
The Mission of GCSAA

When it comes to maximizing management potential on the golf course, membership benefits through the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) and its affiliated chapters like the VGCSA provide a bagful of opportunity for Golf Course Superintendents across the United States — and the world!

The GCSAA is dedicated to serving its members, advancing their profession, and enriching the quality of golf and its environment. Chartered in 1926, the GCSAA now has more than 21,000 members in 66 countries and offers support and services that benefit individuals like you – people involved with every aspect of the golf course management industry:

- Golf course superintendents
- Assistant golf course superintendents
- Directors of golf
- General managers
- Golf professionals
- Golf course maintenance personnel
- Golf course owners and developers
- Club officers, directors and committees
- County and municipal golf/parks and recreation administrators
- Golf course architects and builders
- Researchers, educators and students
- Manufacturers, suppliers and distributors

Cooperative efforts between the GCSAA and affiliated chapters assist in maximizing individual and team potential through high-caliber educational programs, the industry's largest conference and trade show, valuable career assistance, powerful government representation, networking opportunities, excellent information references, professional recognition, beneficial turf research, informative publications and on-going support.



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Keeping Pace with Your Profession



Member Benefits of the Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association

Commonwealth Crier Newsletter

Stay in touch with your fellow superintendents with the quarterly publication, *The Commonwealth Crier*. Get local association news and timely educational articles from across the state.

Education

The VGCSA hosts two GCSAA-sponsored educational seminars every year in December. Topics range from technical turfgrass subjects to professional development. The VGCSA also keeps you informed on local educational opportunities. VGCSA educational programs earn professional certification credits (PDI).

Networking Opportunities

VGCSA and local association meetings and events provide a good opportunity to meet informally with your professional peers and gather important information. Members share information, solve problems and learn more about the local golf course industry. The value of your dues could easily be realized by networking to identify an inexpensive solution to a problem you are having at your golf course.

Updates from GCSAA

GCSAA update information is provided to the VGCSA membership through *The Commonwealth Crier* and on our web site. Information about GCSAA's conference and show, annual election, and upcoming seminars in the region are also highlighted at VGCSA meetings.

Golf Events

The VGCSA hosts an annual tournament that brings members throughout the state together. The VGCSA also notifies members of local association tournaments that benefit everything from charities to turfgrass research.

VGCSA Website

The VGCSA is pleased to announce a **NEW** VGCSA website for 2006, which will become THE source for member information. Initially the website will have contact information for the local associations, meeting and event schedules for both VGCSA and local associations, membership forms, weather information, and industry and turfgrass web links. In the future the VGCSA web site will expand to include:

- The *Commonwealth Crier* in PDF
- An email directory of members
- Employment opportunities
- Equipment for sale
- USGA updates

Legislative Outreach

The VGCSA works with other allied associations to ensure that our voices are heard on issues that affect the golf industry.

Local Association Membership

When you pay dues to the VGCSA you are also paying dues to the local association of your choice (Old Dominion GCSA, Greater Washington GCSA, Tidewater Turfgrass Assn., Virginia Turfgrass Assn. and Shenandoah Valley Turfgrass Assn.) These dues help to fund activities at the local level. You have the option of membership in multiple local associations.

Can you really afford *not* to be a member of the VGCSA?

Contact the Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association

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Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association Membership Application

Name _____

Job Position _____

Club or Business _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Work Phone w/ A.C. _____

Fax w/ A.C. _____

Cell Phone w/ A.C. _____

Email _____

GCSAA Membership # _____

CGCS (please check) yes no

Local Assn Memberships (please check all that apply):

ODGCSA TTA GWGCSA VTA SVTA

Note: Dues include membership in one local association.

Membership Dues by Classification

| Check | Class | Dues |
|--------------------------|---|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | A – Supt (more than 3 years)..... | \$125* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | SM – Supt Member (less than 3 years)..... | \$125* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | C – Asst Supt | \$65 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | D – Complimentary (honorary, educator)..... | \$0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | E – Student | \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | F – Affiliate (suppliers, industry) | \$125 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Additional Local Assn. memberships.... | \$50each |

***Class A and Supt. Members deduct \$15 if local association is VTA or SVTA.** The VGCSA is an Affiliate Chapter of the GCSAA, and all Class A and SM members must also be members of the GCSAA.

I hereby make application for membership in the VGCSA and have attached my dues for one year in the amount of \$ _____. **Please remit by Feb. 28, 2006.**

Signed _____

Date _____

Please send application to:
VGCSA
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