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Wednesday

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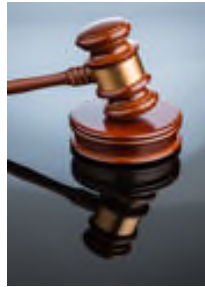
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CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of the Club Championship.

Club Champion – Jim Ruiz
A Flight – Buddy McElhannon
B Flight – Marion Blackmon
C Flight – Harry Chapman
D Flight – Bill Herbert

It was an enjoyable 3 weeks. The weather was good, and the BBQ the last day was exceptional.

We will be voting soon for the following offices:

President
Vice President
Secretary

3 Board of Director positions

If you are interested contact Jim Goldsack ASAP to get your name in the hat. Like I have written many times this organization is run by volunteers. We always can use more members stepping up to run for a position, work on a committee, or work the table.

Don't forget the par 3 tournament at Cherokee Run Golf Club on October 8th at 8:30. Eighteen par 3's should be fun to play.

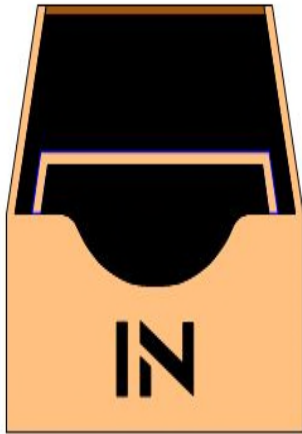
The year end banquet is coming up at Monroe Country club November 19th. Get your check for \$20 in sooner than later.

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Vice President

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We had a great turnout for the annual tournament. Winners and losers!; some of each. We all had to stock up on golf balls due to the "U.S. Open" type of rough courtesy of Monroe Country Club. It was a really good turnout by our members and I think most everyone enjoyed participating this year. The rounds seemed to go very smoothly even with the high rough.

One thing I have noticed lately is very few comments about slow play. That speaks well of all of us being more aware of pace of play and speeding up if we start lagging. We all appreciate it.

The end of the year banquet is coming up soon and I'm sure Monroe will again accommodate us as nicely as they did for the kick-off luncheon. The menu looks great so bring your appetite and your wallet (we still have raffle tickets left and I hope I haven't hounded you too much, as I'm new at this, and it's for a good cause). Send in your reservation as soon as possible so we can get an accurate count.

SGAA ANNUAL RAFFLE 2020



**BUSHNELL V5 TOUR
RANGE FINDER**

CALLAWAY ROGUE X #3 HYBRID



**CALLAWAY 56° SURE OUT
SAND WEDGE**

TOP FLITE CHIPPER



TICKETS \$5.00 EACH OR FIVE FOR \$20.00. WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN AT THE YEAR-END BANQUET. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN. ALL PROCEEDS GO TO OFFSET SGAA COST. HELP KEEP SGAA COST DOWN AND WIN A GREAT PRIZE!!

SEE WENDELL JACKSON OR THURSDAY TABLE FOR TICKETS!

EVENTS FOR
OCTOBER 2020

October 5
MON: 8:30 a/m
Traditions \$35

October 7
WED: 8:30 a/m
The Oaks \$30

October 8
THUR: 8:30 a/m
PAR 3 SHOOTOUT
Cherokee Run \$30

October 13
TUES: 8:30 a/m
CC of Gwinnett \$31

October 14
WED: 8:30 a/m
Georgia National \$35

October 15
THUR: 8:30 a/m
Georgia National \$35

October 18—21
MEMBER/GUEST
Greenville, SC

October 26
MON: 8:30 a/m
Bear Creek \$28

October 27
TUES: 8:30 a/m
Heron Bay \$35

October 29
THUR: 8:30 a/m
Crystal Lake \$35

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We begin October 2020 with 271 active members. 11 New Members since January 1st. 2 Members deceased (Tom Talley) (Harvey Hancock).

Keep up the good work on the new applications. We are accepting applications for 2020. Application forms are available at each registration table or by contacting me.

New applications should include a check for \$50 to insure membership. **MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE BLANKS ON THE APPLICATION FORM ARE FILLED OUT. MAKE SURE THEY ARE EASILY READ.** Continue to ask your friends and neighbors if they would like to join us. Get your blank applications from the registration tables. New applicants must have two (2) sponsors. Average age for SGAA is 76.26 years old.

SEE YOU ON THE COURSE!!!!!!!!!!

ENJOY THE FINE FELLOWSHIP AND GOOD GOLF!!!!!!!!!!

Lest we forget, this golf we play is just a game. A game we enjoy as often as we can. These members passed away this year and no longer have that opportunity let us not forget them...

Tom Talley member since 1996

SGAA President 2001

Harvey Hancock member since 2003

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Rambling from Tee to Green

It's amazing that we're almost to the end of this year. What started out at the Tee-off Banquet back in February was to be another great year of good golf and fine fellowship. But then along came March and the COVID-19 pandemic and all of the accompanying restrictions – including the cessation of golf. So much for fine fellowship when you're in a lockdown trying to locate any store with toilet paper and hand sanitizer. Kind of puts golf into a whole new perspective. But after what seemed forever, but was really only about six weeks we were able to return to the golf course albeit with some restrictions on our social gathering.

We had weathered the storm and were able to get back to the good golf and fine fellowship if we chose to do so. Some of us were a bit reluctant to put ourselves and our families at risk and decided to forego the golf in favor of safety. I have not heard of any members catching the virus, and there has been no word of any of our members succumbing to COVID-19 so the precautions taken were not in vain.

The Senior Golfers Association of Atlanta is in its 64th year thanks to an all-volunteer cadre of men willing to give of their time and abilities to continue an organization dedicated to good golf and fine fellowship. In September and October we put out the call for members willing to serve in our governing body; but that's not the only way you can help continue a dream set forth in 1956. Volunteers are needed as table workers, as alternate table workers to fill in when a regular table worked is out, and any number of the committees listed on the website.

I need help on the Photo Directory that doesn't require a lot of effort on anyone's part. I don't play every tournament and can't make it to every course so there are a lot of members whose photo is not in the Directory. Help me out, the next time you see someone you don't think is in the Directory take a few minutes and snap their picture with your phone. Then send that picture with the members name to me, either as an attachment to a text message (678-262-7541) or via email steve.puster@gmail.com the process takes less than 5 minutes of your time while you're waiting for the tournament to begin. If you're not sure whether someone is in the directory or not – take their picture anyway I can always use it to update their photo if they're already in the directory. Here's a thought, the next time you show up for any of our weekday tournaments, take a separate picture of each member of your group and send it to me. Then every time you play with someone other than your regular foursome, snap a shot of the newbie and send that along to me. Be my roving photographer and before you know it; we'll have a picture of all of our members in the Photo Directory on the website.

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2021 DUES

IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT PAID **BY DECEMBER 1ST**, YOU WILL RECEIVE A LETTER **DROPPING YOU FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP LIST**. REINSTATEMENT AFTER DECEMBER 1ST **WILL COST YOU** DUES OF **\$25** AND A PENALTY OF **\$20** FOR A TOTAL OF **\$45**. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR **DUES ARE PAID** BY DECEMBER 1ST.

IF YOUR AWARDS TOTAL \$30, TOM VARDASE (SGAA TREASURER) WILL APPLY \$25 TOWARD YOUR **2021 DUES**, AND THEY WILL BE PAID.

MAIL YOUR DUES NOW TO:

TOM VARDASE
TREASURER SGAA
3502 JOHNS ROAD,
TUCKER, GEORGIA 30084

SGAA Constitution and By-laws: Article One:

MEMBERSHIP DUES Each Member is required to pay Annual Membership dues of \$25.00. A Dues Notice will be posted in the Newsletter at least 60 days prior to December 1st. **All dues and fees must be paid December 1st** or the Member will be dropped from the Membership Rolls. Any Member suspended for non-payment of Dues may be reinstated by March 31st of suspension, by a majority vote of Membership Committee.

HAVE YOU MOVED ??



If you have moved or plan on moving soon, please email your new address to **Tom Vardase** (mvp-bestt@att.net)

This way, you will get your End of the Year Awards check sooner rather than later as well as eliminate extra work for Tom.



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ANNUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS



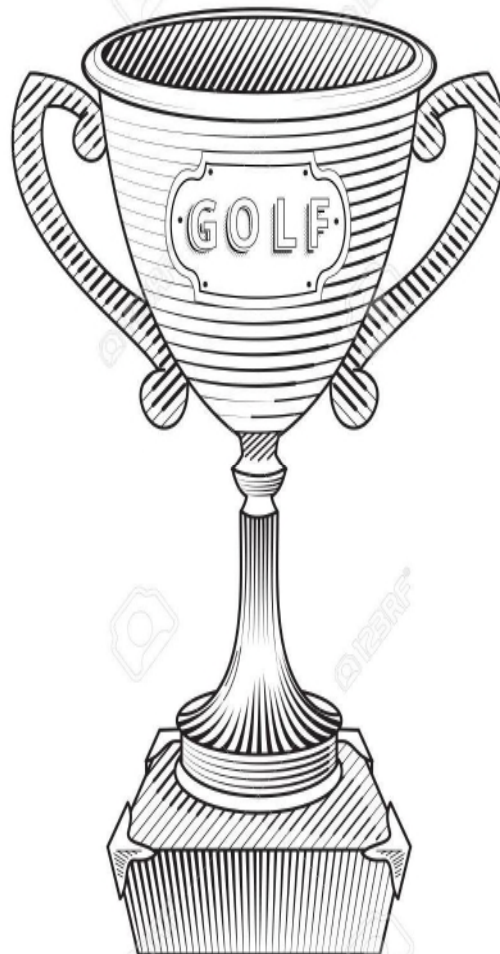
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Marion Blackmon
B Flight Winner



Bill Herbert
D Flight Winner

I believe I speak for all who played in this year's Annual Tournament when I say THANK YOU to all who were involved behind the scenes to make the 2020 SGAA Annual Tournament such a great success. And this editor would like to give a round applause to whomever spoke to the groundskeeper about the depth of the rough, especially for the first week of the tournament. But a SPECIAL THANK YOU goes to Danny Boyles for all the work he did with keeping the scores straight after each round and doing the tabulations needed to determine this year's winners.

Lake Guntersville State Park

Guntersville, AL

Lake Guntersville State Park
 Eagle's Nest Golf Course
 Nov 9, 10, 11, 2020
 Guntersville AL
 Monday T-Time 12:30 pm



Guests are welcome. Bring a friend, a family member, a neighbor. The more the merrier.

RESERVATION MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE OCT 23, 2020

Packages includes the following: 2 nights lodging, 3 days of unlimited golf, 2 dinners and 2 breakfasts. All prices listed are per golfer.

| Occupancy | Package | Price per Person | Sunday Arrival |
|------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Single Occupancy | 3 Days Golf | \$413.00 | \$509.00 |
| Double Occupancy | 3 Days Golf | \$310.00 | \$358.00 |
| Cabin 1K/2Q Bed | Three People – Price per person | \$310.00 | |
| Cabin 1K/2Q Bed | Two People – Price per person | \$365.00 | |
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All reservations must be made through the SGAA.

If you need a different package, send an email, or call 770.329.6313 and I will try to accommodate your request.

Name: _____ SGAA Member Number _____

Guest: _____ Guest Stroke Handicap _____

SGAA Roommate: _____

COMMENTS: _____

Checks Payable to SGAA
 Mail Reservation and Check to:
 Danny Boyles
 PO Box 390506
 Snellville GA 30039

Individual room reservation cancellations received 6 days or less prior to the arrival date will result in a charge of one night's room and tax. Please keep your cancellation number, as "No-Show" reservations, as well as "Early Departures", will be charged at 100% of the daily rate of the reservation for the entire reserved stay.

If you need additional info call Danny Boyles (770) 329-6316 or email at utuga012@bellsouth.net.

Lake Guntersville State Park, 1155 Lodge Dr., Guntersville AL 35976

SENIOR GOLFERS ASSOCIATION OF ATLANTA

PAR THREE SHOOT-OUT

CHEROKEE RUN GOLF COURSE

OCT 8, 2020 – 8:30 AM TEE TIME

The Par 3 tournament will run like a normal dog fight for points with competition within our 4 flights. This should be a faster less physical round so come out and play and have some FUN! There will not be any handicaps used, we will play scratch within the flights. Scoring is manual and we will pay winners following the round. The table fee for this event is \$10.00 and includes lunch.

We are encouraging input after the round so please pass along anything pro or con on how to move forward with this type of event.

Harry Matthews, Committee Chairman

Dave Muller – Jim Goldsack - Danny Boyles



SGAA 2020 Year End Banquet

November 19, 2020

11:00 AM-2:00PM



Monroe Golf and Country Club

1414 Alcovy St
Monroe GA 30655

\$20.00 PER PERSON

(includes tip and tax)

[\$1.00 discount on all drinks — member pricing]

This will be a buffet Luncheon featuring the following menu*



Fried Chicken
Pork Tenderloin
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Garden Salad
Rolls, Tea and Coffee
Banana Cream Pie



*CDC guidelines will be followed for social distancing. Hand sanitizing will be required **before** entering the buffet line and **each time** a person returns to the buffet. Wearing masks is recommended when not eating. Only **90** people can be accommodated in the dining room.

Reservations can be made by sending your check for **\$20.00** made out to **SGAA** annotated as "Year End Banquet to:

Tom Vardase
3502 Johns Road
Tucker, GA 20084

**Reservations must be received
No later than November 16, 2020**

ELECTION TIME

Now is the time for you to submit the name of a member you believe would serve the best interest of the organization in one or more of the following offices:

**President
Vice President
Secretary
Board of Directors**

The Secretary is for a term of two years. For the Board of Directors, there will be three and possibly four vacancies to be filled, three of which are for a term of three years.

Those nominated should complete a short biography and submit it to Steve Puster (steve.puster@gmail.com); and their names submitted to a member of the Nominating Committee to be included on the ballot

NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 20, 2020.

Committee members are: Ted Pogue, Dave Mueller, Kerry Phillips and Jim Goldsack.

The election will be held at the year end banquet.

Mail in ballots will be available in the next Newsletter but must be received on or before November 19, 2020 by the Elections Committee.

2020 SGAA CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

WENDELL JACKSON – Wendell joined the Air Force in 1960 and served his country as an Air Traffic Controller for the next four years. He attended college in Columbus GA and GSU in Atlanta. He and his wife Sandra have been married for 55 years. He retired in 2008 from Hennessy Lexus as Financial Services Director after 35 years in the automotive industry. Wendell became a member of SGAA in January 2010. He soon became active as a Table Worker on the Thursday Table, serving ten years. He is currently serving as Captain of the Thursday Table and as a member of the Board of Directors and Vice President for the last year



Wendell Jackson
Member since 2010

FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT

DAVE MUELLER– I have been a member of SGAA since 2013. I have chaired the In Town Tournament Committee for the past 3 years. This includes getting the contracts for all golf courses we play in town and includes signing the course for the Tournament. I have served on the Board of Directors for the past 2 years. I am a veteran having served as a Corpsman with the US Navy I am a Vietnam Veteran. I have been married for 52 years. I have 2 children. I retired after 27 years from Georgia Power. I also held the job of Regional Promotion Manager for MCA & Motown Records for 5 years in the early 70's. I want to be involved and enjoy the SGAA.



Dave Mueller
Member since 2013

FOR THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY

TED POGUE – Member since 2007. Widower, 3 children, 6 grandchildren, 3 great grandchild; U.S. Navy 1959-1966; Born in Tenn., resident of Ga. 57 yrs. Retired after 37 years with AT&T; Officer of CWA Local 3250 for 30 years; Elder of Covington Christian Church for 22 years; Table captain 3 years, Table Chairman 2 years, Vice President 2010, President 2011, Board member (2010-2020) Co-Chair for in-town scheduling committee 4 yrs., Nominating committee 2012-2020; Served on various other SGAA committees, SGAA Executive Committee 9 years, Secretary SGAA 2015-2020.



Ted Pogue
Member since 2007

FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

JOHN CYRAN – Thanks to Jim Goldsack (please do not blame him), John joined SGA in 2017.



John Cyran
Member since 2017

Since then, he has made many friends and has enjoyed the fine fellowship within the group. He is currently working the Tuesday table and is also the web master for the SGAA Internet site. After a 30+ years career in Information Technology serving with various companies, John retired from Habitat for Humanity where he was responsible for global voice and data. He has held many different positions, from President to gofer, with various non- profit organizations. These include EMS, Fire, Theater, Saint Vincent DePaul, Golf and Bowling leagues, and several others which he is too old to remember. In all of these, he served with integrity, listening to the members, and trying to do what was right for the members and the organization. John currently lives in Grayson with his wife Kathy. He has five grandchildren living in Georgia and New Jersey. As he has been told, when he hits it left it's a hook, when he hits it right, it's a slice, and when he hits it straight it's a miracle.

JOHN DAVID – My degree from Fresno State is in Recreation Administration and most of my



JD David
Member since 2015

work is related to running a sports league much like the senior golf league. I played 25 years in the Professional Disc Gold Association, but had to retire because of arthritis. I was happy to find out I could swing a golf club and have been playing for 20 years (three or four with SGAA). I even let my beard grow out so I would blend in better with the group. This year I believe I have played as many rounds as anyone and I plan to continue that effort. My accomplishments include induction into the Disc Golf Hall of Fame and several World titles. Play ball golf I have had several Holes in One. I am also working on the Monday Table and hope to elevate myself to a Board position.

JJ GOLDSACK – Hi, I'm Jim Goldsack and I'm running for the SGAA board. Most of you know



JJ Goldsack
Member since 2015

me as JJ. In March of 2014 I applied for membership to the group and as was the rules then, I waited until January 2015 to officially become a member. In March of that year, after being asked how Jim Goldsack could win the closest to the on a par 3 for both the A & B divisions, Joe Roberts changed my name to JJ in the computer as my middle name is John. A few months later I was asked to back Joe up doing the month end reports. Several months after assisting Joe, he move to Florida and with the help of Claude Rhen and Danny Boyles, I have been doing the month end reports (divisions, handicaps & awards) ever since. In October of 2016 I was asked to help on the Thursday table and have been assisting with Thursday play since then. Mary and I have been married over 42 years. We have two sons, John who teaches at Kennesaw State University in the Sequential Art Department and Tim who runs a coaching firm in Houston. Tim and his wife Jess have twin 3 year olds, James Ender and Evert Leo, Ender & Ever for short.

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FRED JOHNSON – Fred Johnson was born in Louisville, Ky. on Dec 31 1944. He lived in Louisville for four years, before moving to Owensboro, Ky. He attended grade school and high school in Owensboro. He attended Brescia College in Owensboro and graduated in 1970, with a B.S. degree in Accounting. He met his wife in Owensboro in 1964, she also attended Owensboro Catholic High School as he did. They were married in 1966 in Knottsville, Ky. Three of their children were born in Owensboro, Ky. They moved to Rome, Ga. in 1973. They later moved to Conley, Ga. in 1974. Their fourth child was born in 1978. We had three girls and one boy. The three girls are married and had two grandchildren each for a total of six. Our son is not married. I spent forty-one years working with consumer finance and mortgage companies. I really enjoyed working with customers in handling their financial businesses. I have played golf since I was 21 years old. I really enjoy the game, but I am still learning how to play better. I joined the SGAA in 2016. I really enjoy playing with and meeting new friends. If I am elected to the Board of Directors in the SGAA, I will serve and fulfill my duties with honor and pride.



Fred Johnson
Member since 2016

CLAUDE RHEN – Married to Pattie Rhen for 59 years. We have a son 54 and a daughter 52. We have lived in our current home since moving to Atlanta in 1972. One Grand Daughter who is 13. I am a past president (twice served as president) of the Senior Golf Association of Atlanta which has a membership of 283 members. I have served on the Board of Directors for 8 years. I developed the website for this association and work tournaments and out of town trips as well as the Tuesday table. I am still continually active in the association. I can best use my skills and knowledge by continuing to serve as a Board Member.



Claude Rhen
Member since 2003

2020 MEMBER GUEST

PRESERVE AT VARDÆ

GREENVILLE, SC.

October 18 - October 21



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| MEMBER INFORMATION | MEMBER NAME: _____ SGAA NUMBER: _____ MEMBER SPOUSE\SIGNIFICANT OTHER NAME: _____ BEDS: <input type="checkbox"/> 2 DOUBLE BEDS <input type="checkbox"/> KING BED LADIES EXTRA ACTIVITIES: <i>(Select now for a Reservation - Events to be paid during Sunday check in.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> LADIES GOLF (\$50.00 per round) <input type="checkbox"/> Cart, Green Fees & Range Balls include | |
| GUEST INFORMATION | GUEST NAME: _____ STROKE HANDICAP: _____ GUEST MAILING STREET ADDRESS: _____ GUEST CITY - STATE - ZIP CODE: _____ GUEST PRIMARY PHONE NUMBER: _____ GUEST EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ GUEST SPOUSE\SIGNIFICANT OTHER NAME: _____ BEDS: <input type="checkbox"/> 2 DOUBLE BEDS <input type="checkbox"/> KING BED LADIES EXTRA ACTIVITIES: <i>(Select now for a Reservation - events to be paid during Sunday check in.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> LADIES GOLF (\$50.00 per round) <input type="checkbox"/> Cart, Green Fees & Range Balls included | |
| ROOM MATE | IF ROOMING WITH ANOTHER SGAA MEMBER: MEMBER NAME: _____ SGAA NUMBER: _____ | |
| SELECT YOUR PACKAGE | Select Your package | DELUXE ROOM 3 Rounds GOLF 2 Rounds |
| | COUPLE (Double Occupancy) Includes Accommodations\Golf\Meals | \$799.00 <input type="checkbox"/> per couple \$759.00 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | INDIVIDUAL (Single Occupancy) Includes Accommodations\Golf\Meals | \$736.00 <input type="checkbox"/> per individual \$696.00 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | 2 GOLFERS (Double Occupancy) Includes Accommodations\Golf\Meals | \$526.00 <input type="checkbox"/> per individual \$486.00 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | COUPLES (Double Occupancy) Includes Accommodations and Meals - No Golf | \$660.00 <input type="checkbox"/> per couple (no golf) |
| MAIL | Complete and mail along with your check payable to SGAA to: <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: top; margin-left: 20px;"> BILL PALMER 2461 CHIMNEY TOP LANE SNELLVILLE, GA 30078 </div> | |



If you have a special request: _____

If only playing golf for two days, which two days will you want to play? Monday Tuesday Wednesday

OCTOBER 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--|---------------------------------|--|--|--|----------|
| | DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR THE LAKE GUNTERSVILLE TRIP BY THE 23rd | | | | | |
| 4 | 5 Traditions 8:30a/m \$35 | 6 | 7 The Oaks 8:30a/m \$30 | 8 PAR 3 SHOOTOUT Cherokee Run 8:30a/m \$30 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 Georgia National 8:30a/m \$35 | 15 Georgia National 8:30a/m \$35 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 GUNTERSVILLE TRIP REGISTRATION DEADLINE | 24 |
| | MEMBER/GUEST PRESERVE at VERDAE – GREENVILLE, SC | | | | | |
| 25 | 26 Bear Creek 8:30a/m \$28 | 27 Heron Bay 8:30a/m \$35 | 28 | 29 Crystal Lake 8:30a/m \$35 | 30 | 31 |

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McDonough, GA 30253