



It's our year to shine!

First of all, Happy New Year everyone! I really hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! I couldn't wait to get this year started.

According to the Chinese Zodiac, 2016 is the Year of the Monkey. Here are some interesting facts:

- Lucky numbers: 1, 7, 8 – meaning my two favorite clubs, the 7 and 8 irons, are going to be on fire this year! Maybe I'll get my first Hole-in-One!
- Lucky colors: White, gold, blue – interesting, all colors for tee boxes – meaning my drives are going to be straight and long!
- Lucky flowers: Chrysanthemum and alliums – flowers on several of the golf courses in the area!
- Lucky directions: North, west, northwest – meaning the Pacific and Western regions are going to dominate again in 2016 for Match Play, Scramble and Stroke Play – YES!
- Personality of the Monkey: Enthusiastic, self-assured, sociable and innovative – All of these adjectives sound like each and every one of our Portland Chapter EWGA members. Meaning it's our year to grow members through our Fun & Friendship theme.

We have some incredible events planned for the coming year. Events Director Susan Weiner and her committee have been very busy. Membership Recruitment Director Marilyn Morfitt has some fun off-season events planned. The Portland Golf Show, our EWGA-PDX Kickoff – the season is coming fast! Stay tuned for all the details.

I'd also like to mention a few items from EWGA Headquarters. Every day for the rest of the month, HQ will be giving away a gift. You must register every day to be included in that day's drawing. The exciting news – on Day 2 our very own **Pam Frisby** won! Go to ewga.com and enter daily.

Also on the national level, the 25th Anniversary EWGA Conference is coming up April 22-24. Please check out [ewga.com/under events/conference](http://ewga.com/under_events/conference) for all the information. This year's conference is going to be a big celebration! Included with your registration fee are two rounds of golf. I will be attending and would love to see you there as well. If you are going, please send me an email at president@ewgapdx.com. I am keeping a list of members who would like to share the cost of a room and rental car. Register by Feb. 15 and save \$50.

One last item, I'd like to congratulate the three members whose names were drawn for answering the annual survey: **Susan Weiner** won free entry to the 2016 Kickoff; and **Judith Sachs** and **Judi Speck** each won one free league night.

Cheers & Happy Golf Days ahead,
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