



The Final Chapter

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I now can actually say what it must be like for an author to write the final chapter of a book or an ending to a great story. It truly has been a chapter worth highlighting in my career. From the new people that I have met and worked with, to the new ideas that we have developed or issues that we have come face to face during our careers with the golf industry.

I hand the reigns over to the President Elect Jeff Millies with great pride and appreciation for all the commitment and dedication it takes to be a part of this great association. I can remember moving back from Michigan over 8 years ago and joining the board. I can say the organization gave me more than I could ever give back. I not only got to help shape the future of the organization, I was able to tap into some of the greatest minds in the field. I challenge everyone to engage in the activities of the association. Committee service would be a great start to get involved. All it takes is a phone call to get on a committee or run for office.

As our chapter manager enters his third year I can say that it has been a great move for the association. He is pro-



viding quality day to day operation support to the membership. He has truly taken the overall management to a new level. I would be remiss if I didn't thank the WSGA for all the years of assistance in managing our affairs.

I would like to highlight out going Past President Dustin Riley. His leadership and dedication to this association for the past 10 years goes without saying. He directed a very successful PAR 4 research and auction with a great committee in a short order. Not to mention his years of service as an officer and director. To all that I served with, thank you for taking the time out of your lives to provide your time and talents to better the profession, and for those that haven't served why not? What are you waiting for? With that said I would like to say thank you for allowing me to serve as president for a great organization.

One last thing it sure is great living in Ohio when the Badgers stomped on the pride of the Ohio State Buckeyes. If ever in Cleveland please don't hesitate to look me up. 🌿

WGCSA Mission Statement

The Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association is committed to serve each member by promoting the profession and enhancing the growth of the game of golf through education, communication and research.

WGCSA Vision Statement

The Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendent Association is dedicated to increase the value provided to its members and to the profession by:

- Enhancing the professionalism of its members by strengthening our role as a leading golf organization in the state.
- Growing and recognizing the benefits of a diverse membership throughout Wisconsin.
- Educating and promoting our members as leaders in environmental stewardship.
- Offering affordable, high value educational programs at the forefront of technology and service.
- Being key to enjoyment and the economic success of the game of golf.