

The **Snack Shack** was built over forty-two years ago. It began as a card table, camp stove, and ice chest, located where the current concrete picnic table rests at the 9th tee. Its humble beginnings were the open air, without a phone. In 1973, the LOP Association framed a building with a door at the current site. Boards covered the screened "windows" and were raised and hooked into place when the Shack opened for business in the morning. In the early 1990's, shutters replaced the boards to secure the building.

In 1993, Mig Myers organized the Firebelles and Pinesmen to develop the storage shed adjacent to the Snack Shack to hold its food and supplies. The Pinesmen paid the labor cost and the Firebelles paid for materials. Pinesmen have also remodeled the Snack Shack, improved electrical and more, numerous times.

Nine years ago, Phyllis Sorenson wrote instructions that facilitated all product and storage use to be shared by the Firebelles, Niners and Eighteeners. Money raised by the Firebelles goes into community projects at LOP, while money raised by the golf clubs goes back into improving the golf course. All of us enjoy the extras that come from the generosity of these groups.

It is not mandatory for a Firebelle to serve at the Snack Shack, but many find it fun and a great way to meet new people. The "Openers" and "Closers" remind one of a community service sorority that gets the job done. Our volunteers for the day have the golfers' never ending gratitude for their smiles and gracious hospitality – no need to be shy! Managers and Openers will guide volunteers through the process while working in the Snack Shack.

Volunteers tend to really *sparkle* when a seventy-eight year old golfer comes up to the counter of the Shack and announces that he isn't hungry but, *because you're a Firebelle*, he is leaving you a three dollar tip. So, come join us at the oasis on the 9th tee!

To volunteer, contact Charlotte Sheppard, Manager, at 408-500-9116.