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It's Election Time Candidates for MWGA Board of Directors

Members of the MWGA Board of Directors serve for three-year terms. Five positions are open for election to serve from 2008 to 2010. **Please complete and return your ballot before the November 10 deadline.**

Four incumbents are running for re-election. In addition to voting for these candidates, you may vote for a write-in candidate if you get her permission to do so in advance of completing your ballot. Otherwise, if necessary, the President may appointment someone to fill the vacancy.

INEZ BRIDGES, a golfer since 1986 and an MWGA member for 11 years. "With the help of my fellow board members and the entire membership body, I feel I have gained knowledge and experience during my first tenure and would like to continue the efforts of moving the MWGA into newer territories and exploring ways of making the organization even greater by maintaining and growing membership, providing quality events that appeal to the majority, increasing our technology and improving communications amongst the members. An even more important task is making sure every MWGA member feels she has a voice in accomplishing these goals. After all, it is only by working together that we will continue to make a positive impact on women's golf in Michigan for female golfers across the state."



JOYCE HARLUKOWICZ "I've been a member of the MWGA Board of Directors for ten years. My first position was as assistant to the Newsletter editor, then Juniors chairperson for eight years and now I am serving as the Publicity chairperson. We've received some notice from the



metro Detroit media this year. It takes time to earn their trust as a reliable and regular source of information. I'd like to continue building our publicity program."

PAT SHELTON joined MWGA in 1992 and was first elected to the Board in 1994. "I've been pleased to be involved in the growth of the organization and would be happy to continue as editor of the *NEWSLINX* or in whatever capacity would be most beneficial. Fortunately, my writing, editing, proofreading and organizational skills are stronger than my golf prowess."



SARA WOLD "I'm proud to have been a part of the MWGA from the very beginning and to have seen it grow through the years to be recognized as one of the leading women's golf organizations in the USA. Although the main purpose of the MWGA is to bring enjoyable and well-run tournaments and programs to our members, we support and are influential in the GAM and the USGA. We should all be proud of the success of our LPGA/USGA Girls Golf Program on Belle Isle and, as Site Director, I would like to see the program grow and give more girls an opportunity to benefit from learning how to play golf and the life lessons the game teaches. We need to be mindful of the past, present and future, and that is my concern that we continually move forward."



The Michigan Women's Golf Association is organized to operate exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes and to foster amateur sports competition . . . in particular to (1) educate amateur female golfers on the rules and values of the game of golf by conducting tournaments, educational clinics and other events for the benefit of its members and by actively supporting other events sponsored by organizations in which the Association is a member, such as the USGA and the GAM and (2) provide golf instruction and programming to underprivileged and disadvantaged children and youth.

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MEMBER ALERT

Please remember to advise the MWGA if your mailing address, phone numbers or email address change. You don't want to miss out on any of the great events being planned!

President's Corner *By Nancy Serra*



Here it is already the end of the season. I'm having golf withdrawal signs thinking about it! Looking at the past year, I'm amazed at what we've accomplished.

First, we have our online registration — a huge success! Next, we have our Tournament Task Force in place. So far, so good, but we still have some kinks to iron (no pun intended) out.

Another quest we are in the process of seeking is to gain 501(c)(3) status with the IRS. The biggest benefit of this change from 501(c)(4) status would be that donations or bequeaths (please think about it) to MWGA could be tax deductible to the full extent of the law. In terms of raising funds, this "would be bigger than the both of us," as Jackie Gleason used to say.

Then there is the LPGA/USGA Girl's Golf site at Belle Isle. This was a tremendous and rewarding success and will be an on-going endeavor.

Time to Sign Auld Lang Syne

And, last but not least, the Rhonda Walker Foundation, which we targeted for golf school students and a charity we will continue to support in an effort to give back to the community.

I do realize that some of the changes we made this past year did not make all of you happy, namely the deletion of the longest drive contest at our tournaments. Who knows what the future may bring? Just keep in mind that nothing is written in stone. We are always changing, as we should be. The flip side to replacing longest drive with an additional closest to the flag was that now we have very close to 100% participation in games and most of those are prepaid so the work can be done ahead of time.

I am also aware that the vast majority of you are using the web to do your posting. You deserve our thanks. If you know someone reluctant to post online, maybe you could tutor them and convince them that it is the way to go! Anyone who may

need a little help in this area can always call me and I will be happy to assist you in the easiest way to post your scores.

We did make a lot of changes and adopted numerous new procedures, too many for one year, I thought. I often asked myself why I let so much happen at once, but this fearless, efficient and cooperative Board worked at optimum level and got the tasks done. And we are not stopping here! Next year look for more changes to further improve our organization. I'll give you a peek — online membership application, games paid in advance requirement, more weekday tournaments and who knows what else?

There is no doubt in my mind, nor should there be in yours, that we are the *Best Women's Golf Organization in the U.S.* So sing that old acquaintances will not be forgotten, and we will see you on the links next season.



Match Play League *By Pat Witek*

Another successful Match Play League season has come to an end. We gathered together at Fieldstone Golf Course to cheer on the finalists, play some golf and celebrate the season with a yearend party. Many thanks to Yvette Gagnon and Joan Cleland for hosting the festivities.

The newly created MWGA Match Play League Champions trophy was unveiled. It honors all of the League Champions since the inception of the league in 1994.

Semifinal matches were held at Dunham Hills in early September, pitting the four flight winners against each other. Monica Oliver (C Flight) defeated Cynthia Pinkard (B Flight) 6 and 5. In a very close match, Deb Horning (A Flight) defeated Pat Shelton (D Flight) 1 up after 19 holes. Congratulations to all of the flight winners, victorious or not.

Excitement was in the chilly mid-September air when the Championship Match was contested at

"Hail to the Victors Valiant"

Fieldstone. Monica Oliver put up a valiant fight, but Deb Horning would not be denied and went on to win the match 5 and 4. Deb proudly accepted the League Champions trophy. Her name will be added to trophy plaque that honors past Match Play champions.

Here's a challenge for MWGA history buffs. A name is missing from the trophy. If anyone knows who the league champion was in 1996, please pass that information along. Here are the names of the Match Play Champions as they appear on the trophy:

1994 Kathy Janes
1995 Betty Vandeputte
1996 ????????
1997 Carol Frassrand
1998 Linda Neff
1999 Linda Neff
2000 Judy Figa
2001 Faye Bessette
2002 Jessica Karl
2003 Pat Witek

2004 Cynthia Pinkard
2005 Alice Belcher
2006 Alice Belcher
2007 Deb Horning, the newly crowned champion

Visit the MWGA website to view the final league standings. For more information and to put your name on the waiting list for the 2008 season, contact me, League Coordinator, at pgolfw@aol.com or 248/417-1190.

Won't you join the email group?

Send an email to mwga@mwgolf.org to receive notification via email when the *NEWSLINX* is posted on our website so you may read it there or download and print it if desired rather than receive a copy via U.S. mail.

Currently, **100 members** have elected to help save costs in this manner and in the process save a tree or two as well.

The Positive Golfer *By Janina Parrott Jacobs*

Losing Your Nerve? Never Fear...

As youngsters, most of us are willing to try anything. Don't believe it? Watch *America's Funniest Home Videos* or try to remember when your older brothers and sisters convinced you it was OK, really, to swing upside down from the rope on the towering elm in the backyard, or to swipe tomatoes from Mr. Lysik's yard, or to enter the boys' ice skating race with white figure skates.

Or, playing in your first ever golf tournament.

Getting older has advantages, but one negative is the reluctance to try new things or to muster up the courage to get beyond your comfort zone as easily as you did when you were 8 years old.

Let's take a look at what some well known heroes define as courage:

"Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear – not absence of fear." **Mark Twain**

"Courage is going from failure to failure without losing enthusiasm."

Winston Churchill

"Courage is doing what you're afraid to do. There can be no courage unless you're scared."

**Eddie Rickenbacker
(The Red Baron)**

The common threads running through these definitions are this: It is OK to be afraid and it is also OK to fail. It is only what we do with fear and with failure that either strengthens or ruins us.

It is often said that we regret the things in life we *didn't* do. Back in 1999 I attended the Grand Opening of the Cedar River GC at Shanty Creek. Architect and golf great Tom Weiskopf was on hand to ceremonially open the course and play an 18-hole exhibition round while discussing his design philosophy. I met Tom at the cocktail party the night before and after about 2 minutes of idle chat, he said, "You look like a golfer. What is your handicap?" At the time it was a 1 and I told him so. He replied, "I should be playing golf with you!" At the time he was designing Forest Dunes and I explained my connection as a *Golf Digest* course ratings panelist and

that I'd love to see the course with him as my host. Instead, he said, "I've got a better idea. Why don't you play the exhibition with me tomorrow? I'll hit from the back set of tees, you hit from the 3 sets of regular and forward tees, and that way people can see how the course plays for two different golfers. And, if I need you to hit it or putt it in a particular place, you can. Will you do it?"

Quite frankly, I was stunned. But I said yes. Was it scary? Was it nervy? Certainly. Were there repercussions? Yes. Later I found out that Tom had already turned down invitations to play with the CEO, the Director of Golf and other course notables. And now, here I am. Of course, I know what everyone was thinking: With Tom's reputation as a 'ladies man,' well, you can imagine what the men surmised. The ladies, however, were delighted. Finally, something they could relate to.

Thinking back, it never occurred to me to say 'no' to Tom's invitation. Yes, I was a bit nervous, but I had played golf in front of many people before and I figured this would be no different. Plus, with my years of musical entertainment experience behind me, this was similar. But that's the point: Many years of saying 'yes' to other experiences set me up for this and the fear was more easily overcome.

The day was one for my memoirs. Tom was gracious, a super playing partner and made me feel very much at ease. We had a good round — I think I shot about 75 or 76 with a few muligans at Tom's request. But the

important issue is that out of that experience I got the attention of the CEO of Detroit Newspapers, who then offered me the opportunity to write columns for the *Detroit Free Press* ... which of course led to other things, including the Michigan Golf Weekly TV show on CBS-Detroit.

I often wonder what would have happened had I let my fears take over and had declined Tom's invitation to play. One thing is for sure, I know what *wouldn't* have happened.

Starting today, put your fears aside, and unless something is flat out dangerous, do it.

Golfer: "How do you like my game?"

Caddy: "Very good sir, but personally, I prefer golf."

Golfer: "Do you think it's a sin to play on Sunday?"

Caddy: "The way you play, sir, it's a sin on any day."

Golfer: "That can't be my ball, it's too old."

Caddy: "It's been a long time since we teed off, sir."

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feminine, fashion 'fore'ward
girls golf apparel!

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baekgaard leather accessories
sandbagger shoes

Rules R Us

By Sara Wold

This month we will review a few rules situations that actually occurred in tournaments.

1. A player hit his second shot into a lateral water hazard and it landed on a muddy island in heavy grass. He elected to go into the hazard and attempted to hit it onto the green. He actually buried it deeper in the mud and was unable to find it. He placed a ball in the fairway in line with the hole and the spot on the bank where it last crossed the hazard. He hit the ball onto the green and one putted. What is his score for the hole?
2. A player is lining up his putt and the wind blows it closer to the hole. How should he proceed?
3. A player's ball is embedded in the fairway. He lifts it, cleans it, and drops it as near as possible to where it was embedded no closer to the hole. It rolls back into its pitch mark. He lifts it again and drops it and it does not roll back into the pitch mark. He hits his next shot. Has he proceeded correctly?
1. Two players hit from the white tees before the third player points out they should be hitting from the blue tees. What is the penalty in stroke play?
2. The one ball rule was in effect — must use the same brand and type of ball throughout the round. A player hit his ball into a group of trees and he never saw it land. He hit a provisional and went forward to look for his original ball. He found the provisional and discovered it was not the same brand. He found the original ball and finished out the hole with it. Is he penalized for hitting a provisional with a different brand of ball.
3. A player, not believing he can reach the green, which is occupied by the preceding match, plays his second shot at a par-5 hole and the ball rolls onto the green and strikes the flagstick lying on the ground. Is he penalized?

Confirm your answers on page 11.



Members & Friends

By Pat Shelton

What A Month!

HOLE IN 1!

Jennifer Pattison had a hole-in-one, her first, on 9/22 at Kensington Metropark GC in Milford on hole 8, a 111-yard par 3, with her 9 iron. It was during the Salem Hills SWIFT golf league fun day. "The ball hit short, took a good bounce and kept rolling until it dropped. Pretty exciting!"



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Sonia Pysh-Denison scored her first hole-in-one on 9/29 on hole 17, a 105-yard par 3 at Lakeville Hills GC in Lexington. "I was playing in the MWGA 2-day 2-person tournament. Hole 17 is all uphill and the flagstick was in the back of the green. I used my 9-iron playing for 125-130 and had the perfect shot right at the hole. The ball landed in the middle of the green, rolled, hit the flagstick and dropped, but I could only hear it, not see it go in because the hole was in the shade. It wasn't until I ran to the hole and saw the ball that I started jumping up and down and hugging my friends. It was the best weekend I've had. Pat Witek and I won 1st Low Net too."



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Another first: **Michelle Sroka** scored an ace on the 166-yard hole 11 at Dunham Hills GC in Hartland on 9/8 with her 6 iron during the MWGA Match Play League



semifinals. "The ball hit left of the pin and rolled about ten feet. I yelled 'go in the hole' and it did! A group of guys on an adjoining green saw it drop in. Very cool! The bar even sent out a bottle of beer in celebration."

Congratulations!

Laurie Ponikiewski was runner-up in the U.S. Deaf Golf Championships in July at Far Oaks GC in Caseyville, IL. She challenged her opponent for four days before losing on the third hole of a sudden death playoff.

A fixture in the Midwest Deaf Ladies Golf Association, Laurie has won their championship seven times. In a tournament in early August she carded an 80-79-81 to place first. Laurie was recently inducted into the MDLGA Hall of Fame. Way to go, Laurie!

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Verna Jasieniecki won the Women's Division with a 177 in the 2007 Taylor City Golf Championship in August at Taylor Meadows.

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Also winners in August at the Livonia *Observer & Eccentric* Championship at Whispering Willows were **Sue Macinkowicz** with a 78 gross and **Sue Madej** with a 73 net, taking first places in the Champion Flight; **Pat Witek** won first low net with a 74 in 1st Flight. **Sonia Pysh-Denison** won the closest to the flagstick contest (maybe a warm-up for her hole in one in September).

Almost the entire women's field were MWGA members; other participants included **Terry MacPherson**, **Jan Bowerman**, **Michelle Sroka**, **Pat Shelton** and **Sue Merrick**.

CONDOLENCES

We were all saddened and will miss Jerry Woodruff, the dear companion of **Barbara Porter**. Jerry had marshaled at several MWGA tournaments over the years. He died of complications following surgery on September 25. Our hearts go out to Barbara.

We also extend our sincere sympathy to **Judy Hamilton**, whose father passed away in August.

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Lucy Abbeg Jason, mother-in-law of **Nancy Abbeg** and grandmother of **Dawn Abbeg**, died on September 1 at age 92. Mrs. Jason has worked as a "Rosie the Riveter" building B-24 airplanes in Ypsilanti during WWII. Our sincere condolences to the Abbeg family.

Way to Go!

Since she couldn't golf this summer when she hurt her hand, on August 4 **Penny Irwin** participated in the Walk to Cure Diabetes on the MSU campus, a fundraiser to benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. "My niece, Dara, has juvenile diabetes. We hope the research will enable her to safely enlarge her family (and ours)."



Chris and Dara Sunberg, Penny and Dick Irwin

Membership Snippets

By Jane Kersjes

Thanks for a good season!!! Memberships for '08 begin now so enter early — use the application on the back page of this newsletter or on our website.

FYI, we will continue the two contests for new memberships:

- 1) Bring in the most new members and get a \$50 gift certificate at the annual meeting in May.
- 2) A drawing will be held in July from all those members bringing in new members for a free '09 membership.

Hope you have a great winter!



RESULTS

Top 30 Player of the Year (POY)

Point Totals thru 8/25 at Salem Hills

Deb Horning	71
Michelle Sroka	65
Mary Ann Montre	63
Suzanne Madej	57
Yvette Gagnon	56
Lu Stockton	56
Darci Stocker	51
Barbara Coury	50
Susan Macinkowicz	49
Nancy Serra	49
Theresa MacPherson	48
Pat Burdziak	47
Betty Vandeputte	46
Cynthia Pinkard	45
Lori Rogers	45
Sonia Pysh-Denison	43
Ruth Wilson	43
Sue Cherry	40
Carol Rudder	40
Cindy Hill	39
Karen Stecher	39
Barbara Porter	37
Dorine Allen	36
Yvette Johnson	36
Patricia DeMaire	35
Jacqueline McFarlane	35
Pat Shelton	34
Robyn Calardo	33
Inez Bridges	32
Laurie Forrester	32

2-Woman Best Ball, Lakes of Taylor, August 6

By Jane Kersjes

As soon as I opened my front door on Monday, 8/6 at 5:30am, the humidity hit me and my lungs were gasping for air. Luckily for us, it remained overcast throughout the tournament and the humidity seemed to dissipate as the morning wore on. The Lakes of Taylor was in great shape with beautiful landscaping a horticulturalist would envy. We got off to a rocky start with a timing snafu, but we all enjoyed the day. There were a few holes that tested even the lowest echelon of the handicapper range, but yes, we all survived.

Thanks to all who helped me, especially Cynthia Pinkard, Deb Horning, Denise Buechel, Robyn Calardo and Nancy Serra. The course

provided a wonderful salad bar (lots of 'stuff' to bury the healthy lettuce), soup, rolls and carrot cake. Ha, too bad if you missed it, it was a good one.

Let's celebrate these winners for a wonderful performance — [12 teams Flight A, 14 teams Flight B].

Flight A

1 st LG Liz Houston	
Verna Jasieniecki	78 \$48 ea
LN Judy Hamilton	
Terry MacPherson	66 "
2 nd LG Jackie McFarlane	
Lori Rogers	80 \$30 ea
LN Kathy Frantz	
Mary Ann Brauser	66 "

Flight B

1 st LG Angie Cook	
Sharon Peet	82 \$48 ea
LN Jodie Chapa	
Lu Stockton	60 "
2 nd LG Sandy DiPaola	
Laurie Forrester	84 \$30 ea
LN Cynthia Pinkard	
Robyn Calardo	65 "

Flight A, 8 Skins \$13 ea: 2 Ruby Cler/Jamy Hall, 1 Liz Houston/Verna Jasieniecki, Kathy Frantz/Mary Ann Brauser, Jackie McFarlane/Lori Rogers, Judy Hamilton/Terry MacPherson, Linda Morton/Karen Paprocki, Sue Madej/Sue Cherry

Flight B, 3 Skins \$47 ea: 2 Sharon Peet/Angie Cook, 1 Unha Murray/Jane Kersjes

Flight A, Closest to Flag \$23 ea:

#5 Jamy Hall 8'11", #11 Debra Horning 3'4", #17 Carolyn Cubley 11'11"

Flight B, Closest to Flag \$23 ea:

#5 Lu Stockton 18', #11 Dawn Abbeg 18'1-1/2", Susan Wedley 29'

7 Chip-ins \$13 ea:

#3 Arezell Brown, Laurie Forrester, #5 Linda Waltman, #9 Terry MacPherson, #14 Nancy Abbeg, Sandy DiPaola, #15 Sue Madej

Visit www.mwgolf.org for complete results.

FYI, we received an apology from Rob Pare, Golf Director for the City of Taylor, for the "snafu" Jane mentioned. In his letter he said "...I want to apologize for our shortcomings. The mischeduling (*sic*) on the tee sheet delayed your group ... and apparently there was some confusion on the driving range use. ... I want to reiterate how much we appreciate your group choosing the Lakes of Taylor to host your event." He also donated some golf and promised free use of the driving range on our next booking.

RESULTS

16th GAM Women's Championship

By Sara Wold

The GAM Women's Championship was held at Saginaw Country Club Aug. 13th and 14th. Laura Kueny won the Championship with a 71 - 72 for a total of 143. Her name will be engraved on the Betty

Richart Trophy. Stacy Slobodnik-Stoll was Runner-up with a 73 - 72 = 145. Britney Hamilton was low the first day with a 2 under par 70 and defending Champion Laura Bavaird was low the second day with a 1 un-

der 71. Britney was 3rd and Laura 4th. Austin McDermaid won flight B with a 151 and Natalie Brehm won Flight C with a 156. Check www.gam.org for a complete list of the results.

2-Woman Best Ball Enjoyed by 60 Players

By Joyce Harlukowicz

The MWGA 2-Woman Best Ball at Heather Hills on August 18 accommodated a field of 60 players that enjoyed the fine weather and well-groomed golf course. Though the club is located "off the beaten track," nearly everyone commented that the enjoyable course and friendly staff made for a fine day of golf and was worth the trip.

Competition was keen, with Terry Delcamp shooting a 68 on her own ball, and that may be a course record! The Terry Delcamp/Sue Keller team captured Low Gross in Flight 1 with a fine score of 66.

Prize winners included:

Flight 1

1LG	Terry Delcamp	66	63
	Sue Keller		
1LN	Olivia Bayagich	81	61
	Sherry Wedemeyer		
2LG	Susan Macinkowicz	70	61
	Betty Vandeputte		



1st Flight 1LN Sherry Wedemeyer, Olivia Bayagich

2LN	Susan Shaw	76	62
	Patty Kreason		

Flight 2

1LG	Pam Staub	84	64
	Robyn Calardo		
1LN	Carrol Sanchez	94	56
	Karen A. Stecher		
2LG	Inez Bridges	85	64
	Paula Serra		
2LN	Lu Stockton	87	59
	Linda Bermingham		

Chip-ins

Linda Bermingham, Elisabeth Buchheister, Inez Bridges, Cynthia Pinkard, Mary Ann Brauser, Kathy Frantz, Sue Macinkowicz

Closest to Flagstick

#7 96 yd	Flt A	Linda Waltman	2'8"
	Flt B	Paula Serra	3'5"



2nd Flight 2LG Inez Bridges, Paula Serra; 2LN Lu Stockton; 1LN Karen Stecher, Carrol Sanchez

#11 132 yd	Flt A	Yvette Johnson	3'1"
	Flt B	Faye Bessette	13'2"
#13 135 yd	Flt A	Deb VanKuiken	15'6"
	Flt B	Sandy DiPaola	20'1"

8 Skins Flight 1: Terry Delcamp/Sue Keller (2), Sue Macinkowicz/Betty Vandeputte (1), Darci Stocker/Nancy Serra (1), Deb Horning/Yvette Gagnon (1), Kathy Frantz/Mary Ann Brauser (1), Cynthia Pinkard/Deb Pringle (1)

5 Skins Flight 2: Inez Bridges/Paula Serra (1), Laurie Chase/Elisabeth Buchheister (1), Lynn Eisenberg/Cathy Mezo (1), Lu Stockton/Linda Bermingham (1), Faye Bessette/Pat Shelton (1)

See complete results on our website.

It is almost impossible to remember how tragic a place the world is when one is playing golf.
Robert Lynd

Golf is a day spent in a round of strenuous idleness.
William Wordsworth

If you drink, don't drive. Don't even putt.
Dean Martin

11th GAM Women's Senior Championship

By Sara Wold

The GAM Women's Senior Championship was held at the Spruce Course at Grand Traverse Aug. 27th and 28th. Sue Campbell was the Champion with an 82 - 81 total of 163. Her name will be engraved on the Sara Wold Trophy. Deb Horning was Low Net in the Championship Flight with a 140. Judy Hamilton was the winner of Flight B with a

170 and Darla Matthews won Low Net with a 145. Sally Seymour won Flight C with a 183 and Melissa Stemple won Low Net with a 137. A new award was given to recognize the lowest score by a senior over 60. Roxanne Blackmer was the winner with a 173. Check www.gam.org for a complete list of the results.

US Women's Senior Amateur

By Sara Wold

The US Women's Senior Amateur was held at Sunriver Resort in Sunriver, OR Sept. 1 - 6. Joan Garety tied for 27th in stroke play with a 157 and lost 1 down in the first round of match play. Maria Malone tied for 77th with a 164. Anna Schultz defeated Robyn Puckett in 20 holes to win the Championship.

RESULTS

Women's Public Team Claims Victory in the Atlas Trophy Matches, Sept. 22-23

By Cynthia Pinkard, Public Team Captain

The Medalist in Marshall was the site of the 2007 Atlas Cup Matches. 12 of the state's best private club players competed against 12 of the top public course players in team and individual matches. There were 6 four-ball matches on Saturday and 12 individual matches on Sunday. The women's public and private teams tied on Saturday, with 5 of the 6 matches going to the 18th hole. Both teams had very strong, outstanding players, with amazing representation from the State's leading high school players (public team players: Leah Grawburg-senior, Amy Meier-junior, Christine Meier-sophomore, Liz Nagel-junior and private team players: Joan Dulieu



Public Team, left to right, Erin Borowiec, Jennifer Borowiec, Mary Vajgrt, Sue Campbell, Deb Horning, Cynthia Pinkard (Captain), Liz Nagel, Sue Macinkowicz, Darci Stocker, Christine Meier, Julie Massa, Amy Meier, Leah Grawburg

and Bryce Hetchler). What a battle! Each team won two matches, lost two matches and tied two matches. The score was 3 to 3 going into Sunday's singles matches. The public team went to work on Sunday winning 7 of the 12 individual matches and

tying one match leading to a 7-1/2 to 4-1/2 victory on Sunday. The 2007 Women's Public Atlas Cup Team won the Atlas Trophy with a 10-1/2 to 7-1/2 victory over the Private Team.

The women competing in this event earn an invitation by their gross score performance in GAM, USGA, Junior Tour and MWGA State Championship events. Each player put forth an outstanding effort to get the win for their team. If you have never been to the Atlas Matches and you enjoy watching the Ryder Cup and Solheim Cup, you are missing one of the toughest and most competitive venues in the State. Put the 2008 Atlas Cup on your calendars. This is competitive golf at the highest level.

September 22, 2007		
	Defeated	
Mary Vajgrt & Jennifer Borowiec (public)	All Square	Ann Lauer & Kim Kester (private)
Sue Campbell & Erin Borowiec (public)	All Square	Maria Malone & Christine Edwards (private)
Deb Horning & Amy Meier (public)	1 Up	Barb Schmid & Claudia Cenko (private)
Terry Delcamp & Cathy Netter (private)	1 Up	Sue Macinkowicz & Leah Grawburg (public)
Joan Garety & Joan Dulieu (private)	2 Up	Julie Massa & Christine Meier (public)
Darci Stocker & Liz Nagel (public)	4 & 3	Donna Benford & Bryce Hetchler
Public Team 3 Points - Private Team 3 Points		

September 23, 2007		
Kim Kester (private)	8 & 6	Deb Horning (public)
Joan Dulieu (private)	8 & 7	Sue Macinkowicz (public)
Claudia Cenko (private)	2 & 1	Jennifer Borowiec (public)
Erin Borowiec (public)	3 & 2	Barb Schmid (private)
Leah Grawburg (public)	3 & 2	Ann Lauer (private)
Amy Meier (public)	3 & 2	Christine Edwards (private)
Christine Meier (public)	4 & 3	Bryce Hetchler (private)
Elizabeth Nagel (public)	4 & 2	Cathleen Netter (private)
Susan Campbell (public)	All Square	Maria Malone (private)
Mary Vajgrt (public)	6 & 5	Donna Benford (private)
Julie Massa (public)	1 Up	Joan Garety (private)
Terry Delcamp (private)	2 & 1	Darci Stocker (public)
Final Results Day Two: Public Team 7-1/2 - Private Team 4-1/2		
Final Women's Championship Results:		
Public Team 10-1/2 - Private Team 7-1/2		

Learn to turn.
To develop a big turn for power and accuracy, you need to develop flexibility. Start by using a broom placed behind your neck and hold the ends with your hands. Begin making turns gradually and then work up so that your shoulders come under your chin as you complete the turn back and through. Do this exercise throughout the year to build up the muscles needed for the turn.

Build eye-hand coordination.
One of the key components that all good golfers have is good eye-hand coordination. To develop this skill, try these drills: Scratch a line in the ground and swing so that your club take a divot just where the line is made and extends to the front of it. Place a ball on a tee and make a short swing that knocks the ball off the tee but leaves the tee standing upright.

Bill Kroen's Golf Tip-A-Day

RESULTS

4-Woman Trifecta, August 25, Salem Hills GC

1st Flight							
Place	Name	Gross	Net	Place	Name	Gross	Net
1LG	Macinkowicz, Susan	107	85	1LN	Bayagich, Olivia	123	84
	Vandeputte, Betty				Murray, Unha		
	Comstock, Deborah				DiPaola, Sandra		
	Rogers, Lori				Wedemeyer, Sherry		
2nd Flight							
1LG	Dorr, Sue	132	86	1LN	Bridges, Inez	140	87
	Manning, Shelly				Montre, Mary Ann		
	Hoenscheid, Deborah				Serra, Paula		
	Hollman, Wendy				Burdziak, Patricia		



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Closest to the Flagstick

	1st Flight	2nd Flight
#3	Sandy DiPaola	Carol Rudder
#14	Darla Matthews	Monica Oliver
#17	Cindy Hill	Carol Hanchett-Card



Left to right: Olivia Bayagich, Sherry Wedemeyer, Deb Comstock, Sue Macinkowicz, Lori Rogers, Sandy DiPaola, Unha Murray

USGA State Team

The USGA State Team Championship was held at the Club at Carlton Woods in TX Sept. 18 -20. The team from Arizona won. Joan Garety, Terry Delcamp and Stacy Slobodnik-Stoll represented MI and placed 37th.

2-Woman Scramble, Sept. 8, Hawk Hollow GC

FLIGHT 1				FLIGHT 2			
		Gross	Net			Gross	Net
1LG	Darci Stocker	60	56	1LG	Carol Rudder	75	59
	Susan Macinkowicz				Lu Stockton		
1LN	Sue Dorr	71	58	1LN	Margaret Snow	78	63
	Shelly Manning				Barbara Porter		
2LG	Michelle Sroka	71	60	2LG	Dawn Abbeg	81	66
	Lori Rogers				Nancy Abbeg		
2LN	Unha Murray	74	60	2LN	Pam Staub	82	65
	Sandra DiPaola				Melissa Middleton		



Flight 1: Michelle Sroka, Sue Dorr, Shelly Manning, Darci Stocker, Unha Murray, Sandra DiPaola



Flight 2: Margaret Snow, Pam Staub, Melissa Middleton, Carol Rudder, Lu Stockton

21st US Women's Mid-Am

The US Women's Mid-Amateur Championship was held 9/29 - 10/4 at the Desert Forest Golf Club in Carefree, AZ. Mary Jane Anderson Heistand survived a play-off at 166 to qualify for match play. Joan Garety shot a 181 and did not make the cut. The medalist was Dawn Woodward with a 2 under par 144.

MJ won her first match 4 and 2 and lost 7 and 5 in the second round. Meghan Bolger successfully defended her title by defeating Kerry Postillin 1up in the 36-hole final match.

Terry Delcamp Qualifies for Chrysler Club Championship

Winners of their club championships competed at Hawk Hollow on Mon., Oct. 1st for a chance to play in the Chrysler Club Championship. Stacy Slobodnik Stoll, representing Walnut Hills, won the 1st spot with a 69 and is unable to attend

because of her coaching duties at MSU. Terry Delcamp, representing the MWGA, then took the 1st spot with a 74. Other qualifiers were Kim Kester, The Highlands, 74; Julie Massa, Forest Akers, 77; and Claudia Cenko, Oakland Hills, 77.

The four women will travel to Naples, FL to play at the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort and the Tiburon Golf club. The winner will play in the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic. Darcy Stocker, representing the MWGA, was runner-up last year. Good luck to our Michigan players.

RESULTS

2-Day/2-Person Best Ball, Lakeview Hills, Lexington, September 29-30

Place		Sat Gross	Sun Gross	Total Gross	Sat Net	Sun Net	Total Net
Mixed Flight							
* 1LG	Betty Vandeputte David Vandeputte	74	76	150	69	70	139
1LN	Carol McQuade Dennis McQuade	88	90	178	60	65	125
2LG	Carol Rudder Craig Rudder	85	81	166	69	64	133
2LN	Faye Bessette Greg Bessette	91	96	187	62	67	129
Women's Flight							
1LG	Darci Stocker Michelle Sroka	73	77	150	68	68	136
1LN	Sonia Pysh-Denison Pat Witek	85	79	164	65	58	123
2LG	Debra Horning Yvette Gagnon	78	76	154	64	64	128
2LN	Diane Blum Joan Cleland	93	87	180	67	61	128



Greg & Faye Bessette, Carol & Dennis McQuade, Betty & Dave Vandeputte, Carol & Craig Rudder



Back: Deb Horning & Yvette Gagnon, Sonia Pysh-Denison & Pat Witek, Joan Cleland & Diane Blum; Front: Michelle Sroka & Darci Stocker

*Overall Trophy Winners

Closest to Flagstick

Hole	Yards	Flight	Day	Player	Distance
#3	133/158	Men's Flight	Sat	Craig Rudder	6' 11"
			Sun	Geno Kronkowski	13' 5"
	105	Women's Flight A	Sat	Yvette Gagnon	13' 2"
			Sun	Michelle Sroka	2' 8"
105	Women's Flight B	Sat	Diane Blum	17' 5"	
		Sun	Lu Stockton	28' 3"	
#8	139/175	Men's Flight	Sat	Craig Rudder	36' 6"
			Sun	Craig Rudder	15' 2"
	93	Women's Flight A	Sat	Ruth Golm	2' 4"
			Sun	Nancy Serra	5' 8"

Chip-Ins

Sat	Deb Land
	Pat Shelton
	Sonia Pysh-Denison
	(Hole-In-One)
Sun	Diane Blum
	Faye Bessette
	Lu Stockton



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Closest to Flagstick Hole

Hole	Yards	Flight	Day	Player	Distance
#8/93		Women's Flight B	Sat	Linda Bermingham	7' 10"
			Sun	Joan Cleland	13' 2"
#13	136/154	Men's Flight	Sat	David Vandeputte	11' 11"
			Sun	Geno Kronkowski	23' 6"
102		Women's Flight A	Sat	Darci Stocker	2' 5"
			Sun	Deb Horning	13' 3"
102		Women's Flight B	Sat	Faye Bessette	25' 2"
			Sun	Diane Blum	19' 2"

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RESULTS

4-Woman Fall Farewell Scramble, October 6, Pine View GC



1LN Glenda Byers
67 Linda Bermingham
53 Lu Stockton
Carol Rudder



2LN Yvette Gagnon
67 Pat Shelton
57 Faye Besette
Debra Horning



3LN Barbara Porter
72 Mary Beth Oliver
58 Marilyn Montemayor
Pat Witek



4LN Ruth Wilson
63 Cindy Hill
58 Amy Skogstrom
Angie Cook



5LN Susan Merrick
71 Michelle Sroka
58 Dorine Allen
Sonia Pysh-Denison



Closest to Flagstick

- #5 121 yd Flight A Deb Horning
Flight B Lu Stockton
- #12 135 yd Flight A
Flight B Angie Cook
- #17 123 yd Flight A Kourtney Sterrett
Flight B Deb Pringle

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	Member	Earnings	Pro Picks
1	Terry Deisler*	\$5,576,317	Ochoa, Gulbis, Diaz, Pettersen
2	Linda Morton	5,091,675	Ochoa, G. Park, Diaz, Pettersen
3	Sara Wold	4,546,367	Ochoa, Pressel, Christina Kim, LeAnna Wicks
4	Judy Figa	4,495,107	Ochoa, Gulbis, Young Kim, Hetherington
5	Shelly Weiss	4,466,719	Ochoa, Gulbis, Christina Kim, Kane
6	Deb Horning	4,437,511	Ochoa, Lincicome, Joo Mi Kim, Hetherington
7	Pat Meyers	2,258,664	Ochoa, Miyazato, Young Kim, Song Hee Kim
8	Ruth Wilson	2,046,920	Sorenstam, Pressel, Young Kim, Hetherington
9	Pat DeMaire	1,991,395	Webb, Gulbis, Young Kim, Rankin
10	Nancy Serra	1,934,055	Webb, Prammanasudh, Young Kim, Kane
11	Michelle Sroka	1,852,739	Sorenstam, Pressel, Davies, Daniel
12	Delores Hartwick	1,811,241	Sorenstam, Lincicome, Young Kim, Kane
13	Pat Shelton	1,642,174	Sorenstam, Gulbis, Diaz, M.-Lebouc
*CONTEST WINNER			

A		D	
Ochoa	\$3,068,421	Diaz	499,059
Webb	609,192	Young Kim	421,385
Sorenstam	414,117	Joo Mi Kim	224,543
B		D	
Pressel	\$908,733	Pettersen	\$1,317,059
Lincicome	841,862	Hetherington	302,685
Prammanasudh	769,601	Rankin	258,202
Miyazato	753,733	Kane	133,877
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1. He scores an 8. He is penalized one stroke for taking the ball out of the hazard (Decision 26-2a(ii)) and 2 strokes for placing a ball rather than dropping it (Decision 20-6/1).
2. The player plays from the new position with no penalty. Wind is not an outside agency and 18-1 does not apply (Decision 18-1/12).
3. Yes, he proceeded correctly (Decision 25-2/3).
4. The players must add two penalty strokes and play from the correct tees before teeing off on the next hole or announce their intentions to correct their mistake before leaving the green of the last hole (Decision 1/4b).
5. There is no penalty as the provisional ball never became the ball in play (Decision 5-1/3).
6. No. A penalty applies only when the flagstick has been removed with the player's authority or prior knowledge by someone in the player's match or group (Decision 17-3/3).



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