



EWGA San Antonio Newsletter

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President's Message

Dear Members,



Happy New Year. What an exciting start to 2010. I'm so proud of the EWGA San Antonio Chapter members. It has been announced that 6 of our members are finalists in the Annual Women Who Lead Awards for EWGA. There are 10 categories in which awards are given and our San Antonio chapter has nominations in 7 of the categories. Please share in my excitement to congratulate the following members for their nominations. **Dawn Vernon**: Overall Leadership; **Barbara Peeler** - 2 nominations: Spirit Award and Golf Events; **Melinda Hipp**: Membership Growth; **Terri (West) Martin**: Sponsorship; **Gretchen Garceau-Kragh**: Golf Education & Player Development; and **Frances Trevino**: Change Agent. These women have all been stong volunteers in the San Antonio Chapter and really deserve the recognition they are receiving. Congratulations to each of you.

Speaking of volunteers, I'm hoping you are all getting ready for a year full of fun and excitement, but please remember for all our activities to go as smooth as possible, we will be in need of volunteers. The next couple of months we will be holding some major activities and help is always appreciated. February will include the Annual Snowflake Tournament at La Cantera and March will include the Annual Kick Off. If you would like to volunteer and help out in any way, please contact me via email at onlyplaying@yahoo.com or call 210-367-3643.

See you on the tee,

Kathy



What's Happening

2010 tee times will be announced
as soon as they are finalized

Upcoming 2010 Event

Save the Date!!!

Kick of the 2010 Golf Season
at the EWGSA Kick-Off
Wednesday, March 3, 2010
La Cantera Resort



2009 2nd Annual Nancy Dooling Scholarship Golf Tournament November 14, 2009 Pecan Valley Golf Club

Over 40 golfers enjoyed a great day of golf during the 2nd Annual Nancy Dooling Scholarship Golf Tournament held at Pecan Valley. Three lucky players walked away with a share of \$1,500 Saturday evening. Fran DuBose (REPEAT!! from last year), Katharine Golas and Lindsay Thorne took home \$500 each after deciding to split the cash rather than waiting to see which golf ball would be the last ball standing. Drawing winners included Michael Aguilar, who won the \$700 Mercedes Benz of Boerne Day Spa and Richard Pawly, who won the \$500 Texas Shine Car Wash donated by David & Kat Villarreal. Players also won restaurant certificates, lessons, golf balls, gift baskets, and other great gifts.

All participants had a great time playing golf, socializing and eating steak while waiting patiently for all the terrific prizes to be distributed. This year the tournament also provided a box lunch from Boston Subworks!! The tournament itself, set as a three-person team event, showed to be a tight race for participants and the field was close!

1st place went to the team from Wortham Insurance (one of our hole sponsors) consisting of Rod Tootle, Russ Tootle, and Jed Dorsey. They won travel bags along with rounds at The Dominion, Sonterra and La Cantera - Palmer Course. Awarded 2nd Place of \$40 Rolling Oaks Value Cards with rounds at La Cantera - Resort

Course, The Hyatt Hill Country, and Canyon Springs was the team of Lon Martin, Terri West and our guest from the Little Rock Chapter of EWGA, Jill Steinhauer.

The battle between 3rd and 4th was separated by only 0.2 with Shelayne Clammer, Tricia Sullivan and Fran DuBose edging the team from BKD LLP, one of our hole sponsors, of John Bruce, Dalissa Hamer and Cara DeAnda. The 3rd place winners won NifTeeSeat covers and rounds at Vaaler Creek, the Republic and Pecan Valley while 4th place received green-side caddies and rounds at the Bandit, the Buckhorn and Pleasanton. We also awarded a last-place finish of one-hour lessons with Brad Martin to Teresita, Michael and Willie Aguilar! Kitty Meyers and Justin Peeler earned the longest drive awards with Mary Carriker and Dave Young winning the closest-to-the-pin contests.

The 50/50 drawing winner was Kitty Meyers, who was very excited, needless to say. Justin Peeler won the Horseshoe Bay getaway for the Hole-In-One Challenge hosted by The Children's Miracle Network. Shelayne Clemmer outbid Jill Steinhauer for the Houston Texans package and Patricia Miller was the highest bidder for the San Antonio Spurs package. The Silent Auction items were a big hit this year with a number of bidders for each item. Rosalinda Juettemeyer, one of our scholarship recipient parents, donated a very nice fishing tackle box package which went to Steve Bly.

During the event, our Hole Sponsors were recognized with banners and plaques. In addition, Dr. Brian Nietz, with the San Antonio Center for Physical Therapy addressed the crowd about golf injuries and prevention. Other sponsors included O'Haver Contractors, LeadingEdge Personnel, CDS/Muery Services, Seymour's Garage, North Park Lexus of San Antonio, Wortham Insurance, Frost Bank, Copier Supply Company, Golf Cars Etc., Mercedes Benz of Boerne, Barbara Peeler, and BKD, LLP, CPAs. We also thank Tony Vaught for the Hole-in-One Challenge. We cannot thank them enough for supporting our scholarship fund!! We could not showcase this tournament without our sponsors and event contributors!

Event Contributors included Foresight Golf, The Dominion, Westin La Cantera, Hyatt Hill Country Resort, Canyon Springs, Vaaler Creek, and Pleasanton - all donating rounds of golf. Other donors included David Villarreal, Red McCombs, Kat Villarreal, Keller Williams; Anne Gallas, NAS Recruiting, Michele Little, Homewood Suites, EZ's Restaurant, Heather Lee, Burnett Staffing, HEB, Good Time Charlie's, Brian Cantrell, Golf Galaxy and many, many Chapter Members who donated items for the drawings, silent auction and goodie bags.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this tournament run more smoothly. And for the greatest news of all: the tournament met our goal by netting more than \$4,000 for the chapter and our scholarship fund. Your support made this event a fantastic success.

***THANKS AGAIN TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED BY DONATING,
VOLUNTEERING, PLAYING AND BIDDING!!!***

From EWGA-San Antonio Events Chairperson

Do you want a "say so" on where we schedule our 2010 EWG tee times and tournaments?

Are you looking for a way to get involved in your San Antonio EWG Chapter (without it being a lot of work!!!)? Would you like to do this and play golf with your EWG friends, and also have a delicious hamburger all for \$30 inclusive? Well, here's your opportunity...read on!!!

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then **save the date of January 23, 2010** on your calendars!!! This is the date that your EWG Events Committee will be holding its first meeting of the year to plan our 2010 tee times and tournament dates (and hopefully you can join us for a game of golf afterwards...with a hamburger for only \$30!!!). We had a great 2009 with a lot of participation from our members and I know that we can make 2010 another fabulous year for our members too!

Please plan to join us at The Woodlake Golf Club at 10:30 am for this planning meeting (I promise the meeting will be over by 11:30 am). Then after this meeting we've four tee times reserved for those who would like to play afterwards beginning at 12:15 pm. All members are invited to join in the fun.....help us make 2010 a year to remember!

So do it now - **save the date of January 23, 2010** on your calendar and look for the Evite for our first golfing event this year! If you have any questions, please call me at 220-4281 or email me at: lgaida@frostbank.com.

Hope to see you at this important meeting!

Linda Gaida
2010 Events Chair
San Antonio EWG Chapter

Membership

Membership Update

Thanks to all you recruiters out there, our chapter membership looks to be ending close to 215 members by the end of December. If you have not sent in your 2009 renewal and it's due in December, please get it in this weekend!

Welcome to our newest members:

Liliana Herrera, Janet Zipperer and Carina Duffy with Tesoro
Deborah Humphries with Summit Home
Mayoma Pendergast and Frances Stegge

Member-Get-A-Member Campaign Update:

We have finished our campaign and will be announcing the winners in next month's newsletter. Thanks to EVERYONE who recruited a new member in 2009. I think you will find San Antonio will be winning several membership awards this year at the annual conference.

Answers to Recurring Membership Questions:

- *What do I tell my members who say they aren't getting their EWGA email?*
There are two things members can do to ensure they receive EWGA email.
(1) Add member@myewga.com to your contact list or as a "friend" in your spam filter. To ensure you get all communications, including webinar and other special offers, please add the entire domain, ewga.com, to your safe senders list. (2) If your company has a strict email policy or strong firewall,

consider using your home email for all EWGA messages.

- Who is eligible for the student membership? The student category of membership is for those attending college full-time at the undergraduate or graduate level. The application is available for download in the Join Now section of the EWGA website. Student members must enter their college name and the expected date of graduation.
- Is there a minimum age for joining EWGA? EWGA programs are designed for career-oriented women - which by definition would include college-age women, but not girls in high school or younger. EWGA membership also includes women who are in between jobs, taking time off to raise children, or retired.
- Are men allowed to join EWGA? The EWGA embraces diversity and welcomes women and men of every race, religion and golf skill level. Also, men attending EWGA Chapter events as guests should be treated as any other guest and fall under the Chapter's guest policy. All member benefits are available to male members with the exception of being eligible to compete in the EWGA Championship.

EWGA on the Net - Top 10 Reasons We Love Golf

- You'll want to be sure and take a look at the newest video clip just posted on the home page of the EWGA website.
- In less than 3 minutes the video will put you in the mood for the holiday, remind you of all you love about EWGA, and revive your passion for golf - even if it's snowing outside your door!

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL EWGA SAN ANTONIO MEMBERS!!



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2009 Women Who Lead Finalists

We are proud to announce the finalists of the 2009 Women Who Lead Awards.

Noteworthy: *The San Antonio Chapter has seven categories in which a San Antonio Board Member is a finalist. That is quite an accomplishment. Congratulations Ladies!*

Hundreds of women from Chapters across the U.S. were nominated in this premier EWGA Leadership Award Program. The Women Who Lead awards were designed to recognize and honor women who have made a difference in their Chapter through outstanding performance and outstanding results in 10 award categories.

The following groups of finalists were selected based upon criteria outlined for each award category. An overall winner will then be selected for each award category from this distinguished group of finalists and announced in the February EWGA Connections.

Overall Leadership - A President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer or Immediate Past President who made a particular difference in the leadership and direction of a Chapter.

<i>Dawn Vernon</i>	<i>San Antonio, TX</i>
Patricia Russell	Hampton Roads, VA
Sue Plato	Portland, OR
Janis Luce	Central New York (Syracuse)
Kymberly Eide	Minnesota Metro
Sue Costa	Sonoma - Marin - Napa, CA
Jackie Corcoran	Boston, MA
Anne Binseel	Albany/Capital Region, NY
Jeanne Biggerstaff	Portland, OR
Robin Anderson	Houston, TX

Spirit - A board member who is viewed as a positive role model with a can-do attitude that made a tangible difference in the Chapter.

Donna Severson	Portland, OR
Judy Santos	Greater Springfield, MA
Ruth Ann Rocchio	Stroudsburg, PA
<i>Barbara Peeler</i>	<i>San Antonio, TX</i>
Lynne Nordone	Long Island, NY
Linda Kueny	Los Angeles, CA
Pam Beaumont	Boise-Treasure Valley, ID

Change Agent - Any member of the board who took the lead in making a needed and perhaps challenging change in the operations/activities/direction of the Chapter.

<i>Frances Trevino</i>	<i>San Antonio, TX</i>
Zona Trahan	Houston, TX
Ronna Jo Ricco	Spokane / Inland Northwest, WA
Jackie Corcoran	Boston, MA

Membership Growth - A Membership Chair or someone on her Committee who implemented effective membership retention and recruitment activities (including Chapter Kickoff) resulting in overall Chapter growth.

Karen Hord	Fort Lauderdale, FL
<i>Melinda Hipp</i>	<i>San Antonio, TX</i>
Lisa Edmonds	Fairfield County, CT
Margo Dreis	Spokane / Inland Northwest, WA
Saundra Donahue	Jacksonville, FL
Cheryl Dannemiller	Canton, OH

Sponsorship - A Sponsorship Chair or Committee member who was successful in

securing both cash and in-kind sponsorships through an exceptional program which included Sponsor satisfaction and renewals.

Terri West	San Antonio, TX
Hilary Tuohy	Westchester, NY
Jennifer Shoemaker	Albany/Capital Region, NY
Cindy Renick	Kansas City Metro
Janice Pacilio	Chicago Metro Chapter
Kathi Gray	Naples, FL
Jill Dusenberry	Washington DC Metro

Golf Education & Player Development - A GEPD Chair or a member of her committee for delivering EWGA Education programs for players of all skill levels resulting in widespread participation.

Chin Oh	Kalamazoo / Battle Creek, MI
Gretchen Garceau-Kragh	San Antonio, TX

Golf Events - A Golf Events Chair or a committee member who developed and delivered an event schedule which accommodated all playing abilities and resulted in widespread participation.

Donna Willard	Jacksonville, FL
Jennie Taylor	Naples, FL
Barbara Peeler	San Antonio, TX
Linda Kueny	Los Angeles, CA
MaryEllen Knowles	Los Angeles, CA
Jane Gambrell	Columbia, SC
Beth Erlendson	Portland, OR
Darie Donovan	Fairfield County, CT

Other Categories

Golf Leagues - A League Chair or Committee member for developing and delivering a full league calendar that resulted in widespread participation. League opportunities have met the needs of participants and accommodated all playing abilities by offering a variety of locations, course types, formats, days, times, etc.

Connie Leonard	Albany/Capital Region, NY
Jamy Hall	Metro Detroit, MI
Corinne Gandolfo	Westchester, NY
Carla Bitterling	Orlando, FL

Making Connections - A Chapter member who best aligned with and capitalized on golf industry opportunities which made a difference in the Chapter. This may include Play Golf America, Women's Golf Month, Take Your Daughter to the Golf Course, LPGA / USGA Girls Golf, and other golf industry initiatives.

Zona Trahan	Houston, TX
Kim Thomas	Washington, DC Metro
Michelle Jindra	Treasure Valley Boise, ID

Community Impact - An EWGA member who led an activity (or activities) that made a

difference in the community and had a huge impact in increasing the visibility of EWGA in her area. These efforts helped "get the word out" about EWGA and might include charity events, partnering with local women's groups, sponsor alliances, etc.

Carrol Williams	Central Arkansas
Rochelle Petts	Kalamazoo / Battle Creek, MI
Traci Northrop & Tami Trulock	Milwaukee, WI
Jacki McCue	Tucson, AZ
Kathi Gray	Naples, FL
Danita Bounds	Kansas City Metro

Finalists will receive:

- *A Women Who Lead commemorative gift*
- *Recognition on EWGA website and in the EWGA Connections e-Newsletter*
- *Insignia for use in Chapter communications*
- *Recognition at the 2010 EWGA Golfpalooza*

Congratulations to all on a job well done!

Setting the Record Straight 2009 Award Winners End-of-Year Celebration

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 Schmoyer
- **Outstanding Participant** - Terri West
- **Volunteer of the Year** - Melinda Hipp

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

Teri Scooler
Communications Chair

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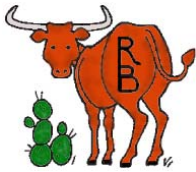
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