



Tree Talk



Pride and Professionalism

By Mike Kelly



This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave.

Elmer Davis

I think I would like to dedicate this entire article to the brave men and women who have served this great nation protecting our freedoms.

I think most of you know that I grew up during the Vietnam era; it was not a pretty time for our country, since no one really knew what the heck we were fighting for. But none the less, most that had been drafted and all that enlisted did their time and came back to an ungrateful nation. Can you imagine what it must have been like to be spat upon when in uniform?

I fear that we are on the cusp of another time in history that our brave will be forgotten. While we fight evil on several fronts, we can quickly forget that we have thousands of our own in harm's

way. Doesn't it seem funny that during the primaries, every politician talked of the great sacrifices that our armed forces are facing? Now it seems that no one wants to even mention the wars or even the thought of having to deploy elsewhere. I fear that unless we keep it up front, we may want to forget.

Let's face it, war is ugly. People get killed and hurt. Not something that we want to think about. But I beg you. How would you like to be fighting for something you may or may not believe in? You are doing it because it is the right thing to do. And then you find out it's not appreciated. I am not sure I could stand that.

The point I make is simple. Every veteran deserves our thanks and respect. The next time you see a person in uniform, Thank them. The next time you see someone that you know served, Thank them. I know I will.

November 11th is the day we set aside to honor our vets, but this year let's make it every day.

Thank You Brave



Pro Shop News

By Joe Bailey



(Yea, yea, yea)

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I hope everyone utilized their right and voted this year. We live in what I believe is the best country in the world. We have more and better opportunities than any other people in the world. We can be as productive as we want to be. That is why we should not take our rights for granted, because if we do someone will come along and take them away.

I hope the weather stays warm enough that you will still be able to come out and play the course. The greens have started going dormant and the speed has increased drastically. It would be nice if we could keep them this speed when the grass is growing. Chad and his crew have done an outstanding job with the course this year. Next time you see one of them let them know how much you appreciate the work they do.

Brag Box:

We have 2 brags for this month. **Gerald Cuddington** had an Eagle on hole #17. Jim Sanders had a round of 70, 5 strokes less than his age. 4 birdies on front and 2 birdies on back. Winner drawn was **Gerald Cuddington**. Stop by Pro Shop and receive your sleeve of balls Gerald.

I would advise you to get a tee time any time you wish to play, that way you are assured to play at the time you want without a long wait, especially on Fridays, since that has become one of our busiest days.

Don't forget when we have Tournaments on the schedule, please call for availability of play.

Also if we are closed for a tournament you can go to the following courses and play on our reciprocal, but will need someone from Pro Shop to call for you.

Courses and prices are as follows: Goldsboro Municipal, Southern Wayne, Falling Creek, Cardinal, Timberlake, Three Eagles Golf Course, (\$15 weekdays \$20 weekends); Johnston County Country Club, (\$20 weekdays \$20 weekends); Wilson Country Club (\$31 weekdays and weekends); Kinston Country Club (\$25 week days and weekends), Cotton Valley (\$25 weekdays and \$30 on Weekends) Cutter Creek (\$35 weekdays and weekends). Iron Wood (\$35 weekdays and weekends), Cypress Landing (\$35 weekdays and weekends). If you have any questions or concerns please let us know.

Don't forget our Steak Night on Thursday, you will not find a better steak for the money in this town. Our breakfast buffet on Saturday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM is also great.

Just a reminder:

Handicap flags are only given out when you can ride on the fairways. A handicap flag allows you to go past the blue exit post, but no closer than 20 feet from the green. We ask you to share the flag if there are 2 people in your group that need a handicap flag.

Please repair ball marks, rake sand traps, and fill divots with sand. Also be sure to always be courteous to other players by practicing proper golf etiquette.