

# THE JUMPSTARTER

THE OFFICIAL JUMPSTART NEWSLETTER FOR ALL  
THE HAPPENINGS AND NEWS AT GRAND HAVEN GOLF CLUB



2019

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER  
ANDREA KNOX

This monthly newsletter is a very important piece of keeping everyone up to date with events and happenings at the club. When I started it back in 2014, I knew it would often be a challenge to pull together and publish this every month. With the whirlwind of tasks during December and January associated with closing out the year and kicking off a new year, we were definitely side tracked from getting this out to you. So, this month's newsletter is a shortened version, but we already have February's newsletter started and look to be back on track. Thank you for being faithful readers and supporters of the club!

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**TRIVIA**

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**COUPLES INVITATIONAL**

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*Now, go play! Andrea*

### GOLF SHOP HOURS

Tuesday ~ Sunday

7:00 am ~ 5:00 pm

Mondays the golf shop will be open 7am to 5pm if we are hosting a tournament or are open for member play.

Score posting after Golf Shop hours can be done from home

[http://www.ghin.com/](http://www.ghin.com/scorePosting.aspx)

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### DRIVING RANGE HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday,

Saturday, Sunday

Front of Range 7am to 5pm

Back of Range 7am to 4pm

Wednesdays

Front of Range 7am to 4pm

Back of Range 7am to 3pm

*An early close is needed to accommodate a clean pick for mowing the following morning.*

Mondays when Open

Front of Range 7am to 3pm

## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT TJ WEST



I would like to start off by wishing everyone a Happy New Year! I would also like to thank all the members for the Christmas cards, holiday wishes, Joy Fund contributions, and lunches provided to the maintenance team! December was a colder and wetter month than normal! We had three frost days and the course received almost 7.5 inches of rain. The rain in December brought the year end rain total to 74.35 inches! That may seem like a lot of rain, however, the 2017 total was 78.33 inches! But...the last week of 2018 and first week of 2019 has been beautiful golfing weather!

I would like to talk a little about what was accomplished in 2018 and what we are looking to accomplish in 2019. However, before I start, I want to point out the mower malfunction on number 9 green. The cutting units on our tri-plex greens mowers are operated by Hydraulic motors, hoses, and oil. On Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, the mower blew a main hydraulic line. Hydraulic leaks cannot be predicted and can happen to both new and old equipment! The oil that is we use is comparable to vegetable oil and is meant to be plant friendly. However, the oil runs through the lines at a very high temperature. That high temperature, not the oil itself, is what damages the plant. We all saw this a few years ago with the three lines on number 15 green. We will continue to monitor and nurse the line on 9. Having learned from our action plan on hole 15, if the spot on 9 does not look like it is recovering in a reasonable time frame or becomes bare soil, we will pick one of our closed Mondays in the Spring and re-sod the line!

In 2018 we were able to level the white tee on 17, landscape a yardage bed at the driving range, do some ornamental planting behind 8 green, add/continue to add sand to the bunkers, replace tee markers with a new design, and replace/add key pieces of equipment to the maintenance fleet. In 2019 we have budgeted for and are in the process of hiring two more full time employees! I am beyond excited! We have also scheduled 1-2 closed Mondays a month for Maintenance! This will allow for us to better detail and perform our more invasive practices without disturbing golfers! The biggest project this year will be the continued renovation of the clubhouse and its landscape! This project will include a new irrigation system around the building as the old has been a nightmare for many years! We will also look at leveling more tee boxes, example #14 white and green tees, continued clearing of over grown areas, as well as many more smaller projects! We made much progress in 2018 and plan to continue the momentum into 2019!

I can be reached for questions or comments by e-mail...[twest@grandhavengc.com](mailto:twest@grandhavengc.com)

## REMINDER

**LOCK YOUR VEHICLES AND  
KEEP VALUABLES  
OUT OF SIGHT!**

**We recently had two cars  
broken into in our parking  
lot. While this is an  
extremely rare occurrence,  
it's also a reminder it can  
happen anywhere  
and any time!**

## GREAT GOLF SHOTS

Deanna Frank scored a hole in one on the 77 yard par 3 eighth hole Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup> using a pitching wedge. Deanna's ace was witnessed by Dr. Merrill Stass-Isern.

Rich Munsterman Eagled the par 5 seventh hole December 5<sup>th</sup>

**RESTAURANT  
HOURS OF OPERATION**

**LUNCH AVAILABLE  
TUESDAY - SUNDAY  
11:00AM TO 4:00PM**

**DINNER SERVICE  
TUESDAY - FRIDAY  
5:00PM TO 8:00PM**

GRAB A CALENDAR FOR A  
FULL MONTHS SCHEDULE

**WEEKLY EVENTS**

**EARLY BIRDIE**  
TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS  
& THURSDAYS  
4:00PM TO 5:30PM

**PRIME RIB  
FRIDAY**  
LOW AND SLOW  
CERTIFIED BEEF  
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

**MONTHLY  
EVENTS**

**BIRTHDAY BASH**  
TUES. JAN 8<sup>TH</sup>

**TURKEY BUFFET**  
SUN. JAN 13<sup>TH</sup>

**TRIVIA NIGHT**  
TUES. JAN 29<sup>TH</sup>

**DINING  
RESERVATIONS:**

Reservations required  
for all Events.

Call the Restaurant **ext. 3**

OR email:

[GHReservations@GrandHavenGC.com](mailto:GHReservations@GrandHavenGC.com)

**FROM THE SALES OFFICE**  
**JERI HARPER**



As we close out 2018, I would like to recognize all of our new golf members and upgrades from the year. We finished the year with 2 Grand Golf Memberships, 9 Full Golf Memberships, 1 Business Membership, 3 Afternoon Memberships, 13 Associate Memberships, 3 Grand Social Memberships and still have 22 Trial Memberships to convert to golf members in 2019! We have a lot to look forward to in the coming months. Our membership has grown and we hope to keep the momentum with referrals from our current membership, new residents moving into the neighborhood and a new member ambassador program!

Be sure to keep an eye out for the New Member Mixer in the upcoming weeks. We have quite a few new members we would like you all to meet!

**Please Welcome Our Newest Members!**

**Frank & Scotty Musto**  
Afternoon Members

**Jeff & Cathy Lynn**  
Full Golf Members

**Frank Medolla**  
Trail Member

**Craig & Maddie Finney**  
Afternoon Members

**Mitch & Barb West**  
Trial Members

**Arlene Spencer**  
Trial Member

**Ken & Kathy Ersbek**  
Afternoon Members

**David Price**  
Trial Member

**Ann Ducasse**  
Trial Member

**Carlos Santos**  
Associate Member

**Gerald Holden**  
Trial Member

**Pam li-Walker**  
Trial Member

**Dr. David Douglas**  
Associate Member

**John O'Meally**  
Trial Member

**Bill Scholl**  
Trial Member

**Sandy & Charlie Strong**  
Full Golf Members

**Carl Zimmermann**  
Trial Member

**FROM THE WGA**  
**SUZETTE SWEENEY**

It has been a busy December. Even though the weather did not cooperate on December 11 for our Jingle Bell Scramble everyone came together to enjoy a great lunch. We even sang some Christmas songs. The Angel Tree was a great success this year. It was wonderful seeing all those packages under the tree. Made lots of kids happy. Thanks to everyone for your generosity. Also a special thanks to Mary and Sally for making this happen.

January will be busy with Seagals, Stableford and WPC.

Happy 2019 to everyone.



## FROM THE MGA MICHAEL TEBBANO

### Holiday Classic Tournament A Huge Success

The MGA held the "JERRY CHIDDISTER Holiday Classic Tournament" on December 12 and 19 and what a huge success. This year the MGA Board dedicated the event to longtime member and Club Best Friend **Jerry Chiddister** who turned 90 on the last day of the tournament. We had great very cold weather the first week, but things were just fine for the 12/19 match. Following the last round, the MGA Membership had a delicious luncheon to celebrate Jerry Chiddister and the season. As had been previously explained, the Holiday Classic Tournament is based on a Ryder-Cup format where teams are organized, and specific games were played in a match stroke competition. The teams were the defending champs from last year "The Rudolph's" coached by **Jack Hinsch** and **Larry Geiser** and the challengers were "The Bah Humbugs" coached by **Ted Kolva** and **Bob Aiken**. Week one of the competition had "The Rudolphs" ahead of the challengers by one point (15.5 to 14.5), but the final week saw a deadheat tie between both teams. Many thanks go to MGA Tournament Director **Mike Rowlands** for his organization of the event, as well as to our team captains and all the members who participated in this fun experience.



"The Bah Humbugs"



"The Rudolphs"



### The Shootout

On January 10, 2019 the MGA will be holding the Fall Shootout Competition at the Club. This is our quarterly event that takes the top ten points earners from the fall period's weekly games and competitions to play in an all-out, nine-hole game of "King of the Mountain." At the end, one golfer will remain standing to earn the coveted trophy of "The Fickle Finger of Fate," the prize money, and a free dinner at Roland Robichaud's house. Spectators are welcome, and the liquid refreshments served on a beverage cart throughout the competition are provided by the MGA.

### Holiday Joy Fund 2018

The MGA and WGA once again collected donations to present some Holiday Joy to the hourly employees of Grand Haven Golf Course. This year donations were over \$18,000 and it was all disbursed to the hard working hourly staff of this beautiful golf course. One staff member commented that the staff feels welcomed and treated like members of the community. They all expressed their appreciation. Many thanks to **Rich and Pat Kawa** for coordinating this year's fund.

### Membership

The MGA is always looking for new members. Currently, we have over 100 members and welcome all of our Grand Haven men to be a part of this fun organization that focuses on challenging golf and wonderful camaraderie. Join the MGA today. Visit our website at [www.ghmga.com](http://www.ghmga.com).



**Team Captains for the Tournament (L-R)**  
Rudolphs Leaders: Larry Geiser & Jack Hinsch  
Club Pro: Billy Van Ardsdale  
MGA President: Jim Golomb  
Bah Humbugs Leaders: Ted Kolva & Bob Aiken



SUNDAY, JANUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

\$140 ENTRY FEE PER COUPLE  
PLUS APPLICABLE CART FEES

12:30PM SHOTGUN START

FORMAT: 3-6's

6 - BEST BALL | 6 - 2 BEST BALLS | 6 - SCRAMBLE

DINNER AND WINE TASTINGS  
TO FOLLOW PLAY

REGISTER IN GOLF SHOP BY JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

CALL: (386) 445-2327 EXT. 1

EMAIL: [GRANDHAVENGCC@GRANDHAVENGCC.COM](mailto:GRANDHAVENGCC@GRANDHAVENGCC.COM)



# Trivia Night

*Come Enjoy*  
✓ GAMES  
✓ PRIZES  
✓ BAR SPECIALS  
✓ AND FUN!!!

Hosted By:  
CHALLENGE  
ENTERTAINMENT  
AND  
THE YOUNG  
PROFESSOR

\$20.00

PER PERSON

DOES NOT INCLUDE TAX & GRATUITY

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## JANUARY 29

5PM DOORS OPEN

6:30PM TRIVIA BEGINS

DINNER BUFFET AVAILABLE

5:30PM TO 7:00PM

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### RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

LIMITED AVAILABILITY  
TEAMS WILL BE TABLES OF 8

*IF YOU DO NOT HAVE 8,  
WE WILL TEAM YOU UP WITH OTHER MEMBERS!*

### DINNER BUFFET

FAJITAS STATION  
WITH TOPPINGS BAR &  
SAUTEED VEGETABLES  
BLACK BEANS & RICE,  
SANTA FE VEGETABLES  
CHURROS

MAKE RESERVATIONS BY CALLING 386-445-2327 EXT. 3  
OR EMAIL [GHRESERVATIONS@GRANDHAVENGCC.COM](mailto:GHRESERVATIONS@GRANDHAVENGCC.COM)

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 Email: [GHReservations@GrandHavenGC.com](mailto:GHReservations@GrandHavenGC.com)

**Cancellation Policy:**  
 All cancellations must be made 48 hours in advance.  
 Failure to cancel prior to 48 hours will result in cancellation fees.

*All dates subject to change.*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b>  <b>WIDE OPEN GOLF OUTING</b>	<b>2</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>3</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>4</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Featuring Prime Rib 5:30pm - 8pm	<b>5</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm
<b>6</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm	<b>7</b> <b>MEMBER PLAY DAY</b> <small>TEE TIMES AVAILABLE 7AM TO 1PM CARTS MUST BE OFF THE COURSE BY 5PM</small>	<b>8</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm  <b>BIRTHDAY BASH</b>	<b>9</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>10</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>11</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Featuring Prime Rib 5:30pm - 8pm	<b>12</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm
<b>13</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm  <b>TURKEY BUFFET</b>	<b>14</b> <b>CLUBHOUSE &amp; GOLF COURSE CLOSED</b>	<b>15</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>16</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>17</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>18</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Featuring Prime Rib 5:30pm - 8pm	<b>19</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm
<b>20</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm  <b>COUPLES INVITATIONAL</b>	<b>21</b> <b>MEMBER PLAY DAY</b> <small>TEE TIMES AVAILABLE 7AM TO 1PM CARTS MUST BE OFF THE COURSE BY 5PM</small>	<b>22</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm  <b>FSGA RULES SEMINAR</b>	<b>23</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>24</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>25</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Featuring Prime Rib 5:30pm - 8pm	<b>26</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm
<b>27</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm	<b>28</b> <b>FAMILY LIFE CENTER GOLF TOURNAMENT</b>	<b>29</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 4pm  <b>TRIVIA NIGHT</b>	<b>30</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm	<b>31</b> Nicklaus Grille 11am - 8pm  Early Birdie 4pm to 5:30pm		