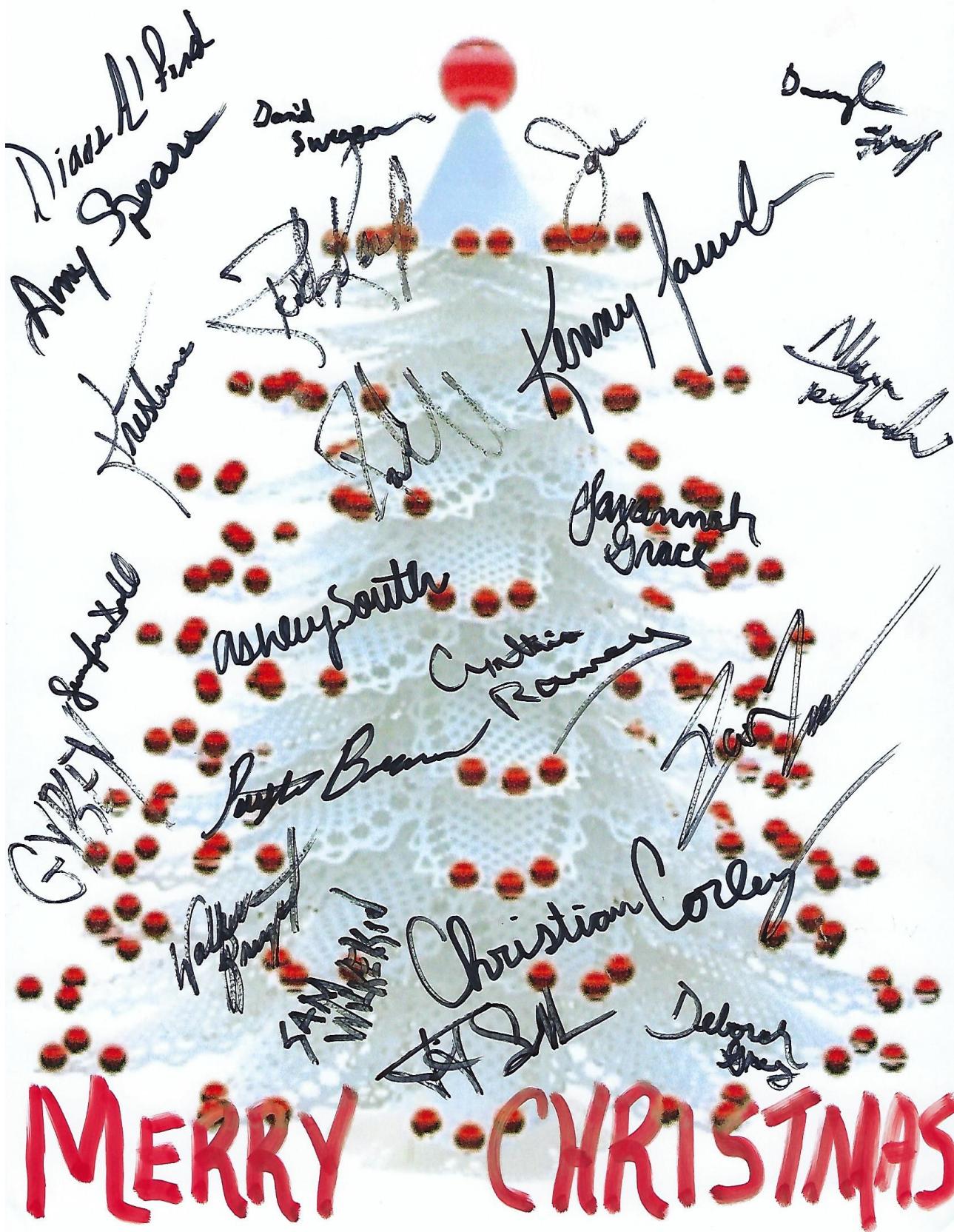




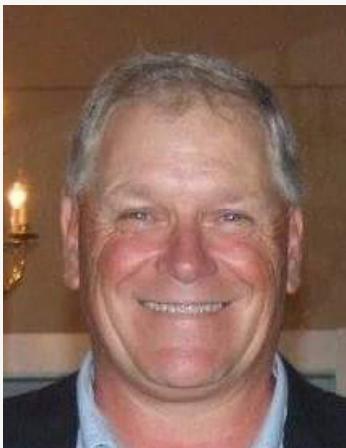
LAKWOOD  
GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

# MEMBER NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2018



MERRY CHRISTMAS



## KENNY'S KORNER

A MESSAGE FROM THE GM

Hi Folks! Where has the time gone. We are slam in the middle of the holiday season and things are moving fast here at Lakewood. Parties and banquets are being held seemingly everyday here at the club. Everyone is getting into the spirit and enjoying themselves. Always nice to see happy faces, family and friends getting together to enjoy the good times. The entire staff at Lakewood Golf & Country Club would like to say thank you, Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! We all love being a part of the Lakewood Family and we are striving to make your time at the club an enjoyable experience each time out.

**Kenny Saunders**

## WHERE IN THE WORLD

This is the first installment of "Where in the World" that we want our members to be involved in submitting an article and pictures of a wonderful trip or vacation. It is always nice to see and hear of the nice places around the country and the world that our members have travelled.

I am going to be the guinea pig and start off with our recent trip to Las Vegas.

### Tennessee PGA Annual Las Vegas Pro-Am

The Tennessee Section of the PGA for the past 20 years has hosted a pro-am in Las Vegas, Nevada. There is a cap of 30 teams and they fill this event every year. At my other posts over the years I have put together pro-am teams and played in events around North Carolina, Las Vegas, Mexico and actually took a group as far as Vietnam. So, when I saw this Pro-Am on my TPGA website we put together a team in April for a trip in November.

It was great leaving Tullahoma as the weather was supposed to deteriorate for the time we were on our trip and deteriorate it did. The only problem was it also deteriorated in Las Vegas as well. We arrived in Vegas landing virtually sideways as the wind was blowing 30 mph with gusts even higher. Safely on the ground and then getting our rental van situated, I swung around to pick up my posse of Doug McAfee, Frankie Powers, Charlie Padget and Johnny McCormick.

Our first stop was Dragon Ridge Golf Club and it was very nice. A friend of mine is a member at the club and joined our group to make two groups of three. What a beautiful club it was! Top notch all the way and we really enjoyed the layout. I could not take my eyes off the mansions as our host gave us the back stories of who lived in these gargantuan domiciles. Great stories like the guy that is designing the pods for Elon Musk to fly to Mars and how he

built a mansion on the other side of the lake to get his dead-beat son out of his house. The house that was owned by a guy that owned strip clubs and the huge parties on the deck with stripper poles that caused the golf course to back up due to gawkers. The large house on the hill that belonged to Stephen Jackson who played in the NFL for the Rams, Falcons and Patriots. And the best story of all about the 83-year-old billionaire woman that has a house as long as our 12th hole at Lakewood. Rob even admitted trying to hook up with her for the inheritance, but her limo driver beat him to the punch. When she died the limo driver inherited 100% of her estate and then promptly drank himself to death wandering around in the house. His 21-year-old daughter is now an instant billionaire and the house is for sale if you are interested.

Oh, I forgot we were at a golf tournament. Day one we didn't think we did so well but ended up in 6th place at 8 under par. We played in the very cold temps and 30 mile an hour wind. I can honestly say that I was in the desert more than I was on green grass. Paiute is a great 54-hole facility so we played a different course every day. The playing conditions were quite a bit more conducive to low scoring in the second round as we were 5 strokes better but fell to 9th place as everyone had the same conditions. Day three we made our move and shot 19 under par in the One Best Ball Net/One Best Ball Gross event. We fought our way back to 7th place for a respectable finish in our inaugural Las Vegas Pro-Am. Our team won a few skins, long drives and lucky draws to ease our pain of not finishing in the money.

We stayed at the very active casino/hotel called New York/New York. There were many restaurants, bars and a very convenient casino that kept taking my money. I was determined that I had devised a system to beat the roulette tables but unfortunately my system needs deep pockets to keep the sequence going and

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## WHERE IN THE WORLD (continued)

and you all know where I work. Ha! I think the other guys fared a bit better at the gaming tables due to not playing them as much. No one was hurt financially but the one empty piece of luggage that I brought with me to carry my money home was folded neatly in my other suit case as we checked out of the New York/New York.

But all in all, we were winners for the week. Five guys that hung out and had a great time and a lot of laughs. Became good friends and are signed up to do it again next year if God willin and the creek don't rise. The best thing is next year we are taking three teams. So, as you see, this event sells out quickly and you must commit by April. What I am saying is get your team together now and come to me. Only the first two can go to Vegas Baby.



## WHERE IN THE WORLD (continued)



# LAKWOOD KITCHEN RECIPES

## FROM CHEF IAN

Greetings members! This is your chef Ian Lowrance again with another kitchen recipe. This month I want to give you my BANG BANG Sauce recipe. You can use this sauce to dress a wide variety of fried proteins and starches.

### Bang Bang Sauce

Ingredients that you'll need:

2 cups mayo (whipped smooth)

3 cups Sweet Thai chili sauce

(Mae Plow is the best, you can find it at Publix)

½ tsp. Chinese five spice

2 tbl. of honey (try to find orange blossom honey)

1 tbl. Lawry's seasoning salt



Process:

With a fine wire whisk, whip the mayo until completely smooth, add the chili sauce, honey, and spices until smooth. Toss your favorite fried food in it, or use it as an Asian salad dressing, experiment and see what works.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



### Christmas for our Staff

It is that time of year with Christmas Spirit and the Joy of Giving that we thank our staff for taking care of us at Lakewood Golf & Country Club. It is always a pleasure to see the smiles on the faces when we help the staff by giving a little to assure them a few more presents under the tree for their families. We are all blessed at Lakewood Golf & Country Club and it means a lot to pass on the blessing to our hard working and friendly staff.

There will be a \$30 charge on your December club statement for this gift to the staff. If you would like to give more, you may drop in a marked envelope (Staff Gift) in the business office or insert in your returned statement. If you chose to not give to the staff then you may call the business office before December 15th so we may issue you a credit before the next billing statement.

God Bless,  
Hunter Trimble  
President B.O.D.  
Lakewood Golf & Country Club

# FROM THE PROSHOP

Proshop Winter Hours:  
Monday- Closed  
Tuesday-Sunday Open 8am Close at 5pm



## OLD BUDDY

The Old Buddy two-man match play tournament saw a champion crowned this month. There was one dominate force throughout the bracket that refused to be taken down. However, there was one duo, James McCord and Greg Moore, that looked poised to dethrone the unbeaten tandem of Thomas Hood and Tim Cole that had sent them to the loser's bracket earlier in the tournament. After clawing all the way back to the championship round McCord and Moore would need to beat Cole and Hood twice to be champs. Yet, on a blustery day of tough conditions Cole and Hood quickly squandered those aspirations. Thomas Hood and Tim Cole became the only team or individual across both the men's and women's matches to not lose a match and in the process staked their claim as Old Buddy Champions.

## LADIES MATCH PLAY

The Ladies Match Play tournament met its conclusion with familiar participants. Alice Risner and Paulette Phillips had battled in the quarterfinal round once before, but after Paulette conquered the loser's bracket, a rematch seemed only fitting. Paulette came into the championship looking for revenge however, she would need to beat Alice twice to claim the crown. After coming out on fire in the first match Paulette forced a winner take all final round. Although Alice was not so quick to let the championship slip away. The two were all square after nine holes but a very strong performance on the back nine sealed the match for Alice Risner and along with that the championship.



## HALLOWEEN SCRAMBLE

In a tournament that saw an elephant conquer its fear of rodents by teeing up on a rat's head, and a pig helping his team fly, this year's Halloween scramble was a fun filled day of nice weather and great scores. With three rounds being posted in the 70's, and two coming in at even par, this tournament was a battle. In the end, Wanda Cope's Cat-like reflexes and Steve Cope's new found lettuce propelled them to the win over the Tennessee themed team of Dan Merz and David Hollinshead.



## FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

As each of you likely know, 2018 has been a year of constant transition and change for Lakewood. The most impactful of these changes was the departure of the long time Office Manager of the Club. During the weeks and months following this change, we discovered many administrative procedures that were either non-existent or not being routinely followed. We immediately began the process of creating or correcting all these checks and balances.

Also, during this time, we had turnover within the Food and Beverage Department of Lakewood. While we had some very talented people involved in this department, changes occurred that put things in turmoil for a period. The administrative aspect of this department was also lacking some controls that needed to be implemented. Again, we set out to implement these changes immediately.

During this arduous process, we found that the core issue with many of the technical problems was the management software that Lakewood had been using for many years. The software that we had was antiquated, difficult to operate, and lacked in system support. Furthermore, we had no resources available to us from the company in our desire to implement the changes that we desperately needed.

After reviewing several options that were available in the marketplace, we elected to purchase and implement Club Prophet Software as the "operating system" for Lakewood. The training and implementation were difficult, partially due to turnover in the administrative staff of the club. However, after several months of struggling, we feel like we are now making positive strides in full utilization and implementation.

The change from one operating system to the other made merging our financial statements impossible and for months, we have been trying to use partial year figures from two different systems. This has affected our ability to accurately and timely track costs, budgets, and all other relevant reports critical to the management of the club. However, we have been monitoring all these areas in the best way possible and in some cases ... manually tracking all of this information. To say that this has been a difficult, time-consuming period is a gross understatement.

The Board of Directors has decided to reschedule the Annual Membership Meeting to December 20, 2018. This meeting is usually held in the first week of December, but we felt that it was best to try and get more concise information pertaining to 2018 as well as our budget for 2019.

Thank you,  
Board of Directors  
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## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



Walker Bryant  
Superintendent

Greetings all,

As I write the final newsletter for 2018 I tried to put some thoughts together about this past year and I kept thinking back to all the crazy, weird, out of the norm, and strange things that have gone on. It snowed in April when we started our first aerification and again last week and its not Thanksgiving yet. I'm 37 and that's never happened in my lifetime to me. Maybe its Tennessee, I don't know, but that's new to me. Recapping November is something I would rather forget. The leaves are falling and continue to fall and well as for fall...it went. We are pretty much dormant with a few patches of green grass here and there in the wetter areas. I am happy with the results from our fall pre emergent herbicide application. We have some poa annua poking through but not much and hopefully once the leaves finish falling we can treat these areas and clean them up a little better.

Looking back on this year I am very proud of what we were able to accomplish in year two for me here at Lakewood. I am extremely happy and grateful

to have a solid crew in place. The pillars of our staff stuck it out and that helped with our efficiency and quality of product. I was overall happy with our overall weed program and the control which we received from our pre emergent programs. We will look to continue these as well and make adjustments to our greens pre emerge program in hopes of better goosegrass control next year. We were able to keep grass on our greens all year which is the main goal. This is probably the most difficult task given the existing conditions and I think we have found some definite tools that work in helping that effort. I am also happy with our overall fertilization program for our burmuda. Being able to get two solid fertilizer apps down will help with the Bermuda's health but hopefully reduce weed populations, reducing herbicide applications and therefore saving money.

2018 has been a strange, quirky and weird year for numerous reasons, but we made it and we came out on the other end better for it. The maintenance staff would like to thank everyone for their continued support and appreciation for their continued hard work. We look forward to 2019 and whatever it brings our way. Hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and has a Merry Christmas.

Walker Bryant

# VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

We had an awesome turnout for the Lakewood Golf & Country Club's first ever Veteran's Day Celebration. There were over 100 guests attending the event and an astounding 32 veterans in attendance. The slide show with 126 pictures and the bios supplied by the vets were a huge hit and extremely fascinating. The evening started off with a cocktail hour and followed by an excellent dinner. We learned a lot about our club members and everyone was amazed at the number of vets that are members of Lakewood Golf & Country. We are forever grateful for their service and can never repay them for what they have done for our country. So this evening was especially to let all the vets know we appreciate all they have done for us.

There are some very special folks that need to be thanked profusely for this celebration as it was quite the undertaking to ensure its success. Shout outs go to **Steve Graham** who was instrumental in getting the ball rolling. **Frank Glass**, **Pat Eagan** and **Tony Phillips** jumped on board and assisted in the organization and the delivery of the program. It always amazes me when I see the generosity of folks that are proud of our club and our members. Big shout out to **Keith Hayes** who jumped up and said I will take care of all the vets at the dinner. What great members we have at Lakewood. Let's all step up and thank these folks for caring about our club and lets all jump in and make LGCC the place to be.



# We are ready for Christmas at Lakewood Golf & Country Club!



# LAKWOOD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB WEBSITE

We are loving our new Lakewood Golf & Country Club website. We hope you have found it and perused it all the way through. For the folks that have not located the new website please see the following info.

**[www.lakewoodgcc.com](http://www.lakewoodgcc.com)**

Save this in your phone, laptop and desktop for future reference.

The website has the current and archived newsletters. All you must do is click on the tab that says “NEWS” and then click newsletters.

We also have added the Member Login Section

From the Member Login Section you can look at your current statement daily, pay your bill online and there is a new club directory.

To log into this section, you must use the email address that your monthly statements are sent from then the password: lakewood1900 You can change your password once in the system.

If you have troubles with getting logged in please call the office and we will help you.

There is also a section with pictures of current events that we try and update periodically. Click on the “NEWS” tab and then click GALLERIES.

Please go through the website and let us know if any mistakes or things you would like to see going forward.

If you happen to forget how to get to the website just “Google” Lakewood Golf & Country Club Tullahoma and you will see a website tab. That has been updated with our new address. While you are there leave a nice review of our club.

Thank you,  
Kenny Saunders



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# DECEMBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					29	1 Holly Jolly Scramble
2	3 Clubhouse Golf Course Tennis Courts Swimming Pool CLOSED	4 LGA Luncheon Kiwanis Ducks Unlimited Big Bucks 7pm	5 Knights of Columbus Lions Club	6 Kiwanis	7 Rotary Big Bucks 7pm	8 TUA Christmas Party
9	10 Clubhouse Golf Course Tennis Courts Swimming Pool CLOSED	11 Kiwanis Big Bucks 7pm	12 Lions Club	13 DAR Kiwanis Garden Club Luncheon Uselton Christmas Party	14 Rotary Big Bucks 7pm Highland Rim	15 McNabb Christmas Party
16	17 Clubhouse Golf Course Tennis Courts Swimming Pool CLOSED	18 Kiwanis Big Bucks 7pm	19 Traders Bank Breakfast Lions Club	20 Kiwanis Red Hats KHOA 2018 B.O.D. meeting	21 Rotary Big Bucks 7pm TGC Christmas Party	22
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