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Georgetown Country Club News

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April Snapshot Calendar

Sneakpeak April Calendar

- April 1st: The golf course and tennis courts open for the season (weather permitting)
- April 9th: GTCC Men's Golf League Meeting 7:00 p.m. in the clubhouse
- April 19th: Golf Club Swap 9 a.m. – noon in the clubhouse
- April 23rd: Ladies Golf League Meeting 6:30 p.m. in the clubhouse
- April 24th: Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. in the clubhouse
- April 27th: Summer Program Registration 12 – 2 p.m. (register for swim/dive/synchro teams, golf, tennis, art classes)

Sneakpeak May Calendar

- May 10th: Prep the Pool Day
- May 20th: Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- May 23rd: Pool Party For Members Who Participate in 'Prep the Pool Day' 6 – 9 P.M.
- May 24th: POOL OPENS FOR THE SEASON!!!!!!! 12 – 9 P.M.

Visit www.georgetowncc.org for the complete 2008 calendar of events.

Club Member Business Directory

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President's Column

For more than a year now, I've made it a point to share information about the membership attrition we've experienced at Georgetown, the effect that has on our budget and the need to stop the loss and grow our club. I ask for your help in this endeavor each month and continue to do so now.

Our membership roster for the 2008 season currently shows a significant decline compared to last year. **We must bring in new members to keep Georgetown affordable!** In an effort to stimulate membership growth, the Board of Directors has approved the following:

2008 FULL FAMILY TRIAL MEMBERSHIP: \$995.00 (offer expires 5/15/08)

Please share this tremendous offer with your friends, neighbors & co-workers...recruit people to become members of our club! Bring them in for a tour of the facilities so that they can see for themselves what Georgetown has to offer. Contact Brenda (Brenda@georgetowncc.org) with any questions and to schedule your visit. Thanks in advance for your help in this extremely important cause.

Finally, The Board of Directors meeting has been moved to Thursday, April 24th at 7:00PM in the clubhouse. We'll be reviewing membership numbers and the impact this has to our budget. Please join us if you're available.

Best regards,
Eric Stepnitz
2008 Board President

Summer Program Registration Day

We are gearing up for our annual registration day that will be held on **Sunday, April 27 from 12:00-2:00 p.m.** in the clubhouse. This is the first day we will accept registrations for summer programs. Our swim/dive team coaches, golf staff and tennis professional will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about the upcoming season. Please visit the club website at www.georgetowncc.org for complete program information including classes, dates, times and rates.

Junior Memberships Available

The junior membership entitles one person (entering the 9th grade through age 20) full membership privileges that include access to all program areas (golf course, pool, tennis courts) when classes or leagues are not in session. Greens fees are waived and attendance at all social events is included. Student identification or a driver's license must be presented at the time of registration. The membership holder is not eligible to vote during the annual board meeting and election. All of this for only \$300!

Prep the Pool Day

Opening the pool for the season is a big job and this season we would like to ask for your help. To prepare the pool deck for the opening day celebration we must thoroughly clean the deck and equipment, set-up seating areas, prune bushes, stain the play structure and make any necessary repairs to the facility and equipment. We will be hosting a 'Prep the Pool' day on **Saturday, May 10** from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Members who volunteer to help out with the opening tasks will be invited to enjoy the pool a day earlier than the general membership on Friday, May 23 from 6-9 p.m. Only members who help out with the pool opening will be invited to this early pool day. Please contact Brenda if you are interested!

School Pool Parties

Many teachers are looking for activities for the last two weeks of school. Georgetown is now offering pool parties to local school classes! Please contact Brenda for more information!

Golf Course Hole Sponsorship

The club will be offering hole sponsorships this season. If you have a business that you would like to promote, please contact Brenda for more information!

2008 Facility Hours

April Golf Course & Tennis Court Hours:

April 1-12: 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

April 13-19: 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

April 20-30: 8:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

2008 Pool Hours:

May 24 – June 5: M-Th 4-8 p.m., Friday 4-9 p.m., Saturday Noon-9 p.m., Sunday Noon-8 p.m.

June 6 – September 1: 7 days a week Noon – 9 p.m.

Pool Guest Passes

You asked and the board listened! The local guest pass limit (for guests who live within a 30 mile radius of the club) has been increased to 12 visits per season! The cost has also been reduced to \$5/person. The club will be selling reduced cost guest passes beginning May 1 and continuing through Memorial Day. Members will be able to purchase 10 passes for only \$40.00! Do you have guest passes from the 2007 season remaining on your account? We will accept those passes this season, however, all guest passes must be used by the end of the 2008 season or they will expire (they will not carry over to the 2009 season). Guest passes cannot be redeemed for cash.

Golf Club Swap

Georgetown will be hosting a golf club swap on Saturday, April 19 from 9 a.m. – noon in the clubhouse. This is a great opportunity to buy, sell or trade clubs at reasonable rates! Clubs can be dropped off at the clubhouse on Friday, April 18 from 6-8 p.m. For more information, please contact board member Gary Court at 971-4864 or gcourt@comcast.net

Member Handbooks

Do you know all of the GTCC policies? We encourage all members to stop by the pro shop to pick up a copy of the membership handbook.

Accompaniment Passes

One accompaniment pass per membership may be purchased at the pro shop for the 2008 season. The cost is \$50.00. **Accompaniment pass holders are not allowed to bring guests.** This pass may be purchased by members who meet one of the following conditions:

1. Members who work outside of the home or who work in the home but are unable to come to the facility and would like to have their children utilize the Club in their absence may choose to purchase an accompaniment pass for the caretaker of their children. The caretaker may not use the facility when the parents/legal guardians are present.
2. Members who have two or more small children (at least two children must be under the age of 3) who require assistance when utilizing the facilities in the absence of a second parent/legal guardian. The intended use of the pass in this situation is for one parent/legal guardian and a caretaker to provide the necessary care of the children. The pass may not be utilized when two parents or legal guardians are present. Management approval required
3. Members with special needs children who require assistance when utilizing the facilities. Management approval required

Junior Discretionary Golf Passes

Golfers under the age of 14 must golf with a responsible adult or obtain a Junior Discretionary Pass. This pass is available to members 10 years of age and older. This pass is not available to members under the age of 10 or nonmembers. To obtain the pass, written and practical exams will be administered. The candidate must answer a minimum of 90% of the questions correctly and demonstrate the knowledge of essential golf rules and etiquette. Testing sessions must be arranged in advance and can be scheduled with a pro shop staff member. A Junior Discretionary card will be issued and must be presented with the member card prior to golf play. **Members who obtained a JD pass last season do not need to complete this process again.** Please call the pro shop to schedule a testing session for your child or email Brenda at questions@gerogetowncc.org

Registration for a testing session must be done in advance to ensure instructors are available. Testing dates have not yet been determined for the 2008 season. Please continue to watch for blast emails with information regarding upcoming dates.

Tee Times

The club is now accepting tee times! We will continue to accept walk-in golfers if space is available.

2008 Swim/Dive Team Coaching Staff

Head Dive Coach – Gretchen Plamondon

My name is Gretchen Plamondon, and I am thrilled to be a part of GTCC this year. I will be the diving coach as well as the pool manager. I began my diving career as a freshman in high school and continued to dive through college at Eastern Michigan University where I developed as a diver as well as a coach. I was the diving coach for the Novi high school girl's team this past year and have been coaching at legacy diving for the past 3 years. I have been a part of the WISC circuit for the past 6 years coaching at Chippewa country club. I graduated from EMU in 2006 with a degree in physical education and health education. I have been substitute teaching since I graduated and I am currently looking for a permanent teaching job in the Ann Arbor area. I look forward to getting to know the families at GTCC and I know we will have an enjoyable and successful summer.

Head Swim Coach – Brian Thomas

My name is Brian Thomas and I am very excited to be part of the Georgetown Swimming Family this summer as your Head Swim Coach, CPO and Private Lessons Instructor. I started my swim career in WISC swimming 8 seasons with the Ann Arbor Country Club. I spent my high school years swimming for Dexter High School. At Eastern Michigan University I was able to explore new aquatic paths playing water polo on two MAC championship teams and graduating in 1999. For the past three years I have been at Chelsea High School as both boys and girls assistant swim coach and head coach of Chelsea Girls Water Polo. I am back at Eastern pursuing my teacher's certification as well as a Social Studies degree to keep my History degree company. My wife Jana and I live in Manchester and my spare time, when not studying or coaching, is spent fixing our old home in town. I am very excited to relive all the great times I had being a swimmer in WISC and I hope to continue these memories with my new family at Georgetown Country Club.

Assistant Swim Coach – Jenay Karlson

Hi, my name is Jenay Karlson and I am very pleased and excited to be Georgetown's Assistant Swim Coach for this summer. I began competitive USS swimming when I was 11 years old and swam year round through high school. I moved out to Ann Arbor in 1999 to join the University of Michigan Women's Swim Team where I was fortunate enough to have competed at Big Tens, NAAs and the 2000 Olympic Trials. During summers in college I often helped coach youth summer swim camps either at Club Wolverine or with my home team in San Diego. After undergrad I began coaching with Ann Arbor Swim Club Y (now Club Wolverine) where I ran their developmental age-group workouts, and assisted with the junior high and high school swim practices and dry land workouts. I have taken the past 3 years off from coaching to work in education and psychology research and attend graduate school. I am currently finishing up my master's degree at the University of Michigan's School of Social Work in Social Policy and Evaluation. I am looking forward to being back on the pool deck this summer to have a lot of fun with a great group of swimmers.

2008 Junior Golf League

Hello Junior Golfer of Georgetown!

It's Nick Gardner, and I'm back again to make the Junior Golf League as good as it can be. I hope you all had a great winter and are eagerly anticipating the upcoming season. In our ongoing effort to improve the program, we have made some changes to the Junior Golf League. This year, space in the Junior Golf League is limited, so don't miss registration day on Sunday, April 27th from 12-2pm. Remember, the Junior Golf League is **not** an instructional league, however, I am giving private lessons again this year for **anyone** who wishes to improve their game. (Note: the fees for private lessons have **not** increased, they are the same as last year).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me in the Pro Shop starting April 1st during normal business hours. Looking forward to seeing you all of you out on the course!

Junior Golf League Instructor
Nick Gardner

Aquatics Committee Volunteers Needed

We are gearing up for the upcoming season and we need help with the following positions:

Concessions Coordinator
Social Coordinator
Volunteer Coordinator

If you would like more information about how you can get involved and what the commitment entails, please contact GM Brenda Thoeny-Johnson via email at Brenda@georgetowncc.org or phone 971-5500. We cannot have a successful season without volunteer help, so please consider joining the committee to ensure your children can continue to enjoy all the wonderful swim/dive/synchro opportunities that have been offered in the past!

Teen & Pre-Teen Committees Update

Thank you to everyone that attended the teen and pre-teen committee meetings. There were a lot of ideas and here are a few highlights:

- Teen & Pre-Teen Dances (separate events)
- Teen lounge area (clubhouse or separate picnic area they can call their own)
- Dodge ball tournaments
- Pool parties they can invite their friends to attend
- Goofy golf tournaments (a different game for each hole, glow ball)
- Biathlon (swim and run)
- Sleepover in the clubhouse
- Games checkout (board games, cards)

So, where do we go from here? We have a lot of ideas but we need help implementing them. The big theme from the teen group was that they are interested in being at GTCC but do not want to be chaperoned by their parents (they would like a staff member to supervise their events). However, I need help planning the various events. If you are interested in helping with any of these ideas, please contact Brenda! Watch upcoming emails for May committee meeting dates.

Abakadoodle

"Abakadoodle (www.abakadoodle.com) will be offering summer classes as Georgetown! These classes are for children entering 1st-6th grade. More information can be found on the Club website or you can learn more by calling/emailing 734-369-8116/mmurphy@abakadoodle.com.

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