

Chapter Update

By Brett Grams, Chapter Manager, Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association

Well according to my calendar we are now in the second half of the growing season. I know many courses have seen quite a bit of varying weather. Cold and wet, warm and wet, and now even hot and finally even some dry weather. I hope all members are making the best of the challenges thrown your way.

The WGCSA phone calls and e-mails are always reduced in the summer as our members are busy with the golf course operations. However preparations are already under way for planning the remaining functions of 2014 and starting to work on our 2015 season. The WGCSA will celebrate our 85th Anniversary in 2015.

Currently the board is working on a survey that will go out to each member. This survey and the strategic planning that was done earlier this year will help

the board lead us into the next few years. The WGCSA Board of Directors is hoping that everyone will take the time to answer the survey as well as consider taking an active role in our association. If you would like to become more involved please contact me as you can. Board and Committee service can be rewarding with the time required being as much or as little as you prefer. Please consider sharing your time and working with fellow members on our future. We will all benefit if we can get more member leaders involved!

Please join us for the August 18th meeting at Brown County, the Wee One outing September 15th, and mark your calendars for the October 4th Couples event at Wild Rock GC in the WI Dells. These are the last of the golfing events for the year with December 3rd and 4th as the dates of our 49th Annual Symposium in

Kohler. I challenge all members to take advantage of these events. They are all planned and created for you and your fellow members with many costs offset by our generous vendor members. I hope to see all of you at one of these quality events at these great facilities.

In closing please balance the demands of the golf course with the opportunities to spend time with family and friends. I hope you can take advantage of the warmer weather to accomplish your projects on the course while enjoying the outdoors with those you love.

Thanks for your dedication to your golf courses, our industry, and our association!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or effort I may be able to help you with!

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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 Superintendents 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.