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Message from the President

By Dave Steinriede

As the 2011 golfing season comes to a close, I want to share a few thoughts about Miami View Golf Club and reflect on some of the major issues from the past year. I also want to thank all of the volunteers and committee members as well as the entire Board of Directors for their service, in particular the outgoing members Dick Dooley, Bob Brunson and Joel Appling. Also, thanks to Pat Wessendarp (outgoing Ladies' Group Chair) and their Board members as well.

We began the year with a few challenges and opportunities. We prevailed in our defense against the claims by the IRS. We acquired a critical piece of property to "secure our border" on the back-nine. The driveway and grounds surrounding the clubhouse have been enhanced with additional landscaping. The Future Planning Committee has guided us to adopt a new expansion for the cart barn so that we are better positioned for current and future needs. The clubhouse kitchen area has been remodeled with the new tile floor. A new rear door leading to the deck was installed for safety and energy savings. Most of our vendor/supplier relationships have been revisited with the result being substantial savings for the club. We have carefully managed our operational costs so that we could minimize the need for any substantial dues increase.

The dominant challenge was the deterioration of our course conditions. This topic justifiably received the most attention and we are hopeful that our adoption of some new practices will increase the odds for success in the future. We are expecting substantial positive improvement next year with the problem greens, yet we will need a comprehensive approach with some drainage projects to improve a few of the other specific turf areas.

Lastly, I want to comment on the spirit of volunteerism at Miami View Golf Club. Without the involvement and dedication of many people, we could not begin to get many things done without a requirement for more substantial financial resources. There is a lot of passion for Miami View Golf Club among our membership, let's channel that enthusiasm with the sole objective of simply making our Club better. To paraphrase Paul Schildmeyer (the 2011 inductee into the Miami View Golf Club Hall of Fame) at our Annual Meeting, "get involved to make Miami View Golf Club a better place." Above all, when we come to Miami View Golf Club — let's remember we come here to have fun.



— Joel Appling

All course yearly fall maintenance has been completed including fairway, 1st cut and rough aeration including seeding.

The area between the practice green and the clubhouse pavers where water pooled (killing grass during stress periods) has been repaired with the addition of a new drain. The turf in the area where the large tree was removed last year has been leveled and completely sodded. Completion of both actions should result in an improved course first impression when leaving the club house next spring.


The Golf/Handicap Committee

— Bill Arnold

Hope everyone enjoyed the past season at Miami View! I would like to thank everyone for posting scores throughout the season and appreciate all of the comments and suggestions to consider for 2012.

The Golf Committee is also going to be looking into better starting times on weekend and Holiday play for everyone. As always, thanks for your support. Wishing you and your family a Happy Holiday Season!

Shots Heard Around the View



On November 7th, Jerry Lameier, using a 7 iron, aced #3 from 138 yds.

Pros Corner

— John Gauthier



As December rolls around, the golf course and driving range will remain open to Member and Guest play, weather permitting. Additionally we will be moving towards Winter Tees, limited playing opportunities due to daylight, and reduced Guest Fees.

We will once again attempt to play the Men's Cross Country Scramble. The event is slated to be played on Thursday December 8th and start at 1:00 with a shotgun followed by traditional Food & Beverages. A new and devilish layout has been established and a good time will be had by all participants. The sign up sheet is on the landing and the deadline to register will be Tuesday December 6th at noon. The entry fee will be \$30 per player.

Also remember to save the date for the Golf Shop's 10th Annual Christmas Sale and Celebration. This event will take place in the Main Dining Room on Saturday December 3rd from 8:00AM until 4:30PM. In addition to huge markdowns, we will be providing both hot and cold food as well as complimentary Beer, Wine and Soft Drinks. This is a fantastic opportunity to redeem your unused Gift Certificates, save money on gifts for the golfers on your lists, socialize with family and friends and have a drink on us.

Additionally as we enter into the 2011 Holiday Season, the staff of the Miami View Golf Club would like to Thank the Membership for their continued support and friendship throughout the year. We would also like to wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year. And remember while your golf clubs might be tucked safely away for the winter, we are in the process of preparing for an exciting 2012 golf season for all to enjoy.

See you in the Spring!!

Messages From...

... the Vice President

— Skip Doyle

I want to take a minute to thank Dave Steinreide for his outstanding service to Miami View Golf Club. This newsletter is not big enough to detail all of the benefits Miami View members enjoy because of Dave's intelligent and organized work on behalf of the Club. As Dave finishes up his 3rd or 4th term on the Board, the Club is better because of him.

... Membership

Our Wait List is getting shorter! Tell your friends who have delayed joining Miami View because the wait is too long, now is the perfect window of opportunity. Just check the web site, everything they need to know is there, or call or email Skip Doyle. The wait is around one year now, and it may not stay like this for long.

... Future Planning

Calling all Contractors! After the positive response at the Annual Meeting, it is time to get some hard bids to expand the deck and replace our asphalt roof with a shiny new metal roof. If you or someone you know would like to bid on such a project, please contact Skip Doyle to get on the bid list. We need a lot of information, and the sooner the better.



From the Red &

By Peggy Cappel, Ladies Chairperson

The Miami View Ladies Christmas luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 13th, 2011 at 11:30 p.m. The cost will be \$15.00 per person. Make your check payable to MVWGC and mail it by December 6th, to Joanne Schrand, 6168 West Fork Rd., Cincinnati, 45247.



Please invite any former lady members to join us and any new ladies of Miami View whether they play golf or not.

Don't forget that we will have split-the-pot with the proceeds going to a local charity or two to help bring some Christmas cheer.

One last reminder: During those long winter months you can break the monotony by joining the ladies to play Dominoes on the **third Thursday** of each month at 7:00.

May God bless you and your families during the upcoming holidays.

First Half Invoices Payable by January 1st

In an effort to manage expenses, first half invoices will be sent electronically to those members where we have an email address. Statements will be sent in early December and are payable January 1st. If you have not received an invoice by December 15, please contact Steve Raterman @ 385-0175 or steve.raterman@gmail.com. If you receive a statement via U.S. mail but are willing to have the statement sent via electronically in the future, please send your email address to steve.raterman@gmail.com.



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Board's Organizational Meeting

By a unanimous vote Skip Doyle was elected President of the Miami View Board of Directors for 2012 and Bill Arnold was elected vice-president. Miami View is fortunate to have two such good and talented men lead us through 2012.



Reminder

The next edition of the Miami Viewer will be in March 2012.

Happy Holidays to all.



The Turn



— Rick Wellinghoff

I'd like to take this moment to wish everyone a great Christmas and Happy New Year.

We greatly appreciate all of your support over the year. We are open year round and if you're in the area stop in and say hi. We would love to see you. Also remember we are available for parties here at the View as well as off premise if you would like us to be of service elsewhere. Again, have a blessed holiday season and hope to see you soon.

Did You Know?

Carrie Wegner — Two children, Allen 14 and Jordan 13. Grew up in Okeana and attended Ross High School. Worked for the Cracker Barrel and the Bier Haus restaurant before coming to Miami View 6 years ago. Loves all her animals and enjoys the membership very much.

Tina Henry — Mother of 5 children, ranging from 21 to 13 years. Attended Visitation grade school and East Central High School. Grew up in the restaurant business with her family and operated the Watermill Inn for over 30 years. Tina has been with Miami View for the last 5 years.

Jenny Tippitt — children Jamie 20, Jade 14. Grew up in Price Hill, Taft High School. Position/server (seasonal) Works full time at Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy as Food Service Director. In restaurant industry for over 20 years.

Ricky Wellinghoff — Children Jade 14. Grew up in White Oak, St James Grade School, Reading High School. Position/Lead cook (full time). Previously at Hidden Valley Golf Club 5 years; Chili Company downtown Cincinnati 12 years. Currently resides at Miami View Apartments, next to practice range. Ricky loves to play golf (not enough) and hopes to own his own restaurant one day.