

North Florida Chapter To Focus On Member Needs

July 20th marked the 3rd Annual North Florida Golf Course Superintendent's Chapter meeting, election and golf tournament. Ponce De Leon Lodge and Country Club located in historic St. Augustine again served as our meeting and tournament site. Golf Course Superintendent, Dick Johnson, and staff did a tremendous job in preparing the course and helping chapter members and families feel right at home during the three day event. Superintendent Johnson obviously a hard worker and chapter member recognizing this fact elected him president of the Chapter. The following newly elected officers and returning board members will aid Dick in his presidential term:

OFFICERS:

President - Dick Johnson, Ponce De Leon Lodge and Country Club, St. Augustine
Vice President - Tom Cowan, The Deerwood Club, Jacksonville
Secretary/Treasurer - Eddie Snipes, Selva Marina Country Club, Atlantic Beach

BOARD MEMBERS

Past President, Robby Robbins, Gainesville Golf and Country Club, Gainesville

External Vice President (GCSAA Director), John P. Hayden, CGCS, San Jose Country Club
Frank Sabaro, Palatka Golf and Country Club, Palatka
Linda P. Wainwright (newly appointed), Carter Seed and Fertilizer, Jacksonville
President Johnson and officers have set goals they feel can be attained in the 84-85 year.

1. To bring about greater member participation in Chapter structure.
2. Use local media and events to educate the area golfing community about our profession.
3. To develop better avenues of communication between members so that more knowledge can be shared.
4. To lend greater support to State and National organizations.
5. To develop a Chapter logo to bring together greater Chapter unity.

President Johnson has already planned a timely meeting for September 18 at the Ravines Resort. The program entitled, "Putting Poa Annuua In Its Place", will bring together three Regional Technical Representatives from Rohm & Hass, Elanco, and PBI Gordon to help North Florida Superintendents deal with Poa Annuua problems. Host superintendent for the meeting will be John Freeburn, former Assistant at Timuquana Country Club. Congratulations John!

The North Florida Golf Course Superintendent's Chapter is ready for the coming year and hopes to be productive for its members. Other chapters in the state are welcomed to attend our meetings and help us grow in our profession. ■

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