

# LACECA's First Golf Tournament

Chicano employees association hosts first golf tournament, scholarship awards.



From left: Edna Meraz, door prize winner, and Lupe Durazo, event chair and Club Member.



Team 4, from left: Tony Castro, Personnel Analyst II, Building and Safety, 22 years of City service; Gabriel Linares, Building Official, 5 years; John Vasquez, Structural Engineering Associate, Building and Safety, 25 years, Club Member; and Myrian Rangel, Assistant Ombudsman, 20 years of County service.



From left: the mother of Angela C. Gonzales; Christopher Cameron; Angela C. Gonzales, scholarship recipient; and Martha Manriquez, Member of LACECA.



From left: Lupe Durazo, Hearing Reporter, Civil Service Commission, 13 years of City service, Club Member; and Stella Sias, Principal Worker's Compensation Analyst, DWP, President of LACECA, Club Member.



From left: Christopher Cameron, scholarship presenter; Justin Ryan Matute, scholarship recipient; and Linda Matute.



Top, from left: Stella Sias, President, LACECA; Christopher Cameron, scholarship presenter; Sonia Solis; Jackie Zarate; Anthony Garcia; and Lupe Durazo, event chairman; Bottom: Justin Ryan Matute, scholarship recipient; Josephine Meraz, scholarship recipient; Angela Gonzales, scholarship recipient; and Martin Chavez, scholarship recipient.



From Team 2: Don Butcher, Retired Sr. Security Officer, DWP, 23 years of City service, Club Member



From Team 2: Matt Soule, supporter of LACECA.



From Team 2: Earlie Jones, Security Officer, DWP, 22 years of City service, Club Member.



From Team 2: Micah Soule, supporter of LACECA.



From left: Angie Roman, Executive Administrative Assistant, Police Commission, 37 years of City service, Club Member; and Debrina Dante, Board Member, LACECA and Member, LACECA.



Team 5, from left: Julian Campbell, Water Utility Worker, DWP, 23 years of City service, Club Member; and Jesus Barba, Maintenance and Construction Helper, DWP, 8 years, Club Member.



Team 5, from left: Tony Pech, Utility Administrator, 23 years of City service; and the Club's Robert Larios, Vice President of Operations.



Story by Lupe Durazo and Edna Meraz; Photos by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor

The Los Angeles City Employees Chicano Association (LACECA) held its first golf tournament and scholarship awards June 2 at Brookside Golf Course in Pasadena. Five golf teams consisting of LACECA members, other City Departments, family and friends participated in a day of fun in the sun. Councilman Tony Cardenas joined the festivities to wish good luck to the tournament teams.

Immediately following the golf tournament, a scholarship awards banquet was held to award five \$1,000 scholarships. Christopher David Ruiz Cameron, Professor of Law at Southwestern Law School, presented the scholarships. Along with academic qualifications, applicants needed to be family member of a LACECA member to apply for the scholarship. **The five recipients are:**

- Martin Raymond Chavez, nephew of Raymond Cuevas
- Angela C. Gonzales, niece of Martha Manriquez
- Justin Ryan Matute, son of Linda Matute
- Josephine E. Meraz, daughter of Edna Meraz
- Ixtli-Nitzin Sanchez, son of Sonia Solis

**Five teams competed in the golf tournament. The winners are:**

- Tournament champion: Earlie Jones
- Tournament championship team: Matt Butcher Memorial Foundation
- Longest drive: Russell Zamora, Public Works
- Closest to the pin: Victor Orosco, Public Works

Congratulations to the LACECA scholarship recipients and golf tournament winners! LACECA hopes to see you and invites your participation next year!

Team 1 (not pictured): Councilman Tony Cardenas, Russell Zamora, Victor Orosco, and Luis Garcia.

*Special thanks to the event sponsors that helped make this event a success and to our community supporters: Councilman Tony Cardenas, Councilman Ed Reyes, the Club, L.A. County Chicano Employees Association, Los Angeles Dodgers, Grand Prix Tires, Soul Sick Leather, and Kathy Valenzuela. Putting contest sponsor was Buena Vista Furniture. The hole-in-one contest sponsor was the Matt Butcher Memorial Foundation.*



From left: Sylvia Carrillo, Compliance Auditor, 3 years of City service; Irma Gonzalez, Clerk Typist, Backgrounds Division, 6 years of City service; and Letty Caro, volunteer.

Great big thanks go to all who volunteered their time and hard work in coordinating the tournament. Also, thanks go to the golf tournament committee, Lupe Durazo and Anthony Garcia; and the Scholarship Committee, Jackie Zarate Roberts and Charles Aguilar Rogers.

LACECA plans to make the golf tournament and scholarship awards a yearly event. They hope to see you there next year!

For more information on LACECA, visit: [www.LACECA.org](http://www.LACECA.org)



From left: Raymond Cuevas, Member, LACECA; Martin Raymond Chavez, scholarship recipient; and the mother of Martin Chavez.



Team 3, from left: Charles Rogers, Utility Administrator III, DWP, 26 years of City service, Club Member; Raul Lemus, Chief Personnel Analyst, 23 years; Steven Uranga, Retired, Rec and Parks, 31 years, Club Member; Ruben Munoz, Retired, Office of Finance, 34 years; and Lupe Durazo, Hearing Reporter, Civil Service Commission, 13 years.

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