

October 2021

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club

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President's Message

Members,

October is upon us and we are starting to see why Fall on Signal Mountain is the envy of everyone in Hamilton County. As we enter the last quarter of the year, our financials look outstanding and the club is still in a fiscally superior place than we have been in a long time. Most of that is thanks to the phenomenal staff we have at SMGCC and the good members that volunteer to serve on the Board of Directors or committees.

As I wait (impatiently) for the end of my illustrious tenure as your quite fearful leader, I have thought about how lucky we are to have the membership that we do. We say this a lot; "Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club has the best membership in town". Well, we do and now we are beginning to have the facilities that the membership deserves.

If you look around the clubhouse and parking lot you will still see a lot of work going on and we are grateful to have such a supportive membership. Be on the lookout for some forthcoming updates from the committee and do not hesitate to ask questions if you see us around your club.

Thanks again for all you do to support both SMGCC and the Signal Mountain community at large as we strive to set a good example for the area.

Finally, a shameless plug for membership: our Membership Director, DH Marks, told me that we now have 22 applications to join our club that are filling our wait list!!!! Thanks again for sharing your experiences with our future members.

We have never had better grass than this, go grab your bag and play a quick 9.

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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 September 2021:

Welcome To:

Wesley Mull (Full), Entrepreneur/Owner, and wife Amanda (Paramedic/Business Owner), and children Arlyn (17), Aiden (13), Austin (13), Spencer (10), and Silas (10)

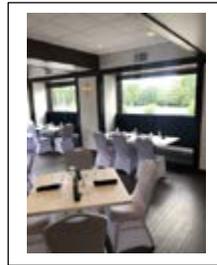
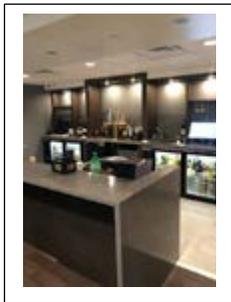
Henry (Hal) Robinson (Full), Retired, and wife Jo



From the Clubhouse

As you can see by the equipment and trades on the project the Clubhouse is really beginning to take on it's new form and décor. The dining room is completed, and we are just waiting For the arrival of the new dining room chairs which should be by mid-October. The bar has a few finishing touches and should be completed by the same time frame. Soon we will be beginning on the pro-shop and work has Begun on the men's cardroom, ladies lounge, patio and deck.

Renovation Update



The next phase once the lower level of the Clubhouse is completed will be the Terrace Deck, Living Room and Ballroom. Renovations are on schedule to be completed by late winter. Stay tuned for monthly updates. Please remember the Clubhouse and perimeter are active construction sites and filled with hazards. Please do not cross any yellow ribbons.

With Fall upon us it time to close up the pool. We thank all our members and their families for making the summer season a successful pool season.

Chef Jason will be rolling out his Fall/Winter menu shortly. You will notice a new look to the menu and our wine list. With the help of Wine Expert Madison Powers Varunok we now list pairing suggestions to our menu offerings that will help us novice wine consumers explore wine regions we may not normally venture into. Have fun exploring!



Halloween Week, this year we will again have a fun three day of Halloween for the Kido's featuring a scary decorated dining room, a ghoulish Kido menu and Halloween treat bags. Dates are October 26, 27,28. Reservations are required for Halloween dining.

Upcoming, with limited seating due to the ballroom out of play we will offer our Thanksgiving Take & Bake again this year. Leave the cooking to our Chef's and enjoy time with loved ones during Thanksgiving. Just reheat and serve. Look for the Thanksgiving Take and Bake Order Form in Novembers Newsletter.

A reminder, the Clubhouse will be closed to non-Malarkey Club Players Saturday October 2nd to ready the facility for the Evening Celebration.

Joe Fidelibus, Clubhouse Manager

General Manager





IT'S A
**SPOOK-TACULAR
HALLOWEEN EVENT!**

CALLING ALL GHOSTS AND GOBLINS TO JOIN US
IN THE SPOOKY + SPARKLING NEW DINING ROOM!

**WEAR YOUR COSTUME AND ENJOY A
HALLOWEEN THEMED MEAL FOR ALL FAMILIES!**

TUESDAY, October 26th
WEDNESDAY, October 27th
THURSDAY, October 28th

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Club Renovations

If you have visited our club lately, you will find that we have made great progress. The dining room and main bar upstairs are very close to being complete. The ladies lounge and locker room are coming along, and we hope to turn this area over in the near future. During this time, we have started the demolition of the Men's card room as well as patio area.

As we are all aware, labor and supply chain are issues that have affected the construction industry. As a team, we are managing this project and holding the contractor accountable to ensure we are receiving a good quality product. We will turn areas over as quickly as possible for our membership to enjoy and furnish these areas as we receive the furniture (most was ordered months ago). Our club house was in dire need of many "must do" items to get us up to code in several areas. Once this project is complete, we will be a better club for years to come. Thank you for your patience as we work through this renovation.



In Search of Club Photographs

Founded in 1922, our club will be celebrating its centennial next year. There is a committee already working on this and planning various ways that we will remember and honor the first 100 years of our club's history. You will be hearing about these in the months to come.

As part of this effort, we are hoping to find any photographs that our members may have from our club's past - parties, golf events, pictures of the course - anything that might help tell our club's story. If you have any that you would like to share, please contact Lynne Marks at lymarks53@gmail.com or by calling her at 423-902-0096. And please note - we would just borrow your pictures - you wouldn't be parting with them forever!





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All Things Social

The days are cooling off and it's finally feeling like Fall. And before we know it, it will be Winter! This cue in weather gets me all excited for the fun holidays ahead. We are going to have so much fun enjoying these last few months of 2021 in our new clubhouse. Be on the lookout for future emails blasts as we nail down Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Eve celebrations - exact details can alter depending on renovation scheduling so more info to come!

Join us for another year of a Spooky Halloween Themed Dinner! We will transform the dining room for all the little ghouls and goblins. Enjoy a themed menu, goody bags and spirited decor. It will be a ghostly good time and hope to see you there.

Don't forget to come dressed in your costume!

Halloween Week - Reservations required. *Thursday night will not honor kids eat free pricing

Happy Fall!
Kathryn Trimble



SMGCC Book Club

Tuesday October 19, 6:00 PM

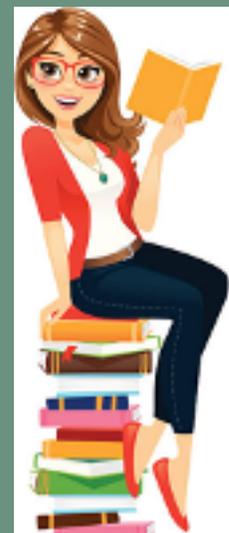
The Bean Trees by Barbara Kingsolver

Tuesday November 16, 6:00 PM

Cloud Cuckoo Land by Anthony Doerr

The "Lit Ladies" met in September and discussed Jane Healey's novel *The Beantown Girls*. This is a WW II fiction following a trio of best friends and the love, inner strength, and danger they face during war times.

The Lit Ladies meet monthly to discuss/rate the current book selection and have dinner afterward. All Ladies of the Club are invited to join us. If you would like to be added to the Book Club email group please text or email Trenea Smith at 423-785-7470 or squirtzer@aol.com Come join us for an evening of fun!





Golf News

The fall season looks to have arrived and the recent weather has been wonderful. The golf course is in great condition. The greens are perfect after the early aerification. We hope to see you all using the golf course as much as possible over these next few great weather months.

Haskew Cup

A motivated team went down to Black Creek last month to try and bring the Haskew Cup Trophy back up the mountain. The team battled hard, but the home course advantage was just too much to overcome. Black Creek played great and once again defended their turf once again. Although Signal lost the Cup, Dave Cates won the tournament by making a hole-in-one on Hole 3 of the Four-Ball Matches. His 7-wood from 144 yards on the downhill par 3 was a thing of beauty.

Kistler Cup

The ladies came out in full force to compete in their Annual Match Play Event. There was great golf all the way around. Deedee Raulston topped Jean Cates in the final match to be crowned this year's winner. Holly Battle defeated Debbie Durham in the Consolation Finals. Jean St. Charles came away the winner of the 9-hole net championship.

Upcoming Events

October 1-2 – Malarkey Cup

October 6 – One Day Member-Member / Member-Guest

October 23- Putting Tournament

October 27- One Day Member-Member / Member Guest

October 28- Ladies Closing Day

October 30- Superintendent's Revenge

November 7 – Parent-Child





Putts From The Fringe

Other than 8+ inches of rain in a 5 day period toward the end of September I am loving this fall weather. Cool, dry temperatures with a nice breeze will provide excellent golf and playing conditions. The greens are happy and healed in from aeration and the fairways are starting to tighten up and slow their growth, cheers to getting back to fast and firm.

The fall is an important transition time for the golf course, as we are setting the course up during the best weather months of the year, we are also getting the things done that will set the course up for a successful 2022. Fall applications to the fairways for diseases like Spring Dead Spot and Large Patch will still be benefitting us in June. Soil temperatures hitting 70 degrees following rain create textbook poa germination conditions so our pre emergent program will begin the last week in September. This is a good time to be thinking about pre emergent in your home lawns as well.

Slower growing fairways has given us a little window before leaf season to turn our efforts to getting these applications and some detail work done. This window has also allowed us to get a jump on our winter project list by installing drainage in the low area to the left of 12 fairway. I believe the catch basin has improved the area but we are battling groundwater on a mountain and right now I don't believe it is enough to keep it passable through the winter. I don't know how many catch basins or how much pipe it will take to drain that area properly but we are going to find out. Something that has frustrated us is the irrigation hole between 13 green and 14 tee. A \$2.50 part shipped to the wrong address has been holding us up, we are not making a habit of leaving holes open and if we'd known it would be this long we would have filled it in.

It is a fun time to be working on the golf course, summer has punted and we have a chance to play offense for a while. I hope to see you on the course taking advantage of this weather and playing conditions that it provides.

Thank you,
Tyler



SMLGA News

October LGA Events:

10/7 Shootout

10/28 Closing Day 9-Hole Select Shot & Awards Lunch

Another chapter in the legacy of women's golf at SMG&CC continued this past month with the hosting of the St. Charles Cup, a Ryder Cup style event founded in 2008 to honor our own Jean St. Charles for both her accomplishments and contributions to the game of golf on a local and national level.



Jean St. Charles on her 92nd birthday 9/11

This year's St. Charles Cup involved 48 players from Chattanooga and beyond. Two of Jean's sons, Attorney Mike and Dr. Chris, are honorary team captains of the "Saints" and "Sinners". This year the Sinners continued their winning streak. Kudos to Karen Burns, who did a great job coordinating this year's event!



St. Charles Cup Luncheon
L-R: Pam Neese; Michele Purchase; Pam Manney; Susan Stuart; Karen Burns & Cathy McIntire



Jean Cates & Deedee Raulston

Congratulations to Deedee Raulston, winner of the 2021 Kistler Cup! Deedee's stepfather, Dr. Gene Kistler, initiated the tournament in 1964 to honor his late wife Helen, a high handicapper, with the hope of getting more ladies with higher handicaps playing. Jean Cates finished 2nd. Holly Battle won the Kistler Consolation Bracket, with Debbie Durham coming in second. Jean St. Charles won the "Gotta Win Something" contest; Vickie McPeters was closest to the hole on #3; Debbie Durham had the longest drive and Chee Allen had the straightest drive on #6.



SMLGA CWGA Members
L-R: Jean St. Charles; Cathy McIntire; Jean Cates; Debbie Durham; Deedee Raulston; Sylvia Friedli; Chee Allen & Holly Battle

Also of note, Deedee Raulston was named an Honorary Member of the Chattanooga Women's Golf Association (CWGA) earlier this past month for her outstanding contribution to Ladies Golf. She and Jean St. Charles are the only current SMLGA members to be granted the honor. Congratulations to both, well-deserved indeed!

Birthday Best Wishes to the following LGA Members!

Linda Davis- Saturday, October 2
Bonnie Hamilton- Sunday, October 24
Carol Floyd- Wednesday, October 27
Suzanne Caplenor- Friday, October 29



Holly Battle & Debbie Durham

Until next month...continue proper course etiquette (ready play, ball mark/divot repair, allow the group behind you to play through if holding them up) and keep swinging, Sisters! Lynne Marks

October 2021

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 Malarkey Cup	2 Malarkey Cup
3 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	4 Club Closed	5	6 One Day Member- Member / Member-Guest	7 Family Night Kids Eat Free LGA Shootout	8	9
10 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	11 Club Closed	12	13	14 Family Night Kids Eat Free	15	16
17 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	18 Club Closed	19 Book Club	20	21 Family Night Kids Eat Free	22	23 Putting Tournament
24 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	25 Club Closed	26 Halloween Dining	27 Halloween Dining One Day Member- Member / Member-Guest	28 Halloween Dining LGA Closing Day 9- Hole Select Shot & Awards Luncheon	29	30 Superintendent's Revenge
31 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm						

November 2021

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 Club Closed	2	3	4 Family Night Kids Eat Free	5	6
7 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Parent - Child	8 Club Closed	9	10	11 Family Night Kids Eat Free	12	13
14 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	15 Club Closed	16 Book Club	17	18 Family Night Kids Eat Free	19	20
21 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	22 Club Closed	23	24	25 Thanksgiving	26	27
28 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	29 Club Closed	30				



Clubhouse Extensions:
(423) 886-5767

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Press: 0

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 Manager
Press: 7

Course Superintendent, Tyler Guy
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

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