal of our outstanding loan.

## *Dates to remember for the upcoming year:*

**Volunteer Day – Sat. April 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Annual Meeting – Tues. April 27<sup>th</sup>**

**OCC Women's Golf Association Meeting – Wed. May 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Member/Member Medley - Sat. May 15<sup>th</sup>** (fun mixer to meet the members & drawing of 2011 Membership Raffle)

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Fun Nite Raffle/Dinner – Sat. July 31<sup>st</sup>**

Sincerely,  
Peter Lanoue, Secretary / Treasurer

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