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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 2012 MICHIGAN GOLF SHOW at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi, MI

by Suzanne Madej, Publicity Director



The Michigan Women's Golf Association is organized . . . to foster amateur sports competitions . . . 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.



This year is the 21st anniversary of the Michigan Golf Show held annually in Novi, Michigan. This year the show will be held March 2-4. As usual, the Michigan

Women's Golf Association has a booth at this event, and, as usual, we need volunteers to staff the booth throughout the event. The Michigan Golf Show is one of the premier local golf shows in the nation, with over 200,000 square feet of exhibitor booths and merchandise. In addition to great deals from golf retailers, resorts and golf courses, there are also many hands-on golf activities. Over 30,000 people are expected to attend. This becomes a great way for the MWGA to present itself to the many women golfers who will come to the show. You can help our organization market itself, attract new membership and have fun at the same time. As a volunteer you will meet and greet golfers, many of whom will be potential members. You can deliver the message that the MWGA is one of the leading golf organizations for women golfers, with scheduled tournaments, instruction, a Rules of Golf clinic and a Girls Golf Program. We are proud to include in our membership some of the finest women golfers in the state. When your time as a volunteer is over, you are free to enjoy the show on your own and see what bargains you can take home. I am going to try to arrange for free admission and parking, but I cannot make any promises at this time.

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To sign up, please contact me, Sue Madej, at madej@mwggolf.org or call 313-886-1804 or 313-815-9706. I thank you in advance for your help and look forward to seeing you in Novi.

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Membership Snippets By Shirley McClain, Membership Director

I hope you had a Blessed and Enjoyable Thanksgiving and now you are looking forward to a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. Speaking of the New Year, I'm sure you are anticipating a year of *fun and excitement* with MWGA next year. The Board is making its list of golf courses for the 2012 golf season and checking it numerous times to make sure your golfing experience with us will be *FANTASTIC*.

Don't be left out; we are taking membership applications NOW! Remember, Membership fees are lower this year!! So what are you waiting for? Get those applications in real soon.

Take care and keep those applications coming!!



2012 MWGA Board of Directors, l-r, back, Kathy Brennan, Monica Oliver, Shirley McClain, Brenda Friis, Deb Horning; l-r, front, Lu Stockton, Cynthia Pinkard, Nancy Serra, Barb Porter, Barb Coury; not pictured: Denise Buechel, Sue Madej, Francine Pegues, Pat Shelton, Sara Wold



President's Corner *By Barbara Porter*

Feliz Navidad

As I'm driving home digesting my Thanksgiving meal with José Feliciano's "Feliz Navidad" playing on the radio (a bit too early for me), I thought I'd take the time to contemplate this, my last article for 2011. Somehow, my brain functions better when I feel all warm and fuzzy inside.... and, some mild heartburn kicks in as a reality check.

Each November, your Board meets for our annual Think Tank session. As most of you comprehend the essence of a think tank, suffice it to say we had a free exchange of ideas, ultimately to elevate the MWGA experience for all members. Like any business, the MWGA Board realizes the dynamics of our organization must change to keep up with present needs and to anticipate future needs. Believe me, trying to forecast the future is most compelling. So, for all you soothsayers, please run for the Board as your ability would be most beneficial.

We all leave the think tank meeting with our heads spinning. Okay, the bottle of chocolate wine we shared after the discussion might have contributed a bit to the spinning, but I'm sticking to the volume of ideas as the main culprit. And then I got to pondering about a statement that was made at the meeting. The exact words elude me, however, the crux was: "The MWGA is forever focusing on how we can improve as an organization, yet we seldom take the time to recognize our present and past accomplishments." And I thought it is sometimes difficult, possibly a 'woman' thing, to pat yourself on the back, toot your own horn, or whatever

catchy phrase you wish to use to give yourself deserving accolades. So, I'm going to end the year praising the virtues of the MWGA.

First and foremost, we have sustained for twenty-five years. In some instances, we are "the new kid on the block," yet, we have managed to be in existence a fast twenty-five years while many amateur women's golf associations have gone by the wayside. Second, the MWGA is one of a few clubs offering amateur women golfers of all levels the opportunity to compete in tournament format golf using USGA guidelines. And, as the later is our main focus, we constantly strive to maintain the highest standards for all to enjoy our events. Third, the MWGA offers an Orientation Program plus Rules Clinics, Skills Clinics and GAM Handicap Posting for all members at reasonable pricing – again, to enhance your membership and your golf game.

And yet there are still numerous tentacles of the MWGA – rewarding members' participation with Player of the Year points and Golfer of the Year points. These "merit" points are calculated throughout the tournament season. Winners of the POY and GOY awards are then acknowledged at our Annual Meeting. The MWGA also annually supports the Women's Amateur Public Links qualifiers held in Michigan, giving our local talent, among others, an opportunity to escalate to the next level of the national USGA Women's Amateur Public Links Championship tournament. Every other year, the MWGA hosts the women's Atlas Cup Tournament of Michigan. Similar in format to the Solheim Cup, this competition rivals the "public" female player against the "private club" female player for golfing honors. Our

MWGA Match Play League only continues to gain in popularity. Most years, there is a waiting list. If you want some serious one-on-one competition, try match play. Our members can take advantage of all that the MWGA offers, surely a total golfing extravagance for the committed golfer.

Several Think Tanks ago, the seeds were planted for our current 501(c)3 status. The comment was made that any great organization always gives back to the community. Hence, began our alliance with the LPGA/USGA Girls Golf Program. What started out as a modest number of young girls at the First Tee on Belle Isle has escalated into two summer programs, one for beginners and one for the second tier players – almost a full time job! And, the prospects for the 2012 program defy anything the MWGA could imagine. I can only tell you that I will know more after a late November meeting. In the end, the kids will be the true winners! Who knew? From this game we call golf?

In conclusion, as this magical season is upon us, we all can be proud members and give thanks to the Michigan Women's Golf Association for a myriad of reasons, past, present and future. I wish to thank and welcome Belinda Friis our newest Board member. And, I know I don't say this nearly enough, but thanks to all my wonderful, hard-working Board members and, most of all, thanks to the MWGA membership who make it all possible and worthwhile. To all, a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza, Happy New Year and Peace on Earth. See you at the Novi Golf Show in March 2012. Now, where did I place those Tums?

DON'T FORGET TO USE YOUR MWGA 2011 CERTIFICATES BEFORE THEY EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31

We have all had a great time together during the 2011 season, haven't we! I have really enjoyed contributing to the MWGA by setting up and printing the gift certificates for each tournament, knowing how they add to the enjoyment of our events, and I look forward to continuing. I appreciate the good times we've had and, of course, all the great golf tournaments and events in the interesting places we have played. For me, the end of each season just leads to anticipation of the next.

See you all in the spring!



Barb Coury, Gift Certificate Director



Rules R Us *By Sara Wold, Rules Director*

Principal Rule Changes for 2012

The current Rules of Golf and Decisions Book will be obsolete in 2012. Every 4 years the USGA and R&A make rules changes and 2012 is one of those years. You will need to have a 2012 Rules Book and Decisions Book to keep up to date.

Only one definition has been changed. The **Definition of Addressing the Ball** has been amended so that a player has addressed the ball simply by grounding his club immediately in front of or behind the ball, regardless of whether or not he has taken his stance. Therefore, the Rules generally no longer provide for a player addressing the ball in a hazard.

Seven Rules have been changed. We will discuss the ones that are more common when we play. **Rule 6-3a. Time of Starting** has been changed so that the previous condition of competition is now the Rule. The penalty for starting late, but within five minutes of the starting time, is reduced from disqualification to loss of the first hole in match play or two strokes at the first hole in stroke play.

Rule 12-1. Seeing Ball; Searching for Ball is amended to permit a player to search for his ball anywhere on the course when it may be covered by sand and there is no penalty if the ball is moved. However, there is a one stroke penalty if a player moves his ball in a hazard when searching for it when it is believed to be covered by loose impediments, such as leaves. The ball must be replaced.

Rule 13-4. Ball in Hazard; Prohibited Actions is amended to permit a player to smooth sand or soil in a hazard at any time, including before playing from that hazard, provided it is for the sole purpose of caring for the course and Rule 13-2 (Improving Lie, Area of Intended Stance or Swing, or Line of Play) is not breached.

Rule 18-2b. Ball Moving After Address. A new exception is added that exonerates the player from pen-

alty if his ball moves after it has been addressed when it is known or virtually certain that he did not cause the ball to move. For example, if it is a gust of wind that moves the ball after it has been addressed, there is no penalty and the ball is played from its new position.

Questions:

1. Next spring in the MWGA President's Tournament, a competitor's tee shot comes to rest thru the green on a grass bank behind a greenside bunker. He takes his stance in the bunker to make his next stroke. As a result of that stroke, the ball comes to rest in the same bunker, nearer the hole. He rakes the area where he took his stance, proceeds to where his ball came to rest in the bunker, and plays his ball onto the green from that point and holes the putt. What is his score for the hole?
2. In the same tournament, a player has addressed his ball on the putting green. He is worried that it might move so he backs off the ball. A gust of wind then blows the ball two feet. He putts it from where it came to rest. He is penalized one stroke and must correct the error. True or False?
3. In 2012, if a player moves his ball while searching for it under leaves in a water hazard, he is penalized one stroke and must replace it. True or False?

Answers on page 4

Volunteers Needed



MWGA is an amazing organization, and to keep up with all of our tournaments and programs, we need our members to volunteer. If you are interested in becoming more involved, please take a look at these committees and contact us to join one:

Website & Computer, Finance, Handicap, Juniors, Long Range Planning, Membership, Nominations, Rules, Publicity, Tournament & Task Force, Fund Development, Survey

Contact me at Stockton@mwgolf.org and I will be happy to give you more information about our volunteer needs. Please think about giving back to our great organization!



Faced with a restricted backswing?

Sometimes, you will find your ball in a spot that is just in front of a bush or small tree. If the bush interferes with your backswing, do not try to take practice swings that break leaves and branches, as this would be a penalty. Choke down on your club to the metal part of the shaft, break your wrists quickly and punch the ball out with a mini-swing. Practice this recovery shot to master it before using it in actual play.

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Tentative 2012 MWGA Event Schedule

Unless otherwise specified, MWGA, WAPL, GAM and USGA events are open to female golfers with a USGA index of 40 or less. Any event with age, index or pre-qualification restrictions is so noted.


MWGA Events (\$xx Member/\$xx Non-Member). Entry Deadline 10 Days Prior to All Events Unless Noted. **QUESTIONS:** tournament@mwgolf.org or 734-558-2543. **ENTER TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS ONLINE** at www.mwgolf.org or **MAIL ENTRIES** to: MWGA Event Office, 1127 Palmer St, Plymouth, MI 48170-2054.

Date/Time	Event/Fee	Site/Location/Contact (if other than Tournament Office)
TBD	MWGA Rules Clinic/Guidelines Briefing \$XX members/guests	TBD
TBD	Golf Skills Clinic \$XX	TBD
TBD	Match Play League Meeting – Golf optional	Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
5/5, Sat, 10a 11a 1p shotgun	Vendor Booths Annual Meeting, Buffet Lunch Spring Member/Guest 4-Woman Scramble	Salem Hills, Northville 48168, 248-437-2152, www.salemhillsgolfclub.com . All activities: Booths/meeting/ lunch/golf/cart/range – \$XX; Booths/meeting/lunch ONLY – \$XX
TBD	Match Play	TBD, Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
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5/26, Sat Noon crossover	2-Person Four-Ball, Women's & Mixed Teams \$XX member/male partner, \$XX non-member	Lakes of Taylor, Taylor 48180, 734-287-2100, www.taylorlakesgolf.com . Fee includes golf/cart (Men YD 6386, CR 70.7, SR 122; Women YD 5119, CR 69.3, SR 117)
TBD	Match Play	TBD, Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
6/9, Sat 9a shotgun	President's Stroke Play (pairings of 3) \$XX member, \$XX non-member	Timber Trace, Pinckney 48169, 734-878-1800, www.timbertracegolfclub.com ; Golf/cart/range (YD 5100, CR 68.9, SR 120)
6/25, Mon 9a shotgun	2-Woman Scramble Golf/cart: \$XX member, \$XX non-member	Shepherd's Hollow, Clarkston 48348, 248-922-0300, www.shepherdshollow.com (YD 4906, CR 69.7, SR 120)
TBD	Match Play	TBD, Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
7/8, Sun 9a shotgun	Stroke Play \$XX member, \$XX non-member	Lake Forest, Ann arbor 48103, 734-994-8580, www.lakeforestgolf.com ; Golf/cart/range (YD 5354, CR 71.9, SR 124)
TBD	Match Play	TBD, Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
TBD	9-Hole Member/Junior 2-Woman Scramble	TBD
7/21, 7/22, Sat– Sun, 9a shotguns	2-Day State Championship Stroke Play \$XXX member, \$XXX non-member	Timber Ridge, East Lansing 48823, 517-339-8000, www.golftimberidge.com (YD 5175, CR 71.4, SR 132); Golf/cart/range/ 2nd day buffet
7/22, Sun, 9a	State Championship Junior Division \$XX	Timber Ridge; golf/cart/range/South of the Border buffet
TBD	Match Play	TBD, Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
8/4, Sat 9a shotgun	2-Woman Four-Ball Stroke Play \$XX member, \$XX non-member	Dunham Hills, Hartland 48353, 248-887-9170, www.dunhamhills.com ; Golf/cart/range (YD 5253, CR 70.8, SR 118)
8/21, Tue 9a shotgun	4-Woman Best Ball (Cha, Cha, Cha) Member/Guest. Enter as a Single	Edgewood CC, Commerce TWP. 48382, 248-363-7112, www.edgewoodcountryclub.org ; \$XX Golf/cart/range/lunch (YD 5646, CR 71.9, SR 121)
TBD	Match Play Quarterfinals	TBD, Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
TBD	Match Play Semifinals	TBD, Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
9/9, Sun 11:30a tee times	Match Play Championship ALL WELCOME Golf/cart/range: \$XX	Tyrone Hills, Fenton 48430, 810-629-5011, www.tyronehillsgolf.com ; Contact: Pat Witek, 248-417-1190, witek@mwgolf.org
9/15, 9/16, Shotguns 11a Sat, 10a Sun	2-Day/2-Person Eraser, Women/Mixed Teams \$XXX/member/male partner, \$XXX/non-memb Golf/cart/range/Sun. lunch	The Dream, West Branch 48661, 877-345-6300, www.teedream.com ; (Men YD 5686, CR 67.1, SR 227; Women YD 4997, CR 68.7, SR 126) Rm. \$88 incl. tax @ Quality WB 989-345-3503
9/30, Sun 1p shotgun	4-Woman Member/Guest Fall Shamble Golf/cart/range: \$XX	Sycamore Hills, Macomb 48042, 586-598-9500, www.sycamorehills.com ; (North to West, YD 5070, CR 68.3, SR 119)

Junior (up to age 17) tournaments and tournaments with junior divisions are highlighted.

Answers to Rules Questions on page 3

1. His score is 4 because in 2012, a player is permitted to rake a bunker for the purpose of caring for the course prior to hitting his ball from a bunker as long as he doesn't improve his lie, area of stance or swing, or line of play.
2. False. In 2012, if a player has addressed his ball and the wind moves it, there is no penalty and he plays the ball from its new position.
3. True. In 2012, the player is penalized if he searches for a ball that may be covered by loose impediments in a hazard and the ball moves.



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2012 GAM Championship Schedule Announced

The GAM Tournament Department has been busy scheduling an exciting list of tournaments in 2012. We thought you might like a heads-up so you can plan your 2012 summer.

96th Michigan Women's Amateur – Forest Akers West – July 16-20

21st GAM Women's Championship – Port Huron GC – August 20-21

2nd GAM Women's Senior Four-Ball – Edgewood CC – July 30-31

Note: For the youngsters who haven't turned 50 yet, a mid-am division will be offered at the Women's Senior Four-Ball. Women's teams who have been playing in the GAM Net Team can play in this instead (WITHOUT QUALIFYING) and play two days with cart and lunch. Net prizes will be given!

16th GAM Women's Senior Championship – Indian River GC – August 27-28

GAM Tournament of Champions – Detroit Golf Club – October 1

GAM Senior Tournament of Champions – Warwick Hills G & CC – October 3

14th GAM Women's Mid-Amateur – This is in the final stage of scheduling, and GAM will announce the site and date as soon as possible. Again this year, there will be a senior division.

In addition, GAM has added another Net Championship:

The 1st GAM Net Match Play Championship will be played at Hawk Hollow GC in Bath (East Lansing) September 23-25. On Sunday morning, September 23rd the field will qualify in an 18-hole stroke play round (shotgun start), with the low 32 net qualifiers moving into the match play draw. The first round of matches will be played that afternoon. Two rounds will be played on Monday, with the semifinals and final match played on Tuesday. The entry fee will cover the cost of range balls and carts throughout the Championship and will also include lunch between rounds on Sunday.

The 22nd GAM Net Team will be played at Prestwick Village GC in Highland on August 6. Qualifying will take place earlier at The Emerald in St. Johns, Boulder Pointe GC in Oxford, Tanglewood GC in South Lyon and Forest Lake CC in Bloomfield Hills. Mixed teams are welcome at all qualifying sites. Women's teams are encouraged to play in the Senior Women's Four-Ball, where there will be a mid-am division and net prizes will be awarded.

Entries will go online in early February.

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Past and Future Courses for MWGA Events *By Nancy Serra, Course Director*



This time of the year, The Dream really is something to dream about.

Turkey day is over and I hope all enjoyed the food, family and friends. The tournament committee worked tirelessly up until just before the holiday to make MWGA's 2012 season one that will be hard to ignore. We are revisiting some of our recent favorites like Salem Hills, Shepherd's Hollow, Dunham Hills and Sycamore Hills. And we're returning to other choice courses that we haven't played in a while like Lakes of Taylor, Lake Forest and Timber Trace.

There are three new courses that are challenging and yet very playable, with each displaying a unique beauty. I put them in the "new" category because it's been so long since we've played them that most of you probably haven't done so with us, so they are likely new for many of you.

Timber Ridge is where, years ago, we held an anniversary event and planted a perennial garden at the entrance to the course. The seclusion and beauty are what sets it apart in addition to the championship caliber golf course. Lansing golf is blessed with this beautiful Up-North style golf course. Timber Ridge has it all: hills, water, wild life, trees and outstanding conditions.

Edgewood Country Club has a glowing reputation of its own and is sure to please with its pristine condition and central metro area location. Also new is the Dream, which is the sister course to the Nightmare, where we played our Eraser event this past fall. It has extremely wide and rolling fairways surrounded by mature oaks and

maples, large greens and 50 sand bunkers. Next year we'll find out if the Dream will live up to its name. Other details, such as blocked rooms at the Quality Inn, dinner buffet on Sunday, etc. remain the same.



Our opening Scramble event will take place at Salem Hills, a course that has been a long time supporter and friend of the MWGA. The golf pro, Jim Grant, bends over backwards to accommodate our every wish.

Because this year we are pouring tons of effort into increasing our membership and, more importantly, the number of participants in our events, we are asking that you invite some of your non-MWGA golfing friends to join us in our 2012 events, starting with our "kick-off" event at Salem Hills (That adjective is due to the Lions vs. Packers game that's on as I write this). We would appreciate your effort to ask others to play to continue throughout the season. Without your help, we cannot be successful. So, thank you in advance for your effort.

We're also working on standardizing a few more things, so keep an eye out for announcements in your *NEWSLINX* and online.

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FYI *By Kathy Brennan,*
Fund Development Director

Donation—You are getting a break on your membership fee so I, as your Fund Development Chair, I would like to ask for you to donate towards our Girls Golf program. If each member donated just \$5, it would be approximately \$1000 and the young girls would very much appreciate it.

Girls Golf—We could also use those of you who are retired to help out with the Girls Golf programs. Last year, we had the younger set at a driving range and a group of older girls on a golf course. So, *please*, if we follow the same format, there will be two 2-week programs for one hour each day. The more you can help the better, but even one hour each week would be greatly appreciated. We'll have more information available at the May 5th Annual Meeting. Thank you in advance.

Cont'd on next page

Handicap News & Updates *By Cynthia Pinkard, Handicap & Technologies Director*

The 2011 Michigan active golf season ended October 31. Rounds of golf played in Michigan from November 1 to March 31, our inactive golf season, cannot be posted. Members who play in warm weather states from November 1 through March 31, during those states active season should post those scores.

2011 membership and handicap records were inactivated in GAM on December 1 for any members who

have not paid their 2012 MWGA membership fee. These records will be reactivated when you renew or join the MWGA for 2012. You will not be able to post scores until you have renewed your membership through MWGA. You may contact your handicap chair with any questions at handicap@mwgolf.org.

Happy Holidays!



A few stats from 2011

Members posting 70 or more scores from Nov-2010 through Nov-2011:

Player Name	Index	Total	Player Name	Index	Total
Madej, Suzanne	15.3	127	Coury, Barbara	20.8	84
Strock, Karen	19.9	115	Wold, Sara	22.4	84
Cook, Angela	15.6	112	Boman, Sue	12.2	82
Lazzaro, Judy	6.0	100	Witek, Pat	17.8	81
Garety, Joan	2.8	91	Howell, Ellen	12.0	75
Cassady, Russ	3.5	88	Kurtz, Diane	14.6	74
Kim, Helena	18.5	88	Pinkard, Cynthia	16.0	74

There were several players that significantly improved their index from the end of the 2010 season to the end of the 2011 season. The number 1 ranked player will be announced at the Annual Meeting on May 5, 2012 and will receive the Most Improved Player award. Honorable mentions are:

Rank	Player Name	Rounds Posted	Starting Index	Ending Index	Improvement Factor
1	TBA	22	19.0	10.2	1.396
2	Cook, Angela	112	21.8	15.6	1.225
3	Mikek, Ann	50	27.4	21.0	1.194
4	Shields, Arlene	49	20.8	15.8	1.180
5	Coury, Barbara	84	26.1	20.8	1.162

The MIP is determined by an Improvement Factor as defined in the USGA Handicap System manual. The formula takes the previous year's ending index plus 12 and divides it by the current year's ending index plus 12. The MIP player must have the highest Improvement Factor and, in addition, must have at least four MWGA POY points and have posted a minimum of 12 rounds of golf during the season.

FYI *(cont'd)*

Social Mixer—We are looking into having some kind of Social mixer for those of you who have not been part of our tournaments and to get to know you and to find out why you have not been able to make it to our tournaments. So if you receive an invitation please rsvp and come meet the Board members and get to know other golfers, maybe you will find a golf partner?

Prize—We are looking at creating a new opportunity for you to earn a free entry into a tournament. We would have an MWGA business card at each tournament and you will need to write your name on the back and then hand the card in to a Board member. Cards will be tallied up and a winner or two will earn a free tournament the next year. Tell us what you think?

Please email me Brennan@mwgolf.com with any comments, suggestions or questions.



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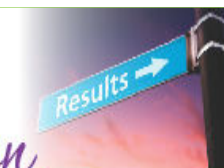
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Check one: New Member Renewal (was 2011 member) Previous Member (not in 2011)

New members, who/what helped you decide to join MWGA?: _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES (09/15/11—12/31/12)	Membership Dues
New Member (has never been a member of the MWGA)	\$30 _____
Super Senior (age 70+)	\$30 _____
Student (age 21 and under, in high school or college)	\$30 _____
Returning Regular, Senior or Previous Members	\$50 _____
Associate (organization or business)	\$50 _____
Name of club or affiliation: _____	
Sponsored Male A member may sponsor a male (spouse or friend) to establish his USGA Index through the MWGA.	\$30 _____
Name: _____ Phone: _____	
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Six Mailed Issues of the NEWSLINX	\$6 _____
Donation — All donations are tax deductible. Receipts will be issued for individual Contributions over \$250. For amounts less than \$250, your cancelled check will serve as your Receipt. MWGA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization as determined by the IRS.	\$ _____

Total Enclosed _____

The MWGA will be your GAM Member Club and you will post scores through us, unless you belong to another club and want your primary GAM membership through them. Do you want your GAM membership through another club or organization? If yes, please provide the name of the club/organization: _____
 _____ Your GAM Number _____

If you post scores with a non-GAM member club, what is the website address of your handicap provider: _____

A USGA index is NOT required to join MWGA. If you do not have an index, it can be established as a member through the MWGA. You must establish an index to play in MWGA tournaments.

Make check payable to **MWGA**. Mail Membership Application to:
 Shirley McClain, 51819 Shelby Rd, Shelby Twp, MI 48316-4152
 or pay online @ www.mwggolf.org
 Phone or email questions to 586-739-5868 or mcclain@mwggolf.org

Membership includes discounted rates for MWGA tournaments, newsletters, MWGA membership directory, the USGA Rules of Golf, official USGA handicap service and GAM membership.

Your name, address, phone numbers, email address and USGA index will be published in the membership directory. If you object to the publication of any of this information, please list what you'd like omitted: _____

- I'd be willing to help the MWGA at events or on committees, etc.
- I wish to receive MWGA communications via my email address noted above, including notice to receive the NEWSLINX at mwggolf.org instead of via US mail.
- Yes, I play on a league (course, league name, day, time, contact): _____

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