

VICTORIA PAGA NEWSLETTER
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Hello Members/Friends,

October has been a very busy month for our family and I apologize for the tardiness of this letter. My preference is to get it out by mid month.

LOCAL NEWS: Our Scholarship and Junior Golf raffle turned out to be a great success. The drawing was held during the Labor Day Tournament.

Genaro reported that a total of 454 tickets were sold, leaving us a net profit of \$1,733.35. We want to specially thank Louis Martinez who sold 65 tickets and was not even a member! Raymond thanks Louis and all the members that worked hard to sell their tickets. We had a total of 49 tickets that were not sold and worth \$245.00.

The winners were: 1-year membership to Riverside for 2008-09 , Russel Hrcir; one round of golf for 4 at Victoria Country Club, Steve Ramirez; 1 round of golf for 4 at Colony Creek, Lupe Ramirez; \$100 gift card for purchase at Atzenhoffer Chevrolet, Fred Martinez; 70 qt. Igloo Ice chest donated by Safelite Auto Glass, Harold Carroll; Complete tint for car/ light duty pickup at Atzenhoffer Chevrolet, Jerry Cano and premium oil & filter change also at Atzenhoffer won by Roel Trevino.

At the September 16th meeting, Ralph Giron expressed his appreciation to Louis Martinez for selling the 65 tickets worth \$325.00. It was voted on unanimously to give Louis a one-year membership to our club. Viola notified Louis of the decision and he was very appreciative.

The Members' Handbooks were completed and some were passed out at the October 4th outing. The members that have not received a copy will receive theirs at the Nov. 2 outing. I want to express my gratitude to Genaro and Ralph for helping me make some of the copies at their place of employment.

NATIONAL NEWS: Raymond and I attended the 3rd Annual Delegates/ Workshop Meeting on October 17-18, 2008 in Deer Park, Texas, hosted by the Missouri City Chapter. We came away with lots of good information we wish to share with you.

(1) Due to the large decline in attendance at the National Conventions, it was proposed that the week long convention be shortened by one day, to start on Tuesday rather than Monday. They suggested that perhaps the Junior Golf Tournament could be held Wednesday and Thursday rather than Tuesday and Wednesday. They want to enhance the participation by having better promotions and more appealing entertainment at all levels.

(2) The National Seniors Golf Tournament will be held in conjunction with the 3rd Annual National Delegates/Workshop Meeting. It will be held in Waco, Texas in October, 2009. The tee boxes will be assigned by ages as follows: 50-62 will be back tees, 63-72, middle tees and 73

and up, the front tees. The flights will be broken down to equate to even flights as close as possible but must not exceed 7 strokes in each flight. The high handicaps flight may exceed the 7 stroke rule. The low gross winners of each flight will receive a ring and other winners will receive other symbolic form of prizes.

(3) Fabian Banda, National Treasurer reported that \$42,376.80 has been donated to the Diabetes Foundation. This year, two donations have been made by Santa Ana Chapter of \$200.00 and Victoria Chapter \$100.00.

(4) A new slate of National officers will be elected in Corpus Christi, Texas in July, 2009. A complete list of candidates and their resumes will be mailed to each chapter 30 days after the Winter Meeting. The candidates have to declare their intention to run by the Winter Meeting in New Braunfels, Texas.

(5) Louis Gonzales from the El Paso Chapter reported they had 550 golfers attend the National Convention and Tournament and made a profit of \$11,796.00. He stated that of 26 chapters that attended the National, only 12 paid for an ad in the brochure. He named all the 12 chapters which included Victoria.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR REPORT: Juan Chagoya has resigned as Tournament Director due to work obligations. A special election has been called by the President, Raymond Saenz to fill the vacancy. We will hold the election after the outing on November 2, 2008. Please plan to attend this outing as well as the meeting at the PAGA clubhouse after play.

HANDICAP DIRECTOR REPORT: Armando Mayorga, Handicap Chairman, has turned in the names of our new members to Minimax: as follows: (1) Aaron Ramos (2) Alex Lopez (3) Edward Olguin (4) Elojio M. Gonzales (5) Ted J. Garcia (6) Luis Martinez (7) Roland Reyes (8) Eddie Salinas (9) Richard Sustaita and (10) Tom Tunchez. He will turn in Carlos Chavana's name as he will join this week-end.

We look forward to seeing everyone this week-end at Colony Creek. Ralph Giron has promised us a good meal after the outing and I volunteer to take the dessert for everyone. We appreciate Ralph's efforts as always. Those of you that did not attend his birthday party this past week-end really missed out on a fantastic evening. The music by the Majestics was really great, and so were the potluck foods that were served.

Until next time, Viola Saenz, Secretary