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September 2010

To all of my fellow EWGA members and good friends,

I was asked to say a few words this month about demonstrating good sportsmanship and, specifically, about profanity on the golf course. My first reaction was GUILT...had people started to notice the choice words I sometimes utter after a 3 putt? Geez...isn't a little cursing just a part of the game???

I decided to do some research on the subject, and started with the Rules of Golf. Right up front, in Section 1, it says: "All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be. This is the spirit of the game of golf."

Then I went to the internet and googled "profanity and the game of golf". That brought up a whole litany of comments regarding Tiger Woods at this year's Masters Tournament. Apparently Tiger hit a bad shot and reacted by taking the lord's name in vain. Unfortunately, the CBS microphones picked it up for everyone to hear. Many viewers criticized him severely for his lack of respect for the game. Others argued that any player who never says a bad word has no passion for golf.

The thing that occurred to me as I was reading all of this is that it isn't just about me and how I feel about the game. It's also about how my actions affect the people that I'm playing golf with. What one person might see as a normal reaction on the golf course can be offensive and

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disruptive to someone else. And that's the last thing that I want to be, no matter how frustrating my game is that day.

So, my goal is to try to do better. I think that it's entirely possible to be passionate and competitive and still demonstrate good sportsmanship. It won't be perfect, so you all have my permission to remind me if I slip.

Have a great month, and enjoy that beautiful Oregon September golf!

Sincerely,

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Sue Plato  
Portland Chapter President

### A CLASSIC EVENING OF FUN AND LAUGHTER

EWGA Year End Even will be an evening of awards, memories (some comedy. some tragic) Food, Friends and Comedy Show! If you have a great story to share from the season; Comedy or Tragic; please send it to Debbie Lambert at [socialevents@ewgapdx.com](mailto:socialevents@ewgapdx.com) by October 1st and we will include in our Year End Memories!!

Our Year Event will be held at Portland's Newest **Helium Comedy Club**.

1510 SE 9th Avenue Portland 97214 ph: 888.64-FUNNY

\$45.00 Includes:

- Private Room for our pre function
- Ticket for Comedy Show at 8:00...featuring Doug Benson!! Contestant on Last Comic Standing!!
- Ticket for 1 drink
- Heavy Appetizers! Assorted Panini Sandwiches; Assorted Pizza's, Chicken Skewers, Shrimp Cocktail, Pita/Hummus platter, assorted Vegetable platter!!
- Drawing for 1 Luxury week end Golf Getting away Value of \$1500!! MUST ATTEND TO WIN!!
- Prizes!! Giveaways!! Many great items we will be giving away! Must Attend to Win!
- Special Edition of a EWGA product for each attendee!!

This is a Great Value for an Evening of Prizes, Awards, Food,

Entertainment & friends!

6:30- Doors Open- Meet, Great, Eat

6:50-7:50- EWGA Awards, Meet Your New Board Members! Prize Giveaways!

7:50- Enter Comedy Club for an evening of laughter! Show Begins Promptly at 8:00 p.m.

9:30- Comedy Show Ends

## SEPTEMBER WEEKEND GOLF EVENTS

Summer's ticking away. Only a few more weekend golf events left and some have already sold out. Get your game on while you still can! And, remembers, guests are welcome at our events.

**Skamania Lodge; Skamania, WA.** Saturday, Sept. 11, 1pm Shotgun Start

A joint event with the Bend, OR EWGA Chapter

Golf is twice the fun when you know it's for a worthy cause like the Susan G. Komen Foundation, an organization dedicated to breast cancer research, education, screening and treatment. Entry to special on-course games will be available for purchase and we've got some great prizes lined up including gift baskets and certificates from Venus Allure Salon and Spa, Innovative Nightscapes, American Pacific Mortgage, Windermere Realty, a pink Sweet Spot Golf putter and CASH! This event costs \$50 and includes 18 holes of golf, riding cart, range balls and that warm feeling you get inside when you know you're doing something to help others. Don't delay - sign up here:

<http://www.golffusion.com/ewga-portland/tournaments/tournament.php?id=2044650>

**Tualatin Country Club; Tualatin, OR.** Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1pm Start  
Sometimes the weekends just aren't long enough... which is why we're having a "weekend" event at Tualatin Country Club on Tuesday, Sept. 14. This is an opportunity to play an interesting and beautiful private course that isn't open to the public. Tee times start at 1:00, and following golf we'll meet in the club house for hosted hors d'oeuvres and no-host cocktails. Only a few spaces still available! Sign up soon! For more info, go to <http://www.golffusion.com/ewga-portland/tournaments/tournament.php?id=2045900>

## EWGA SEMI FINAL TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to our Portland Chapter winners at the EWGA Semi-Final tournament this past weekend at Widgi Creek Golf Course! Our Chapter was well-represented in all flights, and three people will be advancing to the Championship Finals at Geneva National Golf Course in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin:

**Terrie Marshall, 1st Low Gross, First Flight**

**Maryellen Mech, 1st Low Gross, Second Flight**

**Michelle Lennox, 1st Low Net, Third Flight**

Great job ladies -- we'll be rooting for you!

## BUSINESS REGISTRY

### Who Ya Going To Call???

When was the last time you needed to find someone to fix your PC but you didn't know who to call? How about finding a someone for that home remodeling project or the pressure washing of that driveway or deck? Who Ya Going to Call?

Well, search no more - Your Portland EWGA chapter now has a Business Registry that you can use when this need arises.

This is just one of the many benefits of being a member of the Portland EWGA Chapter. It is available for you to both list your business and search for a business, kind of your own EWGA PDX yellow pages.

Log into [www.ewgapdx.com](http://www.ewgapdx.com), click on "Membership" or "Chapter Info", scroll down to Member Business Registry and there you will find the reference list.

Want to opt-in? The Business Registry will be updated quarterly January/April/July/October. Email [membership@ewgapdx.com](mailto:membership@ewgapdx.com) with your business information and you too will be on the list of "Who Ya Going To Call".

## PLAYER EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT

We recently sent all of you a confidential survey to get your feedback on 2010's education events and solicit your requests for 2011. 36 of you responded and we truly appreciate the feedback. This year's committee will be reviewing the results and we'll be using it upcoming planning meetings. If you are interested in being part of the committee

for 2010/2011, we welcome your input and participation!

Now to the results: for 2010, the classes that received the highest praise were Shanda Imlay's classes on short game and rules, followed by Cindy Lincoln's short game classes, and John Bowen's putting class. Craig Griswold earned praise for his class, but it seems people were disappointed with the way that the Breaking 100 class was instructed.

For 2011, you asked for short game instruction, followed by on course instruction, strategy, full swing (long irons and driver), rules/etiquette and fitness tied, then equipment and beginner instruction. The majority of respondents asked for classes on the southwest side of town (this is consistent with the demographics of the overall chapter), followed by Northeast Portland. Most people preferred to have weekday evening classes in single session formats, although there was a suggestion or two for having classes during the weekday when some of you are available while the rest of us are at work. Your favorite instructors were many that we presently work with and there were suggestions for a couple more that we don't presently have a relationship with, but will certainly approach for 2011. If you did not have a chance to respond to the survey, but would still like to give us your feedback, please don't hesitate to email us to let us know how a class went for you this year and what you'd like to see for next year.

Now for the quiz (don't worry, it's really more of a "Did you know..."): in 2010, we offered classes from Northeast Portland to Tigard, and from Hillsboro to Oregon City? Did you know that we had 11 short game classes (some single sessions, others part of a series), 2 rules classes, 2 on the course classes, 2 classes offering full swing instruction, and a couple of strategy classes? Lastly, did you know that the Golf Education and Player Development committee would love you to join them? If you are interested, or would like to give us feedback, please email [education@ewgapdx.com](mailto:education@ewgapdx.com).

Your 2010 GEPD Committee,

Kathy de Domingo, Marilyn Williamson & Carol Hellebuyck

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We'd love to hear from you. Send your golf stories, accomplishments or questions to:

[communications@ewgapdx.com](mailto:communications@ewgapdx.com)

**Sincerely,**

EWGA Portland Chapter Communications Committee  
Executive Women's Golf Association Portland Chapter

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