

April 2024

# Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club

## Club News

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## President's Message

Hope everyone had a wonderful Easter holiday. What a beautiful weekend to celebrate and to kick off golf season!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone out and enjoying the course. Definitely check out the Tournament schedule because positions will fill fast the nicer the weather gets.

I would like to give a shout out to Tyler Guy and the greens committee for their hard work in upgrading our driving range. The new synthetic hitting mats are ready for use and the expanded natural turf area will open when the sod comes out of dormancy and takes root.

We do have an upcoming opportunity for you to be a part of the decision making process regarding the replacement of our irrigation system. Originally installed in the 80s, our current system has outlived it's expected life span. We will present all of the numbers and information for the process on several nights this month so please plan on attending one of these gatherings in order to be informed before the vote on April 17th.

Hope to see you all enjoy these nicer days with a game and a meal on our fabulous new outdoor patio.

Respectfully,  
Alan P. Kelley

President's Message







## From the Clubhouse

**April 2024**

**Spring is here!** The pool season is close by, Mother's Day in May (reservations are required via [jfidelibus@smgcc](mailto:jfidelibus@smgcc) and Memorial Day at the Pool. This year the Pool will be staffed with Lifeguards and as always full menu and bar service.

**House keeping notes for the pool and dining room:** Please remember that parents or guardians are responsible for watching children at all times. The lifeguards and staff are not to be seen as "childcare". The staff is responsible for your service and enjoyment. Please register all non-member guests at the snack bar (grandparents and guardians are considered family). If you wish to dine on the porch or patio, please check in with the hostess.

### **Swim Lessons for your Kiddo' beginning May 13th at the Club Pool**

Swim Lessons are available through our Licensed Swim Instructor Brandis White.

Contact Brandis at [brandis.white53@gmail.com](mailto:brandis.white53@gmail.com) to set up lessons. *These lessons are for Club members only.* Book your lessons early to ensure your child gets a lesson slot.

*No outside swim instructors are allowed to teach at the Club Pool.*



### **UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS**

- Thursday April 18<sup>th</sup> Ladies Night Out
- Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Brunch reservations required.
- Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Cookout at the Pool 10:00-7:00
- Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup> Poolside Cookout

See you at the Club,  
Joe Fidelibus, Clubhouse Manager

*From the Clubhouse*







## Trivia Night Champs!

With a strong performance from beginning to end and an effective blend of grizzled veterans and new blood, the "College of Dunces" team were the wire-to-wire winners of Trivia Night in March. The team consisted of captains Jon & Maryellen Cook, Debbie Durham, Gary & Naomi Lindsey, and guests Brandon & Katy Weaver, Donnie Marsh, and Sarah Page. Congratulations on the first Trivia Night title for all members of the winning team - well done, Dunces!





## Notice of Special Meeting April 17, 2024

### SMGCC Membership-NOTICE

#### SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE April 17, 6:00 PM EST CLUB BALLROOM

The Board of Directors has scheduled a Special Meeting to conduct a membership vote on recommendations, plans, schedule and financial assessment for a capital project to replace the golf course irrigation system.

Absentee ballots may be cast in the pro shop until 4:00 PM EST April 17, 2024.

#### PROJECT INFORMATION MEETINGS

Prior to the Special Meeting, information meetings, including opportunities for Q&A are scheduled on the following dates in the Club Ballroom.

Tuesday April 9, 2024 6:00 PM EST

Thursday April 11, 2024 6:00 PM EST

Tuesday April 16, 2024 6:00 PM EST

All members including Social Members are encouraged to participate in these meetings.

Thank you.

SMGCC Board of Directors

# Golf News

The weather keeps giving us glimpses of wonderful spring weather, and then hits us with a cold snap or rain. Hopefully those bad weather days become fewer and further between. The golf course continues to be busy on those nice days. Please continue to utilize the Whoosh App to check tee time availability and to book tee times.

The Signal Mountain Invitational is just around the corner, May 17-19. There are so many different ways to become involved in this great event. If you have never competed before, it is a great way to test your abilities against some of the best players in the area. If you don't feel that your game is quite up to par with some of those players, we do have different flights for you to compete in. If your handicap is 10.0 or higher, then you can even compete in the Double-Bogey Max division. This keeps you from having to post your full score and allows you to pick up at double bogey. If you do not want to compete, we are always looking for volunteers and sponsors. We will once again be hosting the Sponsor's Party at the Club this year. If you need any additional information regarding the Signal Mountain Invitational, please contact the golf shop.

Mark your calendar for our Titleist and Mizuno Fitting days this spring. We will be hosting Titleist on Friday, April 12th from 12:00-5:00 and Mizuno on Friday, April 26th from 1:00-6:00. We will have reserved fitting slots for each day as well as working in walk ups on those days as well.

## Upcoming Events

- April 6- Mountaineer Signup
- April 6- Match Play Brackets Released
- April 12- Couples Golf Begins
- April 12- Titleist Fitting Day
- April 20- Super Skins / Shootout #1
- April 24- One Day Member-Member/  
Member-Guest
- April 25- Ladies Opening Day
- April 26- Mizuno Fitting Day
- April 27- Putting Tournament
- May 4-5- Member-Member
- May 17-19- Signal Mountain Invitational







## Putts From The Fringe

It is exciting to watch the golf course transition from winter to spring, despite the cool weather the warm season grasses are greening up nicely. The next 4-6 weeks of preparing the golf course will be critical for the upcoming schedule.

After six straight aerations with agreeable weather, we finally had some rain during the process. The rain slowed us down and we did not get a perfect final product, the good news is a few dry stretches have given the greens the opportunity to send vigorous roots diving deep in search of water. We are in a good position to start the spring and summer with fast, firm and healthy greens.

Hopefully you have had time to check out our recent driving range project. Our previous range mat system required glue to hold the mats in place. The new slab with recessed trays gives us a clean look that will also be more functional. These mats allow for a tee to be inserted, please give hitting a driver from the new mats a chance before teeing it up off of the grass. The expanded tee area will allow for us to set the range up on grass more often. We still have some buttoning up to do around the slab and it will take some time before the new sod is ready for divots.

I definitely feel better about the spring transition right now than I did this time last year. We have made some changes to try to protect the turf from winter damage but I blamed Mother Nature last year so I have to give her the credit this year. Thank you for your continued support!

Tyler





## SMLGA News

Ready, set, play! The LGA Opening Day is just a few weeks away. Mark your calendars for Thursday, April 25th. All LGA members, please meet on the putting green at 9:15 ready for a fun 9 hole Shamble shotgun start at 9:30, followed by our bi-annual meeting & lunch.

The LGA is open to all female members of the club.

If you're interested in learning more about our association & wanting to join in on the fun, please email me at [maregcook@gmail.com](mailto:maregcook@gmail.com). We play 9 or 18 holes of golf Tuesday & Thursday mornings April through October.

Cheers,  
Maryellen Cook

*SMLGA News*







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My children and I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the memorial tree and plaque in honor of Vestal, especially Tommy Boone and Greg Russell for spearheading the project, Tyler Guy and his crew for establishment. It is beautiful and perfect.

Ves loved everything about SMG&CC... the course, the card room, the friends. He would be so honored, as are we, to know he lived a life to be remembered.

Thank you all for this blessing to our family,  
Chee



## SMGCC Book Club

Thursday, April 18th 6:00PM  
*The Women* by Kristin Hannah

Thursday, May 16th 6:00PM  
TBD

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 Trenea Smith 423-785-7470 or [squirtzer@aol.com](mailto:squirtzer@aol.com).

**Come join us for an evening of fun!**



# April 2024

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 Club Closed	2	3 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	4	5	6 Match Play Brackets Released  Mountaineer Signup
7 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	8 Club Closed	9	10 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	11	12 Couples Golf Begins  Titleist Fitting Day	13
14 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	15 Club Closed	16	17 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	18 Thu Night Game Begins  Book Club	19	20 Super Skins / Shootout #1
21 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	22 Club Closed	23	24 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines  One Day Mem- Mem / Mem- Guest	25 Ladies Opening Day	26 Mizuno Fitting Day	27 Spring Putting Tournament
28 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	29 Club Closed	30				



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5 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm  Member/ Member	6 Club Closed	7	8 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	9	10	11
12 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm  Mother's Day Brunch (reservations required)	13 Club Closed  Kid's Swim Lessons Begin	14	15 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	16 Book Club	17 Signal Mountain Invitational	18 Signal Mountain Invitational
19 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	20 Club Closed	21	22 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	23	24	25
26 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	27 Memorial Day Cookout at the Pool 10-7	28	29 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	30	31	



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Pro Shop & Tee Times  
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Main Bar  
Press: 4

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Press: 5

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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)

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