

NATIONAL VETERANS TEE TOURNAMENT

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TEE TIMES

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Welcome To Iowa!



*Happy
Labor
Day!*

WEATHER

*September
Averages*



*High 78°
Low 56°*

Dear Veterans, Family and Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 17th National Veterans TEE Tournament and the great state of Iowa.

We sincerely hope that you enjoy the challenges and fun that lie ahead. I encourage you to take advantage of the events planned for you during the Tournament and hope you learn new skills that you can continue to use throughout the year. The enthusiasm of our staff to host this event will no doubt be matched or surpassed by your determination and spirit.

The Iowa City VA Medical Center is proud to welcome you to this event.

The Tournament gives us the opportunity to honor and thank each of you for your service to our country.

While you are here, I hope you will have an opportunity to enjoy the friendly communities and attractions of the Iowa City area. Congratulations for having the courage and fortitude to strive to be your personal best. Together, we will make the 17th National Veterans TEE Tournament one to always remember.

Barry D. Sharp
Director, Iowa City VA Medical Center



A Message From The TEE Tournament Director

Welcome Veteran golfers, family members, sponsors, special guests and all of our wonderful volunteers to the 17th National Veterans TEE Tournament!

As your hosts, it has been an exciting and exceptionally busy year for us as we have prepared for this week's event. Each year as the Tournament moves closer, we are excited to re-kindle old friendships and start new ones. This year, the event has grown by at least 50 participants, which means that we will have 50 additional chances to create new friendships.

We are always very excited when TEE time gets here, and we look forward to seeing the change that takes place in the first-timers during the course of the week, as they discover how to overcome challenges and develop new skills. I am also sure that past participants will again enjoy serving as mentors, offering tips and words of wisdom to the novice golfers.

When this week comes to an end, it means another whole year of practicing your game to get ready for next year's event. I encourage all of you to have a great time with us and be sure to take every opportunity to meet new friends and enjoy the week of activities. Remember those who don't try, don't do!

On behalf of our local organizing committee in Iowa City, we are here to make sure that each of you has a wonderful experience at the 2010 National Veterans TEE Tournament. Best of luck on the course!



GOLF COACH INSTRUCTIONS

Attention all golf coaches! There will be a meeting at 8 p.m. this evening in the Riverside Training Center. This "train the trainer" session, is an opportunity for you to get some helpful tips and techniques from experienced golfers so you can better help your team improve their game in the days ahead.

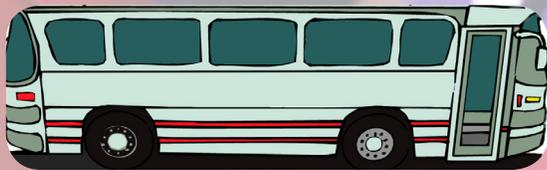
OPENING CEREMONIES TONIGHT

After you have registered, settled in and pulled the lever on a few of the nearby slot machines, it will be time for tonight's opening ceremonies!

The ceremonies are being held at 7 p.m. in the Riverside Casino and Golf Resort Event Center. There, you will get a chance to welcome new participants and hear from some of VA's senior leadership who are excited to be with us this week. Special guests include Acting Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, Steve L. Muro, as our keynote speaker and Barry Sharp, Director of the VA Iowa City Medical Center. Emceeding the event tonight is News Radio 600 WMT morning radio host Andy Petersen.

Welcome to the Tournament! Have a good time tonight at the Opening Ceremonies, and all week long out on the golf course!

TRANSPORTATION



INFORMATION

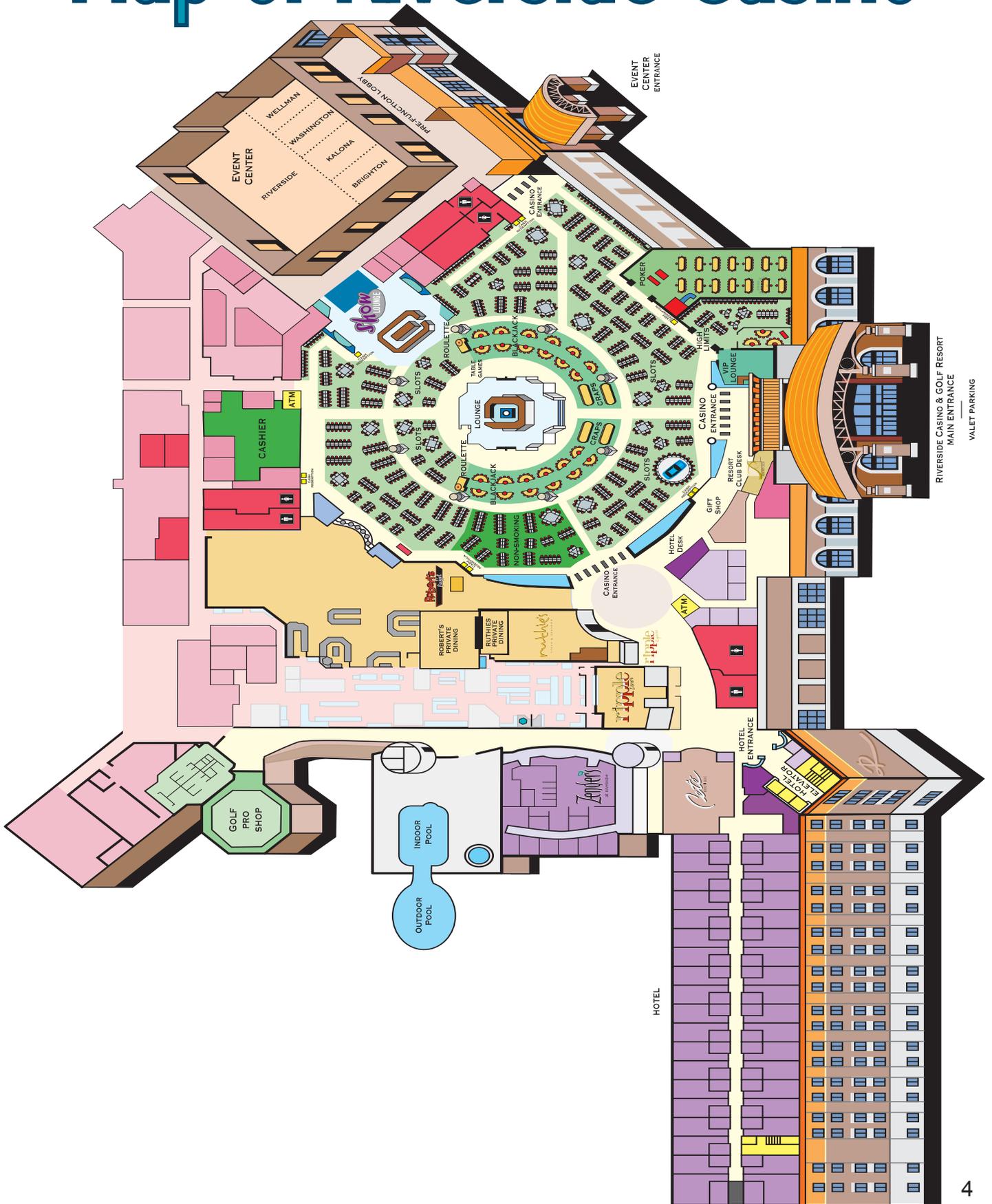
All buses depart from the front of the hotel to the Tournament golf courses.

Note: Each team has the same bus all day to go to the golf courses.

7:30 a.m.	All teams load buses to go to the golf courses.
3:30 p.m.	All teams load buses to return to the hotel.

Any transportation needs, such as return trips to the airport or bus station, must be scheduled with the Tournament's transportation committee. A table is set up near the hotel elevators for your convenience, or you may contact transportation coordinator Angie McDowell by e-mail at angie.mcdowell@va.gov; or by phone at (319) 688-4468.

Map of Riverside Casino



YOU NEED TO KNOW...

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Dr. Andy Schaeckenbach and his team are here to assist you with all your medical needs. Dr. Andy and his colleagues have set up a medical room in the Riverside Casino and Golf Resort, located in the Green Room behind the Event Center. The Medical Room hours are 6:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Also, a nurse wearing a bright orange t-shirt will be at each event and golf course. Don't hesitate to ask for beverages or medical assistance.

If a medical need arises in the evening or throughout the night, please call (319) 330-1825.

IMPORTANT MEETING FOR VOLUNTEER GOLF BUDDIES!

Volunteers are critical to the success of all of VA's national programs and special events. The TEE Tournament is certainly no exception, and our volunteer golf buddies are extremely important members of our teams. This evening, there will be a volunteer instruction meeting at 6 p.m. in the Riverside Training Center. The meeting is for first-time golf buddies, and the agenda will cover what to expect throughout the week and how to assist Veterans on the golf course. Don't miss this informative meeting!



*Did you lose something?
Did you find something?
Lost and Found is
located at the
transportation table
near the hotel
elevators.*

TODAY'S MENU



Monday

September 6, 2010

Time: 5-7 p.m.

Dinner in the Event Center Elite Club
Dinner Choice Buffet

Menu

Spring Mix Fresh Garden Salad with
Champagne Vinaigrette
Tomato and Cucumber Salad
Pasta Primavera
Medallions of Beef
with Sundried Tomato Demi-Glace
Seafood Pasta
Garlic Duchess Potatoes
Wild Rice Pilaf
Green Bean Casserole
Warm Rolls and Butter
Banana Bread Pudding with
Chocolate Sauce
Chocolate Cake
Fruit Cobbler with Cinnamon Cream
Coffee, Iced Tea, Milk



Special Guests and Visitors



Several special guests are scheduled to attend the National Veterans TEE Tournament this week to show their support for all Veteran participants. You will have an opportunity to work with several PGA pros, including: Brian Haas, Jim Dickerson, Troy Christianson, Brian Wernimont and Terri Anderson, who is also a former golf coach at the University of Iowa. They will all work with you to improve your form and your game at the driving ranges and out on the courses.

Steve L. Muro, Acting Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, is here today to represent VA and provide remarks during Opening Ceremonies.

Emily Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs, will also visit Riverside later this week and will provide remarks for VA during Closing Ceremonies on Thursday evening.



Also here during the week are Barry Sharp,

Iowa City VA Medical Center Director and VA Midwest Health Care Network Director Janet P. Murphy, as well as many representatives from this year's local and national sponsors.



They are all here to support you, so when you see them say hello and let them know how much you are enjoying the 17th National Veterans TEE Tournament!

Have a great week!!



TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Monday, September 6

3 to 7 p.m.	Registration	Riverside Casino and Golf Resort Event Center Atrium
5 to 7 p.m.	Dinner	Riverside Casino and Golf Resort Event Center Atrium
6 p.m.	Volunteer Instruction Meeting	Riverside Casino and Golf Resort Training Center
7 p.m.	Opening Ceremonies	Riverside Casino and Golf Resort Event Center
8 p.m.	Golf Coach Instruction	Riverside Casino and Golf Resort Training Center

Tuesday, September 7

6 to 7:30 a.m.	Breakfast Buffet	Riverside Casino and Golf Resort, Robert's Buffet
7:30 to 8 a.m.	Load buses	In front of Riverside Casino and Golf Resort
8 to 11 a.m.	Golf	Red Team at Lake MacBride Golf Course with Bonnie Whitson Yellow Team at Quail Creek Golf Course with Mike Owen Blue Team at Blue Top Ridge Golf Course with Eric Ringena Black Team at Blue Top Ridge Golf Course with Joe Padilla Green Team at West Liberty Golf Course with Bob Neff Purple Team at Elks Country Club with Jean Konchalski
8:30 to 11 a.m.	Companion Activity Craft Day	Riverside Casino and Golf Resort
11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Lunch	Participant lunch at golf courses Companion lunch at Riverside Casino and Golf Resort
12:00 p.m.	Load bus for Companion Activity	Old Capitol Museum Iowa Youth Diaries Project Museum of Natural History 7

Golf Terminology

Addressing the Ball - Taking a stance and grounding the club (except in a hazard)

Away - Ball furthest from the hole (or where you wish you were when playing over par!)

Birdie - One stroke under the designated par of a hole

Bogey - Usually one stroke over the designated par of a hole (also Humphrey Bogart's nickname)

Divot - Turf displaced by player's club when making a swing

Dog-leg - A hole where the route of play angles to the right or left before reaching the putting surface (or the back extremity of your canine companion)

Eagle - Two strokes under par for a hole

Fairway - Closely mowed route of play between teeing area and putting green

Fore - A warning cry to any person in the way of play (comes after three)

Green - The putting surface (ecologically speaking of course)

Handicap - A deduction from a player's gross score devised to match his score against par to equate differential abilities to other players

Hazard - A term used to designate bunkers (sand traps or water areas) (or clubs being held by irate golfers)

Hook - A stroke made by a right-handed player which curves the ball to the left of the target (also a nickname for Peter Pan's favorite pirate)

Match play - Type of competition in which each hole is a separate contest

Par - A numerical standard of scoring excellence hole based on yardage and two putts per green

Stroke play - Competition based on total number of strokes taken

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