

A Word From The President

It looks like our summer season is here. All of us are excited about the many things that everyone is doing to improve our facilities, golf course, dining and activities for this season.

We had our first Wine Tasting dinner of the season and it was an outstanding success. Our member, Catherine Reading had this to say about her experience: "I would like to recognize Mark, Nicole, Angela and their staffs for their outstanding work in putting together Saturday night's wine tasting dinner. The tables looked fabulous and the staffs ability to plate and deliver course after course to 66 diners all at the same time, was extremely impressive. There were members who required a special diet, so Nicole served up some creative, tasty alternatives. Handling exceptions is no easy task when you're cooking and plating for 66 diners! Congrats to Angela for the work she does to build relationships with the various distributors and to all our wonderful wait staff who make it look so easy. Mark was a great master of ceremonies, and it was clear everyone was having a lot of fun, in addition to enjoying fine farm-to-table cuisine and some great wines. We are fortunate to have such a talented and hard-working dining staff!" Catherine.

Nathan, Mike Carlton and his Committee have many plans to improve the quality of the golf course for this season. Nathan has managed the process of deep tining, aerification and dry-jecting our greens. The greens are nearly healed and will be in terrific shape for the season. Number eight cart path is nearly finished and will be paved by mid-May. Now, it just needs rain to get the grass growing. All the bare areas in the fairways are being seeded and fertilized. The collar extensions around the greens have

General Managers Message

Winter is trying to hold on, but all the signs for another amazing season are bursting out! The golf course is looking great, work on the pool & tennis courts has started, the clubhouse is looking wonderful. All we need to do is plant some flowers and sod at the front entrance once construction on Highway 21 is completed! We hope all of you come join us with the same pride we are experiencing about your club and the excitement of having everyone back home! Let's make this our best season ever!

Wow! If you missed out on our Wine dinner in April you missed some amazing food & wines. We had our largest turn out for this event with over 65 members & guests that enjoyed perfectly prepared meats from all around Alleghany County. Have you checked all of the calendars in your new directory to see what we are up to at your club? Have you made your reservations for May events and started saving dates for June? Are you in for FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE on May 13 with David Parsons. The second Friday of each month we'll feature live music from a variety of singer-songwriters just for you! Saddle up for our 2nd annual Kentucky Derby Party on Saturday, May 7th, so add some flowers and a new ribbon to that special hat to win a prize! Don't miss another great party or miss out on the race! Our Mother's day feast is Sunday, May 8; see the menu in this Hummer! Join us to kick-off summer on Friday, May 27, with the Pool Opening Party. By popular demand the cook-out will be held at the club house. Make your reservations today for the first major event of the year, our Member/Member Golf Tournament & Beach Party open to all members on June 4. Experience our idea of a low country boil with a great beach band. The Troupers. Look for been cut and are nearly grown in. Expect to see a lot of more information inside this Hummer! We have so much

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Calendar Changes for 2016 Dining

Please make the following changes to your copy of the calendar:

- 1. The Wedding Reception scheduled for Saturday, September 17th has been moved to Saturday, September 10th.
- 2. Friday, October 14th we have a private wedding event.
- 3. Saturday, October 15th we have a private wedding event.

During each of these events, we will offer tablecloth service dining in the Grille for our members.

Pros Corner

New Merchandise Arrivals!

Please stop by and check out all the new merchandise arrivals! We are receiving new clubs as well as assorted Ladies and Mens apparel from FootJoy, EP PRO, Annika, Titleist and Tradition. If you can't find what you are looking for, please check with the staff and we will special order for all your golfing needs!

Tip of The Month!

A common mistake golfers often make is spending too much time focusing on their swing mechanics during a round of golf. Focusing on your swing mechanics is an important aspect to your improvement, but it should be done on the range. When you tinker with your golf swing on the course, not only do your swing mechanics tend to get worse, but you also lose sight of the overall objective and that is too "play golf"!

When you arrive at the golf course on a playing day and head to the practice area to warm up, your main thought should be on where you are going to hit your ball — your target — and how the ball is going to get there. The next time you warm up on the range, note how well you are swinging and striking the ball for that day. You may not have your "(A) Swing" that day, you may have your "(B) Swing" or even "(C) Swing". However, whatever swing you have on this particular day it is important you make the best of it. Remember your task as a golfer when playing golf is to find your target on each shot and shoot the lowest score possible for that day no matter which swing you may have.

The Golf Shop Staff!

MGA News

The first big event is the MGA Kick-off. This a great event that you will not want to miss. It will be held May 20, 21 and 22. An entry form and tournament details has been mailed. You will want to get your entry in as soon as possible as this event fills up fast. We have planned for a great event and I am sure you don't want to miss it. If by chance you did not receive a sign-up form please let Donna know and she can get one for you.

Don't forget the Points Chase on Saturday each week and the Wednesday Skins Game. Call the Pro Shop by 5:00pm the day before to sign-up for these events .

Tommy Thompson MGA

Welcome New Members

Raynard & Diane Makin - Dining Members From Roaring Gap, NC

Jim & Margaret Connor - Dining Members Glade Valley B&B in Glade Valley, NC

2016

HIGH MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB PRO AM Benefitting: The Alleghany County Community Foundation

It is the time of year when we start the "Hole Sponsorship" drive for our annual HMCC Pro Am. The tournament itself is scheduled for Friday, August 26th. The High Meadows membership has made this tournament a tremendous success over the past three years through its generosity as hole sponsors for this tournament.

In just three years, through this initiative, High Meadows has become the single largest financial contributor to the Alleghany County Community Foundation. We have a wonderful tournament scheduled again this year and hope to keep the momentum going for such a wonderful cause. As in the past, all the net proceeds from this tournament STAYS in Alleghany County through our contributions to the Foundation. Some of the areas that the money is being used are: Foster Grandparents and senior companion programs, in-school tutoring, rural delivery of the Solid Rock Food Pantry, star pupils, Blue Ridge Read, emergency assistance programs, and many more worthy causes.

Please expect a call within the next few weeks from a member of the tournament committee soliciting your help by sponsoring a hole during the Pro Am to support the Foundation.

Thank you so much for what you have done during the last three years, and let's make 2016 the best and most successful year yet!

Thank you,

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great improvements in our golf course this year and be sure to thank Nathan for all his hard work.

Sally Earnhardt, Jim Meyers and the House Committee continue to work on improving the Clubhouse. Those of you that have not returned for the season will be amazed at the improvements to date.

Paul Perlik and his committee have worked all winter on their membership marketing plans. We will be featured in Charlotte, Greensboro, Winston-Salem and High Point Golf magazines. We will be in over 130,000 issues this summer. This and other plans they are working on should create much more interest in High Meadows this season.

Todd, Tony and the golf committee has made unbelievable improvements to the Pro Shop that gives you the feeling of true class the minute you open the door. Todd, Tim and Sam continue to plan for a season that is fun for all of us.

Financially, the club had a great first quarter. Mark, Allen Williams and the finance committee have come up with plans to help increase revenue while maintaining our expenses.

Mark continues to work on building the morale of all of our staff. Their enthusiasm about the future of High Meadows is at an all time high. We are fortunate to have such an amazing staff and I hope all of you will take every opportunity to thank them for what they do. A smile on their face will show you how much it means to them and I'm sure you will feel better for thanking them.

I look forward to enjoying the summer with all of our friends at High Meadows.

All the best, Brad

Friday, May 27 5:00 - 8:00 **. PART** MENU House Smoked Pulled Pork Hand Patted Ground Beef Tenderloin Burgers Marinated Grilled Chicken Breast All the fixings: Hush Puppies, Coleslaw, Lettuce, Tomato, Diced Onion, Pickles & Cheese. **Chuck Wagon Beans** Corn on the Cob Classic Potato Salad Pasta Salad Garden Salad House Made Potato Chips Fruit Salad Strawberry Shortcake Assorted Cookies

\$13.95++ **V**Food served in the Club House

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going on please check out the calendar on the back page to see all your club is doing! We're ready for fun, are you?

We've started a new membership drive and once again we ask all of you to get involved! Already this year we have your friends in Florida coming up to look at HMG&CC. Don't be the last folks to have an associate from your other club or a friend come see why it is you, our members, that makes this club so special! The word about HMG&CC is spreading. We have people looking at homes on some of the pretty weekends and we will be getting our name out in some of the golf publications around our area all summer. We promised that we would push to get our name out and we're doing it, looking at everything from print, radio, TV and more just to make sure that HMG&CC is no longer the best kept secret in NC. Ask the membership committee, the Board or me what you can do to help!

Our website is <u>www.highmeadowscountryclub.com</u>, please check it out often and remember to "Like" us on Facebook (*High Meadows Country Club*) or Twitter (*High Meadows NC*), share us with your friends and be sure to tag us in photos you take around the club. The more you clicks, tags and shares we get, the faster we move up in the Google rankings. Help us to grow in 2016! We are looking forward to a fantastic summer, can't wait to have everyone back on top of the mountain!

See you around the club Mark

A Short Wedge from Heaven Discover High Meadows Golf & Country Club

Membership Special May 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016

All members that refer a new or returning member to HMG&CC will receive a \$1,500 credit to their account for an approved Golf Member or \$750 for an approved Social Member.

Note: All applicants must be approved by the membership committee and the Board of Directors.

V Initiation Fee Special

The Initiation Fee for the New Membership Promotion is only *\$7,500, which is a 25% discount off the regular \$10,000 initiation fee. *The \$7,500 initiation fee may be split evenly over 3 years with the first payment due with application.

2016 Membership Dues Special!

2016 Membership dues will be only \$2,016 (to be paid in full when you join) which is up to a \$3,000 savings, depending on the type of membership! In addition, we have also waived the \$400 food & beverage minimum and the \$900 Capital Dues for 2016.

Buy a home and join our community special promotion

All homes are members again, during this special 1 time offer. All homes sold will be granted a full membership with an Activation Fee of \$5,000. This will replace the current initiation fee and must be activated before the end of this promotion!

Call us today to set up a tour and some golf. See why our members and their club are so special!

Ask us about our good neighbor special!

Live where you must but play and enjoy where you want with no stress.





AND THEY'RE OFF!!!

Please join us in celebrating the 142nd running of the Kentucky Derby!

Saturday, May 7th at 4:00 until!

Come EAT Southern Fare, DRINK bourbon mint juleps & MERRILY cheer on your favorites while wearing DERBY ATTIRE.

Prize awarded for the best HAT!

<u>APPETIZERS</u>

Chicken & Waffles \$8.00

Bite size pieces of fried chicken & waffles topped with maple syrup infused with honey Wild Turkey Whisky.

BBQ Bourbon Shrimp & Grit Spoons \$10.00

Marinated & grilled shrimp over a bed of garlic & cheddar grits topped with fresh herbs & diced tomatoes.

Spring Fresh Salad \$8.00

Sweet snap peas & baby greens garnished with ribbons of carrot, cucumber, rosemary spiced pecans & feta cheese topped with strawberry vinaigrette .

<u>ENTREES</u>

Kentucky Bourbon BBQ Pork Ribs \$18.00

Braised Baby back ribs slathered in Bourbon BBQ sauce, finished on the char grill, served with sweet potato hash & house vegetable

Kentucky Burgoo Stew \$15.00

A combination of braised lamb, pork, beef, root vegetables, tomatoes, beans & corn in a hearty broth with corn bread.

Hot Brown \$8.00

Opened faced, toasted rye bread, topped with roasted, turkey, bacon, sliced mushrooms & a tomato slice, topped with traditional Mornay sauce broiled until golden.

<u>DESSERTS</u>

Individual Derby Berry Pie

Topped with mint & vanilla infused whipped cream.

Mint Julep Gelée

Served with crazy hat cookies.

Mother's Day Sunday May 8, 2016 12:00 - 3:00 \$23.95++ \$9.95++ AGE 5- 11 4 and under Free

HOT LINE

CARVING STATION

Herb & garlic rubbed New York Strip Loin served with assorted sauces.

Stuffed Pork Loin

Pork loin stuffed with dried fruit, bacon & herbs.

Southern Style Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Seasonal Vegetable Stir Fry

COLD LINE

Caesar Salad Waldorf Salad Marinated Grilled Vegetables

SEAFOOD STATION

Flounder

Founder Filet stuffed with a blend of crab, onions, panko and spices, topped with Champagne sauce.

Crab Pasta Salad

Capitavi pasta tossed with fresh crab, steamed asparagus, cherry tomatoes, sweet peas & fresh herb dressing.

Sautéed Shrimp

Shrimp, capers, tomatoes, garlic and shallots in a white wine butter sauce. Served over angel hair pasta or cheesy grits.

Dessert

A delicious assortment of house made desserts & fruit.

Ladies News & Notes

Welcome back to those who have been away for the winter. It will be fun to see everyone and we welcome new faces to our ranks.

Please put these upcoming events on your calendar:

- May 13: Meet & Greet from 5:00pm 6:30pm at the home of Janet Knott; 114 Chestnut Ridge Ln.
- May 14: Kick-In 9:00am Captains Choice Shotgun followed by lunch & short business meeting; social members welcome. Sign-up sheet posted outside Pro-Shop.
- June 11: Queen Bee 9:00am followed by lunch.

You will hear more on our full season at the opening lunch and meeting on May 14. We welcome anyone who would still like to join the LGA either as a golfing member or a social member. Contact Donna in the office or Janet Knott.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Janet Knott, LGA President Peggy Cooper; Cindy Lee Middleton & Dian Ramey



High Meadows Golf & Country Club Spring Member-Member Beach Party

Saturday, June 4th from 6:30 to Midnight!

House Committee Update

During the winter the clubhouse has continued to improve, both upstairs and down! Be sure to check out the new furnishings in the golf shop and the draperies in the dining rooms that will be installed this month. Our committee will be meeting in May to begin plans for the next stage of improvements beginning later this year.

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And don't forget to check out the new menu in the grille - you might just be tempted to order one of the daily specials to take home for dinner!

Thank you for supporting your club!

Sally Earnhardt, House Committee

Angela's Libations

Golf is in full swing, the sun shining in the sky! Looking for something refreshing? I'm in the bar, so stop on by.

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Hello Everyone!

We are going to have an amazing summer! I am so excited to bring you some new and delicious beverages this season. I welcome you to come by after golf, before dinner or any other time you get thirsty! I'm always ready to serve you with a smile!

Your Bar M<mark>anag</mark>er, Angela

> Watch for information soon on "Thirsty Thursday's"

Out & About - Local Happenings

ALLEGHANY COUNTY

Crouse House Pickers

Mondays, May 2, 9, 16, 21, 30 - 6pm - Open to the public

Local musicians perform live bluegrass and old time mountain music in an informal setting. Crouse Park; 60 Cherry Street; Sparta; 372-5473

Every Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday

Alleghany Jubilee; 25 N. Main Street; Sparta; 336-657-1441 Doors open at 6pm. Music begins at 7pm. Admission - Tuesdays: \$5.00; Saturdays - \$6.00

Mondays - Line Dancing classes. 6-8pm.

Dining with Diabetes

Tuesdays, May 3, 10, 17- 5:00 - 6:30pm – \$12 (includes all sessions) Nutrition professions offer recipes, menu planning and food samplings.

Alleghany Wellness Center; 508 Collins Rd; Sparta; 372-5597

Highland Camerata - Music of the Americas

Tuesday, May 3, 7:30pm – Free Admissi, Donations Appreciated An assortment of music that spans the continents, from Canada to Argentina and islands in between. **First Baptist Church**; 202 S. Main St.; Sparta; 372-5473

Alleghany Farmers Market

Saturday May 7- Opens for Season (Saturday's thru October - 9am -noon)

Fresh vegetables, pastured meats, cheeses, gourmet baked goods, artisan crafts and more.

E. Whitehead St; Sparta; next to Crouse Park - 372-5473

VFW Chicken BBQ

Saturday, May 14 & Every 2nd Saturday thru Sept. 8:30 till Come Early! They usually sell out by 10:30. Half Chicken \$5; Whole Chicken \$9

VFW Post 7034; 1193 Hwy 21S.; Sparta; 200-0083

Empty Bowls Fundraiser - Tickets at Alleghany Chamber Monday, May 16 - 11:00 – 1:00; \$30 Donation

Each donation includes lunch and a handmade bowl from a local potter. Proceeds benefit the Solid Rock Food Closet. Sparta Methodist Church Fellowship Hall; 190 N. Main St.;

Sparta; 372-5473

Memorial Day Ceremony & Parade Saturday, May 28, - Ceremony 1:00; Parade 2:00

The town shows up for this parade of cars, floats and local color. **Alleghany Courthouse**; Main St. & Whitehead; Sparta; 372-5473

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Mountain Soul Concert featuring Bandits Roost

Sunday, May 29, - 6:30pm – Open to the public.

Singer-Songwriters offering fresh sounds and a unique fusion of Folk, Celtic, Newgrass and Americana.

Christ Episcopal Church; 2543 US Hwy 21 S; Sparta; 372-5473

LUKEFEST- Sponsored by the Alleghany Booster Club Sun, May 29; 1:30 – 6:30; No Admission; Donations Welcome Local performers keep the music going all day. Bring a chair and blanket and enjoy!

Crouse Park; 60Cherry St.; Sparta; 372-5473

Alleghany County Reading Challenge Ongoing through November 1

Never read Sci-Fi? What about True Life Adventure? Take the Reading Challenge and give other genres a try! Sign-up at the Alleghany County Library.

Alleghany County Library; 122 N. Main St.; Sparta; 372-5573

YADKIN VALLEY

May 14th: The Elkin Roots Music Fest from 1:00-8:30

Held in Elkin Municipal Park. The free concert will feature blues, bluegrass, old time and gospel artists from North Carolina. Food and beverages will be available. Modest parking fee to park on site.

May 21st: Yadkin Valley Tour de Vino

If you are a cyclist, ride amazing roads in the morning, cycling your choice of routes (25, 50, 71, and 100 miles). Tour begins at 8:00 am. Relax in the afternoon with a complimentary ticket to the Elkin Wine Festival in the afternoon. Visit yvtdv.com for more details and registration form.

May 21st: Elkin Wine Festival 11:00-5:00

This event at Elkin Municipal Park features wine tastings from 40 area wineries. It is open to the public, and there will be food, craft vendor displays, and music! Go to yvwf.com for price of tickets and music schedule.

June 16th: *Save the date*, The Elkin Valley Trails Association will hold its annual "Trails Boogie" at The Liberty in Elkin. A social hour will begin at 5:30, followed by music by the Jewel Tones at 7:00. The concert is free, barbecue is available for purchase, and there will be a silent auction with proceeds benefiting the EVTA trails and bike trail.

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