

MGCSA Mailbox

Retired Superintendent Says MGCSA Membership Still Valuable

After retiring and finding I have much more time to travel and play golf, I find my membership in the Minnesota and National Golf Course Superintendents Associations an added bonus.

In the past four years my wife and I have used my membership card to play golf at Hilton Head Island, Hawaii, Palm Springs, Arizona, etc. It is like having a \$2,000-3,000 perk card when we travel. Additionally, I have attended five U.S. Opens, The Walker Cup, Senior Tour events and other golf tournaments with my membership card.

I joined the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents Association in 1971. I had worked on golf courses before, but was unaware we had a state association. I have found it extremely rewarding to be part of a great organization. As I also taught school for 32 years, I was unable to be as active in the organization as I would have liked.

I just wanted to inform other members that the benefits of membership continue even after you stop working. It was my pleasure to be a member of the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents Association.

—Sincerely,
Tom Gibbons

Retired Greens Superintendent-
Vallebrook Golf Course

GCSAA Adds Two Managers to Its Headquarters Staff

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) has announced the appointment of two managers to its headquarters staff.

Charles M. Borman has been hired as membership manager. He will oversee existing membership programs and services and formulate recruiting plans to non-members.

Prior to joining GCSAA, Borman was adjutant/executive director of the American Legion Department of North Carolina in Raleigh. During a 23-year career in the U.S. Army, Borman achieved the rank of lieutenant colonel. He served as recruiting battalion commander in Raleigh and as division inspector general at Fort Hood, Texas.

Borman has a master's degree in finance from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, and a bachelor's degree in business from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas. He also attended the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Brad Short has been hired as government relations manager. He will assist GCSAA members in their efforts to achieve regulatory compliance and to represent the association in regulatory and legislative activities.

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Short was assistant director of government relations at the American College of Radiology in Reston, Va. Prior to that, he was a legislative assistant for Scribner, Hall & Thompson in Washington, D.C. Short has a master's degree in legislative affairs from George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and a bachelor's degree in public administration from George Mason University in Fairfax, Va.

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