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NOVEMBER 2011

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE MEMBERS OF BAY COLONY GOLF CLUB



Welcome New Members!

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Private Meeting and Event Planning Service

As one of the many features of membership, members may take advantage of the meeting and event space available in our 34,500 square foot Clubhouse morning, noon and night. The complimentary private event and meeting planning service offered by Ellen Perkins, Director of Food and Beverage, is priceless.

The newly expanded, tastefully appointed Clubhouse is one of the greatest assets a member can enjoy.

Consider bringing your business meetings, presentations, charitable committees, holiday celebrations and special occasions and events to your Club. At Bay Colony Golf Club, you have the finest event planner in all of Naples, a seasoned staff that knows your name and your preferences and a stellar culinary team to deliver a superlative breakfast, lunch, dinner or reception. For our members, hosting a meeting or event at Bay Colony Golf Club is effortless.

We are now accepting Private Meeting and Event Reservations:

The Dining Room – seating 170

The Grille Room – seating 45

The Private Dining Room – seating 50

The Board Room – seating 16

The Terrace – perfect for receptions and seating for up to 30

The Patio – ideal for gatherings of up to 125

The Chef's Table in the kitchen – seating 8

Contact Ellen Perkins, Director of Food and Beverage Director at 449-4570.



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Bay Colony Golf Club Mission Statement

The mission of the Bay Colony Golf Club is to provide all members, family & guests a premier golf, dining & social experience in a friendly, inclusive & comfortable environment.

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GOLF NEWS

Tee it up this Season

Several “majors” highlight this month’s active golf calendar. **Ladies’ Opening Day** on **Wednesday, November 2**, gets the new golf season underway, **followed the next day by Men’s Opening Day**. Play for the ladies will be both 18 and nine holes, those playing **18 holes** to tee off under an **8:30 a.m. shotgun**, those playing **nine holes a 10:30 a.m. shotgun**. Teeing off under an **8:30 a.m. shotgun**, the men will play 18 holes. The formats for both events, including those ladies playing nine holes, are ABC scrambles. A continental breakfast will precede both events, and both will be followed by luncheons.

The first round of the **36-hole Ladies’ Colony Cup** will be played **Wednesday, November 9**, the second round on **Friday, November 11**. **Tee times** for this always popular member/member invitational will start at **8:30 a.m.** Winners of the event last year were **Laird Groody** and **Carole Meyer**.

Also a 36-hole member/member invitational, the first round of the **Men’s Gunther Cup** will be played **Thursday, November 17**, the **second round** to be played **the following day**. **Tee times** for both days of this event will start at **8:30 a.m.**, scoring to be a Stableford points system. Last year’s Gunther Cup champions were **Will Bobb** and **Hal Cohen**.

Ladies’ Day will continue on Wednesdays throughout the month. After their Opening Day, the men are scheduled for Men’s Day on Thursday, November 10. There will be no “official” Men’s Day on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24. Men’s toss ups continue on Tuesdays and Saturdays all year long. Inquire about the Men’s toss ups in the Golf Shop. The toss ups are a terrific opportunity to allow your Golf staff to mix it up and coordinate member play with different members each time.

Scheduled for **Tuesday, November 29**, is a **Mixed Golf** event, those playing **18 holes** to tee off under a **1 p.m. shotgun**, those playing **nine holes a 3 p.m. shotgun**. This is a great way for couples to play and enjoy the company of both new and seasoned members in friendly, non-competitive play. Dinner follows play and is always light hearted convivial and celebratory.

Attention Bay Colony Golf Club Snowbird Golfers

The golf shop requests that you turn in your last 20 scores from your northern home course. The shop needs your Golf Association name as well, along with your GHIN number, also available from your northern course. Complying will enable the shop to transfer northern handicap scores to each player’s southern handicap account.

Sharpen Your Tools To Optimize Your Game

Now, the beginning of a new golf season in Florida, is an ideal time to check your clubs’ grips to make certain they are appropriately “sticky,” keeping in mind that new grips really do foster confidence in one’s swing. Your outside services staff, under the direction of James Hedworth, will provide you with options and customize your grips.

An additional confidence-builder is new golf shoe spikes, a service provided by your very adept locker room attendants. Finally, you may want to shop the selection of new golf gloves in stock – an all-but-certain morale-builder!

Strategy Behind Tee Markers & Pin Placements

Breathes there a golfer who at some point during a round hasn’t said to himself or herself, “I wonder who put the tee markers here?” or of pin placements, “Why there?”

Gremlins often are suspected, but actually it’s a member of the course maintenance crew referred to as “core service” responsible for pin and tee placements.

“The main concerns in placement of both tee markers and cups are similar,” said golf course superintendent Josh Levitre. “On tees, for example, especially par-threes where tee shots are apt to be hit with an iron, resulting in divots, the thought is to spread the wear-and-tear around so that placement of the markers gives the damaged areas time to recover.”

“On greens,” he continued, “the thought is essentially the same - to move cups from high traffic areas so that golfers playing the course can experience maximum putting conditions.”

Levitre added Bay Colony’s Tiff Eagle greens are mowed daily and checked to roll between 10-and-a-half and 11-and-a-half on a Stimp meter.



Golf Shop Holiday Sales

With the holidays fast approaching, combine your leisure golf with your holiday shopping for a one stop shopping approach. With that in mind, the golf shop is prepared not only to come to the aid of shoppers, but also to make the process much easier.

On **Saturday, November 12**, the shop will feature what it’s billing as **Holiday Shopping Discount Day**. On display will be sparkling baubles and gemstone jewelry from Empire Gems, a selection of fashionable golf shoes by Walter Genuine, and for men, the Atlas line of custom-fitted shorts and slacks. Ladies and men’s sportswear and accessories, golf equipment, and a variety of gift items and stocking-stuffers will be featured with discounts throughout.

Beverages and holiday nibbles will be provided by the Golf Shop to further enhance your holiday shopping fun.

Then on **November 25** the shop will stage its very own **Black Friday** sale, a traditional kickoff to an interval that merchants nationwide hope turns red ink to black. Valid or not, browsers will find an array of attractive, discounted offerings with which they can complete their holiday shopping lists. Our golf shop offers complimentary gift wrapping, packaging and shipping to further ease the the classic holiday shopping hysteries.

Additionally, should you desire a brand or item not carried in the golf shop, Valerie your Merchandise Manager will go to all lengths to special order and acquire whatever is on your must have wish list – year round. The Golf Shop is open daily from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Bay Colony Golf Club Welcomes new Teaching Pro



We are pleased to announce the appointment of Paul Celano as the most recent addition to the golf staff. Paul is a member of the PGA of America, was born in Tarrytown, NY and raised in Baltimore, Maryland, and will bring a wealth of experience to

Bay Colony Golf Club.

Paul has been involved with all aspects of the golf profession. He served as Director of Golf at some of the finest golf facilities in the U.S. including three Nicklaus-designed courses: Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando, FL, Sherwood Country Club in Westlake Village, CA, and the Governors Club in Chapel Hill, NC. Paul credits much of his golf knowledge and golf instructional skills to his extensive work with mentors E. Harvie Ward (legendary amateur, senior tour player and golf instructor), Dr. Richard Coop (sports psychologist of tour stars such as Payne Stewart and Corey Pavin), Bill Strausbaugh, Dr. Jim Suttie and several of golf's top tour players, many of which are in the Hall of Fame.

Paul attended Murray State University, playing golf all four years while earning a business degree. During his collegiate career, Paul was an Ohio Valley All-Conference selection on two occasions and played in two NCAA Championships.

Paul has two boys. His oldest son, Chris is 19 and is in his sophomore year at University of Florida. His youngest son Ryan, 15, is a sophomore at Community School of Naples. He is regarded as one of the top juniors in both the state of Florida and the U.S.

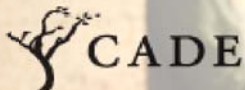
We are proud to introduce Paul to our team of hand-selected PGA certified professionals. Please help in welcoming Paul.



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Social ACTIVITIES



A Blend of Bacchus & Lucullus

Combining in a single headline the imagined wine god of ancient Greece and a factual Roman general with an impressive appetite may be mixing references, but that's what we'll be doing at the season's first **Wine Dinner** on **Wednesday evening, November 16.**

Complementing the evening's Lucullan dinner will be the wines of California's **CADE & Plumpjack Wineries**. Guests will enjoy the intimacy of conversation with featured guest speaker, **winemaker Anthony Biagi**, who will introduce the wines with each course. Biagi has been overseeing the harvest, blending and production since 2003.

This tribute to Bacchus and Lucullus will start with a **6 o'clock reception**, with **dinner** to be served starting at **6:30**. Jackets and ties for the gentlemen are suggested but not required. Seating is limited, and reservations are required either at www.baycolonygolfclub.com or by calling Pam or Sheila at (239) 592-9515. The per-person charge will be an extraordinary value at \$125++.

TURKEY TO GO! Made-to-order Thanksgiving Day Feasts

Thanksgiving Day is fast approaching, and with the busy schedule that many members maintain, our Bay Colony Golf Club "Turkey to Go" program is the most popular feast-to-go program all year long!

The Thanksgiving Dinner at The Bay Colony Golf Club is always celebratory and provides you with opportunity to share your Club with family and friends. However, if your preference this Thanksgiving is to relax in the comfort of your home with family, friends and football, then we invite you to pick up an all inclusive holiday dinner from your favorite Chef and take it with you!

Back by popular demand, members are offered two "turkey-to-go" packages prepared by Chef Wilhelm and his merry band of pilgrims. Package number 1 includes a whole, roasted 20-pound bird for 10 to 12 people priced at \$200++, package number 2 includes an individual turkey breast for up to six people priced at \$120++. Both packages include giblet gravy, traditional stuffing, cranberry sauce, and house-made rolls with butter.

Side dishes including appetizers, salads, soups, and vegetables are offered at an average cost of \$4 per person. Made-to-order whole pies, including apple, pumpkin, pecan, and key lime, serve 10 to 14, and are available for \$25.

In addition to traditional Thanksgiving turkey, Chef Wilhelm is offering Black Angus beef tenderloin with Roquefort mustard sauce for 12 people at \$280++, and cedar-roasted salmon with apple-raisin relish for 12 at \$150++.

"Thanksgiving dinner at Bay Colony Golf Club is a tradition for many of our members and their families. For those preferring to dine at home this year, they simply need to call me at (239) 449-4570, and tell me exactly what they would like prepared", said Food and Beverage Director Ellen Perkins. "Members can be assured every effort will be made to exceed all expectations."

Requests for turkey-to-go packages for delivery on Thanksgiving Day must be made no later than noon on Wednesday, the 23rd, and on the 24th must be picked up no later than 2:30 p.m.

Make Thanksgiving a tradition at Bay Colony Golf Club!

Year after year, members have chosen to bring family and friends together to celebrate the holidays and make memories at the Club that you call "home", and we are proud of this tradition.

Traditional roast turkey will be the featured attraction at our annual and bountiful **Thanksgiving Day celebration, Thursday, November 24.**

Thanksgiving feast-goers can anticipate a large selection of hearty and delicate fare that will appeal to all family members. For starters you can look forward to a large selection of appetizers, including Chef Wilhelm's dazzling pâté made with dried figs and cipollini onions, pumpkin-apple bisque with hazelnut cream, and salads including roasted red and yellow beets with Bermuda onions.

The overture, however, will lead to a handsome spread of traditional Thanksgiving fare – roast turkey with the Chef's house-made dressing, mashed potatoes, whipped potatoes, baked yams, butternut squash, green beans and shallots, ginger-orange glazed baby carrots, and of course cranberry sauce. Additional entrees will include Black Angus beef tenderloin, roast ham and cedar-roasted salmon.

Complementing this "groaning board" will be an assortment of breads along with both corn and orange-cranberry muffins.

Assuming you will make room for dessert, the broad selection will include bananas Foster with vanilla ice cream, trifle with cherries, chocolate sponge cake with cream and cranberry cheesecake.

To accommodate members, families and guests there will be two seatings with seating every 15 minutes, the first from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the second from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The per-person cost will be \$69++, half-price for young people under the age of 12, complimentary for toddlers under the age of 3.

Jackets and ties are suggested but not required. Reservations, on the other hand, are a must and can be made on line at www.baycolonygolfclub.com or by calling (239) 592-9515.

Social ACTIVITIES

Saks Fifth Avenue hosts Ladies Fashion Show

The first official ladies social event of the season is scheduled for **Wednesday evening, November 9**, when Saks Fifth Avenue will host a special fashion show featuring celebrity designer Lida Baday.

Doors will be thrown open for this upscale “Girls Night Out,” at **6 o’clock** with retail therapy and light hors d’oeuvres and a featured complimentary signature cocktail. At 7 p.m., the runway show will begin with a parade of professional models donning designer fashions with an emphasis on casual country club wear.

After the runway show, Chef Wilhelm and the culinary team will offer a variety of delicious tapas and a spa-style dinner at food stations and Saks Fifth Avenue will offer “shopopportunities.” Racks of ready-to-wear fashions, along with a selection of shoes and accessories will be on display and ready for shopping. Needed alterations can be made on-the-spot. Bring your credit cards, ladies!

For a terrific and memorable girl’s night out at your Club, guests are encouraged! Each lady will receive a gift and a Saks goody bag. Special table seating arrangements can be made, but if you’d rather skip organizing a table the idea is to mix and mingle with old friends and make new girlfriends, so simply RSVP and allow us to serve up a gala evening of fun, fashion, and camaraderie.

The per-person cost of the evening will be \$49++, and required reservations can be made by signing up on line at www.baycolonygolfclub.com and notifying your fellow members through our member- interactive website. You may also call Pam or Sheila at (239) 592-9515.



Gingerbread signifies holidays at Bay Colony Golf Club

Ring in the holidays with the return of Chef Wilhelm Gahabka’s Gingerbread House Decorating party! Always a holiday favorite activity among members and family, Chef Wilhelm conducts his annual **Gingerbread House Decorating party on Saturday, November 26 in the dining room.** The gingerbread party begins with a continental breakfast complimented by the classically comfortable aroma of home-made gingerbread wafting through the clubhouse. The class will **convene at 9:30 a.m.** at which time Chef Wilhelm and his elfish crew will provide fresh home made gingerbread houses, multicolored frostings, candy canes, licorice, red hots, mounds of m&m’s – an absolute Willy Wonka delight for anyone with a sweet tooth and those seeking a creative outlet to get into the holiday spirit. Chef Wilhelm and the staff will provide the instruction and tips required to turn each gingerbread house into a unique candyland home to create a Christmas Village. A delightful holiday themed buffet lunch will follow the decorating folly at 11:30 a.m.

All Gingerbread fantasy homes will be displayed as part of our gingerbread village in the lobby through our **Holiday Ball Dinner/Dance on December 10** after which the decorators thereof may take them home. Should gingerbread home decorators opt to take decorated houses home as soon as they are finished, there will be a fee of \$15 in addition to the \$39++ per-person cost of the class, which includes all decorator supplies, the gingerbread home continental breakfast and lunch.

As one might imagine, Gingerbread Decorating class is a popular event to mark holidays, therefore reservations for all “students,” are required by signing up on line at www.baycolonygolfclub.com or calling (239) 592-9515.

The word around Bay Colony Golf Club is that Santa may be making an early stop in the neighborhood to pay the class a visit....



Welcome Back Dinner Dance – A celebration not to be missed!

The **Welcome Back Dinner/Dance** festivities will begin at **6:30 p.m. Saturday evening, November 19**, with a **sunset reception on the patio** before moving to the Dining Room at 7:15, where a three course plated dinner will be served in elegant, white glove high style.

Music for after-dinner dancing will be provided by Hot Topic, a group that for several Bay Colony Golf Club celebrations in the past has been well received by members and guests. Unlike marathon dancing, however, we’ll wind things up at 11 p.m.

Cocktail attire is encouraged and the suggested attire for gentlemen is jackets and ties. Tommy Bahama-style shirts are discouraged on this special occasion, as this is your opportunity to “glam it up” a bit.

Required are reservations, and they can be made on line www.baycolonygolfclub.com or by calling Pam or Sheila (239) 592-9515. The evening’s per-person cost will be \$125++. Guests are welcome!

GOLF HOURS
 Phone: (239) 592-9530
 Golf Shop - 7:00 am - 6:00 pm
 Practice Facility - 7:00 am - 6:00 pm

DINING HOURS
 Phone: (239) 592-9515
 Closed Monday

Lunch - 11:30 am - 3:00 pm
 The Grille Room: Tuesday - Sunday
 Evening Dining - 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Thursday - Sunday

November 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Duplicate Bridge 9:00 1	LADIES' OPENING DAY 2 8:30 Shotgun/18 Holes 10:30 Shotgun/9 Hole Lunch	MEN'S OPENING DAY 3 8:30 Shotgun/Lunch "New" Plicate Bridge 3:15 Instruction - 4:00 Social	4	5
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS 6	7	Duplicate Bridge 9:00 8	LADIES' COLONY CUP 9 8:30 Tee Times LADIES FASHION SHOW	MEN'S DAY 10 "New" Plicate Bridge 3:15 Instruction - 4:00 Social	LADIES' COLONY CUP 11 8:30 Tee Times	12
13	Entire Clubhouse & All Facilities Closed 14	Duplicate Bridge 9:00 15	LADIES' DAY 16 8:30 Shotgun CADE & PLUMPJACK WINE DINNER	MEN'S GUNTHER CUP MEMBER MEMBER 17 8:30 Tee Times	MEN'S GUNTHER CUP MEMBER MEMBER 18 8:30 Shotgun	WELCOME BACK DINNER DANCE 19
20	21	Duplicate Bridge 9:00 22	LADIES' DAY 23	THANKSGIVING BUFFET 24 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	25	GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING CLASS 26
27	28	Duplicate Bridge 9:00 MIXED GOLF 29 1:00 Shotgun/18 Holes 3:00 Shotgun/9 Holes Dinner	LADIES' DAY 30			

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December 2011

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				1	NINE & DINE MIXED GOLF 2 3:00 Shotgun/Dinner	CHEF WILHELM'S COOKING CLASS 3
4	Entire Clubhouse & All Facilities Closed 5	Duplicate Bridge 9:00 6	LADIES' DAY 7	MEN'S DAY 8 "New" Plicate Bridge 3:15 Instruction - 4:00 Social	9	HOLIDAY BALL DINNER DANCE 10
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18	19	HANUKKAH Begins 20	LADIES' DAY 21	MEN'S DAY 22	23	CHRISTMAS EVE 24 Entire Clubhouse & All Facilities Closed at 3:00
CHRISTMAS DAY 25 Entire Clubhouse & All Facilities Closed	Tee Times 26 Open for Lunch & Dinner	Tee Times 27 Open for Lunch & Dinner	Tee Times 28 POSEIDON SEAFOOD BUFFET	Tee Times 29	Tee Times 30	Tee Times 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA

The Bay Colony Golf Club Cookbook is Released this Month!

Those who have had the pleasure of attending Executive Chef Wilhelm Gahabka's cooking classes as well as those who've offered rave reviews in the Dining Room will be pleased to learn the Chef has published his cookbook for release this month!

Entitled "The Bay Colony Golf Club Cookbook," the book's broad range of recipes includes everything from dazzling entrees to mouth watering desserts, each of which is beautifully photographed and presented in step-by-step, easy-to-follow instructions.



The book features quotes from several Bay Colony Golf Club members, and General Manager Jerry Thirion offers in the forward "Congratulations to Executive Chef Wilhelm Gahabka for producing the first 'Bay Colony Golf Club Cookbook,' yet another example of the professionalism he brings to the club. I've worked with him for more than twenty years and know those who read and prepare the book's recipes will learn to enjoy food to the fullest."

Sandi Moran, a "student" of our multiple award-winning Chef, termed the recipes "absolutely wonderful and easy to understand."

The charming cook book is sure to be a hot gift item for the holidays and will be available to Bay Colony Golf Club members and Bay Colony residents for \$39 plus tax per copy. Preorders are encouraged now and are currently being accepted by contacting Pam or Sheila at 592-9515.



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Bay Colony Golf Club Cookbook Signing Cocktail Party

Tuesday, November 15, 2011

4pm- 6pm

Complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

Preorders are accepted at the time of your rsvp.

Please RSVP your attendance to 592-9515.