

THE FAIRWAY

Keeping you up to date on all your Club news

November/December 2016 Vol. 7

Chairman's Minute Mike Lyons

A Good Club Getting Better

Fall greetings to all MNGC members! The golf world recently lost one of its heroes and leading spoke persons, Arnold Palmer, in early September. I actually had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Palmer in July, 2012 and September, 2014 during a Century Golf Partners meeting held at Latrobe Country Club. Mr. Palmer was a most gracious host and I was very impressed with how friendly he was to everyone he met.



Highland in mid-October. I first met Paul when he joined MNGC sometime around 1999 and we were good friends ever since. In fact, quite a few members also had the privilege of calling Paul a good friend as well. Paul was Board member several years ago and he would always make an effort to improve the members' golf experience at MNGC whenever he could. Both Arnie and Paul will be greatly missed by our MNGC golf community.

By the time you read this newsletter the bunker renovation project will be started. MNGC will be closing nine holes at a time in order to face track this improvement. With an entire nine hole course closed down it will be imperative to make tee times for your golf round if you intend to play. In addition, the pace of play of everyone's golf round will also become critical. So, if you can play "ready golf" whenever possible it will be greatly appreciated by all.

With the holiday season upon us there will be a number of club house events scheduled including our regular Thursday Evening Family dinners, MGA and LGA banquets, football watch parties and Pro Shop merchandise specials for your holiday shopping. Please watch for these events when they are announced in the club's weekly e-mail.

A new season for the MNGC Partner's Invitational membership challenge has begun and it is another chance for five MNGC members to win an all-expense paid trip to PGA National in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. Please review the current newsletter and/or special e-mails on the club's new membership drive. If you need additional information regarding membership please contact Woody Burchett our Membership Director and he will gladly assist you.

In closing, and as always, thank you for your continuing support of MNGC and Happy Holidays from all of us on the MNGC Board of Governors.

Michael n. Syone





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Arnold Palmer 1929 - 2016



Paul Highland 1956 - 2016

Membership News- woody Burchett

Hopefully by now you have heard the great news...the bunker renovation has begun!! This will be a massive upgrade to our already beautiful golf courses. I hope each of you will take pride in the fact that your Club is getting better every day. I have always said that we have the BEST Club in the city and now we can honestly say we will have one of the BEST courses in the city as well.

Once the bunker renovation is complete, we anticipate reinstituting an initiation fee and an increase in monthly dues for New Members. Understanding that many of you have friends that you want to invite to membership, we will provide a short window of time for them to join the Club before the increases. If you have a friend who you would like to sponsor into membership or who is a Former Member of the Club that you would like to have back, please give me a call.

In order to help make your friends decision easier, we currently have a very appealing enrollment offer for those who are interested in joining at this time. We also have a special sponsoring benefit for all your support in the sponsoring process. The sponsoring benefit includes: triple points towards our 2017 PGA National Partners Championship, choice of a new sand wedge or \$100 club credit for each friend you sponsor, and sponsor only drawings for random prizes.

We look forward to meeting your friends and having them join our golfing family!

Thank you to the following Members for **Sponsoring a friend in September or October!**

Sok Kim **Chan Prosser** Mark Dace **Ryan Burchfiel Derrick Pennington** Andre Nelson **Terry Williams** Dave Harwood Leon Burchett Herb Cummings Ken Meadows **Buck Miller** Pam Duke **Russ Caughron** Brett McBride



With Our Invitation Jim & Sally Bates

Are Asking Our Good Friends

Charles & Julie Wilson

To Consider Membership at Our Club

We look forward to showing you why we chose Memphis National Golf Club as our private country club and have arranged through our sponsorship an exceptional Offer of Membership with very special benefits.

> Therefore our Invitation is time sensitive and will be withdrawn on March 28, 2016.

We have asked our Membership Director, Woody Burchett, to assist us by providing you our Membership Offer details and answers to your questions while you consider our Invitation. He can be contacted at 901.853.8058 ext. 15 or at wburchett@centurygolf.com.

Member's Signature

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Board of Governors Marty Lyle Mary Ann Allen Vicki Clark

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Homes Fore Heroes Tournament

Ken Van Gundy Marty McKinstry

Thanks to everyone who participated in this years tournament. Because of your support we were able to present a 100% mortgage free home to Jared Hudson and his family.



We are pleased to announce the Newest Members into the Club!

- Dongyung Yoo
- Jerry Johns
- Andy Cho
- Stan Yoo
- Waymond Brown
- Sean Burke
- Bruce & Ida Kelley
- Chandler & Tasha Peete
- Jeff & Michelle Cox
- Mark & Lisa Dace
- Scott & Brenda Bailey
- Terry & Kelli Williams
- Matt & Michel Witt
- Brooks & Bonnie Monaghan
- Jason & Brenda Swindell
- James & Amy Cain
- Chip & Lisa Keppen
- Randy & Susan Lowry
- Ken & Malay Meadows
- Alan & Jennifer Pittman
- Tony & Mandy Tate
- Thomas & Donna Maxwell
- Ron & Natalie Lefkowitz
- Bill & Dawn Kinard
- Dustin & Mekenzie Hopkins
- Stephen & Elly Hall
- Chris & Brooke Hamilton
- Bill & Jan McGaughey

On behalf of the staff, Board of Governors and Fellow Members we would like to welcome you to our golfing family. We look forward to sharing many memorable experiences with you and your families for many years to come!

Member Spotlight

Name: Ken Van Gundy

Spouse: Laura

Children: Five children, 3 Grandchildren

Pets: Dog moved out recently with my daughter

What do you do for a living? Vice President -K Power Global Logistics

Where are you originally from? Spokane, Washington

Favorite Sports Teams? Michigan football, Detroit Tigers, Chicago Cubs, New England Patriots, Detroit Red Wings, and Memphis Grizzlies

Favorite T.V. Show? Black List

Favorite Movie? Groundhog Day & McLintock

Favorite Golfer? Jack Nicklaus

Hobbies Outside of Golf? Family, spectator sports. Too old to play baseball/softball competitively anymore. Did that in my 40's.

If you could play golf with anyone, who would be in your foursome? Paul Highland, Kevin Cowan, and Sally Wagner

How long have you been a Member? 11 1/2 years

Best round of Golf? 79 on a par 70 at The Pines in Canadian Lake Michigan.

Something interesting about you that people do not know? My love for my Memphis National family is larger than my love of golf anymore. Life is short, embrace every moment.

Favorite memory at the Club? Seeing Gust Smirnes hole-in-one on #1 Champions. One hope and clang off the stick! I've witnessed four . Watching their reaction is priceless!





Thursday Night Dinner Menu

Breakfast for Dinner—11/3/2016

Steak Night—11/102016

Mexican Dinner-11/17/2016

New Orleans Buffet—12/1/2016

French Bistro—12/8/2016

Prime Rib Buffet—12/15/6/2016

Steak Night— 12/22/2016

*Thursday themes subject to change

Upcoming Social Events

Breakfast with Santa 12/4/2016



Recipe of the Month

Award Winning Chili

- 2 lbs. lean ground beef 1 onion, chopped 2 red bell peppers, diced 2 jalapeno peppers, diced 4 cloves garlic, minced 1/2 cup chili powder 1/2 cup ground cumin 1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon black pepper 1 (6 oz.) can tomato paste 4 (15 oz.) can kidney beans 1 (14.5 oz.) can stewed tomato 1 (7 oz.) can chipotle peppers 1 quart water 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon rice vinegar

In a large pot over medium-high heat, cook beef until brown. Drain and return to pot. Stir in onions, bell peppers and jalapenos and cook until tender. Stir in garlic and cook 1 minute more. Season with chili powder, cumin, salt and pepper. Stir in the tomato paste and kidney beans with their liquid.

In a food processor or blender, puree the tomatoes with the chipotle peppers until smooth. Stir into the pot with 3 cups of water.

Combine the remaining 1 cup water with the flour in a jar and shake to combine. Pour into the chili and stir in the vinegar. Simmer about 45 minutes before serving.

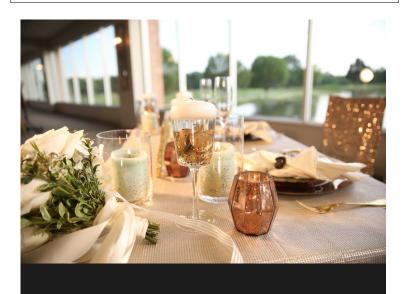


Social Committee News

Part of our goal to better serve you, our members, is to listen to your ideas, and plan events that are what YOU want. With that in mind, we are forming a social committee for our members!! Our next meeting will be November 28th at 4:00. If you are interested, please join us in the Tee room. Bring your ideas and be ready to brainstorm some upcoming parties!

Breakfast with Santa

Sunday, December 4th Santa will be coming to Memphis National! Bring your family, kids, and grandkids and your list and join us for brunch and visit Santa! Memphis National also wants to take this opportunity to help the less fortunate. We are asking you, our members, to help take part in Toys for Tots Christmas toy drive. Please bring your toys to the club drop off Sunday, December 4th or earlier if you wish. Let's all work together to provide a Merry Christmas to children





Social Committee News

This is an open request to all Memphis National Members. We are in the process of reinstituting the Social Committee. This committee is all about FUN! If you are interested in helping plan member events and parties, please contact Kelly Bateman.

E-mail :kbateman@palmergolf.com Phone: (901) 853-8093 ext. 23

2016 Partner's Invitational

I recently had the opportunity to accompany our top 5 member sponsors on the Partner's Invitational Trip to PGA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens. It was a privilege for me to get to spend 3 days with these guys and show them how much we appreciate their support and pride for Memphis National. However, I also wanted to take a moment to send a big "Thank You!" to the entire membership for your support of this facility and the employees. It's great to have 2 nice golf courses and a nice clubhouse, but the most important part of a club is the members, and ours are the best. Thank you members for all you do!

Brian Wood, PGA Head Golf Professional



Congratulations to our 2016 Partner's Invitational Participants (Left to Right) Jeff Hauss, Brian Wood, Bailey Lowery, Wendell Berry, Garry Simpson, and Todd Majors

Golf Shop News

Golf Shop Open House

The Annual Golf Shop Open House will December 11th from 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm. There will be lots of great sales including our famous gumball sale where you have a chance to receive an additional 50% off your total amount. We will also have complimentary drinks and appetizers so be sure to stop by and take advantage of the great deals!

Name That Bunker!

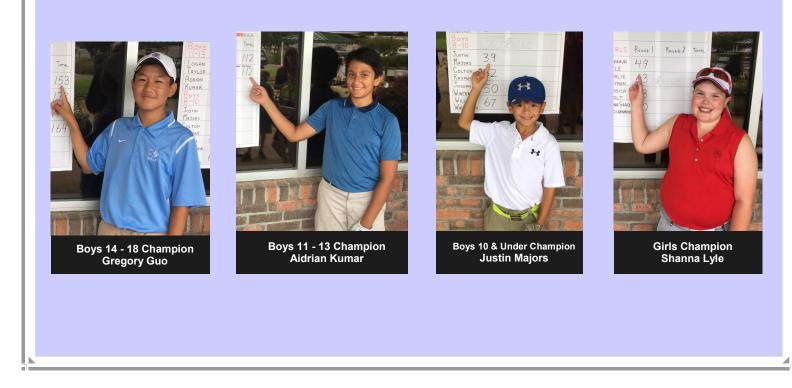
The bunker renovation is under way and the Golf Shop is having a weekly contest to name approximately 10 unique bunkers. Starting Monday, November 14th, we will post a picture of a bunker on our Facebook page. We will accept suggestions for a name of that bunker for one week and then we will choose a winner who will receive a guest pass good for 18 holes, Monday through Friday. All names must be submitted on Facebook and the winners will be announced on Facebook. Look for a new bunker every week.

Supervised Practice

We have a great new program starting September 8th for those who like to practice and could use some guidance. The class will be every Thursday from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm. This class is open to all members and will start with 5-10 minutes of instruction, followed by 45-50 minutes of supervision and individual instruction. The cost will be \$10 per week and is open to the first ten people who sign up. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please email Brian at <u>bwood@centurygolf.com</u>, or call the Golf Shop.

Memphis National Junior Golf





Saturday Junior Programs			
Programs are run by Dan Chartrand and Jason Bell			
When: November 12th - 26th from 12:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. For ages 5 to 18 years of age.			
Programs / Pricing and Times			
- 12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m. : Instructional clinic for all ages and skill levels.	Members: \$15	Guests: \$20	
- 1:00 p.m 1:30 p.m. : All you can eat pizza and drinks.	Members: \$5	Guests: \$5	
- 1:30 p.m 2:30 p.m. : Games and Contests. This program is designed to confidence in the lessons learned in the clinic.	to bring out the fun Members: \$10		
Prices if someone wants to do all 3 options	Members: \$25	Guests: \$35	
For more information or to register your child call the Golf			

Handicap Rule of the Month

Rule 6 The player:

6-2 Handicap:

- Match Play: Before starting a match in a handicap competition, the players should determine from one another their respective handicaps. If a player begins a match having declared a handicap higher than that to which he is entitled and this affects the number of strokes given or received he is disqualified; otherwise, the player must play off the declared handicap.
- Stroke Play: In any round of a handicap competition, the competitor must ensure that his handicap is recorded on his score card before it is returned to the Committee. If no handicap is recorded on his score card before it is returned (Rule 6-6b), or if the recorded handicap is higher than that to which he is entitled and this affects the number of strokes received, he is disqualified from the handicap competition: otherwise, the score stands.

For these reason when playing in competitions or club events we ask that every score gets posted to the GHIN system.

Tip of the month-Dan Chartrand

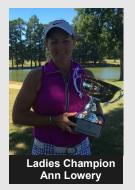
"Play with what you've got"

Changing your natural swing is a process. When you take golf lessons, you receive drills and information that takes a long time to process and train. You need to remember that the practice area during your practice time is the ONLY time you should be working on your changes. When you golf, you need to take whatever swing and ball flight you have at the time and make the best of it. If you hit a big cut slice, you need to embrace it and play it. The worst thing you can do during your round is to continuously try and straighten out your shot. To play your best golf you need to have a solid pre-shot routine that is focused on making a smart decision. breathing, then letting your natural swing go. If you want to improve your swing come see your professional staff and we will gladly help you. But if you want to play your best golf this weekend, embrace what you have and make smart decisions.

For golf lessons text message Dan at (901) 210-5882

Congratulations to our 2016 Club Champions







Super Senior Champion



Senior Champion Jimmy Wilkins



Couples Champions Chuck & Laura McFall



LGA Closing Scramble - (Left to Right) Ruby Williams, Janice Way, Laura McFall, and Christine Howard

2016 LGA Tournaments

Tuesday Evening Play Begins	4/5/2016
Wednesday Play Begins	4/6/2016
LGA Opening Scramble	5/7/2016
Handicap Tournament	6/11/2016
Memorial Tournament	7/23/2016
Presidents Cup	9/24/2016
Closing Scramble	10/8/2016
Tuesday Evening Play Ends	10/25/2016
Wednesday Play Ends	10/26/2016
LGA Closing Dinner	11/1/2016
*Golf Development Classes Begin	4/4/2016

Note From LGA- Vicki Clark

Hello from the Ladies, We have had a very busy fall. We finally had great weather and we have enjoyed every minute of it. The MNLGA Closing Scramble was a big success. And our beautiful winners are Ruby Williams, Jan Way, Laura McFall and Christine Howard. And we had other winners this fall, we are super proud of Ann Lowery the Club Champion, again. She is a repeat winner. And as we know that is not an easy feat. Speaking of repeat winners Missy Ward is the Most Improved Golfer this year and she is a repeat winner. My money is on her for next year as well. And not to be out done, Laura and Chuck McFall are the Couples Champions, again. That is amazing. We did have some 1st time winners. Kim Shropshire, Christine Howard, Carol Lanier and Vicki Clark won the 1st Glow Ball Tournament. I would like to report we had the most fun, as well. Champions is so beautiful at night.

Our season is officially over, but as we are expecting a mild winter we will continue to play on Wednesdays. The 18 holers will start at 10:00 am and the 9 holers will start at 10:30. Everyone is invited to join us. The MNLGA closing dinner will be Tuesday, 11-8-2016. We will start at 6:00 with visiting and drinks, then a delicious dinner and end with a slide show of photos from this year. After the 8th you may view the slide show on our YouTube Channel "MNLGA". We are entertaining. Vicki Clark vickizta@gmail.com 901-337-4630 Just keep swinging!



Fun Facts

The Lowest Score for a round of golf in the world is a 57. Wayne Meyers of Easley, S.C. was the hero at Southern Oaks golf course in Powdersville, South Carolina, USA in 1994.

Notes From MGA - Marty Lyle

The MGA Finale was held on November 5 and was a big success! While there were a couple rumbles by the format change, overall, I received a lot of positive feedback on the format. Thanks!

Jim Chymiy's team won the Finale, with a score of 65. With that win, it propelled Jim into a tie with John Roy for the lead in the Player of the Year standings for Super Senior. The first tie-breaker was the number of events played in over the year. Both Jim and John played in all but two events. The second tie-breaker was the number of first place finishes, with any shootout wins being counted as another win. Both Jim and John had three first place finishes, but Jim Chymiy had also won the shootout in the President's Cup, which broke the tie. Jim Chymiy is your Super-Senior Player of the Year.

In the Senior division, Doug Ward held on slim margin to maintain his first place position and is the Senior Player of the Year. In the under 50 division, Tim Jordan didn't leave us in any suspense as he held a significant lead going into the last two events and he wins the Men's Player of the Year.

If you are interested in being on the mailing list for the MGA, which will receive tournament notices, points updates, and other information, please email me, <u>marty.lyle@gmail.com</u> with the subject line "Add to MGA email". I will keep the emails to just what is important for holding our events or of particular information for the MGA, and it is a non-responding list, meaning that other recipients cannot respond copying everyone, and also nobody else sees your email address.

Have a great Thanksgiving and a very Happy Holidays! I hope our great weather continues so we can play this great game all winter!



MGA Player of the Year Standings

Adult Division	Points
Tim Jordan	2715
Clarke Smithson	1805
Chian Wen	1533
Mike Lavoie	1338
Senior Division	Points
Doug Ward	2548
Dana Swanson	2391
Rick Emery	2145
Jeff Hauss	1945
Allen Carmack	1935
Super Senior	Points
Jim Chymiy	2025
John Roy	2025
John Clark	1910
Jerry Brookins	1570

Policy/Rules Updates

We have adjusted the hours of operation for both the Golf Shop and Grille. The new hours are as follows:

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Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun.	7:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m.

Grille:

Monday	11:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m.
Tues. & Wed.	8:00 a.m.— 9:00 p.m.
Thur. & Fri.	8:00 a.m.— 8:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun.	7:00 a.m.— 8:00 p.m.

Bar:

Monday	11:00 .am.— 6:00 p.m.
Tues.	8:00 a.m.— 7:00 p.m.
Wed., Thurs. & Fri.	8:00 a.m.— 9:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun.	7:00 a.m.— 8:00 p.m.

Dress Code : We would like to reemphasize a few items in reference to our club dress code. Please contact our Golf Shop if you have any questions with our dress code.

- 1. Hats are to be worn forward at all times when on property.
- 2. Shirts must have collars and are to be tucked in at all times when on property.
- 3. Jeans are only permitted in the Clubhouse only.
- 4. Approved women's shirts consist of sleeveless collared shirts or sleeved collarless golf shirts. No tank tops allowed.

Golf Course News

Bunker renovation begins!

The bunker renovation is finally here! It's been a long time coming and I'm excited to be involved in the process of improving and moving our club forward. This renovation will involve much more than just adding new white sand. The improvements will include installing new sand and drainage, reshaping existing bunkers for easier maintenance and playability, removing bunkers where needed, improving entry areas into all bunkers and adding Zoysia grass around the edges for better aesthetics and easier maintenance. With weather permitting this process will take 3-4 months.

While the course is closed during renovation, the maintenance staff will be working diligently to make our own improvements. We will be focusing on areas of need that are considered the in play areas. This will include pruning and removal of dead trees, improving existing drainage, leveling and sodding areas of need, spreading mulch and much more. We hope to take full advantage of the time and make as many improvements as possible in order to enhance your golfing experience when the course reopens.

When the course reopens please be aware of marked areas that may still be ground under repair. Due to the timing of construction some areas will remain ground under repair for longer periods than others. These areas will be marked with rope and stakes or white flags. Please help us make the renovation successful by being aware of these areas and avoiding them if at all possible.

It's an exciting time to be a member at Memphis National! The bunker renovation should make 2017 a great year at the Club. I look forward to seeing everyone on the course!



November Birthdays

Sara Krieger	1st
Alan Pittman	1st
Susan Lowry	2nd
Jen McBride	2nd
Corbin Davis	3rd
Ed Amato	4th
Dan Strahl	5th
David Rowan	5th
Julie Crawford	5th
Alicia Miller	5th
Hannah Beasley	6th
Joyce Miles	7th
Teresa Petty	7th
Felicia Jones	7th
Jim Quinn	8th
Dana Woods	8th
Nelson Chenpaga	9th
Robert Ricks	9th
Sheryl Escue	10th
Eric Simpkins	10th
Hershel Basham	11th
Steve Norman	11th
Jennifer Pittman	11th
Fred Jones	12th
Hugh Keenan	13th
Richard Raines	13th
Hank McDowell	13th
Melissa Stamps	13th
Kip Reed	14th
Lynn Faughnan	15th
Luke Peterson	16th
Lynette Venera	17th
Mark Eller	17th
Jimmy Wilkins	18th
Brent Foy	18th
Larry Walker	19th
Ron Reddin	19th
Gordon Howe	19th
Brent Little	20th
Young Moon	2001 21st
Janet Smith	21st
Jonathan Edmunds	21st
Ed Martins	24th
Steve Davitt	24th
Michelle Patton	24th
Kim Loudenbeck	24th
Anita McCabe	25th
Cecil Lamberson	26th



Wendell Berry	26tł
Judy Posner	28th
Keith Cox	28th
Carrie Burke	28th
Lee Simon	29th
Kelli Williams	29th
Larry Cullum	30th

If you have a birthday that is not listed, contact Woody so we can update your membership file.

December Birthdays

Ray George	1st
Phil Thurmer	1st
Keegan Eller	1st
Howard Glatstein	2nd
Russ Owen	2nd
Charlie Helm	2nd
Ryan Burchfiel	3rd
Doug Ward	3rd
Gust Smirnes	4th
Dan Debacker	4th
Danielle Howell	4th
Becky Guthrie	5th
Ann Lowery	5th
Harry Smith	6th
Mark Merrill	6th
Kimbrely Shropshire	6th
Rob Felstead	6th
Ronnie Pollan	7th
John Carlasare	7th
Jim Campbell	7th
Bennie Williams	8th
David Loy	8th
Garry Simpson	8th
Philip Braden	8th
Allen Carmack	8th
Brian Sabo	8th
Regina Giometti	9th
Susan Kelly	9th
Kevin Reed	9th
Lesley Rohahn	9th
Carey Talley	10th
Jean Vogel	11th
Jorene Bargiacchi	11th
Bob Cannoles	12th
Patricia Thomas	12th
Peter Sola	13th
Hayden Newman	14th
Bill Watkins Jr.	15th
Danny Moling	15th
Jim Helton	16th
Jay Page	16th
Robert Smith	17th



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Don Broadhead Joyce Hudspeth Mark Smith Hillman McAllister Brett Weathersby Chris Morgan Phyllis Helton **Richard Hall** Cecil Brunson James Gore Brett McBride Mark Hatgas **Chuck Birdsong** Courtnay Rudolph **Eddie Williams** Carol Lyons Todd Kaplan

Heather Nall 22nd Andrea Cope 22nd **Thomas Pacello** 23rd Marty Smith 23rd Spencer Evans 24th Heather Nelson 24th **Chris Taylor** 24th **Deborah Parks** 25th Waymond Brown 25th Cynthia Chastang 26th **Richard Han** 26th Ken Meadows 27th Monte McCrary 28th **Buddy Cotton** 28th Fran Persechini 30th Bruce Madison 30th Bryan Beasley 31st