



Greetings Chapter Members,

We are at the midpoint of the year and the weather has been good, bad and ugly. We are all quite busy at our clubs with the summer portion of the year in full swing. All of our staff members get to engage with many of our Club members daily and make sure their experience meets and exceeds their expectations. Never a dull moment.

Since I last shared this message we have continued to grow our Chapter membership. Here are this year's new members.

Emma Leverich	Ass't Food & Beverage Manager – White Bear Yacht Club
Dan Jacott	General Manager – Owatonna Country Club
Andrea Pickett-Nelson	Director of Member Activities – Minneapolis Club
Charlie Williams	F&B Manager & Executive Chef – Windsong Farm Golf Club
Bob Yanish	Food & Beverage Director – Rochester Golf & Country Club
Belia Jimenez-Lorente	General Manager – The Woman's Club of Minneapolis
Tim Jones	Executive Chef – Oak Ridge Country Club
Brenton Lundquist	Banquet Manager – Lafayette Club
Kari Hanson	Food & Beverage Manager – Edina Country Club

When you see one of our new members please extend them a warm welcome to our Chapter. We have also had a CMAA member transfer into our Chapter. He is Vincent Baker, General Manager, at the Arrowhead Country Club in Rapid City, SD. We currently have 92 Chapter members representing 40 Clubs in Minnesota and North and South Dakota.

Our Chapter education calendar since the beginning of 2019 has presented Club industry centric topics featuring numerous components of Food & Beverage, Leadership Best Practices, Personal and Career Development, Club Marketing and Branding, Cyber Security, our Local Economy and more.

Our focus for all of our members is Education, Professional Development and Networking. To that extent, our newly adopted Mission Statement clearly states, *“The Upper Midwest Chapter of the Club Management Association of America advances the profession of Club management by providing all of our members with education, networking, and career development opportunities.”* Rest assured that our Chapter’s leadership is deeply committed to delivering on our mission in everything we do for and with you.

Your Board of Directors met recently to craft a strategic plan for the Chapter. Based on the content of our Mission Statement we are developing the operational tactics that support our mission. The plan and tactics will support our core values of Professionalism, Transparency, Mentorship and Value.

Aside from myself, here’s the Chapter’s 2019 Board of Directors:

Vice President/Treasurer - **Bill Chrysler, PGA** – General Manager – Edina Country Club
Secretary – **Jon Weisenbeck** – Clubhouse Manager – White Bear Yacht Club
Immediate Past President - **Gus Gustafson**, General Manager – Woodhill Country Club
Board Member – **Maureen Gruntner** – General Manager – Pool & Yacht Club
Board Member – **Greg Olson** – General Manager – Bearpath Golf & Country Club
Board Member – **Joel Livingood, CCM** - General Manager/COO – Interlachen Country Club
Board Member – **Tom Olson**, General Manager/COO – Minneapolis Club

Our education calendar for the balance of 2019 features focused topics that we deal with every day in every club. To familiarize yourself with the calendar go to our website, www.cmaa-uppermidwestchapter.org . You’ll also find business meeting minutes, current Chapter financials, a complete Chapter roster, Chapter education features, CMAA reports, our Chapter Vendor-Partner roster and more.

Have you downloaded the Chapter’s mobile app to RSVP for meetings and events yet? If not go to the Chapter website, scroll down to the Member Login link box, click on it. You’ll be taken to the Login page, scroll down to the see the details to download the mobile app.

I would like to thank the Chapter Board for the extra energy each of them supplies to the important task of making sure that we continue to push for growth, push for excellence and to push for success. Additionally, the guidance that Rollie supplies to the chapter and his investment of time and energy is paramount to continuing to meet our goals each year.

Thank you.

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