

Mother's Day Buffet

Sunday, May 8th 11:00am, 11:30am, 1:00pm & 1:30pm Seatings

Menu Items Including: Chef Carved Certified Angus Prime Rib Baked Whitefish with Pineapple Salsa Famous Fried Chicken Pan Seared Chicken Breast Cheese & Fruit Displays Shrimp Cocktail Fresh Seafood Display Salad Bar Elaborate Dessert Bar with ice cream, cakes, pies, cookies, puddings, and cobblers

\$24.95 Adults / \$13.95 Children 4-12 Children under 3 eat free Pool Activities

Poolside Party May 29th 4:00-7:00pm

Memorial Day Party Monday, May 30th BBQ, DJ, Pool Games, and More!



May 2011



CINCO DE MAYO

THURSDAY, MAY 5TH

6:00 TO 9:00PM

Chicken Tortilla Soup, Black Bean & Corn Salad, Tomato Cucumber Fiesta Salad, Beef Tacos, Beef or Chicken Fajitas, Baked Fish with Green Peppers, Onions & Tomatoes, Zucchini with Green Chilies, White Rice with Chilies & Tomatoes, Apple Enchiladas



\$16.99 per person

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Dear Members,

In past newsletters I have mentioned the club's refinancing efforts and the funds that would become available for capital projects. A list of projects was compiled and submitted to the Finance Committee and subsequently to the Board of Directors for its approval. A key ingredient for being able to spend the refinancing equity was membership participation in our Promissory Note Campaign. I am pleased to report that the campaign has been successful, and we will be able to move forward with selected projects. If participation in the campaign is of interest to you, I welcome the opportunity to discuss it further.

In other Club news, I am pleased to announce the hiring of Elaine Spencer as our new Membership Director. Elaine is deeply rooted in the Gainesville community and will be a great addition to Gainesville Country Club's Team. Stop by and say hello next time you are at the Club.

Our summer programs are shaping up, and there will be lots of fun and exciting activities for the kids. Summer camps, tennis and golf clinics as well as swim and dive teams are scheduled. At its most recent meeting, the Board of Directors approved a suggestion from the Golf Committee that would extend golf privileges to the dependent children of Athletic Social members. This policy will allow Athletic Social member's children access to the golf course without charge. It was felt that this would be one way to grow our Junior Golf program.

Hope to see you soon and often,

Tommy Lyman

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Club facilities are intended for the use of members and their guests. It is important that members register their guests so that appropriate fees can be collected. Members who are aware of violators should report the occurrence to the Club office. CHEERS AND JEERS

I loved the Easter Buffet, it was fantastic!

After my last golf lesson, I played the best round of my life!

> My kids loved the Easter Bunny!

Welcome New Members!

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Management, we would like to extend a warm welcome to these new members of our Club family.

We hope each of you makes an effort to meet our new members and help them feel comfortable at their new home away from home.

Larry Calton Erin Henderson

Keith & Roberta Watson

And a warm welcome back to Kirk & Gloria Watson

Wednesday Chef Specials

All-You-Can-Eat

May 4th Fried Flounder with Almonds Cheese Grits Steamed Broccolli

May 11th

Country Braised Pork Chops Garden Blend of Vegetables Whipped Redskin Potatoes

May 18th

Spaghetti with Meatballs & Sausage Garlic Bread Italian Green Beans

May 25th

Fried Shrimp Garden Blend of Vegetables Herbed Rice Pilaf

All specials include the Salad Bar and Soup du Jour

Friday Night Happy Hour

Drink Specials

May 6th Complimentary glass of wine with the purchase of an entrée

May 13th \$2.00 Wells & \$3.00 Calls

> May 20th Half Price Drinks

May 27th Complimentary martini with the purchase of an entree



TRIVIA NIGHT

Thursday, May 12th at 7:00pm

\$1 Drafts and Cash Prizes!

Limited and Full Dinner Menu available starting at 6:00pm

Get a team together and join us for a challenging game!

Teams limited to 10 players

BOOK CLUB Friday, May 13th 10:30am

The club will be reading The Parrot's Lament

by Eugene Linden



Please RSVP if you plan to attend

Join us for discussion and lunch even if you have not finished the book

COUPLES BRIDGE

Thursday, May 19th at 4:30pm Enjoy dinner following the game

Please RSVP If you are a single player and would like to play, the Club will try its best to pair you with a partner



Start your Summer Off Poolside at the Club

> Sunday, May 29th 4:00-7:00pm

Enjoy the music of "Late Nite Delivery"

Complimentary Keg & Drink Specials

Live Aconstic Music



Our fellow member C.P Heaton and his pickin' partner Alan Stowell will provide an acoustic music show on May 18th from 7:00-8:00pm for your listening pleasure. Enjoy dinner before or after the performance.

C.P and Alan play folk, country, blues, bluegrass and Celtic music on the

guitar, fiddle, banjo and mandolin. Come clap your hands, tap your feet, and maybe even sing along to favorites such as "Folsom Prison Blues", "Don't Think Twice", "The Orange Blossom Special", and "This Land is Your Land."



T*ennis & Swim Camp* June 21st - 24th



MORE!!



Chef's Corner

Fish is becoming more expensive by the day, as are most things. Today, not only one region or ocean has been declared hopelessly over fished, but all five of them (Atlantic, Pacific, Indian, Southern and Northern Ocean).

The tragedy is that all species are over fished. Clearly, greedy fishermen and an unrelenting human appetite for fish have created this untenable situation.

While only a few decades ago aquaculture was never contemplated, today it is a multibillion-dollar industry in many countries including Norway, Chile, Canada, the USA, Spain, Scotland, Israel, China, Nicaragua, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. The situation will likely continue, because now there are fewer fish then ever before. Species after species, scientists have found the same pattern: thriving populations speedily crashed as the indiscriminate commercial fishing fleets moved in.

It is puzzling how Canada allows Portuguese, Spanish, even Japanese factory boats to sail to the Grand Banks off Newfoundland which at one time teemed with cod, but now cannot even feed a fishermen and their families.

The cod stocks have been so decimated that scientists claim that there will never be a return to normal levels. Consider the proportions of this tragedy since for more than 500 years cod was plentiful enough to sustain several countries' fisheries, and Canada used to export substantial quantities of salted cod to the Caribbean. Now, we import cod from Norway! Such a situation would have been unimaginable in the 1980's. How this happened was a simple case of greed and over fishing and failing to heed the advise of marine scientists.

Salmon runs on the west coast are also declining at alarming rates. Government hatcheries release millions - if not billions - of fingerlings annually, but fewer and fewer are retuning to hatch. The only logical conclusion is that they are being caught before they have a chance to return.

Oceans make up 70% of the surface of earth. They regulate climate, temperature, humidity, oxygen, and carbon systems - essentially the very ability of the planet to sustain life. But mankind has blindly allowed the very system to fall prey to greed and politics. The repercussions of this rape of nature are unpredictable, but certainly harmful to all.

If all North American chefs stopped offering fish on their menus, the situation will not improve. What we need are fishing policies that are reasonable and enforceable to maintain balance. Even though the future looks bleak, the Gainesville Country Club will continue to search for the freshest fish at the best price to serve our members well.

Eat, Drink and be Merry

Chef Steve



TOXIC WASTE COLLECTION

Saturday, May 14th 8:30-11:00am

Bring your paint, oil, etc. to the Club for proper disposal

Homeowners Picnic

Sunday, May 15th 3:30 - 5:30pm

Call the Club for reservations

UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS

May 5th, 6th & 7th Men's Member Guest

Thursday, May 12th Thursday Twilight - 9 Hole Shamble 5:30pm Shotgun with dinner to follow play

Saturday May 14th

Men's Two Man Best Ball (Blind Draw for Partners) 9:00am Shotgun with lunch to follow play

> Sunday May 22nd 2nd Annual Fundraiser to Benefit the Fisher House of Gainesville

Course closed until 1:00pm For information on how to play in this event please call Sean in the Golf Shop.

May 27th, 28th & 29th Men's & Senior Men's Club Championships 54 Holes of Stroke Play for the Championship Flight 36 Holes for all other flights

Call the Golf Shop to sign up for any of these events

Wednesday Morning Clinics with Sean Different topics will be taught each week The charge is \$20 per session

"Play With The Pro"

Every Tuesday at 12:00pm there is a tee time with one of your professionals. Be sure to call and reserve a spot.

SUMMER CART PLAN Unlimited Cart Fees

June 1st - August 31st

Just \$425

Don't Forget About the HOLE-IN-ONE CLUB

It's free to join! If you make an ace, you will collect \$5 from everyone that's in the club. You can use that money to settle the sometimes dangerous bar bill! The remainder will be yours in Golf Shop Credit.



Picture: Jamie's hole-in-one on #13

SCOREBOARD

3rd Annual GCC Masters Par 3 Contest

First Flight

1st J.D. Tomlinson 26 (-1) T2nd Bill Gaston 27 (E) John Timmons

Second Flight

- T1st Phil Anrkim 31 (+4) John Childs
- T3rd Jim Stewart 33 (+6) Jon Baxter

MGA Twilight Scramble - Thursday, April 14th

1st Place - 31 Jorge Valdes, Steve Rappenecker, Carl Walls & Tom Donaldson



Junior Golf Play Days

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning of non camp or clinic weeks we will have junior playdays. Bring the kids to the range at 10:00am and we will pair them to go out and play.

Summer Junior Golf Schedule

Parent / Child Tournament Saturday, June 18th 1:00pm Shotgun

Introduction to Golf Complimentary Junior Golf Clinics

These clinics will cover the basic fundamentals of golf: grip, stance, posture, alignment, basic rules and etiquette. Introduction to the golf course, short game and full swing.

9:00am - 10:30am June 21st - June 24th (Session 1) July 19th - July 22nd (Session 2) August 16th - August 19th (Session 3)

Golf and Swim Camp

July 12th - July 15th 9:00am - 3:30pm

This camp is for the junior who enjoys a more competitive environment and would like to focus on his or her playing skills. Cost is \$175 per camper.

> All Ages Junior Tournament Saturday, July 16th 1:00pm Shotgun

End of Summer Parent / Child Mixed Teams Scramble Saturday, August 20th 1:00pm Shotgun

Call the Golf Shop at 372-0961 or e-mail us at golfpro@gainesvillegolf.cc for information or to sign up for any event

Congratulations to Hal Wallace for shooting his age...again. He's accomplished this feat over 500 times! This time he happened to beat his age by 12 shots - that's a 76! Not bad for an 88 year old man.

\$50 Golf Guest Special

This includes cart fee, green fee, range balls, and a meal

<u>Tee Time Restrictions</u> Tuesday - Friday anytime Saturday & Sunday after 12:00pm

<u>Meal Restrictions</u> Lunch is from the Soup and Salad Bar or the Snack Bar Sunday's meal may be from the dinner menu



GWGA News

The last meeting of the GWGA for the 2010-2011 year will be held on Thursday, May 5th at 8:45am. On May 19th we will have our Closing Day Scramble with a luncheon to follow. Please sign up in the ladies locker room for golf as well as the luncheon. Both nine and eighteen hole groups will be playing.

In September we invite all women golfers to join the GWGA and play with our ladies group, either nine holes or eighteen holes. Come join us and we look forward to seeing you in the Fall.

> New Officers for the 2011-2012 Year President Sally Hayes Vice President Ruth Kovach Secretary Yo Brumbaugh Treasurer Valeria McGathy

Tennis News

ADULT TENNIS

The day league tennis season ended with a remarkable success by our 3:0 team. With a 4-1 victory against Fort King, the GCC team finished the season in 3rd place.

Our 3:5 team had tough luck losing their last match against the Country Club of Ocala.

The USTA Leagues are at the beginning stages of their season. Gaylyn Quinn is our ladies' 3:5 captain. Mike Hodge is our mens' 3:5 coordinator. Jake will assist with both teams.



Playing tennis is a little like driving a car. We all know how fast the vehicles can go. It is the driver who is responsible for all the actions. Similarly, a tennis player must know that just pounding the ball doesn't make someone look better on the court. Learn all the skills!

JUNIOR TENNIS

Our varsity junior players that made their first high school regionals in Jacksonville are:

Gaelin McLeod (Oak Hall) Alexis Mast (Oak Hall) Caroline Holloway (Oak Hall) Darby Townsend (PK Younge)

We are looking forward to improving our junior program here at the GCC.

Junior 10 & Under Clinic

Get basic knowledge and how to enjoy and improve the game.

Saturday, May 28th 10:00 - 11:30am

Complimentary Session Open to all our members and their friends

Pot Luck and Refreshments Provided

TIP OF THE MONTH

Here are some tactical priorities for the serve that can be applied to other strokes as well:

- 1 Control
- 2 Direction
- 3 Depth
- 4 Spin
- 5 Power

Adult & Varsity Singles Round Robin

Sunday, May 29th 10:00am-12:30pm

Invite your friends to come play!

Drinks, beers, wines and snacks provided

Win great prizes!

Cost is \$15 per player

Our fund raiser round robin was a big success. Efforts to help raise awareness for the Japan disaster brought in 20 participants. Doug McLeod won 1st place and a Prince Racket. Jane Muir took home 2nd place and a Prince Thermo Bag. With fun, competition, beer, wine, and camaraderie, everyone was a winner. A check for \$450 will go to the Japan relief effort through Red Cross. Heart felt thanks to everyone who made the event possible. Our next fundraiser will be in August.

A Message From Your Golf Course Superintendent

The Pecan trees are in full bloom, our purple martin houses are loaded and our bluebird nest boxes are productive again this year. This is a photo of one of the boxes on hole number 3. Notice that the bluebird will not use any sticks when building its nest, only grasses and straw. The number of bluebirds on the course has grown dramatically with our nest box program and integrated pest management practices.

Mowing, trimming, pest control and detail work will be our focus this month on the golf course. Our mole cricket treatment takes place this month, and we will be performing a core aerification at the end of the month. We hope you are enjoying the golf course as we strive to make each of your golf experiences memorable.



Sincerely,

Michael A. Rowe

Please Welcome Elaine Spencer, Our New Membership Director

Elaine is a lifelong resident of Gainesville and a former student at P.K.Yonge. She is a graduate of Santa Fe Community College, the University of Florida and Nova University with a Masters in Education-Administrative Supervision.

Elaine has enjoyed a professional life that is reflected in her commitment to the community. She presently serves on the Board of Trustees of P.K.Yonge. She has served as Activities Coordinator and Physical Education Instructor for Santa Fe Community College, Activities Director for The Atrium, Marketing and Development Director for Dance Alive National Ballet and for the Ronald McDonald House, Team Coordinator for the March of Dimes, and Public Relations for the Gainesville Regional Airport and a realtor for Coldwell Banker/MM Parrish.

Elaine's involvement has reached well beyond her professional life. She was former President of Altrusa International of Gainesville, a graduate of Leadership Gainesville XXIII, past President of Dance Alive National Ballet, past President of the University of Florida Friends of Music, a UF Tennis Booster for both Men's and Women's Tennis Teams, a former board member of WUFT-TV, and an affiliate member for the Center of the Performing Arts and the Harn Museum of Gainesville Chamber Orchestra.

Elaine stays busy working part-time, volunteering, playing tennis and spending time with her husband, children and grandchildren.

HOUDS OF OPEDATION





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	HOURS OF OPERATION
Clubhouse (372-1458)	Lunch is served from 11:30am - 2:30pm Tuesday through Saturday Dinner is served from 5:00pm - 9:00pm Wednesday through Friday Early Bird Dinner is available from 5:00pm - 6:00pm Champagne Brunch is served from 11:00am - 2:00pm on Sunday Sunday Night Dinner is served from 5:00pm - 8:00pm
Snack Bar	10:00am - 6:00pm Tuesday through Friday and Sunday 7:00am - 6:00pm Saturday
Golf Shop (372-0961)	7:00am - 6:00pm Tuesday through Sunday
Tennis Courts (373-4806)	8:00am - 10:00pm Monday through Sunday