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### **Update from the National PAGA President**

Fellow PAGA Members,

As our 2009 golfing year launches off, and on behalf of our national officers, I hope that all your holidays went well in the company of your loved ones, family and friends.

The first order of business that needs to be addressed at the national level is the vacancy of our 2015 National PAGA Convention & Tournament date that has become available to any PAGA chapter that is not currently on our NPAGA rotation convention list.

This vacancy has become available since the Pomona, California chapter formally opted to drop out of our 2015 National Convention & Tournament rotation list. Pomona will remain active as a Pan-Am chapter but due to unforeseen circumstances, they must relinquish their commitment in hosting future national conventions.

As per **Section 6 of our NPAGA By-Laws**, this vacancy can be filled by any interested PAGA chapter that is not on our current NPAGA Convention & Tournament rotation list.

Any interested chapter(s) has 60 days from the date above to respond in writing with a bid proposal if they so wish to be considered by contacting the national PAGA board with their intentions to host a national PAGA convention in their respective city.  
(This note serves as our official board letter)

Any or all chapter bids received will then be reviewed by the national board and only one chapter will be awarded the convention date based on their qualifications. If no chapters respond, then the national board will contact the 2016 National Convention host city on the rotation list and will be asked to move up one year to accommodate said vacancy date provided that their schedule accommodates the move. If your chapter is interested, we want to hear from you as soon as possible.

Our 2009 NPAGA Winter Meeting & Tournament that is being hosted by New Braunfels, Texas on **March 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>** is rapidly approaching. Entry deadline for this tournament is **February 26<sup>th</sup>**. Please visit our [www.npaga.org](http://www.npaga.org) web site and click on the 2009 NPAGA Winter Meeting Flyer Link for the schedule of events and additional Winter Meeting information.

The entire New Braunfels membership is working hard to ensure that you enjoy all the activities that are being planned for all participants during your visit to this sprawling rapid growing south central Texas City. **Please register early!**

After the winter meeting our focus will be directed to Corpus Christi, Texas, which is the site for our 2009 National PAGA Convention & Tournament. **The convention will take place on July 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>.**

Our national board visited and met with the Corpus Christi chapter back in November 2008 and we discovered that their national convention committees have done a superior job on all phases of the convention including the selection of golf courses, hotels, entertainment venues and all related activities that will take place.

Terri Longoria, her staff and all related national convention committees have drawn up an informative questionnaire that will give them planning information on the expectant number of juniors, teenagers, seniors, ladies, etc., that will attend the convention. This questionnaire has been forwarded to all chapters via e-mail and it's very important that all convention attendees complete and return this questionnaire to the Corpus Christi chapter as soon as possible in order for them to properly plan all family activities. Please distribute this vital questionnaire to all your local members and return to the Corpus Christi people as soon as possible. Please help them help you!

Let me remind you to please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible since Corpus is a tourist city that is inundated with visitors at the height of the summer to where lodging can become a problem.( visit our [www.npaga.org](http://www.npaga.org) web site for more national convention info)

**Deadline to register for the convention is June 27<sup>th</sup>.**

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> National Delegates Meeting & Workshop will take place on **October 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>** in Waco, Texas. A complete report will be given by the Waco delegation at our Winter Meeting in New Braunfels on what to expect when we all visit Waco in the fall.

Please be reminded that 2009 is an election of national officer's year. This election will take place during our NPAGA delegates meeting in Corpus Christi where all national officers will be elected for a two-year term in their respective office.

All qualified candidates wishing to run for national office must submit a resume to our national elections committee chairman by the March 27, 2009 Delegates Winter Meeting in New Braunfels, Texas which is the deadline to become a candidate for national office.

I would like to send a big Texas salute to all our Midwest chapters that have been enduring treacherous winter conditions this year. To our fellow members in Oklahoma City, Wichita, KS, Kansas City, MO, Chicago, IL, East Chicago, IN, Saginaw, MI and Detroit, MI, please hang in there, it'll get warm soon!

To our members in Denver, Colorado, we feel your pain in losing your Denver Broncos head coach. But it won't be long before the Bronco's surge to the top again with another contender team.

Last but not least, and at last report, everyone in Arizona is still walking three feet above ground level in light of the mighty Cardinals going to the Super Bowl for the first time in franchise history! Our Phoenix PAGA fellow members can safely say that they are seeing red these days, congratulations and good luck!

In closing, I look forward in seeing all of you during the course of the year at our upcoming events as we begin another great golfing year.

Yours in Golf,

E. Toyo Amador  
National PAGA President  
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