

# THE BACK 9

NEWSLETTER



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## President's Message



Are you Ready? Are you looking forward to the start of this season? Now is the time to step it up a notch to those of you who were unable to go south for the winter. Get out and start getting the rust off. There are enough reminders in this mailing but it is worth repeating opening day is Wednesday, April 1st, 2009. I don't expect to return from Florida until mid April and hopefully I'll be in mid season form when I get back.

There are little or no changes to the league play format and the end of year playoffs. (see details in this issue).

I expect our outings to Shawnee and Hudson Valley will continue to be outstanding events and I strongly recommend that you start making plans to be there. It has been highly noticeable that most of our new members over the past two years have not been participating in our outings and I hope to see a more active attendance among our new regime. There is no better way to share the experience, friendship and camaraderie among our family members and friends than to be there.

What continues to be an area of concern is the replacement of officers, board members and chairmen in our club. Although we are seeing some light at the end of the tunnel, it still is a work in progress

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## League Play And Championship Rounds Remain—Status Quo!

League Play format will basically remain the same with the season starting on April 1st and ending on August 12th. Again this year the Flight A, Flight B and Flight C players—*must hit their tee shots from the white tees*. Flight D players—*must hit their tee shots from the forward tees*. From past experiences our records show that when a player in Flight A, B or C hits from the blue tees and a Flight D player hits from the white tees their handicap is higher due to the longer distances from the respective tee boxes. If these players used their assigned tee boxes the handicaps would prove to be lower. This is especially important when running our tournaments and it is necessary to calculate handicaps fairly. **Continued this season if any player caught not hitting from their assigned tee box they will have their score disqualified for that round**

The handicap breakdowns for each flight has not been decided at this time and will be announced at the start of the season. Just to refresh your memory, in order to qualify for the Match Play Championship you must finish in the top eight places in your respected Flights. Only the total of your season's ten lowest net scores will count

in the League Play standings. Any ties at the end of League Play for positions 1-8 in each flight will require an 18 hole playoff.

In the Match Play Championship, contenders will get 80% of handicap in determining the strokes given. To avoid having to play our year end matches in poor conditions (when management has scheduled aeration of the greens), changes will be made to the CSGC schedule. Tiebreakers in the Match Play Championship (MPC) will remain the same (a one hole sudden death playoff). If there is still a tie then there will be a matching of the cards to break the tie.

In the year-end Club Net Tournament (CNT) normally you pick up if you score four over par on any hole, you must now hole out. Therefore, if it takes ten strokes to hole out on any particular hole you must enter a ten on your score card. In the event of a tie (first place only)

there will be a playoff to be scheduled by the Tournament Committee. If after a playoff there is still a tie, the Committee will decide the winner by a matching of cards.

Should there be a rainout on any of the tournament dates the Committee will decide if/when that round will be re-scheduled.

### Tournaments, Prizes & Tidbits:

The prize funds for (MPC) and (CNT) will follow the same format as last year. **Closest to the pin** will continue every week on the following par threes: on the front—hole 7 and on the back—hole 12 with a \$5.00 prize going to the winners. **Weekly Check-in** time span for reporting in will be from 6:30 am to 7:30 am. **Pick your own foursomes**—there will be one Wednesday a month during May, June and July were you will be permitted to make up your own group.

BILL DOYLE AND JOE SALVATO

## 2009 COMING EVENTS

1. Mon., June 8th—Shawnee Outing
2. Mon. to Fri., July 20th-24th—Hudson Valley Outing
3. Wed., September 9th—Membership Annual Luncheon
4. Tues., October 6th—General Membership Meeting
5. Thurs., October 15th—Awards Dinner and Dance



**OPENING DAY...WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1ST, 2009**



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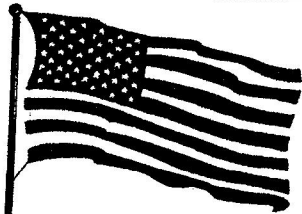
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### EDITOR

Joseph Valenza



God Bless America

# SHAWNEE INN AND GOLF RESORT

Monday, June 8th, 2009

**\$125**

Includes: Bus Transportation...Continental Breakfast...Green Fee and Cart...  
 Shot Gun Start...Tournaments and Prizes...Dinner, Dessert, Beer, Soda, Coffee and Tea

## HUDSON VALLEY OUTING

Monday, July 20th—Friday, July 24th, 2009

- Three Gourmet Meals Daily • Unlimited Golf With Free Carts • Two Club Tournaments (Barbeque Afterwards) • Cocktail Parties
- Nightly Music and Dancing • Night Club Show Each Evening • Special Miniature Golf Tournament for the Ladies
- Wednesday Day Trip To Mighty Gaming at Monticello Raceway (Includes Buffet Lunch and \$10 Cash)

### Proposed Budget 2009

Following is the proposed budget for the 2009 season which will be presented at the next Board of Governors meeting for approval. Should you have any questions regarding the budget please present them to one of our officers or any member of the board so that it can be addressed at their meeting.

#### Income :

Annual Membership Dues ( 84 )	\$ 8,400.00	
New Membership Dues (10)	\$ 1,250.00	
Total Annual Membership Dues		<u>\$ 9,650.00</u>

#### Expenses:

Annual Members Luncheon		\$ 1,200.00
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#### Awards Dinner & Dance:

Band-John Weber	\$ 300.00	
Members Cost for Dinner & Dance	\$ 3,200.00	
Awards Dinner & Dance-other	\$ 160.00	
Total Awards Dinner & Dance		\$ 3,660.00

Bank Service Charges	\$ 25.00
Board of Governors Luncheon	\$ 325.00
Board of Governors Meetings	\$ 225.00
General Membership Meeting	\$ 235.00

#### Club Awards:

Championship Awards	\$ 2,000.00
Special Tournaments	\$ 400.00
Weekly Closest to the Pin	\$ 300.00
Year-End Tournament	\$ 540.00
Total Club Awards	\$ 3,240.00

New Members Shirts & Hats	\$ 250.00
Good & Welfare	\$ 50.00
Office Supplies	\$ 100.00
Postage	\$ 190.00
Miscellaneous-Gratuities	\$ 150.00
Total Expense	<u>\$ 9,650.00</u>

Net Income	<u>\$ —</u>
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### President's Message

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and the future of this club can prosper and move forward with your help.

Finally I ask that you give your full cooperation to the tournament committee when signing in on Wednesday. Be punctual, call if you have a change in availability and be ready to report to the pro shop when your group is called to pay it's green fees.

I'm looking forward to another great season, hit'em straight!

JOE VALENZA, PRESIDENT

### Golf Wisdom...

There are two things you can do with your head down, play golf and pray—Lee Trivino

A little girl was at her first golf lesson when she asked an interesting question: 'is the word spelled p-u-t or p-u-t-t?' She asked the instructor. 'P-u-t-t is correct', he replied. 'Put means to place a thing were you want it. Putt means merely a vain attempt to do the same thing.'

I found out that all the important lessons of life are contained in the three rules for achieving a perfect golf swing:

1. Keep your head down
2. Follow through
3. Be born with money

You can make a lot of money in this game. Just ask my ex-wives. Both of them are so rich that neither of their husbands work.—Lee Trivino

SUBMITTED BY SAL TOBACCO

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: JOE SALVATO, TREASURER