



Empowering Women Through Golf in Southwest Florida

Niners Newsletter - March/April 2025

Message from your President, Nury Duerst

Dear Members:

Thanks to all who joined us on the course for LG9's **Queen Bee!** Many were wearing yellow and black as they "swarmed" the front nine hoping to improve their previous week's score. Afterwards, 33 ladies "buzzed" inside for a complimentary drink, table snacks and yummy cupcakes made by

Cindy Carson. The dining room tables were decorated with black tablecloths, yellow-bumblebee centerpieces and caramel sweets.

This year, our Queen Bee Champion's name will be added to a "new" plaque and proudly displayed in the Ladies locker room. Congratulations to Queen **Denise Carbonneau** (Net 29), Runner-up **Brenda Whitenack** (Net 30) and Runner-up **Diana Hansen** (Net 30).



There were many surprises during End of Season Awards/Recognition. **Andrea Parker**, Communication's Chair received the President's Award for "Outstanding Performance" in recognition of her efforts in upgrading the league's social media presence with a certificate and a unique clock. In addition, to the plaque to recognize the winner of Queen Bee, a plaque will be made recognizing past presidents including **Herda Klamann**, who in 2012 first organized the league. A ceremony is in the works for the new season.

An engraved glass vase was awarded to **Gail Guimond** for "Most Improved" golfer. Additionally, two glass vases were presented to **Tami McKane** and **Cindy Carson** for "Most Notable Improvement". Congratulations ladies on your success!

Adrienne Takash received an award for "Most Pars", **Darlene Cunneen**

for “Most Birdies” and **Nury Duerst** for “Best Attendance”. Last but not least, Ringer Cards were re-introduced to the league. The information on the Ringer Cards shows overall improvement on a specific hole (1-18) throughout the season. If you wish to see yours, please speak with Katelin and she will be happy to print your card. This season, awards were given to the top “Five Lowest Ringer Scores”. They were **Nury Duerst, Pam Boyle, Adrienne Takash, Gail Guimond and Darlene Cunneen**. A special thank you went to **Wendy Brookover** for her many years with providing name badges. Also to **Brenda Whitenack** for maintaining the bulletin board and sending cards to members facing life challenges.

The Board for 2025-2026 was introduced along with the addition of two new officers who will be reporting to the board. **Diana Hansen** will be in charge of our fundraising efforts and **Shawn Orr** will be organizing social activities for off the course. Please take a moment to thank all of these ladies who voluntarily give their time and talents to make the league an enjoyable and memorable experience.

As you can see, there has been much to celebrate! The past five months seem to have flown by. Judging by the numbers, half of our members have been regularly turning out to play and support the league. We incorporated individual, two person and four person games. Hopefully there's been something for everyone. The successful turnouts have also favorably impacted our sales of 50/50. It has allowed us to gift everyone a \$20 gift card to be used in the pro shop. Thanks to all of you who support the league weekly! We are looking at a more comfortable financial start to next season because of you!

We have seen considerable growth with the addition of **11 new members**. Our goal for next season is to continue to grow and improve the membership experience. Your board members are already hard at work preparing for the year. I assure you 2025-2026 will be as engaging as this year has been. I hope all of you have had a great time playing golf, meeting new people and making friends. That is what we NINER's are all about! Thank you all for the support you have given me and for the many kind words of appreciation. I am very grateful. For those of you traveling this summer whether near or far, please be safe, take care of yourselves and as always, have fun! I look forward to seeing everyone in November for the Season Opener! Until then, swing easy and have a great round!

With gratitude,

Nury Duerst

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Thanks to all who participated in Queen Bee! Check out our [League Facebook page](#) for photos from Queen Bee including winners, food, and fun!

Games

March 4th - Katelin's Favorite 5

On March 4th, a morning crew teed off at 8:30 for Katelin's Favorite 5. No one knew which holes were her favorites till they came in from their round. Congrats to the winners of Katelin's favorite five holes, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13!

1st: Sally Glavin

2nd: Dianna Hansen

3rd: Nury Duerst

4th: Gail Guimond

5th: Sandy Schartman

March 11th - Alternate Shot

This was a challenging round where both teammates teed off, the best shot was chosen and played by their partner and shots were alternated all the way to the hole! This game took strategy, cooperation, and patience!

1. Marlene Gaino and Nury Duerst - Net 30

2. Adrienne Takash and Judy Perez - Net 31

3. Sherry Goucher and Sally Glavin - Net 34

4. Darlene Cuneen and Tami McKane - Net 35

5. Michaela Mohr and Cheryl Hill-Wisniewski - Net 35

Check out our [9 hole Facebook Page](#) for a photos and posts about final results!

Upcoming Games

April 1st - Let's Be Foolish -

April 8th - Season Closer - 8:30 a.m.

shotgun

LG18 is hosting

Theme - **Flip Flops and Lemon Drops**

*Unfortunately if you have not registered,
this event is FULL (There is a waiting list
however)*

After Closing Day, a set of tee times have

been blocked off for us to play. Unfortunately, they are limited and are on a first come, first serve basis. Please call the Pro Shop (239-561-8650 ext. 1) to request a tee time. You may form a team or ask to be paired with others.

April 15th - 1:08, 1:16, 1:24, 1:32 (16 open spots) Morning is open to the lottery.

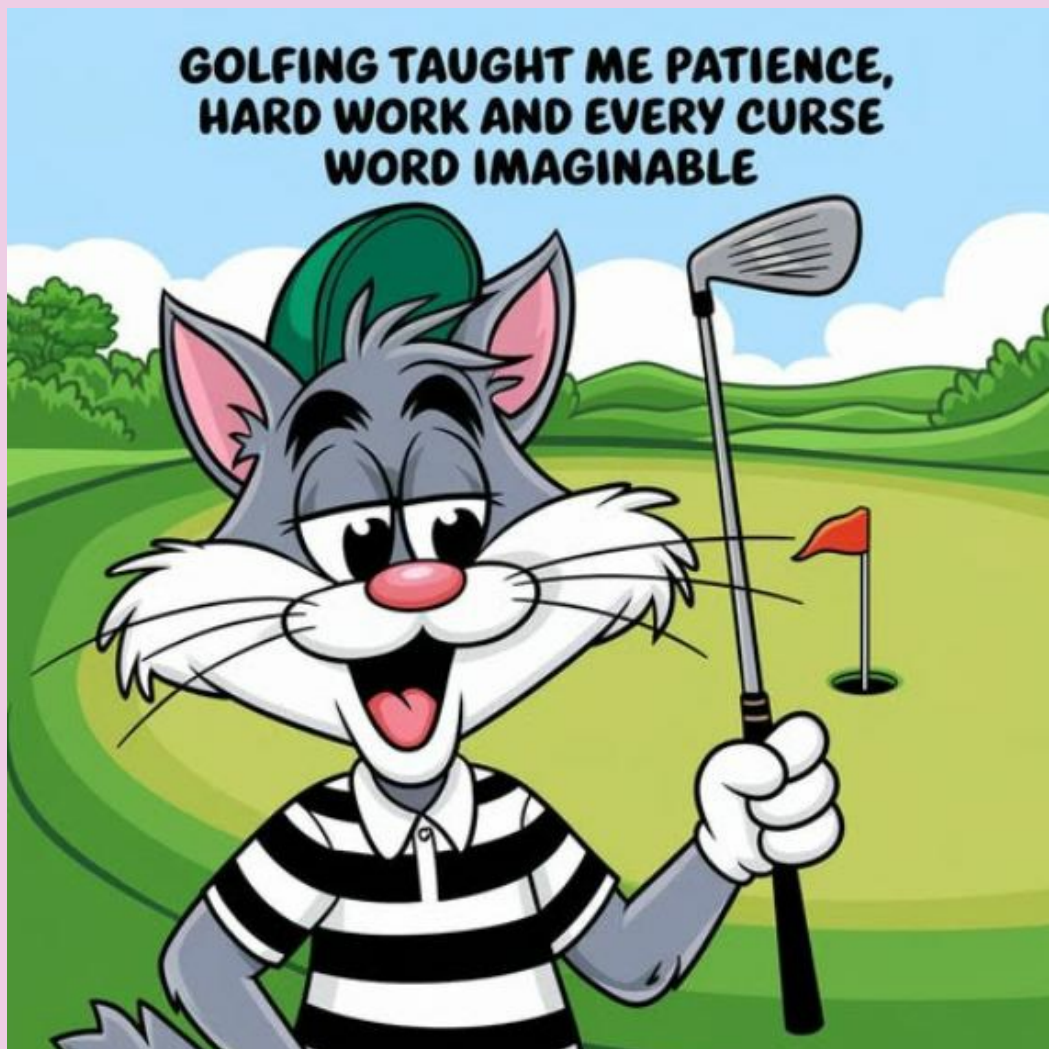
April 22nd - 1:48, 1:56, 2:04 (12 open spots) Birdie Ladies have blocked 5 tee times in the a.m.

April 29th - 1:08, 1:16, 1:24 (12 open spots)

May 1st - Reciprocals begin and summer memberships start

A promotional poster for a golf event titled "Flip Flops & LEMON DROPS". The background is a blue wooden plank texture. At the top left is a glass of lemon drop. In the center are a pair of yellow flip-flops. The text on the poster includes: "PL18GA & PL9GA CLOSING DAY", "TUESDAY, APRIL 8 | 8:30AM SHOTGUN", "FORMAT: STEP ASIDE SCRAMBLE MULLIGANS | 50/50", "Pick your foreshole or sign up individually and the golf shop will assist.", "Please bring cash for mulligans and 50/50 raffle.", "\$37 PER PLAYER", "Price includes lunch, tee gift and bag fee. Price does not include applicable cart fees. Open to Ladies' League Association Members.", "The Plantation Golf & Country Club", "Please sign up on golf genius by April 1st until event is full. For more information, contact the club: (239) 561-8650 10500 Darlington Drive | Fort Myers, FL 33913".

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Motivational Quote of the Month

*"A positive
mindset
brings
positive
things."*



Happy April Birthdays

5th Brenda Whitenack
5th Renee McConahy
10th Pauline Scinta
13th Shawn Orr
14th Diana Hansen
23rd Janet Powers
26th Nancy Foresman
29th Joanna Joswick

Leadership Team for 2025-2026 PL9GA

Definition:

Leadership is the ability to guide and influence others to work together

towards a common goal.

Executive Board:

Nury Duerst, President
Cindy Carson, Vice President/Membership
Sally Glavin, Treasurer
Gail Guimond, Secretary

Chairwomen:

Renee McConahy, Membership
Andrea Parker, Communication
Adrienne Takash, Events
Darleen Cunneen, Games
Denise Carbonneau, Awards/Recognition

Barb Tabaie, Handicap Officer
Dianna Hansen, Fundraising Officer
Shawn Orr, Social Activities Officer
Wendy Brookover, Nametags
Brenda Whitenack, Sunshine/Bulletin Board



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