

November 2021

# Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club

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# President's Message

Members,

Welcome to the penultimate installment of my monthly diatribes. First and foremost, a huge thank you and Congratulations to Mr. Chad Sikes!!!! As most of you know, Chad has been elected to become the next President/Victim at SMGCC.

Chad has been instrumental in our success for the last two years and his business background will undoubtedly lead us further in the right direction. Another thanks to all the members that showed up to this year's Annual Meeting. We have a fantastic new crop of directors coming in and I know they are excited to hit the ground running.

As you have seen, progress on the renovation is still moving along. All of us are familiar with supply chain issues and delays for the last couple years and we have suffered some of that but not as bad as expected. We are very pleased with the quality of the work that has been completed thus far and know that we hope to have more areas turned back over to the membership as soon as possible.

In conclusion, our membership and financials remain very strong. We also continue to have a substantial waiting list because of all the great things happening at your club. Keep spreading the good word!

Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Gobble Gobble!  
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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 October 2021:

*Welcome To:*

Marianne Brennan (Full), retired

George Takashi "Taka" Elkins (Full), Multiple Business Owner, and wife Lissa and children Kaya (16), Dani (13), Alina (5), Noa (2), and Leo (2)

## 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](mailto: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!



## From the Clubhouse



*General Manager*



**It's Turkey Time!** Leave the fuss and mess to us. Order your Take & Bake Thanksgiving Dinner from the Club and enjoy the time with family instead of standing over the stove. [Click here](#) to view the Take & Bake Menu and ordering form.

**Renovation update** with renovations well underway there is good news and bad news. The good news is progress is being made with the push on to complete the main level of the club, Men's Lounge, Ladies Lounge and Deck. The bad news is that the Ballroom will be out of play through the end of the year. Sadly, we will not be hosting Thanksgiving Dinner at the Club. Please consider ordering Chef Jason's Take & Bake.

**Pease take extra caution** around the Clubhouse. Construction site work is very hazardous. Please do not cross any yellow ribbon barriers. Children are very interested in machinery and could easily be injured.

**Upcoming,** Santa will be visiting the Clubhouse! Look for details in the December Newsletter for dates and times for Santa. There will be a special Christmas Kid's Corner that the Kiddos can leave a letter for Santa! Santa will have goodie bags for all the children during his visit.

Happy Thanksgiving from all of us at the Clubhouse,

Joe Fidelibus, Clubhouse Manager



Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club  
**Thanksgiving Take & Bake 2021**

**Ordering**

Ordering begins November 3rd. **All orders must be placed by Noon on Wednesday November 17th, no exceptions.** To place your order.

- 1- Complete this form, scan and email back to [jfidelibus@smgcc.org](mailto:jfidelibus@smgcc.org)
- 2- Or by dropping off completed forms at the Main Bar

**Pick-Up**

**Pick-up is available between Noon and 3:00 on Wednesday November 25<sup>th</sup> at the Main Bar second floor.**

Quantity	FOOD OPTIONS	Price	Total
_____	Tender Whole Turkey serves 10-12 ppl	\$52	_____
_____	Turkey Breast	\$32	_____
_____	4Lb Honey & Brown Sugar Glazed Ham served 10-12 ppl	\$50/\$27	_____

**Sides serve 10-12 ppl (Half Portions available on most items)**

_____	Buttery Mashed Potatoes	\$25/\$13	_____
_____	Glazed Sweet Potatoes topped w/ Candied Pecans	\$25/\$13	_____
_____	1 Quart Turkey Gravy	\$8/\$4	_____
_____	Traditional Cornbread Dressing	\$25/\$13	_____
_____	Green Beans Almondine	\$25/\$13	_____
_____	Yellow Squash Casserole	\$25/\$13	_____
_____	Pint Cranberry Relish	\$8/\$4	_____
_____	Yeast Dinner Rolls (dozen)	\$8	_____

\_\_\_\_\_ Pumpkin Pie \$20    \_\_\_\_\_ Apple Pie \$20    \_\_\_\_\_ Pecan Pie \$20    \_\_\_\_\_ Cheesecake \$30

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness. I understand that I am responsible for cooking all foods to the designated temperature listed on the preparation sheet.



# Happy Holidays

Dear Member,

Every year the club distributes a Holiday Bonus to our employees, and the holidays are fast approaching! This bonus goes to everyone: the guys in the golf shop and those who serve your drinks and food, as well as those who work behind the scenes on the grounds crew and kitchen, maintenance, cleaning, and office staffs.

For your convenience we have established a suggested contribution of \$50.00. **Your account will be charged \$50.00 on the November 30th statement**, unless you return this letter to the business office by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> indicating a different contribution amount.

Thank you for showing your appreciation for, and generosity to, your club employees.



Instead of \$50.00,

I would like to give \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member signature \_\_\_\_\_

Member number \_\_\_\_\_





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## All Things Social

A big thank you to **Jessie Lewis** and **Mallory Geismar** for transforming our club into a fun filled Halloween dining experience. We hope that you and your families enjoyed all the decorations, themed food and treats!

Mark your calendars - Santa Claus is coming to town! **Santa and Mrs. Claus** are coming back to visit SMGCC on **Sunday, December 12th**. (Reservations will be required)

When making your reservation, please be sure to provide your email address as we will likely have future communications about the event.

If your schedule keeps you from joining us on the 12th please be sure and stop by all month long for festive Christmas decorations and our new **Kids Corner** where the children can drop letters off for Santa and do lots of fun activities!

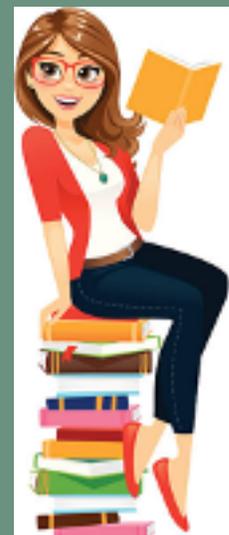
Happy Holiday Season!  
Kathryn Trimble

## SMGCC Book Club

**Tuesday November 16, 6:00 PM**  
*Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr

**Tuesday December 14, 6:00 PM**  
Christmas Party at the home of Liz Hedges

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 Treena Smith at 423-785-7470 or [squirtzer@aol.com](mailto:squirtzer@aol.com) Come join us for an evening of fun!





## Putts From The Fringe

It may be November but things are far from slowing down on the golf course. Leaves, acorns, and fall applications are keeping us busy but we are squeezing in time to work on some irrigation and drainage projects. As the temperature falls we will be freed up to dedicate more time to these projects.

Last month we installed a valve on number 12 green to control the water on that green from the computer. Before we had to turn that green on by hand or rely on the greens surrounds heads to water the green and the surround. It might not seem like much but this type of addition helps us be more efficient with our water use and is another step in getting this system functioning the way it should. We (when I say “we” I mean Jon Arnett) have made 61 repairs to the irrigation system since March 15th. This doesn’t include adjustments made to heads, clearing debris from screens or changing nozzles. These are repairs that involve finding shut off valves, figuring out which ones work and digging a hole to make the repair. We have 19 repairs left on our list, 6 of those repairs will be labor intensive and require running new wire underground. We have plans this winter for some drainage projects and experimenting with bunker improvements but I think Mike Tyson was referring to irrigation repairs when he said “Everyone has a plan until they get punched in the mouth”.

We have really felt supply chain, inflation and trucking costs lately. October and November are the months when our chemical and fertilizer vendors run their early order programs that we participate in for rebates, discounts and locking in prices. We have seen some fertilizers up over 50% and seed up over 140% and less availability of both. Repair parts have become harder to find and more expensive to ship.

We have some weather in the forecast that is starting to look like winter but I hope to see those of you willing to play through it out on the golf course.

Thank you,  
Tyler

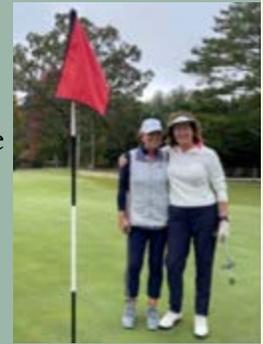


# SMLGA News

Happy Fall All!



14 players braved the cold and cloudy weather to participate in our annual Shootout- then there were 2. Congratulations to Maryellen Cook, who took the top honor, and to runner up Vickie McPeters for going the distance!



Our 10/28 Closing Day Black Cat Par 3 Scramble was cancelled due to weather; however, we had a good turnout for our Halloween luncheon and election of officers.

**Vice President-** Holly Battle to replace Debbie Durham

**Secretary-** Naomi Lindsey to replace Maryellen Cook

**Director-** Doris Chambers to replace Maddie Williams

A big thanks to the outgoing officers for all their work to make the last 2 years a success!

In addition to the election, prizes & awards were given as follows:

**Most Birdies:** Cathy McIntire

**Most Improved:** Judy Field- 2 years in a row!

**Best Attendance:** Maddie Williams, who will celebrate her 93rd birthday in December!

**Best Costume:** Rebecca Travis *[Side note- her iPhone recognized her face despite the makeup!]*



Thanks also to Doris Chambers for the luncheon decorations and favors (in addition to Kathryn Trimble and her Social Committee's fantastic job on the Dining Room Halloween decorations for the Club's events) and providing another great slide show to help us remember the fun and comradery of this and past seasons. We also collected a record amount for our annual donation to the Signal Mountain Social Services- \$1675+!! Maryellen Cook will again host our SMLGA Christmas Tee this year on Thursday, December 16 from 10 until 2.

The SMLGA has had a great season in spite of the COVID resurgence and the massive Club renovation. On behalf of the LGA, I would like to thank Paul Helle, Tyler Guy, Joe Fidelibus and their staff for their support. We plan to continue play on Tues/Thurs/Sat during the off-season as long as the temperature is 50+ and no rain. This is a good time for all Ladies of the Club to get out and enjoy the course, so let the Pro Shop know if you'd like to play. And finally, we look forward to enjoying the newly renovated Ladies Lounge, which is very close to completion.

Keep swinging Sisters!

### Nov/Dec LGA Birthday Best Wishes!!

Doris Chambers Dec 7

Dennie Taylor Dec 10

Holly Battle Dec 15

Maryellen Cook Dec 19

Maddie Williams Dec 29

# November 2021

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

# December 2021

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2 Family Night Kids Eat Free	3	4
5 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	6 Club Closed	7	8	9 Family Night Kids Eat Free	10	11
12 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm  Santa Visits (reservations required)	13 Club Closed	14 Book Club Christmas Party	15	16 Family Night Kids Eat Free	17	18
19 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	20 Club Closed	21	22	23 Family Night Kids Eat Free	24 Club Closing @ 3pm	25 Club Closed
26 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	27 Club Closed	28	29	30 Family Night Kids Eat Free	31 NYE Dinner 5pm – 9pm (special menu)	1 Club Closed



Clubhouse Extensions:  
(423) 886-5767

Ollies  
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  
(shop will close at 5:30pm after  
DST)

### **Range**

Tuesday - Sunday  
8am - Dusk

### **Main Dining Room & Bar**

Tuesday - Saturday: 10am - 8pm  
Sunday: 10am - 7pm

### **Men's Card Room**

Tuesday - Saturday: 10am - 8pm  
Sunday: 10am - 7pm

### **Pool (Memorial Day - Labor Day)**

Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - 8pm  
Friday & Saturday: 10am - 9pm  
Sunday 12:30pm - 8pm

### **Reservations & Party Inquiries**

[jfidelibus@smgcc.org](mailto:jfidelibus@smgcc.org)

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

### **Board of Directors 2021**

#### OFFICERS:

Arch Trimble IV, President  
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David Marks, Secretary  
Mike Levan, Past-President

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Kirk Burns  
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