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The game and business of golf have been my life, with the exception of my military service in the late 70s and early 80s. I bring experience in all aspects of the golf business, from caddying to executive management and everything in between. Suffice it to say, I have embraced expanded career paths but never wavered from my roots as a 'green grass' golf professional- that IS my core!

I have gained considerable knowledge and experience in all phases of our business- specifically, general manager positions at a public and now, a private facility. I feel this will be a tremendous skillset to offer to the Section and each Member and Associate. I earned my General Management Certification in 2014, being one of a select group of just a little over 1,600 PGA Members out of 30,000 Certified in their selected career path. After finishing my PGA Master Professional in December of 2024, I am now one of 452 out of **30,000 PGA Golf Professionals who have earned this designation.** The knowledge that I have gained combined with the practical onthe-job experience means that whatever is causing issues for you at your current position, I will have some thoughts on how to come up with a solution, whether it is approaching your management about capital expenditures that you would like them to consider, to assist you in finding a work-life balance that really did not exist when I was a young professional.

The game of golf has given me so much; for over 40 years, I have never once thought that I would like to stay in bed and not go to work. I want to give back and continue ensuring that our Section thrives as we move forward.