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From the President....

RANDOM THOUGHTS
Jim’s email: jmztal@gmail.com

How can we do what we do better? As the year started I had high hopes of doing good things for the benefit of our members. That has not changed. As required by our bylaws the year starts with a new president in place. A disadvantage is as with most things there is a learning curve.

FUN, FELLOWSHIP and FAIRWAYS
This is the ASGA motto. Each of us needs to make sure that is our primary goal at the events we attend.

We are interested in running quality events that our members really enjoy. That is where you can help us the most. We have people who were members of other chapters, some of us have attended their events, been involved in other golf organizations or just golfed a while. How did they do things? Better? How?

One of my failings I have identified is not promoting an open relationship with our members. This is not a top down organization. I have tried to listen as people had concerns but maybe I was distracted, did not appreciate the gravity of the issue or just did not retain what I should (age related?). Let me assure you I am committed to improving how we operate and it does not matter to me how we change for the better. Call, email, talk to the people responsible and we can make it happen.

Members can contribute to making things go smoother by taking the event details down they are planning to attend and show up well in advance of their tee time. We provide the time, phone no. and directions for the events by newsletter, e-mail and the website (www.raleigh.singlesgolf.com). Need directions? The web can be helpful, as some of the courses have websites, you can use mapping sites (www.mapquest.com or my favorite www.maps.google.com), or get the phone no. for the course and call them for directions.

Formats. This topic is talked about at events, monthly meetings and board meetings. Still working on it, sorry. We will be trying out some different methods shortly. If you have ideas for me to consider please let me know.

Slow play is something each member of the foursome is responsible for. Please play attention to your position and if there is not a group directly in front of you - you're group is behind.

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three times... June 2nd we will be traveling to Bunn to play The River (formerly known as Lake Royale) The cost will be $30.00 and we will begin at 12:30. June 16th we will go in the opposite direction to Mill Creek in Mebane. The cost will be $39.00 if we have over 20 golfers and the first tee time is 12:04. This course is very nice; sign up early to secure your spot. Finally on June 30th, we will head back down to Reedy Creek. This course year after year is voted the number one course in Johnston County. The cost will be $30.00 and we begin at 12:36.

I’m always open to new ideas for courses to play. Here are some possibilities for remainder of the year: Keith Hills, Anderson Creek, Hillandale, Quail Ridge, Pine Hollow, Hedingham, just to name a few. Please send me any suggestions for other courses.

~Jeff Swoager

**Golf Outings**

**June 2nd**

20 Lake Royale

Louisburg, NC 27549

(252)478-3842

Tee Times from: 12:30

Cost: $30

Directions: Take US 401 north to NC 98. Turn right on NC 98 about 12 miles to Bunn. At stop sign straight through intersection. This is Baptist Church Rd. Go 2 ½ miles, at stop sign turn Rt. onto Sledge Rd. 1.1 Miles to Golf Course Entrance on Rt. Follow signs to pro shop.

**June 16th**

Mill Creek GC in Mebane

1700 St. Andrews Drive

Mebane, NC 27302

Tel: (919) 934 7502

Tee Times from: 12:36

Cost: $30

Directions: From Raleigh, take I-40 West to Exit 157 (Buckhorn Rd.). Turn right. Cross Railroad tracks and turn left onto Highway 70 West. Go about 2 miles to the first stop light. After 3rd light, take the first right at the Citgo Station onto HWY 119. Follow HWY 119 signs to Mill Creek Entrance on Right. Turn right into Mill Creek and clubhouse is 1/4 mile on right.

~Jeff

**Social News**

Check your e-mail! Soon to arrive is an e-vite for a gathering at Kathy Dowling’s home to bid farewell to two of our long-time members, Suzanne Dlugosz and John Gramling, while enjoying the final round of the US Women’s Open. Save the date: JULY 1ST.

One of the best means of getting to know your fellow golfers is to make time to socialize following our Saturday rounds. Please plan to join others after you finish at the clubhouse for a beverage and visit. This time allows for sharing our good and not so fine moments on the course and for

**Membership Dues**

Dues for the Raleigh Chapter of the American Singles Golf Association are $70.00 per 12 month period. Payment can be made by check or credit card. Mail with application to: ASGA, Inc., P. O. Box 848, Pineville, NC 28134

**JOIN BY PHONE, FAX, OR WEB**

Dial toll-free 1-888-GOLFMATE (465-3628) and provide the info on the application form, your credit card number and expiration date, and you’re all set! Office hours 8:30-5 EST (M-F). Or, FAX your application along with credit card information to 1-888-465-3295 (toll-free). You may also join on our national web site (www.singlesgolf.com). Your membership package will be mailed within 10 days.
building comradery. For those who are hungry, we’ll leave from there to go to a nearby restaurant for dinner.

We’re always open to new ideas as to social events as well as members opening their homes for events. History has shown that our best events have been held in members’ homes so again we encourage you to support your Chapter by volunteering to host an outing.

Monthly Meeting at Blinco’s:
Thursday, June 21st at 6:30 pm
Blinco’s Sports Restaurant,
6711 Glenwood Avenue, Raleigh
(919) 785 5060

Upcoming Multi Chapter events include:
June 15 - 17 - The 8th Annual Kodak Challenge in Tennessee
July 20-22 - The North South Challenge in the Myrtle Beach Area

Check the website for details:  http://www.singlesgolf.com/

~Bonner Philips and Margo Acomb
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Membership News

Summer seems to have taken its’ toll on membership. Time to get out and find a new member to bring to the group. Unfortunately our newspaper advertisement did not bring one interested call.

Margaret VonGonten attended our May meeting. We hope you’ll join us Margaret! Margaret is from Cary. She indicated her house had room for entertaining!

We’re sorry to see Rocky Womack drop his membership. However, we understand with the distance to Danville, Va.

We’re also sad to see Suzanne Drugosz and John Gramling leave us in July to move to Atlanta. Join us for a goodbye party on Sunday, July 1st. As past president and Golf chair respectively, the Raleigh Chapter will be losing both great leaders and friends.

~ Kathy Dowling

Raleigh Chapter Newsletter and Website
www.raleigh.singlegolf.com
~ Sandra Ross

ABOUT OUR MEMBERS
Happy Birthday to these members:
Susan Bailey - 06/02
Ronnie Debnam - 06/20
Wayne Dedrick - 06/01
John Gramling - 07/06
Kevin Gregg - 06/03
Bobby Jones - 07/12
Irene Kennedy - 06/15
Lois LeSavoy - 06/02
Rita Schweinzi - 06/11
Richard Scott - 07/12
Holly Tallon - 06/05
Patricia Waller - 07/15
Susan Winstead - 06/28

These members are up for renewal:
(date shown is last day of membership)
Joyce Jennings - 06/30/2007
Sharon Leinwand - 06/30/2007
Sandra Ross - 06/30/2007
Mary Virginia Swain - 06/30/2007
Jim Talley - 06/30/2007
Holly Tallon - 06/30/2007

These members recently renewed:
Betsy Durchuck
Rick Hale
Edward Mclean

These members did not renew their dues:
(date shown is date membership expired)
Owen Zebrun - 04/30/2007

Our chapter currently has 74 members.

Don’t Let Your Membership Lapse... Be sure to renew so you won’t miss receiving a newsletter.

Call 1-888-GOLFMATE
Annual North - South Challenge
(July 20, 21, 22, 2007 Myrtle Beach, SC)

This year’s challenge will be held in the Myrtle Beach area of SC. It is an opportunity to interact, socialize, have fun, and return to your chapter with the CHALLENGE Trophy.

The standard package this year for July 20, 21, and 22nd includes;
- 2 night’s accommodations
- 3 rounds of golf
- prize money
- Luncheon Saturday after golf
- hospitality room Fri and Sat nights (free beer and wine)
- All taxes

Accommodations will be at the Brunswick Plantation, Calabash, NC (www.brunswickplantation.com) (2 bedroom Condo). Each bedroom has two beds.


REMIT BOTTOM PORTION ONLY. ONE FORM PER PERSON...

NAME_____________________________________________________________       HANDICAP  ________

ADDRESS______________________________________________________CITY_________________________

STATE_____ ZIP _____________ SMOKER – ( ) YES ( ) NO

HOME PH - _______________________ WORK PH - _______________________ CELL PH - _______________

E-MAIL ADDRESS___________________________ CHAPTER ____________________ ( ) MALE ( ) FEMALE

CHECK APPROPRIATE PACKAGE:
(   ) $185 per person - (2 nights – 3 rounds of golf) 4 members per 2 bedroom condo
(   ) $220 room by myself (2 nights – 3 rounds of golf) 1 member in 1 bedroom of 2 bedroom condo
(   ) $155 – (2 nights/2 rounds of golf) 4 members per 2 bedroom condo
(   ) $190 room by myself (2 nights – 2 rounds of golf) 1 member in 1 bedroom of 2 bedroom condo
(   ) $90 - 2 rounds of golf only (Sat/Sun)
(   ) $120 – 3 rounds of golf only

My roommate/roommates will be ____________________________________________________________

Please do not list yourself as someone else’s roommate without their permission. IMPORTANT: Roommates are YOUR responsibility. If you do not have a roommate, we will make every attempt to assist you in finding one.

I AM REMITTING: $ ______________ for the package indicated above
$ ______________ for mulligans (3-Sun only) - Cost is $10.00
$ ______________ TOTAL (check no. ____________) MAKE PAYABLE TO “Myrtle Beach ASGA”

Deadline for Registration is June 22, 2007

MAIL COMPLETED FORM WITH APPROPRIATE AMOUNT TO:
ASGA Myrtle Beach, Attn: David Pelletier, 5877 Antioch Road, Conway, SC 29527
QUESTIONS: E-Mail Dave Salisch (djsalisch@atmc.net) or call 910-579-5503