

December 2017

# Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club



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## President's Message

As my term of President comes to a close, I would like to thank all those who have served on the board and committees over the past two years. It has been my utmost pleasure to lead the club as we continued our goal of financial stability. Our current debt will be retired in 2018 and a new 20-year lease with the Town of Signal Mountain is slated to begin January 1. These events place the club in a great position for future improvements and growth. I am confident incoming president Jeff Caplenor will provide excellent leadership. Please thank him for his willingness to serve SMGCC.

With the holiday season upon us, please remember the entire staff of SMGCC for their outstanding performance in 2017. They work tirelessly to ensure our members have a positive experience. I'm asking all members to please consider making a donation to the employee Christmas fund. Any amount you would like to contribute is appreciated.

See you at the club.

Mike LeVan

The Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members and returning members for November 2017.

*Welcome To:*

William P. Huddleston (Social), Retired Electrical Engineer, and wife Marie

## WINTER 2018 GOLF MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL!

JOIN DURING JANUARY thru 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](mailto:dhmarks52@gmail.com)







# Thank You!

Please join us in thanking Kathy Ahern for her 6 wonderful years of service in the Business Office and wishing her a wonderful retirement with her husband John. Kathy has been invaluable to the Club and especially to Katherine Powers. We will greatly miss her humor and dedication to the Club.

Also join us in welcoming her replacement Darice McDowell. Please drop by the Business Office to say hello and welcome Darice to the Club.

# Out of the Rough

December is upon us and the closing of another year is just weeks away. The Club has been beautifully decorated thanks to our awesome ladies group lead by Donna Morrison and Suzanne Caplenor. I personally want to thank these two ladies for their service to the Club. I know they donated a great deal of their time to ensure the Club looks its best for our Membership this holiday season. The staff and I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday.

Turning to the course, the turf team has been very productive this fall with leaf collection and tree work. Our goal each year is to have leaf collection concluded by Christmas... assuming Mother Nature provides the needed assistance. This year we are actually ahead of schedule and by mid-December, we will be moving on to several projects that address playability, plant health and our aging infrastructure on the course. Here are a few things to look forward to this winter:

- Building New Benches for the Course
- Repairing / Replacing Several Irrigation Heads
- Expanding the Chipping Area at Putting Green
- Smoothing Several Drain/ Irrigation Lines in Fairways/ Roughs
- Continued Removal of Exposed Rock in Fairways
- Brush Removal on Perimeter of Holes 8, 12 & 13

With cold weather here to stay for a few months, let me remind everyone of a few critical issues:

- Frost delays always include the putting green.
- You must check in with the golf shop prior to play. This helps ensure you are aware of the day's playing conditions and any special circumstances that may be pertinent to your round of golf.
- Course restrooms will close for the season as freezing temperatures become more persistent. Signs will be posted in the golf shop as needed
- Blankets will be used to protect the turf from winterkill as needed. This will mostly be on the back 9 and could result in closure of those holes in the event of an extended cold snap.

If you'd like to discuss any of these topics in greater detail feel free to contact me at [prose@smgcc.org](mailto: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 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>



# Christmas Sale

Friday, December 8th from 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Spin the Roulette Wheel to get Discounts on your Merchandise  
Complimentary Light Hors D'oeuvres, Beer, and Wine will be Served

*\*Remember: All Shop Credits must be used by December 31st\**



Stop in the golf shop to check out our latest merchandise. We have a wide selection of logoed outerwear from Sun Mountain, Under Armour, and Footjoy. These are great pieces to add to your wardrobe for the winter months. We have Titleist ProV1's on sale for \$45 per dozen as well as the new Titleist AVX golf balls for \$45. Keep the club in mind when looking to fulfill some Christmas List items for loved ones. Also remember that shop credits expire at the end of the year.

Don't forget to purchase your 2018 Prepaid Golf Rounds. Members can purchase up to 6 prepaid rounds at the price of \$50 plus tax. This can save you more than \$170 when purchasing and using all 6 rounds. Sign up for your prepaid rounds in the Golf Shop.

Plans are underway for 2018 and we are diligently working to make next year a fun and exciting golf season. Go ahead and mark your calendar for the 2018 Mountaineer July 19-22. The tournament schedule will be available in mid to late January and details about upcoming events will be published.

-Paul





## SMLGA News

The Golfing Ladies will meet for lunch at the club on Tuesday, December 19th, at 11:30 to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and to wish Anna Cunningham a wonderful Christmas in their new home in Huntsville. Anna is a long time member of the Signal Mountain Ladies Golf Association and grew up on this mountain playing golf at SMGCC! Please RSVP to Deedee Raulston by December 14th at the latest, and join us as we celebrate the Christmas season AND our dear golfing friend, Anna!

There will be a SMLGA Board Meeting following the luncheon, so officers and directors need to plan to stay afterwards. 2018 SMLGA dues of \$40 may be mailed to the treasurer, Carol Floyd at 4625 Conner Creek Dr., Signal Mountain TN 37377.

Merry Christmas, ladies! Hope to see you on the 19th of December at the club!

SMLGA News



*Congratulations to our very own Jean St. Charles on being inducted as the 50th member of the prestigious Tennessee Golf Hall of Fame. Jean is known as Tennessee's First Lady of the Rules of Golf and started playing golf in 1958 when she joined Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club. She is also our longest standing member! Jean can be seen around the Club frequently--so please offer her your congratulations. Way to go Jean!*



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## Clubhouse Happenings

It's hard to believe 2017 is already coming to an end! It has been a year with lots of change and we are looking forward to the new year to continue to make the club better than ever. Thank you to everyone that has welcomed me to Signal Mountain over the last few months!

While its getting colder outside, the clubhouse is cozier than ever with delicious dishes from Chef Bob and beautiful holiday decor around every corner thanks to Suzanne Caplenor and Donna Morrison!

We are headed into a very busy month with lots of special events but we do still have a few dates available, feel free to contact me if you would like to host your family and friends at the club. Thank you to everyone that have already trusted us with their celebrations! Our goal is to make your events here truly enjoyable and memorable for all, whether it be a personal or work function.

Santa will be visiting the club on Sunday, December 10th! Join us for dinner & visit with family and friends! As always, Santa will have gifts for all the kids! Reservations are required by December 8th.

Don't forget to make your New Years Eve reservations by December 21ST! Enjoy dinner specials and drinks at the club from 5-9pm on December 31st.

Happy Holidays!  
Mary Elizabeth Wheeler

## SMGCC Book Club

### **Thursday, December 14th,** **Christmas Party**

6 pm at the home of Liz Hedges  
610 Ohio Avenue

Please bring an appetizer or dessert of your choice to share and a cute pair of gloves or mittens wrapped in Christmas cheer for the gift exchange. All Book Club members are invited to celebrate the season!

### **Thursday, January 18th** 6 pm in the President's Room ***The Book That Matters Most, A Novel*** by Ann Hood

If you're thinking about adding books to your Christmas list, check out the following February Selection: *Tisha* by Robert Specht

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.





***Happy Holidays!***

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Santa Visit & Family Night Dinner**

**4:00pm – 7:00pm**

Santa is coming back for his annual visit to SMGCC.

Come for dinner and visit with family and friends. Santa should be arriving from the North Pole around 5pm. As always, he will have a sack full of toys for the good little girls and boys.

Please contact the clubhouse or email [maryelizabeth@smgcc.org](mailto:maryelizabeth@smgcc.org) if you are not aware of the details of this event. Due to the popularity of this event, it is for members only.

\$12 adults \$7 Children (12 & under)

**Reservations are absolutely necessary by Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.**


**Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**

**New Year's Eve Dinner**

**5:00pm – 9:00pm**

As 2017 comes to a close, come enjoy dinner and drinks at the club from 5-9pm. Chef Bob will have specials for everyone to enjoy.

**Reservations required by December 21<sup>st</sup>.**



# Seasons Greetings

*Each year the Club solicits donations from the membership for its Employees Christmas Bonus Fund. The funds are distributed to all employees in early December. Please indicate the amount you wish to contribute. We hope you will take this opportunity to express your appreciation to all employees, especially those who work behind the scenes to make this a club enjoyable for its members. Yes, I will contribute the following amount to the fund:*

*\$50 \_\_\_\_\_ \$75 \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_*

*Payment method:*

*Bill my account \_\_\_\_\_ Check enclosed \_\_\_\_\_*

*Auto Draft \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_*

*Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_*

*If you prefer sending your pledge via email:*

*kpowers@smgcc.org or dmcdowell@smgcc.org*



# 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



# December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Chef's Dinner Specials	2
3 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	4 <b>Club Closed</b>	5 Family Night Kids Eat Free	6	7	8 Chef's Dinner Specials Golf Shop Christmas Party/Roulette Sale	9
10 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 Santa Night 4pm – 8pm	11 <b>Club Closed</b>	12 Family Night Kids Eat Free	13	14	15 Chef's Dinner Specials	16
17 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	18 <b>Club Closed</b>	19 Family Night Kids Eat Free	20	21	22 Chef's Dinner Specials	23
24 <b>Club Closed</b> 31 <b>New Year's Eve</b> Dinner Specials. Closed at 9pm. Reservations Required.	25 <b>Club Closed</b> <b>Christmas</b>	26 Family Night Kids Eat Free	27	28	29 Chef's Dinner Specials	30



# January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <b>Club Closed</b>	2 Family Night Kids Eat Free	3	4	5 Chef's Dinner Specials	6
7 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	8 <b>Club Closed</b>	9 Family Night Kids Eat Free	10	11	12 Chef's Dinner Specials	13
14 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.9	15 <b>Club Closed</b>	16 Family Night Kids Eat Free	17	18 Book Club 6pm	19 Chef's Dinner Specials	20
21 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	22 <b>Club Closed</b>	23 Family Night Kids Eat Free	24	25	26 Chef's Dinner Specials	27
28 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	29 <b>Club Closed</b>	30 Family Night Kids Eat Free	31			



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: 242

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: 5pm - 9pm  
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

## **Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club**

### **Board of Directors 2017**

#### **OFFICERS:**

Mike LeVan, President  
Woody Hamilton, Vice-President  
Shawn Devine, Treasurer  
Kirk Burns, Secretary  
Bobby Morrison, Past-President

#### **DIRECTORS:**

Harry Cash  
Rob Pearse  
Deedee Rauslton  
Steve Dobson  
Mark Ellis  
David Marks

#### **MANAGEMENT STAFF:**

Mary Elizabeth Wheeler,  
Clubhouse Manager  
Pat Rose, Golf Course Superintendent  
Paul Helle, Head Golf Professional  
Katherine Powers, Accounting