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What's Hot?? Important ??

**FIRST PLAE DAE**

**Thursday, May 18th!**

## News

### From Willow Glen Golf Club

#### Golfers Seek End to Rain, Wind & Cold

It happens every spring. Unfortunately we are not referring to the classic baseball movie with the same name; rather, we're focusing on the annual April arrival of poor weather in Chicago.

The film and the climate, however, do share something in common: just as Ray Milland's invention makes it impossible to hit a baseball with a wooden bat, so too does a downpour prevent players from driving a golf ball. The current situation has been made even more maddening given the gentle winter we just experienced.

Aside from wet grounds the golf course is in fine shape, and the grass is turning greener by the day. Maintenance is proceeding as scheduled, and with the exception of the driving range which will require a dry period to fully recover, Willow Glen is poised to welcome each and every visitor. We are pleased to announce that daily and weekend rates remain the same. In addition to golf, Buckley's Restaurant & Pub will open its doors for full service Monday, April 17, so please stop by often for play, practice, lunch, or refreshments.

## President's Message to Both Old and New Members

WELCOME to our 2017 season. We look forward to another good year. As stated often before, membership is the key to keeping our club viable and dynamic. This is not just a matter of getting NEW members, but RETAINING current members and those that have newly joined. So, it is imperative for all of us to foster a friendly, welcoming environment before, during and after play. This should be one of our goals for 2017.



John and Ginny DeReu

As a reminder, a new member means free dues next year for the recruiter. Hope to see most of you at the Spring tee-off dinner, April 19th.

### Willow Glen News (Cont'd)

As many of you are aware, Dan Kraft retired from his position as General Manager earlier this month. Dan posted 27 years of enviable service to Willow Glen, and his leadership and effort will be sorely missed. Those of us who remain will always try to live up to Dan's expectations by providing the highest levels of service and friendship to our customers. We eagerly look forward to the 2017 season and hope to see you at every opportunity.

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(For a copy of the Willow Glen Newsletter, The Willow Glen Gazette, please visit the Great Lakes Naval Station website [www.navymwrgreatlakes.com](http://www.navymwrgreatlakes.com) under recreation, golf.)

## SOMEONE YOU SHOULD KNOW...

Mike Stockreiter was born in Chicago and raised in Skokie where his parents were homesteaders in the early 1940's. He attended Loyola Academy, graduating in 1960 and played 3 years on Loyola's new baseball team in Wilmette and was named Co-Captain his senior year. Mike then attended Marquette University graduating in 1964 with a B.S. in Finance & commission in the United States Naval Reserve after participating in NROTC. Mike was also a member of Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity while at Marquette.

He began his active duty in the Navy in July 1964 and was assigned to the USS Turner Joy (DD-951, pictured below), joining his ship in the Philippines. Mike's first seagoing experience included being aboard on August 4, 1964 during the Gulf of Tonkin incident where 2 U.S. destroyers engaged North Vietnamese PT boats which resulted in President Johnson ordering the first aerial bombing of North Viet Nam. He received the Navy Unit Commendation for participation in the Gulf of Tonkin. The USS Turner Joy was home ported in Long Beach, California and as Communications Officer, Mike spent some 16 months on the West Coast and 8 months deployed off Viet Nam working with aircraft carriers or conducting shore bombardment off South Viet Nam. While in the Navy, Mike qualified as a Surface Warfare Officer. He still attends ship reunions of the USS Turner Joy in Bremerton, WA where the ship is currently a floating museum.

Upon completion of active duty in June 1966, Mike began his civilian career at Teletype Corporation in Accounting Development. While employed at Teletype, he completed night school graduating in June 1969 with an MBA in Marketing. Mike then began a 12-year period in computer sales at IBM. He then began working for Illinois Bell in PBX sales. Illinois Bell became American Bell, AT&T and ultimately Lucent Technologies. During this period, Mike was also a Systems Engineer for 3 years and finished his 25-year career as a Product Manager at Bell Laboratories in Naperville, IL., retiring in 2004.

When Mike began his civilian career, he joined the Naval Reserve and attended either weeknight or one weekend a month training meetings for the next 28 years. Mike's annual two-week active duty took him to places such as San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Key West, Washington, DC, Charleston and Norfolk, VA. Mike's overseas active duty took him to Cadiz, Spain, Mogadishu, Somalia, Abu Dhabi, UAE, Mumbai, India, Island of Mauritius, Seoul and Chin Hae, South Korea. During his reserve career, Mike was also appointed Commanding Officer of the NCSO Mideast Unit and retired as a Captain in the Naval Reserve in 1994 after 30 years of service.

During his early working career, Mike's strong interest in skiing resulted in him becoming a Senior Member of the National Ski Patrol for 20 years. He then pursued his interest in Nordic skiing where he became a Certified Cross Country Ski instructor with the Professional Ski Instructors of America and is still active after 23 years. Ski travel included Innsbruck, Austria and Lillehammer, Norway; along with Banff, Lake Louise, Quebec, & Sault Ste. Marie, Canada. He has also enjoyed multiple ski trips to Colorado, Utah and California.

Mike has lived in Lisle, Lincoln Park, and Andersonville where he co-owned and rehabbed a 3 flat apartment building. He moved to Glenview in 1985 and joined the Pickwick Golf Club in 1987 while golf was still played at the Glenview Naval Air Station. He was past President of Pickwick in 2006 and has continued to participate in the Pickwick Board. Besides skiing and golf, Mike's hobbies include biking and fishing. Mike still resides in Glenview near his sister, brother-in-law, niece & nephew and their 7 children.



## **2017 PICKWICK GOLF EVENTS AND DINNERS**

April 19th, Wednesday	Spring Dinner
May 18th, Thursday	Plae Dae
June 16th, Wednesday	Members Only
July 12th, Wednesday	Plae Dae
August 9th, Wednesday	Members Only
September 13th, Wednesday	Plae Dae
October 11th, Wednesday	Members Only
November 8th, Wednesday	Fall Dinner

## Tournament Results For 2016 Season

Steve Hagan  
CHAMPIOSHIP TOURNAMENT

Sandy Buchsbaum  
CHAMPIONSHIP - FIRST FLIGHT

Sandy Buchsbaum  
WILD GOOSE TOURNAMENT

Jim Haffey  
SENIORS TOURNAMENT



**Mike Stockreiter**

## 2016 Fall Dinner Held on November 9, 2016

The end of year fall dinner was held at Hackney's Restaurant in Glenview with a nice turnout of guests. The evening centered around end-of-year business and included reports from several Pickwick board members. The highlight being the Joe Dietrich biography.

Pickwick Club President John DeReu called for an increase in membership and Events Chairman Mike Stockreiter concluded the evening with the announcement of the tournament winners.