



# April 2017 Newsletter

## Special Events

- April 1- March Madness Semi Final Games
- April 2-Sunday Brunch
- April 3- NCAA Final Game
- April 4-Grass Hoppers Course Closed
- April 4- Board Meeting
- April 5- MGA Opening Day Masters Auction
- April 9- Masters Pick Your Partner
- April 14- Good Friday Seafood Buffet
- April 16- Easter Sunday Buffet
- April 20- AC Golf Match
- April 21- Chamber Golf Outing Course Closed
- April 21- Fantasy Valley Exchange Day
- April 26- Admin Prof Buffet
- April 28- AC Golf Tournament Course Closed
- April 28- Couples Event
- April 29- Phil Mills Retirement Party
- April 30- MGA Pro Am

## Save These Dates

- May 5- Cinco de Mayo Fiesta
- May 7- First Sunday Brunch
- May 9- Great Cove Exchange Day
- May 12- FCI Outing Course Closed
- May 14- Mother's Day Buffet
- May 15- Calvary Christian Golf Day Course Closed
- May 17-Gold Tee Spring Championship 65+
- May 18- Annual Meeting All Members
- May 26- Lodestone Exchange Day
- May 27- Swimming Pool Opens
- May 29- Memorial Day Tournament and Picnic

## CCC... The Place to be in April

Wow! We have a lot going on in April at CCC. It's still hard to believe we had lots of golf in January, February and March so this Spring feels a bit unusual. **Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> the course is open** and the weather looks good. Come out and play some golf and stick around or come out for dinner and watch the semi final round of March Madness which begins at 6:09pm with South Carolina playing Gonzaga. If you're in the pool we are running you can check the board posted inside the bar to see how much you've won to date.

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>** is our open to the public **first Sunday** of the month **Brunch Buffet**.

**April 5<sup>th</sup>** is the **MGA Opening Day Golf Tournament**. It's a big day with a complementary lunch at the tree bar beginning at 11:30am and a Shotgun start at 1pm. After golf there will be a 1 hour open bar for MGA members from 5:15pm to 6:15pm and around 6:30pm we will have the annual Masters Auction of the top 100 players in the world who are in the tournament. See all the details on Page 4.

**Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup>** is a **pick your Masters Partner** 18 hole event. Your net score at CCC plus your Masters professional's gross score at Augusta will be your team's final score.

**April 14<sup>th</sup>, Good Friday** will be our fabulous **Seafood Night Menu**. Details on Page 6.

**April 16<sup>th</sup>, Easter Sunday**, we offer our traditional **Easter Buffet and Easter Egg Hunt** for the kids. See the menu on

Page 7.

**April 26<sup>th</sup>** is our **Administrative Professionals Day Buffet Luncheon**. Page 8.

**April 28<sup>th</sup>** is our first **Couples 9 hole Happy Hour Golf tournament** of the year.

**Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup>** is the big **Retirement Party for Phil Mills**. You should have already received your invitation in the mail. If by some chance you did not receive the invitation please call Pam Lease right away. We are asking everyone who has appreciated and loved Phil over the last 41 years to bring a card with your well wishes and a monetary gift as you see fit so that we can send Phil off on his antique car trip across the United States with a token of the membership's gratitude for maintaining our great course and grounds in such fine condition despite all of the economic struggles of the last decades. Please make every effort to attend this very special event. If you have a story about Phil you would like to share during the program that evening please let Pam know ASAP.

**Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup>**, there will be our first official **Pro Am tournament**. These tournaments are designed to bring together different partners than the ones you always play with and are a great networking opportunity especially for those in business. People you meet playing in Pro Ams often become your best friends over the years. Ladies are always encouraged to participate in these events.

There is a great deal of work going on around the club and just some of the people we all should give a thank you to are going to be mentioned so you will know of their efforts.

**Gaylord & Shirley Brooks** have taken care of landscaping and the flowers in the front of the clubhouse for years and will continue again this year.

**Chris and Carol Lockard** have offered to pay for replacing burnt out light bulbs in the parking lot and to install a new light above the area where people are dropped off.










**George Young and Tom Ostendorf** have been working and totally remodeling the first floor men's room. It will be first class. George was proactive in coming to a board meeting and making a proposal that made so much sense the board voted unanimously to move forward on the project. He also was instrumental in getting outside painting and ballroom floor refurbishing projects started. George came to the board with a plan of what needs done along with how we could afford to pay for it. Thanks George.

**George and Joyce Lapp** have donated plumbing work and new fixtures for the remodeled men's room. Thank you both for your generosity.

Members stepping up in creative ways is awesome. Our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary is approaching in 2019 and things are happening to make us all feel proud of our club.

# Cumberland Country Club

# April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<sup>1</sup> <b>March Madness Semi Final Games</b>
<sup>2</sup> <b>First Sunday Brunch 11-2</b>  Lunch Menu 11:00-4:00	<sup>3</sup> Club House Closed  <b>NCAA Final Game</b>	<sup>4</sup> <b>Grass Hoppers Course Closed</b>  <b>Board Meeting Rotary</b>	<sup>5</sup>  <b>MGA Opening Day Masters Auction</b>	 <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30-8:30</b>	<sup>7</sup> 5:30-7:30pm  <b>Friday Happy Hour!</b>	<sup>8</sup> Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9PM <i>Private Party</i>
<sup>9</sup>  <b>Masters Pick Your Partner</b>	<sup>10</sup>  Club House Closed	<sup>11</sup> Lunch Menu 11-Dusk  Rotary	<sup>12</sup> Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9 <i>Private Party</i>	<sup>13</sup> Rocky Gap Exchange Day  <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30-8:30</b>	<sup>14</sup> <b>Good Friday</b>  <b>SEAFOOD NIGHT</b>	<sup>15</sup> Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9PM <i>Private Party</i>
<sup>16</sup> <b>Easter Sunday Buffet 12-4</b> 	<sup>17</sup>  Club House Closed	<sup>18</sup> Lunch Menu 11-Dusk  Rotary	<sup>19</sup> Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9 <i>Private Party</i>	<sup>20</sup> AC Golf Match  <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30-8:30</b>	<sup>21</sup> <b>Chamber Golf Outing Course Closed</b> <b>Fantasy Valley Exchange Day</b>	<sup>22</sup> Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9PM 19th Hole <i>Private Party</i>
<sup>23</sup>  Lunch Menu 11:00-4:00	<sup>24</sup> Club House Closed  <i>Private Party</i>	<sup>25</sup> Lunch Menu 11-Dusk  Rotary	<sup>26</sup> Administrative Professionals Day <b>Buffet 11-3</b> 	 <b>Family Night Dinner 5:30-8:30</b> <i>Private Party</i>	<sup>28</sup> <b>AC Golf Tournament Course Closed</b>  Couples Golf	Phil Mills Retirement Dinner 
<sup>30</sup> <b>MGA Pro AM</b> 						



## From The Course

In last month's newsletter, I wrote about the extremely warm February that we experienced, and the need to mow greens and fairways for the first time I ever remember. Unfortunately, it didn't carry over into March. I'm going to be very busy in my last month of April. Newsletters can be very enjoyable to write if you have a good story to write, if the golf course is in good condition, or if you haven't delayed writing it until the day of the deadline. This will be my next to the last newsletter that I expect to write before my retirement in May. There are too many thank you messages to convey in one newsletter, so I will start with some now.

When I arrived in Cumberland in January of 1976, I was confident that I could oversee a large improvement to the golf course. A new irrigation system was installed that previous year and I was assured that the golf course equipment inventory would be upgraded. My largest task was assembling a grounds crew. Dick Iliff was the only full time non seasonal employee when I drove into the maintenance building on January 6th at about 9AM. The only thing I knew about Dick was that he was a long time club employee. I introduced myself, knowing full well that he was going to be critical to any first year success that I expected to accomplish. I made a habit of consulting him often, whether I needed it or not. Dick was a fairly good mechanic and a loyal assistant for many years. About four seasonal employees from 1975 were added to my first crew that spring. A lot of new badly needed equipment that was purchased over those first few years greatly helped that early crew following behind me. When Dick Iliff retired 20+ years ago, I had an easy choice of selecting his replacement. Bob Taylor was one of the holdover seasonal employees from 1975 when I arrived. It was a very easy transition as Bob was and still is a very hard worker and a good mechanic. Bob left a couple of times for better paying jobs, but I gladly welcomed him back twice. When Bob remarried about 20

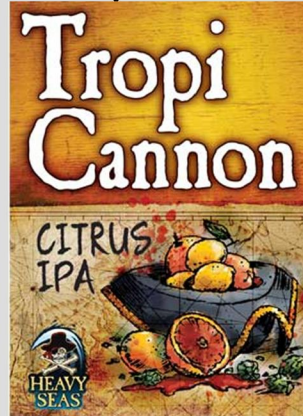
years ago, his value as an employee and a friend increased greatly. It is difficult to be a supervisor and a friend to an employee at the same time. But, I think and hope that Bob and I have been friends. Thank you Bob Taylor for your long service and your friendship!

Most of you are aware that Martin Harsh will be following me when I retire. Martin is 27 years old, and he grew up in Cumberland. After graduating from Allegany H.S., he attended Virginia Tech majoring in engineering for 3 years. After his third year at VA Tech, he knocked on my front door and said he wanted to leave college for a semester, and he was looking for a September to November job. I didn't know Martin at all, but I knew his mother who is a nurse that worked with my wife, Kim. I had an opening, so I hired him on the spot. Martin fell in love with the golf course work and I wasn't surprised when he asked to return to the job the next spring. He was unsure about what he wanted to do about school and a career path, so that fall he enlisted in the Army. About 18 months after he joined the Army, he was in town on leave. He called out of the blue, and asked if we could have breakfast. It wasn't too far into breakfast that he told me that he wanted to attend turf school at Penn State after his enlistment was completed. After a semi lengthy response from me, I told him that he had my total support. Martin had a serious combat wound in Afghanistan before he returned as a Purple Heart recipient. Martin is very intelligent with good common sense and he is very personable. It did not surprise me that he graduated in the top of his class. I believe that Martin will only be restricted by his resources available. Good luck Martin, and realize that Bob Taylor will be very important to your success.

I am looking forward to my retirement dinner on April 29th and I hope to see many of you there!

Phil Mills

### Beer of the Month



**\$4.50 per glass**

Heavy Seas Beer, the Baltimore Brewery best known for their flagship Loose Cannon PA has introduced their new seasonal beer this Spring, a "citrus IPA" named TropiCannon.

TropiCannon clocks in at the same 7.25% ABV as it's cousin, but has a modified hop profile, and is augmented with blood orange, grapefruit, mango and lemon flavors.





Cumberland Country Club  
**MGA Opening Day**  
*Wednesday, April 5th, 2017*

Pick your own Partner and make  
 your own Foursome  
 1 BB Gross & Net of Twosome

MGA Sponsored Lunch at the Tree Bar @ 11:30 a.m.  
 Seafood Bisque, Assorted Wraps, Potato Salad, Chips & Pretzels

Shotgun Start @ 1:00 p.m.  
 Entry Fee: \$20.00

MGA Sponsored Open Bar @5:15—6:15 p.m.

**Be sure to stay for the 2017 Masters Auction at approximately 6:30 p.m.**

Cumberland Country Club  
**2017 Masters Auction**  
*Wednesday, April 5, 2017*

Format: A, B, C, & D Masters player on each team  
 Teams auctioned off 1 by 1  
 Auction begins @ 6:30 p.m.  
 Get your bidding group together.

Make the Masters Interesting!!!

*\*Note: You have no obligation to  
 bid, just enjoy the company.*

Corresponding Shop Games,  
 Saturday & Sunday, April 8th &  
 9th



*Neither rain, nor sleet, nor snow will stop our golfers!*

## April's Family Nights are Back on Thursday's

### Thursday, April 6th

Sliced London Broil w/ Smashed Potatoes	\$17.95
Crab Imperial w/Rice Pilaf	\$18.50
Chicken Parmesan over Angel Hair w/Garlic Bread	\$16.95

### Thursday, April 13th

Roasted Pork Loin w/Sauerkraut & Mashed Potatoes	\$16.50
Teriyaki Glazed Salmon w/Rice Pilaf	\$17.50
Lasagna w/Garlic Bread	\$13.95

### Thursday, April 20th

Meatloaf w/Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	\$16.50
Trout Almondine w/Rice Pilaf	\$17.95
Ham & Cabbage w/Corn Bread	\$13.95

### Thursday, April 27th

Roasted Prime Rib w/Baked Potato	\$20.95
Grilled Chicken Bayside w/Rice Pilaf	\$18.95
Shrimp Lo Mein	\$17.50

The Club Lunch Menu and Two Dinner Specials will also be available.  
Please call the Club Office @ 301-722-8080 for reservations.

## April 2017

## Food & Beverage Hours of Operation

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	11:00 a.m. - Dusk    Lunch Menu
Wednesday	11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.    Lunch Menu 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.    Dinner Menu
Thursday	11:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.    Lunch Menu 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Family Night
Friday	11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.    Lunch Menu 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Dinner Menu 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour
Saturday	11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Lunch Menu 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Dinner Menu
Sunday	1st Sunday of the Month Brunch 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. - Dusk    Lunch Menu Easter Sunday 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



# Seafood Night

## Friday, April 14th

5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

### Starters

- Shrimp Cocktail \$11.95  
 Mini Crab Cakes \$12.95  
 Scallops Wrapped in Bacon \$11.95  
 Oysters Rockefeller \$11.95  
 Steamed Clams \$10.95

### Salads

(included with meal)

- House Salad  
 Caesar Salad  
 Spinach Salad

### Seafood

- Crab Stuffed Lobster Tail  
 \$36.95  
 Grilled Salmon  
 \$21.95  
 Grilled Sea Bass  
 \$25.95  
 Seared Red Snapper  
 \$21.95

### Soups

- French Onion \$3.25  
 Cream of Crab \$3.25

### Beef & Chicken

- 8 oz Filet Au Poivre On a Bed of Sauteed Mushrooms \$21.95  
 Grilled Chicken Topped w/Carmelized Onions & Bourbon BBQ Glaze \$17.50  
 12 oz Grilled NY Strip Rubbed w/Steak Butter \$21.50

### Sauces

Hollandaise - Beurre Blanc - Garlic & Herb Butter - Red Pepper Coulis - Garlic - Red Wine Demi Glace

### Sides

(\$6.00 each - serves two people)

- Mashed Sweet Potatoes  
 Fresh Cut Fries

- Asparagus  
 Macaroni & Cheese  
 Baked Potato

- Jasmine Rice Pilaf  
 Capellini w/Garlic & Olive Oil  
 Snow Peas

# *Easter Sunday Buffet & Easter Egg Hunt* <sup>7</sup>

**Sunday, April 16th 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Open to all Members & Guests**

## **Carving Station**

*Prime Rib*

*Ham*

*Assorted Bread Basket*

## **Children's Buffet**

Chicken Tenders

Macaroni & Cheese

Bacon, Sausage, & Ham

Silver Dollar Pancakes

## **Buffet**

Eggs Benedict

Crème Brulee French Toast

Cream of Crab Soup

Tossed Salad w/Assorted Dressings

Potato Salad & Marinated Pasta Salad

Fruit Platter, Broccoli Salad, & Watergate Salad

Picked Eggs & Beets

Chicken Marsala

Broiled Maryland Crab Cakes w/Tartar Sauce

Garlic & Chive Smashed Potatoes

Green Beans Almondine

Broccoli, Cauliflower, & Carrot Mix

Deluxe Dessert Bar

**Adults - \$27.95 per person**

**Children's Buffet - \$8.00 (children 10 and under)**

**Reservations Required - Call 301-722-8080**

**Easter Bunny**

**12:00-3:00P pm**

**Easter Egg Hunt 2:00 pm  
(weather permitting)**





**Wednesday, April 26th**

**10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Cash or Member Charge Bar

**Buffet**

Cream of Crab Soup

Broccoli Salad

Fresh Fruit Platter

Caesar Salad

Gingham Salad

Broiled Salmon with Lemon Meuniere Sauce

Grilled Chicken with Roasted Garlic Cream Sauce

Shrimp Scampi

Steamed Rice

Angel Hair Pasta with Garlic & Wine Sauce

Mixed Vegetables

Rolls & Butter

Dessert Table

\$15.95+ per person

Please call the Club Office @ 301-722-8080

For Reservations

***Happy Administrative Professionals Day!***

*For sending forms and fixing files, pouring through the paper piles,  
Completing tasks with time to spare, keeping track of what goes where,  
Placing orders for supplies, staying calm when tensions rise,  
Typing e-mails and reports, handling crises of all sorts,  
Taking calls throughout the day, and being great in every way...*

***Thank you!***



## From the Pro Shop

April is finally here and that means it is officially golf time. Hopefully all the rain and bad weather is behind us. We had a couple early moments that looked like spring and that allowed the Grounds crew to do an amazing job getting us golf ready. They have the course in amazing shape for this time of year. We will greatly miss Phil Mills when he retires but he is leaving us in good hands with Martin Harsh. Martin has been working under Phil now for many years and I know he will do an amazing job. Martin knows he has very big shoes to fill and is up to the task. If you see Phil please be sure to congratulate him on his many years of wonderful service to the club. Since I have worked here I have always looked up to him. I could have not asked for a better role model. It was easy to see that Phil had an amazing work ethic and more important you could tell that he loved his job. One of the best things about Phil was that he always created a very positive work environment. This made work more enjoyable for himself and everyone else around. I will really miss working with him and wish him the best of luck in anything he does.

Our first event of the year is our MGA Opening Day on April 5th. The format of this event is a one best ball gross and one best ball net. Last year Dr. Jim Snodgrass and Kevin Yost were our gross winners and Tim Uhl and Rune Andreassen were our Net winners. MGA events are always an extremely good time, so I highly recommend for everyone to play. We can always use more participation so please don't be shy about signing up. Our Next event after that will be our first Pro Am of the year on Sunday April 30th. Pro Ams are a great time to get to play in a fun competitive environment with people you typically don't play with. I need all kinds of skill levels for these Pro Ams, so please try playing in one and it will likely become a favorite event for you. Something I would love to see this year is our tournament participation increase.

We have three exchange days in April. Thursday the 13th is at Rocky Gap, Monday the 17th is at Down River and Tuesday the 18th is at Bedford Elks. If you are not familiar with exchange days they allow our members the privilege to

play other courses at a discounted rate. Make sure to use April to get your golf game ready for May. In May we will have our first Major of the year. Bruce Dubins will try and defend his Spring Championship on May 20th and 21st. I hope to see everyone in mid-season form by then.

As we get into golf season and the weather changes we are trying to push our new Junior Membership and our new Trial membership. This is a great opportunity to get new faces to the experience Cumberland Country Club so they can see how amazing it really is. We hope this will help to build our current membership and to help provide our club with a more stable future. The club appreciates everyone who is helping to spread the word and I encourage everyone who may have potential prospects to give them our number so they can find out all the details. The club really appreciates everyone's support.

I hope to see everyone out golfing soon,

David Gearing,  
Director of Golf Operations  
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## Cumberland Country Club

## May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Club House Closed	2 Lunch Menu 11-Dusk Rotary	3 Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9	4 Lunch Menu All Day Family Night 5:30—8:30	5 <b>Cinco de Mayo Fiesta</b>	6 Lunch Service Grill Room  <i>Private Party</i>
7	8 Club House Closed  <i>Private Party</i>	9 <b>Great Cove Exchange Day</b>	10 Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9  <i>Private Party</i>	11 Lunch Menu All Day Family Night 5:30—8:30  <i>Private Party</i>	12 <b>FCI Outing Course Closed</b>	13   <i>Private Party</i>
14 <b>Mother's Day Buffet</b>	15 <b>Calvary Christian Golf Day Course Closed</b>  <i>Private Party</i>	16 Lunch Menu 11-Dusk Rotary	17 <b>Gold Tee Spring Championship 65+</b>	18 <b>Annual Meeting All Members 5:30</b>	19 Lunch Menu 11:00-9:00 Happy Hour Couples Event Family Night 5:30—8:30	20
21	22 Club House Closed	23 Lunch Menu 11-Dusk Rotary	24 Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9  <i>Private Party</i>	25 Lunch Menu All Day Family Night 5:30—8:30	26 <b>Lodestone Exchange Day Course Closed</b>	27 <b>Swimming Pool Opens for the Summer</b>
28   <i>Private Party</i>	29 <b>Memorial Day Tournament &amp; Picnic</b>	30 Lunch Menu 11-Dusk Rotary	31 Lunch Menu All Day Dinner 6-9			