

USCGFR Newsletter 2019 Monterey



Editor's Note

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *From Jim Pescatore*



I am greatly honored to serve as President of the USCGR for the next three years. My sincere thanks to the Board of Directors that had the confidence to select me for this position. My goal is simply to continue to provide quality golf tournaments and events for our membership, and to grow our participation in these events.

We just completed the 2019 National Championship in Monterey CA. Our tournament was played at the historic Del Monte Golf Course and the beautiful Quail Lodge Golf Club. Our host hotel was the Hyatt Regency Resort in Monterey. The non-golfers enjoyed a trip to the Monterey Bay Aquarium and a tour of the

Monterey Peninsula and Pebble Beach on the Monterey Movie Bus. The ladies also enjoyed lunch at the world famous Tap Room at Pebble Beach. Our entire group enjoyed dinner at the Whaling Station on Cannery Row. We enjoyed great fellowship and perfect weather, sunshine and temperatures in the mid 70's. Finally, I would like to congratulate the champions of the 30th playing of our event, Dupont Kirven of North Carolina (Gross Champion) and Larry Newman of Florida (Net Champion).

A special thank you to the host club of this great event, the Pacific Grove Rotary Club.

Now the focus turns to our 2020 tournament which will be contested at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada. We will play three premier golf courses, Niagara Falls Country Club, Grand Niagara, and St. Catherine's Golf and Country Club. Details are included in this Newsletter. Bring a friend! Let's double our participation!

See you in Canada!

Jim Pescatore

President, USCGR



President Jim doing his thing and checking in with the registration desk.



Greetings *from your Executive Secretary,*



Jim Brock

Greetings to all Rotarian Golfers!

We just completed another successful USGFR National Championships in Monterey, California. Our hats are off to Tournament Chair Jim Pescatore and the Pacific Grove Rotary Club. We'd also like to recognize Jim's wife Rita for all of her help. Thank you both for your efforts!

I also want to recognize our two national champions. Dupont Kirven of Summerfield, North Carolina was our National Gross Champion and Larry Newman of The Villages, Florida claimed the National Net Champion award.

USGFR membership numbers are up from a year ago: 237 members (165 lifetime members and 72 annual members) and the Fellowship finances remain steady from last year.

This year's event welcomed 13 first time attendees – the second year in a row where we've seen double digit numbers. This year we welcomed Larry and Mary Alice Prill of Fern Park, FL, Bob and Nancy Foldesi of Simi Valley, CA, Dean Jackson of Lehi, UT, Yugi Nagata of Koshigaya, Japan, Dr. Ann Thomas of Coronado, CA, Ed and Nancy Harris of Nipomo, CA, Jay Harris of Greensboro, NC, Greg and Pam Podd of Paradise Valley, AZ, John and Jen Gilbert of Scottsdale, AZ, Craig Vejvoda of Tulare, CA, Bill and Susan Batten of Asheboro, NC, Matteo Rizzo of Burlingame, CA and Dan Griffiee of Salinas, CA. We sincerely welcome these first time attendees and we hope to see you next year in Niagara Falls!

Patrick Eakes completed his three year term as President at the conclusion of our Monterey tournament and we welcome Jim Pescatore to the USGFR top spot. Patrick has agreed to stay on in a leadership capacity as a Director at Large. The Executive Committee continues to seek members to step up and fill director positions. We currently have vacancies in the North East and Middle Central regions. Please contact Patrick Eakes if you'd like to join our Executive Committee.

During our Executive Committee wrap up session following tournament play, Directors voted to establish a Super Senior option for competitors 70 and older. Those competitors may claim Super Senior status and be allowed to move up one set of tees within their division. Standard course handicap calculations will be employed to address the tee differences within the divisions. A player opting for Super Senior status will not be eligible for the USGFR Gross National Championship. This Super Senior option should make tournament play more enjoyable for many of our members!

I'd like to enlist all of you to help make the USGFR a stronger organization. What can you do? □

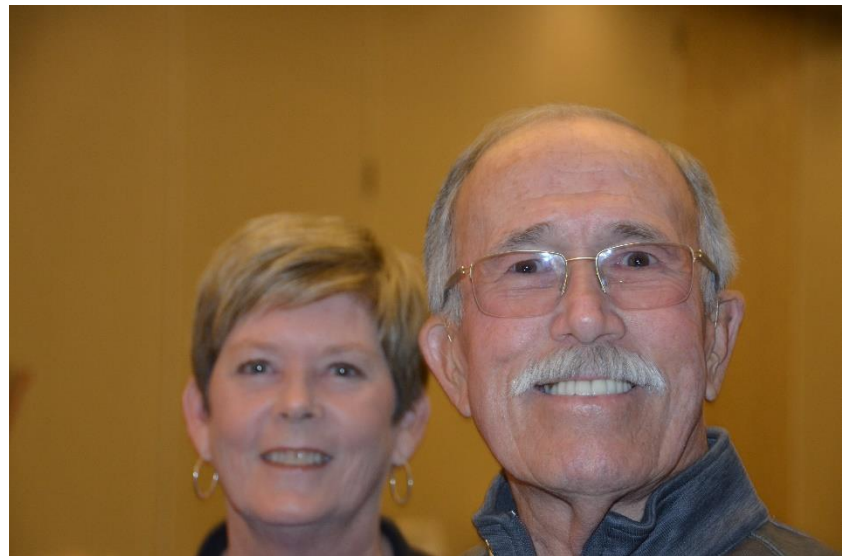
1. Support our annual tournament. Our membership stands at over 200 and yet we attract only a fraction of our membership to our annual tournament. Once you join us, you'll be hooked!
2. Promote the USGFR. Tell other Rotarian golfers about our Fellowship and urge them to join us. I have USGFR membership and tournament information available and would love to share it. Just drop me an email or give me a call!
3. Keep your membership current. Even if you've been unable to be with us recently, please keep your dues current and your contact information up to date. We'd hate to have you miss out on a future event because we've lost touch!
4. If you were not able to be with us this year in Monterey, I urge you to make plans now to join us at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada for our 31st Annual Championships October 3-8, 2020. Tournament Chair Jim Sissons is planning a wonderful event filled with outstanding golf at three challenging courses, great tours and spectacular Rotary Fellowship. October looks to be a beautiful time of year in the Niagara Falls area and I hope to see a record crowd at the tournament!

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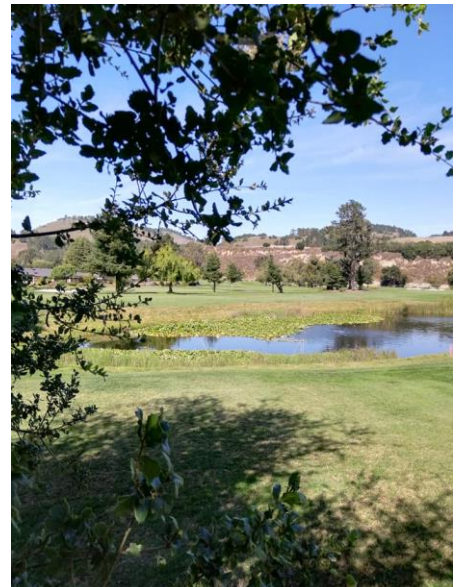








There are 356 dimples on a regulation golf ball.





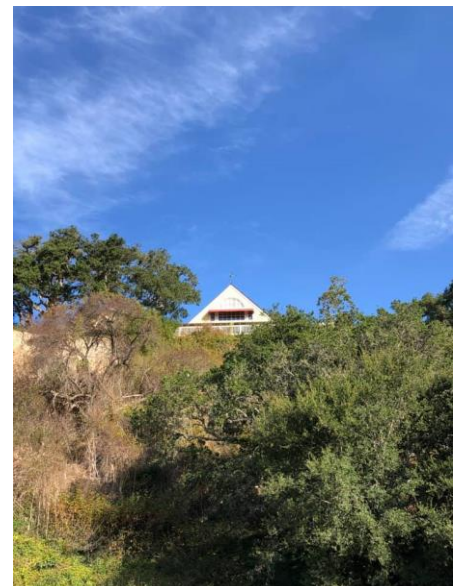


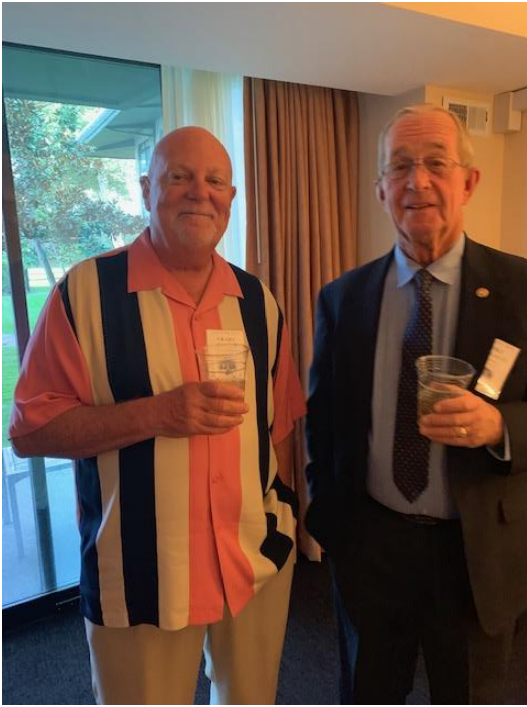
"Would you like to reconsider the number of holes in one you reported?"





"Putts get real difficult the day they hand out the money." Lee Trevino











Speeches, goodies, and hardware. Let the fun begin.







Tournament winners

National Gross Champion Dupont Kirven

National Net Champion Larry Newman

Champions Flight

- 1st Jan Brehm
- 2nd Jim Pescatore
- 3rd Patrick Eakes

Blue & Gold Flight

- 1st Greg Podd
- 2nd Jim Sissions
- 3rd Bob Plumb

Heritage Flight

- 1st Bill Manuel
- 2nd Jim Brock
- 3rd Connie Anderson

*And the USCGFR always takes time to welcome
and recognize our first time attendees*



Our first time attendees:

Larry & Mary Alice Prill from Fern Park, Fl.

Bob & Nancy Foldesi from Simi Valley, Ca. (guests of the Guiser's)

Dean Jackson from Lehi, Ut.

Yugi Nagata from Koshigay, Japan

Anne Thomas from Coronado, Ca (guest of Bob Plum)

Ed & Nancy Harris from Nipomo, Ca.

Jay Harris from Greensboro, Nc.

Greg & Pam Podd from Paradise Valley, Az.

Craig Vejoda from Tulare, Ca.

Bill & Susan Batton from Asheboro, Nc.

Matteo Rizzo from Burlingame, Ca.

Dan Griffee from Salinas, Ca.

OBITUARIES

William H. "Bill" Durmer, Jr.,
passed away on December 2, 2019 at the age of 79 years.



He was the third of four siblings born in Rahway, NJ to Eloise and William H. Durmer, Sr. As a young man, he attended Stevens Institute of Technology and Rutgers University, graduating with a degree in chemical engineering. After completing an MBA at the University of Connecticut, he quickly ascended the corporate ladder at Clairoland American Cyanamid. He was instrumental in the development and marketing of many household products such as Herbal Essence shampoo, Nice & Easy hair color and Breck shampoo. He was the organizing CEO of CHF Industries, in Chicago, IL and for the last twenty years of his career the chair of multiple Vistage CEO peer groups in the Chicago area. Upon retirement, he was awarded a rare distinction as one of a handful of Emeritus Vistage Chairs. Bill lived in many US cities, but after vacationing in Gulf Shores in 1992, he and his wife fell in love with lower AL. As a year-round resident of Craft Farms, Bill loved his neighborhood friends and could often be found regaling golf buddies while enjoying a cold Yuengling light at the 19th hole. He was a community philanthropist, working tirelessly with the Foley Rotary and as president of the US-Canadian Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians. Aside from golf, Bill's joy was singing in the GSUMC choir.

Bill is survived by his wife of 36 years, Elaine, his sons Jeffrey (Fernanda) of Denver, and Tucker (Irene Lu) of New York. He is also survived by his beloved grandchildren: Haley, Julia, Jeffrey "Bubba", and Hayden (Jeffrey).

Visitation and service were held at Gulf Shores United Methodist Church on Saturday December 7th, 2019. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial support for the Alzheimer's Association at 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601, or the GSUMC Choir at 1900 Gulf Shores Parkway, Gulf Shores, AL 36542.

Joseph 'Joe' Craycraft Jr. AUGUST 18, 1937 ~ JANUARY 7, 2019 (AGE 81)

Mr. Joseph "Joe" L. Craycraft Jr., 81, resident of High Point, died January 7, 2019 at his home.

Joe was born August 18, 1937 in Louisville, KY, a son to the late Joseph Craycraft Sr. and Virginia Scholl Craycraft. In 1958 he married his high-school sweetheart and wife of 60 years, the former Fran Elder. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Washington and Lee University (Phi Kappa Psi) in 1959 and shortly after, he and Fran moved together to Greensboro where he accepted a job selling computers for IBM. In the late 1960s, he accepted a position with MAC Panel, eventually purchasing the company from Adams-Millis and beginning a long career as an entrepreneur and owner of multiple successful businesses. Joe and Fran have been faithful members of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church since moving to High Point in 1962.

Joe was committed to serving his community. He was active with Rotary International (serving as president of the High Point Club), the High Point Chamber of Commerce (serving as director), the Triad Executive Dialogue (where he was a charter member and chairman), the Maryfield Nursing Home Advisory Board (serving as vice-chairman) and the High Point Partnership. He also was active with the Arts Council, was a board member of the North Carolina Shakespeare Festival and was a member of the United Way Alexis de Tocqueville society. Joe was the quintessential family man. He especially enjoyed the annual family beach trips to Ocean Isle Beach which began in 1960. He also enjoyed golf, skiing, horse racing and was an avid traveler. Joe was a passionate sports fan who enthusiastically cheered for his favorite teams including the Carolina Panthers and Atlanta Braves.

Surviving is his wife, Fran Craycraft of High Point; five children, Joseph Craycraft, III and wife Marsha of Wallburg, Bob Craycraft and wife Lynn of Apex, Tom Craycraft and wife Ginger of High Point, Suzanne Soltis and husband Ray of High Point and Jeannie Sedberry and husband Anthony of High Point; nine grandchildren, Matt Craycraft and wife Emily, Stephanie Craycraft-Andrews and husband Jonathan, Caroline Cate and husband Matt, Josh and Michaela Craycraft, Bryan and Lauren Soltis, and Trey and Grace Sedberry; a great grandson, Jack, and a great granddaughter due in March, Izzie; siblings; Bill, Sue, Margie, John and Jim.

Credit for the photos go to the following participants.

Jim & Susan Brock

Jan Brehm

Francine Kruyt

George Karnes

Lynn Laughlin

Tom McKinney

And special thanks to Larry Newman who year after year uses his photographic talents for this newsletter.

Editors note:

Another great tournament is in the history book of the USCGFR. Jim Pescatore and the Rotary Club of Pacific Grove did an outstanding job. Jim shared with me some of the problems that occurred at the venue. I'm sure that most of you never noticed as Jim got things fixed.

This was the eighth tournament that I have attended and it was one of the very best. Monterey is so beautiful and for me only two hours from my home.

I noted that some of our new members and first timers came a great distance. Some of you will be much closer to home as we venture to Niagra Falls in September, 2021. Remember the fun that you had in Monterey and the new friends that you made. Make sure to share this experience with your Rotary friends and invite a guest. All are welcome.

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31st Annual USCGFR National Championship

Oct 2 - 6, 2021 Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON Canada

WELCOME

Due to COVID-19 the National Championship has been postponed to October 2021

It is with great pleasure that the **United States - Canada Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians** invites you to participate in the **31st Rotarian Golf championship** which will take place from **October 2nd to the 6th, 2021** in Niagara on the Lake, Ontario, Canada, hosted by the Rotary Club of Niagara Falls Sunrise and the Rotary Club of Niagara on the Lake.



Nestled in the corner of the Niagara Region just 10 minutes beyond Niagara Falls, the picturesque Niagara-on-the-Lake epitomizes old town charm. The village is bordered on both sides by waterfront with arbour-framed streets among lush boulevard gardens. Wander through the Heritage District as you discover whimsical boutiques, enthralling antique shops and delightful bistros - maybe even a horse drawn carriage or two. Beyond the quaint old town, explore the area's 100+ wineries, world class theatre at the Shaw Festival, important historical landmarks and stunning waterfront views.



For the Non-Golfer

Tour of Niagara Fall, Lunch at the Skylon Tower in the Revolving Dining Room 775 feet above the river, and Wine tasting ([Skylon Tower Website](#))

Shaw Festival Backstage Tour, light lunch, followed by a Performance ([Shaw Festival Website](#))

Walk the streets and visit the shops of the historic village of Niagara on the Lake ([Niagara on the Lake Website](#))

Accommodations



PRINCE OF WALES INN & SPA

Featuring elegant, Victorian-style rooms and a contemporary spa, this luxury hotel is just 2 blocks from Lake Ontario. The on-site restaurant holds a traditional English tea time every day. The property is a combination of five separate buildings each with guest rooms. While not connected to the main hotel, they are all within a short walk. Rooms are individually decorated with antiques and tapestries. Each offers a flat-screen cable TV, in-room coffee maker and WiFi. Noble, the on-site restaurant, combines French traditions with fine local ingredients and wines from around the world. Churchill Lounge, in the library, provides a more casual dining experience. Guests of the Prince of Wales are welcome to relax in the art-lined indoor pool room or the whirlpool. The Secret Garden Spa offers a variety of massage and tea-based treatments.



Hotel Rate: Oct 3rd - 6th (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) - \$219 CD Per Night

Hotel Rate: Oct 2nd (Saturday for early Arrivals) - \$359 CD Per Night

To book Call 1-888-669-5566 and quote Group Reservation # 3262134 and USGFR



Moffat Inn

A small quaint hotel. Guests have access to the spa facilities at Prince of Wales hotel only 2 minutes' walk away. A complimentary shuttle bus connecting to the sister properties is available. Free WiFi is offered in all areas of this Niagara-on-the-Lake

property. Fort George is just 10 minutes' walk away. Cable TV is featured in each guest room at **Moffat Inn**. A kettle is provided. The marble tiled en-suite bathrooms include a hairdryer. Fresh coffee is offered daily in the lobby at **Inn Moffat**. Vending machines providing snacks and drinks are located on-site.

Hotel Rate: Oct 3rd - 6th (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) - \$159 CD Per Night

Hotel Rate: Oct 2nd (Saturday for early Arrivals) - \$259 CD Per Night

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