



From the Desk of the President:

The 2011 National Convention is behind us now and we thank the Brownsville chapter for hosting the event even after the threat of a tropical storm that materialize into a kitten. If PAGA members have a chance, please thank them for all their work and courtesy.

Our delegates were presented with some special guest representing major golf interest that will enhance our organization and project our exposure within the United States. Ron Stepanek, Director of Player Development with the PGA of America and Jason Taylor, Executive Director for the Lorena Ochoa Golf Foundation address the delegation with concepts that will improve the Pan American Golf Association and it is their commitment to assist us to reach these goals. Mr. Taylor has spoken to Lorena Ochoa and she is excited about the organization and the direction the PAGA is headed. I'll be working on other projects to boost our organization and image.

Now let us turn our attention to the 2011 Third Meeting and Workshop in Lubbock. This is where our work begins to address ideas, changes and future direction. I ask all chapters to send their delegate(s) to this meeting. We will also be voting on setting the entry fee for next year's Nationals in Houston.

It is my vision and goal to improve our junior golf program along with increasing our membership in men and women. The future of our association is our juniors. I believe if we involve our juniors in golf, the parents will come along whether they are golfer or not. Hopefully those parents will want to be a part of their children's interests by learning the game of golf.

I want to thank the outgoing Board for their service and dedication to PAGA. It takes courage to stand up and serve. I want to congratulate the members of the Board and wish them success in their respective offices.

Sincerely

Jesse Pena, National President