



EWGA San Antonio Newsletter

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President's Message

Dear Members,

How exciting. My first President's message for the EWGA San Antonio Chapter Newsletter. What can I say, except that I am so honored to have achieved this position. Having been a member of EWGA since 2005, I feel it has become such a part of me and now it feels even better to be able to give so much more back. I'm hoping everyone is looking forward to a great year and I want you to know that the 2010 Board is already working hard to bring you great golf events, social and networking opportunities and educational series. Just to give you a glimpse of the wonderful things you can expect for the coming year, we'll be holding our Annual Snowflake tournament in February, our amazing Kick Off Gala in March and in the early summer we'll be holding our Chapter Championship. The Chapter Championship has always held a special place for me, as it was one of the first events I volunteered for. Follow that year with a couple more as volunteer support, then chairing the event and finally in 2009 my first attempt at participating in the event. What a lot of fun. It just shows that there are so many activities to participate in and that opportunities exist around every turn when you are a member of a group as great as this.

With that said, I'd like to repeat my message from this year's annual celebration. My goal for 2010 is to have each member volunteer for at least 1 event. Whether it is setting up a tee time for the Events Committee, calculating score cards at the Chapter Championship, or working the registration area for any of our other tournaments throughout the year, one act of volunteerism will help you see the full scope of the EWGA San Antonio Chapter. Come out and enjoy the fun from all angles.

Happy Holidays,

Kathy Holbrook





What's Happening

Saturday, December 5th: 11:00 a.m. Tee Time at Northern Hills Golf Club

Upcoming 2010 Event

**2010 Snowflake Tournament
Date: February 2010**

Location: LaCantera Resort Course

Check back early in January for registration form

ACHIEVEMENTS

We have a runner amongst us



Congratulations to EWGA Member Liz Lesnek who successfully completed the 2009 San Antonio Half Marathon.

Great Job!!

Handicap Corner



Why Obtain A USGA Handicap Index?

The purpose of the USGA Handicap System is to make the game of golf more enjoyable by enabling players of differing abilities to compete on an equitable basis.

Having a handicap index allows golfers to participate in more events (those that require a handicap index), have a measurable means of tracking improvement, and allows score adjustments to even the playing field when playing with golfers of different skill levels.

BEST WISHES!!

Congratulations to our Newlyweds

Terri West and Brad Martin

The wedding was beautiful. The Honorable Judge Janet Littlejohn (also of EWGSA fame) presided.



The bride and groom followed the script until it came time to love, honor and cherish, etc. They promised all of the above. However, there was a contest over the community property. Neither will share their golf clubs. A true golf couple.

As a side note, Gretchen did a marvelous job with the cake. The picture does not do justice to the golf cart cake.



Wishes for many happy years together for the newlyweds.

News from EWGA

EWGA is pleased to welcome Winners Award Group, as a new EWGA Licensed Vendor and Official

welcomed our incoming Board, and recognized outstanding member achievements and contributions at our Annual Celebration held at the Petroleum Club. Dawn Vernon recognized and thanked former Presidents for all their contributions to the success of our Chapter. Dawn warmly thanked our outgoing 2008-2009 Board members for serving on our Board and presented each Board member with a gift. Kathy Holbrook our incoming President recognized Dawn for her outstanding contributions to our Chapter this year and thanked her with gifts: a colorful EWGA logo golf seat cover and jewelry.



2008-2009 Board

Let's Meet the 2010 Board

President	Dawn Vernon	President	Kathy Holbrook
Vice President	Kathy Holbrook	Vice President	Kitty Meyers
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League	Donna Hester	League	Fran DuBose
Membership	Melinda Hipp	Membership	Melinda Hipp
Social Events	Frances Trevino	Social Events	Frances Trevino
Sponsorship	Terri West	Sponsorship	Terri West
Past President	Debbie Cesaro	Immediate Past President	Dawn Vernon

Our 2008-2009 Leadership Chair Pat Elliott, announced our annual award winners, presenting each with a trophy and a gift certificate. Our Sportsman of the Year, Rookie of the Year, and Volunteer of the Year were all selected based on nominations from our membership. Our Most Improved Golfer was selected based on change in handicap. Our Outstanding Participant was selected based on attendance at our Chapter golf events. Our 2009 award winners:

- **Sportsman of the Year** - Delia Alderete
- **Most Improved Golfer** - Terri West
- **Rookie of the Year** - Shannon West
- **Outstanding Participant** - Terri West

- **Volunteer of the Year** - Melinda Hipp

Congratulations to each of our award winners for your accomplishments and contributions!

Thank you to everyone that attended this year's event! We look forward to a great 2009-2010 and to seeing you at next year's Celebration!

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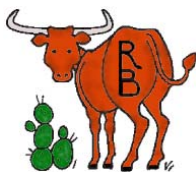
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