



THE CHIPPEWA CLUB

OCTOBER 2021

UPDATE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

I hope you all had a wonderful summer. The Chippewa Club certainly did!! The September numbers were great, and we continue to see a positive increase in membership, as of this letter we are at 166! The terrace this summer and early fall has been a great success. Successful enough, that we will try extending the venue into October, although indoors. (Please see our website for further details). As I said earlier, September sales have been great and once again we have exceeded our monthly goals. For the year we are 13.6 % over our sales goals and more importantly, momentum continues to build. I wish I could gaze into the proverbial “crystal ball” and see what the long-term future for the club will be, but my thought is with the investments we have made, the future of the Chippewa Club is in very good condition. Because of the great sales numbers and the momentum, we are seeing in both member participation and new member applications, I’m very pleased to announce that your board has decided that at this time will have NO ASSESSMENTS. Remember, this decision was made because of member participation, that fact is the key to our success (see my monthly reminders below, LOL), **CONGRATULATIONS!!!!**

We continue to see pressures from all our vendors, both in pricing and availability, in addition to being understaffed in the kitchen, we realize that sometimes the dining has taken longer than usual, and reservations may need to be adjusted. I know that at times members haven’t been able to make reservations or are unable to order takeout due to large parties or gathering. I want to assure everyone that these short comings are being addressed and we are diligently working to find more staff. The good news is we recently added staff. I would like to introduce Wayne Phelps as our part time bartender, please be sure to welcome Wayne. Just as I said last month, I promise you that WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS. Chef Simon is continually working hard to create new additions to the menu and performing his best to get us through these difficult times. We are currently looking to hire additional help for Chef and looking to fill an additional dishwasher for the dinner service. Cameron is dedicated to his staff meetings and our bar manager, Jen Blahnik, is always open to member suggestions and eager to add any “special” cocktails to our offerings. I am very proud of our entire staff. They all have continually put in long hours to serve our membership. ***They deserve a big thank you from all of us!!***

Here comes the reminder...

Full membership participation has continued to increase, and I feel the Chippewa Club is being looked at as “the place to go”. My theme for this year has always been, the short and long-term success of the Chippewa Club is heavily dependent on its membership. Not only is it important for members to use the club frequently, but it is also equally important that each of us remembers to try to recruit new members as often as we can. I truly want to thank everyone for their efforts, those efforts are being realized.

Lastly, we had a great Annual Board of Governors meeting on Tuesday, September 14th. Your board shared a lot of wonderful news, and it is my hope that we all celebrate our accomplishments.

I want to again thank all of you for your support and I look forward to our increased prosperity.

Pete Merckx
Chippewa Club Board President

HOUSE UPDATE

The Front of House meetings have been very successful and we are working together to be the best team we can be. We have received a lot of wonderful feedback from members and are very appreciative. We are continuing to improve our service and will be making a few changes to service in the near future.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Tunes on the Terrace events in September. Though our attendance was not as high as our previous dates the nights were still very successful and all who attended had a great time. We will be adding some more music dates in the coming months as members have greatly enjoyed the live music. Our next event will be the Legend of Sleepy Hollow Halloween Party on Saturday, October 30th. The planning committee has been hard at work on coming up with an awesome theme and they will have some great surprises for you. You won't want to miss this event!

I would like to remind members that per our liquor license guests of members cannot purchase alcohol. Guests of members are able to purchase their own meals but any alcohol has to be charged to a members bill. Also meals paid directly by a guest of a member, or member meals not charged to a members account (paid with credit card at time of visit) will not count towards the yearly minimum.

Please watch our website and email blasts for upcoming events at the Chippewa Club. We look forward to serving you!

Thank you,

Cameron Kazianka
Front of House Manager



***Our current membership is 166
Welcome new members!***

Andrew and Susan Smith
Peter and Cheryl Kivisaari
Dr. V. & Shashi Mahadev
Robert and Dawn Calderwood



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The Club continues to be a gracious and hospitable