

President's Message



This is my last missive in the President's corner for the MISGAGRAM. I begin this on the eve of the 2 Man Final, which my partner and I plan to place highly. And it reminds me of another great opportunity that MISGA provides to its over 2,000 associates: tournaments. The backbone of the MISGA experience is the classic mixer where the host club has an opportunity to show off its course in a casually competitive format, and the visitors get to play yet another great course. Almost all MISGA associates also have the opportunity to play in sanctioned, strict rules of golf, tournaments, whether the two major Tournaments, the ABCD (Past President's) for individual stroke play or the Two Man. And in most cases, each of our 4 divisions sponsor qualifier

tournaments, to get into the two majors. The two majors are pretty special events, including lunch and a fancy awards banquet.

Regrettably our Tournament Chair, Lloyd Stimson, after 9 years in the position has decided to take another MISGA assignment. So, we are looking for a new Tournament Chair for next year. Lloyd has done a marvelous job in this position and has a great template that his successor can easily follow. We need someone to step up to the plate on this. Let me know if you are interested, or can recommend someone

Another critical position that became available next year is MISGA's Treasurer. Dick Schwinger who has held this position for nine years, will be leaving his club and no longer be a MISGA member and therefore cannot continue as Treasurer. We are very fortunate that a long time MISGA activist, and our current Auditor, Gary Manion, has stepped up and offered to replace Dick as Treasurer. Gary is very well qualified and has worked closely with Dick on MISGA financial matters over the years. Thank you, Gary!

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Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association President Greg Morris Vice President Malcomb Peterson Secretary John Babyak Treasurer Dick Schwinger

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June September December

Noteworthy events and announcements for away activities, and articles of general interest may be submitted to the editor at any time for publishing. The closing dates for publication are:

> 10 March (March) 10 June (June) 20 Sept. (September) 20 Dec. (December)

All materials should be sent via e-mail to:

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Bob Hodges MISGAGRAM Editor

The Lighter Side Golf balls are like eggs... They're white They're sold by the dozen And a week later you have to buy more

Please Sign Petition to Save the UMD Golf Course

Recently, UMD administrators proposed to repurpose 4 holes on the UMD golf course to construct a new track and field stadium, 5 recreational fields and 600 surface parking spaces. The Maryland Golf Course Coalition (MGCC) is vehemently opposed to this proposal and any other proposal that reduces the number of golf holes or eliminates the course. Click the link below for more information and a petition that you can "sign" to show your support. Share the petition link with others so that we can preserve a wonderful championship golf course and ensure natural and open habitats.

https://www.thepetitionsite.com/330/059/907/save-the-umd-golfcourse/

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Hats off to Lloyd and Dick for spending their time and energy on making MISGA a viable organization, providing our membership great opportunities to enhance their golfing experience. We need new blood and ideas at the board, division and club levels, so I will continue to encourage those in MISGA to participate and lend your experience and expertise to our great organization.

I have enjoyed my brief tenure as President, and my 4 years on the Board. Even though I will be stepping down as President and Division 6 Director, I plan on staying active as the Rep at National Golf Club and participate in as many MISGA activities as possible. I really enjoy meeting and playing golf with players from all over the Maryland/Delaware/ West Virginia/Pennsylvania area. Yes, there are MISGA clubs in each of those states! By the way, I have returned from the 2 Man Tournament, and my high hopes were dashed, my partner and I did not finish as well as we hoped... but, there is always next year!

Greg Morris

Summer Frolic A Washout!

The summer Frolic scheduled for Sept. 10th thru the 12th at Liberty Mountain ran into a little problem this year because an uninvited guest showed up! "Gordon", in all its glory and wetness decided to dump inches and inches of rain on the golf course which rendered it unplayable. Think rowboats on the fairways! By Tuesday there were about 12 holes playable. Since it was unlikely conditions would improve much by Wednesday, the course offered to cancel the rest of the event and we accepted. Unfortunately, the dinner/banquet for Tuesday evening was already being prepared... so, we had it for lunch, and it was delicious!

Arrangements have been made to play next year on the same dates, namely Sept. 10th, 11th and 12th, 2019. Put it on your calendar now!

Tom Taylor

Byron Keadle

OBITUARY – Baltimore Sun

Byron W. Keadle, Jr, age 88, died on Wednesday, June 20, 2018. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, five daughters and their husbands, sister and brother-inlaw, 13 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren, and 6 nieces and nephews. Born March 21, 1930 in Follansbee, WV, he graduated from WVU in 1954 with a MS in Mathematics.

Byron had a long and fulfilling career at NSA where he was well respected as a leading authority in his field. His many interests included photography, music, sports, and genealogy. He was an avid golfer (and longtime MISGA member) and managed to shoot his age at 82. Byron will be fondly remembered for his quick wit, deep appreciation of his family, and strong, effective support of MISGA.

Patuxent Greens (home course) Tribute

Byron Keadle, one of PGSMGA's longest standing member's passed away last week. Byron was a wonderful person who held many leadership positions in the PGSMGA organization as well as the Division 6 MISGA and Statewide MISGA organizations.

While Byron has not played much in the last two years, however he was a fixture on Wednesday for many years. He will be missed by all of us who played and spent time with him. He was a great golfer, with a wry smile and tremendous wit.

Greg Morris Tribute

Byron was a stalwart in the Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association. His attention to detail, advice and leadership will be missed. We in MISGA are grateful that he gave back to the game that he so enjoyed. Because of Bryon's involvement (2005-07: MISGA Webmaster. 2006: AD-6. 2008: MISGA VP. 2009: MISGA President and DD-6. 2010-14: editor of the MISGAGRAM. 2016-2017: MISGA Historian) there are literally thousands of golfers today who enjoy the camaraderie and golf opportunities that MISGA provides.

He is remembered fondly by all of us who had the pleasure of working with him. He left his mark on our group in all his various roles from President, MISGAGRAM editor, Division Director to his last position as Historian. His presence on the Board in all capacities provided a stable influence.

2018 - MISGA PAST PRESIDENTS (ABCD) CHAMPIONSHIP

NORBECK COUNTRY CLUB -- THURSDAY - AUGUST 9, 2018 GRAND CHAMPIONS (Trophy & Gift Certificate)

Finish	Champion	Score	Div.	Club
GROSS	WILSON, Doug	71	4	Hobbit's Glen
NET	McVEIGH, Jerry	61	6	Univ. of MD

2018 - MISGA 2-MAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

NORBECK COUNTRY CLUB -- THURSDAY - SEPT. 20, 2018

GRAND CHAMPIONS (Trophies & Gift Certificates)

Finish	Grand Champions	Score	Div.	Club
1 <i>G</i>	* PANOS, Michael & EGGE, Robert	70	IV	Hobbit's Glen
1N	BACHMAN, Ken & SMITH Cris	60	IV	Kenwood

* Michael Panos & Robert Egge defeated Nicholas Krafft & Tom Duvall on the first hole of a "sudden death" playoff.

Check out the complete results on the Tournament Info page of the MISGA website (*MISGA.org*)

FALL FROLIC -- October 28 to November 2, 2018:

This year we are returning to one of our favorite venues at Seabrook Island Club and Resort at Seabrook Island, Johns Island, SC. We will be playing the Ocean Winds and Crooked Oaks courses.

Golf will begin on Monday October 29 through Thursday November 1, 2018. Leaving after breakfast on Friday November 2, 2018. (see below for bonus exceptions)

Sunday evening there will be a short orientation meeting followed by a cash bar and a light reception (No dinner).

Breakfast and dinner is included each day Monday thru Thursday with check out after breakfast Friday morning November 2, 2018. Lunch is not included; however, it is available at the course or other venues at the resort or nearby. The non-golfers will have a one-day tour including lunch.

For complete information, please see the applications that are on line under <u>MISGA.ORG</u>. – (see Fall Frolics & Flings)

<u>BONUS</u>: You will able to check in Saturday, October 27, 2018 and can check out on Saturday November 3, 2018 for no extra Villa room charges! Golf and food for the extra days <u>are not included.</u>

I would appreciate it if the Division Heads and Club Representatives would promote this event and post this information and the application forms on each club's bulletin board.

We hope you will join us this year. If you have any questions, please call or e-mail me at 301-292-1597 or e-mail <u>petesorge233@gmail.com</u>.

Peter Sorge, MISGA Events Chairman



Winter Fling

Dates: March 3 to March 9, 2019 (6 nights accommodations)

At The Plantation on Crystal

River Website..<u>www.plantationoncrystalriver.com;</u>

Schedule: Arrive Sunday March 3 . Reception Cocktail and light Apps 6-7 PM (cash Bar)

- Golf Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.
- Breakfast included Monday through Saturday (get away day)
- Buffet Dinner on golf days (M, T, Th, F). Cash Bar
- Hospitality Room w/ice (not stocked-BYOB).
- Possible Spa discounts (working still)

Costs:

2 golfers - one room: \$2100

1 golfer+1 non golfer: \$1900

1 golfer, single occupancy: \$1500

Golf & Maid Gratuity, Meal Gratuity, Taxes and Resort Fee Included... also Prize money included.

Patio rooms add \$60 to total.

PLEASE RESPOND directly to Jack Sullivan, National at Tantallon,

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