

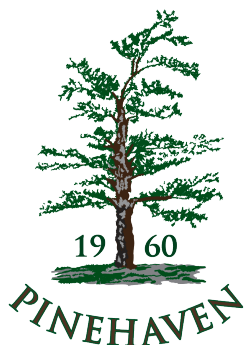
Pinehaven Country Club

The Chatterbox

September 2011

Special points of interest:

- Pool Closing - September 5th
- Labor Day Scramble - September 5th
- Women's Fall Handicap - September 17th & 18th
- Two Man Championship - September 17th & 18th



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President's Message

As we approach the end of summer and the upcoming Labor Day weekend, the demands on our time, combined with reduced daylight hours, limit our ability to fully enjoy our Club. As all of you know, autumn is a perfect time to play golf, and our course is in outstanding shape. We were able to withstand the fury of Hurricane Irene, which caused minimal damage but required extensive course cleanup. I do hope you have the opportunity to play golf as often as you are able for the remainder of the season.

The Labor Day weekend is also the time when Pinehaven will again participate in the Patriot Golf Day, which runs from Friday, September 2, through Monday, September 5. Patriot Golf Day is a fundraising endeavor to benefit the "Folds of Honor Foundation." The Foundation offers educational scholarships to children and spouses of military servicemen and women who were killed or disabled while serving our country. Pinehaven is privileged to have participated in this effort for what is now the fifth year of its existence. During this time donations will be accepted in the Pro Shop (minimum donation \$1.00). I hope everyone can make a contribution to benefit those who have sacrificed so much in service to our country. For more information regarding the Folds of Honor Foundation, please go to its website at www.foldsofhonor.org. You may also make a contribution through that website.

During the month of August, all of the Club championships were completed. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Club Champions, who are all worthy recipients: Jane Balander, Women's Club Champion; Robbie Bigley, Men's Club Champion; Anne VanBuren, Women's Senior Club Champion; and Bill Toomey, Men's Senior Club Champion.

This is a reminder that Pinehaven will be the host club for a college golf tournament organized by the golf team of The College of St. Rose. The tournament will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 9 and 10. We anticipate up to 14 college teams will participate. We are proud of our relationship with The College of St. Rose, and we hope this tournament will provide us with added publicity which demonstrates that Pinehaven is one of the finest golf courses in the upstate New York area. Please feel free to stop by and show your support.

I sadly conclude this message by expressing, on behalf of everyone associated with Pinehaven, my deepest sympathies to our long-time member, Chris McCormick, and his family for the loss of his son, Chris, who passed away tragically in an automobile accident on August 23rd. I hope the Pinehaven community can provide some measure of love and support to Chris and his family during this most difficult time and that we can play some small role in the healing process.

Until next time,

Sincerely, Jim Schultz, President



It is not too early to think about your family or company holiday party. Please call Siver Hills at 701-4501 for available dates in November and December. Thank you!



SAVE THE DATE
Haunted House
Halloween party
 Saturday
 October, 29th

End of the Year Scramble & Oktoberfest Party

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011

9:00 AM - Shotgun Start—Pairings to be made by Pro-Shop
 Oktoberfest festivities begin after golf
 (If you are unable to play golf in the morning please join us for Oktoberfest)

Golf Scramble -
\$5.00 per player
Please register in the Pro - Shop

Oktoberfest -
\$25.00 for members
\$50.00 for guests

Please register in the Pro Shop with golf registration or email mjewell@pinehavenc.com

~Becks Oktoberfest on Draft
~Live Music & Camp Fire on the Patio

SMALL PLATE PROGRESSIVE MEAL TO CONSIST OF:

To Start With *(following golf)*

Beer and Cheese Fondue with
 German Pretzels, Fruit, & Breadsticks

Followed By *(approximately 3:30 pm)*

Mini Reubens
 Butternut Squash Bisque
 Sautéed Apples, Brie & Onions on Toast
 Beer Braised Mussels
 German Stuffed Eggs
 Ham & Apple Struddle with German Mustard
 Bratwurst Sliders
 Cucumbers and Dill

Finally Serving *(approximately 5:00 pm)*

Chicken Schnitzel with Creamy Mushroom Sauce
 Sauerbraten Carving Station
 Potato Pancakes & German Potato Salad
 Sweet & Sour Beans

Dessert: Minis Black Forest or Minis German Chocolate Cake

COURSE CHATTER

BY ROB BIGLEY

A Day at the Course

Each day, the grounds crew begins its day at 6 am (weekends and tournament days we start at 5 am). The first 10 minutes are devoted to discussion of the previous day as well as questions and assignments for the current day. During this time, the equipment technician/manager (Bob Gerding) is adjusting mowers and making sure the equipment to be used that day is ready.

Some of the daily tasks performed are the following:

- 1) Walk mow or triplex greens everyday making sure to stay ahead of the golfers (4 people: 3 hours)
- 2) Tees, collars and approaches are mowed 3 times each week (2 people: 4-5 hours)
- 3) Fairways are mowed 3-4 times per week (2 people: 4 hours)
- 4) Course set up - changing of cups, move tee blocks, check water coolers, trash removal, fill seed soil buckets 4-5 times each week (2 people: 3 hours)
- 5) Mowing of the roughs each weekday by 1 person, sometimes 2 (roughs on each hole is cut twice a week:-40 hours total to do this)
- 6) First cut, green banks, and tee banks 2-3 times per week (1 to 2 people 25-30 hours total)
- 7) Raking of the traps 3 times a week (3 people: 4 hours)
- 8) Course cleanup with blowers after windy days (2 to 5 people: 4 hours plus)
- 9) Roll greens 2 to 4 times a week, pending on season and staff (1 person 3 hours)

After these initial tasks are performed, the crew washes off their equipment and prepares for their next task which may include:

- 1) Trim around the clubhouse, pool and then the golf course.
- 2) Topping with ice or water or changing out the water coolers.
- 3) Changing out the ball washers.
- 4) Weeding, edging, maintenance of the various landscape beds.
- 5) Syringing greens and fairways (weather and turf stress dependent)
- 6) Seed/Sodding problem areas (ie: drainage areas, wet areas, cart path edges)
- 7) Applying fertilizers and pesticides.
- 8) Making irrigation repairs (especially important on a sand based course).
- 9) Equipment repairs and general maintenance
- 10) Depending on the conditions and stress of the greens, the mowing heights are adjusted accordingly to help insure the health of the green
- 11) Special projects may include: (ie: edging and trimming bunkers, tree pruning or removal, aerifying, top dressing and seeding etc)

As the day most days we finish up around 2:30 to 3:00 pm, and the crew lets us know the status of their assigned tasks and an outline takes shape for the work schedule of the next day. An irrigation schedule is formulated for the night and entered into the course computer.

As you can see, the daily course maintenance is involved and entails constant attention and coordinated teamwork of the entire staff to achieve the required and expected results. The mentioned above is just an outline in which the day to day will vary, dependent upon the weather (rain/wind storms temperature), tournament and special events, and staffing. (time off requests, sick days etc). The golf course superintendent along with the assistant supt., mechanic and staff must be able to adapt 24/7 to the everyday changing conditions of maintaining the course.

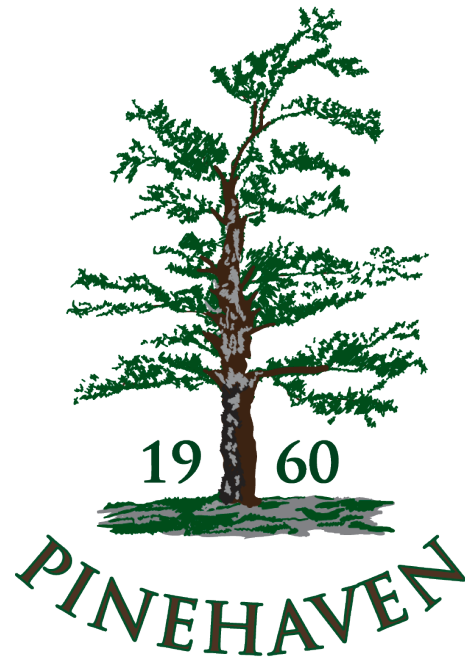
The staff of any business is a vital part to its success, and the Pinehaven staff is no exception. In my opinion, the Pinehaven staff is the best golf course staff in the area. I would like to personally thank my staff for their outstanding effort, dedication and hard work this year in providing a quality conditioned golf course on a daily basis. In my opinion, along with others, Pinehaven has become and is, one of the best layouts and best maintained courses in the area. Thank You!

Please properly repair ball marks. With the wet weather, the greens are soft and ball marks are easily created. I am noticing this year a lot more unrepaired ball marks. A properly repaired ball mark takes 2 to 3 days to heal versus an unrepaired ball mark which takes 2 to 3 weeks to heal. Thank you!

Italian Night at Silver Hills!!!
 Wednesday, September 14th
 Starting at 5:00pm



~Many Entrée Choices~
 ~open antipasto bar to start~
 Please call 456-7111 ext 130 for reservations.



Make your reservation now!!!

THE NEXT COOKING WITH JUSTIN
 WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY,
 SEPTEMBER 21ST AT 6:30 PM.



FLAG FOOTBALL GAME & TAILGATE PARTY

*Saturday, September 25th
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm*

- *Picnic Lunch Specials*
- *Family Flag Football Game*
 - *Lots of Fun*

*Watch for more details on
 the website - www.pinehavenc.com*



NOTICE TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS



Stockholders who may be interested in running for a seat on the Board of Directors are asked to contact Club Manager, Michael Jewell at 456-7111 ext. 112. Thank you!

*The annual stockholder meeting will be held on
 Wednesday, October 15th.*

GOLF SHOP NEWS

The 2011 Men's and Women's Championships featured nice weather, great course conditions and some dominant performances. Congratulations to Jane Balander on her first Women's Championship. Jane had opening rounds of 84 and 80 to establish a comfortable lead and went on to win by 27 shots over runner up Katie Mallia. In the Men's Championship Robby Bigley won his fourth straight title with a 2 under par total of 282 for 72 holes. Robby was challenged by Will Mallia and Aaron Simone who remained within striking distance for three rounds. Robby's final round 70, his third consecutive 70, helped him pull away for a convincing 20 shot margin of victory.

-Scott Warren

Tournament Results

Men's Championship

Robby Bigley	72-70-70-70=282
Will Mallia	77-73-71-81=302
Aaron Simone	73-74-76-80=303
Paul Hart	76-78-75-80=309
Tony Cristello	81-75-77-76=309

Women's Championship

Jane Balander	84-80-88=252
Katie Mallia	96-91-92=279
Cindy LaFleur	93-97-92=282
JoAnn Whalen	92-93-98=283

Sadie Hawkins

Gross

Nan Lanahan/ Tim Fox	72
Anne VanBuren/ Bernie Santandrea	73
Regina DuBois/ Stan Milos	76

Net

Melissa Tipple/ Doug Lonnstrom	62
Linda Santandrea/ Pat Arico	63
Mary Ellen Milos/Lou Saccocio	63

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2011 CLUB CHAMPIONS !!!



*Rob Bigley Jr.
2011 Men's
Champion*



*Jane Balander
2011 Women's
Champion*

Rakes and Bunkers....Bunkers and Rakes

It seems there is always some confusion as to whether rakes should be left in the bunker or out. The USGA recommends (USGA-"How to Conduct a Competition" and "Decisions on the Rules of Golf") that rakes be laid down outside bunkers in locations where they will least likely affect play.

We would also like to remind everyone to please take the time to carefully and fully rake bunkers when they depart them. Thank you!

Tournament Preview

September 1	Ladies Day/Pro Lady
September 3-4	Queen Bee Tournament
September 3-4	President's Cup
September 5	Labor Day 2 Man Scramble
September 17-18	Women's Fall Handicap
September 17-18	Two Man Championship
October 1	End of Year Shotgun
October 8	Women's Assoc. Event
October 9	Men's Closing Day
October 29	Scary Pins Tournament

Fall Outing/Event Schedule

September 9-10	St. Rose Invitational
September 12	UAlbany Slam Dunk Classic
September 16	Saber Cup
September 17	St. Rose Baseball Legends
September 19	IIACR Outing
September 26	Union College Women's BB

*****Please watch for announcements regarding closure of the 1st tee due to the above events**

COMMEMORATIVE PAVERS MAKE GREAT GIFTS!

Pinehaven commemorative pavers are now on sale for the golfing season! Each paver is now only \$99. (Originally \$150.) or two for \$150. Please call Mike Jewell at 456-7111 ext. 112 for more details.



2011 Pinehaven Country Club September Tournaments

September 3-4 ~ President's Cup

Format: Round 1 -18 Holes Pine Ball
(60% Handicap)
Round 2 -18 Holes Better Ball
(80% Handicap)

Entry Fee: \$50.00 per team

Please sign up in the Pro Shop

September 3-4 ~ Queen Bee Tournament

Format: Two Day (36 holes) RINGER
Entry Fee: \$30. per team
(Gross & Net Prizes)

Please sign up in the Pro Shop

September 5 ~ Labor Day Two Man Scramble

Format: 18 holes two man scramble
Entry Fee: \$20.00 per team

*Tee times and pairings will be assigned by the Pro Shop. If you have a request for a specific starting time please notify the Pro Shop.

Please sign up in the Pro Shop by September 3rd

September 17-18 ~ Women's Fall Handicap

Format: 36 holes stroke play with
full handicap

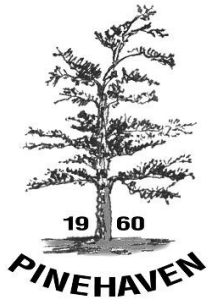
Entry Fee: \$15.00

Please sign up in the Pro Shop by September 14th.

September 17-18 ~ Two Man Club Championship

Format: 36 holes better ball of partners
Entry Fee: \$40.00 per team
Two Divisions: Gross (Black Tees)
Net (Blue Tees)

Please sign up in the Pro Shop by September 14th.



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