

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There are still vacancies for each of the Fall trips. It is not too late to avail yourselves of a great experience.

The Board of Directors authorized a survey of our 50 Clubs to help gather information and to learn of problems facing our Club Reps. Three common problems showed up on several of the answers:

1. The "no show". The last MISGAgam emphasized this problem. Need more be said???

2. The failure of members to record scores for handicap purposes. One Club, trying to curb this situation, allows a member 72 hours to post a score. If it was not done within that time frame, the Pro and/or Handicap Chairman takes the lowest previously posted score, subtracts 5 from it, and posts that as the score for the MISGA Mixer. That does get your attention!

3. Gripping by non-MISGA members over waiving of green fees for MISGA Mixers. They call it MISGA's "free ride".

In response to the criticism that guests at MISGA Mixers are "free loaders", let's examine the facts. These guests are paying from \$20 to \$28 for cart rental, luncheon and prize money. Further, we require MISGA home players to use carts, buy lunch and pay prize money. Unless a Club has a mandatory cart use requirement, this procedure generates additional income since many members prefer to walk during their regular rounds of golf.

The assumption that green fees from visitors is lost revenue is valid only if we assume that the 30 to 60 guests arrive at your course for a non-MISGA round of golf. It just does not happen that way. Without the Mixer policy of waiving green fees we would not be visiting other Clubs as a group.

The bottom line is that a Mixer brings in guest money which would not be generated otherwise. It also captures additional funds from local members by requiring carts, lunch, etc. In our survey, those Clubs holding ten or more Mixers report gross MISGA income for the season ranging between 20 and 30 thousand dollars annually. Not bad for using 10 or 12 half-days out of 214 days in the golfing season (1 April to 31 Oct.)

MISGA has every right to be proud of its contribution to each member Club. MISGA availability serves as both a senior membership recruitment and retention tool for the Club. To deny its contribution, or that of other Club groups, is foolhardy and shortsighted.

## SPRING SEABROOK

This MISGA Outing was held at The Club at

Seabrook Island, South Carolina,  
March 12 to 17, 1995

There were a total of 41 participants, 31 eighteen hole golfers, 3 9-holers and 7 non-golfers. We played the usual four days in beautiful weather. The courses were in excellent condition with the greens hard and fast, contributing to some high scores.

There were 13 Clubs represented.

The food and accommodations were up to their usual high standards.

Although the group was small, many of those who attended commented that this contributed to a close camaraderie and gave everyone the opportunity to know each other.

Jim Bell

## SPRING FLING

This MISGA Outing was held on May 18 & 19, 1995 at Green Hill Y. & C. C.; Nassawango C. C. and Nutters Crossing G. C. The weather was threatening on Thursday but all three courses completed 18 holes of golf. Due to heavy and steady rain Friday morning all golf was canceled and refunds sent to all participants.

The Thursday night banquet was served at the Green Hill and Nassawango Clubs. The food was great and the service excellent.

The ladies played at Nutters Crossing and the winners were:

1st place - Mary Ann Russell, Jeanne Green, Betsy McNamara and Jo Ann Potter with a score of 126.

2nd place - Kelly Silling, Skip Smith, Tish Ewing and Cathy Gilmour with a score of 127.

3rd place - Aretta Keadle, Ginger Munsell, Fannie Day and Joan Woodward with a score of 133.

At Green Hill winners were:

1st place - Julian Coleman, Bob Gladden, John Turner and Bob Loomis with a score of 123.

2nd place - Walter Robertson, Leo Landry, Bill Gilmour and John Butler with a score of 123.

3rd place - Roy Nease, Gene Lyman, John Kraus and Merrill Ewing with a score of 124.

At Nassawango winners were:

1st place - Edward Winkis, Robert Purcell, Bill Snyder and Watson Kime with a score of 118.

2nd place - Dick Blanchard, Frank Page, Dick Smith and Cliff Gannett with a score of 118.

3rd place - George Hay, Jack Winder, Nick Delia and Bob Logan with a score of 126.

The Spring Fling Classic had two planned events for non-golfing ladies. The following is a comment from one of the ladies:

A number of the non-golfers took advantage of the prearranged trip on the Maryland Lady. Leaving from the dock in Salisbury they traveled four miles down the Wicomico River. A wonderful

lunch was served and the scenery was great. The Captain and his crew were tops and the service (including the bar) was typical of the Eastern Shore hospitality. Some passengers were so impressed they are considering taking the cruise in December as they say every home along the River puts on a light show. Our thanks to the Committee for thinking of the non-golfers.

Margaret Phillips

#### ANNUAL REPS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Annual Reps Meeting was held at Cambridge Country Club on April 24, 1995.

President Jefferson reminded all present that the MISGA By-Laws state that: "The purpose of the meeting will be to generate enthusiasm" and he proceeded to do so!

Roy Guazza distributed up-dated Club rosters to Division Directors and reported the present MISGA membership was 4,275 Associates.

George Lipscomb distributed Instructions and quotas for the 1995 Past Presidents Tournament and the Annual 2-man Team Tournament.

The changes to the By-Laws were passed unanimously by all Cubs present.

#### CHANGES TO MISGA BY-LAWS

All Associates who have copies of MISGA's Constitution and By-Laws should make the following changes to the By-Laws:

Article II, Section 2: In the second sentence change the word "July" to September.

Article II, Section 4: In the first sentence change the dates "September 15 and October 1" to November 15 and December 15; also change "October 1" to January 1.

Article II, Section 7: change the dates from "October 1 through September 30" to January 1 through December 31.

Article V, Section 1: Change the first sentence to read - "The Associates Committee is responsible for the collection and recording of moneys derived from Associate membership dues."

Second sentence: place a period (.) after the word "Associates" and delete the last three words (including handicap data).

The "Club Representatives Handbook" is under revision and new pages effected by the changes should be available in the near future.

All Associates are reminded that at a MISGA Board of Directors meeting on September 16, 1993, the annual Associate dues were raised from \$2.50 to \$4.00 effective in 1994.

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#### OBITUARY

On March 10, 1995, MISGA lost a devoted Associate, Walter "Bud" Marshall, who gave many years of dedicated service to MISGA. Bud served as Secretary of MISGA from 1989 through 1992. In 1992 he was elected Director of Division IV for a four year term and was also elected Vice President of MISGA for the years of 1993 and 1994.

Walter Joseph Marshall 76, who worked for the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company for 30 years before retiring in 1981 died of cancer at his home in Bethesda is survived by his wife of 53

years, Dolores.

I think the feelings that we all have for Bud are best expressed in the quote below that I received in a letter from Jack Hudson, MISGA Rep. of Lakewood.

"I consider Bud to be one of my best friends. We worked together as MISGA Rep and Alternate for years. I recommended Bud for the Secretary's job when Bill Hulihan asked me if I had a nominee. You know what an outstanding job that he did in that capacity. Div. 4 elected him as Division Director and the Board elected him as Vice President where he continued his fine work. When I conducted the Past Presidents tournament at Lakewood last year Bud furnished me with all the guidance that was needed. Bud was a Telephone Company Vice President before he retired."

"Bud was a conscientious, hard worker who did an excellent job for his friends and for MISGA. He was one of a kind and a man of great knowledge who was always ready to help out a friend. We shall all miss him."

#### NECROLOGY

Alexander, Edward "Ted"	Sussex Pines
Athey, John	Beaver Creek
Barrett, T.	Argyle
Bearden, W.	Hobbit's Glen
Behrens, E	Harbourtowne
Britton, J.	Nassawango
Buddington, R.	Kenwood
Canby, W.	Manor
Cleary, J.	Kenwood
Cohee, T.	Harbourtowne
Coleman, A.	Hobbit's Glen
Conley, Allan	Elks
Culp, T.	Kenwood
Fisher, Walt	Patuxent Greens
Fox, W.	Argyle
Garcia, T.	Kenwood
Gibbons, L.	Argyle
Heinzman, K.	Argyle
Himmelsbach, C.	Kenwood
Hoffman, L.	Manor
Holland, B.	Manor
Johansen, John	Sussex Pines
Lloyd, Marion	Elks
Miller, D.	Seaford
Norris, R.	Nutters Crossing
Parsley, H.	Montgomery Village
Perraut, L. E.	Bethesda
Pigg, E.	Argyle
Pusey, Ray	Sussex Pines
Richards, B.	Argyle
Schaffer, Leslie	Kenwood
Shaffer, J.	Shawnee
Spates, W.	Argyle
Sullivan, J.	Manor

West, C.

Argyle

#### FALL EVENTS

A brief summary of each Fall Outing follows. As of June 20, 1995 all Events still had the following openings for 18-hole golfers: Sea Trail 21, Jekyll 61, Seabrook Week 1 - 34, Week 2 - 86, Santee 62. If you are interested in any Outings, please contact your Club Rep for application forms and complete instructions. All Outings cost for golfers include green fees, carts, bag storage, all taxes, gratuities and prizes:

SEA TRAIL Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 - This package includes 5 nights lodging, 5 breakfasts, 4 cocktail hours. 4 dinners and four days of golf. Cost for individual: 18 holes, 9 holes & non-golfers - \$559., \$471. & \$423. in Villa minisuite double occupancy; in a Villa - \$587., \$499. & \$451. Add \$100. for single occupancy.

JEKYLL ISLAND Nov. 5 to 10 - This package includes 5 nights in the Comfort Inn, 5 breakfasts, 5 cocktail hours, 4 dinners and 4 days of golf. Cost for individual: Ocean Bedroom, double & single occupancy \$414. & 551.; Ocean Efficiency w/kitchenette or Ocean Lanai w/whirlpool - \$439 & 613; Additional person, triple occupancy - \$341.(new). Non-golfer deduct \$162.

SEABROOK Nov. 5 to 10 and 12 to 17 - This package each week includes 5 nights in Villas, 5 breakfasts, 5 dinners, 4 cocktail hours & 4 days of golf. Cost for individual: 2 people in 1 bedroom Ocean or Golf Villa - \$569. or \$548; 3 in 2 bedroom Golf Villa - \$528; 4 in 2 bedroom Golf Villa - \$481. For 9 hole golfer deduct \$40., for non-golfer \$111.

SANTEE Nov. 12 to 18 - This package includes 6 nights in the Howard Johnson Motel, 6 breakfasts, 5 dinners, 5 cocktail hours, and 4 days of golf. Cost for individual double occupancy: 18 holes - \$450.; 9 holes - \$380 & non-golfer - \$310. Add \$100. for single occupancy.

#### CALENDER

Aug. 28 - Past Presidents Tournament at Talbot Country Club.

Sept. 22 - Two-Man Team Tournament at Leisure World Country Club.

Sept. 19 & 20 - Board Bash at Turf Valley, Ellicott City, MD. All Board members, Past Presidents, Club Reps, Assistant Club Reps and their spouses are invited.

Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 at Sea Trail

Nov. 5 - 10 & 12 - 17 Seabrook Island

Nov. 5 - 10 Jekyll Island.  
Nov. 12 to 18 Santee, S. C.  
Feb. 4 - 9 & 11 - 16, 1996 Cape Coral Fla. Outing.  
A contract for 30 rooms each week has been signed.  
Cost will be approximately the same as 1995.

ACE

Bob Brittingham, Club Rep at Elks C. C. in Salisbury, Md. got his first Hole-in-One. The Elks Club was hosting their season's first Mixer with Shawnee C. C. of Milford, DE on Thursday April 6, 1995. The ace came on the 190 yard par 3 #5 hole. Bob was using a 3-wood. Congratulations Bob!

On June 20, 1995 at the second annual Gold Tee

Knock-Out Tournament Roy Smith of the U. S. Naval Academy Golf Club shot his age 82. He was playing with Elmer Butterwei, Charlie Brown and Tommy Thompson. Congratulations Roy!

Congratulations to Oceans Pines Golf Club!

Through the efforts of Paul Desmond (Club Rep and Secretary of MISGA), Roy Betts and Joe Russo (who is the professor) have started a 90-minute class in golf rules, golf etiquette and pace of play. In the June 1995 issue of "Golf Journal", the official publication of the USGA, there is a fine article on pages 6 and 7 describing this class.

For those of you who are not individual members of the USGA, you should be able to find a copy of the Golf Journal in your Pro Shop.

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