

GROW

Golfers Recognizing Opportunities for Women



Women on the GROW

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Featuring Karen Y. Johnson



"My golf game is amateur" says Karen Johnson. "She is a beginner and has tried to play a couple of times and loves it." "I just have to find time to play. It's relaxing and when the weather is great it's so easy to get into the game. It's contagious, but I have learned you must have the right set of clubs that fit you to play the game well. The clubs we are definitely not all the same and the set I currently own definitely has to be replaced. I purchased them from a yard sale!"

"I am interested in GROW because I truly believe that as a business professional, knowing and playing the game is an effective way to build relationships." And of course one would assume such characteristics in Karen Johnson.

Earlier this year she announced her bid for Nashville Davidson County Juvenile Court Clerk. As Juvenile Court Clerk, she aims to work toward restoring and maintaining the efficiency, professionalism and reliability essential to the office in all operational functions including collecting fees, maintaining records, cases and dockets to ensure a fluid functioning department designed to meet all citizen's expectations. She has all the qualities you might expect in a qualified candidate for Davidson County Juvenile Court Clerk. Those who know her best will tell you she has a gregarious nature and a passion for educational opportunities for children. Her background is unmatched. It is what sets her apart from others in her field.

Continually focused on the children of our city, Karen has an extremely lengthy background and bio that supports and demonstrates her passion and commitment to serve and to children. It all started at an early age of 19 and it is no secret that an ending is *not* in sight. To read more about Karen, visit her website www.karenjohnson.org

Also, please support Karen's Campaign Kickoff, Tuesday, September 22, 2009, 5p-7p. Grow Karen!



Growing Golfers One Stroke at a Time!

A Message from President Tracy Painter www.growtoday.com

Hello ladies! This past week has been awesome! Actually the past **two** weeks, from the inspiring and dynamic luncheon with Les Brown as the keynote speaker to John Girton's discussion about conflict resolution with students at TSU, the journey was truly full of purpose. On Monday I celebrated my birthday and GROW had a successful Lunch & Learn! Our partners at BBBS (Big Brothers Big Sisters) were very pleased and excited about the outcome. 18 women were in attendance, 1/3 signed up to serve as mentors, and some even volunteered and expressed an interest to assist BBBS with other initiatives i.e. Ambassadors' Circle and volunteering at golf tournaments. Just as Karen's platform is strong and very solid in "Restoring Competence and Reliability—All of Our Children Matter." GROW Girl is on her way to helping change the way kids grow up! Check out Karen's site or even feel free to contact her. She is a Woman on the GROW.

The last round of lessons has been scheduled for the 2009 year. Please notice that lessons will be held on Fridays from 1p—5p on September 25 and October 2 at Hermitage Golf Course. This concept is part of our professional development strategy. Nearly 55% of the GROW membership consists of Corporate employees. I encourage you to get involvement from your organization's leadership, some companies may support the professional development initiative and cover the cost. There is also a corporate rate that includes two rounds of golf. A formal communication piece is being finalized. The cost is \$179 for the two sessions, 8 hours of training still at a negotiated price for GROW. The network of coaches that I've worked with during the past two years have been very inviting and receptive to GROW's mission. Many of you commented that it was easily noticeable that the discounted amount of \$10/lesson was definitely a deal, far below the average rate of \$30/lesson. GROW is still getting a rate that is less than the average rate and we will continue to receive lessons that are extremely value added. I hope to... seed you soon!



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