

July 2008

Captain's Message-Tom Knoflick

Well, it's official, Lake Wildwood has a new General Manager. Edward Simpkins, originally from North Carolina, has recently started his new career with Lake Wildwood and he will be our guest speaker at our breakfast meeting on July 15.

Edward has recently served as General Manager and COO of Heritage Eagle Bend Golf and Country Club in Aurora, Colorado. This six-year-old, semi-private, 1,100 acre, active adult community of 2,200 residents, features an 18 hole championship golf course, four hard-surfaced, lighted tennis courts, an outdoor, resort-style pool, an indoor fitness pool, sauna and whirlpool, an extensive fitness program, and a strength training center.

As COO, Edward was responsible for the management of the Masters Homeowners Association and served as the primary point of contact for over forty District Delegates, two Sub-Homeowners Associations and a Metropolitan District. Edward supervised a staff of 150, including the Directors of Golf, Maintenance, Clubhouse, Food and Beverage, Dining, Catering, Lifestyle, Communications, Finance, Engineering, and Community Association.

Edward is also affiliated with numerous professional associations.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 15: Breakfast Meeting and Red, White & Blue Golf Tournament

August 12: Men Niner's Board Meeting @ 9:30

August 19: Monthly Breakfast and 4 Man Scramble Golf Tournament

August 24: Bill Schultz Golf Tournament at Auburn CC to benefit CoRR (Community Recovery Resources). See Bill Wilcock for further details.

August 26: Golf Tournament with the Men's 18 Hole Golf Club

September 1: Labor Day

September 7: Music in the Mountains Golf Tournament

Sign up to play or volunteer to help

Welcome New Member:
Dennis Loggins, our 84th
member



June Tournament Winners

First Flight: 1 Jack Leavy

2 Dave Kedic

3 John Cook

4 Tie – Ralph Daugherty

Steve Jaramillo

Keith Pricer

Second Flight: 1 Ray Gutendorf

2 Tie – Will Bielman

Pat Campbell

Doug Dwyther

Dale Kendall

Bill Wilcock

Gene Windhaus

Laws of Golf

Golfers who claim they don't cheat, also lie.

It's surprisingly easy to hole a 50-foot putt when you lie 8.

It's not a gimme if you're still away.

Hazards attract; fairways repel.

The less skilled the player, the more likely he is to share his ideas about your swing.

Bob Martin

Tenant Golfers

The Golf Committee has been working on responding to a suggestion made by **Dave Doench** to loosen the restrictions concerning tenants (renters) in Lake Wildwood playing golf. This proposal was one of several advanced as a way to bring in additional revenue thereby either reducing costs for residents, providing funds for improvement projects or both. The following summarizes discussions by the Golf Committee in response to this suggestion.

Currently tenants can only play on our course as guests of Association Golf Members (owners).

It is estimated that there are approximately 300 homes being rented in Lake Wildwood. Another estimate is that, if open golf by tenants was allowed, somewhere between 5% - 10% of tenants would wish to take advantage of the possibility. It would seem that 15 to 30 additional golfers would not impact play by the rest of us.

It was proposed that tenants would be subject to the same personnel limits that apply to the rest of us, i.e. two adults and their minor children per Lake Wildwood property. This would be in addition to the Association Golf Members defined for that property by virtue of ownership, not instead of.

It was proposed that in order to be authorized, tenants would pay a Tenant Golf Member Registration Fee the amount of which would be set by the Board of Directors. Having paid such a fee, Tenant Golf Members would then be able to play by paying the normal daily fee for members or would be able to purchase one of the discount golf packages, this year the limited annual or the unlimited annual.

As currently proposed, Tenant Golf Members would only be able to reserve tee times three days in advance of the desired date, not six days in advance as for Association Golf Members.

Modifications to Rules 7.10.10 and 7.10.50 have been drafted for submission for approval to the Board of Directors but have not, as yet, been formally approved by the Golf Committee.

If anyone wishes to express an opinion, pro or con, please take the opinion survey described below.

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Goose Patrol

Ward Thompson made a presentation to the Golf Committee describing the problems we have had in Lake Wildwood, in the parks and on the golf course, with resident Canada Geese and the progress made over the past three or four years with the usage of dogs to chase and discourage them. A few years ago, the Association purchased Katy, as trained goose chaser and with her help, and that of a few other dogs and their handlers, our problems have been significantly reduced. There have been a few problems of late where golfers, probably newer one who don't know what it was once like to sometimes need rubber boots to traverse portions of the course, have complained about dogs on the course. Please take the opinion survey described below to indicate your feelings about this topic.

Repainting Yardage Markers

At the 9ers board meeting last Tuesday, I was asked to bring up, at the Golf Committee meeting, the topic of repainting the sidewalk yardage stripes. A group from the Women's 18 Hole Club has volunteered to go out and do the job and hopefully we will soon see the result of their labors. Maybe next time we 9ers could volunteer to do the job?

Revenue Shortfall

In case you have heard any rumors, it is true that we have a shortfall in the sale of annuals. The price of the limited and unlimited annuals and cart fees was based upon an estimate of the number of each which would be sold, the number of registered carts and the estimated revenue from over the counter golf sales. Annuals and cart registrations are lower than estimated which implies a shortfall in revenue. There was talk at one time of a surcharge on annuals to make up for any such shortfall. At this time there is no plan to implement a surcharge and I do not think it will happen at all. But, in the long run, we must expect revenues to meet expenses, this year, next year, etc.

Opinion Survey

As of this newsletter we are trying something new. You can vote and comment on the first two topics online. Either click on the link shown below if you are reading this online or, if on paper, load your web browser and direct it to the link shown below.

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