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December 2007



"You must work very hard to become a natural golfer"

~ Gary Player ~

Golf



Bev Scheible and Beth Mozley



Vivien Brackett and Patty Small



Delicia Reynolds as the guest of Carol Gastley on left

WGA News

The WGA completed their 2007 season with a closing luncheon meeting on October 27th. The following year-end prizes were awarded.

MOST IMPROVED GOLFER
LOW GROSS 27 HOLES
LOW GROSS KING TO PINE
LOW GROSS PINE TO ROLLING
LOW GROSS ROLLING TO KING

Vivien Brackett
Jane Autler
Beth Mozley
Nancy Johnson & Sandra Mason
Joanne Ingram, Sandy Pagano & Kathy Ryan

YEARLY LOW GROSS
YEARLY LOW NET
YEARLY LOW PUTTS
BREAK 100 AWARD
CHIP-INS (10)
BIRDIES (13)

Pam Scudder
Patti Ferrari
Bev Scheible
Patti Ferrari & Gail Todd
Jane Autler
Jane Autler

Congratulations to Sandra Mason for winning the Consolation Flight of the 2007 Match Play Tournament!

Picture below is Joanne Ingram's Team who won the Presidents Cup for 2007.

Congratulations to Cathy Wood for winning 1st Place in the Match Play Tournament and Nancy Johnson for winning 2nd Place

2008 WGA Officers

President

Joanne Ingram

Vice President

Jane Autler

Corresponding Secretary

Connie Kenney

Treasurer

Annette McIntosh

Recording Secretary

Aleta Marlowe

Annual Christmas Party

Saturday, December 8th
10:30am

Please come and join the WGA at Bev Scheible's home for the annual Christmas Party!

RSVP to Laura Cushing at
hand372@aol.com



Grounds & Greens

Aces and Eagles

- 10/18– Rodes Bowers flew it in with an 8-iron on #9 King
10/20– Bob Lee rolled in an 8ft putt on #6 Pine
10/25-- John Smith rolled in an 8 footer on #1 Pine
10/27– Joe Lindenmayer holed out with a 9-iron on #2 Pine! Hole in One!
10/27– Leneta Kindrick holed out from the fairway with a 6-iron on #6 King.
10/27– Gary Bernson holed out with a 9-iron on #2 Pine! Hole in One!
11/9– Charles Credille holed out with a 7-iron on #2 King.

Gwinnett Cup

Congratulations to the team from Berkeley Hills for successfully defending their Gwinnett Cup title at the Legends @ Chateau Elan. We defeated Legends, Summitt Chase and Northwoods! Way to go Berkeley!!!!!!

Grounds on the Greens

This month I want to talk about covering the greens. Over the past years when we had 27 holes, covering greens wasn't as big of an issue for the members getting out and playing in the afternoons while we were putting the tarps out. Now we are 18 holes and it may affect afternoon play a little more. We cover the greens any time the weather man feels the temperature will drop below 30 degrees. It is imperative that we start covering all the greens at 4:00pm beginning on #1 and #10. This allows the covers to absorb any heat going into the night to keep the soil temperature warmer than the air temperature. Each morning when I know we will be covering the greens, a sign will be posted at the counter in the Pro Shop for you to see when you check in. On the nights we cover the greens, you will need to sign up for an 18 or 9 hole cart fee. To be better informed always keep your eye on the weather forecast and call the Pro Shop. I don't want you to come out and be disappointed if you do not get to play the amount of holes you signed up for.

Chris Purvis

Golf Shop Credit

Please remember to use your Golf Shop Credit prior to the end of the year. All Golf Shop credits will expire on 1/1/08!

FROM THE GOLF PROFESSIONAL

Ho Ho Ho!! It is that time of year again....the Santa Claus Open will be played on Saturday, December 1. The tournament will be a 10am shotgun start with participants to bring one unwrapped toy to be donated to the Gwinnett County Department of Children's Family Services. Due to the time of year and the size of the field, the golf course will be CLOSED to non tournament participants.

The Golf Shop will also kick off our Christmas Sale on December 1 and continue until we run out of merchandise or Christmas Eve, whichever comes first. Don't miss this opportunity to buy the biggest names in apparel and merchandise at fantastic prices!!

Once again in 2008 the Golf Shop will take trade-in golf clubs toward the purchase of new clubs. If you have been thinking about buying some new clubs, let us give you a trade in price on your old clubs.

The winter months are also a good time to get your current clubs in shape as well. The Golf Shop offers full service club repair including grip replacement. Stop in and see what we have to offer!

Please remember to call the Frost Hotline to check on course conditions for the day **770-448-2008 ext. 3333**.

See you at the Club!
Shawn McKinnon

Tennis



Jon Day all the way to the left with Mr. and Mrs. Deneen

Tennis Tip

Are you “Watching the Ball” or “Seeing the Ball”?

I think we are all aware of the importance of concentrating on the tennis ball during the point, particularly as it approaches your racket. Many of us have a broad vision of the ball, but are we really taking a “long look” at the ball or “seeing the ball”? One of the methods of “seeing the ball” is to watch the ball rotate or see the seams of the ball. Some players can see the shadow of the ball. As players, we have plenty of miss-hit shots during a match. We look at our racket or we say we have a weak wrist to blame the miss-hit, but in reality, we hit the ball off center because we did not truly “see the ball”. Next time you play, become more aware of whether you are “watching the ball” or “seeing the ball”.

Toys for Tots Round-Robin

Saturday, December 8th
1 to 4 p.m.

Bring a toy for Toys for Tots and enjoy an afternoon of tennis!



Diane Barker was the winner of the November Tennis Mixer! She won 78% of her games!

Pro's Corner

Our highlighted event for the month of December is our Toys for Tots Round- Robin on Saturday, December 8th from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. This year marks the 60th anniversary for the Toys for Tots tradition of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves. When you bring a toy for this event you are supporting this worthy cause. Sign-up and enjoy an afternoon of fun tennis!

Andy Roddick, one of the greatest tennis players in the world and Atlanta's own ATP tour star Robby Ginepri will compete in a sizzling showdown exhibition match on December 15th, 7 pm, in the Arena at Gwinnett Center. This match between the top ranked American player and the 4th ranked American player will be nothing short of pure adrenaline! Roddick has won 22 titles to date, including the US Open and is currently #4 in the world. This event is called the Infinite Energy Atlanta Slam. Tickets are on sale at 404-249-



Mr. and Mrs. McConnell to the left and Mr. and Mrs. Barker to the right

Cardio Tennis Continues

Tuesday, December 4 & 11th
6 to 7 p.m.

This very popular Tennis Workout Session allows you to hit a lot of balls with targets in mind, practice court mobility to music! We finish with some play based team drills that help to improve your competitive play!

Around the Clubhouse

ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, January 25, 2008

7 p.m.

Holiday Open House

Sunday, December 16th
Complimentary Hors d' oeuvres
12pm until 2pm
Santa Arrives at 12noon!
Come join fellow members for a
Berkeley Hills
Tradition!



Ladies' Lunch and Bridge

Join the ladies for a fun-filled day of lunch and bridge every Wednesday at 10 am!
Call Betty Ivy at 770-449-1272 on Tuesday prior to play!



New Year's Eve Bash

Live Band- "Rockasaurus"
Party Starts at 8pm
Heavy Hors d' oeuvres
Champagne Toast
Breakfast Buffet at 12pm
Open Bar!!!
\$90/ per person



Holiday Bunko

December 12, 2007
7:30 to 8:30pm

Reservations Required

Bring your favorite Holiday dish with the recipe so we can swap recipes!
\$10.00 per person for the gifts!

SPECIAL DINNER

MEET THE CANDIDATES

Friday, January 11 – 5:30 p.m.

The following dinner will be available from 5:30 until 7:15 p.m. at \$11.25 per person, prior to the agenda planned by the Nominating Committee:

- Tossed Salad
- Fried Chicken
- Mashed Potatoes
- Two Fresh Vegetables
- Rolls
- Assorted Desserts

Please make reservations, by calling Judy at

MEET THE CANDIDATES! Friday, January 11 – 7:30 p.m.

The Nominating Committee will soon confirm their final selections for candidates for the 2007 Board of Governors to be voted on at the Annual Membership Meeting on Friday, January 25th.

At this special membership meeting on January 11th entitled "Meet the Candidates", each candidate for nomination will give a short presentation and will be available to answer questions from the floor. If you want to assist the Club in placing our best qualified talent on the Board of Governors, please do not miss the meeting on January 11th for the opportunity of meeting these candidates.



Sign up for the New Year's Eve Bash if you missed the Halloween Monster Bash!

From the Clubhouse Manager

It is with great pleasure to announce that Ms. Carolyn Jones celebrated her 40th year of employment at Berkeley Hills CC last month. If you do not know this person, she is responsible for the wonderful soups we offer. She is also responsible for the delicious breakfasts on the weekends. Ms. Carolyn grew up here in Atlanta and has one daughter. Her favorite past time is listening to the oldies blaring from the juke box. Ms. Carolyn typically works Wednesday through Sunday so the next time you fill up your soup bowl, or enjoying your omelet, poke your head into the kitchen and say hello! Congratulations Ms. Carolyn Jones!

Doug Soutar

Membership

Membership Levels through November 22, 2007

Golf- 395
Junior- 23
Social- 61
Senior Golf-50
Non-resident -97
Limited Social-28

Nine New Member's this Month!

Welcome to Scott Patsiga

Scott Patsiga joins Berkeley as a Regular Golf member. Mr. Patsiga is the Vice President of Sales for Tel Aid. Mr. Patsiga lives in Buckhead and works in Duluth.



Please turn the page to read about our new members!

Message From the President

As Thanksgiving passes and we're solidly into another hectic Christmas Holiday season, let's give thanks to all we have here at Berkeley Hills. Of course we'd love to have our debt eliminated and plenty of free cash to spend on capital projects, but reflecting back on where we were just 3 short years ago, Berkeley Hills is on a phenomenal path and we have much to be thankful for.

Our Membership Director, Erin Healy is doing a wonderful job of recruitment. Her efforts have been guided nicely by Jan Hays, our Membership Chair and recently, by Al Simon who is a member and is coaching Erin via his sales training company. Thanks Jan and Al and everyone on our Membership Committee. We now have very competitive membership programs including a 2-Year plan for this transient market and an aggressive Junior Program that has now grown to 23 members (up from mid-single digits not too long ago). We're looking at making other changes (Senior Golf) so be aware for referrals and telling your friends about our Club.

Of course, all of our Committees should be commended. It's difficult to run an organization by Committee but our By-Laws currently require more broad governance than what most Clubs apply. This has its benefits and drawbacks but nevertheless, it's what we operate under and we should thank all who have volunteered at BH.

The Board will be making some By-Law change recommendations in time for the Annual Meeting (January 25th) so please make plans to vote either by proxy or in person at the meeting. These changes will be designed to keep BH current in the marketplace, allow our Club and its leadership to adapt to market conditions and have more flexibility to take the steps necessary to allow Berkeley Hills to thrive.

Last month I called your attention to our water situation. As long as a Level 4 drought exists, many clubs will be in the same tough spot of only watering out of their current lake supplies. We all hope for a wet winter to get us back on track but please understand that the Board and our club leadership is going to consider every viable alternative, including making our existing lakes larger or other sustainable ideas. The key is our ability to support and fund the best alternatives when that time comes. We are not 'spend-happy' here at Berkeley Hills so we have to make a sound fiscal decision but a time may come in the near future where you will be asked to help support some action to secure our hydro-future. I trust you will do what it takes to keep Berkeley Hills moving in the right direction.

Finally, I have a personal request for all of you. We have tens of thousands of troops that are away from home during the holidays, missing loved ones and the 'holiday spirit' we all take for granted. Having served in Desert Storm over the holidays, it is tough! Please, take a few minutes and write a note to a service man or woman overseas, or Bethesda Naval Hospital, or at Meade Army Hospital. It will only take a few minutes to make someone's day by letting them know you are thankful for them, proud of their service and feel they are a hero to you and all Americans! Another good option for your donation is the Wounded Warrior Foundation (<http://www.woundedwarrior.org/>). Let them know their sacrifice is appreciated and that they are cherished by our great Nation.

Happy Holidays & Semper Fi,

Joe Lindenmayer
President

UPDATE FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is in the process of choosing eight nominees to run for the four Board of Governors vacancies. If you have an interest in using your expertise on the board of Governors, please contact Erin Healy at **770/248.2048**. These candidates will be announced in the January bulletin, but prior to that time, you will be sent a separate mailing which lists brief biographical sketches of each of these candidates.

Procedure for additional nominations is outlined under Section 6.12 as follows:

(h) After the written report of the Nominating committee is mailed to the voting membership and posted on the Club bulletin boards, further nominations may be made by petition of voting members, addressed to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, containing the signatures of twenty-five (25) or more voting members and requesting that a particular member or members therein named, not more than there are vacancies, be nominated in addition to the nominations previously made. Such petition or petitions must be received by the Chairman of the Nominating Committee at least seven (7) days before the day of the annual meeting and must contain the written consent of each nominee named. Such nominations must be posted on the Club bulletin boards.

(i) The above provisions are the only means by which a nomination for the Board of Governors can be made.

Also, to encourage attendance at the Annual Meeting, there will be two door prizes awarded! **One month's free dues for the lucky winners!** There will be one drawing during the time ballots are being collected and another just prior to adjournment. These winners must be in attendance at the time they are announced in order to collect their prize. Absentee voters and Board members are not eligible. Proxy voters are eligible if the proxy holder is present when the winners are announced. Also, there will be complimentary hors d'oeuvres after the meeting.

Remember, the Board of Governors is responsible for the management of the Club and those elected should have been evaluated seriously by every member. Please attend "Meet the Candidates" on Friday, January 25, to make the best informed decision on who **you** want to manage **your** Club.

This year's committee consists of:

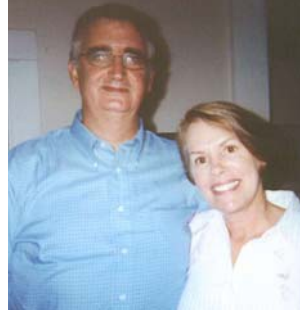
Paul Dillon – Chairman Dean Waters Dave Oster Paul Lukacs - Vice Chairman Ken Webb

Welcome New Members



Jamin Harkness

Jamin Harkness joins Berkeley as a Junior Golf Member. Mr. Harkness is the Vice resident of Wesley Apartment Homes for the past three years.



Mr. and Mrs. Whelan

Chuck Whelan joins Berkeley as a Social member with his wife Diane. Mr. Whelan is the CEO of Maxwell and Associates, Inc. which is in the business of Accounts Receivable Management. Mr. and Mrs. Whelan were referred to the Club by Jed and Martha Smith.

Matt Womack joins Berkeley as a Junior Golf member. Mr. Womack is the Vice President of Construction for John Willis Homes, Inc. Mr. Womack graduated from UGA with a BBA in Finance.



Mr. and Mrs. Culverhouse

Charles Culverhouse joins Berkeley as a Junior Golf member with his wife Abbey. Mr. Culverhouse is a builder for McCar Homes. Mr. and Mrs. Culverhouse both are graduates of UGA. Mr. Culverhouse now lives in Duluth and is from Cartersville, GA.



Mr. and Mrs. Cohen

Barry Cohen joins Berkeley as a Regular Golf member with his wife Amanda and their children Joshua Cohen (22), Kristen Cohen (19), Matthew Cohen (15), and Kayla Moore (11). Mr. Cohen is the Vice President of IT at Wells Real Estate Funds for the past 7 years. The Cohen Family was referred to the Club by Jed and Martha Smith.

Matt Albigese joins Berkeley as a Junior Golf member with his wife Kristin and their 18 month old little girl, Taylor Albigese. Mr. Albigese is a appraiser for Mc Colgan & CO, LLC for the past 3 years. Mr. Albigese graduated from UGA with a BBA in Management.

Shea Taylor joins Berkeley as a Junior Golf member. Mr. Taylor is in sales for a company called Southern Lighting Source. Mr. Taylor is from Kentucky and just moved to GA less than a year ago.



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