



## GIMMIES

### Membership Numbers

Currently, more than 3,400 individuals have signed up for membership. We ask that all volunteers join the FSGA and support your State Golf Association. Renew your membership today at [www.fsga.org](http://www.fsga.org). Also, over 850 clubs have signed up as 2005 FSGA Member Clubs. We are also accepting memberships for the 2005-2006 Florida Junior Tour (FJT) season and so far, more than 340 juniors have registered for membership. Please tell juniors about this great Tour and opportunity to compete in high-end competitions at some of the state's top courses.

### Is your Club Certified to use the Handicap System?

Please see [www.fsga.org](http://www.fsga.org) and check if your club is authorized in the Handicap System. If not, contact your club staff to attend a seminar or take the test online at [www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org). This must be completed by 2006 or your club will not be authorized to issue USGA Handicaps. Seminar dates include:

**September 28-** Celebration GC, Celebration

**September 27** - Deerwood CC, Jacksonville

### NW Club Challenge

Volunteers in the Panhandle, please encourage your club to participate in the NW Club Challenge on October 22-23 at Camp Creek GC in Panama City Beach. The format is 36 holes of stroke play with the total of the low 3 of the 4 gross scores counting for each round. Sign up at [www.fsga.org](http://www.fsga.org) and save \$10.

## FJT Looks for Sponsors

The 2005-2006 Florida Junior Tour (FJT) season is about to kicked off its third season on September 10-11 at Eagle Creek Golf Club in Orlando with the 13-15 age division competing for the first title of the season. The 16-18 age division will play at PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie on September 17-18. This season consists of 14 events for the state's top junior golfers including a 54-hole event in November and the first FJT Four-Ball event in May at Belleair CC.

Once again, we are looking to our members, volunteers and FJT parents to gain sponsorships for FJT events. For the 2005-2006 season, we have already gained some sponsorships and we hope with your help to receive more. Please visit [www.floridajuniortour.org](http://www.floridajuniortour.org) to learn more about the different sponsorship levels available. We thank the

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## 2005-2006 Winter Series

### INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

December 5-6, 2005,  
entries close Nov. 21, 2005  
Falcons Fire Golf Club,  
Kissimmee

January 9-10, 2006,  
entries close Dec. 25, 2005  
The Legacy Club at Alaqua  
Lakes, Longwood

February 6-7, 2006,  
entries close January 23, 2006  
Ballantrae Golf & Yacht Club,  
Port St. Lucie

March 6-7, 2006,  
entries close February 20, 2006  
Tampa Palms G & CC,  
Tampa

April 3-4, 2006,  
entries close March 20, 2006  
Venetian Golf & River Club,  
North Venice

### FOUR-BALL EVENTS

January 23-24, 2006,  
entries close January 9, 2006  
Lake Jovita G & CC,  
Dade City

February 20-21, 2006, entries  
close February 6, 2006  
Baytree National Golf Links,  
Melbourne

March 20-21, 2006,  
entries close March 6, 2006  
Golden Hills Golf & Turf Club,  
Ocala

- For ages 40 & above
- Three age divisions
- 36 holes of GROSS scoring
- Gift certificates awarded
- Points list maintained in Series

## Tournament Volunteers Needed!

The FSGA is still in need of tournament volunteers. We still have many events left in the season including the Florida Junior Tour and our Winter Series events coming up at the end of the year. Would someone you know enjoy spending a few days a year giving back to the game we have all grown to love? Experience isn't necessary to become a volunteer. The FSGA conducts volunteer training classes for rules officials and new volunteers are always welcome at tournaments for on-the-job training. Course raters are more than welcome to become a tournament volunteer as well! As the FSGA's tournament schedule continues to grow, we need more volunteers to protect and preserve the demanding needs for competitive golf in Florida. If you know of someone that may be interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Alyson Bartell at the FSGA office at (813) 632-3742 or emailing [abartell@fsga.org](mailto:abartell@fsga.org). We look forward to seeing many new volunteers out on the course in the near future!

## Course Rating

Just a reminder for all captains and course rating team members, we will order the new USGA Course Rating Guides in September for arrival in December. We will also order the USGA Course Rating Manuals to reflect the revised version, effective for 2006-2007. Please contact Andy Green or Ken Hagamann at (813) 632-3742 if you have any questions.

## USGA Handicap License

Has your club met the requirements to sign the USGA Handicap License Agreement? Does your club have a person certified in the USGA Handicap System? Does your club have an effective Handicap Committee? Please check the FSGA website under "Handicapping" to see if your club has met the requirements.

### 2006 PGA/USGA Rules Workshops

Registration for the 2006 PGA/USGA Rules Workshops open online at [www.usga.org/playing/rules/workshops/](http://www.usga.org/playing/rules/workshops/) on October 3 and by phone on October 12 at (908) 234-2300, ext. 5100. Reserve your spot early!

**4-Day Rules of Golf Workshop**  
Port St. Lucie  
January 18-21, 2006  
Deadline January 6, 2006

**Tournament Administration W/S**  
Ponte Vedra  
March 12-15, 2006  
Deadline March 2, 2006

**Orlando**  
February 19-22, 2006  
Deadline February 9, 2006

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### New Volunteers

Please welcome the following new volunteers to the FSGA: Debbie Mooksang, Michael Magrone, Jerry Nettuno, Phillip Plessinger and Robert Woodmansee.

### Annual Dinner

The 2005 Annual Dinner is scheduled for Friday, November 18 at Palma Ceia Golf and Country Club in Tampa. The Annual Dinner is where we recognize our 2005 Champions as well as award the Players-of-the-Year and Volunteers-of-the-Year.

### Earpieces

You can now purchase your very own earpiece to be used during FSGA events. The earpieces cost \$10 and are available by calling Alyson Bartell at the FSGA office, (813) 632-3742 or emailing [abartell@fsga.org](mailto:abartell@fsga.org).

### Volunteers Needed

Please continue to check Volunteer Central and see what events need volunteers ASAP. Those events are highlighted in red and if you are available, please sign up. We greatly appreciate your help and support.

### FHSAA State Finals

The dates of the State High School Golf Championships are scheduled for October 25-26, 2005. This year, there are four sites including Fort Pierce, Vero Beach, Port St. Lucie and Palm City. Please visit Volunteer Central and sign up to help out at a course. This is a real fun event.

### Tournament Chairmen

The annual tournament chairmen's meeting is set for November 19th at Palma Ceia Golf & Country Club. The schedule of activities and additional information will be mailed shortly.

# Volunteer Spotlight- Don Glaser

Don Glaser started volunteering for the FSGA in 1997. Since he has joined the FSGA as a course rating volunteer he took over as Co-Captain for District 15 in Collier County. Don has been the Co-Captain for the last 3 years after taking over veteran Clyde Hobby's position.

Prior to his time with the FSGA, Don spent four years in the US Air Force and was also a graduate from East Coast Aero Technical School in Bedford, Massachusetts. Don worked for Sykorskie Aircraft in Bridgeport, Connecticut and then went on to work for Northeast Airlines before opening a family Volkswagen Automobile Agency, which he had for 26 years. Don had also worked at a Dodge dealership for five years. After that, he retired in 1989 and moved to Marco Island, Florida where he resided and he also spent time Boston where he came out of retirement and worked for Honda Motor Car Company and Lexus of Norwood before returning to Florida in 1996 and retired for the second time!

Don volunteered for the Massachusetts Golf Association for 5 years as a course rater before coming back to Florida where he started volunteering for the FSGA in 1997. He was selected to the USGA National Calibration Team representing Florida with fellow course raters Ron Audi, Brian Robideau, and Carl Schlanger. The team took home the 2005 top honors. Don says, "I love the game of golf which I have been playing for 60 years. Course rating gives me a feeling of giving something back to the game."

Don now lives in Naples, Florida and is a member at Naples Heritage Golf & Country Club. He is presently Greens Committee Chairman helping his club complete a one million dollar addition to their course which opened on Labor Day. Don is also a member at Walpole Country Club in Walpole, Massachusetts.

In his spare time Don enjoys golf and fishing and he also has a small golf repair shop which occupies some of his spare time. Don is married to his wife Barbara and has four children and nine grandchildren.



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## FSGA Yardage Markers

The FSGA now offers yardage markers to our member clubs for only \$30 a piece. They are a cast bronze and a great addition to any course. Permanent markers are essential. It is recommended that the hole yardage be visible on the marker and installed at the side of each set of tees. If alternate tee areas are used, it is important that permanent yardage markers be installed on each area. These yardage markers clearly identify the yardage while displaying the FSGA logo. Let your club know about these yardage markers and for more information, please contact the office at (813) 632-3742. Also, course rating captains each have one if you are interested in seeing one in person.



# Ratings & Rulings

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## Volunteer Appreciation Days

Don't miss out on all the fun! Join fellow volunteers for a day of lunch and golf compliments of the FSGA. If you are an active volunteer, please register online at [www.fsga.org](http://www.fsga.org) to sign up for the site of your choice. Join us as we recognize you, our outstanding volunteers. Please call or email Andy Green at [agreen@fsga.org](mailto:agreen@fsga.org) with any questions or specific pairings requests.

**Monday, October 3, 2005**  
**Bear Lakes Country Club, West Palm Beach**  
**9:00 am**

**Tuesday, November 1, 2005**  
**Windermere Country Club, Windermere**  
**9:00 am**

**Tuesday, October 4, 2005**  
**Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club, Dade City**  
**9:00 am**

**Monday, October 17, 2005**  
**Pelican's Nest Golf Club, Bonita Springs**  
**1:00 pm (lunch before play)**

**Wednesday, October 19, 2005**  
**Bay Point Resort, Panama City Beach**  
**8:30 am**

**Thursday, October 27, 2005**  
**The Golf Club at South Hampton, St. Augustine**  
**8:30 am**

