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Seventh Annual AT&T Women in Telecom Golf Day

The Seventh Annual AT&T Women in Telecom (WIT) Golf Day went off without a hitch September 13th; hosted by the Program of Distinction in Telecommunications Systems Management (TSM) at Murray State University (MSU), women in the telecommunications field had the day to themselves to enjoy professional golf instruction, presentations from distinguished speakers, lunch, and an afternoon golf scramble.

"This event is unique in the region and gives women the opportunity to play golf, but more importantly to network with other women in the telecom field," stated Amber Harris, Marketing Specialist in Center for TSM.

The golf day raises scholarship money for females entering the TSM program at Murray State. AT&T and several companies around the region sponsored golf holes, donated promotional items and sent participants to help make the day a success. Companies included: Computer Services, Inc., West Kentucky and Tennessee Telecommunications Cooperative, Murray Electric Systems, Cornerstone Information Systems, Purchase Area Communications, Horizon Media Group, Community Financial Services Bank, Time Warner Cable, Miller Memorial Golf Course, and MSU's College of Science, Engineering and Technology.

Attendees were given basic golf instruction by MSU Women's Golf Coach Velvet Milkman and Miller Memorial Golf Course Director of Golf, Will Snodgrass. The attendees enjoyed a catered lunch and homemade ice cream courtesy of the Center for TSM while they listened to two notable guest speakers.

This year's keynote speaker, Brenda Wilson, retired Associate Professor of Information Systems and Computer Science at MSU, presented some fascinating statistics on women in the telecom field and how to raise the numbers and retention of women in the field. TSM alumnae Valerie Thompson, Assistant Professor at West Kentucky Community and Technical College shared her experience as a scholarship recipient and her journey as a woman in telecom.

Caption: Ladies from CFSB posed in front of their hole sponsorship sign while playing in the golf scramble: (picture left to right) Kathy Nieber, Lindsay Bonnell Nancy Adams and Leslie White.