



## *Georgia Women's Golf Association, Inc.*

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Dear GWGA Member

On behalf of the 2012 Board of Directors, thank you for joining us as we seek to fulfill our mission to *encourage excellence and promote the game of golf through organized play among female residents of the state of Georgia.* We encourage you to put a little 'PEP' in your step for women's golf as we offer the following activities that support our mission:

- **Promote annual tournaments**
  - 2012 Four-Ball - Jekyll Island Golf Club - April 24 - 25th.
  - 2012 Amateur Championship - The Landings Club - July 24 - 26th
- **Encourage membership and participation**
- **Provide grants to selected female golf programs.**

Congratulations to our 2011 Four-Ball winners Belinda Marsh (Rivermont Country Club) and Alice Richardson (Atlanta National Golf Club) and to Sarah Butts from Carrollton who won the 2011 Amateur State Championship.

This year we will celebrate our Fortieth Annual Four-Ball Tournament and look forward to you being a part of this special event. Four-Ball entry fees remain unchanged (\$400 per team.) Reservations at Jekyll Island Club or at Hampton Inn must be made by March 22nd to receive the group rate.

Our Open Business Meeting will be on Monday, April 23rd at 6:00 PM. Many of you will be finishing your practice round that day - so come as you are. Door prizes, a few other surprises and the sharing of important information will be the agenda for this meeting. Afterwards, you are invited to join the Board of Directors for a cocktail party in the Crane Garden.

A priority for the Board of Directors this year is to increase the awareness of and the funding for our GWGA Grant Program. This program supports and promotes golf/golfing programs for young female golfers who live throughout Georgia. Thanks to the efforts of two of our Honorary Life Members, Helen Kirbo and Olivia Flannagan, contributions to this program qualify as tax-deductible donations. While the Board is confident that building the Grant Program merits our attention and efforts, we also recognize it will only be successful with your help. For additional information about these grants - visit our website at [www.gwga.org](http://www.gwga.org).

It is a delight to welcome Holly McDavid (Macon) and Jane Barrick (Savannah) to our Board. Jane is a returning Board Member. Her knowledge, expertise and experience are a valuable asset. Holly is new to our Board and has already spent many hours updating and revamping our website. It now has a fresh new look and is user-friendlier. Take a moment and check it out.

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events. Please let us know if you have any suggestions that might benefit GWGA.

Eleanor Graham, 2012 President