Happily displaying the fruits of skill in golfing event sponsored by the Lafayette Women's Golf Association are (left to right), Mrs. Henry Heymann, Lafayette; Mrs. Alfred Roberts, Lake Charles and Miss Beatrice Salaam, Lafayette. The occasion was the 1948 Invitation Tournament, an annual event sponsored by the Lafayette Women's Golf Association. Miss Salaam was first place winner for the event, Mrs. Roberts second and Mrs. Heymann, third.

True Spirit Of Golfing Is Aim Of Lafayette Unit

A lighter recreational vein runs through the host of various organizations in the city, in the Lafayette Women's Golf Association. This club was formed for the purpose of promoting and conserving among the women players of the Lafayette Municipal Golf Course, the best interests and the true spirit of the game of golf as embodied in its ancient and honorable traditions.

In June of 1939 several ladies interested in golf met at the Community Center to organize the Lafayette Women's Golf Association. Mrs. Henry Heymann was elected president; Mrs. Paul Morvant, vice-president and Mrs. George Thomas, secretary-treasurer.

Charter members were: Mrs. Paul Azar, Mrs. Malcolm D. Bennett, Jr., Miss Lorene Bernard, Mrs. Lionel J. Billeaud, Mrs. D. H. Bingham, Mrs. Max Bornhauser, Mrs. T. C. Brown, Mrs. John Cain, Mrs. Dick Chappuis, Mrs. P. E. Conner, Mrs. Lyle Cummings, Mrs. S. E. Dausterive, Mrs. J. J. Davidson, Jr., "Mrs. F. H. Davis, Mrs. D. F. Dulaney, Mrs. B. H. Dye, Mrs. George Fleming, Mrs. Joe Purman, Mrs. Bill Gwin, Mrs. Kenneth B. Hall, Mrs. J. P. Herbert, Mrs. Henry Heymann, Mrs. Jack Johnston, Miss Jessie Keep, Mrs. B. C. Knight, Mrs. M. H. Knox, Mrs. Donald Labbe, Mrs. Dudley P. Landry, Mrs. Leroy Lane Lewis, Mrs. L. B. Long, Mrs. Jack Marrus, Mrs. J. S. Martin, Miss Ann McSpadden, Mrs. Paul Morvant, Mrs. J. Alfred Mouton, Miss Camille Olivier, Mrs. E. Ostrich, Miss Lorna Piscot, Mrs. R. F. Price, Mrs. M. H. Read, Glenn Alma Rodgers, Mrs. J. S. Rodgers, Beatrice Salaam, Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Mrs. C. C. Theriot, Jr., Mrs. George Thomas, Mrs. G. J. Tinsley, Jeanne Vigneaux, Mrs. C. A. Voorhies, Mrs. R. L. Whitley and Mrs. Raymond Wiggins.

The Lafayette Women's Golf Association sponsors a monthly tournament for all the members, and an annual Ladies Invitation Tournament in which women golfers from East Texas and Louisiana participate. The first invitation tournament was held in 1941 with Miss Milledge Hass of New Orleans as winner.

During the war years (1943-1945), the Association was temporarily inactive.

The first post-war tournament was held in 1947 and was won by Mrs. Gilbert DeRouen of Lake Charles. In 1948, Mrs. Henry Heymann, who was defending city champion was defeated by Miss Beatrice Salaam. In 1948 Miss Salaam won the City championship and the ladies Invitation tournament.

In the spring of 1949, the Association promoted a match-play handicap tournament "The Naomi 20th Anniversary Tournament", which was won by Miss Salaam. Members of the Association have taken part in all regional and state championship tournaments.

Past presidents include Mrs. Henry Heymann, 1939; Mrs. G. J. Tinsley, 1940; Mrs. M. J. Conley, 1942; Mrs. Jack Marrus, 1947 and Mrs. Eddie Vallee, 1948.