

Shawnee Country Club

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Newsletter – April 2010

From the President

Hello to all:

Here we are at the end of March and the favorite pass time seems to be river watching. Hopefully a few dry days and Lance and his crew can get the bridge in.

I don't know how many of you know that we are celebrating our 100th Birthday as Shawnee Country Club. The club predates the Inn by one year. To mark this event a committee has been hard at work preparing a celebration. We hope to include as many present and former members as possible. Details will be out as soon as we have firmed up plans.

The Club room will be stocked for the season shortly. Please remember we are on the honor system and prices are posted. Ray Boeckmann has volunteered to handle the stocking in the Club Room. If you have any thoughts for improvement let him know.

Remember the President's Reception is Saturday April 24th. Pam Bisbing has been hard at work planning what is sure to be a great evening.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Howard Halpren

Social Committee Chair

Things are falling into place for the President's Reception. We hope you have all set aside April 24th because it's sure to be a wonderful evening. The invitations will be in the mail this week.

The social calendar was sent to everyone earlier. Please mark those dates on your calendars and make every effort to attend. This year is Shawnee Country Club's 100th Anniversary and there are some special events in the works. We'll keep you posted as everything becomes available.

Pam Bisbing

SWGA President

Hi Ladies,

It's that time of year again-Summer is close!!! Joyce, Ann, Patsy, Emily, and Eva are planning a wonderful Bunch and Scramble tournament. Since it is our 100th Anniversary year, we are starting with a theme of "fado"-**In the Beginning**. Please watch for your invitation on E-mail that Joyce is creating. Our Directory will be ready then and will include the committees and calendar so you can plan your golf summer.

This year is shaping up to be a fun-filled busy summer with some extra occasions happening because of the Country Club's 100th year anniversary, so be prepared to participate in some really interesting events.

See you at the Opening Bunch on May 15th at 10am!! (Look for your invitation in a separate email.)

Eva Haddon

SWGA Invitationals

Brookside Invitational is May 18, 2010. No further details at this time. If interested contact me as I should get more information soon. I will need reservations and money by May 1, 2010.

570-620-0456 or faalgar@peoplepc.com

Ann Algar

SMGA President

Welcome back to another year at Shawnee. I hope all of you had a wonderful winter, but now it's time to play golf. We are looking forward to another great year of playing with and competing against each other. As first time president of the Men's Association, I hope I do a good job to meet the needs of members. We enjoy playing golf and spending time together. This is why I joined Shawnee, and it is the reason I look forward to coming back each year. If you have any question or concerns about any of the outings Doug has planned for this season, please contact us. Feel free to contact me at work or on my cell. My work number is (201)447-8368 and my cell number is (973)897-2551. I hope to see all of you back again on the island. Hopefully we will see new members and build new friendships.

SMGA's Opening Day ABCD Tournament is on April 10th following our Opening Breakfast Meeting in the Club Room at 10:30am. If you have any questions please call me at one of the numbers above.

Mark Halliwell

Reminder: Membership Activity Fee (MAF) as well as SMGA & SWGA dues should be paid by May 1st.

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SMGA Tournament Chair

It's time to play some golf.

I plan on running a match play tournament again this season. Last season, it worked out fairly well although some of the matches went longer into the season than planned. I want to write this off as a "first year thing". I still want to leave it up to the players to get the matches played in a timely fashion. **HOWEVER**, when deciding whether to enter or not, keep in mind that this is basically a morning tournament as most of the members prefer to play early. Now, of course if both players agree, you could play the matches at midnight, but there were instances where players didn't want to play in the morning and their opponents didn't want to play in the afternoon, creating a standoff. What I plan to do is have a couple of tee times available each week around 8:30 (which is halfway between 7:30 and 9:30) for matches if both don't want to play first thing or last thing in the morning. I'm confident that for the most part, players will agree on a time, but if not, we have a designated time. If Player A is willing to play at 8:30 and Player B is not, Player B will forfeit the match. I want everyone to know this going in! The tourney will work out fine. Like last year, the brackets will be a random draw and will be decided once we have the number of players set. The price will be \$50 and the format will be very similar (if not the same) as last year. Entries will be accepted until April 28th, and brackets will be posted on April 30th. Matches can begin as soon as the brackets are posted. There will be a "play by" date for the matches, probably around July 31st and then playoffs will begin. I'll try to set it up where everyone that makes the playoffs will "cash" like last year.

I also plan on running a couples (male and female teams) match play tournament with Alan Key. Once we iron out details, I'll get them out to the membership.

KNOW THE RULES –

We've got some ground hogs living on the course. What do you do if your ball goes into their house? (i.e. what if your ball goes into a burrowing animal hole?)

Answer – You get relief (i.e. no penalty). **HOWEVER**, say a bush would restrict your swing if the ball was lying at the entrance to the burrowing animal hole. Then, you do **NOT** get relief without penalty. Simply put, if you have a swing, you get free relief.

Play well!

Doug Picano



From the Director of Golf

As I write we are waiting for the river to come down to install the bridge. We have been to the Island working for the past week and things are looking good. I am very pleased with the condition of the course coming out of winter. There was little damage and the greens look great.

If you have a cart on property, please see Joe for a cart release.

This will be the 100th year of the club and there are great things planned to celebrate. If you are able to help in any way please contact Joe and he will put you in touch with the correct members.

Steve Taggart

From the Pro

Dear Members,

Welcome to the 2010 Golf Season!! We will have a new Assistant Golf Professional joining our staff this year. Please take a moment to introduce yourselves to Jonathan Corriere, PGA. Jonathan will be joining Nick, Jan and me in making your golf experience all that you have come to expect at Shawnee.

MUGS, MUGS, MUGS!!!! Some of you may have already heard that we will be getting new, PERSONALIZED beer mugs for your use in the club room. They will be 13 oz. glass mugs engraved with the Shawnee CC crest, your first initial and last name. You may order as many mugs as you wish and they are \$20 a piece. The proceeds of the mug sales will go directly to the CC. Please place your order with me by April 19th.

As always, my door is open to all members with comments and/or concerns. My email is golfpro@shawneeinn.com, the office number is 570-424-4050 ext 1425 and my cell number is 570-977-0036.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon.
Sincerely,

Joseph Manley III

April 10th SMGA Breakfast Meeting & First Tournament of 2010
April 24th President's Reception
May 15th SWGA Opening Brunch & Tournament

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