

February and March Meeting Recaps

February Education

Thank you to platinum sponsor BWI for hosting our first sold out event of the year! Our first education session of 2026 included speakers from the Texas Department of Agriculture, PBI-Gordon, Clemson University and Aquatrols. Attendees earned 5 TDA CEUs and GCSAA education points. Still in need of CEUs? Mark your calendar for our Fall Education on September 10 at Scottish Rite for Children in Dallas.

Are there speakers you're interested in hearing from or education topics you want us to consider? Be sure to reach out to Shannon at ntgcsa@gmail.com with suggestions.



March Member Social

Thank you to platinum sponsor PrimeSod for hosting our first member social event of the year! Attendees enjoyed cocktails, light bites, fellowship, and a beautiful evening at Community Brewing in Dallas. Be sure to mark your calendars for July 25 and our Family Social at Globe Life Field. This event sells out every year, so be sure to grab your tickets early! We also plan to have a Fall Member Social. Ideas on where we should go next? Message Shannon at ntgcsa@gmail.com to share your thoughts and feedback.



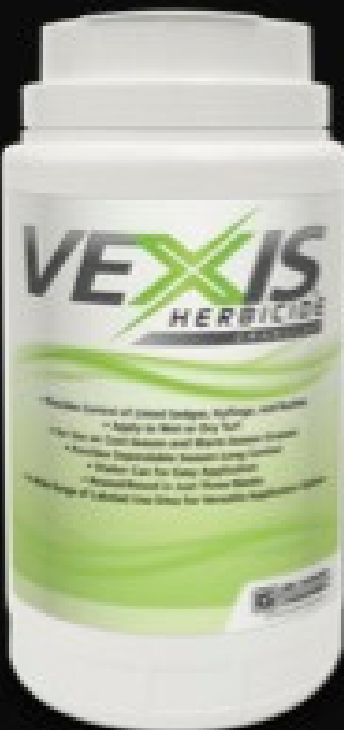
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June 2, 2026

Ridgelea Country Club

Chapter Championship

June 22, 2026

Waterchase Golf Club

Family Social

July 25, 2026

Globe Life Field

Summer Scramble

August 5, 2026

Luna Vista Golf Course

Other Events and Dates to be announced soon!



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President's Message

Spring has officially arrived, bringing with it ideal conditions for golf. I would like to begin by thanking all of you for your support of our new Board of Directors. I am incredibly thankful for their commitment and willingness to serve this great association. The Board is currently finalizing our annual calendar, and I am confident we've got a great line up of events ahead.

A primary focus for us right now is Rounds for Research. If you did not know, most of the proceeds raised from your donations go back to the North Texas chapter. This helps fund scholarships, turfgrass research, education, and advocacy as well as outreach efforts throughout the year. If you have not donated a round (or two), I encourage you to please consider doing so.

March was a productive month, highlighted by two successful events. We held our Equipment Managers meeting, sponsored by Turf & Soil Management at the Nelson Golf and Sports Club, followed by our Member Social at Community Brewery, sponsored by Prime Sod. Additionally, we had the opportunity to represent our association at the Universal Technical Institute's career fair. Last

year's NTGCSA President, Coby Morrow, laid the groundwork for this partnership last year in an effort to bring awareness to our profession to those who may not know much, if anything about it. As we know, finding skilled equipment managers is a challenge for many clubs.

Looking ahead, we have the Bully Cup, sponsored by Harrell's at Texas Rangers Golf Course on Wednesday, April 22. The Bully Cup series currently stands as East 15, West 13, with 1 Tie. Registration is open on our website so be sure to get signed up. It should be a competitive day!

The Stephen Best Pro Super Memorial Tournament is set for May 19 at The Course at Watters Creek. Registration for this annual event will open soon.

Lastly, thank you again for your support of this great association. Your involvement is the foundation of our success. I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting.



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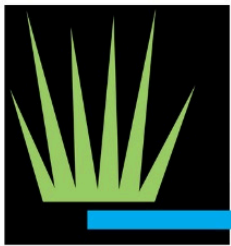
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Thank you to platinum sponsor Turf and Soil Management for hosting our first equipment managers meeting of the year! Attendees earned GCSAA Education points and learned from Ben Beard with Beard Consulting. Ben presented on technical and operational optimization of golf course maintenance facilities. Attendees learned tips on refining maintenance schedules, inventory management, and technical workflows, ensuring institutional reliability and equipment longevity with industrial precision.

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Member Spotlight - 2026 Superintendent of the Year Andy Wright, The Clubs of Prestonwood - The Creek

1. Tell me about the Clubs of Prestonwood & specifically the Creek Course.

The Creek Course was designed in 1968 by Ralph Plummer and renovated in 1985. The greens are 40-year-old Penncross and looking at 41. We have a great membership that is very involved and supportive.

2. How did you get into the business?

I was working at a golf course while going to college and it just took off from there. Luckily I had a great uncle and cousin in the business that have given great advice and allowed me to pick their brains.

3. Where did you grow up?

I grew up in East Texas in a small town called Martin's Mill. I had just 19 in my graduating class, and was not in the top 10%.

4. What teams do you root for?

The University of Texas, my daughter's golf team, and my son's many sport teams.

5. What has been the toughest obstacle to overcome in your career?

The toughest obstacle had to be getting that first chance to lead in a head superintendent role. That and learning to shut my brain off at night (especially in the summer).

6. What is one piece of advice you have for someone interested in getting into this business?

Don't be afraid to ask questions and always think things through before making a new application. There is no magic potion.

7. Who is someone you'd liked to have met?

I would have like to have met Theodore Roosevelt. He is someone who cared deeply about leadership, conservation, and character. Even a brief conversation with him would feel like tapping into raw energy and big ideas.

8. If you could play a round of golf with any PGA Professional past or present, who would you want to play with?

Payne Stewart he is still my all time favorite golfer.

9. What is one thing readers don't know about you, that they might be interested to learn?

I am a history nerd and collect (drives my wife crazy) orange viking glass. When we are on vacation we make a stop at every antique shop we come across.



Weatherford College Turfgrass Management Program

Beginning this Fall, Weatherford College will be offering one and two semester certificates as well as a two-year associates degree designed to prepare students for careers in golf course and sports turf management.

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Visit https://wc.edu/programs/all-programs/golf_turf_aas/index.php for more information.

GCSAA Updates - Super Savings Event



The banner features a green background on the left with the text "SUPER Spring SAVINGS 50% OFF NEW GCSAA MEMBERSHIPS". On the right, there is a photograph of a golf course with red tulips in the foreground. The GCSAA logo and "100 Years" are at the top right. A red banner at the bottom contains the text "USE CODE: **SPRING2026**" and "VALID MARCH 23 THROUGH APRIL 30 / APPLIES TO NEW MEMBERSHIP ONLY".

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GCSAA Updates - Rounds 4 Research

The 2026 Rounds 4 Research (R4R) auction, administered by the GCSAA Foundation, will take place April 20-26, 2026. This annual event raises vital funds that support turfgrass research, promote golf sustainability, and advance education and advocacy within the industry. Donated rounds can be previewed at www.rounds4research.com.



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Stevens Park Golf Course
Tenison Park Golf Course
The Clubs at Stonebridge Ranch
The Course at Waters Creek
Tierra Verde Golf Club
Twin Creeks Country Club
Waterview Golf Club
Webb Hill Country Club

NTGCSA MEETING CALENDAR 2026

WEDNESDAY 4/22	Bully Cup Texas Rangers Golf Club
TUESDAY 5/19	Stephen Best Pro/Super Memorial The Courses at Watters Creek
TUESDAY 6/2	Assistant Superintendent Meeting Ridglea Country Club
MONDAY 6/22	Chapter Championship WaterChase Golf Club
SATURDAY 7/25	Family Social Globe Life Field
WEDNESDAY 8/5	August Scramble Luna Vista Golf Course
THURSDAY 9/10	Fall Education Scottish Rite
THURSDAY 10/20	Annual Meeting Grapevine Golf Course
MONDAY 11/2	Scholarship Tournament Brookhollow Country Club
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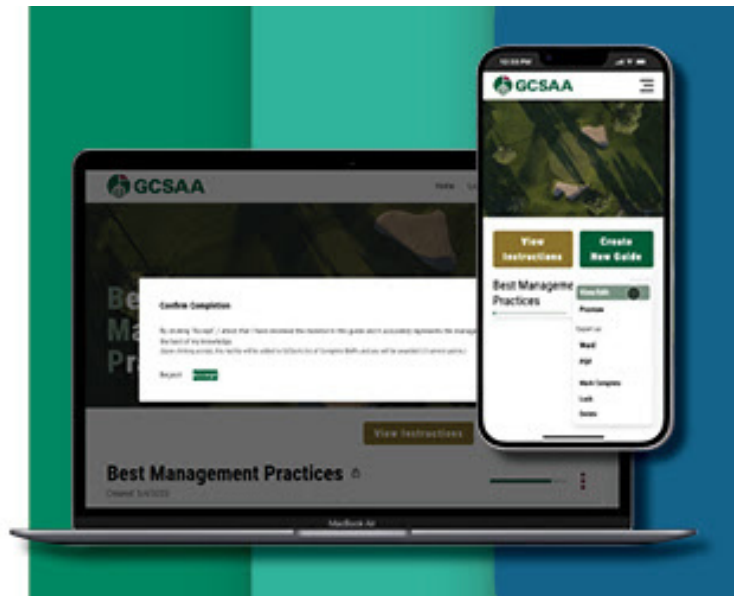
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GCSAA Updates - Legacy Scholarship

The GCSAA Legacy Awards competition offers education aid to the children and grandchildren of GCSAA members. Awards of \$1,500 each are funded by the GCSAA Foundation.

Applications will be reviewed by an independent committee consisting of three high school educators and three college administrators. All decisions of the committee will be final. Deadline to apply is April 15. All scholarship award checks will be made payable to the applicant and his/her educational institution.

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Natural Resource Conservation Award - This award will recognize individuals who employ effective strategies for water conservation, energy conservation, and sound wildlife management.

Healthy Land Stewardship Award - This award will recognize those individuals who employ effective strategies for efficient use of pesticides and nutrients as well as pollution prevention.

Communications and Outreach Award - This award will recognize individuals who effectively communicate conservation strategies with facility employees and others as well as share their efforts with golfers and other members of their community.

Innovative Conservation Award - This award will recognize individuals who utilize or invent unique and innovative strategies for conservation at their facility.

There will be one winner and two runners-up recognized for each award. GCSAA members may apply to one, two, three or all four awards in a single year. However, an individual can only win one award per year.



GCSAA Updates - Colonel John Morley Award

The Col. John Morley Award is a Pinnacle Award presented annually to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of the golf course superintendent's profession. The contribution must be significant in both substance and duration, and may be, or have been, regional in nature. Nominations are due May 23.



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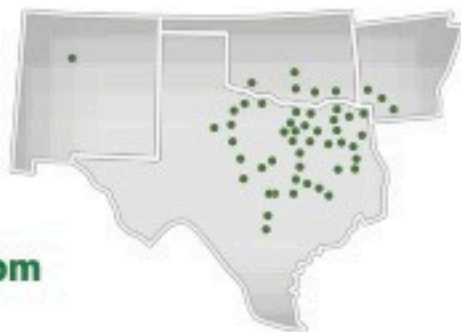


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Brookhaven Country Club	Las Colinas Country Club	Tennison Park Golf Course
Canyon Creek Country Club	Live Oak Golf Club	Texas Rangers Golf Club
City of Fort Worth, Parks	Luna Vista Golf Course	Texas Star Golf Course
Clubs of Frisco Farms	Maridoe Golf Club	The Champions Course at Weeks Park
Clubs of Prestonwood - Creek	Mesquite Golf Club	The Clubs at Stonebridge Ranch
Colonial Country Club	Mount Pleasant Country Club	The Country Place
Cowboys Golf Club	Northwood Club	The Courses at Watters Creek
Dallas Athletic Club	Oakmont Country Club	The Golf Club at Fossil Creek
Dallas Country Club	Oeste Ranch Golf Course	The Golf Club at Twin Creeks
Dallas National Golf Club	Old Bonita	The Nelson Golf and Sports Club
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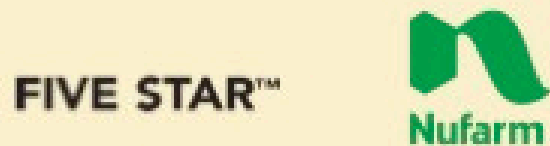
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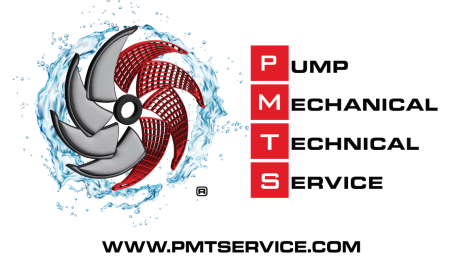
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