



Upcoming Events

3/22: Stag Night 5:30 Shotgun
 3/24: MGA Spring Handicap 10:00 T-Times
 3/25: MGA Spring Handicap 11:00 T-Times
 3/26: Heritage Christian 12:30 Shotgun
 3/27: Leukemia/Lymphoma 10:00 Shotgun
 3/29: Battle of the Dam 9:00 Double Tee

Weekly Member Play:

LGA: Monday @ 10:00; Thursday @ 10:00

SMGA: Tuesday @ 10:00

Dogfights: Wednesday @ 12:30; Friday @ 12:00;

Saturday @ 10:00; Sunday @ 12:00

Shootout: Saturday & Sunday ~ Make your own T-Time

Local Knowledge:

• Titleist Loyalty Rewarded

As a thank you to Pro V1 loyalists, Titleist will once again offer its Loyalty Rewarded program from March 22 - April 22. If you purchase 3 dz ProV1 or ProV1X balls; you will receive 1 dz of the same ball FREE. The program also includes free personalization. Visit the Golf Shop to take advantage of the limited time offer!

• Winter Clearance Sale

Drop by the Golf Shop to take advantage of our Winter Clearance Sale going on now! Stock up for next season or enjoy wearing a few new pieces before the cooler temps are replaced by the warm spring & summer weather. A nice selection of winter wear items remain, so get by before the selection and savings are gone.

• STAG NIGHT Returns

The popular Stag Night returns this month on March 22. We'll kick the evening off at 5:30 with a 9 hole competition, followed by dinner & a few games of cards. See 'News From The Golf Shop' for more. We hope you will join us for a great evening of fun on the 22nd.

• Swim Team

Registration for the 2018 swim team begins March 15. We're looking forward to another great season for the GH Gators! Register online at www.goldenhillsgolf.com

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News from the Golf Shop

It's a wonderful time to be a member at Golden Hills. The end of February brought spring like conditions to the Midlands and warmer, longer days are right around the corner. With the start of Daylight Savings Time on March 11th and Spring officially beginning on March 20th, we expect the weather on the course to provide outstanding conditions to play a few rounds at Golden Hills. We hope each of you will be able to take advantage of every opportunity to enjoy some fun and fellowship on the links this month.

The Men's Golf Association held its first event of the year, Play It Forward, on Saturday, February 24th. In this format, all players play 1 tee forward than they normally would be allowed in tournaments. 53 gentlemen teed it up at 10:00am and were treated to fall like conditions with a high temperature near 80. Some of the golf was nearly as hot. Walter Peake and Robbie Davis scorched the field by 5 shots and tied for 1st with net scores of 8 under 63. In the gross division, David Huff narrowly nipped Todd Lindsey by 1 shot with scores of 72 & 73 respectively. Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to everyone for your participation. Next on the MGA docket is the 2-day Spring Handicap on March 24th & 25th. Saturday's round will begin at 10:00 am and Sunday's round will begin at 11:00. Tee times will be assigned each day. The format is individual stroke play using 100% of handicap. If you would like to play or find out more information about the MGA, please call the Golf Shop at 957-3355.

With daylight savings starting on March 11th, the added daylight gives us the opportunity to host our first Stag Night of the year. Join us on Thursday, March 22nd for nine holes of golf followed by a light dinner and a few hands of poker for those who wish to try their luck. The cost is only \$22 for golf, food and prizes. The format for the first event will be 2-person net best ball. If you have a foursome that would like to play together you are welcome to sign up as a foursome. If you are a twosome or a single looking to be paired up, the Golf Shop staff will be happy to help you find a partner. We would love to see each of you come out and enjoy the start of the spring season with us. Call the Golf Shop to sign up.

Our Ladies Golf Association continues to play each Monday and Thursday morning at 10 a.m. With new members joining monthly, this is a great opportunity to meet and play with other ladies who enjoy the great game of golf. Whether you are a beginner or a scratch golfer, walk or ride, all are invited to enjoy the fun. All we ask is that you call the Golf Shop by 4 p.m. on Sunday or Wednesday to sign up.

Our Senior Men's Golf Association continues to meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday mornings for a little friendly competition. If you have not played with this group before, please come out and join in all the fun. Please note that once daylight savings time begins the gentleman will change the tee time to 9 a.m. The SMGA is open to all seniors 55 and over. If you would like to join this great group of guys, please call the Golf Shop by 4 p.m. on Monday.

Have you seen or heard about the latest rage in golf equipment? The Calloway Rogue drivers, fairway woods and hybrids are leading the field in their respective categories. Golden Hills Golf and Country Club is your local Calloway staff dealer. With demos and a Calloway Fit Cart available, we can match you with the perfect club and shaft. Come out today and see Ryan or Steve to get fit with your new Calloway clubs with Jailbreak technology. Maybe you have a great set of clubs, but we all would like to make more puts or chip the ball closer to the hole. Your Golden Hills Golf Shop is also the place to find the finest putters and wedges made by Odyssey and Calloway. The new Calloway Chrome Soft and Titleist Tour Soft are also here. Come by today and get your equipment ready for the spring season.

Don't need new clubs? Now is the right time to make sure your grips are in great shape. Are your grips looking worn or are they slippery when playing? If so, stop by the Golf Shop and ask about getting your clubs regripped. We can custom order any grip and have your clubs ready in a few days. With quick, convenient service, your Golf Shop staff will have your clubs regripped and ready for your next tee time.

Your Golf Shop Staff,
 Steve Larick and Ryan Murphy

Ladies Golf Association

With favorable conditions for play most of February, we've already caught a touch of spring fever! We've had a great group of ladies playing with us throughout the winter season but we look forward to increasing our group as the warm spring days arrive in the days and weeks ahead. Ladies of all levels of play are invited to join us for our standing tee times each Monday and Thursday morning at 10:00am. If you would like to join us, contact the Golf Shop by 4:00pm on the preceding day to reserve your spot.

Next month will bring the arrival of our first Couples Tournament for 2018. Mark your calendar and plan to join us on Sunday, April 15 at 10:00am. The tournament format will be a Blind Nine and great food and fellowship will follow play at the clubhouse.

Our LGA is once again competing in the Ladies Handicap Match League and the season will get underway on March 21. The first match will be held at Timberlake CC in Chain. We wish our GH team good luck at the 1st match and throughout the season. If you would like information on participating on our team, contact Darlene Seguin, at seguindar@yahoo.com

Other great opportunities to play this month include: WSCGA One Day - March 13: Wild Dunes - 2 Person Best ball (Charleston); Northwoods - Stroke Play (Columbia). March 19: Ridge Senior @ CC of Lexington. March 21: LHML @ Timberlake (Chapin). March 27: Sandlapper @ CC of Lexington. March 29: Pro-Lady @ Ponderosa (Batesburg). If you would like more information on WSCGA, Sandlapper or other events contact our State Representative, Sally Ademy at: joesally8922@yahoo.com

If you would like more information on the Golden Hills Ladies Golf Association, please contact LGA President, Lana Ames: falagolfers@aol.com

Fit for the Tee

Unless your current set was assembled with the help of a competent custom club fitter, you're likely giving up yards, accuracy, consistency and, ultimately, strokes. Basically you may be using the wrong set and wasting shots. The availability of free or relatively inexpensive professional club fitting make it easier than ever to have each club in your bag customized to produce your best results. Practice, lessons, changing your diet and fitness routine are all good but require commitment and hard work. Whereas, if you were to spend 45 minutes or an hour with a fitter, just hitting regular golf shots, you will easily and immediately see improvements in your game when using clubs that fit you properly.

So why do golfers who care enough to buy new equipment use clubs that don't properly fit their swings?

Many players believe they are not accomplished enough to benefit from a customized set; others worry about price. People can be embarrassed to swing in front of a stranger, don't want to commit the time or money or don't understand the benefits and stubbornly hold onto old clubs that no

Senior Men's Golf Association

March will bring the arrival of spring, beautiful weather and longer days; all of which will usher in ideal conditions to play and enjoy more rounds at the club! Our SMGA continues to meet at 10 a.m. each Tuesday morning for a little friendly competition. Please note, once daylight savings time begins our start time will move back to 9 a.m. If you have not played with our group before, please come out and join in all the fun. All Golden Hills members age 55 & over are welcome to participate. You can register by calling the Golf Shop by 4:00 pm on the Monday preceding each Tuesday match at (803) 957-3355.

We had good attendance and discussion at our annual meeting last month. Key topics covered were: Four SMGA Council members were re-elected for 2018 - Ray Chiellini, Curtis Cooley, Rich Antinozzi & Jerry Keene. Mike Blakely was introduced as the new handicap chair. Mike will look at ways to insure all members get updated rosters, contact information and handicaps. SMGA members were encouraged to play in more club & MGA events. Those who do participate will not be penalized the 2 strokes for doing so. A SMGA BBQ will be held in May.

The regional Senior Ryder Cup season is upon us! Our first match will be held against the team from the Ponderosa, at their course in Batesburg, on March 15th. We are looking forward to recapturing the cup this season and wish everyone participating on team Golden Hills good luck!

Results of our matches since the last report are as follows:

January 30 - Points: 1st (tie) Steve Johnston & David Ha (+5); 3rd - Mike Blakely (+3); 4th - Chuck Felkel (+2); 5th - Mark DiMaggio (-1)

February 6 - Handicap: 1st - Nick Rinaldi (63); 2nd - Jerry Keene (65); 3rd - Mark DiMaggio (66); 4th (tie) Rick Green, Dean Davis & Jim Anderson (68)

February 13 - Points: 1st (tie) Mark DiMaggio & Mike Blakely (+4); 3rd (tie) Nick Rinaldi & Scott Zhang (+3)

February 20 - Handicap: 1st - Robert Davis (60); 2nd - Bob Amory (62); 3rd (tie) Dean Davis, Nick Rinaldi & Scott Zhang (66)

For more information on the SMGA contact Rich Antinozzi at (803) 960 - 8706 or email: rja1055@aol.com

longer perform. Most golfers choose clubs that are popular, well made and are seen frequently in PGA Tour bags. The problem isn't the clubs. There are few lemons on the market today with major club makers continually excelling in design, technology and production. The equipment is good; all that's needed is making sure you get fit for you. Put the excuses aside and find clubs that will optimize your swing. Take the small step to improve your game and enjoy golf more in the process.

Getting fit is the single best way to get better at golf ASAP and the golf staff at Golden Hills is ready, willing and able to help. Golden Hills is your local Calloway staff dealer. With demos and a Calloway Fit Cart available, we can match you with the perfect club and shaft. Maybe you're happy with your clubs but could stand to make a few more putts or chip the ball closer to the hole. You will find the finest putters and wedges made by Odyssey and Calloway in the Golf Shop. Even if you prefer equipment from Titleist, TaylorMade or other brands, we can still help getting you fitted and order the clubs that are right for you. Drop by or give us a call and let us know how we can help you get more out of every round!