

December 2016

# Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club

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## President's Message

As we enter into the holiday season, I would like to thank the entire staff of SMGCC for their outstanding performance in 2016. 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.

With the close of the year we will have our annual changes on the board of directors. Rolling off the board this year are Andy McDaniel, David Cates, Mark Ellis, Jean Cates, and Mary Catherine Robbins. Please take a minute to thank them for their dedication and service to SMGCC.

While the winter months do limit some club activities, we have a variety of dining and social events planned. Make sure you check your newsletter and email for upcoming events. If you're not receiving email blast on events contact the business office to be included on all announcements.

See you at the club.

Mike LeVan



## Out of the Rough

The Holiday season is upon us! Colorful decorations adorn our homes and the Club, while the golf course has turned many shades of dormant brown. I am very thankful for the change in scenery as it's been an historic year in many ways.

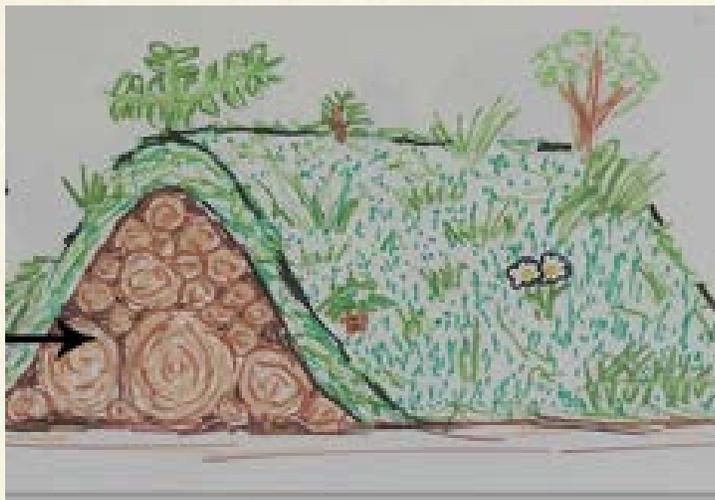
I won't bore you with data overload but here are a few facts from the not-so-distant past. October brought .28" of rain. November to date we've received .2" of rain. This is staggering and when added to the rest of the year, gets us to nearly a 30" rain deficit here at the Club. That is about half of our average rainfall for the year. Can you imagine what your business or personal finance situation might look like if incomes were cut in half? It might sound like a silly analogy but trust me, the turf and golf course feel the same way!

Here is the latest map from the National Drought Monitor. I anticipate a change in this by January as well above average rainfall may be coming our way. For now we remain in the worst classification they have, Exceptional Drought.



Recently we installed some new irrigation between the 1st and 5th holes. This will help alleviate challenges with a poorly designed single row irrigation system on those holes. Given the amount of rock in the area, we were forced to use our antiquated backhoe for the project. We will let the trench settle over the next couple weeks before topping it off with topsoil and sod. The area is marked and played as "Ground Under Repair." We installed 4 new heads, 1 quick coupler for hand watering and 1 isolation valve. Due to the proximity to the satellite box, we were able to link the heads to the computer control system for automation. This was a wonderful project that took less than 2 days!





We will soon begin removing dead Leyland Cypress trees along Timberlinks. In its place will be a mound to screen the street and help keep golf balls on the course. The finished product will resemble these two photos. More information about the process can be found at <https://richsoil.com/hugelkultur/>

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. Another reminder to please follow the Department's Twitter account @SMGCCCTURF. This is especially important in the cooler months when course availability is always a concern.

See you on the course!  
Pat



## SMLGA News

The Signal Mountain Ladies Golf Association Board will meet Thursday, December 8th, at 10 am in the President's Room at the club. This will take the place of the annual January meeting when many of our members fly South to get a leg up on the golf season. We will be discussing 2017 events and scheduling those events. Deedee Raulston, president, asks that members be thinking of whether you want an Invitational Tournament or Member/Guest Tournament, formats and dates for the Kistler and Jean Cates Tournaments and any other items that should be addressed.

All Board members, please plan to attend the December Board Meeting and RSVP via email to Deedee Raulston as soon as possible.  
deederaulston@gmail.com

2017 SMLGA dues of \$40 may be mailed to:  
Carol Floyd  
4625 Conner Creek Drive  
Signal Mtn. Tn 37377



*Merry Christmas and  
Happy New Year!!!*



## Golf News

Stop in the golf shop to check out our latest merchandise. We have a wide selection of logoed outerwear from Sun Mountain and Under Armour. These are great pieces to add to your wardrobe for the winter months. We have the 917 line of Titleist woods that are truly performing greats for golfers of all skill levels. We also have Titleist ProV1's on sale for \$40 per dozen. 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 2017 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.

Starting January 1st, if you are a member of the club and use the driving range or golf course, and do not have a club bag tag, please stop in the golf shop to get one. Also, please make sure that you are checking in with the Pro Shop before teeing off. This helps us keep track of rounds as well as lets us know which members are on the course if incimate weather moves in. This also lets you know if there are any special course conditions that we need to inform you of.

Plans are underway for 2017 and we are diligently working to make next year a fun and exciting golf season. Go ahead and mark your calendar for the 2017 Mountaineer July 20-23. The tournament schedule will be available in mid to late January and details about upcoming events will be published.  
-Paul



## Christmas Sale

Friday, December 2nd from 6pm to 9pm

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\*



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## Everything Social

Wow!! It is hard to believe 2016 is coming to an end—but what a great year it has been in F&B! The holiday season means more time to spend with our loved ones and celebrate with food football, and maybe a bit of golf if weather allows!

We still have room for holiday parties!! Thanks to all who have already trusted us with their celebrations—we appreciate your confidence in us to make your events special, whether it is for work or family. It is wonderful to see the changes in your families and work staff for those who hold their events here each year, as we strive to make these truly memorable for all.

Thanks to all our members for your support throughout 2016; this has been one of the best years since I joined the staff. I also want to thank the Board of Directors for their trust in me and our entire staff. I personally want to express my appreciation to my management team: Chef Bob Hlavka, Front-of-the-House Manager Morgan Hill, Bar Manager Paige Noles, and to the Business Office staff of Katherine Powers and Kathy Ahern. These people and our entire F&B staff have been instrumental in our success in 2016.

Happy Holidays to all!  
James Fletcher

## SMGCC Book Club

Monday, December 12th  
6 pm at the home of Liz Hedges  
610 Ohio Avenue

Christmas Party

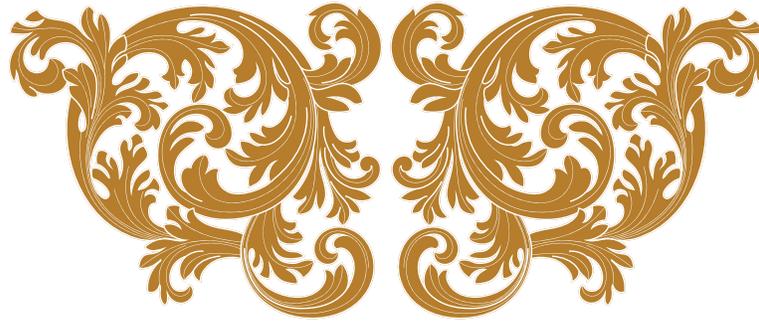
Please bring an appetizer of your choice to share and a cute pair of socks wrapped in Christmas cheer for the gift exchange. Also, Liz will be collecting children's books, games and/or puzzles for the Children's Hospital at Erlanger.

**Please note the date change above. We will be meeting on Monday evening in December instead of Thursday evening.**

Thursday, January 19, 6 pm at SMGCC  
*Making Arrangements* by Ferris Robinson  
Ferris is a local author and will join us for the January Book Club!

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. There are some months when special events are planned, and the information will be posted in the club newsletter.





## Upcoming Events

*Sunday, December 4*

### *Santa Visit & Family Night Dinner*

4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

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 if you are not aware of the  
details of this event.

Due to the popularity of this event it is for members  
ONLY.

Reservations are ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY by

Saturday, December 3rd at noon.

\$10.00 Adults \$5.00 Children (12 and under)

*Friday, December 16*

### *Holiday Mingle*

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Get away from all the holiday hustle and bustle and relax  
at the club for an easy-going evening with  
friends and tasty food.

This is for our adult members only. Drink and menu  
specials will be announced later.

Reservations are encouraged but not mandatory for this event.

*Saturday, December 31*

### *New Year's Eve Dinner*

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

As 2016 comes to a close, come enjoy dinner and drinks  
at the club from 5 – 9 PM.

Chef Bob will have specials for everyone to enjoy.

Reservations required.

*Wednesday, January 11*

### *Ballroom Dancing Classes*

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Chase away winter and warm up your feet and your  
heart with some fun-loving, ballroom dance lessons for  
couples. Classes start on Jan 11th  
and will continue every Wednesday night for 5 weeks

January 12    January 19

January 26    February 2

February 9    and finally...

Debut your skills at the Valentine's Day Dinner Dance ;)

\$100 per couple



# Weekly Evening Specials

## Tuesday

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

## Friday

Chef's Specials

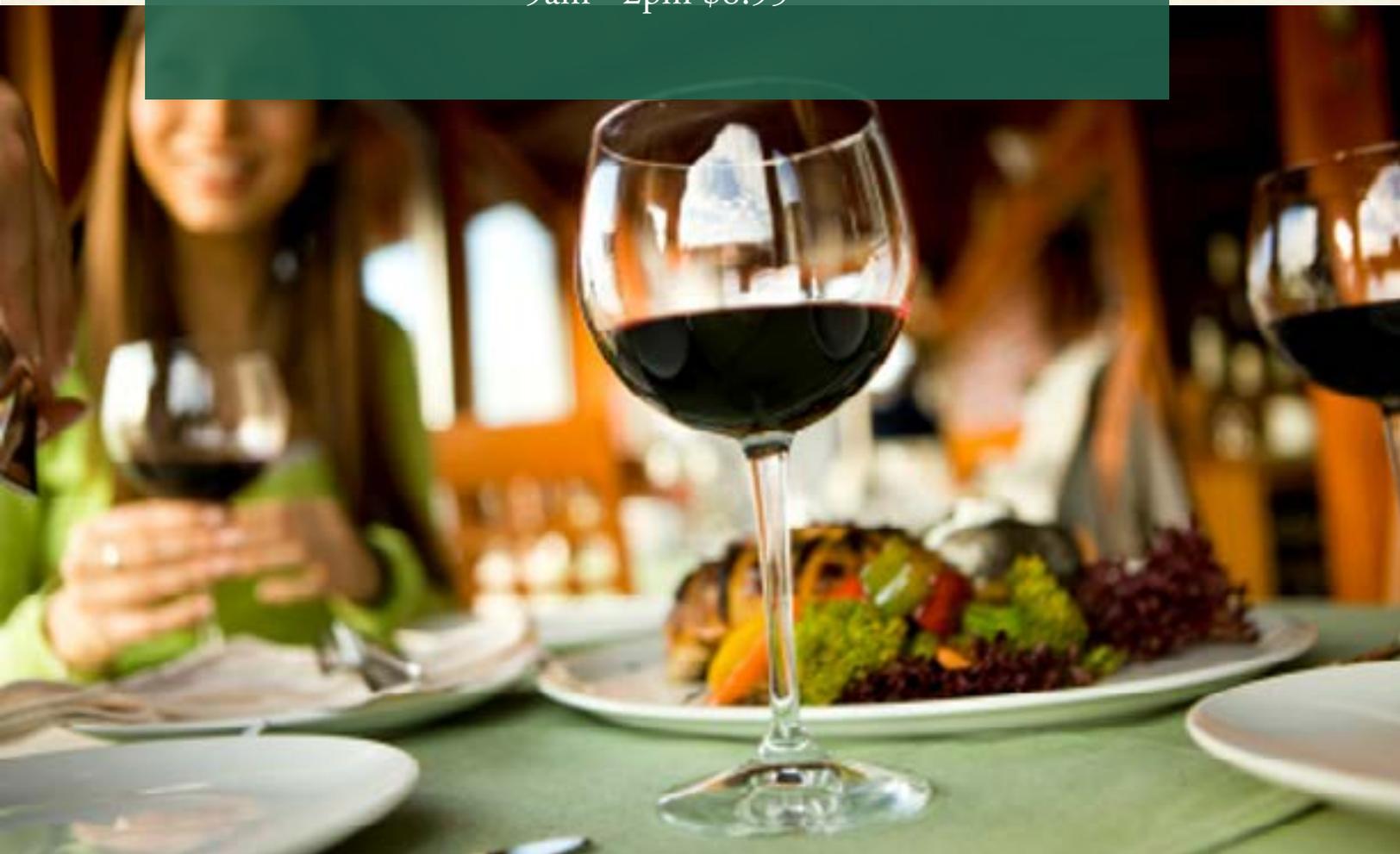
## Saturday

Breakfast 8am - 11am

## Sunday

Breakfast Buffet  
9am - 2pm \$8.95

Specials



# December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 <b>Chef's Dinner Specials</b> Golf Shop Party 6 - 9 PM	3
4 Brunch Buffet 9 AM - 2 PM \$8.95  Night with Santa 4 - 8 pm	5 <b>Club Closed</b>	6 Family Night Kids Eat Free	7	8  Scotch Tasting 6:30 - 8:00 PM	9 <b>Chef's Dinner Specials</b>	10
11 Brunch Buffet 9 AM - 2 PM \$8.95	12 <b>Club Closed</b>	13 Family Night Kids Eat Free	14	15	16 <b>Chef's Dinner Specials</b> Holiday Mingle 6 - 8 PM	17
18 Brunch Buffet 9 AM - 2 PM \$8.95	19 <b>Club Closed</b>	20 Family Night Kids Eat Free	21	22	23 <b>Chef's Dinner Specials</b>	24 <b>Christmas Eve</b>
25 <b>Club Closed</b> <b>Christmas Day</b>	26 <b>Club Closed</b>	27 Family Night Kids Eat Free	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve Dinner <b>Close at 9 PM</b>

# January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day	2 Club Closed	3 Family Night Kids Eat Free	4	5	6 Chef's Dinner Specials	7
8 Brunch Buffet 9 AM - 2 PM \$8.95	9 Club Closed	10 Family Night Kids Eat Free	11 Ballroom Dance Class 7 - 8 PM	12	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 Ballroom Dance Class 7 - 8 PM	19	20 Chef's Dinner Specials	21 BINGO NIGHT
22 Brunch Buffet 9 AM - 2 PM \$8.95	23 Club Closed	24 Family Night Kids Eat Free	25 Ballroom Dance Class 7 - 8 PM	26	27 Chef's Dinner Specials	28
29 Brunch Buffet 9 AM - 2 PM \$8.95	30 Club Closed	31 Family Night Kids Eat Free				



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

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

### **Board of Directors 2016**

#### **OFFICERS:**

Mike LeVan, President  
Woody Hamilton, Vice-President  
Shawn Devine, Treasurer  
Mary Catherine Robbins, Secretary  
Bobby Morrison, Past-President

#### **DIRECTORS:**

Harry Cash  
David Cates  
Jean Cates  
Steve Dobson  
Mark Ellis  
Andy McDaniel

#### **MANAGEMENT STAFF:**

Pat Rose, Golf Course Superintendent  
Paul Helle, Head Golf Professional  
James Fletcher, Food & Beverage  
Katherine Powers, Accounting