

# Tee off Time

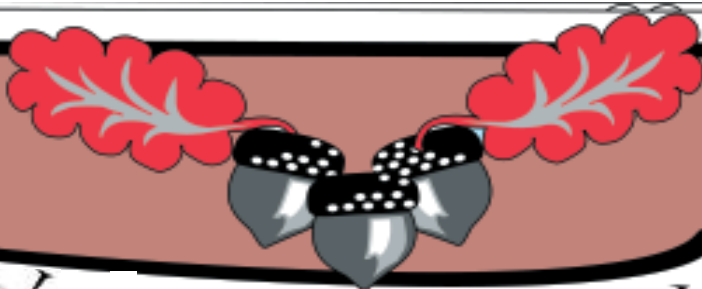


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## *Golfer's Poem*

*by Dottie Bowman*

*Golf is a game of honor, you see,  
It's a game where you hit a little ball off a tee.*

*You try to hit it as far as you can,  
It's a game for us women as well as a man.*

*We swing and we swing all the way to the green,  
And if we are lucky we hit it real clean.*

*Then we are chipping and next comes the putting.  
If we sink a long one, we really are strutting.*

*We play with our friends and we have so much fun,  
Might even have a drink and some lunch when we're done.*

*Now as we grow older, we don't mind at all  
'Cause we're still on the golf course a hitting that ball.*

*You know we're still winning once in a while.  
I'll tell you for certain that makes us all smile.*

*And I'll say something else, and I'm not just blowin',  
If There's No Golf In Heaven, Then I'm Not A Going!!!*

## From the President...

by Bobbie Hopp, President



As we close the competition for 2008, we say goodbye to some valuable NWAGA volunteers.

Mary Ann James has served in many capacities for several years and her name is synonymous with the Tee Off Time. She has also done an excellent job as President and Executive Director. Dana Kness will step down after serving as Nominating and Membership Chair. Deb Bohac has finished her final term as Western Director, and Judy Spomer has fulfilled her obligation as Nominating Chair. Monica Novak has decided to pursue a career as a fitness trainer, and our PJ Boatwright intern, Johnna Rathje, is assuming the responsibilities in the office. We thank them all for their commitment to NWAGA.

Coming on board will be Michelle Gill as Western Director, Penny Yekel as Membership Chair, Dottie Bowman as Nominating Chair, Judy Duffy as Editor of the Tee Off Time, and Dee Mayben will be joining Laura Saf and Yvonne Davenport as Tournament Directors.

Overall, participation in tournaments remained steady. The Match Play has been the least attended for several years. Participation increased from 40 to 69 players with the inclusion of The Challenge. Let's continue to move in this direction by encouraging your friends to join and participate. Please keep your membership current by joining now. Members in good standing will have top priority over those who join late to play in specific tournaments. Look for information in regard to 2009 tournament sites on line or in the spring edition of *Tee Off Time* as they become finalized.

Thank you all for your continued support of this organization, and I wish you a great deal of happiness with friends and family as we approach the Holiday Season.

~Bobbie

## On A Mission

The NWAGA Board and office are on a technology mission! Our aim is to get as many member's email addresses as possible and add them to the database. Last year we introduced online sign up for our tournaments, which was quite successful. Now we have a new goal: to communicate electronically with members. Don't worry though-for those who do not do email, we aren't giving up snail mail YET. Send your email addresses to: [nwaga@nebgolf.org](mailto:nwaga@nebgolf.org).

## NWAGA Spring Meeting

April 19-20, 2009 –  
Riverside Golf Club, Grand Island, NE

Entry Fee — \$60 (Meeting/Lunch \$14;  
Golf \$31; Prizes \$10; Admin Fee \$5)

We encourage all Club Reps to  
attend the Spring Meeting.

We depend on the opinions and  
vote of each Representative in  
determining the best way to serve our  
members. If you are unable to attend,  
please send your alternate.

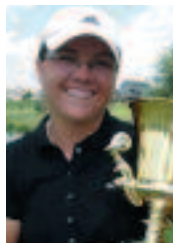
## A Big Thank You to Mary Ann James

A big thank you from NWAGA goes out to Mary Ann James who edited *Tee Off Time* for so long that her name is synonymous with our newsletter. Thanks, Mary Ann, for everything!

# Join us Fore a Southern Par-Tee



## EASTERN STROKE PLAY TOURNAMENT SOUTHERN HILLS GOLF COURSE HASTINGS, NE • JUNE 2-3, 2008



**J**.C. Stevenson of Grand Island eagled the final hole to card even par 72 to capture a repeat title in the NWAGA Eastern Stroke Play Tournament. Stevenson's two-day total for the tournament was two over par for a 74-72=146. Erin Ommen, Omaha, moved her way ahead of Mary Narzisi, Omaha, to place herself amongst a trio who shot six over par for a two day total of 150. Also shooting 150 on the Southern Hills Golf Course were co-medalists, Anne Robertson, Columbus, and Megan Bartlett, Grand Island.

The theme was "Join us Fore a Southern Par-Tee," and it definitely was at the 2008 Eastern Stroke Play Tournament at Southern Hills Golf Course. There were a lot of fresh garden flowers and southern-themed decorations to help welcome the lady golfers to a "par-tee."

### Championship Flight:

1. J.C. Stevenson
2. Erin Ommen
3. Anne Robertson
4. Megan Bartlett

### First Flight:

1. Shelly McLaughlin
2. Danielle Bernt
3. Julie Hall
4. Abby Bartlett

### Second Flight:

1. Jean Gamerl
2. Deena Halstead
3. Shelby Stone
4. Debby Sorenson

### Third Flight:

1. Teri Schafer
2. Bev McKillip
3. Diane Oppliger
4. Ruth Svoboda

### Fourth Flight:

1. Elda L. Rodgers
2. Geri Warford
3. Darlene Thalken
4. Sandy Harrison

### Fifth Flight:

1. Joni Borer
2. Marilyn Heckman
3. Kathy Machmuller
4. Marjorie Lyons

### Sixth Flight:

1. Bettie Butts
2. Lorie Kraus
3. Joann Frerichs
4. Merilyn Anderson

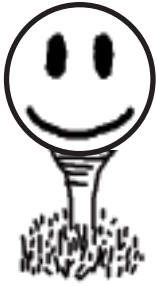
### Seventh Flight:

1. Patty May
2. Gail Pittz
3. Marilyn Bergman
4. Taylor Thompson



**Top row from left:** 1st Flight winner Shelly McLaughlin; 2nd Flight winner Jean Gamerl; 3rd Flight winner Teri Schafer; 4th Flight winner Elda Rodgers; 5th Flight Winner Joni Borer.

**Bottom row from left:** 6th Flight winner Bettie Butts; 7th Flight winner Patty May.



# Longing for the 70's

**STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP  
INDIANHEAD GOLF COURSE  
GRAND ISLAND, NE • JUNE 9-11, 2008**



“Longing for the 70’s” was the totally far out theme for the 2008 Stroke Play Championship at Indianhead Golf Course. The rad retro decorations welcomed the ladies to celebrate the tournament in peace. Megan Bartlett of Grand Island claimed the 2008 NWAGA Stroke Play Championship. Bartlett fired a three-day total 73-76-77=226. Defending Champion Steph Kolbas, Lincoln, tried to rally her way back to the top but fell short by four strokes for a three-day total of 77-78-75=230. Husker Golfer J.C. Stevenson of Grand Island took the third place honors after carding a three-day total of 76-76-79=231. Fourteen-year-old Danielle Lemek, Doniphan, held on to finish fourth 73-82-79=234.

#### Championship Flight:

1. Megan Bartlett
2. Steph Kolbas
3. J.C. Stevenson

#### First Flight:

1. Sara Wissing
2. Sara Thurley
3. Emily Duncan

#### Second Flight:

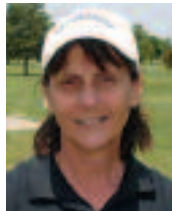
1. Kathy Hickey
2. Shelby Stone
3. Ethel Watson

#### Third Flight:

1. Chris Seberger
2. Yvonne Davenport
3. Kay Bowman

#### Fourth Flight:

1. Teresa Breeden
2. Dee Bang
3. Kathy Machmuller



From left: 1st Flight winner Sara Wissing; 2nd Flight winner Kathy Hickey; 3rd Flight winner Chris Seberger; 4th Flight winner Teresa Breeden

## Megan Bartlett, Amateur of the Year

Megan Bartlett, Wichita State, Senior from Grand Island, is crowned NWAGA's 2008 Amateur of the Year. Bartlett accumulated 1157.50 points during the summer golfing season, which helped her capture the 2008 award.

Bartlett won the State Stroke Play Championship at Indianhead Golf Course and also finished first in the State Match Play Championship held at Norfolk Country Club.

Winning the two major championships of the summer gave Bartlett a victorious triumph overall for this summer season. Congratulations, Megan!

Others in the Amateur of the Year running were: J.C. Stevenson, Grand Island, 965 pts.; Stephanie Kolbas, Lincoln, 600 pts.; Kayla Knopik, Papillion, 502 pts.; and Mary Narzisi, Omaha, 452 pts.

# "Bayside Getaway"

## WESTERN STROKE PLAY

### BAYSIDE GOLF COURSE • BRULE, NE

**JUNE 23-24, 2008**

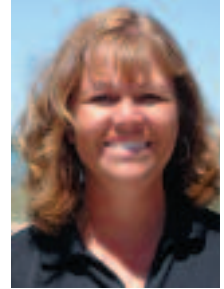


"Bayside Getaway" was the theme at the Western Stroke Play Tournament. It truly was a getaway with cabins surrounding the course for the ladies to lodge in, and the lake was one attractive addition to view. Bayside was, in fact, a player's course. Participants were forced to use their course

management skills. J.C. Stevenson, Grand Island, took medalist honors with a three stroke lead after day one. Stevenson made her claim to victory shooting par on day two. Her two-day total was (73-71=144). Kayla Knopik finished six strokes behind Stevenson. Danielle Lemek and Julie Hall rounded out the top four.

#### Championship Flight:

1. J.C. Stevenson
2. Kayla Knopik
3. Danielle Lemek
4. Julie Hall



#### First Flight:

1. Kellie Draper
2. Debbie Sandstedt
3. Shirley Regan
4. Krys Peterson



#### Second Flight:

1. Jackie Anderson
2. Sandy Harrison
3. Zandra Pullen
4. Norma Lee Perkins

#### Third Flight:

1. Lynda Nicholson
2. Tammy Miller
3. Londa Maron
4. Debra Eppenbach

**Top row from left:** Champion J.C. Stevenson; 1st Flight winner Kellie Draper; 2nd Flight winner Jackie Anderson. **Second row from left:** 3rd Flight winner Lynda Nicholson; Medalist J.C. Stevenson

**For the latest golf news, tournament info, post your hole-in-one, or to register online for any of these tournaments, visit [www.nwaga.org](http://www.nwaga.org)**



**MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP**  
 AND **"THE NWAGA CHALLENGE"**  
 FOUR-BALL MATCH PLAY PARTNER TOURNAMENT  
**NORFOLK COUNTRY CLUB**  
**NORFOLK, NE • JULY 7-9, 2008**

Stroke Play qualifying defined this year's Match Play Championship. Thirty-three women competed for the 16 spots in the championship bracket. Steph Kolbas, Lincoln, was medalist with a round of 72. Kolbas, number-one seed, advanced to the semifinals but was defeated by Anna Christenson of Lincoln in 20 holes. Megan Bartlett, Grand Island, defeated J.C. Stevenson of Grand Island 2 & 1 to advance to the finals. Bartlett claimed her second state title of the season by defeating Christenson in an exciting 1-up match.

**Match Play Championship:**

Megan Bartlett

Anna Christenson

**Semifinalist:**

Steph Kolbas

J.C. Stevenson

**Challenge:**

**Didrikson Zaharias Flight:**

1. Maggie Peters/Sophie Peters
2. Sally Bryson/Peggy Catchpool

**Kathy Whitworth Flight:**

1. Debbie Sandstedt/Judy Duffy
2. Theresa Coyle/Amy Bear

**Mickey Wright Flight:**

1. Maralyn Reznicek/Joy Carney
2. Jean Gamerl/Kay Haman

**Pictured – Top Row:** Champion Megan Bartlett; Runner-Up Anna Christenson; **Middle Row:**

Maggie Peters/Sophie Peters;

Judy Duffy/Debbie Sandstedt; **Bottom Row:** Joy Carney/Maralyn

Reznicek; Champion Megan Bartlett and Runner-up Anna Christenson pose together after the tournament.

The first annual "NWAGA Challenge" was a great success. The women competed in a Four-Ball Match Play format, playing five nine-hole matches accumulating points for each hole won or halved. Didrikson Zaharias flight winners were mother and daughter duo, Maggie Peters and Sophie Peters, of Fremont. Kathy Whitworth flight winners were Debbie Sandstedt, Papillion, and Judy Duffy, Omaha. Mickey Wright flight winners were Maralyn Reznicek and Joy Carney, both from Norfolk.



**FOUR-BALL TOURNAMENT  
FOUR WINDS GOLF COURSE  
KIMBALL, NE  
JULY 28-30, 2008**

**N**ora Robinson and Shellon Anderson of Kimball walked away with the gold, firing a three-day net total of 61-69-62=192 at the NWAGA Four-Ball Tournament. Just finishing four strokes behind to claim the silver was Betty Zeilinger and Krys Petersen.

**Results:**

1. N. Robinson/S. Anderson
2. B. Zelinger/K. Petersen
3. M. Anderson/B. Lewis
4. K. Bowman/D. Bowman
5. K. Oerter/P. Ourada
6. S. Bryson/P. Catchpool
7. P. Klinginsmith/D. Bohac
8. N. Perkins/J. Holecheck

J.C. Stevenson and Wilma Gilliland finished first in the gross portion of the Four-Ball competition. The team's three-day total was a staggering 71-67-74=212. The Four-Ball Big Break '08 had the players competing for prizes on the putting green and driving range. The theme really enhanced the competitiveness among the women.

**BIG  
BREAK '08  
KIMBALL**



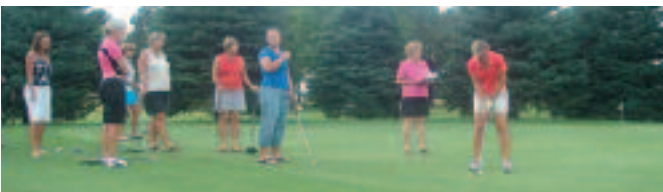

Nora Robinson and Shellon Anderson



J. C. Stevenson and  
Wilma Gilliland



The ladies behind the scenes!



Big Break '08 – Fun for all!



Bruce Gilliland



# "GOLDEN OLDIES"

## SENIOR STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP/ 49'ERS PARTNER ECLECTIC OAK HILLS COUNTRY CLUB • OMAHA AUGUST 11-13, 2008

Ladies were Rockin' and a-Rollin' to the "Golden Oldies" at the NWAGA 2008 Senior Stroke Play Championship/49'ers Partner Eclectic Tournament. The décor was very suitable with old vinyls on the tables and music in the background to dance to.

Omaha's Jane Pohlman defended her title for the third time at the Nebraska Women's Senior Amateur Championship carding rounds of 76-85-82=243. Pohlman won the title at her home course which made the win even more special. Runner-up Peggy Williams, 2003 champion, captured second place shooting rounds of 80-84-82=246, only three strokes back from Pohlman. Dee Mayben of Columbus took third place with rounds of 84-87-79=250.

In the 49er's Partner Eclectic Tournament, there was a three-way tie between Susie Dinkelman and Sherry Zehr of Lincoln, Dee Mayben of Columbus and Teresa Snoozy of Omaha, and Jane Pohlman and Sandy Parker of Omaha. Dinkelman-Zehr won in a scorecard playoff. This year, 53 teams competed in the eclectic portion of the event.

### Eclectic Division:

1. Susie Dinkelman-Sherry Zehr
2. Dee Mayben-Teresa Snoozy
3. Jane Pohlman-Sandy Parker
4. Debbie Wilbeck-Bev Wilmers
5. Sally Bryson-Peggy Catchpool
6. Marjorie Lyons-Linda Hodges

### Championship Flight:

1. Jane Pohlman
2. Peggy Williams
3. Dee Mayben

### First Flight:

1. Barb Muldoon
2. Kathy Hickey
3. Yo Tierney

### Second Flight:

1. Polly Huebert
2. Jid Banker
3. Peggy Catchpool
4. Sally Bryson

### Third Flight:

1. Glynace Kloock
2. Donna Utecht
3. Gerry Masimore

### Fourth Flight:

1. Connie Micek
2. Judy Duffy
3. Rhonda Peterson
4. Bev McKillip

### Fifth Flight:

1. Jo Stein
2. Sandy Dose
3. Mary Lu Wheeler
4. Pattie Miller

### Sixth Flight:

1. Nancy Vanicek
2. Nita Totten
3. Phyllis Hall
4. Sandra Husar

### Seventh Flight:

1. Linda Hodges
2. Joyce Braun
3. Jamie Casselman
4. Geri Warford

### Eighth Flight:

1. Katie Crump
2. Cindy Parks
3. Kay Haman
4. Ann Weidner

### Ninth Flight:

1. Dee Bang
2. Tammy Ramos
3. Lorraine Humpal

### Tenth Flight:

1. Carole Olson
2. Delaine Horn
3. Helen Langel



Champion Jane Pohlman

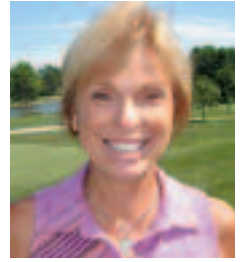




Susie Dinkelman/Sherry Zehr, Eclectic winners



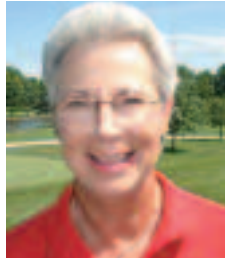
Barb Muldoon,  
1st Flight Winner



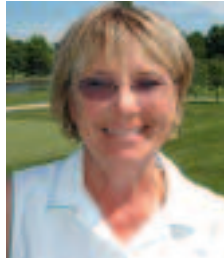
Polly Huebert,  
2nd Flight Winner



Glynace Kloock,  
3rd Flight Winner



Connie Micek,  
4th Flight Winner



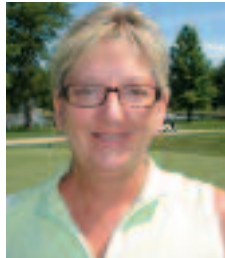
Jo Stein,  
5th Flight Winner



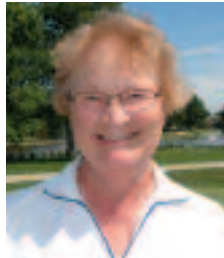
Nancy Vanicek,  
6th Flight Winner



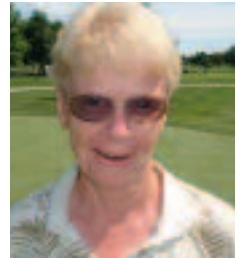
Linda Hodges,  
7th Flight Winner



Katie Crump,  
8th Flight Winner



Dee Bang,  
10th Flight Winner



Carole Olson,  
11th Flight Winner

## ***Congrats on your Hole in One!***



**Judy Thomas**  
Happy Hollow Omaha  
Hole #3, Par 3

**Johnna Rathje**  
Hillside Golf Course—Sidney  
Hole #8, Par 3



# “Golf and All That Jazz”

## FOUR-WOMAN SCRAMBLE

### HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB • LINCOLN

### SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2008

The theme of the Four-Woman Scramble this year was “Golf and All That Jazz.” The ladies sure did get their groove back and were swinging their clubs away. The ladies were also able to enjoy some talented entertainment that Mary Ann James brought in for the evening banquet.



The first day of contest, second place finishers were just one stroke behind the leaders making the second day very competitive. The second day, team members Connie Micek, Diana Mary Ann James, Johnson, LuAnn Barnes, Tournament Chairwoman Karen Ogle and team members Sherri Rounsborg, Shelley Bauer, Rita Lammle, Jane Thomson tied for second place, just three shots away from first place. The winning team members for the 2008 NWAGA Scramble were Pam Patterson of Loomis, Michelle Kløver of Doniphan, Sheryl Bosshamer of Riverdale, and Terri Meier of Elm Creek. The group of four also won the 2007 Scramble at York Country Club.

#### Championship Flight:

1. P. Patterson/ M. Kløver/ S. Bosshamer/ T. Meier
2. C. Micek/ D. Johnson/ L. Barnes/ K. Ogle
3. S. Rounsborg/ S. Bauer/ R. Lammle/ J. Thomson

#### First Flight:

1. J. Hansen/ S. Milner/ K. Terjak/ B. Stec
2. B. Rude/ S. Bryson/ A. Bear/ P. Catchpool
3. J. Tanner/ B. Tegt/ M. Carper/ T. White

#### Second Flight:

1. D. Essex/ L. Ott/ S. Kilpatrick/ C. Barclay
2. N. Vanicek/ J. Kleager/ M. Schultz/ S. Kindscher
3. J. Childers/ K. Fry/ R. Anson/ J. Bartak

#### Third Flight:

1. M. Brown/ D. Bowman/ B. Lewis/ J. Baldwin
2. J. Clinton/ M. Smith/ J. Nelson/ K. Wood
3. C. Rath/ D. Scharf/ L. Kasher/ P. Lindquist



Championship Flight Winners



First Flight Winners



Second Flight Winners



Third Flight Winners



# NWAGA 2008 Play Day Winners

	<u>18-HOLES</u>	<u>9-HOLES</u>
Ashland Country Club .....		Ronda Dostal
Field Club of Omaha .....	Li Lu	Susan Peterson
Fremont Golf Club .....	Evelyn Perry	Caralee Johnson
Happy Hollow Club .....	Pat Ruth	
Heritage Hills .....	Janella Hager	Judy Spomer
Hillcrest Country Club .....	Vena Alesio	Anna Kuhlman
Holdrege Country Club .....	Juanita Nielsen	
Kearney Country Club .....	Merilyn Anderson	Karen Carleson
Johnny Goodman Golf Course .....	Susan Wilwerding	
Norfolk Country Club .....	Shelly Koehler	Helen Langel
Northridge Country Club .....		Marlene Kaeding
Oakland Golf Club .....	Carol Codella	Margene Swenson Sandy Husar
O'Neill Country Club .....	LaRue Lorenz	
The Pines Country Club .....	Mary Lou Dennis	Mary Lou Dennis
Riverside Country Club .....	Karen Colan	Mary Chase
Rolling Green .....		Ardie Bowen
Southern Hills Golf Course .....	Bonnie Morse	Gail Pittz
Valley View Golf Club .....	Darah King	Pat Stiefel

*If you are a Play Day Winner and your name is not listed, please submit to  
Judy Duffy, 10036 Fieldcrest Drive, Omaha, NE 68114 or email to judyduffy@aol.com*

## *Gift of Membership*

Give a gift that keeps on giving. NWAGA members develop lifetime golfing friends. Do you know of a woman at your club who enjoys playing or is new to the area? You can give someone a "gift of membership" for only \$10. Help boost NWAGA's membership.

**Gift Recipient:**

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NWAGA Club: \_\_\_\_\_ GHIN#: \_\_\_\_\_

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