



THE NATIONAL PAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION

Greetings to All PAGA Members!

March 26, 2010

Our 2010 Winter Meeting and Golf Tournament is behind us now and we all thank the San Angelo PAGA Chapter for an outstanding job in coming together in a short amount of time to host this event. San Angelo should be commended for treating its guest to West Texas hospitality and bending over backwards to make sure its visitors were taken care of. The weather did not cooperate with the golf outing but the festivities were well worth it. Thanks you, again.

Now let us turn our attention to our big event for the year, Dallas! Make your plans to attend the 2010 National Convention and Golf Tournament to be held in Mesquite, Texas, just east of Dallas' suburbs. This year's site of the Convention and host hotel is the Hampton Inn and Conference Center. The room rates are well below the price range that most have seen in recent years. But I need to warn members to make your reservations earlier than May as the Dallas Livestock Show is concurrently be held right next door and Livestock Show folks for that event will book rooms there too. For those members 50 years and older, understand the delegates approved a motion **not** to have the National Senior Tournament concurrent with the Regular tournament. Normally, the senior tournament is held the first day of the two-day National Tournament. The Dallas Chapter has big plans to accommodate visiting PAGA members. So make your plans.

Member, two new revisions have been passed by the delegates to clarify and revised our By-Laws and Guidelines. The requirement for new chapters to be in existence has been lowered to one year before officially submitting for admission into the National Pan American Organization. There is still a one-year probation period for new chapters to follow. Also, the delegates approved the requirement for a new member, to be eligible for that same year's Nationals. A new member must be on the MiniMax rolls on April's listing. This means the member's names must appear on the early April list. This does not mean the April 25th calculation.

I have challenged your delegates to go back and provide you information that occurs during these meetings. It is vital information to could and can affect the future of PAGA.

I urge you to attend your local membership meetings and hear the information your delegate brings. Ask them to explain to your chapter's position or support on what happens at these meetings and you, the member, need to voice your opinion or concern to your local board and delegate.

In the next few months, I'll be traveling to your local chapters to visit with the members either at your membership or special meeting. I want to hear your voice and for you to learn this Board's directions. I have already been to Chicago (along with the Detroit, Saginaw, Indiana, Rockford), Kansas City, Amarillo, San Antonio, Brownsville, Dallas and Round Rock. I'll be in El Paso in the next two weeks. So this should give you an idea of my desires to reach out to you.

Sincerely,

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