

# October 2007

Special Guest: Rick Levy NCGA Tournament Official

## *Captain's Message-Mike Lesnewsky*

After some discussion it was determined that an earlier tee time will encourage more of you to participate in the 9/18 hole golf tournament. Next year plan on playing at our normal tee time.

**Dues Reminder:** Dues are due in December, but to pat ourselves on the back, they will be staying at \$50 for another year. What a deal, you pay \$50, and get a dinner for 2 (Annual Barbecue) drinks included and a free Breakfast. Some of you will even win a Turkey....all for a low annual fee.

*A reminder we are here to have fun, so feel free to use the black or red tees just remember to enter your scores as such. The computer will automatically adjust the scores. Hopefully we will soon see forward tees (we just don't know which holes yet). The blue tee on 13 will soon be open; this will create a new challenges for our long ball hitters.*

**Rick Kahil will be updating all of us on the upcoming tournaments, starting with the Annual Turkey Shoot!**

We are currently 80 members strong, we have room for 144, new members are always welcome.

***With the arrival of wet and cold weather it is important that we remember to keep our wheels on the pavement and protect our golf course.***

If you are interested in being on the 9 hole Men's Golf Club Board of Directors, please call Ray Gutendorf.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 16<sup>th</sup>:** Breakfast Pine Room @9:30 Low Net

**November 13<sup>th</sup>:** **Special Tee Time: 8:30**  
Golf Committee Meeting @ 2:00 Cedar Room

**November 20<sup>th</sup>:** Breakfast Pine Room @ 9:30

**December 11:** Board Meeting @9:30 in the Bar

**December 18<sup>th</sup>:** Annual Meeting with Breakfast

**(Don't forget this is a free breakfast with visits from Santa)**

## *Mike's Rules Of Golf*

1. A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed not to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck and luck has no place in a scientific game. The player must estimate the distance the ball would have traveled if it had not hit the tree and play the ball from there.

2. If a putt passes over a hole without dropping, it is deemed to have dropped. The law of gravity supersedes the law of golf

3. There shall be no such thing as a lost ball. The missing ball is on or near the course and will eventually be found and pocketed by someone else, making it a stolen ball. The player is not to compound the felony by charging him or herself with a penalty.

### **Closure of hole #18 during the play of our first *Captain's Trophy* round**

On October 2, several of us had to skip play on #18. Some may have felt that this showed a lack of consideration for the Men Niners. I checked afterward and nothing could be farther from the truth; nor did the problem originate in the Pro Shop.

Ken Wolford had planned on us playing the front nine and having #18 closed, however one of his employees made a mistake and closed #4 on the women who were also playing their first round of their *Captain's Trophy*. When Ken found out, he had #4 re-opened and sent the troops up to #18; he also informed the Pro shop of the error along with many apologies. The problem was that some women had played #4 before it was closed. The ones who had not were sent back out to play it after they finished their original 8 holes. So, the women were not finished with the front 9 when it was our turn to go out. Our competitors could have been held up 30-45 minutes until the ladies did finish or we could go to the back 9. The latter option was ultimately chosen knowing full well that there was no perfect solution. Ken sends his apologies for the mixup.

### **The article in The Wildwood Independent**

In last months newsletter you were given a brief statement of proposed golfing rules changes and told to read that Friday's issue of TWI for explanations. Unfortunately, another ball got dropped and the editorial staff left it out. It did appear in the most recent issue (Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>) under the heading of *The Golf Committee*. Hopefully, if you were interested, you read it. It wasn't my goof, but my apologies to you. If there is anyone didn't see it there and has already re-cycled their TWI, let me know and I'll send you a copy via email.

### **Memorial Trees on the Golf Course**

The Golf Master Plan calls for a number of new trees to be planted on the golf course and the large oak that was cut down by #17 green will be replaced by Thanksgiving. Dick and Sharon Kramer came to the Golf Committee proposing that individuals be allowed to purchase one of these trees and dedicate it as a memorial to a deceased former golfer. The Golf Committee passed this to the Board of Directors as a recommendation and, as you probably have already read, they gave their approval. Dick and Sharon hope to purchase the tree for #17 in memory of Jack Veiga. If you have questions or wish to contribute, call Dick Kramer on 432-7987 or John Cope on 432-1307. If you have an interest in another tree for another person, contact Ken Wolford.

### **Trees to be cut on #3 green**

There is one oak tree and one tall pine tree to the right of the #3 green which Ken Wolford feels contribute to the problems of the green by giving it too much shade. There seems to be a delicate balance of sunlight necessary for healthy grass it is not there. Ken came to the Golf Committee two months ago suggesting removal of these trees and asking for our support. None of us likes to see a tree go down around here if not necessary, but the committee opinion was to concur with his recommendation. By the way, the 9ers Board discussed this briefly last month and agreed that the right thing to do was to support Ken.

#### **Board Members**

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| • Picnic- Ed Jones,          | • Nominating Comm.-Ray Gutendorf |
| Ben Shepherd, & Warren Clark |                                  |



*A Special Welcome to  
New Members*