Stockton Golf-& Country Club Happy Holidays!

2016 SGCC PRESIDENT • Kevin Kauffman

ow! It was just a year ago that your Club's Board of Directors in a responsible and diligent manner changed management and direction to improve our membership experience. I may be too close to this issue, but I want thank the previous and current members of the Board for having the courage to make these decisions. Lindsey and I have used Club facilities a lot this year and have witnessed the continuous improvement in our membership experience. Highlights for the year are many and significant. Please take the time to at least 'mentally' note the highlights of your Club for the past year.

Our General Manager Rich has taken the reins with the passion that the Club needed to assure the improvement that we all expected. Our PGA Pro Kelley and Interim Superintendent Bernie have also stepped up to assure success of the Club's tournaments, programs, and course. Ron is back as our most successful Food Services Manager in years, and he recently hired Chef Steve, who comes with a resume that our Club has only dreamt about. Will the Club's membership and guest experience continuously improve with this type of professionalism on our staff? I think it is easy to guarantee it!

The quarterly 'all-member' meetings have been well received. The Board of Directors felt that these meetings would

provide the communication channel and transparency that had been missing. To my knowledge, no negative feedback has been received from this approach to inform Club members on the business conducted by the Board. These meetings are expected to continue until further notice; and the next one will coincide with the regular annual meeting on Thursday, December 8 at 6:00 pm. At this meeting, all members will be presented with the type of reports that staff and the Board of Directors have made at past meetings. And, the certified members will elect three (3) members to complement the six (6) members that are in the middle of their respective terms. I encourage all members to attend this meeting.

So many highlights have occurred this year thanks to the efforts of our committees and members who have donated their time, energy and funds. Rich attempts to highlights these with every newsletter. If the Board has not thanked you directly, please remind us of your contribution, and we will be happy to explain to you how important your contribution has been to your Club.

With many US and religious holidays approaching, your Club has many opportunities for you, your friends, and your family to come out and use the Club. Remember, our Club is a lot busier than it was last year now, so be sure to call ahead to make a reservation, especially at the

'busy' times.

With all the positive things happening at your Club, it is a good time to invite a friend to consider joining. The more of us enjoying this Club, the less financial stress is on our budget. How about it, will you help spread the word that now is as good a time as any to come aboard? Thanks for considering this request.

Did you know that our Club may be the only country club in the region serving meals six (6) days a week? Enjoy every day at the Club, including Monday mornings when only the fitness center is open!

Kevin Kauffman
SGCC President, 2016

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FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

am pleased to report that we beat budget by \$34,043 and prior year by \$23,737. This includes \$63,000 in non-budgeted capital improvement expenses. We have made many positive changes around the Club this past year, including the return of Food & Beverage Manager; Ron Boehm, Bernie Holloway stepping up as our Interim-Superintendent and the latest addition to our team, Executive Chef, Steven Frain. All of these changes are a positive for the Club and the Member experience.

Elections!

Club elections that is. Each year three (3) Directors are elected to the Board of Directors for a term of three (3) years. This year the Election & Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 8th. This meeting includes a traditional spaghetti dinner and is open to all members; however, voting, per the By-Laws is permissible to the Regular Certificated Member only.

The Nominating Committee is currently in the process of putting together a ticket of candidates. The ticket submitted by the Nominating Committee is known as the "Regular Ticket." The "Regular Ticket" will be posted at the Club and emailed out

when it is finalized.

In addition to the "Regular Ticket" any Regular Certificated Member, Spouse of a Regular Certificated Member, or Domestic Partner of a Regular Certificated Member may be added to the ticket if nominated by any five (5) Regular Certificated Members.

Meet the Candidates

Last year we hosted our first "Meet the Candidate" night, this fun and informative evening is a great way to meet the candidates and ask questions. This year's "Meet the Candidate" night is scheduled for Tuesday, November 29th. More details to follow.

Membership

We are currently offering a "Prelude Membership" Promotion. This program allows a potential member to experience the Club at any membership level for 6-months with no initiation fee. At the completion of the 6-month period, the perspective member will have the opportunity to apply the 6-month dues they have paid, towards the initiation fee. We currently have three (3) new members on this program. So, if you know of someone interested in a Club with:

fantastic food, great staff, a wonderful golf course, state of the art fitness center and an active calendar of events please let me know. It would be my pleasure to give them a tour.

As we strive to increase membership numbers we are also trying to increase member usage; As I mentioned, we have a lot of new and exciting things happening and changing at the Club, so check the calendar, pick an event or two and plan to use your Club!

Chere and I would like to wish everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season. See you at the Club!

See you at the Club!

Rich



General Manager Rich Howarth, PGA **Rhowarth@stocktongolfcc.com**

SENIORS' CORNER

Message from Senior's Department Garry Potten, gpbp@pacbell.net

ell folks, by the time you read this communique, another Senior Men's Golf Club season will have come to an end...and what a season it was. Our year started off in March with our Senior Men's Kick-Off tournament which included an excellent dinner for the golfers and their significant others. Background music played as we satisfied our appetites and waited for all the sand baggers to accept their awards (as you might surmise, yours truly won zippo). If you missed it, do not despair. This event was such a great success that we are going to make it an annual happening, so you will have another opportunity to experience one of the highlights of our year.

We had a full season of Home and Home tournaments with 7 other clubs in our area...one of the greatest bargains in golf! Participation was a little spotty this year, but we are working on some schemes to give it a boost for the 2017 season. It's difficult to understand why more seniors don't take advantage of this opportunity. Great golf courses, great food, great prizes, great guys, great times...sounds like next year is going to be another great one. But wait, there's more! The Seniors also were hosted by the 18 Hole and 9 Hole Ladies in a one day outing...another extraordinary day! In addition, all Senior Men's Club members are invited to play with the Central Valley Seniors at some really nice clubs at a very reasonable cost. But there is still more! If you are a Super Senior (ages 70+) you can also play in the Super Senior tournaments which are held once a month on either Tuesdays or Wednesdays. And even more... the Senior Men's Invitational. What a hoot! Do not miss this one next year. So as you can see, the SGCC Senior Men's Club Board of Directors are a busy lot.

It's time to thank all those folks who make all of our fun possible: The Check-in- Chicks, Jan Morrison, Janet Salvetti, Candy Retamoza, and Becky Potten (these ladies greet and register all golfers for our tournaments...the men love them); Jesus and his crew in the cart barn...well done!; Kelley and Matt in the pro-shop for their major organizational/logistic support; Ron Boehm and Katy Fehn in the Food and Beverage department for outstanding meals and all the little extras; Hope Zapien for keeping our records and finances in order; to our chef, the kitchen staff and servers for the scrumptious food and excellent service, and finally to our Senior Men's Club Board of Directors.

Wishing you all an excellent holiday season. So thank-you all, and to all a good night... actually, many good nights!

It takes 100 good shots to gain confidence, but only 1 bad one to lose it.

eptember 20 was our Play With Pro and Staff. We had good weather and always a fun time. So much fun to play with someone who can make the green in "2" or the 3 pars in "1"! Taking home the prize was 1st place: Joyce Drew, Virginia Wallace, Susan Marks and Pro Staff, Michael Byrne. 2nd place: Joyce Corrales, Lynne Riggs, Janet Salvetti and Pro Staff, Brandon Hughes. 3rd Place: Judy Green, Colleen Fetter, Kathy Chinchiolo and Staff Ron Boehm. 4th place: Rose Marie DuQuette, Francesca Vera, Marilyn Rauzi and Ass't Pro Matt Marmon. Thanks to Susan Marks and Virginia Wallace for a great Job.

Our Buddy Tournament was held on September 30 with 5 foursomes competing. The theme was "Gamblin' on the Green", and tables were decorated with dice and cards. Earning 1st place was Rose Marie and Gary DuQuette, Louanne and Bill Bertilacchi, 2nd place Lynne and Bob Riggs, Judy Green and Lisa Tolentino, and Most Courageous - Jan and Bob Morrison, Candy Retamoza and Phil Long. Closest to the Pin went to Bill Bertilacchi and Joyce Corrales. Thanks to Jan Morrison, Janet Salvetti, and Joyce Drew for a very interesting evening.

October 25 was the Oakdale Invitational. We had so much fun last year that we decided to sign up for this in place of our Halloween Party. We had 10 participants (2 had to cancel) and made a good showing. Winning foursomes with our girls in them placed: Lynne Riggs, 6th front nine; Judy Green, 4th front nine; Nancy Sundahl, 3rd back nine; Marilyn Rauzi, 3rd front nine. Chickie Gregerson got closest to the hole on #9 at 2'9". With all the other on and off the course activities, with a Disney theme, costumes and all, we had a very interesting day.

Next up will be our Christmas Party and Awards on Dec 11. See you then and don't forget to bring a toy for under the tree.

Happy Holidays,

Marilyn Marilyn Rauzi Captain, Tuesday Ladies



veryone loves this time of year, it's all about Apples, Peaches and Pumpkin Pie, right? Golf course maintenance crews enjoy this time of year especially as it gives us a chance to "exhale." We've been doing a lot of work the past few months, such as aeration, cart path edging, lake tulies, tree work all while refining our commitment to efficient detail work. Rebuilding bunkers and specific drainage is in our future as well. It is our focus to have the best golf course in the Valley; and the maintenance team is all-in. If you like what the crew is doing give us a thumbs up or a shout out.

Enjoy the course, Thanks.

Bernie

Interim Golf Course Superintendent Bernie Holloway

FOOD AND BEVERAGE DIRECTOR

t is hard to believe it has been a year since I returned to the club. Like they say, time flies when you are having fun! During the past year, there have been many success stories including the summer concert, wine dinners, kid's pool activities, and good comments about the food, local wines and staff.

There is definitely a buzz around the club regarding our new executive Chef, Steven Frain. I am extremely excited to work along Chef Steven. He will be the driving force behind giving the food menus a long, overdue face lift. I am confident that his great ideas coupled with excellent service will establish the club as your first choice when you think of dining options in the area.

One of my goals is to introduce the wonderful wines of Lodi to the membership. It is very surprising to me that people still do not realize we have so many great options in our very own backyard. I have enjoyed seeing the surprise and delight when I offer a taste to people and they ask me "that's from Lodi?" There are currently 8 wines that we are offering and I plan to rotate more as time goes on and the seasons change. Anytime you would like a sample, please do not hesitate to ask our staff or myself. By the way, the holiday wine extravaganza is right around the corner on Thursday, November 10th. This is a superb evening where you can come taste and purchase wine at whole sale prices. This is a perfect opportunity to stock up your personal collection or holiday gifts.

For those beer enthusiasts, we have partnered with local brewery from Tracy, Morgan Territory.

Speaking of holidays, they are fast approaching and know everyone is busy. Make sure to check your calendar and bring the family or guests to one of the many fun activities throughout the holiday season. We encourage you to make reservations by calling the club or via email at the address reservations@stocktongolfcc.com. You will receive a confirmation email and be all set to attend!

I wish you all a fun, safe holiday season filled with family, food and laughter.

Ron

Ron Boehm

Food and Beverage Manager rboehm@stocktongolfcc.com



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Sunday,Brunch 10:00am= 2:00pm Special/Menu	Club Closed	Events Committee 4:30pm Fried Chicken Night	House Committee 12:00pm Green Committee 4:00pm	Tapas and Tunes 6:00pm No Corkage Night	Dinner at the Club 5:00-9:00pm Fireside Room	Golf Shop Clo at 3:00 Christmas Eve Dini 4:00pm - 7:00
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GHRISTMAS DAY Glub Glosed	Club Closed	Pot Roast Night	Board Meeting 5:00pm BINGO 6:00pm	No Corkage Night	Dinner at the Club 5:00-9:00pm Fireside Room	NewYear/s "WhitePa €00pm=1:00

Saturday December 24

Christmas Eve Dinner

4:00pm - 7:00pm Reservations Required Special ala Carte Menu New Year's Eve "White Party"

Three Course Dinner, Wine, East Coast Champagne Toast Hosted Cocktail Hour, Casino Gaming, Dancing to "The Par Time Band" \$80++ PER PERSON / "After Party Casino Night" 930 pm-1am Includes gaming, three drink vouchers, Midnight Champagne Toast Late night munchie bar, \$30++ per person

*Casino will be open from 10:00pm - 11:30pm

Need a sitter? Drop off the kids © SGCC Kids Club,

Available from 6pm - 1230am, \$25.00 ++ Includes supervised childcare,
games, dinner buffet, movie and fun!

Welcome, Executive Chef Steven Frain

teven was born and raised in Stockton and attended Linden High School, Graduating in 1994. In 2000, Steve graduated from Calufornia Culinary Academy in San Francisco.

In 2001, Chef Steven was hired as a line cook at The Ritz Carlton Half Moon Bay. He then continued working his way up to executive chef at multiple properties with Ritz Carlton hotels from 2004 - 2011 including Reynolds Plantation in Greensboro, Georgia and Ritz Carlton Charlotte, North Carolina. From 2011 - 2013, Chef Steven was the executive chef at The Wynn Las Vegas as well as The Mirage Las Vegas from 2013 - 2015.



Steven is very happy to return home to Stockton and be given the opportunity to do what he does best. His main focus will be to introduce new and exciting menu options and elevate the member dining experience at Stockton Golf and Country Club. Please join us in welcoming Chef Steven next time you are around the club!

Tuesday Ladies Play with the Staff



1st Place Susan Marks Joyce Drew Michael Byrne Ginny Wallace

2nd Place Joyce Corrales Lynn Riggs Brandon Hughes Janet Salvetti





3rd Place Judy Green Ron Boehm Colleen Fetters Kathy Chinchiolo

hiolo 4th Place Marilyn Rauzi Francesca Vera Matt Marmon Rosemarie Duquette



Kelley's Korner...

ome exciting news in the Golf Shop recently as Michael Byrne and Brandon Hughes passed their P.A.T. (player ability test) for the PGA. Taking the P.A.T. is a requirement for entrance into the PGA program. Players are required to play 36 holes of golf in one day and hit a target score set by the PGA. As a result of their great playing, both Michael and Brandon will be working toward obtaining their PGA credentials. Well done guys! Also, I am pleased to share the recent announcement from LPGA Headquarters that I have received the award for the 2016 Professional of the Year for the LPGA T&CP Western Section Membership. This award is given annually through nominations submitted by the Western Section membership. Once nominated; the candidate must submit a bio of accomplishments from the past year. This information is reviewed and voted on by the Executive committee of the LPGA T&CP. I am so honored to accept this award and especially proud to be your Head Golf Professional.

As the fall season moves in DST is just around the corner! The days will become much shorter with regard to the golf course activities as it will get darker earlier each day. Our tournament season is nearly complete with just a few left on the schedule. Here are the results from some of the recent club events.

On September 5th we had 48 players in the Labor Day Tournament, along with monies being raised that day for the "Folds of Honor" organization promoted by the PGA. The participants were gracious enough to make donations and the event

raised \$320.00 for the cause. For the tournament results, the team of Gary & Linda Stead-Ron & Darlene Kelly won the Blue flight. The Red flight was won by the team of Chris Wilkinson, Mike Mulvihill, Phil Stephens, and Ed Stephens. Congrats!

Also in September when the club was closed for aeration of the greens, the Thursday Ladies group took their 2nd road trip of the year and traveled to Napa on September 15th. Making the most of the trip it was decided to go a day early to meet for lunch in downtown Napa, wine taste at Silver Oak, and meet up with the Ladies of Silverado Resort & Spa for a "Meet & Greet" cocktail party. Included in the activities was dinner with all the Stockton Ladies to strategize for the competition the next morning. Although our SGCC Ladies didn't come out on top, fun was had by all. Following the lunch and awards, a re-match was already being discussed with Stockton hosting in the spring.

October proved to be busy with tournaments starting with the Men's "Oktoberfest", Couples Club Championship, and Monster Day; just to name a few. Vince Kilmartin & Lance Rieber won the Oktoberfest event with a best ball team score of 64. Defending their title, Weldon & Ardythe Hess claimed the top prize in the Couples Club Championship tournament with a combined gross score of 176. Winning the Monster Day tournament that featured difficult tee & pin placements was the team of Sue Stuart & Toni Murdock with a scramble score of 60. Congratulations to all the winners and we thank everyone for participating. Shots heard around the club: Ron Kelly shot 73 during the Labor Day event, and while competing in the His & Hers tournament Jennifer Suter shot a personal best shooting 86, while Richard Gemignani posted an 83. Great playing!



THURS DAY LADIES

de have had a very busy Fall season. We started with our fun Silver & Gold Tournament in which the GOLD team rose to the top and pulled off a big victory. Our Gold Captain, Sue Stuart and Silver Captain, Lauri Bloom had us decked out in lots of glitter. We all celebrated at the beautiful home of Paulette Ranuio... between great drinks, yummy hors d'oeurves, bocci ball, and lots of chatter... a good time was had by all. Thank you Paulette and thanks to her co-chairman, Mattie Zedlitz.

While our course was undergoing aerification, Kelley took us on a Road Trip to Silverado Golf Resort. Sixteen of us made our way over to Napa for lunch and wine tasting. The Silverado Ladies had us for a cocktail party and meet and greet, as we were going to play a "Match" against them, the next day. I met up with their Captain Tammy Smith, we shook hands, and the game was on!! Great day of golf and lovely lunch... alas, we were not the winners, but they are coming our way for a rematch!

Now comes "Beat the Pro"... we sharpened up our games and the 2 Chairman, Linda Vater and Paulette Ranuio (a little help from Gayle Jennings) got us all ready for the big day. Kelley played with the Chairman and we had to beat her score. I can't remember what Kelley shot (tee hee) but six of us beat her: Betty Anne Urbick, Pam Emerick, Adrienne, Patty Shipman, Gayle Jennings, and Toni Murdock... yippee!

In October we held our Club Championship/Handicap Tournament with 30 players. Our Chairman, Ardythe Hess and Toni Murdock did a great job of organizing, snacks, and lunches. We had three flights and two days of play. Rising to the top as our new Club Champ is BettyAnne Urbick shooting a 87 and 86 for total of 173. her Runner up was Ardythe Hess, shooting 90 and 90 for total of 180. Our Handicap Champ is Lauri Bloom shooting a net of 74 and 73 for total of 147. Congratulations to our 2 new winners. Also, a big Congrats to all the other gals that particiapted and won prizes in their flights.

Finally, we had a successful Guest Day and had over 40 players to enjoy the Fall weather. Thanks again to Ardythe and Toni for stepping up and making this a great event.

We have our DWS tournament and Turkey Trot coming up... please sign up!

On December 8th, we are having our Christmas luncheon.. information coming in the mail.

As we approach the end of the year, please have a Thankful, Joyous, and Safe Holiday Season.

Adrienne

Adrienne Hotchkiss Captain Thursday Ladies Golf Group

Adrienne Hotchkiss SGCC Thursday Ladies Captain



Tammy Smith Captain, Silverado Golf Resort



Lauri Bloom Handicap Champ



BettyAnne Urbick

Stockton Golf-& Country Club

Labor Day Tournament Winners



Ron & Darlene Kelly and Gary & Linda Stead Blue Flight Winners

Chris Wilkinson, Mike Mulvihill Phil Stephens & Ed Stephens Blue Flight Winners



Couples Club Champions

Weldon & Ardythe Hess



Silverado "Meet & Greet"

Silverado "Meet & Greet" Cocktail Party





Marcia and Maureen Stonebarger host wine tasting at Silver Oak Casino

(L to R)

SGCC Ladies Captain: Adrienne Hotchkiss Silverado Ladies Captain: Tammy Smith Silverado Director of Golf: Jon Vesper

SGCC Head Golf Professional: Kelley Spooner





Save the Dates:

NOVEMBER 10

Fall Wine Extravaganza and Sale

NOVEMBER 30

Holiday Sip and Shop

DECEMBER 3

Family Holiday Night

DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Dinner

DECEMBER 31

New Years Eve White Party

