



# Fairway Divots

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2012

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

### IMPORTANT DATES

**October 16, 2012 –  
Nov. 15, 2012**

[Second priority sign-up for current members](#)

**Nov. 17, 2012 – Jan 15, 2013**

[Open sign-up for returning and new members](#)

Dear Members,

The Board asked (and begged) for volunteers this year and much to the advantage of our Club, volunteers stepped forward. HVWGC is happy to welcome three new board members; **Jan Boyer**, **Cynthia Richardson** and **Georgia Alder**. These women have graciously stepped up to volunteer their time, alongside the returning board members, to assist with the leadership of our Club. Although not electing to be a Board member, **Linda Price** volunteered to serve as league advisors; a connection between the Board and the individual leagues.

HVWGC member **MaryBeth Hausman** volunteered her party planning skills to put on our annual fall banquet at Fox Hills Golf Club. More than 80 members attended the evening's dinner and recognition of Club champions and founding member, **Janice Caldwell**. League chairs were also recognized for their volunteer work of managing the individual leagues throughout the season. **Lori Eggen** served as mentor to the Learning League, a very valuable position. There is also a rumor that she may help plan a weekend outing next summer. This is exciting since we did not have a weekend outing this summer due to lack of a chairperson.

New and returning volunteers carried out several annual events. Member **Diana Eaton** aptly assisted me with the President's Event/Open Championship. The event ran smoothly and we all enjoyed the Olympic Spirit theme. The Club Championship held on a cold and windy day, was warmed by the organization, snacks and support provided by **Linda Soper** and **Leigh Thurston**. Longtime volunteer for Rally for a Cure, **Linda Cregan**, is taking a break but has agreed to mentor new "Rally" chair **Karen O'Sullivan**

Last, but certainly not least was the Bring-A-Friend outing. This year **Meg Emlaw** and **Shelley Anzalone** chaired this well-attended event. Bring-A-Friend has grown in popularity over the last several

## **FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK - CONTINUED**

years, in part because of the leadership and efforts of our dear friend and longtime Board Member, **Donna Kruzich**.

As you may, or may not know, Donna passed away in October after a short but aggressive illness. All will miss her, and I will especially miss her upbeat attitude, laugh, and her hard work as treasurer of HVWGC, and the assistance and support she gave to me as President of this Club.

Thank you to one and all! If I missed mentioning you by name, please accept my apologies. It is only because, as you can see, we had a wide range of volunteers who found a niche they could fill and did so amazingly well. Have a great winter—in the north or in the south—and see you in the spring.

**JoLynn DeBuysscher, President**

## **EAGLE CREST I**

It seems like we have just begun to play golf and suddenly the season has come to an end. **JoLynn DeBuysscher** is the 1<sup>st</sup> place Individual winner at Eagle Crest 1 followed by **Linda Price**, and **Sandy Riley** in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. There are 9 Individual golfers following Sandy Riley all separated from each other by one point or less and competition was close this year. **Brenda Farrell** and **Karen O'Sullivan** are the Team in 1<sup>st</sup> place followed by **Mary Hensel** and **Georgia Randinitis** in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and **Jackie Wireman** and **Kathy Martiny** in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. **Jackie Wireman** also won Individual Low Net, the last contest of the year. Next year we will be playing a new course, the new Eagle Crest which is undergoing renovations starting this fall. Maybe the crew working on the course will find all of our lost balls but we also understand they may be plotting some new ways to lose balls, improve our scores, or just make us learn new strategies; we will just have to wait and see. Hope all have a good winter and we are already looking forward to spring.

**Linda Price and Chris Harris, League Co-Chairs**

## **EAGLE CREST II**

It was a great first season for the Eagle Crest 2 league. Although small in number (only six league members), we definitely did not lack in golfing experience. While we are going to lose a player (we are going to miss you Patty!), Kirsty will be able to play the entire 2013 season. We still have spots open, so if you like to play with seasoned players, can make the earlier tee times and want to play the renovated Eagle Crest course, come join us in 2013. We can accommodate up to three more teams or six more individuals (we will find you a partner).

**Gail O'Brien, League Chair**

## **PINE VIEW LEARNING LEAGUE**

The Learning League completed their sixteen weeks of play at the end of August. Looking back, we enjoyed beautiful spring weather, crisp and firm greens in July and near perfect temperatures in August. We were grateful to our instructor for getting us off onto the right path

and to our mentors who diligently guided us through the season. Kudos to Sheri Affolder who would not give up on us through August!

Congratulations to our late July/August contest winners:

- Rally for the Cure, closest to the pin – **Myra Fox**
- Lowest putts – **Tammy Hansford**
- Closest to the pin – **Valitchka Andonova**
- Individual lowest net – **Myra Fox**

As our league season ended, some of us found that we were not quite ready to put our clubs away and continued to play through the fall months. And finally, the entire league (that's all seven of us) attended the Annual Banquet. We had a great time and didn't want the event to end. Kudos to the banquet committee! Drum roll please for this year's most improved players are:

- **Cynthia Richardson**
- **Sandy Kortesoja**
- **Valitchka Andonova**

Several players are ready for a new challenge and plan to 'graduate' to the Advanced Beginner league for the 2013 season. Considering the present size of the Learning League, we need YOUR help to grow our league! Please let your friends and family know about the Learning League, what a fun group it is, and yes, we really do learn how to fall in love with the game of golf.

**Cynthia Richardson, League Chair**

## **PINE VIEW CALDWELL'S**

It was a good year at Pine View-no rain outs! We closed the season with a pot luck after golf which included that promised pitcher of beer from **Diane Geherin** to celebrate her "hole in one" that she had in the spring. We had great food, conversation, drinks and yummy desserts thanks to **Sue Bolhouse** and **Betty Braatz**.

Our new members this year and hopefully they will all return next year because they were nice and fun to be around: **Shelley Anzalone, Sylvia Garcia** and **Sherri O'Leary**. Improving your handicap is a tough job but these gals did it! In order of the most improved was: **Sherri O'Leary, Diane Geherin, Carol Grimmette, Diana Eaton, and Marina Grimston**. The final contest for the year for "low net" was won by **Winnie Schweiger** for shooting a 32 net. Our end of the year stats: low net-28-**Sue Bolhouse**, low gross-43-**Denise Landis**, low team-65 **Denise Landis/Winnie Schweiger**, low team gross-99-**Denise Landis/Winnie Schweiger**.

Congrats to: Team winners: 1<sup>st</sup> place-**Diane Geherin and Carol Grimmette**, 2<sup>nd</sup> place-**Denise Landis and Winnie Schweiger** and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-**Diana Eaton and Sue Hendricks**. Individual winners: 1<sup>st</sup> place-**Sue Hendricks**, 2<sup>nd</sup> place-**Diane Geherin** and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-**Winnie Schweiger**.

I hope and pray that everyone has a safe and healthy winter and see you all in the spring!

**Sue Hendricks, PV Caldwell League Chair**

## LINKS AT WHITMORE LAKE TUESDAY

This year, the Whitmore Lake Tuesday night league was a group of only six teams, but we still had a great summer. Our final standings were Team 1st Place, **Cathy Apple/Ellen Wetzel**, 2nd Place, **Polly Miller/Carol Naudi**, and 3rd Place, **Mary Clark/Donna Kruzich**. For Individual Standings, 1st Place, **Carol Naudi**; 2nd Place, **Mary Clark**, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place **Julie Haggerty**. Thanks to everyone for toughing it out in the heat and humidity. For what may have been the first time ever, Donna canceled a round because of heat! Special thanks to the ladies who subbed from time to time and to the staff at the golf course who remained open to provide us with food and drink after the rounds. Thanks to Donna's encouragement, we always had a good group who stayed after to eat, drink, and be merry.

**Melissa Brown League Chair for Donna Kruzich**

## LINKS AT WHITMORE LAKE WEDNESDAY

We only play 10 weeks per season, but play 18 holes each time. We were lucky this summer and didn't have any rainouts. However, the summer 90-deg heat and better, sometimes was pretty intense, but we all survived and had fun doing it. Most of us met in our clubhouse after golf to enjoy lunch together. This year the course made a special effort to have lunch for us if we guaranteed to stay and eat, and we did.

Our final standings were: Team 1st Place, **Stephanie Butler/ Jackie Wireman**, 2nd Place, **Chris Harris/Monica VonGerichten**, and 3rd Place, **Linda Soper/Mary Beth Hausman**. For Individual Standings, 1st Place, **Pat Kelly**; 2nd Place, **Jackie Wireman**, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place **Kathleen Baker**

Congratulations to all of you for a job well done! I enjoyed playing golf with all of you and hope you will be back again at Whitmore Lake in the Spring.

**Ellen Dyer/Judy Allen Co-League Chairs For Donna Kruzich**

## STONEBRIDGE

The way the season began back in April, who could have predicted that we would be able to finish the season without using ANY rain makeups! The second half of the season we were definitely treated to some fine golf weather. And NO ONE complained, trust me.

Unlike last year, no one had a hole in one, but on June 27, **Linda Barthel** had an EAGLE on #3. Way to go Linda!

Team Low Net was won by **Ann Bauer** and **Karen Shoner** at 69 while Individual Low Net was won by **Mary King** at 32

Individual Position Night came down to the wire with the top eight players vying for a spot in the top three. When it was all said and done, **Linda Barthel** finished in first place, followed by **Karen Shoner** and **Mary King**, in second and third, respectively.

On Team Position Night, **Robin Baun** and **Mary King** finished in first place, with **Leigh Thurston** and Paula Hoeft in second, and Elizabeth Telfer and Linda Barthel in third.

We look forward to some informal gatherings of the “gang” this winter before heading back to Stonebridge next year.

### **Nancy Ribits, League Chair**

#### **HUDSON MILLS**

We had a great season, no rain outs and most of the time absolutely beautiful golf weather. The last of the damage caused by the tornado this spring has been repaired. The last being the new bridge between #10 and #11.

Wrapping up the season, **Jan Boyer** and **Ann Williams** were our winning team, with **Jan Boyer** taking the individual honors. In team standings, **Nancy Lindner** and **Paula Hoeft** were in second place with **Erin Cole** and **Carol McDonnell** in third. In individual standings, **Paula Hoeft** was second followed by **Carol McDonnell** in third place.

Low gross was tied by **Ann Williams** and **Erin Cole** with a score of 44, Low net was held all season by **Ann Williams** with a score of 32. **Nancy Lindner, Jan Boyer, Erin Cole, Paula Hoeft, and Sarah Otto** all getting birdies during this season.

Looking forward to next season, for an even greater fun season, continued socializing at Aubree's in Dexter, with ladies that just want to play golf.

### **Georgia Alder, League Chair**

#### **LESLIE PARK**

The Leslie Park League finished with a tight race for Individual. Only two points separated **Angie Sanch** (1<sup>st</sup>-26pts.), **Karen O'Sullivan** (2<sup>nd</sup>-25pts.) and **Gayle Moyer** (3<sup>rd</sup>-24pts.) As a matter of fact only six points separated the top eight! Top teams at Leslie were **Marianne Lyon** and **Angie Sanch, Gayle Moyer** and **Lois Herline** and **Diane Geherin**-First, second and third, respectively. Overall we had great weather with no rainouts mainly because we struggled through a couple of cold, rainy evenings in early Spring ☺. Looking forward to 2013!

### **Marla Smith, League Chair**

#### **HURON HILLS**

Huron Hills Advance Beginner League was a new league this year established to offer an alternative for beginner golfers that were not comfortable moving up to the intermediate leagues. It was also the first time for Huron Hills to host such a league. As with all things new, we learned what worked well, found some things that can be improved upon next year and had fun along the way. It was great to have had the opportunity to improve our skills with the lessons and tips provided by Huron Hills Pro, **Mark Maston**.

Special thanks to **Elaine Logan** and **Jean Schlafer** for their combined effort making Rally for the Cure both a fun evening of golf and successful charity event.

We played a lot of golf, starting in April enduring spring's drenching rain to finishing the season September 10<sup>th</sup> with spectacular fall weather. While everyone improved throughout the season, the most improved players were 1<sup>st</sup> **Kaia Skaggs**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Satwant Samra** and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Elaine Logan**.

Many of us will return to Huron Hills next year while others will continue on to more challenging leagues. Thank you for your patience as together we pioneered this new league.

**Sue Valliere, League Chair**

## TOP TEN IMPROVED PLAYERS

1. **Lori Eggen**
2. **Linda Barthel**
3. **Linda Soper**
4. **Debbie Ziolkowski**
5. **Julie Haggerty**
6. **Elena Camara-Eguinoa**
7. **Liegh Thurston**
8. **Jocelyn Gerich**
9. **Rosemarie Cook**
10. **Krista Smillie**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Congratulations to new Board members, **Georgia Alder**, **Jan Boyer**, **Cynthia Richardson**, and incumbents, **Gail O'Brien**, **Ellen Dyer**, **JoLynn DeBuysscher**, **Linda Soper**, **Nancy Ribitz** & **Sheri Afloder** were awarded board positions through acclamation. No election was necessary as the number of nominees matched the number of open Board positions.

## BRING A FRIEND 2012

This year's Bring-A-Friend event was held Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at The Links at Whitmore Lake. We had 34 golfers! While the day started out a little cool, temps quickly rose to a near perfect golfing weather day. Winning categories (for both men and women) included most putts and least putts, closest to the line, closest to the pin, and fan favorite – most lost balls. The winner of the lost balls category, of course, was rewarded with more golf balls! We also gave out two LPGA \$25 gift certificates to the ladies who won closest to the pin and line. All golfers received a goody bag, too! With having golfers of all skills levels, it made the day even more fun. After a great round, we enjoyed a great dinner of steak, fish or chicken. As this was our first year organizing the event, we learned a lot and we are looking forward to planning next year's event –date to be announced at our Spring Members Meeting.

**Meg Ryan, and Shelley Anzalone, Outing Coordinators**

## RALLY FOR A CURE 2012

I would like to thank everyone who participated in Rally for the Cure! We had another outstanding turn out. We collected a total of \$2,297.00 to donate for Breast Cancer research.

In the closest to the pin contest, our winners were:

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| 1st Place | - | <b>Carol Naudi</b> (Whitmore Lake - Tues.) | @ 3ft. 8 inches     |
| 2nd Place | - | <b>Karen Shoner</b> (Stonebridge)          | @ 8 ft. 5.5" inches |
| 3rd Place | - | <b>Paula Hoefft</b> (Stonebridge)          | @ 9 ft. 9 inches    |

(Debbie Ziolkowski from Leslie Park only missed winning a prize by 2 inches)  
There were 3 prizes this year - a beautiful stand golf bag, a coupon for a pair of golf shoes, and a hybrid golf club.

Many thanks to all of our league volunteers.

**Linda Cregan, HVWGC Rally Coordinator**

## **BANQUET 2012**

"A Banquet for All", whether you were a champion or a chairman, the banquet at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center, on October 2nd, made everyone in HVWGC a winner.

The highlights, of course, were the camaraderie of club members, laughter and applause for the teams and individuals who excelled this season, as well as the wonderful hospitality of the facility.

Eighty-eight club members dined and later cheered for the 2012 season trophy winners. Individual club champ, **Cindy Hill**, and team champions, **Jackie Wireman** and **Stephanie Butler**

Awards were given in 15 categories to about 72 women, in addition to generous door prizes for all present. Then we gave a nod to the "volunteers" that will be the hosts for next year's banquet, the members of Huron Hills.

It is impossible to sum up the celebration without noting a prominent leader who was unable to attend, **Donna Kruzich**. She was with us, none-the-less.

**Mary Beth Hausman, Banquet Coordinator**

## **President's Event & Club Open Championship**

The President's Event/Open was held at **Reddeman Farms Golf Course** on a sunny summer afternoon. Twenty-one women participated for both fun and competition. HVWGC President, **JoLynn DeBuysscher** and member volunteer, **Diana Eaton**, hosted the event. The theme was red, white and blue in honor of the olympics that were taking place simultaneously. Carts were decorated and snacks were awaiting the golfers.

A "just for fun" game of golf bingo was played on the course. Golfers had to mark their bingo cards for such things as; paring a hole, using the port-a-potty, talking to the ranger, zero putts, spotting wildlife etc. Turns out that **Mary Beth Hausman** is a gamer and a golfer as she won the bobble-head golfer trophy.

**Carol Naudi**, who shot the low net for the day, won the Open championship and received a good looking trophy for her collection. **Gayle Moyer** was second low net; **Cindy Hill** had low gross; **Lois**

**Herline** was closest to the pin, and **Carol Naudi** was closest to the 150 yard line. Everyone was a winner for their participation in a fun-filled HVWGC event.

**JoLynn DeBuysscher, President**

## 2012 HVWGC CHAMPIONSHIP

The League Championship was held on September 23 at Timber Trace Golf Course. The golf course was in very nice condition. Everyone endured the cold windy day with great attitudes, and the winners truly excelled.

The team competition was played first. Robin Baun and Mary King of Stonebridge both had very good rounds combining for a 95 gross and 70 net score. The winners were **Stephanie Butler** and **Jackie Wireman** of Wednesday Links of Whitmore Lake with a combined gross score of 101 and an outstanding net score of 68.

The weather was slightly more pleasant for the afternoon individual rounds, and we had some impressive scores there as well. Angie Sanch of Leslie Park shot a very competitive 45 on the back nine for a net score of 34. Not to be outdone, our long standing member **Cindy Hill** of Eagle Crest Two shot an amazing 39 giving her an unbeatable net of 32.

Congratulations to our newest club champions!

**Leigh Thurston, HVWGC Championship Coordinator**



**CINDY HILL INDIVIDUAL CHAMP**



**STEPHANIE BUTLER & JACKIE WIREMAN TEAM CHAMPS**

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