

# 2010 Iowa GCSA Board Candidates

Remember to Vote at the Iowa GCSA Annual Meeting, January 20, 2010, 3:00 pm



**Jay Goughnour**  
President

Superintendent for 9 years  
Iowa GCSA Member for 9 years  
GCSAA Member

#### **Employment History**

2007-Present, Superintendent/Owner  
Raccoon Valley Golf Course  
Jefferson, Iowa

2000-07, Superintendent  
The Hill Golf Course  
Grand Junction, Iowa

2003-07, Superintendent  
Rolling Hills Golf Course  
Norwalk, Iowa

#### **Education**

2 years at Central Missouri State  
University

#### **Personal Information**

Married to wife Nikki for 10 years, 3  
children Taylor (8), Cole (7), Megan  
(4). Passionate coon hunter!

#### **Goals as a Board Member**

It has been an honor and a privilege  
serving on the Board the past couple  
of years. I wish to continue my service  
as President in 2010.



**Randy Robinson**  
Vice President

Superintendent for 5 years  
Iowa GCSA Member for 8 years  
GCSAA Member

#### **Employment History**

2006 - Present, Superintendent  
Ballard Golf & Country Club  
Huxley, Iowa

2005, Superintendent  
Lakeshore Golf & Country Club  
Afton, Iowa

2001-2004, Assistant Superintendent  
Lincoln Valley Golf Course  
State Center, Iowa

#### **Education**

A.A.S. Degree in Horticulture,  
Hawkeye Community College

#### **Personal Information**

I have been married for 5 years to my  
wife Emily. We have two boys Kaleb  
(4) and Kolby (almost 2). I love to golf,  
hunt, fish, and play basketball, and  
most of all spend time with my family.  
I was in the Iowa Army Nat'l Guard  
for nearly 8 years and served 1 tour in  
Iraq as a Combat Medic.

#### **Goals as a Board Member**

To continue the mission of the Iowa  
GCSA. Our organization is looked  
upon with the highest respect from  
other organizations and the GCSAA,  
we want to keep it that way and  
continue to lead the way into the  
future, by keeping the best interest  
of Superintendents and Assistants in  
mind. I would be honored to serve as  
your Vice President.



**Terry Negen**  
West Director

Superintendent for 9 years  
Iowa GCSA Member for 4 years  
GCSAA Member

#### **Employment History**

2006-Present, Superintendent  
Atlantic Golf and Country Club  
Atlantic, Iowa

2001-05, Superintendent  
The Crossings Golf Club  
Montevideo, Minnesota

1996-2000, Asst. Superintendent  
Benson Golf Club  
Benson, Minnesota

#### **Education**

Golf Course Management Degree  
from Anoka Hennepin Technical Col-  
lege in Anoka, MN - 1997

#### **Personal Information**

Married ten years to my wife Joy. Three  
children: Maloy, age 11; Drew, age 9;  
Natalie, age 7.

I enjoy riding my Harley, watching  
football and NASCAR, and playing  
golf with my family.

#### **Goals as a Board Member**

I would like to get the western Iowa  
Superintendents more involved in  
the association and possibly organize  
a small group of Superintendents to  
meet and discuss topics or just to play  
golf to get to know one another. I  
would like to continue getting the  
support for research that the Iowa  
GCSA has done so far and continue  
to keep it going, because I feel that it  
is necessary in our profession with the  
changing climates and budgets.

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**James Legg**  
Central Director

Superintendent for 9 years  
Iowa GCSA Member for 8 years  
GCSAA Member

### Employment History

2000-Present, Superintendent  
Briarwood Club of Ankeny  
Ankeny, Iowa

1997-2000, Asst. Superintendent  
Briarwood Club of Ankeny  
Ankeny, Iowa

1991-97 United States Marine Corps

### Education

B.S. in Turfgrass Management from  
Penn State

### Personal Information

I have been very fortunate to have a job that I love doing. I have been married to my wife Louise for eleven years, and have two children Alexis, 9, and Avin, 4. Our lives are pretty busy with sports, coaching, and keeping them active. Luckily the golf course has become a great place for them to learn about the game and see why I love what I do so much.

### Goals as a Board Member

Having served on the board now for two years, I would like to continue what we have started. I believe that we have done a great job in establishing new relationships in the community. We have become more aware of environmental and legislative impacts, and rebuilt communication lines that seemed lost. I am a straight forward person, who believes in getting things out in the open, and tackling a task. I would like to continue, and build the association going in to the future.



**Joshua Thompson**  
Central Director

Superintendent for 2 years  
Iowa GCSA Member for 2 years  
GCSAA Member

### Employment History

2008-Present, Superintendent  
Homewood Golf Course  
Ames, Iowa

2005-08 Fedex Courier,  
Dangerous Goods Specialist  
Ames, Iowa

2003-05 2nd Asst. Superintendent  
Tournament Club of Iowa  
Polk City, Iowa

Summer of 2002, Superintendent  
Raccoon Bend Golf Course  
Jefferson, Iowa

Summer 2000-01, Asst. Super.  
Raccoon Bend Golf Course  
Jefferson, IA

### Education

B.S from Iowa State University in  
Horticulture/Turfgrass emphasis

### Personal Information

Married to Erin for 5 years, daughter Abigail 2, and expecting baby in January. Enjoy vacationing with the family, playing golf, and hunting and fishing.

### Goals as a Board Member

To offer support by actively working with members of the golf course industry in Iowa by continuing to build and grow our chapter.



**Chad Graaf**  
At-Large Director

Superintendent for 7 years  
Iowa GCSA Member for 7 years  
GCSAA Member

### Employment History

2004-Present- Superintendent  
Lakeside Munciple Golf Course  
Fort Dodge, Iowa

2002-04, Superintendent  
American Legion Golf Course  
Fort Dodge, Iowa

1999-2001, Asst. Superintendent  
American Legion Golf Course  
Fort Dodge, Iowa

### Education

Kirkwood Community College, Turf  
Management

### Personal Information

I will be getting married in May and my fiancé and I are expecting a little girl on February 4. I enjoy golfing, working on the farm, dirt track racing and watching the Iowa Hawkeyes.

### Goals as a Board Member

To try to promote the organization and what it can do for Superintendents, Assistants, and Students in forms of networking and being involved in the golf outings and meetings.