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### Back to School? Back to Work? The Club is Still Here for You!

By: Kevin Kauffman, President

Summer... Too hot. Too short. Yes, it was, but didn't we have some great times?

We are coming into the best weather of the year, and the golf course is in ideal shape for you and your guests. Join your fellow members on the course or enjoy all the options the clubhouse and pool have to offer. Our staff is always willing to assure you an enjoyable member experience.

Membership is growing this year. The growth could be better, but this is progress. Please ask a friend or colleague to consider membership. You both will benefit from membership growth and using the Club.

Your Board of Directors approved a one-time assessment on all member categories, and it will appear on your September bill. Assessments are typically \$250 per member, but this assessment will be less. The Board has received so many complaints from our members about specific areas of our facilities that it must levy this assessment to generate the funds needed to make these specific improvements. The Spanos Grill will finally get some new chairs. Try the demonstration chair already in the Spanos Grill; the new ones will be the same, but in a brown leather versus the gray color of the demo version. The kitchen needs equipment that has simply worn-out. The golf course has similar needs. Warming ovens, refrigerators, a fairway blower, etc., are the type of items that will be immediately purchased. This will be a

one-time assessment and by now you should have already received a letter in the mail explaining all of this.

Your Board will also be considering a budget for the upcoming year, beginning October 1. No increase in membership dues or assessments is anticipated, but this is a Board decision, and I do not have all the information needed to make a more definite statement at the time of this writing.

The remainder of the calendar year is close to being fully booked on both the golf course and in the clubhouse. So, if you have plans on using either for your company's events, please notify Rich and Katie as soon as possible to assure your plans can be accommodated.

The San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency (SJAFCA) tells the Board that they intend to begin construction

on the Smith Canal Dam and Gate in Summer of 2018. SIAFCA made a presentation to the Board on August 23, and this presentation was recorded and is available for viewing on the Club's website. SIAFCA has asked for an easement to construct and operate this new facility. A vote of the certified membership will be required before this easement can be provided to SJAFCA. Please view the SJAFCA presentation on the Club's website. It will help you understand what is being asked of the Club, and what the Club may expect in return for granting such an easement.

As the days get shorter and cooler, get out to your Club and enjoy the experience. Thank you for your continued support of the work being done by your Board of Directors. Our mutual appreciation is understated.

#### JUNIOR SPOTLIGHT

At the end of July our very own, William Bensch and Skyler May, traveled with their families and Coach Kelley to North Carolina to compete in the U.S. Kids Teen World Championship. Skyler placed 15th out of 42 kids and was the top Californian and William placed 76th out of 136 kids! We are so proud of all your hard work William and Skyler!



### Membership on the Rise as Fall Approaches

By: Rich Howarth, General Manager

Wonderful summer!
The Club was busy with all types of activities. Probably the most popular activities were anything to do with the pool. Speaking of the pool, congratulations to the Sharks swim team for finishing 1st in the Pacific league. Once again Candace Ghio did an amazing job as "Team Leader" and running a wellorganized and fun program. Thanks Candice!

So far, this year we have welcomed 36 new members to the Club! This does not include the 26 aquatics/fitness members who signed up earlier this year. These Aquatics/Fitness members have been invited to convert into another membership category through a special promotion. We look forward to having them join us full time. Although we market memberships through print ads, targeted direct mailers and social media the Member referral is still the most



powerful of all. We have had many new members join recently because of current member's referrals. Thank you to all who have brought a member into the Club! If you know of anyone who would enjoy a private club membership please do not hesitate to contact Katie Fehn or myself. We would love to invite them out and give them a tour of our beautiful facility and share all the benefits of membership.

By now you have received an assessment letter as Kevin Kauffman mentioned earlier. As the letter states, the money generated by this assessment will only go towards the specific items on the list and not into operations. This special assessment will allow us to purchase items that have been needed for a long time. I look forward to keeping you updated on the progress of our purchases. Thank you for your support.

I hesitate to provide you with a new Verizon Cell tower construction date as this project has been pushed back several times now. I do know that this project is a GO finally! The lease is fully executed, all environmental studies are complete and the building permit is in order. Construction on this is expected to begin in early October!

We have many great events planned for you this fall and holiday season. Coming up quick is our Annual Labor Day Golf Tournament & BBQ, Family Campout on the 18th fairway and the Rodney Strong Dinner. We also have our Tuesday night specials, Happy Hour and Tunes and regular dining. I look forward to the fall season and seeing you out at the Club.



## **Tuesday Ladies**

By: Susan Marks, Captain, Tuesday Ladies Golf Group

The Tuesday Ladies nine hole golf group just finished their TOC. We have a new champion! Our new champion is Francesca Vera, who came in with a gross score of 103 after two rounds of nine holes. Congratulations Francesca!

The winner of the First Flight was Judy Green, who had a net 79 after two rounds of nine holes.

The winner of the Second Flight was Joyce Drew, who had a net 69 after two rounds of nine holes.

Congratulations to all our winners!

In September we will go back to regular sweeps play. On September 19th we host the club pros and the staff, for what has always been a fun tournament. On September 22nd we hold our annual Buddy Tournament where we invite a buddy to play with us. All those results will be in the next newsletter.



## Championship Play Galore!

By: Kelley Spooner, Head Golf Pro

Wow! Congratulations to the Thursday Ladies group for their successful tournament, "Chip in...for the Cure," on August 10th benefitting the St. Joseph's Foundation. The event raised \$25,000 that will benefit the Cancer Navigation Program, Cope Program and the Exercise Program at St. Joseph's Hospital. The cancer tournament has been the Ladies Annual Guest Day event for 9 years and has raised over \$100,000 to aid in the fight against cancer. I would like to thank the Committee members, the Thursday Ladies & their guests and to all those that continue to support this great event.

July proved to be busy month for the Club – filled with tournaments and activities. Results from the July 4th two net best ball event crowned the team of Kurt and Carol Smith, Kurt Smith and Sue Stuart winners of the Blue Flight with a score of 117 and the team of Gary and Linda Stead, Tari Hockert and Judy Seitz winners in the Red Flight with a score of 113. The closest to the pin prizes went to Lance Rieber and Linda Stead and the long drive contest winners were Roger Brandt and Sue Stuart. Highlights from the day were "personal best" scores shot by Linda Stead (83) and Tari Hockert (97), way to go ladies!

Next up was Twilight Golf with 1st place going to the team of Gary and Linda Stead, Ron Daniel and Aggie Mohrmann posting a score of 59. Finishing second with a score of 60 was the team of Ray and Joyce Drew, Phil Long and Janet Salvetti.

Our Junior Golf Camp, ages 7-17 saw 28 students throughout the two-week program with a focus on putting, chipping, full swing



and golf course management. Additionally, most of the students participated in the science camp, carnival and magic show at the pool after, making for a full day of activities for the kids here at the Club.

Traditionally, at the end of Junior Golf Camp we host a Junior-Parent Tournament. This 9-hole scramble features a foursome consisting of two juniors and two parents. The May family – Skyler, Mckynlee, Tracy and Kyle, shot a 31 and won the event over the Stenson family – Olivia, Sloane, Marshall and Randy. Congratulations to all!

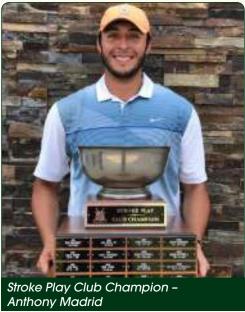
August Twilight Golf featured wine tasting from Peltier Winery, music and dinner after the round. Bringing home the winning score was the team of Dan and Jana Lane and Jerry and Jane Butterfield with a score of 39 (format:1 net bb + 1 low putt). It was an enjoyable evening with an awesome sunset.

Senior Men's Invitational featured twenty-four 2-man teams playing a net best ball of the twosome with flights. The following teams won their respective flights: Nicklaus Flight – Bill Smith and Dominic Gulli (65), Player Flight – George Piccardo and Tony Pezzi (59) and the Palmer Flight – Roy Henderson and Tom Sahargun (61). Overall Low Gross Team honors went to Garry Potten and Doug Martin (74). A big thank you to Ron Beeman, Tony Galvez and the entire committee for hosting a great tournament. Well done!

The Men's Stroke Play Club Championship is complete with another outstanding performance by Anthony Madrid. He successfully defended his title with a three-shot win over Stan Mathews – posting 2-day scores of 67, 70=137 and 67, 73=140 respectively. Capturing the First Flight was Keith Lopez who posted a two-day total of 137 and Everett Low won the Second Flight with a score of 148. Congratulations!

Rounding out the month of Championship





play was the Jr. Club Championship held August 26 & 27. The Girls Champion was Skyler May with scores of 78, 79=157. The Boys Champion was won by William Bensch posting rounds of 85, 84=169. Winning the Young Guns Flight was Mckynlee May who posted two 9 hole scores of 46, 48=94 and in the Little Aces Flight, Presley Paternostro posted two 6 hole scores of 38, 43=81. Congratulations to all the participants who played in extremely hot temperatures.

Shots Heard Around the Club:
Congratulations to Ron Daniel who shot below his age recently by posting a 79 on July 1. We hope he makes it a habit, keep up the good work Ron! Also, congratulations to Garry Potten for scoring a Hole-in-One at Turlock C.C. on Hole #7 during a Sr. Home & Home. It was his 6th HIO of his playing years. Not to be out done in terms of HIO's, Ron Kelly's golf ball found the bottom of the cup on Hole #11 from 198 yards. It was his 4th HIO, but the 3rd on Hole #11. Well done guys.

## Message from the Senior Men

By: Garry Potten, President, Senior Men's Club

hat a great time!" "Fabulous breakfast and lunch!" "The course was just beautiful!" These are just a few of the comments heard during our Senior Men's Invitational this past month. The Invitational Committee, chaired by Tony Galvez, and all those who worked on this event deserve a round of applause. Well done everyone! Tournament results are posted on the Senior Men's Bulletin Board in the hallway next to the pro-shop, but the flight winners deserve mention here.

Winning the Nicklaus Flight was the team of Bill Smith and Dominic Gulli. The Player Flight honors go to George Piccardo and his partner Tony Pezzi. Capturing the Palmer Flight was Roy (S.O.) Henderson and Tom Sahargun,

and finally, the Overall Gross winner was the team of Garry Potten and Doug Martin. Congratulations to all the winners. Well done.

We are well into our season and our Senior Men's Championship is fast approaching. You still have time to qualify for this event, but remember, you must participate in 3 events held at SGCC and 3 of the "Away" events. Included in the "Home" events are the following tournaments: All Senior Home and Home events, The 18 Hole Ladies tournament, and the Senior Men's Invitational. The "Away" events include all the Home and Home Away Tourneys, The Central Valley Seniors outings and the Super Senior tournaments. As you can see, there are plenty of opportunities for you to qualify for the Championship...but as the season progresses, the opportunities are dwindling. We have 2 more Home tournaments scheduled this year, and 1 more Away event, so get off the couch and join us. Check the Senior Men's bulletin board to determine your qualification status. A copy of participation points is also posted on the Seniors' bulletin board.

Gentlemen, don't forget that on Friday mornings, when we don't have a Home & Home scheduled, the Club runs a Skins game which begins around 7:00 am. If there are enough players, then a 2 man better ball competition is incorporated into the game. This is a lot of fun because it is a blind draw, and you don't know who your partner is until the round is completed. We get a lot of support from the pro-shop staff in coordinating this contest...so thank-you very much. Oh, did I mention...the entry fee is only \$5. C'mon out and have some fun!

## **Cooler Temps Ahead**

By: Bernie Holloway,
Golf Course Superintendent

Tthink we're all beginning to Lesense the seasonal transition: cooler days and nights, sunrise later and later etc... Which is also good for the turf. Even better for the people who manage turf for a living. First of all, we would like to thank the membership for understanding the measures we had to take to protect the greens during the extreme heat over the last two months. Raising the height of cut, late afternoon syringing of greens, light applications of slow release fertilizer, fungicide applications every 14 days without fail to combat disease and other

measures. Thank You. We survived. We came out on the other side OK. More than a few valley courses did not. Out of professionalism we won't mention any names [in print]. With the cooler temps we have dropped our water usage to 50 percent every other night as well. We would be remiss not to state, not that we're meteorologists or anything, but as the cooler air temps at night causes the surface temps to cool, creating condensation on the turf commonly known as dew, it's only important to state this so no one has the impression that we are over watering. As warmer temps come along later in the morning, dew hangs on for the better part of the morning until evaporation or until

our mowers laps it up, whichever comes first. On that joyful note, let's get you updated on the course. Now that the heat is getting further in our rearview mirror, this fall, along with greens aerification coming up shortly, we have a few projects lined up such as parking lot landscape renovation and our bunker renovation is in full swing now and other than the week of aerification, bunker work will continue nonstop until the rains put a halt to the program.

Enjoy the course from SGCC maintenance team.

P.S. - Please repair ball marks! *Thank You*.

### Summer Fun and Generosity

By: Adrienne Hotchkiss, Captain, Thursday 18 Hole Ladies

Can't believe that Summer is in the distance and Fall is around the corner. We have had a busy July and August. As we went to print in June, we were finishing up our Member/Member Tournament: The Hilo Hattie Open! What a fun and festive theme. Thanks to Cathy Eilers & Meredith McCormack for chairing such a great event.

We had our Senior Men/ Tuesday Ladies event hosted by Cathy Barnes and Judy Hong, which was a huge success. Lots of fun playing with other members of the club and sharing a few good laughs.

We had our Charity Day tournament in July, Chaired by Aggie Mohrmann & Barbara Fichtner. We went into bunkers, water, out of bounds, and 3 putted – all for a good cause. We picked one.TLC School to be our recipient this year and raised \$2,360. These funds will go towards clothes, school supplies and other needs of the children. Thank you so much for your generosity!

We also just finished our Big fundraiser for St. Joseph's Cancer

Center on August 10th, "Chip in for the Cure"... Our Chairladies Mary Westin and Lori Daugherty, with the help of Kelley Spooner, did an outstanding job. This golf tournament, lunch and raffle was over the moon! Thanks to you, our members, and our community we raised \$25,000 that one day. A special thanks to our angel, Karen Hall, for pushing us to that total! Thank you... Thank you...

Our Silver and Gold Tournament will have been completed by the time you read this... update to follow.

Sept. 16th – Kelley's Road Trip to Truckee area. I so hope everyone jumps on board for a fun time of golf, food and laughs.

Sept. 27th & 28th – Hosting Silverado Ladies

Oct. 10th & 12th – Club Championship/Handicap Tournament

Again, I want to thank our Thursday Ladies for your "over the top" generosity for our two charity events.... cannot do this without all of you!

Happy Golfing!

### HILO/HATTIE WINNERS

#### **Hattie Flight**

1st Place: Vinci Rishwain & Mary Lou Tyler2nd Place: Judy Hong & Cathy Barnes3rd Place: Virginia Gall & Sandi Freeman

#### Hilo Flight

1st Place: Betty Anne Urbick & Mattie Zedlitz 2nd Place: Cathy Eilers & Barbara Fichtner 3rd Place: Cheryl Gemignani & Robin Goucher

Gross: Toni Murdock & Jennifer Mitchell Closest to Pin: Pam Emerick & Sandi Freeman









## Busy Summer, Fall Menu and Fun Events Highlight the Next Few Months at the Club

By: Ron Boehm,
Director of Food and Beverage

What a great summer it has been at the club. Almost daily, it seemed I could look out of my office window and see more families than ever enjoying the beautiful pool, yummy food and cold drinks. The service staff and lifeguards did a great job providing a good experience to everyone! A big thank you goes to David Herrera who maintains the pool which is a big job for sure. In addition, I see more and more of you here for lunch and dinner which is a tribute to the wonderful food and friendly service. We really do appreciate all of your support as we look to become a top choice for everyone when choosing a dining destination.

Not sure if you had a chance to see the chef's summer garden, but it was a huge success. There was an abundance of tomatoes, corn, peppers and herbs Chef will look to expand the garden next year and have a majority of our herbs sourced completely on property.

Speaking of Chef, he is planning to rotate the menus with the start of each season. The fall dinner menu will feature local California sturgeon, braised lamb shank and a yummy apple bourbon bread pudding to finish it off. Be sure to come out and sample some of these delicious offerings next time you are at the club.

We will continue to support local wines from the region by featuring a winery of the month. September's

pick will be Peltier Vineyards from Acampo. We will offer four wines that will be on special all month including Rogue Rose, Sauvignon Blanc, Old Vine Zinfandel and Petite Sirah.

Following with the theme of wine, just a reminder that we offer wines for purchase at wholesale prices by the case. I guarantee the member discount price can beat any retail store. So if you have a favorite bottle that you enjoy, come see me or give me a call and we can make a deal!

My favorite event of the year, The Family Campout will be on Saturday, September 16th. There will be a barbecue dinner, s'mores, movie and really cool glow ball golf game offered. The camping is optional, so even if you are not a camper, we encourage you to come out and enjoy the festivities throughout the evening. We are also gearing up for a "Night in New Orleans." On Friday October 27th. Think jambalaya, gumbo and dancing to the sounds of jazz and blues by Ms. Lizzie and Her Cadillac Kings. All of this fun for only \$45.00 inclusive. Get your table together now before it sells out. Looking ahead to November, we will offer a family "create a pizza" night, craft beer tasting and the ever popular wine extravaganza and sale. Check those emails, Facebook and calendar for more information.

As you read this you probably are saying, wow, there really is so many ways to enjoy the club. So what are you waiting for?

## Chef's Menu Selection of the Month

#### Fall is upon us!

Come to the Club to enjoy our special Braised Lamb Shank with Apricot, Fall Spices and Pumpkin Risotto

Steven Frain, *Executive Chef* 

### **New Members**

#### Regular:

John & Teresa Aceves Rick & Leslie Anderson John De Luca

#### Jr. Executive:

Blaine & Natalie Vernon
Joel & Jessica McAuley
Christopher & Emily Brown
Brandon & Amanda Hibler
Adam Ringer
William & Natalie Scheflo
Tim & Heather Rubino

#### Social:

Kelly Brooks

#### Second Club:

Rod & Beth Souza

#### In Remembrance:

Bill Easley

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17	18 Club Closed	Tuesday Ladies Play with Staff 8:30am SG F9 ECCY Taco Tuesday	House Committee 12:00pm Wine Down Wednesday	Sr. Men Board Mtg 9:15 AM Thursday Ladies 8:30am SG No Corkage Night	Senior Men's H&H @ Del Rio Tues Ladies Buddy Tournament 4pm SG F9	23
24	25 Club Closed	Tuesday Ladies Sweeps 8:30am SG B9 ECCY Rib Night	Board Meeting 5:00pm BINGO 6:00pm Wine Down Wednesday	Thursday Ladies host Silverado 8:30am SG Rodney Strong Dinner 6:00 PM No Corkage Night	Happy Hour and Tunes 6-9 PM	30



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#### **SETUP YOUR TENTS** – 4:00 pm

SATURDAY NIGHT BBQ DINNER – 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm S'MORES AND OUTDOOR MOVIE – 7:30 pm CAMP BREAKDOWN AND BREAKFAST – 8:00 am – 9:30 am

#### Not a Camper? Join the Fun!

All members are invited to come enjoy dinner and breakfast even if you do not stay and camp!

**ADULTS** – \$25 - inclusive **CHILDREN** – \$15 - inclusive **KIDS UNDER 5** – \$5 - inclusive



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Sunday Couples	Club Closed Outside Event	Membership Committee 5:00pm Thursday Ladies 1st Round TOC 8:30am, TT B9 "Henry's Famous Meatloaf" Night	Thursday Ladies Board Meeting 9:00am Wine Down Wednesday	Thursday Ladies Final Round TOC 8:30am TT	6	Men's Club Octoberfest 9:00 SG
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Outside Event	Club Closed Outside Event	Tuesday Ladies Mixer 8:00am TT B9 Tuesday Ladies Sweeps 8:30am SG F9 Chicken Cacciatore Night	Couples Bridge 7:00pm Wine Down Wednesday	Thursday Ladies Mixer 8:30am No Corkage Night	Senior Men's H & H w/Oakdale & Turlock @ SGCC 8:30am SG	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Club Closed	Tuesday Ladies Sweeps 8:30am SG B9 Taco Night	House Committee 12:00pm Green Committee 4:00pm Wine Down Wednesday	Thursday Ladies Guest Day 8:30am SG No Corkage Night	Ladies Nine 'n Wine 3:00pm	
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	Club Closed Outside Event	Tuesday Ladies Sweeps 8:30am SG F9 Finance Committee 4:00pm Fried Chicken Night	Board Meeting 5:00pm Bingo 6:00pm Wine Down Wednesday	Thursday Ladies Special Format 8:30am SG No Corkage Night	"A Night in New Orleans" Dinner Dance 6:00pm	Monster Day Golf 9:00am SG
29	30 Club Closed	Happy Halloween! Tuesday Ladies Halloween & Guest Day 8:30am SG F9 Spaghetti Night	Wine 9 5:00pm-8:00p	Jown We om   ½ off ALL bottle of wine!		ys ¶



6:00 PM ~ NO HOST COCKTAILS
7:00 PM ~ DINNER.
■ 8:00 PM-10:00 PM ~ MUSIC & DANCING

Entertainment by Miss Lizzie and the Cadillac Kings

ADULTS ~ \$45 INCLUSIVE CHILDREN 6 TO 12 ~ \$25 INCLUSIVE CHILDREN UNDER 6 ~ FREE

Authentic Cajun Menu including: Fried Chicken, Catfish, Gumbo, Jambalaya & Fresh Seafood

### Save these Dates

11/4: Glow Ball Golf 6:00pm SG

**11/9:** Fall Wine Sale and Tasting 6:00pm – 8:00pm

**11/23:** Thanksgiving Buffet, 12:00pm and 3:00pm seatings available, reservations required

**11/29:** Holiday Sip 'n Shop 4:00pm – 7:00pm