

Greetings to all. Next week many of us are headed to Brownsville, the tropical paradise. Their slogan best describes it as "Where Texas Ends and The Fun Begins.!" We will be well represented by 19 golfers, one social member and 2 juniors. Hector Valderaz give us his encouraging words by saying "BRING HOME THE GOLD!"

President Fred Martinez will be our delegate to the National Meeting. He will be taking two checks to be presented at that meeting. They are \$200 each. One is for the Diabetes Foundation and the other for the National Junior Golf Program.

Viola Saenz, President of the National Women's Committee will also be present at that meeting and will preside over the Women's Meeting later that morning. As you can see, Victoria will be well represented at all levels.

Fred will notify us this week when the shirts and caps can be picked. An email will be sent out.

For those of you that are going to Brownsville, the course assignment were e-mail to everyone. If for some reason, you could not open the attachment, please call Hector Valderaz or I and we can tell you where you play. For the ones that do not have email, I will call them.

If you will recall, during our Annual Tournament, Viola Saenz, raffled a golf bag and raised \$305.00. She decided to donate that money to Christ's Kitchen. At our last meeting, it was voted to add \$95.00 from our Club funds to make it an even \$400.00. The check was hand-delivered by Viola and Raymond. They very much appreciated our donation.

Tournament Director Report: Hector reported that we narrowly won the cup back from our friends, The Brazoria Chapter. We won 8 matches and to their 7.

At the Rockport outing, we had 23 golfers and we have a new member, Dan Hamby, recruited by Joe G. Gonzales. Welcome to our PAGA family, Dan.

The last outing at Riverside on Sunday, July 17th, brought out 21 golfers. An election was held after the outing to elect two board members for a two-year term and one for a one year term to replace Ralph Giron who resigned. Those elected for a two-year term were John Rodriguez and Trine Ramos and one year term was Alex Lopez.

The next outing will be on Saturday, August 13th at 10:00 AM at Riverside Golf Course.

Club Championship matches are complete. Hector will check on the availability of Boulevard Lions Park for the dates that are open in September or October to have the awards ceremony. Genaro said he would check with a friend whose family owns a park to see if we can use it.

Hector reminded us of one important National event coming up in October. The 3rd Meeting/Workshop will be held September 29th-October 2 and will be hosted by the Lubbock Chapter.

Brazoria Chapter has their annual tournament on Saturday, October 22nd. They support us so we need to support them.

President Martinez's Report: He said the Jr. Clinic was held at Riverside last month. He reported that everyone at Riverside was very appreciative of our involvement. He grilled hot dogs and hamburgers and were served to the 40 junior golfers that participated as well as their families.

He said the Hooters Tournament was fun and thanked the members that volunteered to spot the balls for the pros. They all seemed to appreciate us being there. He will look into our certificates for a free round of golf that we were promised.

Raymond Saenz reported that he has been in contact with the City of Victoria about perhaps our club purchasing the piece of property directly across the street from our clubhouse on North street. We can utilize it for parking as we do have problems when functions are held at our clubhouse. He was asked to write a letter to the Assistant City Attorney, Linda Champion about our intentions. The letter was hand-delivered to Ms. Champion on July 14th.

Until next time, good luck to all those going to Brownsville and please drive safely!