

November 2016

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club



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Out of the Rough

Hopefully November will bring substantial change in weather. October was one for the record books in terms of drought and record high temperatures. It has become a bit of a joke at this point but the summer of 2016 simply will not go away.

I had hoped to be removing the dead Cypress trees along the 9th by now. This project will take our entire crew up to 2 weeks to complete. The weather simply hasn't cooperated to this point. We simply have too much watering to do and since the weather is so nice we are still prepping for golf most days. We will get started on this as soon as possible. The replacement will be a grassy mound to shield that portion of Timberlinks.

We currently have 2 irrigation main line repairs we are working on. Parts should arrive the 1st week of November and we should get those closed up in a matter of a couple days. This has taken longer than usual as it is becoming harder to find necessary repair components.



As a reminder, we remain in the category of Exceptional Drought with United States Drought Monitor. This is the worst of their classifications.



October brought .5” of rain which is over 3.5” below average. The good news is November is often our wettest month of the year. We had some fairly widespread frost on Sunday, October 23rd. This really zapped a lot of color from our warm season turf. It’s never good to go in to dormancy with a dry root zone, so let’s hope for some much needed rain before our turf goes fully dormant for the winter.

Getting away from the course for a moment... I would like everyone to join me in congratulating our Assistant Superintendent, Michael Burrows, on his recent wedding. Michael had a beautiful ceremony October 29th. Please welcome is bride Megan into our family.



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)).

See you on the course!
Pat

SMLGA News

October was a beautiful month for golf on the mountain and a busy month for the Ladies Golf Association! Twelve ladies participated in the Annual Shootout Tournament on October 6th with Deedee Raulston winning on hole # 9, and Lucia Chastain finishing as runner-up!

The Ladies Closing Day Bewitched Par 3 Tournament was held on October 27th followed by lunch and general meeting. Witches and ghouls could be seen everywhere on the golf course with Debbie Durham winning the prize for the best costume, followed closely by Rebecca Travis. The team of Deedee Raulston, Chee Allen and a "ghost partner" won the Par 3 Tournament. Sylvia Friedl, Pixie Lanham and Dennie Taylor finished 2nd; and Debbie Durham, Rachel Karimian and Joan Minks finished 3rd.

Yearly awards were presented to the following:

Debbie Durham - Most Birdies
Most Attendance - Chee Allen
Most improved - Lucia Chastain

Officers for the 2017 Ladies Golf Association:

President - Deedee Raulston
Vice President - Susan Stuart
Secretary - Naomi Lindsey
Treasurer - Carol Floyd

Get out there and keep on playing golf in this beautiful weather! Check the bulletin board in the Ladies Lounge for sign-up sheets for Tuesdays and Thursdays. Sylvia Friedl will be organizing Saturday play, so watch for her emails.



Golf News

It is that time of year again. The cooler weather is hopefully around the corner, the days are getting shorter, and the tournament season has come to an end. There will still be plenty of time and lovely weather to get in plenty of golf before the chill of winter sets in. Please let the shop know if there is anything we can do for you in the shop to improve your golfing experience or help in providing you with that perfect Christmas gift.

As the tournament season closes, we should all congratulate some of our recent winners.

Congratulation to the qualifiers of the Signal Mountain Challenge Cup Team for their hard work and excellent play make this years team. The team and I had high hopes heading down to Black Creek to hopefully win our first one on foreign soil. The event started on Friday evening with a great tribute to one of the founders of the event, Gary Haskew. The teams from each club thought it would be appropriate to rename the event to the Gary Haskew Challenge Cup Matches after his passing this past year. Wayne Palmer, the other founder, said some great words about Gary, and officially announced the name change. Saturday morning's four-ball matches were pretty even with just a few matches remaining on the course. Unfortunately, Black Creek was able to win the final 3 morning matches on the 18th hole to build a fairly substantial lead. Black Creek continued to battle the cold and wind in the afternoon increase their lead. Signal came out on Sunday and battled hard in the single's matches, but the deficit was just too big to overcome. We will look to defend our home soil next year, and bring the Cup back to the Mountain. Please thank the following team members for their time and effort in representing Signal Mountain:

Gordon Hulgán, Kyle Wittler, Matt Beckham, Chris Collins, Rob Pearse, Greg Cullum, Robert Divine, Andrew Romanek, Arch Trimble, Jay Cooper, Dave Lambeck, Roger Field, Chris Collins, David O'Neal, Mike Wood, Wayne Palmer, John Stagmaier, Casey Turner, Ray Boaz, Joe Brown, Dickie Brown, Frank Hollowell, Jeff Caplenor, John Friedl, Gerald Levan, and Nubby Napolitano.

Mark your calendar for the Annual Golf Shop Christmas Party. The party will be held on Friday, December 2nd from 6:00 to 9:00. We will have light hors d'oeuvres and beverages for consumption along with some great discounts on merchandise. This is the perfect opportunity to purchase some last minute gifts for everyone on your list. The shop will be offering free wrapping on all purchases. **REMEMBER:** All credit book earnings for the year expire on December 31st. This Christmas Party is a great way to use up any credit book earnings you have accrued throughout the year. Please contact the golf shop to inquire as to how much you still have left to spend. If you have any particularly picky people on your list this year, remember that the club does offer gift cards for both merchandise and food and drink.

-Paul Helle





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Everything Social

Thank goodness it is finally fall! It is a great time of year to enjoy outside dining on the patio and upper bar deck. Myself and Chef Bob Hlavka take great pride in making sure you receive the freshest food possible. Did you know that everything is made from scratch? From our hand-patted hamburgers to our sauces and salad dressings. And, because everything is handmade, our kitchen can handle dietary and allergy restrictions. Please let your server know so that we can address your needs appropriately. As always, we appreciate hearing about what you like and what needs improvement in the Dining Room!

Morgan Hill has been promoted to Service Manager and my assistant. She has been with the Club a long time and is eager to make sure that our staff turnover is low and our member retention is high. She is highly respected by her peers. Please feel free to direct all service inquiries and issues to Morgan, as she wants you to have the best experience possible. Paige Noles has been promoted to Bar Manager. In her 1 ½ years with us, she has gone above and beyond expectations with bar menus and drink specials, listening to members ideas and requests, and becoming familiar with what members like. Sometimes she even has your favorite beverage ready before you sit down!

Staff training is one of our main focuses. We want SMGCC staff to be familiar with the workings of a private club, as most do not have prior club experience. Please check your member number when signing your tickets to reduce billing errors. Also making reservations would help us to staff more efficiently and provide you with the best service and food when you dine with us. Our goal is for you to be happy.

We are currently booking for holiday parties. Please consider SMGCC for your family functions and office parties. We can accommodate large parties and will handle every detail of your gathering. Our new Banquet Menu will meet most needs but, of course, we specialize in customized menus.

Our Social Committee is busy planning events for adults and families. Ballroom Dancing lessons start in January 2017 and conclude at our Valentine's Day dinner & dance! Watch your newsletters and weekly emails for more social happenings.

See you at the Club!
James Fletcher

We're running a survey and would love your input.
Click this box to be taken to the survey. Thanks for participating!

SMGCC Book Club

Thursday, November 17th at
SMGCC

November Selection:
The Cove by Catherine Coulter

Thursday, December 15th at the
home of Liz Hedges
610 Ohio Avenue

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.

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.

Thursday

Nov 3rd Soup, Salad and Potato Bar, Nov 10th Chopped Steak
with Mashed Potatoes, Nov 17th Chicken Fried Chicken,
\$10++ for adults and \$6++ for children under 12
Beverages are not included. Reservations Required!

Friday

Chef's Specials

Saturday

Breakfast 8am - 11am

Sunday

Breakfast Buffet

Specials





Thanksgiving Day

10am - 4pm

Soup and Salad Bar
Fresh Cut Fruit
Carved Oven Roasted Ham and Turkey
Chef's Cranberry Sauce
Turkey Dressing and Gravy
Green Bean Casserole
Steamed Mixed Vegetables
Macaroni and Cheese
Mashed Potato and Mashed Sweet Potato Bar
Kids Chicken Finger and Spaghetti Table
Club Dinner Rolls
Chef's Assorted Desserts

\$21.95 Adults
\$9.95 ages 6-12
\$3.95 ages 3-5

Reservations Required.
Cancellations must be
made previous to the 48
hour cut-off date
(Sunday, November 20th) or
account will be charged.
Please call 886-5767 for
reservations.



November 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Family Night Kids Eat Free	2	3 Soup salad and potato bar	4 Chef's Dinner Specials	5
6 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 Daylight savings time ends	7 Club closed	8 Family Night Kids Eat Free Election day	9	10 Chopped steak With mashed potatoes	11 Chef's Dinner Specials Veterans day	12
13 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	14 Club closed	15 Family Night Kids Eat Free	16 Family Night & Kids' Project 5:30-7pm	17 Chicken fried chicken	18 Chef's Dinner Specials	19
20 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	21 Club closed	22 Family Night Kids Eat Free	23	24 Thanksgiving day brunch 10 am-4pm	25 Chef's Dinner Specials	26
27 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	28 Club closed	29 Family Night Kids Eat Free Holiday Wreath Decorating 6pm	30			

December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Chef's Dinner Specials Golf Shop Party 6-9pm	3
4 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 Santa's Visit & Dinner 4pm-8pm	5 Club closed	6 Family Night Kids Eat Free	7	8	9 Chef's Dinner Specials	10
11 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	12 Club closed	13 Family Night Kids Eat Free	14	15	16 Chef's Dinner Specials Holiday Mingle 6-8pm	17
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 Christmas Eve
25 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95 Christmas Day	26 Club closed	27 Family Night Kids Eat Free	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve



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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