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Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club



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President's Message

Seems it's only been a couple of weeks since we were anxiously awaiting spring and warmer weather. Now we're into fall. How did spring and summer go so fast? The answer is...Happily for SMGCC members that enjoyed our club's amenities. The pool was wonderful with new furniture and extended days. The golf course was, simply put, the best ever. The food was fantastic, and service continued to improve. Thanks to our entire staff from management down for your work.

Now that summer's gone, we look forward to fall. October usually brings us cooler temps and glorious golfing weather. There are multiple social events scheduled. You will find information on these in the newsletter. Food & Beverage will provide delicious meals, especially the dinner specials.

Our annual meeting will be Thursday, October 25th at 6:30 PM. We will review the last year, and elect board members to serve for 2019. The slate of candidates for officers and directors appears in this newsletter. It will be posted throughout the club house. We hope to see everyone at the meeting. If you are unable to attend, absentee voting will begin October, 20th. Ballots will be located in the pro shop. My thanks to Woody Hamilton and his nominating committee for getting a full slate of qualified candidates to run for a seat on your board.

See you at OUR club, Jeff

The Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members and returning members for September 2018.

Welcome To:

Bobby Perry (Junior), Sales Manager with Alpha Orthopedic Systems, and wife Jennifer and children Palmer (4) and Portlyn (4 months)

Beau Wells (Junior), Director of National Sales for Vincent Printing, and wife Beth and daughter Virginia (3)

Annual Meeting October 25 at 6:30pm in ballroom



Ballot for Officers and Directors

President:	Jeff Caplenor (2nd year of term)
Vice President:	John Friedl Rob Pearse
Secretary:	David Marks Bobby Morrison III
Treasurer:	Mark Ellis Andrew Ruffner
Director: (Vote for 2)	David Cates Alan Kelley Arch Trimble

Out of the Rough

Out of the Rough

Fall is in the air! ...And so is the rain. Above average rainfall at the end of September has continued right up through the start of October. This has forced us to impose a few play and cart restrictions. Fall is the time of year where turf growth really slows down and the plant begins to go dormant. This dormancy period and the turf's inability to recover from damage, forces us to be extra careful with play and maintenance traffic on the golf course. Damage to our turf this time of year is not likely to recover until May.

With so much rainfall lately, we have continued to vent greens with 3/8" solid tines. This is a great way to increase soil oxygen, increase drainage and keep disease pressure in check.



Heights of cut continue to be raised on playing surfaces with the end goal being to get to the ³/₄" mark. This will greatly improve the ability of our low cut turf to survive winter. We still have a little bit of preemerge herbicide to spray in fairways. We will time that with rainfall as best as possible to ensure the product is effectively watered into the soil.

Overseeding has taken place in a few areas around the course. The second fairway has been overseeded with Kentucky Bluegrass. The 12th fairway has been overseeded with Perennial Ryegrass. Several areas of the rough have been overseeded with various cool season grasses. Please excuse our ropes and temporary cart restrictions in those areas.

Please follow the Department's Twitter account @SMGCCTURF for updates on what the Team is doing to prep the course for play each day.

See you on the course! Pat

Golf News

The fall season has finally set in and we have experienced some wonderful, hot weather. The golf course is looking better than ever. The greens are nearly perfect after the early aerification. We hope to see you all using the golf course as much as possible over these next great weather months.

Malarkey Cup

The event first took place more than ten years ago and has been a great success ever since. Jeff Caplenor has been instrumental in putting this event together each year. This year's teams were captained by Jeff Caplenor (Gold Team) and Bobby Morrison III (Green Team). The Gold Team got out to an early lead during the Four-Ball matches and lead after the morning session 8-4. The teams split the Saturday afternoon Foursome matches and the Gold Team lead 14-10 after day 1. The Green Team came out and won some early matches in the Sunday Singles and pulled close to the gold team. The green team managed to win the final 2 matches on the course to secure a tie and retain the Cup after winning last year. This was the second tie in the 12 years of the event. We finished off the weekend with a wonderful five course meal prepared by the Food and Beverage staff. It was once again another great event. If you have never played in this event, you should block off your calendar next year. Don't miss out on the great fun.

Upcoming Events

October 3- One Day Member-Member / Member Guest October 20- Superintendent's Revenge / Shootout Finale October 24- One Day Member-Member / Member-Guest October 25- Ladies Closing Day December 7- Golf Shop Christmas Party/Roulette Sale

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SMLGA News

Congratulations to Jean St. Charles, the winner of the 2018 Kistler Match Play Tournament played September 18th thru 21st! Deedee Raulston was the runner-up. These two ladies are having quite the golfing year! In addition to being the 2018 Kistler Champion, Jean was inducted into the Tennessee Golf Hall of Fame in June of this year. Deedee, the Kistler Runner-up also won the Pixie Lanham Best/ Better Ball Tournament played in August. Jean finished 4th in that tournament!

Chee Chee Allen won the Consolation Bracket of the Kistler Match Play Tournament, and Doris Chambers was the runner-up. Maryellen Cook won the "Gotta Win Something Tournament", and Sylvia Friedl finished 2nd. Pat Herring and Naomi Lindsey played the longest match... 21 holes. Congratulations to all these golfers! The Awards Luncheon followed Friday play on the upstairs deck, and everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch prepared by Chef Bob.



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Upcoming Dates:

October 18 - Shootout Event. Entry Fee is \$5. Please note the change of date (not October 11).

October 25 - Ladies Closing Day 9 Hole Select Shot Tournament with a Luncheon and General Meeting following play. The entry fee is \$5 (or more) donation to Signal Mountain Social Services. Remember it's almost Halloween and costumes are optional. A sign up sheet will be available in the Ladies Lounge. Everyone come out and join us





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Things Social

The month of September did not feel like fall with temperatures soaring into the high 80's and low 90's. We are grateful to the club for allowing members to continue to enjoy the pool throughout the month and participate in "The Last Splash of the Summer" and the Kids Ice Cream Sundae bar.

October will feature a new golf event for the club, "GLOW GOLF". Don't miss out on the fun after dark on Saturday, October 6th. We will begin with dinner on the patio at 7:00pm, followed by a 9-hole scramble under the stars. There were only a few team slots left so contact the Pro Shop at 886-2557, ext. 1 to sign up.

Saturday, October 13th will be our final Cornhole tournament for the year. We will begin play at 3:30pm on hole #1, weather permitting. Please contact the club to sign up your team on or before Friday, October 12th. A minimum of 12 teams will be required for the event. If you are not a player you can still come out and support the teams. Bring your lawn chairs and be part of the fun.

On Friday night, October 19th we will bring back TRIVIA NIGHT. Come and join us for food at 6:00pm with the games beginning at 7:00pm. Reservations are recommended to allow us to plan the proper amount of food for you and your family.

See you at the club!

SMGCC Book Club

<u>Thursday, October 18th</u> 6 PM in the President's Room October Selection: *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman

Thursday, November 15th 6 PM in the President's Room November Selection: *to be announced*

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.



Malarkey Cup Tournament

September 14 - 16, 2018 Ended in a tie! Therefore, having won last year, the Green Team retained the title.





St. Charles Cup Tournament

September 7 - 9, 2018 "Sinners" won 40-32!



Do You Know?



October's "Do You Know" employee is Bo Ashcraft. If you are a golfer, you know Bo as he has worked as a cart guy since August 2017. Bo was born in Shreveport, Louisiana. His family moved to the Chattanooga area in1996. Bo graduated from Baylor High School, and is a 2017 graduate of Tennessee Tech. He received his degree in Finance from Tennessee Tech's School of Business. He is a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity. Bo plans on returning to school to obtain a MBA degree in the future.

You will now be seeing Bo in and around the clubhouse as he is now our house maintenance person. Thanks, Bo for stepping into the house maintenance role.

When not working, Bo enjoys traveling off-road in his Jeep and watching any LSU sports. Geaux Tigers!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Ħ	2 Family Night Kids Eat Free	3 One Day Member- Member/Member- Guest	4	5 Chef's Dinner Specials	6 "Glow Golf" 7pm
7 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm	8 Club Closed	9 Family Night Kids Eat Free	10	11	12 Chef's Dinner Specials	13 Final Cornhole Tournament 3:30pm
14 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm	15 Club Closed	16 Family Night Kids Eat Free	17	18 SMLGA Shootout Book Club 6pm	 19 Chef's Dinner Specials Trivia Night Dinner @ 6pm Games @ 7pm 	20 Private Party Main Bar 1pm Dinner Club 6 pm Superintendent's Revenge / Shootout Finale
21 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm	22 Club Closed	23 Family Night Kids Eat Free	24 One Day Member- Member / Member- Guest	25 SMLGA Closing Day, General Meeting & Luncheon Annual Meeting 6:30pm	26 Chef's Dinner Specials	27
28 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm	29 Club Closed	30 Family Night Kids Eat Free	31 Halloween			

2018	Thu Fri Sat	2 Chef's Dinner Specials	9 Chef's Dinner Specials	15 16 17 Book Club 6pm Chef's Dinner Specials 17	22 23 24 Thanksgiving Buffet Chef's Dinner Specials 11am – 4pm Club Closes @ 4pm	29 30 Chef's Dinner Specials
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Movember 2018	Tue		6 Family Night Kids Eat Free	13 Family Night Kids Eat Free	20 Family Night Kids Eat Free	27 Family Night Kids Eat Free
	Mon		5 Club Closed	12 Club Closed	19 Club Closed	26 Club Closed
	Sun		4 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm	11 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm	18 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm Family Bingo 4:30pm	25 Brunch Buffet 9am – 2pm



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Golf Shop Hours Tuesday - Sunday 7:30am - 6:30pm

Range Tuesday - Sunday 8am - Dusk

Signal Grill Tuesday - Saturday: 11am - 8pm Sunday: Closed

Dining Room Tuesday & Wednesday: 5pm - 8pm Thursday - Saturday: 5pm - 9pm Sunday: 9am - 8pm

Main Bar Tuesday: 5pm - 8pm Thursday: 11am - 9pm Wed, Fri. & Sat: 5pm - 9pm Sunday: 9am - 8pm

Men's Card Room Tuesday - Sunday: 8am - 9pm

Pool (Memorial Day - Labor Day) Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - 8pm Friday & Saturday: 10am - 9pm Sunday 12:30pm - 8pm

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