

United They Stand

Vincent Longo (left) is the club's director of information, technology and security. He also sports a fine sense of humor, even when it comes to group photos.



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hated the superintendent, and the superintendent hated everybody," Borders says. "There was a clash of personalities."

That's not the case on the current managerial staff. But that's not by accident; it's by Borders getting each manager and their staffs to coalesce so they can understand each other better professionally and personally.

Case in point: Jason Harris, the golf course superintendent at the club who reports to Mangum, enjoys the four-on-four basketball games between the maintenance shop and the pro shop. Afterward, the staffs go out to eat. The time spent together enables the two departments to find out more about each other, especially what they do at work.

When Harris realized the "clubhouse people work as many hours as we do," he had a newfound respect for them. He is also glad he has gotten to know them on a personal level.

"I'm able to put a personality with a name or face," he says. "We respect each other."

Every year Borders organizes an off-site road trip for the managers. He wants to get them away from the club for a few days to "do a little contemplative thinking." They go hiking, fishing and camping, among other things. Borders says he knows his managers better because of time spent outside of the club. They also know each other better.

That's evident by how playful they are around each other. Several of the managers got together for lunch recently at the club. Over sandwiches, they told hilarious stories about past road trips. There was much guffawing going on over the clang of silverware.

Longo and Cole told tales from a canoe and camping trip the managerial team took to the Okefenokee Swamp in northern Georgia a few years ago. A big part of the fun was the bus ride to and from the desti-

Their time is up.

Starts working in hours—even minutes.

