



Gentlemen of the BTC

October 2, 2025

We have sad news to report that **Past President ad long time member Jim Fowler** has passed away suddenly. It sounds like Jim fell and broke some ribs and experienced complications and things went downhill from there. Our condolences to Jody his wife and the entire Fowler family. Our thoughts and prayers are with them. **Visitation will be Wednesday October 8th from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at Becvar Funeral Home in Crestwood with Military Honors scheduled at 7:00 pm and funeral mass Thursday October 9th at St. Veronica Catholic Church, 1131 Douglas Avenue, Flossmoor, IL at 10:00 a.m.**

It was another beautiful day for golf. Ravisloe was in good shape and there was plenty of good scores out there, but as usual, I could not stay out of the sand traps and shot almost my worst score of the year. My threesome had some fun as Gary Foster lost his phone and drove all around looking for it. Couldn't find it and I won a couple holes in a row giving me a chance, but R. Conners and M. Janda found it and my chances to win were over as Mr. Foster found his game again.

B. Kennedy shot 79 as did N. Radcliffe, R. Kogut 80, J. Samoska 80. Those gold tees much be really short. S. Lee 81, K. Kennedy 82, J. Quilici 82, G. Ward 83, E. Kern 84, Nieves 84, and Serritella 84.

There were some good handicap scores as well. **C. Febel 92/61, W. Janda 85/66, J. Bondi 85/67, J. Jas 88/67, J. Van Eck 90/67, Gagnon 101/68, R. Conners 92/69, T. Krygowski 91/69, P. Lambros 88/69, Podlasek 90/69, and Zupan 87/69. And my Ageless Wonder Club had 4 players R. Abramowitz 105/84, B. Long 98/71, J. Musser 91/71 and my aforementioned buddy Gar Ward who just continues to amaze 83/61.**

Only four weeks of gold left. Can only hope this weather lasts that long. Haven't shot in the 70's yet on Tuesdays but can't worry about it. Got to start working on my ten pins for bowling.

Your secretary,
DJ

P.S. 4 more chances to shoot in the 70's and "GO CUBBIES".

October Birthdays:

Larry Konopacz (1), Larry Garetto (4), Frank Kossman (15), Hal Eberling (16), Larry Gramith (16), Jack Heatter (17), Steve Ostrowski (17), Chuck Dinolfo (18), Jim Eppolito (22), John Bondi (23), Randy Samoska (25), Jerry Jasinski (26).

Please let us know if we missed any birthdays.

Sick & Vigil

Kim Kleinpaste, Paul's wife, is recovering from a heart attack suffered last friday at home. So far she is doing better while recuperating. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Also, **Andy Zilis** is back home while his transplant journey has been delayed due to emergency colon surgery while in the hospital. He is doing better and is trying to stay busy with edting and publishing our weekly

newsletter once again. Andy appreciates all of the thoughts and prayers during this time and hopes they will continue for the future during his recovery and resumption of the transplant process in the upcoming months.

Tennis Report – Al Baldermann

The BTC golf season ends October 28th. We will begin playing tennis on Tuesday, November 4th. The arrangements have been made with the tennis club. We will play from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, as always. You must have a Park Forest Tennis Club membership to play. The court time cost is \$12.00 per week including tennis balls.

Bring your racquet and tennis shoes. Looking forward to seeing you on November 4th!

Also, Chuck DiNolfo asked me to remind everyone that our semi-annual GIO trip is scheduled for Tuesday, November 11th. All are invited. Please let me know if you are attending so that we can make the reservation.

Bowling News

Gentlemen of the BTC,

I hope you all had a wonderful summer. It's that time of the year again as the golf season is winding down and the bowling season is getting ratcheted up! BTC bowling season will be starting on Tuesday 11/4 which is the week after the golf season ends. Next week, I will begin calling bowlers from last year to find out who all is planning on bowling this season, and with which teams. We are looking for individuals and/or full teams to join. There is room for everyone. Bowling, just like golf, is handicapped based on your skill level, which allows all skill levels to compete on a level playing field. If you are new to the BTC, or did not bowl last year, please do not hesitate to call or text me at 708-912-8831. I will find you a spot. If you would rather email, please do so at keith@burroakbowl.com.

Bowling Secretary,
Keith Tadevich

We need all the bowlers we can get, it's fun.

Golf News

We are into the final month of 2025 golf. Please look at the attached sign-up sheet for Green Garden and make sure that your name is checked off if you plan on playing this week. The names that are printed in red are guys that have already been called in as part of a group for Tuesday. This sheet was updated at 8:00pm Thursday Oct 2nd.

If your name isn't checked off on the sheet or your foursome hasn't been called in, please call the hotline (815-242-1597) ASAP.

Reminder: We will no longer be monitoring the old golf hotline number. Delete the old number and add the new number to your contacts.

New Hotline Number: (815) 242-1597

Something pretty special happened this week at Ravisloe. Something that usually doesn't happen if your last name isn't Ward or Franko. One of our members shot his age. Seventy-nine year old Nelson Radcliffe shot a 79. Congratulations Nellie.

At Ravisloe this past week one of our guys hit and knocked over a lamp post with their car in the parking lot. Whoever did it did not report it to the golf course. This is not a good look for the club. After speaking with the course manager, it does not appear that they will be seeking financial restitution, nor will they be reporting it to the police. I think it would be a good idea if whoever did this, call the golf course, admit what happened and apologize.

Your 2025 Golf Guys,

Scott Lee (312) 340-4171
Anthony Serritella (630) 430-5742

2025 GOLF SCHEDULE
(subject to change)

Oct	7	Green Garden Blue	9:00	Split Tee Times
Oct	14	Waters Edge	8:30	Split Tee Times
Oct	21	Naperbrook	TBD	Split Tee Times
Oct	28	Silver Lake	10:00	Shotgun Start