

# Hawthorne Country Club

## President's Message

**April 2009**

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Club Office 301-934-8422  
301-932-6852

Pool 301-609-3105

Restaurant 301-934-8422 ext. 1

### Hours of Operations

Pro Shop 301-934-2433

- Monday  
Carts Available Noon—4:00pm
- Tuesday—Friday  
Carts Available 9:00am—4:00pm
- Saturday, Sunday & Holidays  
Carts Available 8:00am—4:00pm

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Restaurant/Bar 301-934-8422

- Monday Closed
- Tuesday—Saturday  
11:00am—8:00 pm
- Sunday 11:00 am—7:00 pm

Board of Directors—Officers

President—Lee McClure Jr.  
Vice President—John Bowling  
Secretary—Diane Burgess  
Treasurer—Bob Brewer

To all members;

The board continues to re-position the club to meet the challenges of today's economy and we must now start to rebuild and attract like minded people to join HCC. As you know our membership numbers are way down from this time last year and we now need to concentrate on attracting new members. Please keep in mind each one of you is an owner of this club and as such have a vested interest in its well being. At this point the savings implemented by the board are being overwhelmed by the declining membership. The addition of ten to twenty new members will go a long way to stabilizing our cash position month to month. We have a great product we offer at HCC but we (the owners) need start to helping ourselves.

We are also working on converting our monthly billing to electronic. Please make sure Liz has your correct e-mail address.

As always please feel free to contact any of the Board members or me directly 240-216-6181 or email [qsv-lee@starpower.net](mailto:qsv-lee@starpower.net) with any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

Lee McClure Jr

President of the Board.



# Board of Governors—Committee News

New Members

Welcome Melvin Adams & Belinda Pedri of Pomfret, Md.

New Business

We are looking for a new board member. If you would like to join the board, give the business office a call or talk to any board member.

Social/House

Cindy is doing great. See the enclosed Restaurant page for the upcoming events.

Golf

Golf Calendar is published on line in the newsletter. Sign up for the year's events began on Opening Day.

Grounds

Looking into the cost to repair the pipe on #6 before it's get worse. Working on a Club Beautification day with the members. Looking into "Sponsor A Tee" to have the tees taken care of and planted with flowers.

Long Range Planning

No Report

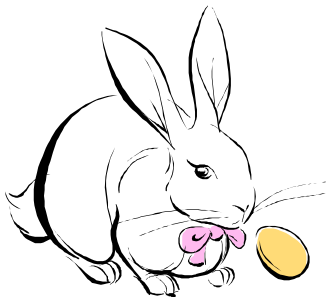
Pool/Tennis

Getting spruced up for the season.

Membership

Pass on to everyone you know that HCC is a great place to be a part of.

## Restaurant News & Hours



- Monday
- Tuesday—Saturday
- Sunday

Closed  
 11:00—8:00 pm  
 11:00 am—7:00 pm

Bring the family and friends out and enjoy a day at Hawthorne.



# Ned's Notes

## March 15 thru October 31(Golf Season) Hours

Monday	Carts Available Noon - 4:00 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday	Carts Available 8:00 am - 7:00 pm
Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays	Carts Available 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

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*\*Local Guests are only permitted to play 6 times during the golf season.*

### **SUPERSTAR PROPELS TEAM TO OPENING DAY VICTORY**

The team of Fred Ashby, Joe McClure, Ray Geckle, Billy Windsor and Buddy "Superstar" Sprague win the Men's Opening Day Shamble shooting a six under par 158 for the day. The format called for the best two scores on the par 3's and par 4's and the best three scores on the par 5's. Coming into their last hole, the par 5 #17, the team needed three good scores to pull out a victory. That's when a team's superstar answers the bell! "Superstar" Sprague lined up his third shot from the right rough 90 yards out from the pin, perfect aim allowed him to shake it out of the rough, bounce it on the green and roll it straight into the hole for an EAGLE!!! This perfect shot at the end of the day provided the margin of victory. They narrowly defeated John Bowling, Barry Wood, Chris Clark, Ray Love, and Dan Tayman who matched out the team of Larry Sanders, David Payne, Jerry Elder, Art Smith, and Bob Brewer, when both teams shot a 161 and determined second place by matching identical scores on the back nine and deciding it on the comparison of the scores on the last six holes.

### **HOLE IN ONE CLUB**

During the entire 2008 golf season not one Hole in One was recorded at Hawthorne C.C. The hole in one fund was rolled over at no charge to the insured for 2009. Each time a member of the club scores a hole in one, the club will pay up to \$200 of the members bar tab. At anytime

the funds won't cover a bar tab, each member of the club will be billed \$5 to replenish the fund. At the end of the year (12/31) the remainder of the fund will be divided equally between those who scored an ace the previous year in the form of gift certificates in the golf shop. **SIGN UP NOW IN THE GOLF SHOP BEFORE YOU GET LUCKY!!!**

### **HOLE IN ONE UPDATE**

On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, Robbie Taylor started his 2009 golf year off with a bang. The sophomore McDonough High School Golfer, who qualified for both days of the State High School Golf Championship Tournament, holed his 5 iron from 179 yards on #3. Robbie was playing with his parents, Charlie and Jeanette, on a beautiful spring day, when they saw his shot vanish and raced to confirm that their suspicion of a hole in one was indeed true. This lifetime achievement at such a young age marks this young Hawthorne golfer as one to keep your eye on for the future! Congratulations Robbie!!!

### **LOCAL RULE IN EFFECT AT HAWTHORNE**

The recommended USGA local rule for artificial yardage devices has been adopted by Hawthorne C.C. for all events governed by HCC jurisdiction. GPS devices and laser rangefinders (without slope ability) are allowed in competition. WMGA (like the A-Team) and other events held at HCC will still follow the USGA rule 14.1 banning artificial devices.

## Ned's Notes Continued

### **SIGN UPS BEGIN**

March 22<sup>nd</sup>, on Opening Day, Sign Ups for the Men's Thursday Night League and Men's Member-Guest began. Sign up early for the Thursday Night League so we can determine team size and the number of teams!

### **MEN'S MEMBER-GUEST**

The 2009 Men's Member-Guest will be held on the 26, 27, and 28<sup>th</sup> of June, the weekend after Fathers Day. The format will remain the same. Sign Ups began at the Opening Day, March 22<sup>nd</sup> event. The price for this years event went down \$100. The Entry Fee for the 2009 Member-Guest is now \$600. If you are interested in sponsoring the 2009 Member-Guest please contact Mike Loucks or the golf shop.

### **BLUE JEANS**

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008, the Golf Committee extended the rules so that no blue denim pants will be allowed on the course at anytime. Blue Jeans are no longer allowed even in the winter months to be worn for golf play.

### **MGA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

The Championship is a Match play format with players setting their own times for the matches. Players are paired into flights of eight men based on handicap and play gross match play. Players winning their flights qualify for the year end tournament of champions. Matches are paired and posted May 5<sup>th</sup>. Qualifying for the Championship Flight begins on April 21<sup>st</sup> and runs through May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The championship flight is formed by the defending Champion and the next lowest 11 handicap indexes (who belong to the Men's Golf Association). The last 4 spots may be earned by shooting a qualifying at \$5 per attempt played with and attested by a non-family member who belongs to the men's golf association. Players attempting to qualify must register in the golf shop prior to beginning their round. Juniors are allowed to attempt to qualify for the 4 open spots.

### **MENS THURSDAY NIGHT LEAGUE**

**DRAFT AT 7:30PM APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>**

The purpose of the league is to join male golfers of HCC in a fun golfing experience that promotes

camaraderie during the summer afternoons. The fee is \$35 dollars for the year and \$24 per team each week (divided equally among all team members is \$33 per player) for nightly team prizes. The yearlong fund will pay for prizes based on final league standings. On draft night each person will be randomly called to choose the team they will join. 8 players will form a team. Every Thursday each team will play a different team in a round robin. Head to head teams (4 players 2 x 2) play two matches for 27 points each. A point a hole individually and a point a hole as the aggregate two man team. All teams compete for the nightly prize. Tee off is at 5:00pm and final team rosters must be submitted by 2:00pm Thursday. All other individuals are encouraged to play for nightly skins. Thursday Night League participants who are not in the regular matches must register to play between noon and 3:30pm Thursday. Team Draft night is April 15<sup>th</sup> and play begins April 22<sup>nd</sup> concluding in July. If your opponent in an individual match fails to show the minimum points you will receive for the match will be 4.5 points. All players in the League will receive 10 Gran Prix Points. Teams who finish First in the regular season and in the playoffs will receive an additional plus five points, teams finishing second will receive +3 points, and +1 points for teams finishing third. The team with the most Gran Prix Points will qualify for the Tournament of Champions.

**\*FIRST 96 MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION MEMBERS SIGNED UP ARE THE LEAGUE**

**\*SIGN UP BEGAN MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**\*A MAXIMUM OF 60 PLAYERS WILL TEE OFF EACH NIGHT**

### **HANDICAPS**

Handicap posting begins March 15<sup>th</sup>. All players must post their 9 and 18 hole scores in writing on the daily sign in sheet and drop their scorecard with date and identifiable names in the box provided. All rounds, home and away, played between March 15<sup>th</sup> and November 15<sup>th</sup> must be posted. Players who desire to post their own scores in the computer must also write the score on the daily sign in sheet and check the posted column of the daily sign in sheet.

## LGA News

President—Nancy J. Chicca

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### LGA 18 FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY (Begins in April)

The LGA holds Friday/Saturday/Sunday tournaments during the golf season. All Friday formats are individual play and are designed so that all 18-hole scores may be posted. Only LGA members are eligible to compete. Competitors must register in the Golf Shop prior to beginning play and must play with another LGA member who must attest the scorecard. Play may be at any time as long as the round is played and attested by another LGA member. Entry fees are \$4 per tournament with one dollar of the money going towards the year end Grand Prix, two dollars forming the prize pool for that day, and the remaining dollar funding the year end tournament awards.

### CLINICS FOR BEGINNING GOLFERS

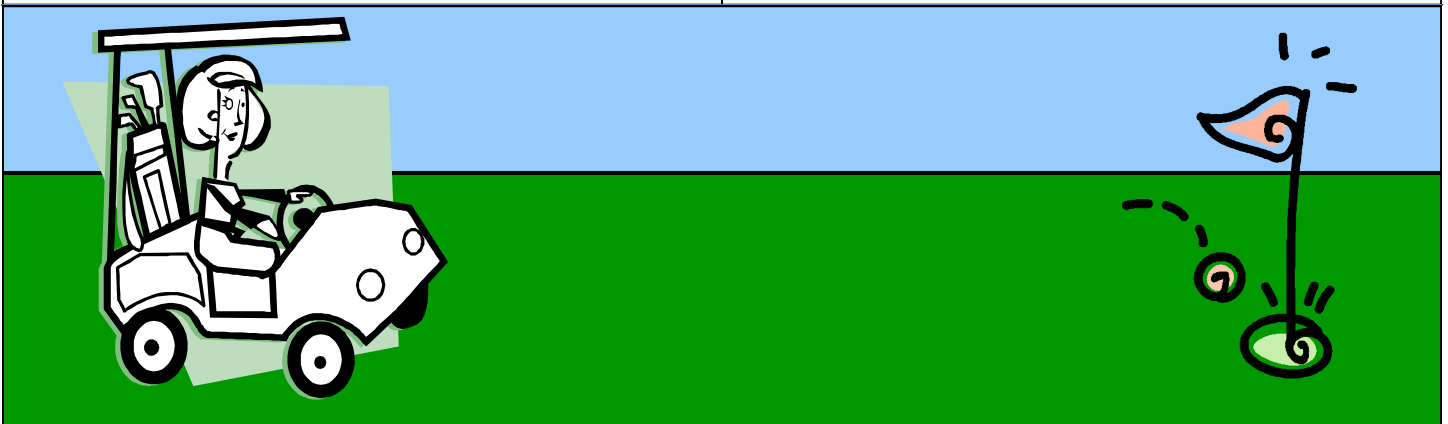
Beginning April 2<sup>nd</sup> (4/2, 4/11, 4/19, 4/23, 4/25) the LGA will host a series of five lessons by the golf staff to start beginners in the right golf direction. The clinics will begin at 5:30pm each night. There will be no charge for the clinics for LGA members. Non LGA members will be charged \$15 per clinic. Putting, chipping, irons, woods, and “to the course” will be covered during the course of the clinics.

### LGA TEAM MATCHES

LGA team matches will be held on Wednesday beginning with the draft for teams on Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup>. Play will begin the following week April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Each team will play four players every Wednesday. The best two net scores on each hole will count for the teams score. The low team score for the week will win a weekly prize and the team with the best cumulative score for the year will win the overall title. Play will begin at 5:30pm. The season will last for 10 weeks.

### LGA 9 HOLE WEDNESDAY FUN PLAY

The LGA sponsors play begins April 1<sup>st</sup>. Play is open to any female member of the club with playing privileges, and their guests. Each group will play with a member of the LGA. Formats will include individual, 2, 3, and 4 player teams. Wednesday Night play begins at 5:30pm. Those wishing to play that night must sign up or call one half hour before tee off. The entry fee is \$4 with one dollar funding the year-end Grand Prix, two dollars forming the prize pool for that evening, and one dollar going towards the year end tournament awards.



# 2009 Hawthorne Golf Calendar

## MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION 2009 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

MGA OPENING DAY	March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Breakfast Included</i>	9:00am Shotgun
MGA SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	Gross Match Play		Paired April 8 <sup>th</sup>
MGA THURSDAY NIGHT LEAGUE	Draft April 16 <sup>th</sup> Matches April 23 Thru July 18		
MGA SENIOR / NON-SENIOR	April 26 <sup>th</sup>		7:30am Tee Times
MGA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	Matches are paired and posted May 5 <sup>th</sup>		
CHAMP FLIGHT QUALIFIER	April 21 <sup>st</sup> -May 3 <sup>rd</sup>		4 spots \$5 per attempt
MGA SENIOR MEDAL PLAY CHAMP	May 10 <sup>th</sup>		8:00 Tee Times
FATHERS DAY BLIND DRAW	June 21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Breakfast Sandwich</i>	8:00am Shotgun
MEN'S MEMBER-GUEST	June 26,27,28		8:30am Shotgun
MGA MODIFIED STABLEFORD	July 5 <sup>th</sup>		7:00am Tee Times
MGA PRESIDENTS CUP	July 26 <sup>th</sup>		8:00am Shotgun
MGA MEMBER-MEMBER	August 9 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Breakfast Sandwich</i>	8:00am Shotgun
MGA TWO MAN RYDER CUP	August 15,16	<i>Breakfast Sandwich</i>	8:00am Shotguns
MGA MEDAL PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP 3 <sup>rd</sup> Round	August 30 <sup>th</sup>		7:15am Tee Times
MGA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS	September 20 <sup>th</sup>		7:30am Tee times
MGA GRAN PRIX	October 4 <sup>th</sup>		1:00pm Shotgun

## 2009 LGA MAJOR EVENTS

LGA OPENING DAY 10am Meeting	March 21 <sup>st</sup>		11:00am Tee Off
LGA SHAMBLE	April 4 <sup>th</sup>		8:30am Tee Times
LGA WEDNESDAY TEAMS	Draft April 15 <sup>th</sup> SIGN UP DEADLINE April 11 <sup>th</sup>		
LGA OVER/UNDER (HIGH/LOW) PARTNERS	April 18 <sup>th</sup>		8:30am Tee Times
LGA MEMBER-MEMBER	May 9 <sup>th</sup>		8:30am Tee Times
LGA PRESIDENTS CUP	May 17 <sup>th</sup>		8:30am Tee Times
LGA GOVERNORS CUP	June 6 <sup>th</sup>		8:30am Tee Times
LADIES MATCH PLAY	Matches may begin July 1 <sup>st</sup> .	Players schedule their matches	
LGA HAWTHORNE CUP	July 18 <sup>th</sup>		8:00am Tee Times
HAWTHORNE LADIES INVITATIONAL	August 3 <sup>rd</sup>		8:30am Shotgun
LGA MODIFIED SCRAMBLE	August 22 <sup>nd</sup>		8:00am Tee Times
LADIES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	September 12 <sup>th</sup> , (13 <sup>th</sup> )		8:30am Tee Times
LGA GRAND PRIX QUALIFIER	September 19 <sup>th</sup>		8:30am Tee Times
LGA GRAND PRIX	October 3 <sup>rd</sup>		1:00pm Shotgun
LGA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS	October 10 <sup>th</sup>		9:00am Tee Times

## 2009 MIXED EVENTS

FRIDAY NIGHT HAPPY HOUR GLOW BALL	May 15 <sup>th</sup>		Dusk Shotgun
FRIDAY NIGHT HAPPY HOUR GOLF	each Friday May 22 <sup>nd</sup> thru August 28 <sup>th</sup>		5:30 Start
JACKS and JILLS	May 24 <sup>th</sup>		1:30pm Shotgun
FAMILY FUN SCRAMBLE	Before Fireworks, July 3 <sup>rd</sup>		4:00pm Shotgun
FLAG TOURNEY	July 4 <sup>th</sup>		noon Tee Times
FLOGGERS	July 25 <sup>th</sup>		1:30pm Shotgun
McGLADREY TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP	August 8 <sup>th</sup>		1:30pm Shotgun
BATTLE OF THE SEXES	August 1 <sup>st</sup>		2:00pm Shotgun
MIXED MEMBER-MEMBER	August 23 <sup>rd</sup>		1:30pm Shotgun
KING and QUEEN	September 6 <sup>th</sup>		1:30pm Shotgun
SUSAN G. KOMEN	Monday October 12 <sup>th</sup>		10:00am Shotgun
HUSBAND and WIFE	October 17 <sup>th</sup>		1:00pm Shotgun
COSTUME GLOW BALL	October 31 <sup>st</sup>		After Dusk

**CINDY'S AT  
HAWTHORNE**



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**BULL & OYSTER  
ROAST  
APRIL 24,2009  
5:00 p.m. to 10p.m.  
Come Join Us!  
Food and Fun  
Further details  
Coming soon!**



**CINDY'S  
FINE DINING NEWS**

**April 2009**

Dear Members,

March was a really fun month at Cindy's. This year was the very first kids St. Patrick's Day buffet. It was a day filled with fun and laughter. The children enjoyed a delicious selection, Carla the Clown, face painting and fantastic balloon figures. The children were joyfully entertained. On March 17, St. Patrick's Day, our guests enjoyed the plated corn beef & cabbage delight. Our adults St Patrick's day, March 20, was filled with entertainment , buffet, and green beer , many of our guests performed a musical number at karaoke. A few performances were inclusive of our guests and Cindy's staff. It was a night to remember.

Golfer's, Cindy was very pleased to provide a special treat for the men's and women's opening day. We hope you all truly enjoyed it.

As you know, Spring is finally here. Be sure you make the most of it and enjoy the longer nights and warmer days with a visit to Cindy's at Hawthorne special spring festivities. Again, The Cindy's team would like to thank you for your continued support.

**Cindy's at Hawthorne April Highlights**

Kids Easter Buffet/ Egg Hunt

Saturday  
April 11,2009  
Continental breakfast : 9:00 to 12:00  
Easter Bunny: 10:00 to 11:00  
Easter Egg Hunt: 11:00 to 12:00



Easter Buffet  
Sunday  
April 12, 2009  
Time: 11:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Coming In May  
Mothers Day Buffet**



**See page 3 for details**



**KIDS NEWS**

About Spring

Spring is the season between winter and summer. It's the time of year when life begins again in nature. In the Northern Hemisphere, spring begins on the day the center of the sun is directly over the equator. Usually, on March 21st, the sun crosses the equator and starts northward. As it travels north, its rays strike the northern countries more directly each day. Spring lasts until June 21. In the Southern Hemisphere, spring begins in September and ends in December. Spring begins a few hours earlier in Leap Year

**The Chocolate Rabbit**

I got a chocolate rabbit  
For an Easter treat,  
A great big chocolate rabbit  
Good enough to eat.

So I ate his ears on Sunday,  
His nose I finished Monday.  
Tuesday I nibbled on his feet.  
I ate his tail on Wednesday  
Thursday I kept on,  
By Friday he was going,  
Saturday he was gone.

Oh, I loved my chocolate rabbit  
From the moment that he came,  
And if I get another one,  
I'll love him just the same.



**Kids Easter Egg Hunt**



**April 11, 2009**

**9:00 a.m. to 12:00**

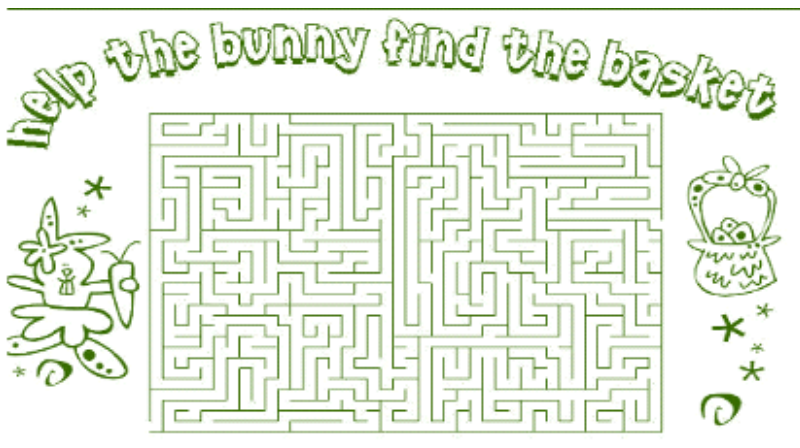
**Continental Breakfast**

**Easter Bunny**

**Easter Egg Hunt**

**Games and Fun**

**Easter Fun**



CINDY'S AT  
HAWTHORNE

Happy Easter  
From The

Cindy's Team

**Come join us!**



*EASTER BUFFET*

- Stuffed Ham
- Fried Chicken
- Beef Tenderloin
- Sausage-n-Gravy
- Bacon
- Pasta Salad
- Potato Salad
- Omelet Station
- Scrambled Eggs
- Home Fries
- Mac-n-Cheese
- Mixed Vegetables
- Salad
- Fresh Fruit
- Quick Bread
- Mini Desserts / Ice cream
- Coffee
- Tea
- Punch

**April 12, 2009**

**\$28.95 Adults**

**\$13.95 Kids**

**R.S.V.P BY APRIL 7, 2009**

**BULL & OYSTER  
ROAST**

**APRIL 24 , 2009**

**5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

**DJ / Karaoke**

