# **NEWSLETTER FOR APRIL 2014**

- ❖ The Board of Director's are very disappointed in the lack of response to the informal survey presented in last month's newsletter. The survey is your chance to relay to the Board, personal desires affecting our golf activities. The survey will be printed again in this newsletter in hopes that more members will add to the 14 surveys that had been submitted during March.
- Sadly, we recently lost 2 longtime members of NTSGA. Their obituaries are contained in this newsletter.
- ❖ The 2014 Master's Pot will be open for selection at the Heritage Ranch tournament on April 9.

# **BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL**

Joe Bennett 11 <sup>th</sup>	Jay Gasper 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Larry Gebhardt 24 <sup>th</sup>	Tom Higgins 26 <sup>th</sup>
Steve Killian 28 <sup>th</sup>	John Kohut 9 <sup>th</sup>	Ron Pearce 28 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Robertson 24 <sup>th</sup>
Jack Thompson 16 <sup>th</sup>	Butch Vaut 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lou Wilkerson 28 <sup>th</sup>	

Pun intended...A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months!

# TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

	Players	Percentage of full field	Low Gross	Low Net
Bridlewood	102	79%	Phil Abel 76 Gary Zimmerman 76	Larry Lucas 64
Waterchase	78	60%	Dale Graves 80 Tim Koscinski 80	Tim Koscinski 66
WestRidge	127	99%	Harlin Hamilton 72	Jeff Aston 66
Watters Creek	120	93%	Butch Vaut 74	Gene Clark 66

### PREVENTING SLOW PLAY

- Do not meddle with head covers while people behind are waiting to hit.
- When sharing a cart, drop one player at his ball, go play your shot then return to pick up your riding partner.
- Park the cart towards the back of the green. When you walk from the green, the foursome behind can hit sooner than if your cart was in front.
- On the green, be ready when it's your turn. Read your putt while others are putting.

## FACTS FROM AUGUSTA.....

The two large trees on the lawn behind the clubhouse are live oaks, which are not native to this part of Georgia. Augusta National grounds chairman Roy Simkins estimates they are about 150 years old and were brought from the coastal area when the old manor house was first built in the mid-1800's. Because of lightning strikes and disease, the cavity of one tree was filled with cement years ago and an assortment of cables up top keep the long, thick branches from striking the clubhouse under windy conditions.

# **NEXT 5 TOURNAMENTS**

April 2	Indian Creek – Lakes	8:00	\$40.00
April 9	Heritage Ranch C.C.	8:00	\$40.00
April 16	Frisco Lakes	8:00	\$40.00
April 23	Buffalo Creek	8:00	\$40.00
April 30	Woodbridge	8:00	\$40.00

## **DIRECTIONS TO GOLF COURSES**

<u>Indian Creek – Lakes</u> (Carrollton) 972-466-9850; 1650 W. Frankford. Drive north on I-35E (Stemmons Frwy). Under the George Bush Turnpike flyover, exit at Frankford Rd. Turn right, drive .6 mile, course entrance on left.

Heritage Ranch C.C. (Fairview) 972-549-0276; 465 Scenic Ranch Circle. Take I-75 (Central Expwy) north, exit at Stacy Rd., right turn (east) 3 miles to the dead end (FM 1378). Turn left, then an immediate right, back onto Stacy Rd. Continue east for ½ mile, course entrance on left (has gate guard).

<u>Frisco Lakes</u> (Flower Mound) 972-292-3089; 899 Rose Lane. Take the Dallas No. Tollway north of Hwy 121, exit at Lebanon, turn left (west) for approx. 4.5 miles to FM 423. Turn right for approx. 1.1 miles to Stonebrook Pkwy (2<sup>nd</sup> traffic light). Turn left (west) for 1.3 miles. Turn left at Anthem Dr., leads to clubhouse.

<u>Buffalo Creek</u> (Rockwall) 972-771-4003; 624 Country Club Dr. Take LBJ Frwy east/south, exit at I-30 east. Go across lake, exit at Horizon Rd. Turn right, drive across Ridge Rd (traffic light). Immediately past hospital, turn right onto Tubbs Rd. (7-11 on left). Road changes name to White Rd. Wind through residential area adjacent to golf course. Turn left at dead end (Country Club Rd.) Drive ¼ mile, course entrance on right.

<u>Woodbridge</u> (Wylie) 972-429-5100 7400 Country Club Dr. Drive the Geo Bush Turnpike, exit at Hwy 78 (north) in Garland. Drive 3.9 miles; turn right into the Woodbridge subdivision. At 2<sup>nd</sup> stop sign, turn left. Course entrance .2 miles, straight ahead.

Q: What is a seizure?

A: A Roman Emperor....Julius Seizure! (I came, I saw, I had a fit.)

### SAD NEWS....

Two longtime members of NTSGA have recently passed away. The organization certainly hopes that you keep the families of **ED JARRELL** and **BILL BEVERLEY** in your thoughts and prayers.

<u>ED JARRELL</u> was a 12 year member of our organization and was also an active golfer at Dallas Athletic Club. He is a native Texan growing up and attending schools in Waco. Following High School, Ed earned an Electrical Engineering degree from SMU. He was a Division Manager of Network Engineering for Southwestern Bell Telephone, retiring after 36 years of employment in 1998. In addition, Ed volunteered his time to the Boy Scouts of America earning him the District Award of Merit.





**BILL BEVERLEY** had one of the longest tenures with NTSGA, joining in 1994. He was a native of Dallas, attending Sunset High School and after graduation served with the Naval Reserves at NAS Dallas in Grand Prairie. Bill was employed by Braniff International for 29 years and recently worked part time for Southwestern Blueprint. He had a fascination with antique automobiles and was a member of the Dallas Chevy Club.

May both of these gentlemen rest in peace.



## NTSGA INFORMAL SURVEY....

The following questions are presented as an input from members to aid Tournament Chairman, Rod Wells in selecting courses for the <u>2015</u> schedule. Please circle your responses and drop off this form at the check-in table at any of the tournament's during March. No names are needed.

- How much would you be willing to pay (entry + prize money) once or twice a year to play a premier course:
  - a) \$50
  - b) \$60
  - c) \$70
  - d) I'm not interested in paying more than \$40.00
- 2) Would you like to occasionally play different formats, i.e. 4 man best ball, Captain's choice, Scramble, 2 man best ball, Stableford scoring, etc? Yes

No

- Would you purchase NTSGA logoed merchandise (hats, shirts, visors, towels, etc.)?
  Yes
  No
- 4) Would you be willing to play the ball down (no movement) for 1 tournament a year? Yes No

# **HOLE-IN-ONE......DAVID DEPUE**

North Texas Seniors Golf Association's first Hole-In-One of the 2014 season was recorded by **DAVID DEPUE.** Playing at Bridlewood Golf Club on March 5, David hit his 7 iron exactly 121 yards into the hole of the club's signature 8<sup>th</sup> hole. Witnessing David's great shot were playing partners **Al Alcantara**, **Randy Cook and John Kohut.** This is David's 3<sup>rd</sup> Hole-In-One of his golf career and comes 6 years after his first ace made in 2008 at Chase Oaks Golf Club (now Watters Creek).

Growing up in Clinton, Iowa, David is a retired commercial airline pilot having flown for Braniff International and Continental Airlines, retiring in 2007.

NTSGA is happy to add \$200.00 to David's bank balance for his great shot.

# CONGRATULATIONS, DAVID DEPUE!

# Two-man Team Sign Up: CAPTAIN'S:

The following members are 2-man team **CAPTAINS**:

Phil Abel, John Agee, Al Alcantara, Pete Archbold, Frank Arthur, Jeff Aston, Roger Ball, Mike Barker, Terry Bell, Rich Carmen, Freddie Carroll, J.D. Caywood, Gene Clark, Bob Coburn, Randy Cook, Clint Culp, Gary Delcambre, Gene Edmondson, Phil Fahs, Rex Ferguson, Tom Frame, Jay Gasper, Ron Goethals, Gerald Gotcher, Basil Greaves, Dick Hall, Harlin Hamilton, Mike Hatfield, Tom Hatfield, Phil Head, Jim Holmes, Jay Houston Bill Kayser, Billy King, John Kohut, Art Krueger, Gene Kurihara, Gene Lindsey, Tom Lymenstull, Pat Martin, Mac McDowell, Tom McMahan, Russ Medlin, Danny Millaway, David Miller, Thunder Miller, Joe Minter, Gary Mitchell, John Opiela, John Owens, Andy Parker, Kelly Parks, John Pierce, Paul Price, Larry Proctor, C.J. Pryor, Joe Ramos, Frank Riley, Mike Robertson, Stan Robertson, Ben Robinson, Bill Rogers, Joel Rogers, Bill Roll, Pete Schoemann, Dennis Smith, John Stieneker, Tim Strobel, Ken Talburt, Joe Thompson, Sid Thrash, Don Tinius, Steve Tipton, Pat Tritch, Jake Truitt, Butch Vaut, Mike Vestal, Bob Wands, Joe Bob Wheeler, Lloyd Whitson, Dave Wilson, Greg Windsor, Bobby Wood, LeRoy Worm and Gary Zimmerman.

It is the responsibility of the Captain to check off  $(\checkmark,x)$  all listed partners for the tournament and pay the entry fee (\$2.00/team). If a partner does not show up for that event and the fee has been paid, that team will be carried over until the next tournament (highlighted in yellow on the computer sign up pages). If a Captain wants to play with a partner that is not on his list, enter the team on the manual sign up page and pay the \$2.00 entry fee.

If a member does not want to be a Captain, simply tell Handicap Chairman, Howie Bacharach (972-620-2602) and his name will be removed from the Captain's listing.

### **OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF LITTLE CHILDREN:**

A grandmother was telling her little granddaughter what her own childhood was like. "We used to skate outside on a pond. I had a swing made from a tire; it hung from a tree in our front yard. We rode our pony. We picked wild raspberries in the woods." The little girl was wide-eyed, taking this all in. At last she said, "I sure wish I'd gotten to know you sooner!"

### MORE GOLF...... KELLY PARKS

Palm Springs, Sept 14-18. Four night's accommodations at LaQuinta Resort, 4 breakfasts, 3 rounds of golf, prizes. Google: World Airlines Golfing Alliance.

Questions? Contact NTSGA member Kelly Parks, 972-247-8435

## **AGE SHOOTERS – MARCH**

**JEFF ASTON** March 19, WestRidge (76)

### FUNNY.....

I rear-ended a car this morning. So, there we are alongside the road and slowly the driver gets out the car. ...and you know how you just-get-sooooo-stressed and life-stuff seems to get funny? Well, I could not believe it, the other driver was a Dwarf! He storms over to my car, looks up at me and says, "I AM NOT HAPPY!"

So, I look down at him and say, "Well, which one are you, then?"

.........."and that's when the fight started!"

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### ENTREPRENEURIAL MEMBERS...

Dale Graves – Real Estate brokerage services/investments. Ins. needs, all types. 214-232-4773

Rod Hays (CFP) – Retirement Planning, etc. 214-953-1021

Danny Holifield – Edward Jones Investments, 401K conversions/strategies. 817-488-7144

David Miller – Miller's Jewelry & Pawn. Jewelry sales, repair, mfg. Diamonds. 972-271-7296

Mike Neeley – Mike's Limo Service. All Occasions, \$65/hr, 2hr min. 214-717-1930 mikeslimostx.com

Larry Proctor – Proctor Pest Control. Res. /Comm. insect, pest control. 214-321-6379, 817-205-2387

Bert Rabbe – North Texas Wood Works. Custom furniture, original wood designs. NTXWW.com

Sun Roll (Bill) – Spa Int'l; massage, facial, manicure/pedicure 972-395-8700. Disc. to NTSGA mem

Quincy Sutton – Golf club repair, reshaft, regrip, etc. 580-222-8771

Butch Vaut – Telecom & Energy solution provider. Master agent for Time Warner Cable & Cirro Energy 214-923-6990

Greg Windsor – Windsor Construction. General construction and repairs 972-365-6261