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A Publication for FSGA Volunteers

2004 Volunteers-of-the-Year



Brenda Davis



Neil McGillicuddy

Lifetime Achievement Awards



Tracy Allen presents Charlie Bedford with the Lifetime Achievement Award.



Tom Dudley accepts the Lifetime Achievement Award on behalf of James Callender.

Player-of-the-Year



Jim Demick and Tracy Allen present the 2004 Player-of-the-Year award to Rick Woulfe.

GIMMIES

Membership

Since October 1, more than 600 individuals have signed up for 2005 membership. We finished 2004 with over 3350 members. More than 450 clubs have already joined as 2005 member clubs. Encourage your club to join today and support the FSGA!

Future of Golf Foundation

When renewing your FSGA membership, please consider joining as a Foundation Member. Instead of Council Members, we now have Foundation Members that will benefit the Future of Golf Foundation. The Foundation is a need and academic based program that will provide college scholarships and assist juniors with entry and travel expenses to national tournaments. All proceeds above the Regular \$45 membership will go towards the Foundation. More than 100 individuals have already signed up as Foundation Members.

Service Credit Forms

At the recent Volunteer Appreciation Days, many volunteers were not aware of the Service Credit Forms. Please record the days you volunteer, send them in and receive FSGA merchandise. It is a great way to earn FSGA logo merchandise.

Volunteer Profiles

Please make sure you update your volunteer profiles online. This will help us know what you enjoy doing best and what areas you have the most experience in. Go to Volunteer Central on www.fsga.org and complete your Volunteer Profile for the upcoming year.

2005 Rules of Golf Seminars

sign up at www.fsga.org

PGA Nat'l GC, Palm Bch Gardens
January 20

Imperial Golf Club, Naples
January 21

Sawgrass CC, Ponte Vedra Beach
January 27

Golden Hills Golf Club, Ocala
January 28

Hunters Green CC, Tampa
February 4

Falcon's Fire GC, Kissimmee
February 10

The Forest CC, Ft. Myers
February 11

PGA Golf Club, Port St. Lucie
February 23

Inverrary CC, Lauderhill
February 24

Southwood Golf Club, Tallahassee
March 3

Fort Walton Beach GC
March 4

Grand Haven GC, Palm Coast
March 15

Mission Valley CC, Laurel
March 24

- 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Lunch Included
- Rule Book Included
- PGA Pros receive 7 CE credits

- \$30 - Amateur Golfers
- \$50 - PGA Professionals
- \$15 - High School Golf Coaches, Junior Coordinators & FSGA/FWSGA Committeemen

2004-2005 Winter Series

sign up to play and volunteer at www.fsga.org

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

December 8 & 9, 2004

entries close November 22, 2004
PGA Golf Club, Port St. Lucie

January 10 & 11, 2005

entries close December 27, 2004
Venetian Golf & River Club,
N. Venice

February 7 & 8, 2005

entries close January 24, 2005
Timacuan G & CC, Lake Mary

March 21 & 22, 2005

entries close March 7, 2005
Bloomington GC, Valrico

April 4 & 5, 2005

entries close March 21, 2005
ChampionsGate Golf Resort,
ChampionsGate

FOUR-BALL EVENTS

January 24 & 25, 2005

entries close January 10, 2005
Hernando Oaks CC, Brooksville

February 21 & 22, 2005

entries close February 7, 2005
Hammock Creek GC, Palm City

March 7 & 8, 2005

entries close February 21, 2005
Walkabout Golf Club, Mims

Tournament Chairmen Meet in Tampa

A Tournament Chairman's meeting was held on October 28 in Tampa for all the Tournament Chairmen in the state. In all, 18 Tournament Chairmen and FSGA staff attended the day long meeting to discuss FSGA tournament administration.

The meeting began with introducing **Bob Forward** as a new Tournament Chairman. Bob, the golf pro and general manger at Lake Wales Country Club, serves on the PGA Rules Committee and will be a great addition.

The FSGA will continue to enforce the qualifications for all Tournament Chairmen and Rules Officials to include mandatory attendance of a PGA/USGA Rules Seminar at least once every four years and a minimum score of 85 on the PGA/USGA Rules of Golf exam.

Congratulations to **Don Roberts, Bob McClure** and **Ted Burfeind** for meeting the requirements to be certified Rules Officials. These men have all attended a PGA/USGA Rules Seminar and achieved a score of 85 or above on the exam within the past four years.

Many other topics were discussed including encouraging volunteers to fill out profiles so we have a better understanding on where volunteers should be placed. Also, the Rules Workshops are posted for everyone to sign up and Tournament 101 Workshops will be available for registration shortly. The meeting went over some additional topics pertaining to Tournament Chairmen such as the Lightning Policy, Pace of Play, hole locations and much more.

Overall, the meeting was designed to look back on the season and acknowledge the strengths and weaknesses and continue to build and improve the quality of tournament administration in all FSGA events.

Handicap Seminars

The FSGA encourages every Member Club to attend a USGA/FSGA Handicap Certification Seminar in order that each club achieve certification in the USGA Handicap System. It is important that every FSGA Member Club assume their responsibility and strongly encourage golf/handicap committee members and club staff to attend these seminars.

The USGA will conduct a **USGA Handicap Certification Seminar at ChampionsGate Golf Club** in Orlando on **January 12, 2005**. Register at www.usga.org or www.fsga.org.

Also, make plans to attend one of the **USGA/FSGA Handicap Seminars** conducted by the FSGA. Register at www.fsga.org and keep checking online for more dates.

January 25, 2005
Southwood GC,
Tallahassee

January 26, 2005
Eglin AFB GC,
Niceville

February 23, 2005
Celebration GC,
Celebration

USGA Course Rating Seminar

The FSGA will host a **USGA Course Rating Seminar** on **January 11, 2005** at **ChampionsGate Golf Club in Orlando**. This seminar is for new and prospective course raters as well as experienced raters to learn about the USGA Course Rating System. Attendance by existing experienced FSGA/FWSGA course rating team members is required at this session or at FSGA regional course rating seminars.

GIMMIES

FHSAA State Finals

Thank you to all the FSGA volunteers who helped with the State High School Championships. More than 25 volunteers assisted with the Finals on three courses.

Thank you Clyde Hobby!

All of us at the FSGA are sad to see Course Rating Captain Clyde Hobby retire. We greatly appreciate Clyde's hard work and dedication to the FSGA.

Holiday Shopping

The holidays are right around the corner and the FSGA Golf Shop is the perfect place to shop for your favorite golfer. Items include Cutter & Buck golf shirts, Club Glove travel items, Ashworth sweater vests and much more. All prices now include shipping and will be delivered to your door in a matter of days. Remember, volunteers receive 20% off the member price.

New Item

Wide-Brimmed Sun Hat

Order this new wide-brimmed sun hat from *Ahead* for maximum sun protection! This hat features a 3" brim on the sides and over 3 1/2" on the front and back. Generously sized with an adjustment cord on the back and vented, screened grommets on the side. Order online at www.fsga.org and remember, committeemen get 20% off.



Volunteer Appreciation Days



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