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MSGAGRAM

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

C.J. Myers

Early this year the Board established an ad hoc committee chaired by Division V Director Paul Desmond to make recommendations for the future

success of our MISGA organization. This
Long Range Planning Committee was
asked to review and establish strategy
and policies which are to be followed
regarding future growth. The
committee has reported out and its
recommendations will be taken up
by the Board this fall. The

resultant by-law changes will be presented for ratification at the Annual Meeting next spring. Some of the key items in the list of recommendations are:

- •Maintain the age requirement at 55;
- Prospective club must have an organized Senior men's group of at least 32 dues paying players;
- •Course must be at least 5,000 yards for 18 holes;
- Club must have a dining room capable of serving 120 people;
- Club must be willing to host one of the MISGA tournaments if requested; and
- •Agree to waive greens fees for all Mixers and MISGA tournaments.

Some of our existing member clubs do not meet all of these criteria, however, they are "grandfathered."

I want to commend the efforts and wisdom of this committee. The message is clear:

We don't necessarily want to be bigger we want to be better!

A Word From The New Editor

Hi! My name is Dick Hunt. I thought I would begin this issue by introducing myself. I was a member of Rolling Road Golf Club in Catonsville, MD for over 40 years. After retirement from the Applied Physics Laboratory of Johns Hopkins University I joined MISGA and became the Rolling Road rep. I held that position for three years until I moved to Rockville and joined Manor Country Club. Immediately I met many friendly golfers including C.J. Myers who asked if I would be interested in working with MISGA as editor of the newsletter. Yes was my answer and the rest is history.

I look forward to working with all the members during the next year.

Many thanks to Merle Shumaker, the retiring editor, for his excellent job and hard work over the years.!!!

READERS!!!!! Your contributions to the MISGAGRAM will make it interesting and informative. It would be great if you could submit the following types of info:

- l. Pictures We all like to see pictures of ourselves and our friends. A picture of a significant event such as an award, a hole in one, an all time low score, a group picture of a trip etc. would be good additions. Please send them to me with a note and I will try to include them.
- 2. Letters to the editor Some space will be reserved each month for your comments and suggestions. Any info pertinent to MISGA would be appreciated.
- 3. Articles of interest If you have a topic of interest and would like to write an article related in some way to MISGA please call me and we'll try to include it.

In the meantime, bear with us for an issue or two until we get the press rolling smoothly.

BOARD MEETING - Highlights

The MISGA Board met on June 17, 1997 at Rolling Road Golf Club.

Ad Hoc Gold Tees Committee: It was recommended that all state and divisional 2-man team tournaments continue to use the middle (white) tees. For the Past President's events (state and division qualifiers) there should be an option: A & B players use the middle tees; C & D players the forward tees. It was moved, seconded and approved that we continue to use middle tees until MISGA has more experience, (at mixers) with use of forward tees.

Tournaments: Next year, the ABCD tournament will be held August 31 at Prospect Bay while the 2-man team event will be at Manor on September 14. Future tournament responsibilities are:

2001 ABCD, Div.5; 2-man team, Div.2 2002 ABCD, Div.3; 2-man team, Div.4 2003 ABCD, Div.2; 2-man team, Div.5 2004 ABCD, Div.1; 2-man team, Div.3 2005 ABCD, Div.4, 2-man team, Div.1

Trips: Sam Hastings reported that his committee is exploring other venues for 1998, like the Legends at Myrtle Beach and Mid-Pines at Pinehurst. The Board's consensus is that cocktail hours are helpful in socializing and should continue.

New business: A letter from Charles Fieldhouse suggesting statewide rules covering penalties for those who sign up but fail to show for MISGA events was referred to the Divisions for their consideration.

It was proposed and agreed to that Bill Woolston, Past President, be designated an Honorary Board Member.

1997 SPRING FLING

The 1997 Spring Fling was held May 22 and 23 in the Salisbury, MD. area. The men played at Green Hill and Nassawango. The ladies played at Elks Country Club. One hundred twenty-eight men and twenty-one ladies participated in the event.

The winning ladies team at Elks on Thursday included Alice Daino, Marge Francis and Dot Carper. On Friday the winners were Bettie Nichols, Fannie Cay, Fran Digiacomo and Doris Hughes.

At Green Hill on Thursday the men's

winning team included Duke Rowdon, Wally Stein, Don Ewalt and John Butler. On Friday, the winners were Don Banks, Chuck Irish, and Charles Lindberg.

Unfortunately, we do not have the Nassawango winners. If you were a winner at Nassawango on either Thursday or Friday call Paul Desmond at 410-641-6149 and we will recognize your achievement in the next MISGAGRAM.

Thirty-six clubs were represented at the Spring Fling. Fifteen clubs had no representation.

REPORT ON MISGA TRIPS - Sam Hastings

CAPE CORAL IN '98????????

MISGA is not sponsoring a Florida Fling in '98. However, the Cape Coral Golf & Tennis Resort holds MISGA in such high regard that it is offering a very attractive package to MISGA members. The dates are 2/1 - 2/6/98 and 2/8 - 2/13/98. Costs are \$704.50 /golfer, double occupancy, \$611.50 / non-golfer, double occupancy and \$935.50/ golfer, single occupancy. You may call the Reservations Department, identify yourself as a member of MISGA and request a copy of its full-page announcement. The toll free number is 1-800-648-1475.

THE FALL FROLICS '97

Sea Trail - Sunday, October 26 (arrival) - October 31 (departure) This event is filled and has a waiting list.

<u>Woodlake</u> - Sunday, November 2 (arrival) - November 7 (departure) This event is filled with a waiting list.

<u>Seabrook</u> - Sunday, November 9(arrival) - November 14 (departure). There are still a few openings for Seabrook. If interested, please call Jim Bell at 410-465-2974.

1998 MISGA GOLF CRUISE

The 40 golfer spots have been filled and there is a waiting list. There may be spots available for non-golfers. If interested, call Logan Schutz at 301-779-5623.

IRELAND IN '98

Planning is in progress for a MISGA outing to Ireland in the late summer or early fall of 1998. A trip of 9 or 10 days duration with 24 travelers (including 16 golfers) is contemplated. If interested, call Sam Hastings, Trips Committee Chairperson, to receive details as they become available.

ABCD QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

DIVISION I WINNERS

Flight A Gross: Fred Graham-Yooll

Net: Gene Marcus

Flight B Gross: Ed Bover

Net: Charlie Munsell

Flight C Gross: Jack Taylor

Net: Andy Duda

Flight D Gross: Ron Lockwood Net: Ron Wade

DIVISION II WINNERS

Flight A Gross: Bob Slaught - 73

Bill Packo - 63 Net:

Flight B Gross: Frank O'Toole - 80

Net: Charlie Fieldhouse - 65

Flight C Gross: Ben Snouffer - 81 Jack Ebert - 64 Net:

Flight D Gross: Carmi Sayler - 88

Net: Mac Mc Cotter - 66

DIVISION III

Flight A Gross: Ralph Bolin - 81

Net: Bob Burkhart - 65

Flight B Gross: Ed Winkis - 86

Mike Miller - 68 Net:

Flight C Gross: Stan Stearns - 86

Lou Flaig - 66 Net:

Flight D Gross: Ildefonda - 86

Jim Case - 63 Net:

DIVISION IV WINNERS

Flight A Gross: Bill Molster - 75

Net: Steve Munger - 61 Flight B Gross: Bob Hopkin - 84

Bob Wilkinson - 66 Net:

Flight C Gross: Joe Cappelli - 89

John Morrison - 63 Net:

Flight D Gross: Ray Stone - 90

Tom Berilla -63 Net:

<u>DIVISION V WINNERS</u>

Flight A Gross: Bill Kleisch - 72

Net: Herb Bull - 66

Flight B Gross: Jim Petrie - 75

Net: Horace Daisey - 65

Flight C Gross: Fred McKee - 78

Net: Bob Zimmerman - 63

Flight D- Gross: Charles Schlegal - 87

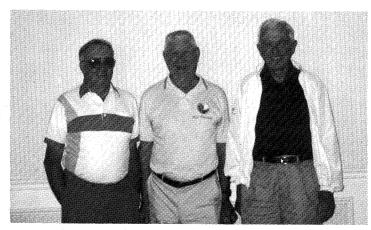
Net: Francis McKee - 63

TWO-MAN QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

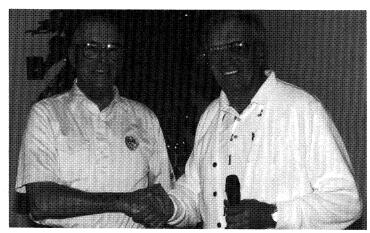
(As of Aug. 1, Only DIV. V reported results)

DIVISION V WINNERS

1st place team - Fred McKee & Francis McKee 2nd place team- Bill Ferguson & Dean Steyer



Merle Shumaker (center), MISGAGRAM editor for the past four years, recognized by C.J. Myers, President, (left) and George Shenk, V.P., (right) for his contributions to MISGA.



1996 outgoing MISGA president, George Meyer, congratulated by 1997 President, C.J. Myers (right).

DECEASED MEMBERS

Beck, L. - Talbot

Burris, J. - Chester River Filer, B. - Seaford

Ganley, N. - Eastern Shore Grimes, K. - Holly Hills Hylton, V. - Leisure World

Maltese, F. - Maple Dale

Mesobov, M. - Shawnee Piebson, R.- Sparrows Point

Reed, T. - U. S. Naval Academy

Tabler, W.- Rolling Road Truguo, B.- Hobbit Glen

Utz, T. - Cripple Creek

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