

January 2025

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club



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President's Message

Dear Members,

Happy New Year!

2025 is already shaping up to be a promising year - starting with a warm welcome to our new Head Golf Professional, Billy Winters! Billy's wealth of experience, commitment to excellence, and passion for the game will undoubtedly enhance your golfing experience here at the club. We are thrilled to have him join our team.

In addition to changes in the Pro Shop, I am pleased to report the irrigation project is moving forward as planned. We appreciate your continued patience and understanding as we work through these necessary improvements.

As a way of thanking you for your support and participation in our club community, we would like to invite you all to join us for a Member Appreciation Event on January 25th. It's going to be a fantastic opportunity to socialize, connect, and celebrate you and this vibrant community of ours. Also, keep your eyes peeled for trivia nights at the club. Those are always a good time and fill up fast.

Finally, please help me welcome our newest members:

Doug Diehl and his wife, Stephanie and their children Adelaide, Jack, and Louisa

Dan Dotson and his wife, Michelle and their children Benjamin and Andrew

Here's to a fantastic 2025 filled with great golf, memorable events, and shared moments at Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club.

Respectfully,
Alan P. Kelley

President's Message





From the Clubhouse

**From the Clubhouse
Clubhouse Newsletter
January 2025**



Happy New Year!

All of us would like to thank the membership for their contributions to the employee holiday fund. Greatly appreciated by all. Thank you.

We're starting the New Year off with a bangup of member events. Trivia Night January 11th (sold out), Ladies Night Bingo January 16th, Member Reception January 25th, Trivia Night February 28th and more to come! Our email blast will give all the details for member events.

The Club Pool will be taking applications for **Lifeguards** and **Ollie's Service**. If you have a child or friend's child 15 yrs or older they are eligible to lifeguard with an approved lifeguard certification, Ollie's Service 18yrs and older. Have them contact me at jfidelibus@smgcc.org

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

**Wednesday Night is \$10 off Clubhouse Selection Wines
Cabernet, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Grigio and Sauvignon Blanc**

- January Trivia Night 1/11 (sold out)
- January Ladies Night Out Bingo 1/16
- Member Reception 1/25
- February Trivia Night 2/8

See you at the Club,
Joe Fidelibus, Clubhouse Manager

From the Clubhouse



Putts From The Fringe

What a busy sprint to the end of 2024! Despite the cold and wet weather, it's been a whirlwind of activity as we close out the year. It's an exciting time to be the golf course superintendent at Signal Mountain.

The irrigation system continues to progress nicely. As of this writing, the crew is wrapping up work on hole 16 before the contractor takes a break for Christmas and the New Year.

It's hard to keep a large group informed without repeating myself, but I can't stress enough what a fantastic job the crew is doing with this installation. They're making a big mess, which is to be expected—and there will be scars from this work that carry well into 2025. However, they are doing everything possible to minimize the damage. Towards the end of the project, they will also sod key areas that have been affected.

What has impressed me most is the quality of work being done by the people in the trenches. Planning and design are critical, but the skill of the workers fusing pipe, backfilling trenches, and wiring heads should not be underestimated. These guys are professionals who live on the road, and install golf course irrigation. It is clear they know what they're doing. At a time when golf course construction is booming and skilled labor is hard to come by, we are fortunate to have such an outstanding team.

We've also been busy cleaning up debris left behind by our contracted tree specialists. Each year, Urban Tree comes out to raise the canopy and inspect the health of our trees. The criteria for making cuts include tree health, golfer safety, course playability, and turf health.

My goal with these professionals is to utilize their skills and equipment we don't have. Cuts on trees we want to keep healthy often require climbing, lifts, and professional judgment. I'd rather let the experts handle those precise cuts and leave the cleanup to our crew once everything is safely on the ground. While we're capable of handling large tree removal, if we come across a tree in poor health that could cause damage if it fell the wrong way, I prefer to let the contractor take on that risk. All of this results in several weeks' worth of cleanup on the ground completed in a short period of time. We are shorter staffed this time of year with holidays and bad weather sprinkled in, please be patient with us while we get the debris cleaned up.

2025 looks to be a great year so Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club. I am excited and grateful to be a part of it. Thank you for your continued support!

Happy New Year,
Tyler





Welcome Billy Winters, Head Golf Professional



We warmly welcome Billy and his family, Wife Alicia and sons Will and Jace to the SMGCC Family. We are thrilled to announce that after a thorough selections process, Mr. Billy Winters has been appointed the new Head Golf Professional here at Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club.

Billy brings a wealth of experience, exceptional skills in teaching and course management, and a passion for the game that will undoubtedly enhance our club's golfing community. We're excited to see how his leadership will elevate the golf experience for our members.

We would like to thank our dedicated selection committee: Mike Mauney, Grayson Garrett, and Andy Guth. Their commitment to the evaluation process and finding the just the right candidate for our club is invaluable.

Please join me in welcoming Billy Winters and his family, Alicia, Will and Jace, to the Signal Mtn. Golf and Country Club community.

Alan Kelley, SMGCC President

The Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members and returning members for January 2025:

Welcome To:

Doug Deihl III and his wife, Stephanie, and their children Adelaide (16), Jack (14), and Louisa (10)

Dan Dotson and his wife, Michelle, and their sons Benjamin (17) and Andrew (13)

SMGCC BOOK CLUB

Thursday, Jan 16th 6:00PM

James by Percival Everett

Thursday, Feb 20th 6:00PM

The Secret War of Julia Child by Diana R. Chambers

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!



LGA Annual Christmas Tee



January 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	2	3	4
5 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	6 Club Closed	7	8 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	9	10	11 Trivia Night (sold out)
12 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	13 Club Closed	14	15 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	16 Book Club Ladies Night Out Bingo	17	18
19 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	20 Club Closed	21	22 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	23	24	25 Member Reception
26 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	27 Club Closed	28	29 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	30	31	

February 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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2 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	3 Club Closed	4	5 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	6	7	8 Trivia Night
9 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	10 Club Closed	11	12 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	13	14	15
16 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm	17 Club Closed	18	19 Wine Wednesday \$16 House Wines	20 Book Club	21	22
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Clubhouse Extensions:
(423) 886-5767

Ollies
Press: 0

Pro Shop & Tee Times
Press: 1

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

Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club

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