

December 2020

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club



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President's Message

Members,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! December is off to a bang at SMGCC. After a successful Take and Bake Thanksgiving, we move quickly into Santa season. All of you have seen the info regarding the Employee Christmas Fund this year. I'd like to take a moment to ask for your support. 2020 has been a tough year for some of our employees, a lot of whom most of us never see. Your donation supports all SMGCC employees, not just the front of the house. It supports those people that allow your "favorites" to provide the level of service for which you are accustomed.

If you have been around lately, you may have seen some work already being undertaken for our renovation project. The pool is resurfaced and the former grill kitchen has officially lost its last battle. With that being said, be on the lookout for updates about the renovation as well as Early Payment Option drop dead date.

We have been blessed with pretty good weather later into the year so far and our total golf rounds show it. However, with old Man Winter bearing down upon us it is important to remember that any divots or damage to the course will remain there until spring when the turf can heal so take pride in your course. Fix your divots and pitch marks.

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The Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members and returning members for November 2020:

Welcome To:

Brian Fawcett (Full), Education Consultant, and wife Amy

Tom Moore (Full), Truck-n-Trailers USA, and wife Lisa (Playcore) and children Christopher (14) and Morgan (10)

Note from the Club Manager

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

SMGCC Becomes a Winter Wonder Land for Santa

Santa Visits SMGCC at dinner on Tuesday 12/15, Wednesday 12/16, Thursday is sold out and Friday 12/18. Make you dinner reservations early as seating is limited. Santa will visit each table with a special gift for every boy and girl.

Christmas Take and Bake orders will be due by Wednesday December 16th Noon. See page 4 for the order for or click [Christmas Order Form](#).

NYE Dinner at the Club. This year we will not host a NYE Celebration due to the COVID-19 situation. In stead Chef Jason will prepare a special NYE Dinner Menu. Reservations are available from 5:30-8:00. Seating is limited so book early. See page 5 for the NYE Dinner menu or click [NYE Dinner Menu](#).

Club renovations are underway. The Club Pool has been resurfaced and looks fantastic. PoolTech of Chattanooga has completed a complete refurbishing of both pools and they both sparkle. Work will begin on repairing sunken deck areas and the Cabana Bar has been removed making room for two additional umbrella tables and two lounge chairs. The Pool Bar will now be located within Ollie's.

As renovations begin in January, dining areas will be adjusted to accommodate the work being done. **It will be very important that members make dinner reservations** as seating space could be limited depending on areas of work. Members coming to dine without reservations could experience wait times due to table reservations.

Thank you to all the Members who contributed to the Employee Holiday Fund. We are truly blessed to have such a generous membership that care so much for the Club Staff. Thank you!

Please remember that face masks must always be worn when entering the facility **and kept on unless dining.**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all the Clubhouse Staff

Joe Fidelibus, Clubhouse Manager

General Manager





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Christmas Take & Bake 2020

Ordering

Ordering begins December 1st. **All orders must be placed by Wednesday December 16th by Noon, no exceptions.** To place your order.

- 1- Complete this form, scan and email back to jfidelibus@smgcc.org
- 2- Pick up a form at either Clubhouse Bar, complete it and drop it off "Attn Joe Fidelibus"

Pick-Up

Pick-up is available between Noon and 3:00 on Wednesday December 23rd at the Main Bar second floor.

Quantity	FOOD OPTIONS	Price	Total
_____	Tender Whole Turkey serves 10-12 ppl	\$45	_____
_____	Turkey Breast (serves 4-6 ppl)	\$26	_____
_____	4Lb Honey & Brown Sugar Glazed Ham served 10-12 ppl	\$40/20	_____

Full Side Orders serve 10-12 ppl Half Serve 4-6 ppl

_____	Buttery Mashed Potatoes	\$22/11	_____
_____	Glazed Sweet Potatoes topped w/ Candied Pecans	\$22/11	_____
_____	1 Quart Turkey Gravy	\$8/4	_____
_____	Traditional Cornbread Dressing	\$22/11	_____
_____	Green Beans Almondine	\$22/11	_____
_____	Yellow Squash Casserole	\$22/11	_____
_____	Pint Cranberry Relish	\$8/4	_____
_____	Yeast Dinner Rolls (dozen)	\$6	_____

_____ Pumpkin Pie \$16 _____ Apple Pie \$16 _____ Pecan Pie \$16 _____ Cheesecake \$24

Name _____ Member # _____ Phone _____

Signature _____



NYE Select Dinner Menu

Entrees

Roasted Beef Tenderloin

Sliced Beef Tenderloin with a Bordelaise Sauce Served with your choice of our soup of the day, garden or Caesar salad and Chef's vegetables

Stuffed Airline Chicken Breast

Prosciutto, Fresh Mozzarella and Basil with a Roasted Red Bell Pepper Coulis and served with your choice of our soup of the day, garden or Caesar salad and Chef's vegetables

Horseradish Crusted Salmon

With a Creole Mustard Sauce and served with Chef's vegetables and your choice of our soup of the day, garden or Caesar salad

Jerk Chicken or Shrimp Farfalle Pasta

Sautéed in a Parmesan cream sauce with tender asparagus, mushrooms and served with Chef's vegetable and your choice of our soup of the day, garden or Caesar salad

Dessert Selections

Irish Coffee
NY Cheesecake with Berries
Key Lime Pie
Mile High Pie



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All Things Social

It's hard to believe this year is coming to a close. With the holidays upon us, I hope that you are able to enjoy quality time with your friends and family.

For those who need to get out of the house and feel the festive cheer of the holidays, I invite you to participate in the North Pole Santa Dinner (15-18th), the Wrapping Party(20th), and the Sing Along(19th). All are sure to get you in the holiday spirit! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Joe or myself.

I'd like to thank **Erica Strain, Jessie Lewis, and Emily Lehman** for their tremendous efforts in decorating the clubhouse for this years Christmas holiday; it's certainly a big undertaking! And I also want to extend a very special thank you to the team creating a magical *North Pole Dinner with Santa* - **Lauren Davis, Tatum Kreis, and Taylor Massey**. I hope that you and your families will be able to attend this truly unique dining event and that you'll create wonderful memories with your children!

Lastly, I'd like to thank you, the membership, for your patience as we navigated this year. I'm saddened that our social calendar wasn't as robust as I'd hoped coming into this year, but hopefully we will get there, sooner rather than later.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday season. Stay well and hope to see you soon!

Kathryn Trimble

SMGCC Book Club

The Lit Ladies met on Thursday, November 19 at 6 pm to discuss and rate Fredrik Backman's *Anxious People*, a poignant comedy about a crime that never took place, a bank robber who disappears into thin air, and eight strangers who find they have more in common than they ever imagined. The consensus was a rating of 3.5 out of 5 stars.

Our next meeting will be December 17 at 6 pm, that is if the pandemic precautions at the time allow. Our book will be *A Christmas Memory*, a short story by Truman Capote. We will also do a wrapped Christmas ornament exchange, with a \$20 gift limit.

The Book Club meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 6 pm; all women of the Club are invited to join us and stay for dinner. You can contact Lynne Marks at lymarks53@gmail.com or 423-902-0096 to RSVP.



Out of the Rough

I can hardly believe that December is upon us and the closing of another year is just a few weeks away. 2020 brought many challenges. Among them, what I'm sure will turn out to be a record number of rounds played. In spite of the enhanced traffic, I believe we provided the best conditions the golf course has ever seen.

The Grounds Team has been very productive this fall. Leaf collection is wrapping up as this update goes to print. We are currently ahead of schedule and should have these procedures completed by the second week of December. I hope this will allow us to take on a few projects. These may include:

- Traffic Controls at 16 Green
- Repairing / Replacing Irrigation Heads
- Repairing Several Drain Basins in Fairways/ Roughs
- Brush Removal on Perimeter of Hole 12
- Refurbishment of Course Accessories

Projects are very dependent on weather. If conditions are really good for golf, most all of our labor hours will be spent prepping the course for play each day. Additionally, this is the time of year when the Grounds Team is able to use vacation time. It is not uncommon for us to have a staff of only 1 to 3 crewmembers on any given day between December and February.

With cold weather settling in for a few months, let me remind everyone of a few critical winter related issues:

- Frost delays always include the putting greens and practice facilities.
- 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 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. This normally takes place on the back 9 green surrounds and could result in closure of those holes. This is done ahead of an extended cold snap when temperatures are expected to remain in the teens for several days.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!
See you on the course!

Pat



SMLGA News

Happy December! Here's hoping that the winter is kind and allows the Swinging Sisters to play some post-season golf; we are very grateful that so far, so good. If you would like to join us on Tuesdays &/or Thursdays at 10 am weather allowing (50 degrees or higher & no rain), or are interested in joining the Ladies Golf Association, please contact me at 423-902-0096 or Lymarks53@gmail.com.

Although we are unable to have our annual Christmas "Tee" at Jon and Maryellen Cook's lovely home this year, all LGA members are invited to a Christmas Luncheon at the Club on Thursday, December 10 in keeping with all pandemic precautions.

As always... brush up on course etiquette & the rules; take dead aim; and have fun out there! Wishing all a Merry Christmas and Healthy New Year!



*Happy
Holidays!*



December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Family Night Kids Eat Free	4 Chef's Dinner Specials	5
6 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	7 Club Closed	8	9	10 Family Night Kids Eat Free	11 Chef's Dinner Specials	12
13 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	14 Club Closed	15 North Pole Dinner	16 North Pole Dinner	17 Book Club North Pole Dinner	18 Chef's Dinner Specials North Pole Dinner	19 Sing Along
20 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Wrapping Party in Ballroom	21 Club Closed	22	23	24 Family Night Kids Eat Free	25 Chef's Dinner Specials Christmas	26
27 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	28 Club Closed	29	30	31 Family Night Kids Eat Free		

January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Chef's Dinner Specials	2
3 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	4 Club Closed	5	6	7 Family Night Kids Eat Free	8 Chef's Dinner Specials	9
10 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	11 Club Closed	12	13	14 Family Night Kids Eat Free	15 Chef's Dinner Specials	16
17 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	18 Club Closed	19	20	21 Family Night Kids Eat Free	22 Chef's Dinner Specials	23
24 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	25 Club Closed	26	27	28 Family Night Kids Eat Free	29 Chef's Dinner Specials	30
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Clubhouse Extensions:
(423) 886-5767

Pro Shop & Tee Times
Press: 1

Head Golf Pro, Paul Helle
Press: 2

To-Go Orders & Reservations
Press: 3

Main Bar
Press: 4

Men's Card Room
Press: 5

Business Office
Press: 6

Controller & Office Manger
Press: 7

Course Superintendent, Pat Rose
Press: 8

Club Manager, Joe Fidelibus
Press: 9

Administrative Fax
(423) 886-2879

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

Range
Tuesday - Sunday
8am - Dusk

Signal Grill
Tuesday - Saturday 11am - 9pm
Sunday Closed

Main Dining Room, Bar & Deck
Tuesday - Thursday: 11am - 8pm
Friday: 11am - 9pm
Saturday: 11am - 8pm
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

Reservations & Party Inquiries
jfidelibus@smgcc.org

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