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NEWS LETTER

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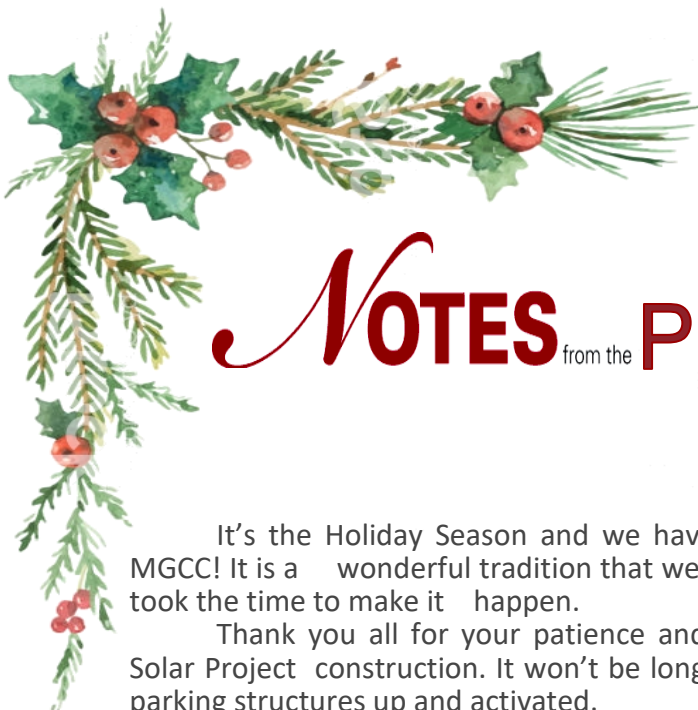
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NOTES from the President

It's the Holiday Season and we have decked the halls here at MGCC! It is a wonderful tradition that we all enjoy. Thanks to all who took the time to make it happen.

Thank you all for your patience and understanding during our Solar Project construction. It won't be long until we have our covered parking structures up and activated.

I want to welcome our newest proprietary members: Jeff & Dawn Sweet, Tom & Avis Gaffery and Sal Moreno. They are our first Executive Members to take advantage of our Executive Upgrade Program. Executive Members should receive a letter soon with the details! We appreciate your support!

Look also for the annual ballots for our new Board of Directors. I want to thank all of the candidates for their willingness to serve.

As we come to the end of 2019 we have so much to be thankful for and to look forward to. The year 2019 was a fantastic year at MGCC! I can't wait to see what 2020 brings.

Swing Easy!
John Curry





PRO'S CORNER
David Whitby
 PGA Club PRO

Just a reminder of a few golf events;

We will have our annual Pro Shop sale on the 14th and 15th, 7:00am-5:00, both days. Stop by and shop for family and friends. Stag Day will be on the 11th, 12:30 shotgun. On Christmas Eve the gates will close at 3:00pm.

If you didn't have a chance to play in Glow Ball, some may say that you missed out. 52 participants enjoyed a lasagna dinner followed by fun night of glow ball. Again, thank you Andrew Curiel for your generosity in supporting the event.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas with family and friends. And T'is the season for "Carts on path only" again!

David Whitby, PGA
 Head Golf Professional

Danny Moak
 Golf Course Superintendent
BrightView

We hope that everyone had a good Thanksgiving with family and friends. I wanted to give everyone an update on a few things that have been going on around the golf course. I'm sure that some of you have noticed that we have been busy seeding some of the wear areas around the greens. We ask that you try to avoid these areas until the grass has become established. Also we have removed some Bermuda grass on the front of #9 green and a few spots on the putting green. Please play these areas as ground under repair.

We are also getting the rains we have been needing. Watch out for puddles

Our crew would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thank You
 Danny Moak



Pro Shop Sale
7:00am - 5:00pm
Dec 14th & 15th

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

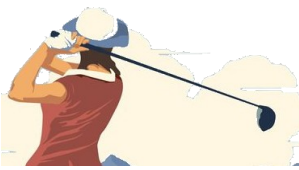
Dec 15th, 2019

9:00 - 11:00

Pancake Breakfast
 Bacon
 Muffins & Danish
 Cookies & Milk

\$ 9.95++





18-Hole Ladies Division Captain's Table Sharon Sanchez

October 24 was our Joker's Wild Tournament. The team of Lutie Harris, Denise Davis and Jill Macha took first place. Veronica Curiel, Ramona Stanford and Carol Llamas were second. Carla Freel, Iantha Thompson and Linda Pellissier were third.

October 31 was our Halloween Scramble. Caren Brendel, Linda Lucas and Suzanne Carpenter won first place with a net 64. Iantha Thompson, Carol Hamm and Avis Gaffery were second with a net 68. Linda Pellissier, Frankie Spiva and Ramona Stanford took third with a net 73. In addition to the scramble, there was also a Halloween Costume Contest. Winning costumes were "Rock, Paper, Scissors", won by Linda Smith, Nancy Slater and Kara Parle. Second place went to the "Wacky Witches", and third place went to the pirates. There were lots of laughs and fun that day.



Our Cha-cha-cha tournament was held on November 7. Lutie Harris and Carol Llamas took first place. Jill Macha, Denise Davis and Linda Smith took second. Maureen Buchner and Betsy Williams were third.

We held a guest day on November 14. Kara Parle, Anita Goza and Nancy Slater won a card off with a score of 61 in this one-best ball tourney. Denise Davis, Jill Macha and Mary Kelly took second. Veronica Curiel, Lutie Harris and Sharon Sanchez were third with a score of 66.



Dec 5th

Ladies' Christmas Luncheon

Social 11:30 Lunch 12:30

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ARTICLE BY:
Susan Benes

October and November featured lots of golf, fun, and competition among the Nine-Tee-Niners.

Patty Grossman and Maureen Reid tied for this year's President's Cup; however, in a play-off, Patty came out as this year's winner. Congratulations!

Fall Eclectic winners were: 3rd place, Patty Grossman, 2nd place, Anne Willis, and 1st place went to Wendy Willis.

The 9ers wrapped up the golf year with the annual Turkey Shoot. Low gross was won by Anne Willis, Low Net went to Patty Grossman; and Low Putt winner was Wendy Willis. As you can see, these three ladies stole the show by winning everything this time!

Anne Willis was the Most Improved player for October; followed by Susan Benes as Most Improved for November.



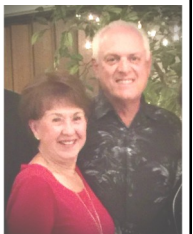
Do you recognize these two prize winning Halloween witches? Fun was had by all in celebrating Halloween.

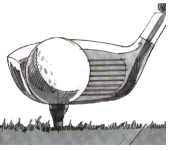
Congratulations to Susan Hammon who was recently appointed to the Women's Nine Hole Golf Association (WNHGA) of Northern California. It will be great having Susan on the board representing Merced and surrounding areas.



Thanks to all the 9ers for helping to decorate the lounge!

A special good-bye to our good friend and golfing companion, Sandy Souza. She and Paul are resettling in Greensboro, Georgia. She has always been such a valued member of the group and will be missed by





Senior Division

Article by:
Bill Gray

The year is coming to an end, and what a great year for the Senior Division. We had our last event of the year with the Turkey Shoot on Friday, November 15th. All who played had a great time and enjoyed the day.

The first event of the new year will be the Local event on Friday, January 3, 2020. We will then have our yearly senior dinner on Saturday, January 4th, at 6:00 pm in the main dining room. I will post the seating chart soon; also, we need to know your choice of salmon or filet mignon for dinner.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all of you for your support this year. If anyone is interested in participating in the Senior Division Board of Directors next year, please contact me. I would hate to see the Senior Program come to an end.

See you on the course.



**MY STAFF & I
WOULD LIKE
TO WISH EVERYONE A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
&
A HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!**

Berna Lucas

MGCC NEW YEARS EVE

DINNER

Dec 31st

MENU

HORS'DOEURVES

International Cheese Tray
Artichoke Spinach Dip in a Bread Bowl
Chips & Dips Hummus and Pita
Seafood Bar

SALAD

Field Greens
Apple Walnut and Cranberry
Drizzled with Waldorf Dressing

ENTRÉE

Roast Tenderloin of Beef
Brandy Sauce
Mushroom Mélange and Vegetable
Wild Rice

DESSERT

Banana Toffee Bourbon Cake
with Cinnamon Coffee Sauce

*Please make reservations
by Dec 27th (209) 722-6268*

AND SPECIFY

Early Seating **OR** Late Seating
6:00 - 7:00pm 7:30pm - 8:30pm
9:00 pm we DANCE thru the night

FEATURING Music by the

DONNIE AND THE WAYRADS



\$ 45.00++



December

2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Club Closed	3 PRIVATE PARTY	4 PRIVATE PARTY	5 Ladies' Christmas Luncheon Social 11:30 Lunch 12:30 PRIVATE PARTY	6 PRIVATE PARTY	7 PRIVATE PARTY
8	9 Club Closed	10 PRIVATE PARTY	11 Men's Stag Day 12:30p Shotgun PRIVATE PARTY	12 Members Christmas Dinner 6:30 pm PRIVATE PARTY	13 PRIVATE PARTY	14 Pro Shop Sale 7:00am - 5:00pm PRIVATE PARTY
15 Pro Shop Sale 7:00am - 5:00pm BREAKFAST with Santa 9:00am - 12:00pm PRIVATE PARTY	16 Club Closed	17 MGCC Board Meeting 6:00pm	18 PRIVATE PARTY	19	20 PRIVATE PARTY	21
22 PRIVATE PARTY	23 Club Closed	24 Gates Close at 3:00pm	25 Merry Christmas CLUB CLOSED	26	27	28 PRIVATE PARTY
29	30 Club Closed	31 NEW YEARS EVE DINNER PRIVATE PARTY	Jan 1st Happy New Year			

Notes: JAN 4TH MGCC SENIORS DINNER

MEMBERS CHRISTMAS DINNER

DECEMBER 12TH, 2019

6:00 - 8:00 PM



INTERNATIONAL CHEESE TRAY
ASSORTED CHIPS AND DIPS
BREADS AND FONDUE
SEAFOOD BAR
VEGETABLE BAR

FIELD GREEN SALAD *with*
POACHED PEARS AND GORGONZOLA
DRIZZLED WITH POMEGRANATE DRESSING

ENTREES

GRILLED FILLET MIGNON BORDELAISE
OR
PAN BRAISED SEA BASS
IN WHITE WINE TOMATO HERB SAUCE
ANNA POTATOES
AND ROASTED VEGETABLES

DESSERT

TUXEDO TRUFFLE MOUSSE CAKE

\$40.00 ++



Men's Stag Day

Dec. 11, 2019
12:30p.m. Shotgun



*Dinner served after golf. All Players automatically included for dinner.
Sign-ups in the Pro-Shop*

MENU

New York Steak
Au Gratin Potatoes
Chef's Vegetables
Ice Cream / Brownie

\$21.95++

Looking Ahead...

JANUARY



Happy New Year



- Jan 1 Happy New Year !!!
- Jan 3 Senior Local Event
- Jan 4 Senior Dinner
6:30pm
- Jan 8 Men's Stag
12:30pm Shotgun
Annual General Meeting
6:00pm
- Jan 17 Friday Night Dining
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- Jan 20 Martin Luther King Day
Club Open
- Jan 21 Club Closed
- Jan 24 9T9ers Golf Kick-off
9:00am Tee Times
MGCC Board Meeting
6:00pm



Feb 6th 18 Hole DIV Golf Kick-off



MERCED GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB DRESS CODE

CLUBHOUSE & DINING ROOM

All members and guests are required to adhere to Merced Country Club's Dress Code when in the club. These general guidelines apply for adults and children above the age of five. The dress code is listed below:

Jackets maybe required for more formal events. Women are requested to dress in a fashion compatible with the dress required of men, which may include dresses, skirts, slacks or pantsuits.

Typical golf attire; and clean, comfortable attire are encouraged at all times. Ladies may wear sleeveless shirts that have a collar; or a non collared shirt with sleeves. Men's Golf attire, blue denim clothing and blue denim jeans in good, clean condition are acceptable attire in the Bar, Dining Room, Patio, Pool, Parking Lot, Pro Shop, Locker Rooms and Club Offices .

NO BLUE DENIM JEANS are allowed on the Golf Course, Putting Green, Driving Range, and Practice Facility.

The following attire is NOT allowed in the **Clubhouse** (Including the Dining Room, Bar and Banquet Room), on the **Golf Course or Driving Range**

- Shorts, skorts or skirts higher than 4" above the knee
- T-Shirts or Tank Tops; Gym Shorts or any other Gym attire.
- Overalls; cut-offs; clothes with frayed edges or holes
- Swimsuits or Swimwear of any kind; wet or soiled clothing
- Trousers, or other types of clothing that clearly are extreme in size and that cause the clothing item to hang loosely from the body, or that may expose areas of the body or visible undergarments, are prohibited.
- Tops exposing the mid-sections or other areas of the body are not acceptable.

Exceptions to the dress code will be: Attire worn for Theme Parties and other designated events which the general Manager must approve prior to the events.

Wearing appropriate blue denim will be permitted on the golf course although not encouraged, from November 1 through March 31.

Other Restrictions to: Bar, Dining Room, and Banquet Rooms

- Hats/caps for gentlemen are not permitted in the dining room except as traditional religious, ethnic, or medical head covering. Hats/caps must be worn facing forward. It is appropriate etiquette for gentlemen to remove hats while indoors.
- Shoes and/or sandals must be worn at all times.
- Soft spikes are not permitted in the Dining Room.

Thank you for your compliance.

MEMBERSHIP COUNT

Playing	155
Pre-Paid Program	1
Associate Firm	5
Leave of Absence	2
Special Social	30
Honorary	0
Social	1
Social/Proprietary	1
Executive Membership.	99
Young Executive	9
Total	303