



Wisconsin Hospitality Room in San Diego

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As everyone is busy preparing for another golf season the WGCSA is also preparing for a busy 2010. Membership Renewals are continuing to come in. We moved up the Registration Renewal Deadline to February 1st this year with the majority of members making the deadline. Those that were late received a final notice in early March. We plan on having all renewals in ASAP so we can print our Members Handbook and Directory earlier than in past years. If you have not rejoined please do so today!

Our new website is being used by many members to keep up to date on our Associations events and information. All Job Opportunities are posted along with some impressive resumes of people looking to our membership for employment. If you have not seen our new website please do so before you get too busy with the season.

We have also begun our newest fundraiser project. The PAR4Research Online Auction Committee has been working hard at creating a plan, documents, and securing donations for an online auction that will allow golfers from WI and the Midwest a chance to bid on some fantastic golfing opportunities. Many generous donations have already begun to come in. Please consider taking our donation request to your decision makers at your facility. A foursome of golf with carts (or other donation) will generate the needed revenue that will be donated to the UW Turf Researchers. It is a great way for our industry to fund our great University. Please help us spread the word about our online auction site at www.par4research.com. The more people that can sign up and bid for the donated items the more money we will raise! Thanks for your help and efforts in advance!

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Lastly, I am happy to announce that the Board of Directors has unanimously passed the creation of a Class C – Assistants Committee. The board is working out the details of this new committee initiative and will have more information to announce at the Fall Business Meeting.

The generous sponsors of this year's Hospitality Room in San Diego, CA at the Golf Industry Show and Conference allowed the GCSAA to entertain 170 attendees at Dick's Last Resort on Wednesday Evening February 10th. Milorganite again agreed to be the title sponsor and was able to line up the location and organize the event. The Dick's Last Resort location was a busy place for our highly attended event. It was apparent early on that our annual hospitality gathering would be a large success with attendance somewhat higher than in the recent years.

Food, libations, and live music allowed many friends from WI and around the country to gather in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. I would like to thank Dustin Riley, and Jeff and Nicole Millies for helping me at the registration table. I hope that those of you that attended had fun and those of you that missed this year's event consider joining us next year. 🌱

Dick's was taken over by Wisconsinites for the annual party.

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A crowd shot at the Wisconsin Hospitality Room.