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WASHINGTON STATE - BOTHELL

August at Inglewood ~ 11.1996

This was a portrait of Bothell's beautiful Inglewood Golf & Country Club clubhouse. The "Seniors" played this course several times in years past, allowing folks to enjoy great moments with Arnold Palmer, Fred Couples and other golfing legends. This imposing stucco building featured handsome detailing both inside and out, making it the social centerpiece for its members. Preparing to tee 'em up that day were my brother Bill Simpson, his wife Jorja, me, my friend Dick Chaffee, with his wife Susan Chetwin.

BURIEN

Autumn Golfing at "The Glen" ~ 9.1995

This was a portrait of Glen Acres Country Golf & Country Club's main clubhouse which was once a private residence. This building overlooking downtown Seattle and Puget Sound, hosted many receptions and parties in addition to its golf-related events. Painted with festive fall colors, this piece shows members and guests enjoying the crisp sunny day. My sister, guest Gary Coy and I are pictured at the top left of the scene. To the right are fellow golfers Stan and Suzanne Foreman, Gary Aleshire, Lynn Wildblood and Don McKenzie.

MAPLE VALLEY

Teeing It Up at Taylor Creek ~ 8.1998

When I painted this piece, the nine-hole course with two sets of tee boxes was called Taylor Creek Golf Club. This majestic, three-story clubhouse pictured here (once part of a private estate) with its equally imposing fir tree was the focal point of club and could be seen from every hole on the course. The avid golfers pictured on the grounds were Rob and Sue Hill, my husband Doug and me (when we were courting), Dick Chaffee and his wife Susan Chetwin.

MEDINA

Celebrating the Season at Overlake Golf & Country Club ~ 2004

In 2004, Overlake asked me to rework the original painting finished in 2001 - and give it a with a holiday "spin" they could hang this artwork piece in their foyer at Christmas and feature it on holiday greeting cards. I painted a huge evergreen in the parking and added lots of other festive touches. I pictured my golfing sister Peggy Barton, her family, Doug and me at the clubhouse entryway.

Overlake Golf & Country Club ~ 2001

Located just east of Lake Washington, this world-class private golf club was breathtakingly beautiful in 2001 spring when I painted it. The grounds had been planted with thousands of bulbs - quite an sight for its members and guests. The club had several famous members on its roster, including Microsoft's Bill Gates and Steve Balmer.



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MONROE

The Classic at Echo Falls Golf Club ~ 6.1995

This was a portrait of Richard Karn (of "ABC's Home Improvement" television show) making his putt on the 18th green of Echo Falls Golf Club in Monroe. Cheered on by invited celebrities, volunteers and friends, Richard made it look easy as he raised thousands of dollars for Bellevue's Overlake Hospital and Seattle's Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center. Pictured (L-R) were Don McKenzie, Cathy Davis, Paul O'Rourke and Paul Lester, host Richard Karn, winners Detlef Schrempf and Dale Ellis, volunteers Marcy, Vicki and Jamie, player David Samp, and volunteers Scott and Nicole. I'm pictured the right side of this impossible green which was surrounded with water on all sides with a narrow foot path for access!

Highlight - In April 2000, my husband Doug and I were married here.

SEATTLE

Celebrating at the Seattle Golf Club ~ 4.2010

This painting pictured the beautiful Tudor-Revival clubhouse designed for the Seattle Golf Club by renowned Spokane architect Kirtland Kelsey Cutter. Designed and built in the early 1900s, this building families lived (Boeing, Stimson and Nordstrom). This painting pictured Marie Martin's wedding day with her new husband Graydon, stepson Chris and her girlfriends wedding guests.

Cottage Clubhouse at Jefferson Park ~ 4.2010

This artwork pictured the vintage cottage-style clubhouse that once served one of Seattle's three municipal golf courses - this one located in the Beacon Hill neighborhood just south of the downtown corridor. Two things made the setting special. The first: Jefferson Park was "home course" to renowned golfer Fred Couples (pictured in the artwork on the putting green) when he was learning the game as a youngster. The second: the course enjoyed colorful gardens and blossom-filled urns leading up to the cottage clubhouse - and on the tees and fairways. Spring was particularly lovely at Jefferson Park (PremierGC.com). *Highlight* - I was introduced to Fred Couples and gave him a print of this artwork at the 2010 Senior PGA event at Sahalee Country Club near Redmond, Washington. He signed the back of the original artwork.

SPOKANE

Rain or Shine at "The Canyon" ~ 6.1995

This artwork pictured Indian Canyon's craftsman-style clubhouse constructed of wood and basaltic rock. Decades ago this historic beloved Spokane golf course was laid out just west of downtown Spokane near the arboretum. This historic "hill & dale" course gave golfers of all abilities a true run for their money. Pictured in front of the clubhouse were (L-R) sister Peggy and Jeff Barton, brother Bob and Jan Simpson, my mother Sally and me.

VANCOUVER

Aviary on Eight at R.V.C.C. ~ 11.2003

My husband Doug and three of his buddies (Brent Orrico, Ric Metzger and Joe Ebner) competed in a men's invitational tournament every spring at Royal Oaks Country Club. Not only was the course



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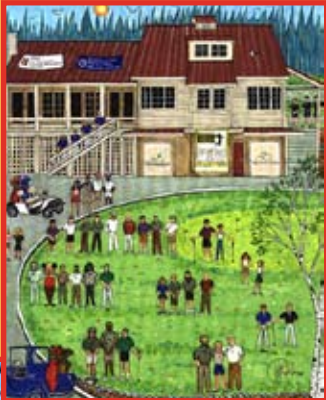
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beautifully laid out and immaculately landscaped, it also featured some wonderful visual touches like foot-paths through the woods, quaint stone bridges, "squirrel" markers at the tee boxes and whimsical bird houses like the one I pictured in this artwork.

The Snowy Sentinel at R.O.C.C. ~ 10.2000

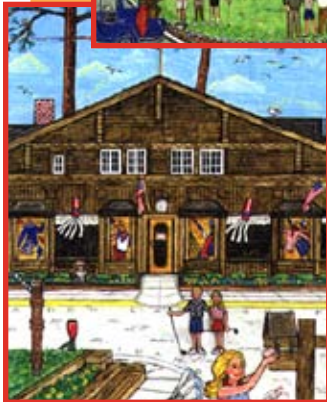
This tartan-clad snowy "Sentinel" was painted guarding the grass-covered bridge on golf hole #5 at Vancouver, Washington's Royal Oaks Country Club. The artwork was finished as Christmas card art for our 2000 holiday cards. Published in the club's Royal Oaks "Divoteer" newsletter, it was displayed annually during the holiday season at the R.O.C.C. clubhouse.



WOODINVILLE

The Classic at Willow's Run ~ 10.1996

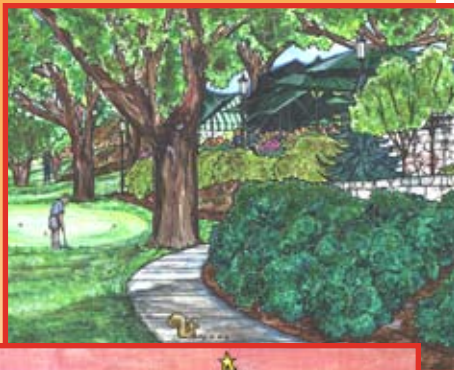
The Richard Karn Celebrity Golf Classic moved in 1996 from Echo Falls Country Club to Willow's Run Golf Course. This painting featured many of the participants and celebrities (L-R top to bottom) - the winning team NexTech from Pittsburg (blue shirts), three volunteers, Carol Alt, Ron Greschner, Detlef Schrepf, Dale Ellis, one of the caddies, myself, Joe Santos, John Mendoza, Charlie Schlatter, Donny Most, Peter Marshall, Alvy Moore, Jack McGee, Peter Barton, Christopher McDonald, Casey Sander, Julie White, Cathy Ladman, Libby Weaver, Peter Godber, "Mickey," Tom Godber, John Zaring, "Gorilla," Bruce Evans, Debbe Dunning, Zachary T. Bryant, Mickey Jones, Dick O'Neill, George Lopez, Samuel L. Jackson, "Cheech" Marin, Bill Gates, Wil Shriner, Richard Karn, Sue Williams (his sister) and Gene Karn Wilson (his dad).



IDAHO - HAYDEN LAKE

Hayden Lake Golf & Country Club ~ 9.1996

Summertime! It meant vacation and golf! For decades, the Simpson family shared good times at our cabin on Hayden Lake. At the head of this pristine spot was the Hayden Lake Golf & Country Club. Built many summers ago, undoubtedly its most famous member was Bing Crosby, who owned a couple of vacation homes on the lake from the 1940s through the 1970s. Its clubhouse (once the Bozanta Tavern) and the pro shop pictured here, still characterized much of the rustic charm of old-time country clubs. The manicured course is peppered with ancient Ponderosa pines and flower beds, making it a pleasure to play even if your game is not up to par. Waiting for me to retrieve a scorecard were my young niece and nephew, Michael and Kelly whose grandparents Lee and Mercy Barton were club members.



OREGON - MEDFORD

Perfect Labor Day Morning at R.V.C.C. ~ 9.2002

Rogue Valley Country Club in Medford, Oregon, hosted the largest match play golf tournament in the United States. The "Southern Oregon," as it's affectionately known by its many players (over a hundred), was hugely popular and guaranteed stiff competition in all of its divisions. Nearly as popular as the golf was the sprawling sun-speckled clubhouse deck which overlooked the course. Breakfasts at sunrise, afternoon cocktails with friends and dancing in the evening - this deck was a magnet for all of the participants and guests. I pictured a group of golfers breakfasting while my husband Doug putted below.

SCOTLAND, UNITED KINGDOM

Decorating the Bridge on 18 at St. Andrews, Scotland, U.K. ~ 11.2002

This art was created to celebratet. Andrews, Scotland, the reputed birthplace of golf. This holiday painting featured Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus decorating an evergreen on the stone bridge that connected the # 18 fairway with the famous clubhouse pictured in the background. My husband Doug celebrated his fiftieth birthday in 2002 (he's a great golfer with a lifelong passion for the game) and we traveled to the U.K. with friends to play several of the British Open courses.



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Simpson's Golf Shop, Carnoustie, Scotland, U.K. ~ 2003

This colorful little golf shop across the street from the famous Carnoustie Golf Club in Scotland held a special place in my heart - as I'm a Simpson! It was started in 1883, and is believed to be the second oldest of its type in the United Kingdom. Simpson's was recognized by the Lord Lyon King of Arms as "amongst Nobles and in all Places of Honour to be taken, numbered, accounted and received as an incorporation Noble in the Noblesse of Scotland." The shop's apparel and accessories featured a handsome, exclusive coat of arms. Simpson's also had one of the largest collections of bag tags hanging from its rafters - one of the first things we noticed when we walked through the door. Painted with a holiday theme, it pictured my husband Doug and me Christmas shopping with Mr. and Mrs. Kris Kringle.

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