

## A LITTLE BIRDIE

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### *A Note from our 2008 Chapter President*

Here we are, finally, in the midst of golf season. I hope you're hitting them long and straight and enjoying your summer with EWGA. The next time you tee it up at one of our events, think about the planning that went into your league or play date or educational opportunity, and think about what you might be able to offer to make our chapter even better next year. Our 2009 elections are right around the corner and we're seeking women who might be interested in serving on the board or serving on a planning/organizational committee that supports a board member. If you have any interest in either, please contact our Leadership Chair, Molly Hagan, at HYPERLINK "mailto:molly.hagan@healthonecares.com" \o "blocked::mailto:molly.hagan@healthonecares.com" [molly.hagan@healthonecares.com](mailto:molly.hagan@healthonecares.com) to express your interest. Elections will be held in early August.

We're also seeking volunteers to assist our national organization in coordinating our semi-final championship at Buffalo Run on August 2nd. It should be a fun day and an opportunity to meet EWGA members from all over the region. Molly will be emailing additional information about the semi-final championship in the coming week.

Finally, I'd like to congratulate the winners of our Club Championship held last Saturday at South Suburban. We had a great time playing golf and enjoyed a wonderful Mexican Buffet with fun prizes and a lot of frivolity. If you didn't participate this year, think about it next year as it's not nearly as intimidating as it may sound! Our 2008 winners are:

Championship Flight: Madeline Mellers (one of our new members!)

First Flight: Berith Jacobsen

Second Flight:

Low Gross: Karen Lesko

Low Net: Michelle Rush

Third Flight:

Low Gross: Molly Hagan

Low Net: Bev Bezdek

Hope to see you on the tee box,

*Shelly*

Shelly Jordan  
President, EWGA Denver Chapter

**As many of you know, for tournament play and to participate in Players' Tour, our members need to have a USGA or EWGA GLMS handicap. For those of you who don't know what a handicap is; don't know why you need one; or simply don't know how to get one, our handicap chairperson, Carol Bowman, has started a monthly column to educate and convert our handicap phobic members into happy handicappers!**

## **HANDICAP CORNER** by Carol Bowman

What is a USGA handicap and should I have one?

You may have been asked, "What is your handicap?" and wondered what that is and do I need one? A USGA handicap is an index rating of your golf ability that allows you to equate your skills to a scratch golfer. This scoring technique allows all golfers to be on an equal playing field. So, regardless of whether you are a beginner or a more experienced golfer, you can compete on the same level using your handicap. Whether you need a handicap or not is a personal preference. If you play in any tournaments you will be required to have one, but otherwise it's optional.

There are two methods for establishing a handicap as a member of the EWGA. First, you may use the Golf Life Management System (GLMS) found on the national EWGA website for no additional charge. The use of GLMS is included in your annual EWGA membership. If you want to use GLMS, go to the national EWGA website and log in to the "Members Only" section and follow the instructions for establishing your handicap.

The second method for establishing a USGA handicap is the GHIN system provided by the Colorado Women's Golf Association (CWGA). The use of this system requires an additional \$30 annual fee. There is an application for the GHIN system on the Denver EWGA website for you to complete. Mail your completed application along with your payment to the referenced address. Once you have applied for a GHIN, you may enter and track your scores on [HYPERLINK "http://www.ghin.com"](http://www.ghin.com) \o "<http://www.ghin.com>"

Look for more handicap information in next month's newsletter or contact Carol Bowman,

handicap chairperson @ [HYPERLINK "mailto:carol.bowman@morganstanley.com" \o "mailto:carol.bowman@morganstanley.com" carol.bowman@morganstanley.com](mailto:carol.bowman@morganstanley.com) with any questions.

## NEW MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT

*We have several new members we would like to welcome to our Chapter. They are: Sara Juarez, Susan Card, Jacki Malone, Rebecca Nelson, Shawwna Earnest, Kim Nichols, Laura Leovic, Madeline Mellers, and Nancy Tharp.*

### **Susan Card**

Susan Card describes herself as a beginner golfer “with a lot of enthusiasm!” She has taken some lessons at Wellshire in a group as well as individually, and used to play about once a month four years ago.

Ms. Card works with Circle Capital Partners, a private equity commercial real estate firm located in the Denver Tech Center. She is the Vice President of Finance and Investor Relations. Ms. Card is a member of “Team Challenge” which is a part-marathon/part-fundraising walk from Napa to Sonoma to be held in July. She considers golf a good *cross-training activity* and the “cocktail hour” an added amenity! Be sure to welcome her as she “cross trains” with us!

### **Jacki Malone**

Jacki Malone is excited about joining a league later this summer and doing a little bit of networking and a lot of golfing! Ms. Malone describes herself as an “intermediate” golfer.

Currently, Ms. Malone works for Sound Environmental Strategies (SES) ([HYPERLINK "http://www.soundenvironmental.com/" \o "blocked::http://www.soundenvironmental.com/" www.soundenvironmental.com](http://www.soundenvironmental.com/)), which provides professional environmental services specializing in Brownfield redevelopment, phase I, II and III environmental site assessments, due diligence, groundwater modeling, hydro-geological investigation, contaminant remediation design and implementation, and technical support for litigation and asbestos and lead-based paint assessment and abatement. Ms. Malone is involved in the remedial designs for contaminated property. This includes everything from the initial analysis of past and current conditions; appropriate technology selection based on known conditions, contaminants and pilot studies; design of the remedial system; installation of the system including civil and mechanical components; and final operation and maintenance of the remedial system.

In addition to golfing, Ms. Malone is an avid soccer player and participates in sprint

triathlons when her joints allow it!

### **Rebecca Nelson**

Rebecca Nelson is the Vice President of Regional Sales Management for Federated Investors, Inc. Ms. Nelson recently moved here from San Francisco and is originally from Florida. She has been playing golf for about 10 years and is a “90s player trying to break into the 80s.” Let’s help her meet her goal!

### **Nancy Tharp**

Nancy Tharp works for Lockheed Martin as a database engineer. She says that she joined our organization after looking at our Newsletter. YEAH! She is a beginner golfer and is excited about the opportunity to network with other women golfers in the Denver area. Ms. Tharp is interested in golfing during the evenings or weekends if anyone needs an extra person. Let’s all try to include her in our golf games!

### **Shawna Earnest**

Shawna Earnest is the Director of Human Resources for American Residential Communities and is a Colorado native. Although she’s been golfing since high school, she claims that her golfing ability is not consistent with the number of years she’s been playing! There were many years when she only played once or twice a year. Last year she decided to get serious about playing more often and she is excited that she finally joined our organization and can play at least once a week.

### **Madeline Mellers**

Madeline Mellers is very excited to be a part of the EWGA. She is a civil litigation attorney and has practiced law for about six years. She loves to play golf and has played for many years. She describes herself as an “advanced golfer” and enjoys playing golf for fun as well as playing in competitions.

## **SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT ON COORS**

*You know Coors sells beer. You’ve seen its television ads and you may have already played golf with some of the company’s EWGA members such as Toni Houck, Teresa Vandebogart, Helen Tanner, or Donna Fisk. If you’re surprised to learn that Coors is one of our Chapter’s **longest and largest sponsors**, you may not know that the company*

*employs 10 female vice presidents or know about the myriad of other women's causes  
Coors supports in our community.*

### **Coors Supports Women in Our Community**

In addition to its partnership with EWGA, some of Coors' partners include Women Vision Foundation; National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO); Sports Women of Colorado; Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce; National Council of Negro Women; National Hispanic Leadership Institute; Mana, A Latino Organization; The Circle of Latina Leadership; Mi Casa; The Women's Bean Project; Colorado Black Women of Political Action; United Way Women's Initiative; Asian Pacific American Women's Leadership Institute; and ICan. Coors also supports Women Business Entrepreneurs (WBE) by participating in business network exchanges, seminars, special events and trade fairs and by making direct and in-kind contributions to WBE programs.

### **Coors Supports Women's Health Issues**

Coors initiated the first corporate mammography program in the country for its female employees, spouses of employees and retirees. Coors has also supported Golf 20/20 and EWGA during the launch of the inaugural 2005 Women Golf Week in support of the V Foundation Cancer research. Since 1998, Coors employees have also supported and hosted Race for the Cure golf tournaments and have donated over \$85,000 to the Susan G. Koman Foundation for breast cancer. For the last 17 years, the Women at Coors Employee Resource Group have also supported the American Cancer Society "Day of Caring" event.

### **Support our Sponsor**

When you go to the clubhouse and are thinking about what to order, remember our oldest and largest sponsor. Your beverage selection could help promote women's health and women's causes.

If any of you would like to be an EWGA-Denver Chapter sponsor; have an employer who would like to be a sponsor; or know of anyone who would like to sponsor an event, please contact Sponsorship Chairperson Sally Fischer at [HYPERLINK "mailto:sallyej@msn.com" sallyej@msn.com](mailto:sallyej@msn.com).

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## **GOLF LEAGUES, PLAYERS' TOUR & PLAY DATES**

### **JULY**

**JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> – Fall Golf Leagues start at City Park and The Links (8 weeks)**

**JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> – PLAYERS' TOUR & PLAY DATE at RIVERDALE DUNES**

**JULY 20<sup>TH</sup> - PLAYERS' TOUR & PLAY DATE at BUFFALO RUN**

**JULY 26<sup>TH</sup> – PLAY DATE at WELLSHIRE**

### **AUGUST**

**August 2<sup>ND</sup> – SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP at BUFFALO RUN**

**August 9<sup>th</sup> – PLAYERS' TOUR & PLAY DATE at GREEN VALLEY RANCH**

**AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup> – PARTNER WITH NORTHERN COLORADO CHAPTER at MARIANNA BUTTE**

**AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> – PLAYERS' TOUR & PLAY DATE at THE BROADMOOR**

## **SEPTEMBER**

**SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> – PARTNER WITH NORTHERN COLORADO at COYOTE CREEK**

**SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> – PLAYERS' TOUR & PLAY DATE at LEGACY RIDGE**

**SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> – PLAYERS' TOUR & PLAY DATE at FOX HOLLOW**

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**NOVEMBER IS THE PERFECT MONTH TO PURCHASE AN EWGA MEMBERSHIP FOR**

**YOUR FAMILY,**

**YOUR FRIENDS,**

**AND YOUR COLLEAGUES,**

**OR TO HAVE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES**

**SIGN UP FOR THEMSELVES.**

## **EWGA November Member-Get-A-Member Promotion Presented by FootJoy and Golfsmith**

**Special November Membership Promotion** – The EWGA, **along with your local Denver Chapter**, have special incentives for you to share the fitness and networking benefits of EWGA membership with your friends, family and colleagues during the month of November. New members recruited from November 1-30 at the Classic-level can join for only \$100 – with a waiver of the \$25 initiation fee.

The top recruiter for the month (recruiting at least 4 new members) will be awarded a Gift Certificate for a new pair of FootJoy eComfort Golf Shoes and a \$100 Golfsmith Gift Certificate.

In addition, for every new member recruited during the month of November, all recruiters' names will be put in a drawing and two lucky winners will receive a \$50 Golfsmith Gift Certificate.

Finally, the top recruiter for the Denver Chapter (recruiting at least 4 new members) will earn a free Classic-level membership to the Denver Chapter (the deadline for the Denver Chapter new member promotion is **December 31<sup>st</sup>** – *December memberships however will not receive the EWGA \$25.00 discount*).

**New members should use the special membership application attached to receive the special.**

### **WHY JOIN NOW – FOR THE FUN!**

The fun we currently have planned includes a post-Thanksgiving get together with our members *and their friends*, on **November 29<sup>th</sup>** at **Choppers Sports Grill**, 80 South Madison, Denver, Colorado, at 6:00 p.m. We also have a **January 24<sup>th</sup>** **event scheduled at a location to be announced.** We want to see you and your friends at both events!

Don't wait for spring. Colorado has great winter golf opportunities and EWGA is one of the best ways to meet new friends, network and exercise while having fun (walking 18

holes burns over 200 calories). Encourage everyone you meet to get involved with EWGA today. Help us recruit new members now and you may get a special gift for yourself or at least have your holiday shopping completed before December by shopping for memberships for your family, friends and colleagues.

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