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AMBASSADORS LEAD THE WAY TO A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM

By Mary Ann Souter

The AWGA Ambassador Program has moved ahead full speed with 13 courses participating in the fall session. The program's success is largely due to the volunteer Ambassadors – AWGA members who offer their time on Saturdays for 6 to 8 weeks to support and encourage new golfers. Their contribution to women's golf is significant and the AWGA is forging new ground because of their willingness to serve.

Although we can't feature all of our Ambassadors with photos, we have highlighted some of the new courses in the program. A complete list of Ambassadors who served in 2007 is included below. Special Thanks to all AWGA Ambassadors – new and continuing – for offering your time and sharing your passion for women's golf.



Camelback Ambassadors and Pro: Sue Hackett, Nora Willard, Tom Perkins, Sharon LaWien



Las Colinas Ambassadors and Pro: Left to Right - Bill Moseley, Gloria Murphy, April Sterlachini, Cece West, Nolte Howard



Ventana Canyon Resort: Kelly Loeb, David Simm



Papago Ambassadors and Pro: Mollie Purcell, Mike Swartz, Sallie McCutcheon



Dobson Ranch: Joyce Baldwin, Norma Murdock, Amy Kim, Katherine Olson, Kathy Terrey



Dove Valley Ambassador: Karen Allen



Hillcrest Ambassadors, Participants and Pro: Left to Right - Julie Larson, Maxine Sanborn (A), Barbara Beesley, Jackie McInturff (A), Joan Green, Fred Miller, Nancy Sypniewski (A), Shirley Mallonee



Sun City CC: Coralyn Collins



Oakwood Ambassadors and Pro: Left to Right - Jay Wilson, Carol Russell, Karen Cox, Dennis Allan, Sharon Flores, Carole Eicy



Bear Creek Ambassadors and Pro: Left to Right - Brian Calhoun, Judy VanAlystine, Mary Anne Lojquist, Andrea White

Help us reach more women golfers...

When you're finished reading this newsletter don't throw it away, pass it along to a friend!



Thanks to all of the women who volunteered to be Ambassadors in 2007!

Ahwatukee Lakes:

Jacque Smith
Inge Sprotte
Cindy Kramer
Cathe Brierly

Antelope Hills:

Dicy Apperson
Norma Scuri
Bev Schnell
Karen Jennings
Cheryl Shepard
Jan Hasse
Ski Cahill
Joanne Schreiber

Arizona Golf Resort:

Carol Springer,
Marsha Evans
Dottie Sparks
Pam Zwickl

Bear Creek:

Mary Anne Lofquist
Andrea White
Judy VanAlystine

Camelback:

Sue Hackett
Sharon Lawien
Nora Willard

Desert Mirage:

Colleen Green
Donna Cunning

Dobson Ranch:

Katherine Olson
Kathy Terrey
Norma Murdock
Joyce Baldwin
Darius Sams
Amy Kim
Joan Jamieson
Fran Gibson

Dove Valley:

Karen Allen
Sharon Taylor
Karen Dirks

Eagle Mountain:

Gay Potter
Joyce Rosette
Kara Reddell

Estrella Mountain Ranch

Carolyn Suttles
Judy Hauser
Jane Hee

Hillcrest:

Nancy Sypniewski
Maxine Sanborn
Jackie McInturff

Las Colinas:

Nolie Howard
Gloria Murphy
April Sterlachini
Cece West
Barbara Witherow
Carol Peterson

Oakwood CC/Sun Lakes:

Carole Ewy
Karen Cox
Carole Russell
Sharon Flores

Papago:

Mollie Purcell
Sallie McCutcheon
Pat Ciccone

Sun City CC:

Coralyn Collins
Donna Cunning

Ventana Canyon/Tucson:

Kelly Loeb
Darquise Leduc
Gale Sherman

“My daughter and I are taking lessons at **Dobson Ranch**. The instructors are great and the Ambassadors are wonderful. They really make a difference. What a great program!!!

~ Eileen Salmon



TWO SHINING STARS IN THE AWGA MOTHER AND DAUGHTER – SUSAN AND CHEYENNE WOODS

It's not often that an organization is rewarded with two bright and accomplished members in the same family but the AWGA is doubly proud of a mother and daughter who are dynamic forces in the arena of women's golf. Although they participate in very different ways, both of their contributions express their deep commitment and true devotion to golf. Susan Woods, mom and AWGA staff member, and Cheyenne Woods, daughter and champion junior player, represent

Arizona women's golf both at home and when they travel together for Cheyenne to participate in national tournaments. In a modest and unassuming way, Susan and Cheyenne capture the respect and attention of media, scouts and the golf localities they visit. The poise and warmth of this mother and daughter are noticed and publicized as their visibly close relationship intersects with celebrated professionals in the golf community.

17 year old Cheyenne Woods won the title of State High School Champion for the second year in a row. This year's event was held at Randolph North, a par 73 golf course noted for its challenging layout and landscape. Cheyenne shot scores of 69 and 70 for the two-day competition, 7 under par!! Her closest competitor was five shots behind. Cheyenne is becoming known for stellar shots and the ability to focus under pressure. "I play a little bit better under pressure and I am told my composure on the course is Tiger-like," she quietly says. "I'd like to be one of the top pro players some day. And I'd like to actually be known as a competitive player, someone to look out for -- not just because I'm Tiger's niece." Cheyenne's grandfather, the late Earl Woods, was a golf coach in his own rite. He trained Tiger and he gave Cheyenne her first set of clubs at age six. In a past interview with Sports Illustrated, he spoke about his granddaughter. "Cheyenne has beauty, intelligence, personal strength, leadership and the physical assets of a superb athlete. She started in the same garage Tiger started in, hitting into the same net, using one of Tiger's old cut-down clubs." In just two short sentences, he gives us a glimpse of both his love and pride in her and the promise he felt for her future. And since his death, Cheyenne has proven that she is a "superb athlete" and a champion among golfers her age.

Cheyenne's also known for her academic accomplishments consistently holding a grade point average of 3.4. She'll be graduating from Xavier College Preparatory high school in 2008 and has accepted a golf scholarship next year to Wake Forest University,

a private college in North Carolina. She's interested in studying psychology and will be playing on the Demon Deacon's women's golf team.

But Cheyenne isn't the only star in her family. No, I'm not talking about her famous uncle. I'm talking about her mother, Susan, who is often on the road with Cheyenne and a vital part of our AWGA staff. Susan, Business Operations Coordinator, has been with the AWGA for over a year. Her duties are diverse. She assists with events and seminar facilitation; buys tee prizes, gifts and awards; tracks and bills club membership dues; documents policy and procedural changes; maintains the Association's annual calendar and is integrally involved in the AWGA's day-to-day business operations. It was under Susan's direction that we now have an online store on our website where our members can buy AWGA logo items. Susan says, "I love working at the AWGA with the ladies and with Logan and Matt. It's a very rewarding job for me and keeps me grounded in the golf community." Susan is smart, dependable, always on top of everything and she's Cheyenne's biggest supporter! She smiles, "I'm very proud of my daughter and all of her accomplishments. I love to watch her compete and am always amazed at her composure."

The AWGA is lucky to have Susan with her varied skills and cheerful attitude on our staff and we thank her for all she does to make the association run smoothly. And Congratulations to Cheyenne on winning the Arizona State High School Championship for a second time! We'll be cheering for her next year and waiting to see her name on the leaderboard among the top women golfers in years to come! How fortunate we are to have such amazing ambassadors as Susan and Cheyenne representing Arizona to the world of women's golf!

RULES TIP:

Rule 28



Q A player's ball is eight feet off the ground, lodged in a cactus. The player deems the ball unplayable. May the player proceed under Option C of Rule 28 which permits her to drop a ball within two club-lengths of where her ball lay unplayable?

A YES. The player would be entitled to drop a ball within two club-lengths of the point on the ground immediately below the place where the ball lay in the tree. In some instances this may allow the player to drop a ball on a putting green.

Rule 28 reads: The player may deem his ball unplayable at any place on the course except when the ball is in a water hazard. The player is the sole

judge as to whether his ball is unplayable.

If the player deems his ball to be unplayable, he must, under penalty of one stroke:

- Play a ball as nearly as possible at the spot from which the original ball was last played (see Rule 20-5); or
- Drop a ball behind the point where the ball lay, keeping that point directly between the hole and the spot on which the ball is dropped, with no limit to how far behind that point the ball may be dropped' or
- Drop a ball within two club-lengths of the spot where the ball lay, but not nearer the hole. If the unplayable ball is in a bunker, the player may proceed under Clause a, b, or
- If he elects to proceed under Clause b or c, a ball must be dropped in the bunker. The ball may be lifted and cleaned when proceeding under this Rule.

*Submitted by: Chris Giza
Rules Committee, Todtee@aol.com*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE AWGA ANNUAL MEETING

It's January already and in just a couple weeks we'll be celebrating another year of success for the AWGA. Although this is our 84th year, we are still actively pursuing the role of pioneer in women's golf. Join us on **Wednesday, January 30th at the Phoenix Country Club.**

Come to the business meeting and find out all the AWGA does to promote and maintain the best interests and true spirit of the game of golf among women in Arizona. There are so many areas of operation. You may even find that you'd like to become more involved in the leadership of the association. You can start by joining a committee and move up to a position on the Board of Directors. The opportunities are endless. The AWGA is successful in its outreach programs because of its hundreds of volunteers. Perhaps you'd like to be one of them!

After the business meeting, we have a cash bar, where you can get reacquainted with old friends. Entertainment will be provided by harpist, Anne Badger. After enjoying your delicious sit-down dinner, the annual Awards Ceremony will begin. Prepare for an evening of fun and laughter.

**Registrations are being accepted now.
AWGA members pay \$25 and non-members are \$35.**

Bring a friend and join the fun!

SHOPPING AT GOLFSMITH IS EASY AND FUN GET YOUR DISCOUNT NOW

Our new agreement is now in place with Golfsmith which allows AWGA members to receive a discount on many of their products. Discounts will apply by shopping at all four Arizona stores, through their DRIVE catalog, or online by clicking on the Golfsmith logo on the AWGA home page.

Your 15% discount on women's apparel and head wear and 10% on other merchandise will be calculated when you check out. In order to receive the discount by shopping online, go to our website(www.awga.org) click on the Golfsmith logo, enter the password **AWGA1** and begin shopping. You will not receive the discount if you go directly to the Golfsmith website. You must go through the AWGA website. When you shop in the stores, please bring your **handicap label** with you as proof of membership. Show it to the cashier when checking out to receive your discount. Each store has been given a sample label and will acknowledge you as an AWGA member.

Please remember there are exclusions to the discount. A list of those vendors can be found on our website by reading the information on Golfsmith under our Partners section.

Also, as part of the agreement all AWGA members will receive their DRIVE catalog twice a year. If you do not wish to receive their catalog, please let us know so that we can remove your name from the list. You must Opt-Out if you do not want to receive the DRIVE catalog.



GOLF TIP FROM PGA TEACHING PRO

Start the new year off right with a valuable tip from a golf teaching professional who participated in the AWGA Ambassador Program.

1. Chip with a less lofted club for more consistency and improved accuracy. Try using an 8 or 7 iron and play the stroke more like a putt than a lofted shot. Be sure to let the loft of the club get the ball in the air. A simple thought on this stroke is to meet the center of the club face with the back of the golf ball and let the weight and momentum of the club move the ball onto the green.

~ Bill Moseley, PGA, Las Colinas GC

**2007 State Scotch Play
Apache Stronghold GC
November 12-13, 2007**

OVERALL LOW GROSS

Tui Selvaratnam & Lynn Simmons.....140

OVERALL LOW NET

Mary Ann Talman & Ann Cates.....129

FIRST FLIGHT

Low Gross

1st - Monica Marquardt & Judy Miller.....146

Low Net

1st - Darquise Leduc & Joanne Travis.....137-sep

SECOND FLIGHT

Low Gross

1st - Barbara Simmons & Sharon Kettle.....160-sep

2nd - Mary Plagmann & Janet Cirone142

Low Net

1st - Colleen Zwach & Jody Epperson-Hikes141

2nd - Jane Huff & Judi Lorenzen143-sep

THIRD FLIGHT

Low Gross

1st - Lisa Hoffman & Amy Kim.....163-sep

2nd - Norma Hill & Vickie Bricker.....163

3rd - Bonnie Marsh & Eila Sallaberry.....164

Low Net

1st - Leslie Harbison & Leslie Smith136

2nd - Judy Bender & Shirley McClure138

FOURTH FLIGHT

Low Gross

1st - Linda Stewart & Sheryl Maitland170

2nd - Bev Root & Kathy Bland173

Low Net

1st - Barbara Zimmerman & Linda Clark.....140

FIFTH FLIGHT

Low Gross

1st - Barb Giani & Debi Take.....177

2nd - Becky Berg & Sue Milhiser.....180

Low Net

1st - Helen Kalcsits & Kathryn Riddlehoover142

SIXTH FLIGHT

Low Gross

1st - Carolyn Suttles & Jane Hee189

2nd - Fran Meek & Cynthia Hazeltine.....192

Low Net

1st - Anna Marie Palumbo &

Marjorie Abbott-Smith140

2nd - Shirley Shortlidge & Dot Forshee.....147

SCOTCH PLAY TEAM DOES IT AGAIN!



*Overall Champions -
Lynn Simmons & Tui Selvaratnam*

**Way to Go
Ladies!**

Apache Stronghold was the site for the AWGA annual Scotch Play Tournament in mid November. For Tui Selvaratnam and Lynn Simmons, it was a very good event. For the third straight year, this dynamic duo has claimed the title of Scotch Play Champions. As past winners, they know the nuances of team play and



*Overall Net Winners -
Mary Ann Talman & Ann Cates*

they carry out their plan to a tee. Both skilled players, they often show up on AWGA winners lists as individuals or as partners. Congratulations to Tui and Lynn for a game well played and a title well deserved!

A PROGRAM WORTH A CHAMPION'S TIME

Each year the Board of Directors and the AWGA staff meet for a day to discuss the workings of the past year and the direction for the future. This year, Barbara Byrnes, President of the Board, surprised us with a special guest speaker, Betsy King. Most of you probably know of Betsy since she is a champion LPGA player. She is credited with 34 LPGA victories, six of which were majors. She's been Rolex Player of the Year three times and Vare Trophy Winner twice. She's been a Solheim Cup Player five times and was Captain of the 2007 winning team in Sweden.



But there's another side to Betsy that many of us don't know about. She's a tireless and dedicated humanitarian for a cause that needs attention. And she's willing to give it the attention it deserves. Betsy is spearheading the Golf Fore Africa program which assists children and their families in Rwanda suffering from pandemic AIDS. She was recently in Africa with several other LPGA players for the World Vision organization.

Through this program, LPGA players and fans are bringing help and hope to the people of one of the poorest districts in Rwanda. Imagine dealing with the immense desperation of living in poverty – with no health care, malnutrition, no schools and immediate danger from warfare and genocide. Add the impact

of AIDS and families are continually destroyed. Orphaned children are taken in by neighbors and sometimes group together to create families of their own. Betsy's devotion to these people is admirable and she's willing to donate her own time and money to the efforts of this organization. "Golf Fore Africa" is in the process of becoming its own non-profit organization but until the process is complete, it works in partnership with World Vision US. Their motto "One child – and one community at a time" shows their commitment is ongoing. There's so much suffering for these families. When the situation in Mudusomwa is resolved, "Golf Fore Africa" will move on to other projects in Rwanda and other countries in Africa. There is no shortage of people to help in that part of the world.

To learn more about Golf Fore Africa, visit www.worldvision.org/GolfForeAfrica. Their goal is to raise \$250,000 by June of 2008 and they have raised \$175,000 to date. If you're interested in joining the LPGA and Betsy King in helping this community, you can send a tax-deductible donation with a check made payable to World Vision to:

World Vision US
Golf Fore Africa
P.O. Box 9716
Federal Way, WA 98063-9716

THINK GOOD THOUGHTS

*Only when we give joyfully, without
hesitation or thought of gain, can we
truly know what love means.*

*~ Leo Buscaglia, American
Author and Expert on Human Relationships*

*(A tribute to our Ambassadors whose
willingness to encourage new golfers
demonstrates that they truly
"love" the game.)*

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COURSE RATINGS

The following courses have been re-rated or have made changes since the 2007 AWGA Club Directory was printed. Please make a note of this updated information. These ratings have been entered into the Arizona Handicap Network, including front and back nine details.

BEAR CREEK GOLF COMPLEX CUB COURSE

Red 55.4/77
Blue 58.4/85

BEAR COURSE

Red 66.7/104
Silver 73.0/122

RIO VERDE COUNTRY CLUB - QUAIL RUN

Copper 69.0/116
Silver 71.8/120
Gold 76.1/129

SUNBIRD GOLF RESORT

Red 60.9/97
White 62.7/105

TPC - CHAMPIONS COURSE

Stadium 69.8/120
Club 74.5/132



2007-2008 GOLF CALENDAR

DATE	TOURNAMENT	LOCATION
<u>January</u>		
30.....	AWGA Annual Meeting & Recognition Dinner	Phoenix Country Club
<u>February</u>		
24.....	AWGA Season Opener Tournament.....	Poston Butte
<u>March</u>		
30.....	AWGA Weekend Classic Tournament	Club West Golf Club
<u>April</u>		
21-22	AWGA Four-Ball Stroke Play Championship	Laughlin Ranch Golf Club
<u>May</u>		
12-15	AWGA State Amateur Match Play Championship.....	Arizona Country Club
<u>June</u>		
30.....	AWGA Day In Hades Tournament.....	Mesa Country Club
<u>July</u>		
26-27	AWGA Mixed Stix Tournament.....	Tubac Golf Resort
<u>August</u>		
25-27	AWGA State Amateur Stroke Play Championship.....	Hassayampa Golf Club
<u>September</u>		
15-16	AWGA Partners Tournament	White Mountain Country Club
<u>October</u>		
13-15	AWGA State Seniors Championship	Antelope Hills Golf Course
<u>November</u>		
10-11	AWGA Scotch Play Tournament	Canoa Hills/San Ignacio Golf Clubs

CONGRATULATIONS

To The Following Ladies on Their HOLES IN ONE!!



Retha Chappelle..... 10/6/07 Sun City West-Echo Mesa Women
Sally Nelson 10/25/07 CC of Green Valley Women
Kim Ursitti 11/1/07 Apache Creek WGA
Shelby Martinek 11/5/07 Junior Golf Association of AZ-Girls
Debbie Clark..... 11/6/07 Pebblecreek Ladies Niners
Diane Grimes 11/11/07 Kingman Ladies Golf Assoc
Karen Cofran..... 11/13/07 CC of Green Valley Women
Marjorie Jones..... 11/14/07 Fountain of the Sun WGA
Carol Lawder..... 11/16/07 Paradise Valley CC WGA
Kaye Saur..... 11/17/07 San Ignacio Golf Club WGA
Patsy Erickson..... 11/18/07 Gallery Women's Golf Association
Jackie Schiller..... 11/18/07 Antelope Hills WGA
Linda Roberts..... 11/20/07 Mission Royale 9-Hole LGA
Kaye Wulfekuhler..... 11/27/07 Sunbird Womens 18
Kay Phillips 11/27/07 Oro Valley CC Women
Lynda Gibbs..... 11/29/07 Ironwood Golf Club WGA
Sharon Mentzer 12/5/07 Oro Valley CC Women

Please report all holes-in-one as they occur. Holes-in-one occurring prior to the previous newsletter publication date may be excluded from publication.

**AWGA SEASON OPENER TOURNAMENT
ENTRY FORM
POSTON BUTTE
FEBRUARY 24, 2008**

OPENING DATE: January 14, 2008 CLOSING DATE: February 4, 2008

Maximum handicap index: 30.0

PLAYER NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____

AWGA# _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CLUB REPRESENTED _____

I have read and agree to abide by the Conditions for AWGA Competitions as published in the current AWGA directory.

SIGNATURE _____

Enclosed is my check or money order for **\$90** payable to the AWGA.

Mail entry and fee to: Arizona Women's Golf Association
141 E Palm Lane, Suite #210
Phoenix, AZ 85004-1555

Check here if you are between and including the ages of 14-17 _____
2006 or 2007 Overall Gross or Net Winner _____

**AWGA WEEKEND CLASSIC TOURNAMENT
ENTRY FORM
CLUB WEST GOLF CLUB
MARCH 30, 2008**

OPENING DATE: February 19, 2008 CLOSING DATE: March 10, 2008

Maximum handicap index: 30.0

PLAYER NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____

AWGA# _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CLUB REPRESENTED _____

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