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President's Post

The entire Board would like to thank our employees, Johnny, Sally, Steve, and also Sarahfaye and her mowing crew for their hard work this past year. Our tiny staff does great things! Our members, too, contribute hundreds of hours of their time doing small and large projects, as well as

donating material goods to the club. Of all the efforts of the year here are just a few contributions that saved us oodles of time and money: a replacement printer, kitchen equipment, bark, plants and planting, roofing labor, scouting out a used refrigerator and picking it up, taking recycling to the dump, new screen door (and framing so it fits), painting and staining in the clubhouse, a new path across the ditch on #4, teaching kids, providing food and party supplies, baking cookies, giving up your old golf clubs...and much more!

We thank you for all these important gifts and wish you a very merry holiday season.

ALL Events Are Posted On Our Website

<http://lopezislandgolf.com/>

Joyce Kruithof

Gary Hall

Sue Crockett

Jim Ghiglione

Dodie Schiessl

Steve Levy

Ian Lange

Remembering "Mom"



..... As so many of us affectionately called Gladys Shipley. She passed on November 2nd in Yuma at the age of 91, but she was healthy right up to the end, and sooo enjoyed life. Gladys spent her summers on Lopez and winters in Yuma Arizona with her daughter Myrna & son-in-law Dennis Mattson. Just in case you don't know, all three of them have been a huge part of the golfing family on Lopez. " 'Isn't this fun' , that was mom's favorite saying whether she had just won a big poker hand or was sitting on the beach with her afternoon drink. She loved life so much and enjoyed every moment", says Myrna.

Gladys & her husband Al joined the LIGC in the mid-70's and were part of the group that helped rebuild the course. Myrna said that at that time, the golf club was the central social place on Lopez. Recently, Gladys received the 'honorary membership status' when she turned 90 last year.

Gladys' memorial service was held at the Lopez Golf Club on Nov 11. Myrna said, "Dennis and I can't thank all of you enough for helping with mom's get together after her funeral. She must be as pleased as we are".



We will all miss Gladys very much but we're so blessed that she touched our lives. Farewell Gladys, thank you for being part of our family.

Rules Tip: The USGA has come up with the 2012 Rules Of Golf which will be in effect for the next four years. There are 34 playing rules & 9 principal rules that have been amended to improve clarity & ensure penalties are proportionate.

One of the most significant changes is to Rule 18-B Ball Moving After Address. For example, if it is a gust of wind that moves the ball after it has been addressed, there is no penalty and the ball is played from its new position. This will see the end to a situation in the 2011 Open Championship when Rory McIlroy was penalized on the seventh green when the wind moved his ball after he addressed it.

**PUT THE USGA RULES OF GOLF
ON YOUR CHRISTMAS LIST.....**

Rules tip courtesy of Margie Zener

Thank you

Thank you...

**Dan Currier, Brian
Lynch and Jerry
Aaron! They not
only donated but
installed the much
needed screen
door to the south
clubhouse entry.**

Valuing the Volunteer

Volunteerism is the very soul of the LIGC...we all know it and we've all done it to a certain degree.

It is why our golf club can operate at such high standards on a shoestring budget. It is why our dues can remain lower than most courses of equal condition. It is why our members share a close bond.

There are those, however, who go above and beyond what most of us do. And to those, the Board of Trustees each year designates & recognizes a "volunteer of the year". Valuing the Volunteer will honor those past "volunteers of the year" who are still active members of our golf club.

Judy & Larry Whitney have been members of LIGC since the late 80's when they both retired to Lopez from careers of teaching.....Judy from Edmonds in elementary education and Larry from Seattle's Nathan Hale teaching history and coaching basketball. They have 2 children and 4 grandchildren, and they just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Judy was volunteer of the year in 2006, when she coordinated Ladies' Day and organized many of the ladies' tournaments. As if that wasn't enough, she helped at many of the twilights and workdays. Judy is still a very active member of the LIGC and does more than her fair share of volunteerism.

Larry was volunteer of the year in 1994. He was on the Board of Trustees 4 + years and during that time was head of course maintenance. Many of the Rhododendrons that you see around the course were planted by Larry. He would also organize each monthly workday and see to it that chores around the course were completed. He still, to this day, enjoys working on the maintenance of the course and you'll see Larry out there weed-eating, mowing the rough or working on some part of the course daily during the summer.

Thank you both for all your hard work and dedication to the LIGC. YOU are the essence of what makes this such a great Golf Club!



OFF SEASON RATES

IN EFFECT UNTIL MAY 1ST

UNLIMITED ALL DAY PLAY

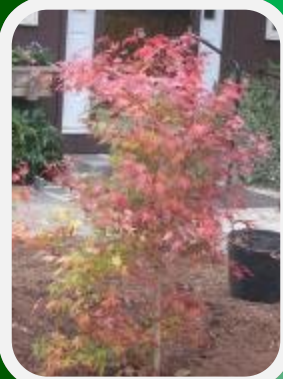
\$20 ADULTS \$10 JUNIORS

Oct. 26th Workday



The final workday of the season was thankfully well attended and many of the chores in preparation for the winter months were completed. The ball washers and garbage cans were put away; the 'on course' restrooms were shut down; the picnic area was cleared up; the gutters cleaned; many of the windfall branches were cut up and removed. Beth Hughes donated a young maple tree with wonderful fall color for the new garden area by the parking lot clubhouse door. Once all the chores were completed, the workers came in and had a fabulous meal prepared by Miki & James Straughan & Sue Cook. Thank you all for helping out.....

"many hands make light work"!



Just a reminder...

From December 15 to February 15, our course employees will be on furlough. To conserve on our heat bills, the clubhouse will also be closed during that time. Of course you can still play golf and use the restrooms in the clubhouse. If you notice anything that requires urgent attention, please let one of the trustees know or you can contact the club president at 468-4992 or

jkruithof@rockisland.com



Ladies' Holiday Decorating Party



*Our ladies were at it again!
Tuesday November 29th after
golf the ladies had a quick lunch
and worked together to decorate
the clubhouse for the upcoming
holiday festivities.*

Thanks to all who participated.



And the winner is...

LYNN HALL



FREE GOLF for 2012!

A \$425 value!

The draw was made Dec 1st at the Lopez Liquor Store, where almost all of the tickets were sold. John Pray, who had come in to buy a lottery ticket, made the draw.

Fifty-two tickets were sold earning a gross of \$1040. The \$615 proceeds (after the deduction of the yearly dues fee) will go into the club's general fund. There are plans of doing another "Free Golf 2013" raffle starting in June.

MANY, MANY thanks to Marc & Margie Zener for selling tickets at the Lopez Liquor Store. As always they are such great supporters of our golf club!!

**Congratulations
Lynn**



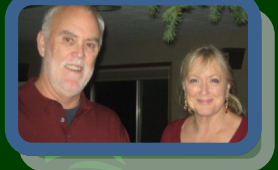
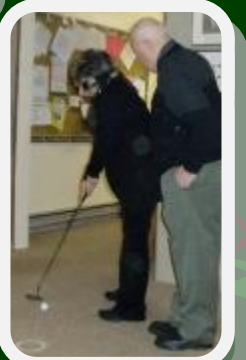
Annual Dues Notice

Will be coming to you via email at the end of this month.
Don't forget....they are due by Feb. 15th. Please don't
delay getting those dues in.



Happy Holidays!

This year's holiday party held on Saturday Dec. 10th was another hit. Everyone pitched in with yummy appetizers. There was the blindfolded "pick your partner" putting contest. Most picked their spouse or significant other....sounds a little dangerous to me. I wonder how many will be getting a lump of coal in their stocking as a result. Not Miki or James Straughan, however, who won the putting contest. AND to top it off, James won \$80 in the 50/50 draw as well! There was a sing-a-long with Becky Johnson on the piano, and lastly the white elephant gift exchange. That ended up being a little chaotic, and there were even rumblings of an attack over the Bird Headcover...but that was only a rumor. Many, many thanks to Marcia Sullivan, Dodie Schiessl, Joyce Kruithof and Diane Robertson for organizing this event. Everyone seemed to have a fabulous time. We appreciate all the attendance and it was a great way to end the year with golfing buddies.



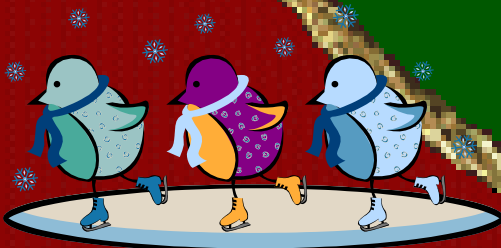
Ladies' Holiday Luncheon

Dec. 13th



The ladies had a wonderful lunch prepared by Rita O'Boyle, with Sally Moore helping in the kitchen. They started with smoked salmon and artichoke appetizers. Rita had made a Golden Pheasant Punch which was especially yummy. The main course was couscous topped with winter vegetables and chicken skewers.

Twenty-one women attended including seven previous members. The gift exchange was also very fun with a different little twist. Each gal wrote on her card something that was unknown to the rest. When the group guessed who that was correctly, that person would then pick a gift.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Remember to check out the **EVENTS CALENDAR** in the **DIRECTORY** on the **WEBSITE** for specifics on all the events. <http://lopezislandgolf.com/>

January-February Events:

Dec 25th-Feb 15th: Clubhouse closed
(except for special events)

Feb 19th: Soggy Bottom Tournament

Soggy Bottom Tournament

.....an annual event

Benefits Lopez Hospice

Feb. 19th 11am-4pm

\$25 members \$35 non-members

Contact: Vaughan Williams 468-2922

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Another Reminder



January 1st is the start of the 'special golf fee' approved by the membership and levied on members for each round of golf played whether 9 or 18 holes. This 'on your honor' fee is designated for the equipment fund. You may place your remittance in the drop box or in the container provided on the counter just inside that door.

PLEASE help us keep our equipment and therefore our course well maintained!

MEMBER ITEMS FOR SALE SPOT

1993 Hyundai Electric Golf Cart
with 2008 new batteries, hardly ever
used. Great Condition! \$1500
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