November 2026

Golden Hills Golf & Country Club



News from the Golf Shop

Fall finally arrived in the Midlands in October! What seemed like endless hot weather has given way to beautiful, cool, seasonal temperatures here at Golden Hills. With the change in weather, the course will once again show off the fall colors and natural beauty it is known for. We hope each of you can carve out some time from your busy schedules to enjoy a few rounds at the best golf course in the Midlands!

The Men's Golf Association held its Pick 6 Tournament on October 17. This fun and strategic format challenges players to decide which tees to play on each hole, adding an extra element of strategy to the game. Players select their tee combinations based on their regular tees, playing six holes from each of three designated tee sets. With the freedom to choose when to play each set of tees, no two strategies are quite the same! Despite a cold, wet, and windy morning, Ricky Beckham bested the field by two strokes, finishing three under par with a score of 68. Mike Moody finished in second place at one under par with a 70. Congratulations to both gentlemen on a great round! Next up on the MGA schedule is the **Year-End Championship on November 14–15**, with tee times beginning at 9:00 a.m. both days. To sign up, simply call the Golf Shop at **803-957-3355**.

Beginning in November, the Senior Men's Golf Association (SMGA) will move its Tuesday starting time to **10:00 a.m.** If you are new to the club, age 55 or older, and looking for a regular game with a great group of golfers, we encourage you to come out and join the fun! Players must sign up by 2:00 p.m. on Sunday to participate in Tuesday's game. Call the Golf Shop at **803-957-3355** to sign up.

The Ladies Golf Association will also adjust its Tuesday starting time, moving back one hour to **9:15 a.m.** Friday's starting time will remain unchanged at **9:30 a.m.** Our Ladies Day continues to grow, seemingly every week! This wonderful group of ladies proves that girls just want to have fun. Whether you are a scratch golfer or a beginner, prefer to walk or ride, or enjoy playing nine or 18 holes, everyone is welcome. If you are looking for a fun, welcoming group to enjoy golf with, come join us! For more information about participating in the Ladies Golf Association, call the Golf Shop at **803-957-3355**. The LGA will also host its final Couples Tournament of the year on **November 8 at 10:00 a.m.** The format will be Net Best Ball of the Couple. Be sure to call the Golf Shop by **November 5** to register.

As fall settles in, winter is just around the corner. With cooler temperatures approaching, morning frost may begin to cover portions of the golf course, potentially causing delays in play. If you have an early tee time, please call the Golf Shop or check your email for updates regarding possible frost delays. These delays also affect access to the putting green and driving range. **Please check in with the Golf Shop before heading onto the course on mornings when frost may be present.** Our team will do everything possible to get you out on the course as soon as conditions allow. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work to protect the course and keep it in the best possible condition.

Mark your calendars for **Black Friday, November 27!** The Golf Shop will be offering deep discounts on select merchandise, making it a great opportunity to get a head start on your Christmas shopping. Looking for the perfect gift for the golfer in your family? We can help! Head Golf Professional Steve Larick will also be offering a special on golf lessons for those looking to improve their game. And if we don't have exactly what you need in stock, just ask our Golf Shop staff—we'll be happy to help you get it ordered.

We look forward to seeing you at Golden Hills this fall and throughout the holiday season. Enjoy the cooler weather, the beautiful fall scenery, and, most importantly, some great golf!

Your Golf Shop staff: Steve Larick, Justin Fowler & Doyle Price

Upcoming Events

11/2	VFW	10:30
11/5	Babcock Center	12:00
11/8	LGA Couples	10:00
11/9	Lexington Chamber	11:00
11/12	Lex Econ Devel	11:00
11/14	MGA Championship	9:00
11/15	MGA Championship	9:00
11/23	Jesse Eudy Memorial	11:00
11/26	**Happy Thanksgiving**	Course Closed

Local Knowledge:

- **Mission Lexington: Golden Hills will serve as a donation site for Mission Lexington during November. Help us help others in need by dropping off a donation at the clubhouse.**
- **Black Friday Sale: The Golf Shop is stocked with all you or the golfer in your life needs. Be sure to visit us on Black Friday for our special sale prices.**
- **Three Aces: We had 3 members with a hole in one last month! Congrats to Ralph Sellers, hole 13; Jean Burns, hole 13 & Joey Joiner, hole 15. Visit the Hole in One Archive on our website.....the next named added could be yours!**
- **LGA Couples: Grab your partner & register for the next LGA Couples Tournament on November 8.**
- **Member Dogfights: If you would like to play in any of our weekly dogfights, they are held each Wednesday at 12:00, Friday at 11:30, Saturday at 9:00 & Sunday at 11:30. Please call the Golf Shop 48hrs in advance to be included.**
- **Save your Date: The clubhouse makes the perfect setting for any celebrations you are planning. The dates fill in fast so be sure to contact Laurice to save your date soon. 803-957-3355**

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Ladies Golf Association

It's hard to believe that another year is quickly coming to a close! As we look ahead to the final weeks of 2026, we still have several fun events planned and hope to see everyone out on the course!

Our **LGA Championship** was held on October 30. A recap of the day's events, along with tournament results, will be featured in the December newsletter.

The LGA will host our **final Couples Tournament of the year on November 8 at 10:00 a.m.** The format will be Net Best Ball of the Couple. Be sure to call the Golf Shop by November 5 to register. We hope to have a great turnout for our final couples event of the season!

Our **last Fun Day of the year will be held on November 19**, with a 9:15 a.m. shotgun start. This is always an enjoyable event for golfers of all skill levels, and best of all, there is no cost to participate! The 18-hole format will feature a different fun twist on each nine, making for an entertaining day on the course. If you would like to participate, please contact Kathy Shillaber.

Following golf, we will hold our **final quarterly LGA meeting of the year**, during which we will nominate officers for the upcoming term. We encourage everyone to attend and take part in helping shape the future of our LGA.

We will wrap up the year with our annual **LGA Christmas Party & Gift Exchange on December 12**. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details in next month's newsletter. It's always a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the season and enjoy time together off the course!

Ladies, we'd love for you to join us! If you've ever considered participating in one of our weekly LGA Play Days, consider this your personal invitation! We welcome ladies of all skill levels, whether you're an experienced golfer or just getting started. Whether you prefer to ride or walk, play 18 holes or just nine, there's a place for you in our group. Our regular weekly play days are: **Tuesday:** 9:15 a.m.; **Wednesday:** 1:15 p.m.; **Friday:** 9:30 a.m. If you'd like to join us, simply call the Golden Hills Golf Shop at **803-957-3355**.

For more information about ladies' golf at Golden Hills, please contact **Trish Proctor at proctrish@gmail.com**

Senior Men's Golf Association

Mark your calendars! The SMGA Christmas Party will be held on **Thursday, December 10, at 6:00 p.m.** The cost is $25 per couple or $15 per individual. Jody Young will begin collecting payments on November 17, and will continue collecting each Tuesday through the **December 1 deadline**. We hope everyone will make plans to join us for an enjoyable evening of holiday fellowship!

Looking Ahead to 2027: It's never too early to start planning for another great year of SMGA golf! Jody Young will begin collecting 2027 membership dues on Tuesday, January 5. Annual dues will remain at $25.

In addition to our traditional SMGA Championship and Yellow Ball Tournament, we plan to add another Double Pot event to the 2027 schedule. Formats under consideration include Two-Man Best Ball, Two-Man Captain's Choice, or Four-Man Captain's Choice. A final decision will be announced at a later date.

Come Join the SMGA! If you're new to Golden Hills or simply looking for more opportunities to enjoy the game and some friendly competition, we invite you to join the SMGA! Membership is open to all male Golden Hills members age 55 and older. Our group plays every Tuesday morning, offering a great opportunity to enjoy golf, camaraderie, and a little friendly competition. To be included on the weekly roster, simply contact the Golf Shop at **(803) 957-3355** by 3:00 p.m. on the preceding Sunday.

The results from last month were as follows:

9/29: Blind Draw: 1 - Tri Tran & Larry Harding 132, 2 - Dick Howe/Gary Maynard & Keith Morgan/Bob Waterfield 145, 4 - Randy Miller & Mark Wiggins 146

10/6: Flt A: 1 - Randy Laney & Nick Stathas +6; 3 - Joe Pawluk & Rick Green +2; 5 - Kirk Wiley -1; 6 - Berry Mears & Bill Harrington -2; Flt B: 1 - Ohmer Slaven & Lloyd Meinke +2; Johney Willams 0; 4 - Bill Buonomo & Bob Peterson -2

10/13 & 10/20: SMGA Championship: 1 - Ralph Sellers 141 (won in sudden death playoff); 2 - John Sumbera 141; 3 - Tom Dimashe; 4 - Rick Hubbard 146; 5 - Jim Anderson, Don Richards & Bill Buonomo 147; 8 - Randy Miller & Don Elliott 148; 10 - Nick Stathas, Jody Young, Byron Reams, Ohmer Slaven & Steve Lyman 149

10/27: Flt A: 1 - Tri Tran +2; 2 - Bill Harrington & Hardy Youmans -1; 4 - Chuck Dunlap -2; 5 - Gary Maynard -3; Flt B: 1 - Howard Werner +4; 2 - Randy Miller 0; 3 - Byron Reams -1; 4 - Steve Lyman, Lloyd Meinke & Bob Peterson -2; 7 - Chris Martin -3

If you would like to receive emails from the SMGA about events & results, contact Ray Chiellini at: dober2plus1@gmail.com or call (803) 518-4215.

GOLDEN HILLS
GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

FOOD DRIVE
Together We Make a Difference

Mission Lexington

Providing Hope. Changing Lives.

Golden Hills is proud to be a host site for Mission Lexington's food drive during the month of November.

Founded in 1978 by four churches, Mission Lexington began as a way to support individuals and families facing urgent needs and limited resources.

While our core mission remains unchanged, our community's rapid growth has driven the expansion of our facilities, staff, programs, and volunteer base.

As Lexington County continues to grow, so do the challenges its residents face.

As the county's central resource for crisis assistance, Mission Lexington provides essential support – including food, clothing, shelter, resources, and guidance.

In 2025 alone, we met over 69,000 needs.

In addition to our Social Services Department, Mission Store, and Donation Center, we operate the largest food pantry in Lexington County, as well as a Mobile Food Pantry that serves rural parts of our county.

Our food pantries feed over 25,000 people annually, including 10,000 children, providing $2.5 million in groceries each year.

Our impact is made possible through a network of local businesses, corporations, organizations, individuals, first responders, and more than 65 member churches that sustain our vision.



HOW TO DONATE:

Bring your food items to our Golden Hills Clubhouse Donation Center during operating hours.

The Mission Lexington team will ensure your donation goes straight to those who need it most.

MISSION PANTRY ESSENTIALS

- ✓ Canned protein (chicken, tuna, etc.)
- ✓ Canned vegetables
- ✓ Rice
- ✓ Peanut butter
- ✓ Jelly
- ✓ Laundry Detergent

Your Generosity Helps Feed Families

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!