

MCC News “Fore” You

Marshall Country Club

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President's Note

I trust you had a GREAT Labor Day holiday and enjoyed the last holiday of the 2017 summer season. September is a busy month as we transition to fall. With the cool weather, the fall colors will soon be out to enjoy.

Remember to “Save the Date” (**September 26**) for the annual membership meeting at Marshall Country Club - **7:00 p.m.** Your attendance and input is valued. The agenda and board of director's ballots have been mailed as of September 11, 2017, along with a memo regarding the new business agenda item listed. Departmental reports will be distributed by email when available, and additional copies will be printed and available at the meeting.

Dinner service will be available prior to the meeting, and Christina will be posting additional information regarding the options for service.

I want to express my appreciation to the current board for their hard work and diligence in continuing to address the membership, physical, and financial challenges at MCC. There is always an open list of items to continue to address, and improve on. Make sure you share an encouraging word with them.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Moment of Silence
- III. Introduction of Board Candidate Slate
- IV. Approval of 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes
- V. President's Report – Greg Nyenuis
- VI. Committee Reports
- VII. Election Results
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
 - a. Board Structure Change Proposal
- X. Adjournment

The MCC greens will be aerated WEDNESDAY-SEPTEMBER 27 starting at 6:00 p.m. on the nine opposite the Wednesday league. The course will be closed THURSDAY-SEPTEMBER 28 and will reopen on Friday-September 29.

We would like to start the discussion to receive membership feedback on the viability of the following proposal so the Board can continue the process of noticing and scheduling a spring 2018 membership meeting to take action on the proposal.

BOARD STRUCTURE CHANGE PROPOSAL

BACKGROUND: It continues to be difficult to recruit members to serve on the MCC Board. At our last annual meeting we modified the requirement to the nominated slate required for the election process by eliminating the requirement to have one more candidate than open positions. Many of you have served in the past, and your service is appreciated. Several members are not here during the winter season and are enjoying your winters in warmer climates! We also have an aging equity membership and have not added any additional equity members over the past several years.

PROPOSAL: The Board is recommending that we convert to a **DIRECTORSHIP BASED ENTITY**. This would allow non-equity members to serve as Board members for the benefit of MCC which is not possible under the current bylaw structure. The implication of this change is:

- The pool of potential Board members, by including non-equity members, would be greatly expanded.
- New Board members would be nominated by a nominating committee consisting of equity and non-equity members.
- The Board of Directors would elect the new Board members. The membership would not vote on the Board of Directors.
- The Board of Directors could be structured to require that the majority of Directors continue to be equity members. The current Board representation is 9 members.

PROCESS: The membership must vote to implement the change in the bylaws to a Board of Director Entity Structure. A 2/3 vote of the equity membership for approval is required to adopt the change. A 10 day notice is require to be distributed regarding the meeting called for the vote. Once approved, the filing with the state to update the bylaws.

Marshall Country Club is proud to welcomes new members

Kody Beals
Mark Dannenberg and family
James DuFresne
Jim Fletcher
Jeff Gallop
David Heidenreich and family

2017 MEN'S MCC CHAMPIONS



Kevin Weber
Club Champion



Joe Hutchings
Runner-up



First Flight
Bruce Murphy 1st
Dave Cape Runner-up



Mike Wales and Drew Lasky
Two Ball Champions

REMINDER

2017/18 Membership billings will be sent in early October. Your early payment will greatly help get MCC through the winter expenses. Thank you in advance for your help in this regard.

MCC Outings by Tom Sowles

We were fortunate to host many large golf outings this year. I know that it is annoying to have the course closed on those days but I need to let you know what they mean to MCC. First of all our club gets much needed exposure. You don't know how many of the participants play the course for the first time. It also is a rather large financial benefit. We had over 700 guests in the five large outings that brought in over \$26,000 in gross revenue. From the outings we gained an additional 4 members. I do hope these numbers help to lessen the inconvenience that it brings to the membership. These numbers do not take in to account the 2 large MHS golf team outings and many other small member and non-member outings of 30 or less players. Thank you for understanding how important the outings are to us all at MCC. Here is a list of the large outings this year. If you know the organizer or someone who participated please thank them for their support!

United Way	106 participants
Deb Fletcher Christmas in July	100
Redhawk Boosters	164
Police Chief Outing	100
Leon Draime, Homer Boosters	152

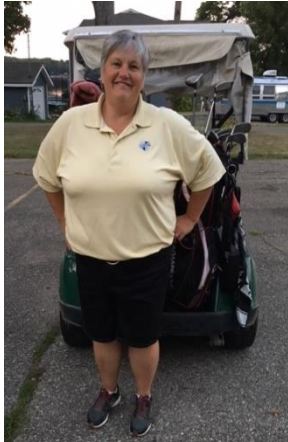
Also many thanks to Christina, Matt, Josh and their staffs for producing a quality venue!

WANTED: Do you have any interest or background in accounting or clerical work? Steve Martin does an incredible job keeping the back office running – he could use help. If you can contribute some regular time slots to lend a hand please contact Steve.

NEEDED: A tower type PC is still being sought to add an additional work station to the back office. See Greg Nyenhuis if you think you have something that would help in this area.

2017 WOMEN'S MCC CHAMPIONS

The Women's Match Play Club Championship began August 1. 21 Golfers competed in four flights, Championship, A, B and C. The winners will be recognized at the Ladies Golf Association (LGA) fall meeting on October 4. Flight B final match is pending.



Linda Morrison
LGA Champion



Ann Adams
Flight A Champion



Elaine Phillips
Flight C Champion

NOTE – 2017 marks Linda's 16th Club Championship (first win was 1996)! Down 2 after fifteen holes, Linda tied the match with good friend, Mary Kay Pessetti, and won on the 19th hole.



These ladies participated in the Women's West Michigan Golf Association (WWMSG) Two Day Tournament held at Manistee Golf and Country Club September 11-12. Monday was a two person best ball, Tuesday was flighted, individual stroke play. The duo of Amy Bauman and Penny Chmura finished third in the best ball. The event attracted 76 golfers. The LGA hosted this tournament at MCC in 2013. (Front) Joyce Soebbing, Nancy Card, Kathy Davis, Amy Bauman; (back) Linda Hoover, Sue Hutchings, Ann Adams, Penny Chmura.



2017 Fall Interclub Classic Participants

COUPLES CHAMPIONS



Kathy and Dave Davis

2017 REDHAWK CHAMPIONS



Matt Thompson, Caroline Powers, Carolyn and Joe Palchak

TUESDAY SENIOR CHAMPIONS 1ST FLIGHT

- 1ST Jim Lehner
- 2nd Dave Kennedy
- 3rd Bruce Murphy

TUESDAY SENIOR CHAMPIONS 2ND FLIGHT

- 1st tie Dale Hopkins
Greg Nyenhuis
- 2nd Bill Church

TUESDAY SENIOR CHAMPIONS 3RD FLIGHT

- 1st Gary Newland
- 2nd Nandu Srinivasan
- 3rd John Card



September 15th 9 and Dine. MCC will continue this next year with hopes for more participation.

**THE TUESDAY SENIOR AWARD
BANQUET IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER
19 AT THE CLUB RESTAURANT.**

What a difference a member makes! Thank you **SCOTT SIMINGTON** for mowing MCC's tall grass.



Thanks Scott – it was playable!



So was this!



**FALL WORK DAY – OCTOBER 15
9:00 a.m.**

We need lots of help putting the course to bed for the winter. It will be time to gather the outdoor furniture, ball washers, benches, tee markers etc. Please help – it was said last year that fall clean-up was more fun than work.

