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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The annual Club Reps Meeting was held on April 16th at Prospect Bay Country Club. Unlike last year when we experienced snow and gale winds, we had only a few showers this year, so following the meeting we played the game. At this annual meeting the Board reviews its plans for the year and provides an opportunity for the Club Reps to present any items of concern to the Board. This year's meeting was well attended and the arrangements were ably coordinated by Carl Blakely. Our sincere thanks to Carl and his fellow Prospect Bay associates for hosting the meeting.

The Spring Fling, held on May 8 and 9 at Green Hill and Nassawango, was again a very solid success. This event was again chaired by MISGA Vice President Bill Ransdell, ably assisted by many of his Eastern Shore associates. Accolades to you, Bill, and to all of your helpers for an outstanding event.

MISGA continues to grow. At this time last year we had 2800 Associates in 40 clubs. At the present time we have 3288 Associates in 41 member clubs. This steady growth pattern speaks volumes for our unique MISGA concept.

Our MISGA Two-man Team State Championship will be held at Tantallon Golf and Country Club on Friday, September 12th. Division championships will be played in August as qualifiers for the state event.

In recognition of their efforts on behalf of our organization, a Board Bash will be held on October 9th and 10th at Holly Hills and Eaglehead. This event will be co-hosted by Don Falconer and Bob Fuchs. Those eligible to attend will be current Board members, Club Reps, Assistant Club Reps, and Past Presidents of the parent MISGA organization. Spouses are also invited to attend.

Plans are under way for out-of-season events at Foxfire, Jekyll Island, and Fiddlesticks in Florida. Details will be provided to you elsewhere in this issue of the MISGAgram and by flyers.

As we head toward the last several months of this golfing season - enjoy!

Gil Williams  
President

## RANSDPELL RESIGNS AS VICE PRESIDENT

President Gil Williams has announced with deep regret that Bill Ransdell, of Green Hill, has resigned as MISGA's Vice President for reasons of health. Fortunately, Bill has agreed to complete his term as Board Member from Division I. MISGA owes a tremendous debt of gratitude to Bill Ransdell for his outstanding service as Vice President and for the tremendous job he has done as Chairman of the Spring Fling for the past several years.

At a special meeting of the Board, Francis McKee, of the Elks Club, and Director of Division I, was elected Vice President of MISGA for the remainder of this year.

## OUT-OF-STATE EVENTS PLANNED

MISGA is again planning a series of out-of-state golf events for the coming Fall and early Spring. Flyers for the first of these events, to be held at Foxfire and Jekyll Island, will be in the mail within the next few days.

This year MISGA will, for the first time, sponsor a trip to Jekyll Island, Georgia, from November 9th to 13th. The cost will range from \$279 to \$297 per person/double occupancy, with the higher price being for ocean-front rooms. This includes golf and carts for five days, four nights' lodging, four breakfasts, four dinners, and all taxes and gratuities. There will be a \$100 deduction for non-golfers.

Three sessions are scheduled for the ever-popular Foxfire Resort in Pinehurst, N.C. The dates are: Oct. 20 - 24, Oct. 27 - 31, and Nov. 3 - 7, with an option for a fourth session Nov. 10 - 14 if there is sufficient demand. Prices will range from \$268 to \$299 per person/ double occupancy and include five days of golf with carts, four nights' lodging, four breakfasts, and four dinners. Prizes, bag storage, and all taxes and gratuities are included. There will be a deduction of \$88 for non-golfers. Tours for the non-golfing ladies will be arranged by the Foxfire staff.

The third annual Florida Fling is being planned for March, 1987. Further details will be forthcoming at a later date.

When you receive your registration forms for the above events, be sure not to send them in before the "earliest postmark" specified in the flyer. Any registration forms bearing an earlier postmark will be returned.

## DIVISIONS HOLD INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS

Divisions III and IV have already held their Individual A-B-C-D Tournaments and Division II is planning one to be held in September.

There were 123 players in the field when Division III staged its A-B-C-D tournament at Hobbits Glen on June 12th. The low gross winner was Bill Mattingly of the University of Md. Golf Club, who shot a remarkable gross 68. This is believed to be the lowest gross score ever shot in a MISGA tournament. The complete results were as follows:

### Division III Individual A-B-C-D Tournament - Hobbits Glen G.C. - June 12, 1986

Overall Low Gross - Bill Mattingly, U. of Md. - 68 Overall Low Net - Frank McGinty, Hobbits Glen - 57

#### Class A

Low Gross - Frank Pietrykowski, U. of Md. - 73 Low Net - Walter Wright, Hobbits Glen - 63

#### Class B

Low Gross - Harold Daugherty, U. of Md. - 74 Low Net - Ernie Hauser, Prince Georges - 60

#### Class C

Low Gross - Dick Barrett, Andrews AFB - 79 Low Net - Bob Moore, Hobbits Glen - 63

#### Class D

Low Gross - Larry Riebman, Hobbits Glen - 87 Low Net - Stan Cooper, Tantallon - 62

Closest-to-the-Pin awards went to Harry Schrott, Hobbits Glen, Ernie Hauser, Prince Georges, James McKenna, Brooke Manor, and Joe Parker, Andrews AFB.

There were 117 players who teed off when Division IV held its Individual Tournament on July 7th at Montgomery Village, with the following results:

### Division IV Individual A-B-C-D Tournament - Montgomery Village G.C. - July 7, 1986

#### Class A

Low Gross - Claude Widerman, Montgomery - 75 Low Net - Bernie Sweeney, Argyle - 68

#### Class B

Low Gross - Geo. Wilson, Montgomery Village - 80 Low Net - Sam Hastings, Argyle - 67

#### Class C

Low Gross - Holober, Bethesda - 89 Low Net - Ed Holler, Montgomery - 63

#### Class D

Low Gross - Dave Wright, Montgomery Village - 92 Low Net - Larry Ring, Lakewood - 69

## MISGA CONTINUES TO GROW

Although the total number of MISGA clubs has remained relatively constant over the past several years, with a net increase of just one club (There are now 41 member clubs) since 1981, the total number of individual members, or Associates, has grown at an exceptional pace. The numbers speak for themselves:

1981 - 1954 members	1983 - 2513 members	1985 - 3086 members
1982 - 2306 members	1984 - 2783 members	1986 - 3288 members

Such tremendous growth may be attributed in large part to two factors: (1) The MISGA organization must be doing a lot of things right, and (2) Interest and participation in senior golf has been growing steadily throughout the entire country.

Let's all continue to work together to help MISGA keep on growing in the years ahead.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 12 (Friday) MISGA State 2-Man Team Championship, Tantallon C.C. (Rain date - Sept. 19th)

Oct. 2 (Thursday) MISGA Board Meeting, Green Hill Yacht and Country Club

Oct. 9 and 10 (Thursday and Friday) MISGA Board Bash - Eaglehead C.C. and Holly Hills C.C., for Board Members, Club Reps, Assistant Club Reps, and MISGA Past Presidents

Oct. 20 - 24

Oct. 27 - 31 MISGA Fall Frolic, Foxfire Resort, Pinehurst, N.C.

Nov. 3 - 7

Nov. 9 - 13 MISGA Jekyll Jamboree, Jekyll Island, Georgia

## EDITOR'S NOTE:

It is with mixed emotions that I announce my retirement as Editor of the MISGAGram, effective with this issue. It has been my privilege to have served as your Editor for the past four years, beginning with the Spring issue of 1983. I have very much enjoyed the work, and I hope that my efforts have been of some value to MISGA during that time.

I will be assuming the position of Director of Division II in October and I feel that it is time for me to cut down on some of my other responsibilities. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve.

Bill Woolston

IN MEMORIAM

Mort Gooch  
Rolling Road



Pat Staubs  
Lakewood

Nick Goumas  
Lakewood

Anatole Vinogradoff  
Sparrows Point

CONGRATULATIONS TO U. OF MARYLAND SENIORS

Unlike some golfers who want everything handed to them and are unwilling to give anything of themselves in return, the University of Maryland Golf Club Seniors can well be proud of what they have accomplished in recent years.

For several years now the U. of Md. seniors organization has sponsored a junior tournament for boys and girls in the Greater Washington metropolitan area. They send out publicity, raise money for prizes, provide food and refreshments, secure volunteers for scoring, monitoring play, making rules interpretations, and in general doing all of the myriad things required in running a successful golf tournament. Their efforts in promoting this tournament have, without question, done much to stimulate interest in the great game of golf among our young people. This sort of thing is essential if golf is to continue to prosper and grow. Perhaps other groups of seniors in MISGA might want to consider such a project in their respective areas. The seniors at U. of Md. will be glad to provide any interested groups with information and advice.

Another recent project of these seniors is worthy of note. The group wanted a flag pole near the first tee, but found that the cost of having it erected by a contractor was prohibitive - nearly \$2000. After some scouting around, they found that a pole which had been taken down from a campus building was available. They cleaned and painted the pole, had a sleeve set in the ground by the golf course maintenance crew, and then poured a cement walk and apron around the sleeve. The C. and P. Telephone Co. of Md. then kindly set the pole in the sleeve, and 'presto', the pole was up. All of this for an outlay of about \$200.

The U. of Md. Seniors now say with pride, "When you next visit Maryland, look for the pole are proud to be able to fly our country's flag!" But these fellows have something else of which be proud. Among their members are some of the best senior golfers in the entire MISGA organization.

SOME THOUGHTS ON SCORING MIXERS

Ted Hayward, Secretary of MISGA, and Don Falconer, Director of Division II, both of whom are members of Eaglehead C.C., have come up with some suggestions concerning scoring when the number of golfers at a mixer cannot be arranged in even foursomes.

If it is necessary to have one or more threesomes, the following suggestions will eliminate the time-consuming procedure of making a blind draw at the end of play and then computing the score.

Plan No. 1: Enter the best-ball scores for the threesome as if it were a foursome. Subtract that total from par and then multiply the result by  $\frac{4}{3}$  to adjust for the lack of a fourth golfer. Subtract that result from par to obtain the official adjusted score for the team. Example: (Assume a two best-ball format). The threesome has a final net score of 129 on a par-72 layout. Subtract 129 from 144 and get 15. Multiply 15 by  $\frac{4}{3}$  and get 20. The adjusted score for the threesome is 144-20 or 124.

Plan No. 2: Instruct each threesome to play four balls on every hole. The low handicapper will play two balls on handicap holes 1 thru 6, the intermediate handicapper will play two balls on handicap holes 7 thru 12, and the high handicapper will play two balls on handicap holes 13 thru 18. Scoring will then be computed as for a regular foursome. This format is interesting, but takes longer than Plan No. 1.

These methods of scoring will speed up the scoring process and will allow teams to know how they stand without having to wait for a blind draw.

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