

March 2018

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club



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President's Message

Big news is that within the first week or so in March, we will launch a new SMGCC website. This site has been developed by SMGCC member, Andrew Romanek. You will find it a great improvement over the old website, and easy to navigate. You will continue to log on using www.smgcc.org for site name. More news will follow with the exact launch date, and how to log in the member only section the first time. Thanks Andrew for your work developing this site.

Most of February's weather was not conducive to golf. However, we did have a full month of social events including a large crowd for Valentine's Dinner and another hugely successful Trivia Night. The Father/Daughter dance, a special event, was attended by 150 members and guests.

March is shaping up to be a great month for both social and golf events. Socially, there is a St. Patrick's Day party scheduled for March 17th. There will be food, drinks and live music for an unbelievable price. I suggest you make reservations early.

Golf-wise: the Mountain Mule is March 3rd, and long range weather forecast is good. This is the first of many events included in the tournament package, so make sure you're signed up to get a tremendous discount versus paying per event. With daylight savings time starting March 11, our first Thursday night golf game will be March 15th. This is a great way to meet other golfers, and have a lot of fun for a small fee.

See you at our club,
Jeff



WINTER 2018 GOLF MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL!

JOIN THOUGH MARCH AND PAY NO DUES or ASSESSMENTS UNTIL
APRIL 2018! (New Full & Junior Golf Members Only)

PLEASE SHARE WITH PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS.

CONTACT MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN DAVID MARKS FOR DETAILS.

423 364 0502 or dhmarks52@gmail.com

Out of the Rough

Course Report March 2018

Cold weather has backed off and although it has been very wet I'm excited to say we have been productive on a few projects that have been kicked around the past couple of years. I'll get to that but first I want to fill you in on our aerification schedule. We will aerify greens with 3/8" tines on a very tight spacing the week of March 5... Weather permitting. Some greens and areas of some greens will be double aerified. The recovery time will be less than usual. Our late fall aerification was very aggressive and so this spring the focus will be on using a smaller tine with a much tighter spacing pattern.

We have several projects to talk about so let's get right to them.

The old flower bed at the practice green has been removed. This area will be smoothed and then sodded with Bermudagrass and Zoysia grass. It will be maintained at approach height. This will provide considerably more area to chip from and will allow you to practice a variety of lies. The flag pole will be relocated at a later time.



The mounds right of the 7th green are being elevated. The goal of this project is to keep a few more golf balls in play.



The large oak tree near 3 tee has been removed. This tree shaded the 2nd green but perhaps most importantly was very detrimental to the health of the 3rd tee. The 3rd hole being a short par 3 that receives a tremendous amount of divots, couldn't overcome the shade and competition from the tree. The area will be sodded and the actual teeing space of the area enlarged slightly.



The approach bunker on the 8th hole is being covered in soil and will be sodded. The bunker was in very poor condition and was really only there to save some shots from rolling down the hill and going out of bounds. We believe a grassed surface depression will serve the same purpose.



If you'd like to discuss any of these topics in greater detail feel free to contact me at prose@smgcc.org. I'm always happy to spend some time on the course with members to discuss any concerns you may have.

Please follow the Department's Twitter account [@SMGCCTURF](https://twitter.com/SMGCCTURF) for updates on what the team is doing to prep the course for play each day.

See you on the course!
Pat



Please take the time to check out the SMGCC website and view the wonderful Aerial Golf Course Tour. Thank you to Andy Tucker and his nephew for spearheading this project. It is a great resource to use for prospective members.

<http://www.smgcc.org/Golf/Course-Tour>



Golf News

The golf season is finally kicking off due to some wonderfully warm winter temperatures we have experienced over the last week. The golf shop has begun receiving the newest equipment offerings from companies like Titleist and Ping. The shop should also be receiving new apparel lineups from FootJoy and Oxford in the coming weeks. Please stop by to check out the new stuff.

We will also be taking orders for the Titleist ProV1 Loyalty Rewarded Program. This is a great way to stock up on the best balls in golf for the upcoming season. If you have never participated in this program, it is Buy 3 Dozen, Get 1 Dozen Free. This includes free personalization.

The tournament season is upon us, and you do not want to miss an opportunity to sign up for the 2018 Tournament Program. The Tournament Program is a way to prepay, at a deeply discounted rate, for a number of events on the tournament schedule. The Tournament Program includes 13 different events for the low price of \$200. It would cost \$430 to pay for all of these events individually. We also have a discounted rate for ladies at just \$75. The program cost can be paid all at once or split up over two different billing cycles.



Upcoming Events

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| March 3 | Mountain Mule |
| March 31 | Super Skins/Shootout #1 |
| April 7 or 8 | Master's Blind Draw |
| April 12 | Ladies Opening Day |
| April 26 | One Day Member-Member/Member-Guest |
| April 28 | Putting Tournament |
| May 5-6 | Member-Member |



2018 SMGCC Tournament Schedule

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| March 3 | Mountain Mule |
| March 31 | Super Skins / Shootout #1 |
| April 7 or 8 | Master's Blind Draw |
| April 12 | Ladies Opening Day |
| April 25 | One Day Mem-Mem / Mem-Guest |
| April 28 | Putting Tournament |
| May 5-6 | Member-Member |
| May 18-20 | Signal Mountain Invitational |
| May 25 | Couples Golf Begins |
| May 28 | Memorial Day Scramble/Shootout #2 |
| June 9 | Match Play Brackets Released |
| June 10 | Couples Championship |
| June 16 | Super Dogfight / Shootout #3 |
| June 23-24 | Ladies Club Championship |
| June 27 | One Day Mem-Mem / Mem-Guest |
| Jun 29-Jul 1 | Men's Club Championship (Championship Flight) |
| Jun 30-Jul 1 | Men's Club Championship / President's Cup |
| July 4 | Flag Day / Shootout #4 |
| July 20-22 | Mountaineer |
| August 11 | Super Skins / Shootout #5 |
| Aug 14 & 16 | Pixie Lanham Better-Best Tournament |
| Aug 18-19 | Haskew Cup at Black Creek Club |
| Sep 3 | Labor Day Tournament / Shootout Finale |
| Sep 8-9 | St. Charles Cup |
| Sep 15-16 | Malarkey Cup |
| Sep 18 | Kistler Cup Begins |
| Sep 23 | Parent-Child |
| Sep 26 | One Day Mem-Mem / Mem-Guest |
| October 20 | Superintendent's Revenge |
| October 24 | One Day Mem-Mem / Mem-Guest |
| October 25 | Ladies Closing Day |

***Tournament Program Event *LGA Event**

For Tournament Formats, Start Times, Cost, and to Sign-Up
please visit www.smgcc.org



**Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club
2018 Tournament Program**

Tournament Program Fee: \$200

Ladies Program Fee: \$75

***Fee can be Split Billed**

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Price Included In Tournament Program</u> | <u>Non-Program Entry Fee</u> |
|----------------|--|---|----------------------------------|
| March 3 | Mountain Mule | \$20 | \$35 |
| April 25 | One Day Member-Member / Member-Guest | \$20 | \$40 |
| May 5-6 | Spring Member-Member | \$20 | \$50 |
| May 28 | Memorial Day Scramble | \$5 | \$20 |
| June 9 | Match Play Brackets Released | \$5 | \$25 |
| June 27 | One Day Member-Member / Member-Guest | \$20 | \$40 |
| July 4 | Flag Day | \$5 | \$20 |
| June 23-24 | Ladies Club Championship | \$25 | \$40 |
| June 30-July 1 | Men's Club Championship & President's Cup | \$50 | \$80 |
| September 3 | Labor Day Tournament | \$5 | \$20 |
| September 26 | One Day Member-Member / Member-Guest | \$20 | \$40 |
| October 20 | Tough Day | \$10 | \$30 |
| October 24 | One Day Member-Member / Member-Guest | <u>\$20</u> | <u>\$40</u> |
| | | Total: \$200 | \$430 |

SMLGA News

Ladies, the Main Bar at SMGCC is now open for lunch on Wednesday through Friday from 11am to 5pm for ADULT MEMBERS ONLY. We still have another month before our Ladies Opening Day so call your friends and meet for a glass of wine and lunch, a late afternoon beverage of choice, or join your husband for lunch. You may prefer to get together your own bridge table for lunch and cards afterwards. There is a regular group of ladies that have been meeting for lunch on Thursdays at 11:30 and staying for fun and easy games (dominos, euchre, etc.) after lunch, and any and all are welcome to join them. Contact Susan Stuart if you would like to join this group on any Thursday. As always, reservations are recommended.

Upcoming Dates:

April 9 - Ladies Golf Clinics will begin at 11:15 AM. Cost will be \$15 per clinic.

April 12 - Opening Day Breakfast Meeting and 9 Hole Select Shot Tournament with breakfast and the meeting starting at 9 AM. Those who wish may play the back nine afterwards.

May 6 - First "Nine & Wine" of the season at 3 PM. All ladies of the club are invited to play.

August 21 & 23 - Pixie Lanham Tournament. This is a date change so that our members who like to play in the Diamonds and Dough Cancer Tournament at Valley Brook may do so on August 16.

Officers for the Ladies Golf Association 2018:

President - Deedee Raulston

Vice President - Chee Chee Allen

Secretary - Lynne Marks

Treasurer - Carol Floyd

If you have not done so, please mail your 2018 SMLGA dues of \$40 ASAP to:

Carol Floyd

4625 Conner Creek Drive

Signal Mountain, TN 37377

SMLGA News





Join Our Mailing List
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Clubhouse Happenings

We are gearing up for a busy spring at the club! Thank you to everyone that have already been attending club events this year and making them such a success!

Join us March 17th for the first big party of the year – St. Patrick's Day! We will have live music, Irish food, beverage specials, & fun + games...feel free to bring guests, but please make reservations! Tickets are \$30 and include entry, food, plus 2 drink tickets! This will be a party you don't want to miss!!

The following weekend we will be hosting an Pop-Up Gallery in the Ballroom. Club member and owner of Culture & Couture Gallery Sarah Campbell is hosting the event, called "A Room with a View". The show will feature renowned local artists paintings as well as some local artisan goods including pottery and dresses.

As always, feel free to reach out if you would like to host an event at the club. The ballroom, President's Room, & deck (now that it is finally a little warmer!!) are all wonderful places to host events.

See you at the club!
Mary Elizabeth Wheeler

SMGCC Book Club

Thursday, March 15th

6 PM in the President's Room

March Selection:

The English Wife: A Novel by
Lauren Willig

Thursday, April 19th

6 PM in the President's Room

April Selection:

Big Little Lies by Liane
Moriarty

The Book Club meets on the third Thursday of every month in the President's Room, and all the ladies of the club are invited to join the group and stay for dinner afterwards. There are some months when special events are planned, and the information will be posted in the club newsletter.



Dining Specials

Tuesday

Kids eat free in the dining room
with purchase of an adult entrée.

Friday

Chef's Specials

Saturday

Breakfast 8am - 11am

Sunday

Breakfast Buffet
9am - 2pm \$8.95

Specials



All Things Social

The February Trivia Night was a huge success as was the first one held in January. Kudos to Mary Elizabeth and her staff for handling the high volume of attendees. As a club with an active social committee, we will continue to offer functions and events of interest to you the members. On a sad note, we did not have anyone sign up for the dance lessons for March and April. However, on a positive note, show your Irish on Saturday, March 17 and have fun with us at the St. Patrick's Day party. Irish food, music, fun and games that you don't want to miss. Make your reservations now.

See details on the info cards in the bar or dinning room. See you at the party!

Do You Know?



Darice McDowell

Darice is our new assistant business office manager. She and her husband, Ron, live on Signal Mountain. Her family settled on Signal Mountain in the late 1800's. Prior to joining our staff, Darice worked in the payroll department at Kenco Logistics for 6 years. Darice says she loves her part time job at SMGCC. It gives her more time to be with family; including an elderly, live in mother-in-law. Please take time to stop in the business office and meet Darice. Her office hours are Tuesday thru Friday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. (or later depending upon needs).

March 2018

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 Chef's Dinner Specials | 3 Mountain Mule |
| 4 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 5 Club Closed Greens Aerification | 6 Family Night Kids Eat Free Greens Aerification | 7 Greens Aerification | 8 Greens Aerification | 9 Chef's Dinner Specials Greens Aerification | 10 |
| 11 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 12 Club Closed | 13 Family Night Kids Eat Free | 14 | 15 Book Club 6pm | 16 Chef's Dinner Specials | 17 St. Patrick's Day Party (Reservations Encouraged) |
| 18 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 19 Club Closed | 20 Family Night Kids Eat Free | 21 | 22 | 23 Chef's Dinner Specials | 24 |
| 25 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 26 Club Closed | 27 Family Night Kids Eat Free | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

April 2018

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|--|--|-----------|--|--|---------------------------------|
| 1 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 2 Club Closed | 3 Family Night Kids Eat Free | 4 | 5 | 6 Chef's Dinner Specials | 7 Masters Blind Draw |
| 8 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 Masters Blind Draw | 9 Club Closed Ladies Golf Clinics Begin 11:15am | 10 Family Night Kids Eat Free | 11 | 12 Ladies Opening Day (Breakfast Meeting & 9 Hole Tournament 9am) | 13 Chef's Dinner Specials | 14 |
| 15 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 16 Club Closed | 17 Family Night Kids Eat Free | 18 | 19 Book Club 6pm | 20 Chef's Dinner Specials | 21 |
| 22 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 23 Club Closed | 24 Family Night Kids Eat Free | 25 | 26 One Day Member/Member – Member/ Guest | 27 Chef's Dinner Specials | 28 Putting Tournament |
| 29 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 | 30 Club Closed | | | | | |



Clubhouse Extensions:
(423) 886-5767

Pro Shop & Tee Times
Ext: 226

To-Go Orders & Reservations
Option: 3

Business Office
Ext: 225

Chef's Office
Ext: 245

Main Bar
Ext: 223

Men's Card Room
Ext: 227
Tuesday - Friday 10am - Dark
Saturday & Sunday 8am - Dark

Club Manager
Ext: 242

Administrative Fax
(423) 886-2879

Golf Shop Hours

Tuesday - Sunday
7:30 am - Dusk

Range

8am - Dusk

Clubhouse Hours

Signal Grill

Tue - Sat: 11am - 8pm
Sunday: Closed

Dining Room

Tue & Wed: 5pm - 8pm
Thu, Fri & Sat: 5pm - 9pm
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

Main Bar

Tue & Wed: 5pm - 8pm
Thu, Fri & Sat: 11am - 9pm
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

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