

Dear Members,

By now you have all seen Liz Prescod's email of May 6th regarding a spam email from a bogus email that was addressed by me, [Not Sent By Me](#). This was clearly a scam, and I applaud Liz and her IT expertise, in mitigating this security incident. Liz's email also reminded us to check our antivirus software on all our devices to ensure it is up to date and running antivirus security checks. I immediately checked my devices and found no breach of information. One of the immediate changes made was to remove the membership listing from the Members Only page on the GVGWA website. Luisa Sam, our membership chair, will keep the Master List of GVGWA members. If you need to contact a member and need their email, please reach out to Luisa at: luisa.sam7777@gmail.com.

Per Liz, "The other security change will be to change the Member ONLY Password and Golf Genius ID to something new. Since our last hack occurred via email, we will be sending out a mass text message by next week with the new password and GGID. Please keep an eye out for that by Monday." Currently there are extensive behind the scenes work being done by Liz as well as Cathy Smith, and Judy Hazelden to hopefully prevent an event like this from happening again. If you have additional concerns or questions, please feel free to reach out to me.

And because of all the "soggy bottom rain," our first tournament at Island Oaks was cancelled. Well, it's a beautiful day today, and I hope you find yourself on a drier golf course or out at the range getting set for our next GVGWA tournament on Saturday, May 17th at Cragie Brae.

If you find the need for a playing partner(s) in our tournaments, remember we have Pair Me, on the front page of our website. It's a recently added Blog that will allow you to put your name on a list of Members who are looking for a golf partner(s) for a particular tournament. Please **NOTE** if you are Using the **Blog** to look for a partner(s), you need to use the **Blogbefore you submit your registration.**

Whether you use the Blog to find a partner(s) or simply note that you need someone to play with on your registration form is up to you. The tournament chair will then pair you when your registration form is received.

The Spring Banquet at Ontario Golf Club – Pub On The Green was a great way to kick off our 90th year of GVGWA. Thanks to Pennfair Golf for donating a beautiful golf bag for our free raffle, and of course the successful 50/50 raffle and pay out to our lucky winners. A huge thanks to Sue Stojanovich for the beautiful slide presentation celebrating GVGWA's history. If you missed it, or want to see it again, it's on the website on the front page under Spring Banquet Slides 2025. Also a huge thanks to Kim Montrois and her crew for organizing the largest GVGWA banquet thus far of over a 100 members attending.

An important presentation at the banquet was made by our Rules & Handicap Chair, Kathy Myers who presented a rules update for the RDGA 2025 golf season (for those playing in RDGA events). The "model local rule prohibits the wearing of footwear which have metal spikes." And secondly, the rules update for Immovable Obstruction Close To The Putting Green. "The model local rule only applies when both the ball and the obstruction are in part of the general area of the golf course, cut to fairway heights or less." For specifics of this ruling, please go to our website under Rules & Handicap Info -> Golf Rules Resources -> 2025 Spring Banquet Rules and Handicap Presentation.

An announcement sent to me from Cheryl Ferguson, our WRDGA/RDGA rep is the call for high school senior female golfers to apply for the Jean Trainer Memorial Junior Girl's Scholarship. The WRDGA created this scholarship in memory of Mrs. Jean Trainer, who was a phenomenal Rochester area golfer from the 1940's through the 1980's, as well as a strong advocate for junior girl's golf. The scholarship was created to continue the legacy of Mrs. Jean Trainer by providing scholarships for higher education to junior girl golfers in the WRDGA region. Deadline for submitting the application is **May 31, 2025**. Please spread the word to your nieces, granddaughters, and those who you think would benefit. See the attachment below to download the application. For any specific questions, please contact Cheryl at: cfergsn@yahoo.com.

Under the ***What's New*** on our website, please note two tournaments with details that you may want to add to your golf calendar:

The first is the Friends of DWR (Deaf Women of Rochester) Tournament Invitation & Details including the registration form, Friday, July 18, 2025 at Lima Golf and Country Club. Early bird signup deadline is July 4th, final deadline with increase in price is July 11th. Our own GVGWA member Mindy Hopper is Chairperson for this tournament. By the way, great presentation at the banquet Mindy!

And the second is the 23rd Annual Breast Cancer Tournament on Monday, July 28th at Midvale Country Club. Registration form and specifics are also available on our website.

Phew! Okay that's a lot of news! More to come I'm sure as the golf season is now in full "swing!" : ~)

Happy Mother's Day...Happy Spring Time in Rochester! :)

Golf Funny: Did you hear about the golfer who didn't have metal clubs in her bag? She was iron deficient! : ~) ouch!

Take care and see you all soon!
Cindy Keller