# Maureen Ford

# For Corresponding Secretary

Just a little information about who I am and the paths I have taken to get here today.

#### **Education and Accomplishments:**

- Born and raised in Rhode Island
- High School Pilgrim class of 1967
- Bachelor of Science URI class of 1971 (Major in Physical Education and Health with a minor in Biology and later Math)
- Physical Education, Health Education Teacher at Portsmouth High School from 1971 1999 with Cooperating Teacher, Adaptive Physical Education, and Supervisory Certifications.
- Master of Science in Physical Education University of North Carolina at Greensboro, class of 1979
- Numerous Post-Graduate courses throughout the years.
- For approximately 30 years I also Refereed high school and college field hockey and volleyball games all over Southern New England.

#### Retirement:

- Just prior to retiring from teaching, I started taking ballroom dance lessons in an effort to teach my
  H.S. students to dance. Those lessons eventually lead me to a 23 year career teaching Ballroom
  Dancing where I am currently employed by "The Dancing Feeling".
- Prior to joining OSWGA I was a member at Potowomut GC and what used to be RIWGA. I played with them for about 9 years, 3 of which I was the tournament director for RIWGA.
- In an effort to give back to the OSWGA organization, one that has provided me with good friends, good laughs and good times, and sometimes good golf, I took on the position of Corresponding
   Secretary for the past six years. I am at a point where I understand what I have to do and when it has to be completed and I have enjoyed contributing whatever I can to help this organization continue and be effective.
- I would very much appreciate your vote so I can continue on in this position.

### **Hobbies and Interests:**

- I have enjoyed many sports and activities throughout my life with golf being a highlight in my more
  recent years. I played semi-professional fastpitch and later slowpitch softball for about 30 years. I
  have downhill skied most of the mountains in New England and also at the French Alps and at Vail.
- I have completed many woodworking and construction projects including building my own garage and making custom kitchen cabinets.
- I have been known to work on quilts and other sewing and craft projects when the spirit moves me.
- Since my teens I have enjoyed playing the organ (I even sold pianos, organs and sheet music at Avery Piano, Shepards and Gladdings to help finance my college Ed).
- I have enjoyed numerous cross-country camping trips as well as travel in Europe, Australia, and New Zealand.
- I like to read and recently I have gotten involved in computer repair and photography.