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Launch of our Newsletter

Welcome to the Executive Women's Golf Association, St. Louis Chapter spring newsletter. We are **ready for Spring** with lots of great events planned for our chapter this year and a new newsletter is only part of what's new! We have new

SPONSORS and other EWGA supporters, as well as a full schedule of Play Dates, League, Clinics, EWGA's new Golf Life Management System and More!

Kathy Schiele Hole in One 08.29.04

At The Golf Club of Deer Chase in Linn Creek, MO – see story below.

GolfZilla Education Night

Janet Popelka put together a great evening in February with the guys at **GOLFZILLA**. We had demonstrations of new equipment and – more importantly – why improvements are made and if you benefit from them! We played a great game of trivia involving fun golf facts and rules everyone should know, complete with prizes and lots of good-natured heckling. We need to do this again next year because it was too much fun not to do again. Thanks very much to **GOLFZILLA** for hosting us.

Spring Kick-Off is a Hit

We started the golf season off right with our **Spring Kick-Off** on March 15th, hosted by our Sponsor, **CRYSTAL SPRINGS QUARRY GOLF COURSE**.

At Kick-Off, we had lots of information on this year's **clinics, league play, and other golf play dates**. Plus, our first-ever local St. Louis Chapter Championship is scheduled for July! In the past, we have “shared” our chapter tournament with the Kansas City chapter so it is exciting to be on our own this year.

An informal fashion show sponsored by **GOLF DISCOUNT** featuring some of your favorite EWGA “models” got us in the mood for some of the great new looks in women’s golf fashion. Hats were the theme of the evening. We can’t wait to go shopping!



CRYSTAL SPRINGS QUARRY Golf Pro Barb Blanchar gave us tips on technique and how important the mental part of the game is. She gave us each our own questionnaire to help us set our goals and start the year with the right mental attitude. Barb will be teaching our pre-league clinic as well. Barb’s advice included goal setting, playing against the course and yourself rather than the other competitors, and handling competition.

Have you set your 2005 goals?

We’re excited by our member renewals as well as the new members who joined us a Kick Off. It looks like 2005 is going to be a growth year for our group! And we’ll be sending out all the information to you again so if you **missed Kick-Off**, you won’t miss the information on upcoming events.

Hole-In- One Honors

Every golfer’s dream ... The hole-in-one!

Well, last year, two of the St. Louis EWGA women lived that dream. **KATHY SCHIELE** and **CAROL GLEASON** Carol Gleason added their names to the stuff of golf legends! Congratulations to them both. Here are their stories:

Kathy Schiele 08.29.04

We were playing The Golf Club at Deer Chase in Linn Creek, MO. Hole three was a 123-yard par three. Pin placement was midway, all the way to the right. If I shot too far it would roll off the green into a bunker. If I shot too much right it dropped off into a bunker. The green was elevated, so I added 10 yards and grabbed my 6 iron. I decided to shoot a little short and let it roll in. At this point "roll in" meant close to the pin. I never dreamed it would actually roll in!

I took my shot. As I watched my perfect line-up hit the green, I thought to myself...just what I wanted it to do! It continued to roll a couple of feet and at one point it appeared as if it was rolling past the hole. It was thinking to myself, darn it...I went past the pin. Right about then, the ball disappeared. I looked to my right at my friend, Cindy, who was at the tee box with me and said "Hey, I think I got a hole in one!" Her reply was “Get Out! You did!" I said "Oh my Gosh, I did!" as I walked to the hole to find my Titleist 2 ball just

sitting there in the hole looking pretty. I've always shot my ball with the hopes of it getting close to the pin, I never dreamed it would actually go in! I felt like I had won the lottery only there wasn't a check being handed to me. This was not only my first hole in one but my first eagle as well. Now that's a good day on the golf course!

Carol Gleason 02.19.04

My first-ever hole in one happened at Aberdeen Golf Club on February 19. I hit a 9-wood on hole # 11 - 87 yards. Normally that would be way more club than I'd use but we had the wind in our face at about 30 mph. Even with the wind, I thought I used too much club and that it rolled *off* the green. In reality, it rolled into the cup. I was playing with three people I normally don't play with including a guy who they put with us because he was by himself. He said he thought it went in the hole. I was a "doubting Thomas" to the end and grabbed my putter as I got out of the cart. Everyone else got to the green before me and said "It's in the hole!" I started laughing and crying at the same time. It was very exciting and surreal at the same time. It's still hard to believe.

Congratulations to **Kathy** and **Carol**! We wanna be just like you!!

Dates To Remember

Clinic — April 7 at Crystal Springs Quarry – 5-week tune-up clinic with Barb Blanchar

Golf Galaxy Ladies Only Night – Sunday, April 17 at both Brentwood and Chesterfield locations – we'll be handing out literature and touting the wonders of the EWGA amid giveaways and discounts galore, so come out and see us! Or if you want to help, call Nancy Rodney at 314.991.9993 x227.

First 9-Hole Golf Outing — Tuesday, April 19 at Creve Coeur – Email Host Nancy Rodney at nrodney@aci-boland.com to reserve a spot.

First 18-Hole Golf Outing — Saturday, April 30 at Aberdeen – Look for email host announcement soon

LEAGUE STARTS IN MAY! Sign up now – email Cheryl at ewgastl@hotmail.com if you need another flyer.

18-hole Charity Scramble — Sunday, June 12 at Annbriar – benefitting USGA Girls Golf – we're also celebrating Women's Golf Week – bring you mother, sister, daughter or friend to play with us!

18-hole Chapter Championship — Saturday, July 16 at Crystal Springs Quarry

President's Message

This looks like another great year for us here in St. Louis. We have some wonderful returning members and enthusiastic new ones. If you haven't renewed yet, please let us know what we can do to get you back. Leagues are starting soon – so sign up!

I've been a member of the EWGA for about five years now, journeying from novice golfer to the mid-range duffer you see today. But I've discovered more than a skill with a club. I've met women who are doing interesting and intriguing things with their lives, women committed to bettering both their golfing skills and their businesses. I hope you discover these same women through golf, through committee work, and through education with the EWGA. You'll be a better golfer for it and we'll be richer for having known you well!

Nancy Rodney, 2005 President

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