



## **OFFICE OF DIRECTOR**



**T.A. BARKER, CGCS**  
**FORE LAKES GOLF COURSE**  
**SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH**

**GCSAA  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE**

**PERSONAL DATA**

**Name:** Mr. T.A. Barker, CGCS

**Title:** Golf Course Superintendent

**Home:** 9368 S Lea Heather Way

**Club / Course:** Fore Lakes Golf Course

**City:** West Jordan

**Number of Holes:** 18

**State:** UT

**Type of Course:** Daily Fee

**Zip:** 84081-3204

**Primary Phone:** (801)694-2803

**Business Phone:** (801) 266-8621

**Responsibilities:** Fore Lakes is a family owned and operated daily-fee golf course, the property has two separate 9-hole courses. A 9-hole par-3 and a 9-hole executive course. Fore Lakes will typically do 50,000+ rounds a year. I am responsible for maintaining and managing all aspects of the golf course, club house and business of Fore Lakes. I am also responsible for all maintenance of equipment, irrigation and staffing.

**Responsible to:** Owner

**EDUCATIONAL DATA**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Degree Date</b>	<b>Major</b>
Penn State University	University Park	PA	9/1/2010	Assoc Degree Turf/Plant or 2 yr cert

**EMPLOYMENT DATA**

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Title of Position</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
Fore Lakes Golf Course	Golf Course Superintendent	1/1/2006	
Fore Lakes Golf Course	Assistant Golf Course Superintendent	5/4/1995	12/31/2005

**CIVIC PARTICIPATION**

National Golf Day 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019,  
Utah Golf Day Speaker  
Junior golf coach  
T-ball coach  
Junior Volleyball coach  
Former Co-host Utah Golf radio  
Cub Scouts  
Veterans on Course  
Youth on Course

**GCSAA ACTIVITIES**

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
Equipment Managers Task Group	Vice Chairman	3/1/2020	2/28/2021

BMP Facility Task Group	Chairman	3/1/2020	2/28/2021
Government Affairs Committee	Vice Chairman	3/1/2020	2/28/2021
Communications/Outreach Task Group	Chairman	3/1/2020	2/28/2021
GCSAA Board of Directors	Director	1/30/2020	2/4/2021
Political Action Committee	Vice Chairman	1/24/2020	1/23/2021
2019 Chapter Delegates Meeting	GCSAA Board of Directors	9/30/2019	11/1/2019
Environmental Awards and Education Task Group	Chairman	3/1/2019	2/28/2020
GCM Editorial Board Task Group	Vice Chairman	3/1/2019	2/29/2020
Technology Task Group	Chairman	3/1/2019	2/28/2020
Communications/Outreach Task Group	Vice Chairman	3/1/2019	2/28/2020
Research Proposal Review Committee	Chairman	3/1/2019	2/28/2020
GCSAA Board of Directors	Director	2/7/2019	1/30/2020
2018 Chapter Delegates Meeting	GCSAA Board of Directors	9/19/2018	11/30/2018
Environmental Awards and Education Task Group	Vice Chairman	3/1/2018	2/28/2019
Research Proposal Review Committee	Vice Chairman	3/1/2018	2/28/2019
BMP Resource Task Group	Vice Chairman	3/1/2018	2/28/2019
GCSAA Scholars Competition Task Group	Chairman	3/1/2018	2/28/2019
GCSAA Board of Directors	Director	2/8/2018	2/7/2019
2017 Chapter Delegates Meeting	GCSAA Board of Directors Candidate	9/20/2017	11/30/2017
Technology Task Group	Member Superintendent	3/1/2017	2/28/2018
Conference Education Task Group	Member Superintendent	3/1/2017	2/28/2018
2016 Chapter Delegates Meeting	Chapter Delegate	9/8/2016	9/8/2017
Conference Education Task Group	Member Superintendent	3/1/2016	2/1/2017
2015 Chapter Delegates Meeting	Chapter Delegate	9/14/2015	10/28/2015
Conference Education Task Group	Member Superintendent	1/1/2015	12/31/2015
2014 Chapter Delegates Meeting	Chapter Delegate	9/8/2014	10/16/2014
Grassroots Ambassadors		7/1/2014	
Conference Education Task Group	Member Superintendent	3/2/2014	3/1/2015
2013 Chapter Delegates Meeting	Chapter Delegate	9/9/2013	10/4/2013

#### LOCAL CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Chapter	Position	Start Date	End Date
Utah GCSA	Voting Delegate	10/1/2016	9/21/2017

Utah GCSA	Director	10/8/2014	10/8/2015
Utah GCSA	President	10/1/2013	9/30/2014
Utah GCSA	Chapter Delegate	9/16/2013	9/22/2016
Utah GCSA	President	10/1/2012	9/30/2013
Utah GCSA	Newsletter Editor	1/6/2012	
Utah GCSA	Vice-president	10/1/2011	9/30/2012
Utah GCSA	Secretary	10/1/2009	9/30/2010

#### ALLIED ASSOCIATION DATA

Name	Position	Start Date	End Date
Golf Alliance of Utah (GAU)	Executive Board	2011	Present
Utah Golf Association	Member	1993	Present
Utah Junior Golf	Member	1986	1996

#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

Only Class A superintendents whose classification truly reflects their current employment are eligible for office in GCSAA.

#### 500 WORD STATEMENT

Fore Lakes Golf Course is located in the heart of the Salt Lake Valley, opened in 1974 with a vision of offering the highest quality golf experience for the most affordable price. Fore Lakes is a family owned and operated daily-fee golf course - the property has two separate 9-hole courses. A 9-hole par-3 and a 9-hole executive. In total, we have 15 par-3s, two par-4s, a par-5, a driving range and two large practice greens. Fore Lakes typically does 50,000+ rounds a year. I am tasked with maintaining and managing all aspects of the golf course, clubhouse and business at Fore Lakes.

First, I would like to start by giving a sincere thank you to the 19,000 members of GCSAA who have entrusted their associations future to me and the rest of the board. Thank you to the Utah GCSA for their continued support with my nomination for Director of GCSAA. A huge thank you to Fore Lakes Golf Course and my staff for making the past three years so much easier. Finally, nothing would be possible without the love and support of my wife and family. They are the driving force behind my desire and passion to serve.

Over the past year the world has faced a global pandemic like we have never seen in our lifetime. While many negatives have arisen from the pandemic, a positive for the golf industry has risen even higher. This past year GCSAA along with our allied partners have come together stronger than ever before to help keep the light on golf. Because of the efforts by these associations, golf has seen record numbers of rounds in large parts of the country. Golf has also seen an uptick in new golfers and it will take all of us to keep their interest in the game and inspire them to come back. I believe that when golf is strong our association is strong.

Over the last three years serving on the GCSAA Board of Directors, I have seen first-hand how our partners look to us to lead golf into the future. They all lean on us when golf is threatened by government regulations and am confident that our association and the efforts of the government affairs team are in a class of their own.

I am proud to be a member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. I am proud of our GCSAA family in the way they present themselves. The services they provide are more valuable than the dues we pay.

I would like to give a special thanks to our CEO, Mr. Rhett Evans. Rhett's infectious enthusiasm for the members and the mission of GCSAA do not go unnoticed and we are lucky to have him.

I am honored to serve the membership and with your support hope to continue my journey as a Director of GCSAA.

**DATE SUBMITTED:** 7/21/2020 10:22:11 AM

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_



Dear GCSAA Nomination Committee,

June 3, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Utah Golf Course Superintendents Association (UGCSA) would like to officially nominate T.A. Barker, CGCS, of Fore Lakes Golf Course in Taylorsville, Utah, as a 2020 director candidate for the Board of Directors of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.

We continue to feel that Mr. Barker has represented our members and members of GCSAA with pride and great enthusiasm. Mr. Barker has served six years on the board for the UGCSA - two of which he was President. T.A. has represented the UGCSA as Chapter Delegate for five years and has really given Utah a voice on the national stage. He continues to serve as Director on the Utah Golf Alliance (GAU) Executive Committee to provide input and recognition for our local superintendents. T.A. continues to serve his fellow superintendents and golf community with determination and passion.

It is with great pleasure to officially nominate Mr. T.A. Barker, CGCS, as a candidate for the Board of Directors of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alan Davis".

Alan Davis  
President  
Utah Golf Course Superintendents Association