

December 2022

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club



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President's Message

I hope everyone had a great start to the holiday season celebrating Thanksgiving with loved ones. *Again, the Take-and-Bake Thanksgiving dinner was a success—and I hope it was delicious for those who utilized this service!*

This is a very busy time at the club with member holiday parties and club-wide social events. Please take a look at the calendar for all of the upcoming planned events. Thank you to our staff for decorating the clubhouse and getting the house prepared for our Santa visit.

Our new winter menu has been well-received! Please come enjoy the new options that Chef Jason helped create. It is extremely helpful for members to make reservations, especially during the busy holiday season; it not only helps us staff appropriately, but it also ensures you a table for dinner.

The unseasonably mild winter has resulted in lots of play on our course. Please take pride in your golf course and be mindful of cart traffic, divots and ball marks. As you all know, winter cart traffic can be very harmful to our golf course. Dormant turf cannot recover from stress because it is not actively growing. It is our job to limit the injury to the turf during the winter months to set us up for a great growing season. Tyler Guy is providing us with the best course we have had in many years, and I am very pleased with his crew's efforts.

Thanks to all our staff, volunteers, and great members! We have a special club, and your support does not go unnoticed and is very much appreciated. From me to you--Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each and every one of you!

Chad Sikes

The Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members and returning members for November 2022:

Welcome To:

Chase Beard (Junior), Engineer at Hargrove Controls & Automation, LLC, and wife Kathlind, Construction Project Management

Joseph Brown (Full), Black Creek Facilities Manager, and wife Cathy

Erik Ferjentsik (Full), Health Care Consultant, and wife Kelly (Optometrist), and children Lennox (5) and Violet (3)

Barton Scott (Full), Medical Sales with STERIS, and wife Julie (RN) and children Gavin (21), Trevor (20), and Kayden (7)



From the Clubhouse

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

There is a chill in the air and that can only mean one thing

Santa is Coming to the Club!

Leave the cooking to our Chef's and enjoy your Christmas Dinner without all the fuss and clean up. The Chef's will fully prepare and cook your Christmas Dinner and all you do is reheat the meal with our simple instructions. We will send you an email with the order form. Simply fill out the form and return it to jfidelibus@smgcc.org or drop off the form at the main bar. The Clubhouse will be closed on Christmas.

Club Christmas Party will be held on Friday December 10th. There are still reservations available for an evening of celebration.

Santa is coming to the Club Sunday December 18th. The fun begins at 4:00 with Santa and his Elves. Chef Jason will have a special limited menu.

Children's Gifts: The host desk in the main dining room will have stickers for you to place on the child's gift you bring. Please limit gifts to \$25. Santa's Elves will bring out the gifts for Santa to present to the children plus goodie bags.

Gifts may be dropped off at the Club beginning Tuesday December 6th. Gifts must be dropped off no later than Friday December 16th. Gifts must have a ID sticker on them.

NYE The Club will be taking dinner reservations for NYE. Seating will be 5:00-8:00. Chef Jason will feature a Special NYE Dinner Menu along with tempting beverages from Tina's Bar. Seating is limited so book early.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

- **Christmas Take & Bake**
- **Club Christmas Party Friday December 10th**
- **Santa December Sunday December 18th**
- **NYE Dinner (ala Carte) Saturday December 31st**
- **2023 will be a year of fun events each month. Look to the monthly e-blast for event details and reservation information.**

Happy Holidays,
Joe Fidelibus, Clubhouse Manager



Putts From The Fringe

I have heard some form of “things must be slowing down for you at the golf course” from almost everyone I know. I think of “things” as just getting started more so than slowing down. Leaf cleanup and fall pesticide applications are wrapping up and we are turning our attention to some much needed housekeeping. Over the next few months we will be focusing on tree work, consolidating our dump area, irrigation projects and cleaning up the native and outer areas of the golf course. The perimeter of the golf course has received a considerable amount of strategic neglect as we have focused on the infrastructure and interior of the golf course and is overdue for some cleanup.

Sometimes I get a little self-conscious about course conditions during the winter. Frosty and frozen greens and bunkers limit access them first thing in the morning for much of the winter. A delay for you is a delay for us and we typically are not going to push tee times back to mow or roll greens. Old plugs from changing cups are slow to heal in the winter, with less play and access to the greens we will change cups less frequently. We also deliberately mow and roll less during the winter to save traffic stress on the green surrounds. The green surrounds are a chronic weak area on the golf course and the turning of equipment on these areas while the grass is dormant is more damaging that when the grass is growing. We have started turning the mowers on lattices to reduce traffic stress which adds about 30% to our mowing time. We will pick our spots when it comes to speeding the greens up in the winter and save the wear and tear on the surrounds for the higher value golf days. Following cart traffic rules will also help our transition into spring.

Thank you for the continued support, please be patient with us on days we need to let the course thaw out before play.

Tyler



Golf Shop Month of Sales

Stop by the golf shop throughout the month of December to get great deals on a variety of products.

December 1-11: Golf Shirts- 25% off

December 12-18: Outerwear- 25% off

December 19-25: Golf Shoes- 25% off

December 26-31: Putters and Wedges- 20% off

-All Sales for In-Stock Goods ONLY-

We will also have an assortment of CLEARANCE goods from apparel to clubs throughout the month as well.

Remember: All Shop Credits must be used by December 31st

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 2023 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.

Plans are underway for 2023 and we are diligently working to make next year a fun and exciting golf season. Go ahead and mark your calendar for the 2023 Mountaineer July 21-23. The tournament schedule will be available in mid to late January and details about upcoming events will be published.

-Paul





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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Dear Member,

The club distributes a Holiday Bonus to our employees every year and the holidays are fast approaching.

This bonus goes to everyone who ensures your time at the club is relaxing and enjoyable all year: the staff in the Pro Shop, those who serve you food and beverage, the behind-the-scenes crew who maintain the grounds and facilities, as well as the kitchen and office staff.

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 November 15th 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 _____

SMGCC Book Club

December 15, 6:00 PM

Christmas party at the home of Liz Hedges. Come join the holiday fun when we have a Christmas ornament gift exchange.

January 19, 6:00pm

Book TBA

The "Lit Ladies" meet monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 6 PM to discuss & rate the current book. We have dinner afterward. All Ladies of the Club are welcome. Please text or email Treena Smith 423-785-7470 or squirtzer@aol.com.

Come join us for an evening of fun!



December 2022

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
				1	2	3
4 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	5 Club Closed	6	7 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	8	9	10 Club Christmas Party
11 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	12 Club Closed	13	14 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	15 Book Club Holiday Gift Wrapping Party	16	17
18 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Dinner with Santa Santa is Coming to the Club!	19 Club Closed	20	21 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas	26 Club Closed	27	28 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	29	30	31 NYE Dinner

January 2023

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	2 Club Closed	3	4 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	5	6	7
8 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	9 Club Closed	10	11 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	12	13	14
15 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	16 Club Closed	17	18 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	19 Book Club	20	21
22 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	23 Club Closed	24	25 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	26	27	28
29 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	30 Club Closed	31				



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Pro Shop & Tee Times
Press: 1

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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

Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club

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