



Gentlemen of the BTC,

February 1, 2024

Golf season is fast approaching, and it seems that we may have a new annoyance to deal with. This spring, two different broods of cicadas — one that lives on a 13-year cycle and the other that lives on a 17-year cycle — will emerge at the same time from underground in a rare, synchronized event that last occurred in 1803.

Billions of the winged insects will make an appearance across the Midwest and the Southeast, beginning in some places in late April, for a raucous mating ritual that tends to inspire fascination and annoyance.

This year's dual emergence is a once-in-a-lifetime event.

After 2024, these broods won't sync up their emergences again for another 221 years.



nbcnews.app.link/qz9PnHGdwGb

Well, it seems like our sci-fi movies of the past are beginning to come true. According to Elon Musk, the first human received an implant from his computer-brain interface company Neuralink over the weekend. Neuralink is one of many groups working on linking the nervous system to computers, efforts aimed at helping treat brain disorders, overcoming brain injuries and other applications. There are more than 40 brain computer interface trials underway, according to clinicaltrials.gov. Neuralink's device is about the size of a large coin and is designed to be implanted in the skull, with ultra-thin wires going directly into the brain. In its September announcement, Neuralink said the wires would be surgically placed in a region of the brain that controls movement intention. The initial goal of the so-called brain computer interface is to give people the ability to control a computer cursor or keyboard using their thoughts alone.

I wonder if this would help my golf and bowling scores?

abcnews.com

It's great to hear that **Gar Ward** is back on the lanes subbing for **Gary Foster** who is nursing a bad hip. Something seems wrong with this picture...Welcome back **Gar**!

Remember that Valentines Day is Wednesday, February 14th. Let's make sure we don't forget our loved ones. Don't forget to put your little heart on.

Overheard at the Bowling Alley

“Oh shit! I forgot to bring my dues – left the check right on the counter.” (Nothing like waiting til the last minute!)

“Where's Kaz? Not here. Why? He has the sniffles and runny nose. What a pussy – no dedication!”
(Anonymous)

Bowling in the Mini-Calcutta? Nah, I'm bowling bad.....I know I will also be bad two weeks from now!

Bowling in the Mini-Calcutta? No I'll be on a boat with MY buddy Gary (Bybee) - What a risk taker!


Heard in the bar after bowling: Political Talk – not a good thing after 6 – 8 beverages!

Overheard on the Tennis Courts

I understand tennis was heating up! Back from injured reserve, **Bob Kennedy** kept picking on **Ed Rooks** for two hours - show more respect to your elders, **Bob**!

Al " Shout the Score Out " Baldermann & his group played hard like it was Wimbledon- even a few celebratory hugs from grown men were observed. **John Schiera**, participated despite ankle, arm & plumbing injuries- good thing **Rob Rollins** fanned him off with a few key whiffs. After tennis, guys were treated to stand-up jokes from **Al Baldermann** ...all booed so loudly the bartender told BTC to keep it down! Just another great Tennis Tuesday!

For those of you who don't have your own golf simulator remember that the Sanctuary Golf Course has their new heated bays with Top Tracer technology. I understand that there is no time limit either. You can hit balls on the range or play a round on their simulator courses.

The advertisement for Sanctuary Golf Course features a collage of images. At the top left, it says 'Coming Spring 2024' above a rendering of a modern golf clubhouse. Below this is a 'Sanctuary' logo. To the right is a 'TOPTRACER' logo. The bottom section shows a large indoor golf simulator bay with multiple screens displaying golf courses.

Bucket Size	Price
Warm-up (25 Balls)	\$7
Medium (35 Balls)	\$9
Large (65 Balls)	\$13
Jumbo (100 Balls)	\$19

Please assist me with my new newsletter idea. I think it would be fun to feature every week an ‘***Overheard at the Bowling Alley***’ and ‘***Overheard at the Tennis Court***’ and ‘***Overheard on the Golf Course***’ piece. Text me @ 708-927-0480 with any and all comments, banter or just plain rude remarks and who said it. **Andy Zilis** or I will edit appropriately.

Unfortunately for the second consecutive year we have failed to mention **Dennis Samoska Jr.**'s birthday on January 30th. We feel so bad about this oversight that we feel special attention should be given for this “greatest of days ever”. So all together now lets sing along to honor his birthday:

“THE OLD GRAY STUD HE AIN'T WHAT HE USED TO BE, AIN'T WHAT HE USED TO BE, AIN'T WHAT HE HE USED TO BE.....MANY LONG YEARS AGO!!!!!!!!!! Happy belated birthday Denny!

Happy February Birthdays

Frankie Carioti (5), Roger Byrnes (9), Dave Blyth (12), Ben Tutka (13), Gary Bybee (15), Marvin Huddleston (16), Ed Kern (18), Terry Conway (21), Doug Blyth (22), Gar Ward (23), Don Franko (26), Steve Anderson (26), Charles Pettrone (28).

Let me know if I forgot anyone.

Parting thought:

Laughing at your own mistake can lengthen your life.

Laughing at your wife's mistakes can shorten your life.

William Shakespeare

Don't forget to visit our BTC website and check the "Flea Market" section if you want to list items for sale or find good deals! Looks like **Bob Kennedy** is cleaning out his golf inventory! Click on the link below.

Stay safe and warm!!

Lee Kaz – Secretary

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Tennis Report – Al Baldermann

14 players. John Schiera has had a bad year. First the hurricane ripped through his Florida house, then his home in Palos got flooded and then he hurt his forearm and had to withdraw from his tennis matches. Better luck in 2024.

10 of us went to the Fifth Quarter for dinner (including Johnny). Good food, great conversation and all for \$12 a man.

Results:

Court 1

Abramowicz	12/19
Rollins	11/19
Schiera	6/13
Lillwitz	8/19
Kees	1/6

Court 2

Ganz	10/17
Kennedy	13/20
Bewley	12/21
Thomas	11/21
Rooks	4/21

Court 3

Anderson	13/16
Schroeder	13/16
Baldermann	9/16
Kahlhammer	7/16
Kees	6/16

BOWLING NEWS

The second half of the season is now underway! Scores seemed a little lower overall this past week, but there were still some great individual efforts.

Some of the top handicap series performers this past week were: **Anthony Serritella 743 series, Jim Eppolito 738 series, Joe Rymysa 731 series, Tom Kelly 724 series, Bob Switak 719 series, Joe Eppolito 695 series, Ben Tutka 694 series, Chuck Febel 692 series, Les Swintek 690 series, Dennis Samoska Sr. 687 series, Derrick Bay 687 series, Mike Seebock 685 series, and Dwight Hammond 684 series.** Some of the best scratch scores were by: **Anthony Serritella 278, 239, and a 719 series, Jim Eppolito 247, and a 648 series, Dennis Samoska Jr. 244, and a 644 series, Bill Slusarczyk 237 games, Tom Kelly 236 game, Dave Jenner 225 game, Terry Conway 224 game, and Randy Giovannetti 220 game.**

I would like to thank everyone for the outstanding support with our first event of the year, we will have at least 11, and possibly 12 teams for our Mini-Calcutta! Our draft will be held in the lounge after bowling this week and complimentary pizza will be served. Please remember if you have not yet paid for your entry (\$50) it must be paid before the draft this week. Our "A" players will draft the teams, and everyone is invited for the pizza while the draft is being conducted.

We still have teams looking for a full-time regular bowler and we are desperately looking for someone to fill these spots! If you know of anyone interested, please let me know. You can call/text me at 708-912-8831 or email me at keith@oakforestbowl.com. See you all Tuesday!

Some important dates for our bowling league are coming up:

February 13th – Mini-Calcutta – we will start taking sign ups this week at bowling. The cost will be the same as last year \$50 per bowler and 100% of this money will be paid out! The Mini Calcutta will take place during regular league bowling and everyone will be bowling with their league team. Each team will consist of an A, B, C, D player based on league average. All members and Applicants are eligible to participate. We will hold the player draft after bowling on February 6th. See Keith Tadevich or Andy Zilis to sign-Up.

March 5th & March 12th – Brosius Doubles – Our annual 2-week handicapped doubles, \$20 per doubles team (\$10 per person), get in with as many bowlers as you like.

April 23rd – Builders Tee Bowling Calcutta – more details to follow

Keith Tadevich – Bowling Secretary

Pots for the week

<u>1st Game</u>	<u>Handicap</u>	
1st Place	Anthony Serritella	286
2nd Place	Dennis Samoska Jr.	255

<u>2nd Game</u>		
1st Place	Jim Eppolito	277
2nd Place	Ben Tutka	264

<u>3rd Game</u>		
1st Place	Tom Kelly	275
2nd Place	Bill Slusarczyk	254

<u>Mystery Pot</u>		
1st Game	No Winner	
2nd Game	Mike Christopherson	126

<u>Last Game Handicap</u>		
1st Place	Tom Kelly	275
2nd Place	Chuck Febel	261
3rd Place	Bill Slusarczyk	254

<u>Clean Pots</u>		
Forward	Dave Jenner	19
Reverse	Tom Kelly	16
30	No Winner	30

<u>Handicap Survivor</u>		
1st Place	Tom Kelly	275
2nd Place	Chuck Febel	261
3rd Place	Jim Eppolito	233

<u>1st Game</u>	<u>Doubles</u>	
1st Place	Anthoney Serritella & John Guarnieri	525

2nd Place	Anthoney Serritella & Mike Breier	500
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<u>2nd Game</u>		
1st Place	Jim Eppolito & Ben Tutka	541

2nd Place	Jim Eppolito & Derrick Bay	518
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<u>3rd Game</u>		
1st Place	Tom Kelly & Dennis Samoska Sr.	495

2nd Place	Tom Kelly & Vince Oliva	494
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<u>2nd Game Blind Doubles</u>		
1st Place	Jim Eppolito & Keith Tadevich	497

2nd Place	Terry Conway & Vince Oliva	493
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3rd Place	Dwight Hammond & Vince Oliva	471
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Standings

#	Builders Tee Club	W	L
5	Smokey's Bandits	7	0
7	Band of Brothers	5	2
11	Oak Forest Bowl	4	3
10	Creative Colors	3	4
4	Traitors	2	5
3	Bright Metals	2	5

#	Builders Tee Club	W	L
9	Beggar's Pizza	7	0
8	Arena Lanes	5	2
1	Burr Oak Bowl	5	2
12	Ascend Welath Planning	2	5
2	Tri-Star	0	7
6	Mama Vesuvio	0	7

Lane Assignments

Lanes	1 & 2	3 & 4	5 & 6	7 & 8	9 & 10	11 & 12
2/6/2024	6 vs. 5	2 vs. 1	12 vs. 11	4 vs. 3	8 vs. 7	10 vs. 9
2/13/2024	3 vs. 12	5 vs. 4	8 vs. 10	2 vs. 6	11 vs. 9	7 vs. 1



Builders Tee Club 2024 Annual Dues Notice



Dues for the Year January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

Make check payable to **BUILDERS TEE CLUB** in the amount of **\$200.00**

Senior Dues (25-year member & 65+ years of age)- \$120.00

Out of State (At least 10 months)- \$100.00

Ad Book- Help us pay for the roster book while promoting your business!

Ads will be printed in full color- you provide the artwork or an ad can be custom made for you.

½ page (2"x3")- **\$75.00** _____ - or Full Page (4"x6") - **\$125.00** _____

Back Inside Cover *- **\$150.00** _____ Back Cover * **\$175.00** _____ **only one spot available*

Please email artwork/logos and ad information to amandagaretto@beggarspizza.com by March 1st

Additional Contribution- \$ _____ (Fill in Amount)

Insert check and mail NOW to Treasurer. Your canceled check will be your receipt. Due date is February 1st. Add the \$20 late fee if paid later. Payment by credit/debit card with a small convenience fee can be made at builderstee.com/applicant page.

***PLEASE INCLUDE CHANGES ONLY! (mark X if no changes _____)**

Member Name (rqrd.): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Wife's Name: _____ Cell: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Business Type: _____

Business Name: _____

THANK YOU FOR PRINTING CLEARLY!

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Opponents in golf matches may need to get in touch with you so please make sure to include your cell phone number.