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Labor Day pays
tribute to the
contributions and
achievements of
American workers.

Presidents Report

If you are anything like me, you are ready for some cooler temperatures and excited for football season. This is always a fun time at Mimosa Hills. The fall is when our golf course is in prime shape. Come out and enjoy all Mimosa Hills has to offer!

Congratulations to the 2018 Mimosa Hills Club Champions! Championship Division – Alex Parker; Senior Division – Keith Bowers; Ladies Division – Christine Fisher. Great playing by all.

Due to aerification the week of August 28th, September is a slower month than most. The only outside tournaments this month are Western Piedmont Seniors on the 17th and the Putting for the Pink tournament on the 21st. We changed the fall Member-Member to October 13th & 14th. Please check with the pro shop for closings and delays.

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During the August Board meeting, the Board of Directors voted to put in place an initiation fee. In 2012 we had a total membership of 319 resulting in \$740,000 of dues revenue. At the end of 2017 we had 440 members resulting in \$605,000 of dues revenue. The trend has continued into 2018. The increase in membership leads to an increase in wear and tear on our golf course and facilities. The reduction in revenue leads to a reduced budget for golf course maintenance. We hope the initiation fee will not only increase our revenue when new members join, but also cause a retainment of current members. The initiation fee goes into effect October 1st.

With the change of the fiscal year to January 1 – December 31, the Board will evaluate our dues structure in the upcoming months. We hope to have an announcement to the membership as soon as possible. We will have a short year (October 1st – December 31st) in which the dues and expenses will not change.

Stella continues to do a great job with Food and Beverage. I have received many compliments on the food as well as the service. The Board, with the help of Stella, is continuing to make some minor modifications. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to share them.

Please join me in welcoming the new members approved at the July Board meeting:

Jeff Pugliese – Non-Resident

Paul J. Maurer – Non-Resident

Alfred Vincelli – Non-Resident

Joseph C. Cato – Non-Resident

Freddie A. Coffey – Non-Resident

This brings our total membership to 431 with 355 being golf members.

I look forward to seeing everyone around the club.

Jordan N. Greene
2018 Board President





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Mimosa Hills Dining Room and Bar & Grill Hours

**Please support the Dining Room
and Bar & Grill at Mimosa Hills.
We have extended the hours by
our members request.**

Sunday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Monday **CLOSED**

Tuesday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Wednesday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thursday 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Friday 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Saturday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

***To help us serve you better,
reservations
are appreciated for all evening
dinners & special events.***

September Friday Night Dining Specials

**All Dinner Specials come with a House
or Caesar Salad**

**8 oz. Beef Filet
Baked Potato, Vegetable & Dessert
\$23.95**

**Crab Cakes
Baked Potato, Vegetable & Dessert
\$23.95**

**Beef Short Rib
Corn on the cob, mashed potatoes &
Dessert
\$16.95**

**Tennessee Whiskey BBQ Chicken Breast
Corn on the cob, baked beans &
mashed potatoes & Dessert
\$17.95**

Black Raspberry Ombre Cake - \$7.99 pc



I would like to thank everyone that has supported Food & Beverage this past month. I would also like to thank Stella and her staff for the great job they have done for the month of August. We still have a lot of areas to improve on. We understand that, and that is why it's important to get feedback from our members. If any members have any ideas or suggestions please share them with us so we can make sure we are providing a service to our members that everyone will appreciate. Please check the newsletter and e-mails for Daily and Weekly specials that we will be offering in the Bar & Grill area of the club.

Thank you,

Randy Walker – House & Social Committee

**Mimosa Hills Preservation Club will be having their 3rd
Annual Appreciation Event
for the current 2018 donor members.**

Please look for the invitation in the mail soon.

This will be held on Friday, September 28th.

Golf will start at 1:00 pm.

Heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer & wine will begin at 5:00 pm.

This is our opportunity to say "Thank You!"

Complimentary to MHPDC donors (spouses welcome).

Please RSVP by September 21st

by calling 828-437-2967 ext. 2967.

Dining room will open to all guests.



New Starting Times for September

The first available starting times beginning in September will be
8:30 am, Monday – Friday.

Saturday and Sunday – Still 8:00 am

Pro Shop Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30am - 7:00pm

Saturday – 8:00am -5:00pm

Sunday - 8:00am - 6:00pm

Range Hours

Tuesday - Friday

8:00am - 7:00pm

Saturday, Sunday, Monday

8:00am - 6:00pm



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Golf Events for September:

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WP Seniors

Monday, September 17th

10:00 shotgun start

Contact the golf shop for more details.

The golf course will be closed until approx.. 3:00pm

The practice facility will re-open to members at 10:30 am.

Putting For the Pink

Friday, September 21st

Shotgun start at 1:00 pm

Mimosa Hills is proud to host the Putting For the Pink Golf tournament, presented by Carolina Healthcare – Blue Ridge.

This event benefits breast cancer research and support locally in our area.

The golf course will be closed until approx. 6:00pm both days.

The practice facility will re-open to members at 1:30 pm.





Mimosa Hills Fall Member-Member

October 13th & 14th

This event was originally scheduled for September 29th & 30th, but has been re-scheduled for October.

Please see the pro shop for more details.



A close up of our Mimosa flower.





Congratulations to our Pro-Am Winners!



Pictured left to right:

Scott Brown, Mike Hamilton,
Neil Childers, and T.L. Bivens



Member News Cont.:

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Congratulations Club Champions!!



Winner of the Ladies division –
Christine Fisher

Winner of the Senior division –
Keith Bowers

Winner of the Club Championship –
Alex Parker



Congratulations Parent-Child Winners!!



Christine Fisher and Ted Wacaster



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Our bentgrass greens have held up relatively well after a warm summer. June, July and August averaged 77 degrees. That is normal for July in our area but typically June and August average 2-3 degrees less. Additional preventative fungicides were applied due to the early and late warm humid conditions. The combination of the humidity with the heat is what causes our cool season grass greens to be susceptible to disease and just plain old decline. Several years ago, I was talking to a Golf Course Superintendent from Scottsdale, Arizona (formerly from Maryland) and he said that Arizona was the easiest place he ever grew bentgrass! We all know that it gets extremely hot there in the summer. The lack of humidity and disease pressure is the reason.

Hopefully, the aerification, topdressing and verti-cutting of the greens will have gone well the last week of August. They are ready for some relief. The process itself can be stressful but the removal of organic matter and the addition of sand is a necessary evil to keep our organic matter content levels to USGA recommendations. We send samples to the lab once or twice a year to monitor these levels. As mentioned in last month's newsletter, we need the night time temperatures to be consistently in the low 60's for our bentgrass roots to start to rejuvenate. As this occurs, the greens will firm up and perform better. We then can lower cutting heights to speed up ball roll. Spring and fall are the best times of year for bentgrass greens in our zone.

The fall pre-emergent was applied in the later part of August. The main target weeds are annual bluegrass (poa Annua) and chickweed but other weeds are controlled as well. We will re-apply in November and this will cover the control until the spring pre-emergent application in late February. The spring application will continue to control poa Annua but mainly it is targeting control of crabgrass and goose grass, our most prevalent summer weeds. This past summer was a tough year for goose grass as it found its way onto our greens. I believe the heavy rains of April and May (18 inches combined) washed a lot of seed around and broke down the effectiveness of the February application. Our goal is to retreat some trouble areas in early summer and to apply some mild pre-emergent to the greens in April. Superintendents do not like to put pre-emergent on their greens (it can weaken the roots) but sometimes you have to for a few years to get control back to acceptable levels.

I believe most of us are ready for some fall weather and prime playing conditions!

Dan Winters, Superintendent



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Red Tees

The Mimosa Hills Ladies Golf Association has been very busy the past 6 months playing a different format for our Thursday official golf days and usually playing on Tuesday to practice for upcoming events. We meet at 9:30 am on Tuesday and Thursday choose groups and play either 9 or 18 holes. The competition on Thursday is for the first nine holes, so all are included. We have been chipping in 50 cents as the award for the winner.

In March, we decided that we would play year-round and pay dues of \$25 due in March and October. Therefore, dues are due shortly. Checks should be written to Mimosa Hills Ladies Golf Association (MHLGA). Tyra Jones is our treasurer.

In addition to the morning play, 9 and Dine has begun on Thursday with play beginning at 4:30 and dinner following. Play is open to everyone, and is not restricted to husband and wife etc. Grab a partner and come join the fun and fellowship.

We hope you have had a chance to notice the lovely updates being made to the lady's locker room. The next step is removing the carpet and replacing it with the flooring picked last month. The balance in the lady's association bank account is \$1200.54. Most of this will go to our share of the flooring. There are other plans to improve our lady's locker room and we appreciate the support of the board in this endeavor.

We are glad to welcome female golfers to our group. The more we have the more we can do for our golfers and our club.

See you on the course,

Flo Carter



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Mimosa Hills Calendar for September 2018

(subject to change, visit website for a more up-to-date calendar)

Sun 26	Mon 27	Tue 28	Wed 29	Thu 30	Fri 31	Sat Sep 1	>
Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5 Parent-Child Tournament	RESTAURANT CLOSED	Aerification Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am -	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	
2	3 Labor Day RESTAURANT CLOSED	4 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	5 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	6 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	7 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am -	8 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	
9 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	10 RESTAURANT CLOSED	11 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	12 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	13 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	14 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am -	15 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	
16 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	17 RESTAURANT CLOSED WP Seniors	18 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	19 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	20 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	21 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am - Putting for the Pink	22 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	
23 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	24 RESTAURANT CLOSED	25 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	26 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	27 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	28 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am -	29 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	
30 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	Oct 1 RESTAURANT CLOSED	2 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	3 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	4 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	5 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am -	6 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5	+ n-5
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