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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

SEASON FINALE FROM HERB'S TEE

We are rapidly approaching the end of a MISGA season of which we can all be proud. MISGA's rolls have swelled to over 2500 Associates; we ventured to the Bahamas last November with 106 hardy souls; held more mixers and more MISGA-wide tournaments than ever before; and look forward to our largest-ever out-of-state event at Foxfire later this month, with over 175 participants. These accomplishments didn't just happen, they were caused to happen by your elected officers, your Tournament Committee and other committees, and by countless volunteers, including numerous ladies whom none of us can do without - and that especially goes for MISGA. Don't forget that time given to MISGA is time taken away from home, and therefore we all owe a special "Thank You" to the ladies of our active Associates. As MISGA's spokesman, ladies, I salute you, one and all.

With the foregoing said, then where is MISGA going from here? I say, as I did earlier this year, anywhere the Associates want it to go. We have already begun to plan for 1984. Part of our plans are announced elsewhere in this MISGAgram and we will present to you our complete program at the Club Representatives' meeting in April, at which time we will solicit your comments and suggestions. Changes will be made if the Club Reps want changes. This is your organization and your in-put is important to its management.

As many of you know, the MISGA Board of Directors decided early this year to computerize the lists of Associates at the member clubs to enable us to mail directly to them on subjects of MISGA concern. We are making progress in this area, having completed 11 country clubs to date. The remainder should be completed over the winter months and then future up-dating will be a relatively simple task. You will be interested to know that MISGA is keeping the costs of this project down to just the materials actually used, which will save MISGA a bundle over the years.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have supported me and the members of my team over the past year. Nothing could have been done without the cooperation of my colleagues on the Board and on all of the various committees.

Have a good, safe winter. We'll see many of you at Foxfire later this month and many others at the Club Reps' meeting in the spring.

Herb Hudson
President

ON TO FOXFIRE

The 1983 Fall Frolic will be held at the Foxfire Inn and Country Club, Pinehurst, North Carolina, from Monday, November 14th thru Friday, November 18th. As President Herb commented, this will be MISGA's largest-ever out-of-state event, with over 175 participants. The Tournament Committee is planning a variety of competitive events beginning on Tuesday. Monday will be a practice day.

Those who were with us on MISGA's most recent visit to Foxfire in 1981 know what a fun-filled week we can look forward to. The outstanding dining and lodging facilities, the activities for the non-golfing wives, and the two excellent golf courses provide the necessary ingredients for a very pleasurable experience. Let's all pray for good weather to help make the week complete.

A TRIBUTE TO THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

MISGA's Tournament Committee for 1983, chaired by Bob Evans of Tantallon and including Ed Maguire of Caroline, Jack Byrnes of Holly Hills, Sam Wolk of University of Maryland, Dick Davis of Lakewood, and Doug Moats of Montgomery, are to be congratulated for the truly outstanding job they did this year. The Spring Fling and the MISGA Championship were both very large events which required a large amount of planning and organizational activity. That both of these events went off without a hitch is indeed a tribute to the ability and dedication of Bob Evans and his committee. The Fall Frolic at Foxfire is another very big undertaking, and we can rest assured that it, too, will be equally successful. All of us in MISGA owe the members of the Tournament Committee a tremendous vote of thanks for their efforts.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

I. A - B - C - D TWO-MAN TEAM TOURNAMENTS

This year, for the first time, MISGA sponsored a series of four state-wide tournaments for two-man teams in four handicap divisions. These events were to be held in addition to the Divisional Championships at which the teams to play in the MISGA Championship were selected. Due to insufficient entries, the events scheduled for the "B" and "D" handicap divisions had to be cancelled. However, the Division "A" tournament at Lakewood, and the Division "C" event, at Brooke Manor were held as scheduled, although the number of entries at both these events were somewhat less than expected. Particularly disappointing was the fact that some clubs located quite nearby did not enter any teams in the competition. MISGA's Board of Directors will no doubt want to take a careful look at the situation and decide whether this series of tournaments should be scheduled again in 1984.

HANDICAP DIVISION "A" RESULTS

Handicaps 0 to 12; at Lakewood C.C. on June 14th; 27 teams from 12 clubs; Dick Davis, Chairman, Jack Hutson, Co-Chairman.

Low Gross

1st. (68)	Howard Gunsten & Weldon Mathis, Bethesda
2nd. (72)	Dick Quinn & Phil Ryan, University of Maryland
3rd. (73)	Bill Coy and George Fanshaw, Piney Branch

Low Net

1st. (61)	Norm Belt & Jim Peelman, Lakewood
2nd. (62)	Eob Fennington & Louie Best, Holly Hills
3rd. (64)	Joe Gervasio & Jim Fuller, Lakewood

HANDICAP DIVISION "C" RESULTS

Handicaps 18 to 23; at Brooke Manor C.C. on August 1st; 27 teams from 16 clubs; Tony Grande, Chairman.

Low Net

1st. (54)	P. Astalos & E. Cook, Tantallon
2nd. (55)	R. Richards and C. Harpole, Greencastle
3rd. (56)	C. Somerville & N. MaGaha, Montgomery
4th. (56)	D. Goodson & B. Henley, Montgomery
5th. (57)	R. Paugh & R. Gundstrom, Greencastle
6th. (58)	B. Lacey & J. Connors, University of Maryland

II. INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Division II, Mel Gesell, Director, and Division IV, Sam Hastings, Director, held individual championship tournaments for golfers in their respective Divisions in 1983. (Division II also held such an event in 1982). Both these tournaments were very successful and attracted large, enthusiastic fields. The Division II event, held at Sparrows Point C.C. on August 8th, had 100 entries, and the Division IV event, held at Montgomery C.C. on July 14th, drew a field of 103.

Both these tournaments featured individual competition in four handicap divisions and generated a great deal of enthusiasm on the part of those who participated. Since most MISGA competition in recent years has involved two-man teams and most mixers have involved foursomes, the individual competition seemed to provide a welcome change of pace. Divisions II and IV strongly recommend that the other two divisions consider holding such an event in 1984.

DIVISION II INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

At Sparrows Point C.C. on August 8th; Frank Bucharewicz, Chairman (Club affiliations of winners not available)

<u>Handicap Division "A"</u>		<u>Handicap Division "B"</u>	
1st. (69)	Peck Rhoten	1st. (68)	Basil Clark
2nd. (73)	Elmer Bright	2nd. (69)	Chris Kamka
3rd. (74)	Hank Harnack	3rd. (70)	Al Griswold
4th. (74)	Cecil Radford	4th. (71)	Frank Miller

<u>Handicap Division "C"</u>		<u>Handicap Division "D"</u>	
1st. (67)	John Hitzelberger	1st. (71)	Burley Lockett
2nd. (68)	Nick Nykula	2nd. (71)	Dorsey Bryant

Overall Winner - (66) Ernie Sullivan, Handicap Division "B"

DIVISION IV INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

At Montgomery C.C. on July 11th; Doug Moats, Chairman (Scores not available)

<u>Handicap Division "A"</u>		<u>Handicap Division "B"</u>	
1st. (Tie)	Joe Bouman, Washingtonian	Gross -	Harvey Cowan, Bethesda
(Gross)	Alec Venners, Washingtonian	Net -	Chas. Seckinger, Lakewood
Net -	Martin Biles, Montgomery Village		

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DIVISION IV INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS (continued)

Handicap Division "C"

Gross - Walt Farrow, Argyle
Net - Bill Houlihan, Montgomery Village

Handicap Division "D"

Gross - Ed Tennant, Lakewood
Net - Lew Streppa, Montgomery Village

III. MISGA TWO-MAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONS

Division I - Jack Jenkins and Chet Smith,
Ocean Pines, sudden-death
playoff with Ike Proffitt
and Gene Weiss, Green Hill

Division III - Dick Paugh and Roger
Grundstrom, Greencastle

Division II - Ken Palmer and Roger Brand-
enburg, V.F.W.

Division IV - J. C. Davenport and Eric
Johansson, Washingtonian

MISGA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

At Indian Spring C.C. on October 6th

Winners - Warren Fields and Rich Richards of Greencastle, with a Net 61

2nd. (63) Ed Lisner & Jack Sloane, Indian Spring
3rd. (63) Ken Toda & Jim Vito, Bethesda
4th. (64) Bob Davis & Don Hamburger, Argyle
5th. (64) Casper Moore & Herb Biser, Eaglehead
6th. (65) Del Reynolds & Earle McKeller,
Washingtonian
7th. (65) Dick Cain & Millard Williams, Pr. Georges
8th. (65) Earl Lewis & Ernest Jones, Cambridge
9th. (66) Don McMillan & Bill Wood, Ocean Pines
10th. (66) Bill Caswell & Lew Brown, Univ. of Md.
11th. John Edwards & Jim Kristoff,
Piney Branch (66)
12th. (66) Don Kady & Steve Comings, U.
of Md.
13th. (66) Art Higginbottom & Clark
Ewing, Talbot
14th. (67) Earl Taisey & Howard
Cissel, Holly Hills
15th. (67) Ike Proffitt & Norm Holland,
Green Hill
16th. (67) Ken Palmer & Harold Brandenburg, V.F.W.
17th. (67) Ray Jones & Ray Turlik, Montgomery
18th. (67) Bill McKissock & John Parks, Piney Branch.

FOUR BOARD MEMBERS COMPLETE THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE

On September 30th, four members of the MISGA Board of Directors - Mel Gesell of Piney Branch, Director of Division II; Dave Watson of Argyle, Division IV; Gill Williams of University of Maryland, Division III; and Bill Woolston of Hunt Valley, Division II, and MISGA's Immediate Past President - completed their terms on the Board. Don Falconer of Eaglehead was elected Director of Division II, replacing Mel Gesell. The other three members were not replaced, since the new MISGA constitution, adopted in 1982, provides for a smaller Board of Directors, with only eight voting members. The Secretary, Treasurer, and the Chairmen of all standing committees are also members of the Board but do not have a vote.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1983-1984

At the first meeting of the new MISGA Board of Directors, held on October 14th at the Caroline Country Club, Herb Hudson was re-elected President and Sam Hastings Vice President of MISGA for the coming year. Ted Hayward, Secretary, and Sid Rapoport, Treasurer, were also re-elected. The selection of the chairmen of standing committees had not been completed as of this writing.

The MISGA Board of Directors for the coming year will be constituted as follows:

PRESIDENT Herb Hudson, Indian Spring C.C. Also Div. III Director. 949-1894
VICE PRESIDENT Sam Hastings, Argyle C.C. Also Div. IV Director. 598-6171
* SECRETARY A. E. Hayward, Eaglehead C.C. 371-6519
* TREASURER Sid Rapoport, Hobbits Glen C.C. 997-5835
* PRESIDENT-EMERITUS Al Hagen, Lakewood C.C. 593-0384
DIRECTOR, DIVISION I Ed Maguire, Caroline C.C. 228-6046
MEMBER, DIVISION I Sam Beebe, Caroline C.C. 754-8609
DIRECTOR, DIVISION II Don Falconer, Eaglehead C.C. 663-0115
MEMBER, DIVISION II Hal Renegar, Holly Hills C.C. 663-5944 * Non-Voting Members
MEMBER, DIVISION III Harry Bryan, Crofton C.C. 261-0905
MEMBER, DIVISION IV Duane Swindle, Montgomery Village C.C. 869-5612

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE

I'm wearing knickers on the course
To match the way I score --
On every hole (it tries my soul)
I manage par, plus four.

Dick Emmons in Golf Digest

MISGA PLANNING TRIP TO MEXICO

At the October 14th Board meeting, approval was given for a MISGA golfing trip to Mexico this winter. Tentative plans call for the group to leave BWI on January 31st and to return on February 8th. A total of 60 seats will be available on the plane. The trip will include five days of golf. The approximate cost will be \$725 per person for golfers and \$650 per person for non-golfers, double occupancy, not including meals. Duane Swindle of Montgomery Village Country Club and a member of MISGA's Board of Directors, has a winter home in Guadalajara and will be helping to make the arrangements for the trip there. According to Duane, the weather in Guadalajara at that time of year is absolutely perfect, with no threat of rain. Complete details will be available in the very near future.

DATE ANNOUNCED FOR THE ANNUAL SPRING CLUB REPS MEETING

President Herb Hudson has announced that the annual Spring Club Reps Meeting will be held at the Caroline Country Club on Monday, April 30th, 1984. Caroline Country Club is in Denton, on Maryland's Eastern Shore, and is approximately 35 miles southeast of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge, off Route 404.

MISGA CONTINUES TO GROW

Harry Bryan, Chairman of the Associates Membership Committee, in his final report for 1983, announced that total membership in MISGA reached an all-time high of 2536 members as of mid-October. In his letter to President Herb Hudson, Harry made the following statement:

"I think it is worthy of note that the enrollment to date represents a 10% increase over the 2306 members for 1982 and that each Division contributed to this growth by increasing its membership I wish to take this opportunity to thank all of the Club Reps for their super cooperation. With their continued support MISGA's growth in the coming years should be outstanding."

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE CLUBS

*** Jack Hutson, Club Rep from Lakewood, regretfully reports that Henry Galotta, former D.C. Fire Chief and a long-time MISGA member and supporter at Lakewood, died of cancer on September 15th. He will be sorely missed by his friends and associates. Henry was 73.

*** Doug Moats of Montgomery C.C. reports that during the early summer, Mike Rimmey had a hole-in-one on their No. 14 hole during a mixer with Bethesda. A few weeks later Claude Widerman scored an ace on the same hole, this time during a mixer with Eaglehead. Doug also reports that during a mixer with V.F.W. one foursome had a score of 34 under par, using the "two best ball of the foursome" format. This probably is a record low score.

*** President Herb Hudson reports that during a mixer with Eaglehead, Sam Beek of Indian Spring had a hole-in-one on the 10th hole of the Valley Course. President Herb also noted with pride that he himself scored two eagles at his home course during the summer.

THANKS, FELLOWS

On behalf of the entire organization, the Board of Directors of MISGA expresses its thanks and appreciation to Mel Gesell, Dave Watson, Gil Williams, and Bill Woolston, who recently completed their terms on the Board, for their years of service to the organization and to senior golf in general.

LET'S GO TO WAR AGAINST "SLOW PLAY" - A SELF-EXAMINATION

I. ON THE TEE:

Am I ready when it is my turn to play?
If I have the honor, do I immediately know it and tee up at once?

AND ... Am I considerate of those with whom I share the golf course?

II. DURING PLAY OF THE HOLE:

Have I made decisions as to club selection, etc, before it is my turn to play?
If my golf car companion is playing from a position a distance away from mine, have I taken two or three clubs and gone to my ball?
Do I have a second ball handy in case it is needed?

AND ... Am I considerate of those with whom I share the golf course?

III. ON THE GREEN:

When it is my turn to putt, have I already determined the line and am I ready to putt?
Do I mark and clean my ball unnecessarily?
In stroke play, do I putt out rather than marking my ball needlessly?
Have we parked golf cars to the side of the green nearest to the next tee?
Does the group leave the green as soon as we have putted out and wait to write the scores down at the next tee?

AND ... Am I considerate of those with whom I share the golf course?

IV. AND AT ALL TIMES:

Do I take more practice swings than needed?
Do I stand over the ball too long?
Do I invite faster players through if the hole ahead is open?

AND ... Am I considerate of those with whom I share the golf course?