



Gentlemen of the BTC,

July 4, 2024

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY TO EVERYONE AND THEIR FAMILIES!

Sick & Vigil

We are saddened to report that **Bob Defalco**, passed away last Monday at the age of 71. I understand Bob was a bowler and golfer with our Club. I'm sorry I did not have the opportunity to meet or speak with Bob. RIP. Visitation, Friday, July 5, 2024, 4:00PM to 8:00PM at Damar-Kaminski Funeral Home & Crematorium, 7861 S. 88th Avenue, Justice, Illinois. Funeral, Saturday, July 6, 2024, 10:00AM Prayer Service to be held at the funeral home. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Defalco family.



Heard on the course:

Corey Rob had a situation at Glenwoodie. After golf there was a period of chaos and panic from **Corey Rob** frantically searching for his lost wallet and other belongings. He phoned **Rob Elliot** several times reporting that he lost everything: cash, credit cards and an old condom from 1989. This is where **Rob Elliot** came to the rescue. **Rob** looking over the golf carts from the deck with a beer in his hand, spotted something in the roof gutter in one of the carts. Low and behold it was the wallet! Well done sir!

The History of U.S. Independence Day



Independence Day, celebrated on July 4th, marks a pivotal moment in American history. Here's a brief look at how this day came to be:

Growing Tensions and Early Resistance (1765-1774)

The seeds of independence were sown in the mid-18th century. American colonists grew increasingly frustrated with British taxation without representation. The Stamp Act of 1765 and the Tea Act of 1773 were particularly unpopular, leading to protests like the Boston Tea Party. In 1774, representatives from 12 colonies gathered for the First Continental Congress in Philadelphia to resist British policies.

The Road to Declaration (1775-1776)

The Revolutionary War began with the Battles of Lexington and Concord in April 1775. Amid growing hostilities, Richard Henry Lee of Virginia proposed a resolution for independence in June 1776. The Continental Congress voted for independence on July 2, 1776, and two days later, on July 4, it formally adopted the Declaration of Independence, authored primarily by Thomas Jefferson.

Early Celebrations and Federal Recognition

Following the Declaration's adoption, Americans celebrated with public readings, bonfires, and fireworks. Over time, these celebrations grew more formal and widespread. Congress made Independence Day a federal holiday in 1870 and a paid federal holiday in 1938.

Modern Festivities

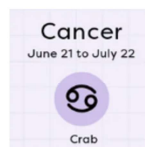
Today, Independence Day is marked by parades, fireworks, concerts, barbecues, and other patriotic displays. It's a day for Americans to reflect on their history, celebrate their freedoms, and express national pride.

Enjoy your Freedom!

Happy July Birthdays

John Schiera (4), Vince Annel (6), Jim Musser (9), Rob Elliot (10), Terry Jesk (12), Rich Schroeder (14), Al Baldermann (19), Vince Oliva (21), Dan Raymond (27), Dave Jenner (31).

Let me know if I forgot anyone.

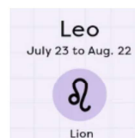


Strengths: Tenacious, highly imaginative, loyal, emotional, sympathetic, persuasive

Weaknesses: Moody, pessimistic, suspicious, manipulative, insecure

Cancer likes: Art, home-based hobbies, relaxing near or in water, helping loved ones, a good meal with friends

Cancer dislikes: Strangers, any criticism of Mom, revealing of personal life



Strengths: Creative, passionate, generous, warm-hearted, cheerful, humorous

Weaknesses: Arrogant, stubborn, self-centered, lazy, inflexible

Leo likes: Theater, taking holidays, being admired, expensive things, bright colors, fun with friends

Leo dislikes: Being ignored, facing difficult reality, not being treated like a king or queen

Parting thought:

Red Skelton - The Pledge of Allegiance

From the Red Skelton Hour, January 14, 1969



I - me, an individual, a committee of one.

Pledge - dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

Allegiance, my love and my devotion.

To the Flag [of the] - our standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there's respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job. ***United*** - that means that we have all come together.

States [of America] - individual communities that have united into 48 great states. 48 individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose, all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that's love for country.

And to the Republic For Which It Stands - Republic ... a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

One Nation - One Nation ... meaning, so blessed by God.

Indivisible - incapable of being divided.

With Liberty - which is freedom, the right of power to live one's own life, without threats, fear, or some sort of retaliation.

And Justice - the principle or qualities of dealing fairly with others.

For All - For all ... which means it's as much your country as it is mine.

And now boys and girls let me hear you recite, the Pledge of Allegiance." "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country, and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance - ***"under God."***

Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said, "That is a prayer," and that would be eliminated from schools, too?"
-Red Skelton

[Red Skelton Pledge of Allegiance - YouTube](#)

Stay cool and hydrated my friends!

Have a great week!

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HISTORIAN NEWS

Fellow Members,

Today I would like you to know a little more about our most determined Member. I say most determined because of his travel times weekly just to play golf with us. **Jack Samoska** travels weekly on Tuesday a minimum of four hours. From Monticello Indiana to just about any course we play. That is two hours each way every Tuesday. That is being dedicated. But before he started this commute and before he joined the Club back in 1996 let's go back to his early days. Jack got married very young and had a child so he was one of the lucky guys who didn't end up in Southeast Asia in the late 60's. Instead Jack worked first at a chicken place that got wiped out in the tornado that hit Oak Lawn in 1967 and then was a machinist tool man until he found his real calling becoming an electrician with Local 134 for 42 years. Jack's Father, **Smoky Samoska**, a long time Member, got Jack and his three brothers into sports and especially bowling early on. Back in 1950 Smoky and his Father started a league at Oak Lawn Bowl that the Samoska Family grew into and won many Championships. **Jack, Smoky, as his Brother Randy** bowled in a league at Arena Bowl that they won 10 years in a row. The Samoska Family has continued winning Championships through this past BTC Season with **Randy, his brother Dennis and Dennis Jr.** continuing their dominance with our Club. Jack is rightfully very proud of his 300 game and even harder to get 800 series. Jack also has won a few Presidents Cups and Club Championships in golfing with the BTC. Jack is a Past President of the Club holding the reins in 2012. But now he only spends five to six months in Indiana and the "snow bird" months in Pahrump, Nevada just outside Las Vegas. He does get to bowl there and continues his good golf play with a 12 month season. Jack has four children, three girls and a son and Jack and Liz have been married since 1994. Hopefully when you see Jack at the course you will appreciate your half hour ride to and from the course a little more when you think about Jack's determination to join us every week.

Thanks for listening,
Your Historian,
Bob Vizdal

GOLF NEWS

If you want to golf please call and leave me a message on the hotline.

BELOW IS A LIST OF MAKEUP MATCHES BEING SCHEDULED FOR NEXT TUESDAY AT DEER CREEK.

Watch for the tee list and other golf news later over the weekend.

Thanks
Larry
Your golf guy.

DEER CREEK	2 MAN	MAKE UP MATCHES			
	PLAYER	PLAYER	VS	PLAYER	PLAYER
	BRUNO	PARISI	VS	RAYMOND	VIZDAL
	SAMOSKA,J	SKONIE	VS	ROB	ELLIOTT
	SCHLESSLER	SCHLESSLER	VS	MCDERMOTT	ZIELINSKI
	GANZ	QUILICI	VS	DAY	OSTROWSKI
	BOTWINSKI	CHMELAR	VS	ABRAMOWICZ	ANDERSEN
	CARIOTI	CARIOTI	VS	RYMSZA	HAMMOND
	SERITELLA	KAZ	VS	HUTCH	LEWIS
	TOMKINS	BAY	VS	CANTELO	TUCKER
	MUSSER	KELLY	VS	JASINSKI	BAND AUSKI
	KLEINPASTE	LOYE	VS	SAMOSKA,D	SAMOSKA,R
	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	MAKE UP MATCHES			
		YOUNUS	VS	SEEBOCK	
		LES	VS	FURMAN	
		CARLSTROM	VS	STRADAL	

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UPDATED GOLF SCHEDULE

DATE	COURSE	TIME	SPLIT OR SHOTGUN OR TEE TIMES	EVENT
JULY 9TH	DEER CREEK	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	MAKE UP DAY
JULY 16TH	SILVER LAKE SOUTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	MAKE UP DAY
JULY 23RD	GREEN GARDEN GOLD COURSE	9:30AM	SHOTGUN	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
JULY 30TH	SILVER LAKES SOUTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	2MAN
AUGUST 6TH	CINDER RIDGE	8:00am	SPLIT TEES	CALCUTTA
AUGUST 13TH	GEORGE DUNNE NATIONAL	8:00AM	TEE TIMES	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
AUGUST 20TH	GREEN GARDEN BLUE COURSE	9:30AM	SHOTGUN	ITALIAN DAY
AUGUST 27TH	GEORGE DUNNE NATIONAL	8:00AM	TEE TIMES	2 MAN
SEPTEMBER 3RD	SANCTUARY	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
SEPTEMBER 10TH	GREEN GARDEN GOLD COURSE	9:30AM	SHOTGUN	2 MAN
SEPTEMBER 17TH	SILVER LAKE NORTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	CALCUTTA
SEPTEMBER 24TH	MICHIGAN TBD			
OCT 1ST	CARDINAL CREEK	9:00AM	SPLIT TEES	TBD
OCT 8TH	GREEN GARDEN EMERALD/BLUE BACK	9:30AM	SPLIT TEES	WORLD SERIES
OCT 15TH	WATERS EDGE	TBD	SPLIT TEES	WORLD SERIES
OCT 22ND	NAPERBROOK	9:30AM	SPLIT TEES	2MAN
OCT 29TH	SILVER LAKES SOUTH	10AM	SHOT GUN	GOLF BANQUET AND
DECEMBER 3RD	SILVER LAKES CHRISTMAS PARTY	6:30PM		

ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

BTC Calcutta

Glenwoodie 7/2/24

Name	H/C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	Net
Kennedy	2	5	4	3	4	3	4	5	5	4	37	5	4	4	5	4	3	4	4	5	38	75
Suntken	17	5	2	6	4	2	4	4	4	4	35	5	4	4	5	3	4	5	3	4	37	72
Bonarigo	18	4	4	5	6	2	3	6	4	4	38	4	3	4	6	4	4	4	4	6	39	77
Jesk	36	4	3	1	4	4	4	5	4	3	32	3	3	1	4	2	5	5	4	5	32	64
Team 1		8	5	4	8	4	7	9	8	7	60	7	6	5	9	5	7	8	7	9	63	123 123 3rd

Foster,Gary	7	5	3	3	6	5	3	5	5	4	39	5	4	3	6	3	4	5	4	4	38	77
Boyle	17	5	4	5	5	3	4	4	3	3	36	3	3	3	4	3	3	4	3	5	31	67
Raymond	18	4	4	3	6	2	2	6	5	4	36	4	5	4	5	5	3	4	3	5	38	74
Younus	36	5	6	4	6	2	5	4	3	4	39	6	7	2	6	2	4	6	4	6	43	82
Team 2		9	7	6	11	4	5	8	6	7	63	7	7	5	9	5	6	8	6	9	62	125 125 4rd

Les	7	6	3	4	4	4	5	5	4	4	39	5	4	3	5	3	4	3	4	4	35	74
Zielinski	16	7	3	2	5	2	5	5	4	5	38	4	5	3	5	5	5	5	3	5	40	78
Schaefer	18	5	6	3	6	2	3	5	3	3	36	5	6	2	6	4	4	3	6	4	40	76
Loye	36	3	3	5	6	2	4	5	4	4	36	6	5	2	6	6	4	5	4	5	43	79
Team 3		8	6	5	9	4	7	10	7	7	63	9	9	4	10	7	8	6	7	8	68	131 131

Furman	8	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	5	38	4	4	4	5	3	3	4	4	5	36	74
Ganz	16	5	3	3	5	2	6	5	4	3	36	5	5	3	6	2	6	5	4	3	39	75
Krygowski	19	6	4	3	5	4	4	4	4	4	38	3	4	3	6	3	4	6	4	6	39	77
Kelly	35	6	4	3	7	2	6	7	6	4	45	7	4	1	6	2	4	4	2	3	33	78
Team 4		9	7	6	10	4	8	8	8	7	67	7	8	4	11	4	7	8	6	6	61	128 128

Lee	9	4	4	5	5	3	4	2	4	4	35	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	5	35	70
Abramowicz	16	4	5	2	5	2	7	6	4	5	40	4	4	3	6	3	4	4	3	5	36	76
Tomkins,D	19	4	4	4	4	2	2	6	3	4	33	5	7	3	5	5	3	2	4	4	38	71
Samoska,D	32	3	4	3	5	2	4	4	4	3	32	4	6	3	6	3	4	4	2	7	39	71
Team 5		7	8	5	9	4	6	6	7	7	59	7	8	6	9	6	7	6	5	9	63	122 122 2nd

Schlesser,P	9	5	4	4	5	4	5	4	5	4	40	4	4	4	4	3	4	2	4	5	34	74
Vizdal	15	5	4	3	4	3	4	5	5	4	37	4	4	3	4	2	4	4	3	5	33	70
Tucker	18	4	5	4	8	3	3	5	3	3	38	5	6	2	5	2	4	4	8	6	42	80
Paoletti	31	6	6	3	6	3	5	3	4	5	41	4	3	4	4	4	3	6	4	6	38	79
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Elliot	10	4	6	3	4	4	4	6	4	3	38	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	4	5	38	76
Rob	15	5	4	2	6	4	5	5	6	3	40	7	4	2	5	3	4	4	4	5	38	78
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Team 7		7	7	4	8	7	7	9	7	6	62	8	7	6	8	5	8	8	8	10	68	130 130

Stanford Schroeder Lambros Tutka Team 8	10	3	2	7	4	4	5	4	5	3	37	4	3	3	5	3	4	4	7	4	37	74
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