

April 2016

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club

Club News



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President's Message

After a mild winter the course is beginning to green up and will be in great shape in a few weeks. Thanks to everyone for supporting the dining and club events over the winter months. We are looking forward to an exciting Summer 2016.

Please remember our membership drive is in place until May 31. Pass the word to your friends and neighbors or give their contact information to Woody Hamilton, our membership chairman. Mark your calendars for the casino / membership party on Saturday April 23. This will be a great event for members and prospective members alike. I encourage your participation, as new members are a critical component of any club.

The Signal Mountain Invitational will be held May 20-22. This tournament gives our club great exposure from golfers across the region. If you or your company would like to be a sponsor this year contact Paul Helle or Andy White.

See you at the club.

Mike LeVan

Membership Special

The membership committee with board approval has instituted a membership drive reducing initiation fees in the Junior and Full Golf Categories. This Special will ONLY be available from March 1, 2016 -May 31, 2016.

The Junior (Under 40) special is a \$1,000 initial payment and installment payments of \$50.00 per month for 40 months totaling \$3,000. A savings of \$2,000!!!

The Full special is a \$2,000 initial payment and installment payments of \$50.00 per month for 40 months totaling \$4,000. A Savings of \$1,000!!!



Out of the Rough April 2016

Spring has arrived! The turf is greening up, rounds played are on the rise and the staff is in overdrive each day. Here is a brief review of what has been going on and a little bit about what to look for in the coming weeks.

The Capillary Concrete bunker on 17 is performing well. This was an interesting process and I'm happy with the results so far.

Long grass / fescue sod has been laid around the new walk path on 17 as well as a few other areas like the steep bank at 3tee and a few out of place mulch beds we had around the property. This will greatly reduce the amount of labor needed to maintain those areas and give the course greater harmony from tee to green.

The old green extension on the 17th has been sodded and should be playing more like a putting surface each day. Expect to see that area covered on cool days or in preparation for frost.



We continue to trim and remove trees where necessary. Nothing is more critical to our success than getting the proper amount of sunlight and air flow to our fine turf. Remaining on the list this spring are a few decaying trees like the one behind the 2nd green, left of the 4th fairway, right of the 9th fairway and left of the 18th green.

I'm pleased with the way the turf has broken dormancy thus far. I expect to see a little bit of winter kill but certainly less than we had last year. This is an issue that is trending in the right direction for us. The reasons are twofold; Old Man Winter has been a little more kind to us lately and our efforts in getting the course more sunlight are paying off.





I need to comment on a couple issues that have come up recently. Ball mark repair is a must. If you see someone not repairing their ball marks please put some peer pressure on them to do so. This photo was taken recently on the 11th green and shows 8 untouched ball marks.

I will be roping off a few areas in which I have been too lenient on in the past. No one likes to see the course cluttered up with ropes but I simply have to protect a few areas that are being abused with cart traffic. Most notably of these is the walk path going from the 3 tee to 3 green. Carts should always remain on the path near tees and greens. Again, peer pressure works in these situations as golfers are the ones who see this happen more than any of the staff.

If you'd like to discuss any of these topics in greater detail feel free to contact me at prose@smgcc.org. Tweets are still rolling off each day. Are you getting these useful updates? If not consider signing up to follow the Department on Twitter under the handle [@SMGCCCTURE](https://twitter.com/SMGCCCTURE). It only takes a moment of your time to get quick updates on course conditions, projects, or to see what the staff is focusing on each day.

See you on the course!
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SMLGA News

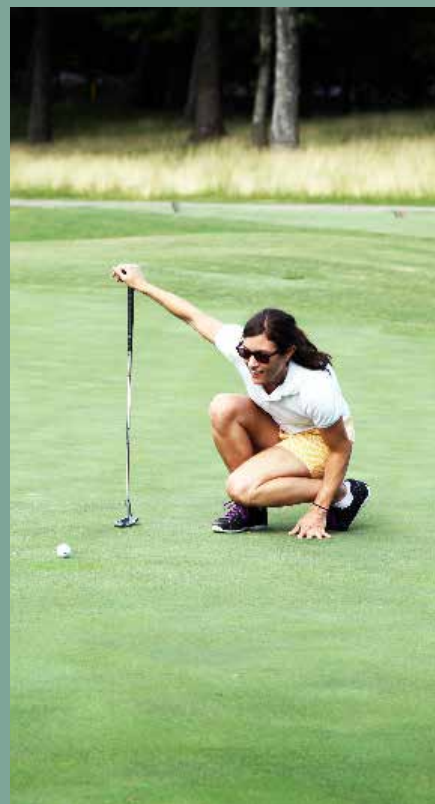
Calling all lady golfers. It's officially spring and the season is ready to launch.

Our opening meeting and breakfast and (weather permitting) 9 holes of golf will be Thursday, April 7, 9:00 AM. Please look for the sign-up sheet in the ladies lounge. We'll need to know if you plan on coming to breakfast so we can plan appropriately. Even if you don't choose to play we'd still love to have you join us at 9:00 for breakfast. It's a great chance to catch up with all the news from the past few months.

Please be sure to let Naomi Lindsey (naomilindsey@yahoo.com) know if any of your contact information has changed. She will be updating the ladies' membership book.

We're restarting Saturday golf, which is open to any ladies who are looking for a chance to play and maybe meet some new members of the club. You do not have to be a member of the Ladies Golf Association to participate. Just give Sylvia Friedl your email address (sylviafriedl@hotmail.com) and she'll add you to the weekly mailing list. We usually play 18 holes starting around 10:45.

See you on the 7th.



Casino Night April 23rd

7:30pm - Midnight

DJ starts at 9:30pm

\$70/couple; bring a guest couple for \$20

Heavy hors d'oeuvres.

Reservations are due by April 16th.



Lifeguards Needed

We are looking for certified lifeguards for the 2016 season! (16 years or older)

If you know of someone who would be interested, this is the time of year certification classes are offered.

Contact: Michael Rupe 423-886-5767 X 249

Golf News

It is great to once again see a busy golf course after the warmer weather moved this way in March. I hope to continue to see a large contingent of golfers as the weather continues to improve.

The Signal Mountain Invitational is just around the corner. There are so many different ways to become involved in this great event. If you have never competed before, it is a great way to test your abilities against some of the best players in the area. If you don't feel that your game is quite up to par with some of those players, we do have different flights for you to compete in. If your handicap is 10.0 or higher, then you can even compete in the stableford division. This keeps you from having to post your full score and allows you to pick up at double bogey. If you do not want to compete, we are always looking for volunteers and sponsors. We will be hosting the Sponsor's Party at the Club this year. The venue has changed, but the quality of the party will remain. I would like to thank Bob Morrison Jr. and his wife, Bobbie, for shouldering the burden of the Sponsor's Party the last several years and their continued support of the party. If you need any additional information regarding the Signal Mountain Invitational, please contact the golf shop.

The Signal Mountain Invitational caters to many Collegiate Players from around the southeast. A few years ago our members began offering housing for the participants, and we have gotten great responses from participants and hosts. If you would be interested in housing some players for this year's event, please contact the golf shop.

Mark your calendars for the Annual Demo Day. The event will be held on Sunday, April 24th from 2:00-6:00. This year's demo day will include products from Titleist, Callaway, and Ping. This is a wonderful time to test out the latest equipment and find the product that works best for you. This is also a wonderful time to get fitted for new irons, wedges or driver. The Golf Shop Staff will be helping as well as the Tech Reps from the different companies.

Please continue to check your club emails. We will be emailing out upcoming dates and information for our Mom's Night Out Golf Clinic once we nail down the specifics. I hope to have all of this information in the upcoming weeks and out as soon as possible.

Upcoming Dates

April 2- Super Skins / Shootout #1
April 7- Ladies Opening Day
April 9 or 10- Master's Blind Draw
April 13- One Day Member-Member/
Member-Guest
April 23- Putting Tournament
April 30-May 1- Member-Member
May 20-22- Signal Mountain Invitational

Golf News





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Everything Social

Spring is finally here and we are hoping for some sunny beautiful days. I want to thank the membership for a great winter/holiday season, especially those members who booked holiday parties and family functions and made reservations with the Club. These events make a positive impact on the Club!

Look for more family and new member functions in April, starting with Family & Bingo night on Saturday, April 9. Mary Catherine Robbins, our Board Secretary, will be our MC! The Bingo Night menu will include a taco and nacho bar with your favorite toppings, chicken quesadillas, chicken fingers, and homemade churros. Reservations required for this family fun event!

We will also be having a Member/Prospective Member Casino Night on Saturday, April 23 with food, games, and music all for a great price! This event is reservation only—so make yours early! \$70 per couple and bring a guest couple for \$20

The upstairs Patio is open and makes for very enjoyable outdoor dining! Families can always enjoy the grill and outside patio. Thanks for your continued support!

James Fletcher
Food & Beverage Manager
886-5767 x242

SMGCC Book Club

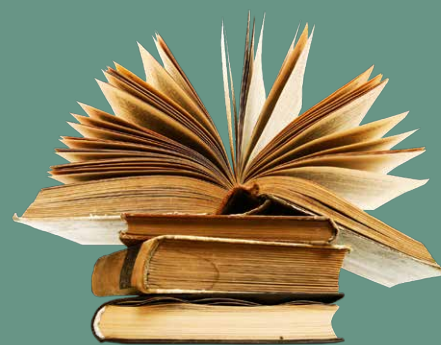
Thursday, April 21, 6 pm

April Selection:
H is for Hawk by Helen MacDonald

Thursday, May 19, 6 pm

May Selection:
Breakfast with Buddha by Roland Merullo

The Book Club normally 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. Please call the club to make your dinner reservation and tell them you will be dining with the Book Club. There are some months when special events are planned and the information will be posted in the newsletter.



Weekly Evening Specials

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

April 13th Catfish; April 27th Beef Stroganoff
\$10++ for adults and \$5++ for children 10 and under—
Beverages are not included. Reservations Required!

Thursday

April 7th Fried Chicken; April 21st Meatloaf
\$10++ for adults and \$5++ for children 10 and under—
Beverages are not included. Reservations Required!

Friday

Chef's Specials

Saturday

Breakfast 8am - 11am

Sunday

Breakfast Buffet

Specials



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Chef's Specials Jr. Golf Camp 9am - 11am	2 Super Skins / Shootout #1
3 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99	4	5 Family Night	6 Reservations Due for Family Bingo Night	7 Ladies' Opening Day Masters Viewing Fried Chicken Night	8 Chef's Specials Masters Viewing	9 Masters Viewing in the Dining Room Family Bingo Night Master Blind Draw
10 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99 Masters Viewing Master Blind Draw	11	12 Family Night	13 One Day Mem/Mem - Mem/ Guest Catfish Night	14	15 Chef's Specials Reservations due for Casino Night	16
17 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99	18	19 Family Night	20	21 Book Club Meatloaf Night	22 Chef's Specials	23 Putting Tournament Casino Night
24 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99	25	26 Family Night	27 Beef Stroganoff Night	28	29 Chef's Specials	30 Member - Member Tournament

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99 Member/ Member	2	3 Family Night	4	5	6 Chef's Specials Kid's Mother's Day Craft	7 Kentucky Derby Patio Party 5-8pm
8 Mother's Day Brunch	9	10 Family Night	11	12	13 Chef's Specials	14
15 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99	16	17 Family Night	18	19 Book Club	20 Chef's Specials Signal Mountain Invitational	21 Signal Mountain Invitational
22 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99 Signal Mountain Invitational	23	24 Family Night Ladies Pool Preview Party	25	26	27 Chef's Specials Couples Golf Begins Pool Opens	28
29 Breakfast Bufet \$8.99	30 Memorial Day Scramble / Shootout #2	31 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: 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 - Wed: 11am - 8pm
Thu - Sat : 11am - 9pm
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

Dining Room

Tue - Wed: 11am - 8pm
Thu - Sat : 11am - 9pm
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

Main Bar

Tue - Wed: 11am - 8pm
Thu - Sat : 11am - 9pm
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

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