

Candidate for Vice-President (running unopposed)

Jeff Grant, PGA - General Manager - NCR Country Club

Tell us about yourself.

I live in Oakwood, Ohio and have been the Chief Operating Officer at NCR Country Club for the past seven years. I have been married to my wife Stephanie for 27 years and we have five children:

- Abbigale 24, Student at Sinclair College and Manager at Goodwill
- Alex 22, Senior at Xavier University and ROTC Captain
- Elizabeth 21, Senior at Xavier University
- Olivia 19, Sophomore at Xavier University
- Emma 15, Sophomore at Oakwood High School



I am a Certified PGA Professional and Certified Club Manager (CCM) with 20+ years' experience as a General Manager and Chief Operating Officer in the golf & country club industry. I have served on the PGA National Employment Committee, SOPGA Board of Directors, CMAA Ohio Valley Chapter Board, and as a mentor through PGA MyJourney. I was the first CMAA member to complete the Manager-In-Development program which mentors new CMAA members on the path to becoming certified.

My biggest passion is helping people with their career path. My background includes excellent business, fiscal, and interpersonal skills along with the ability to implement the highest standards of professionalism in service excellence and management at elite clubs.

Please share any prior service to a Chapter, the Section or PGA of America.

SOPGA Board Member At Large, PGA National Employment Committee

What awards or recognition have you received from a chapter, the Section, PGA of America or from the community?

Bill Strausbaugh Award

Why are you running for a position on the Board of Directors?

Over the past year and a half, I've had a chance to be a part of the Southern Ohio PGA Board of Directors as an At-Large Director. The experience serving our membership and providing input on our strategic plan has been fulfilling. I believe that my experience in all facets of the club industry as well as my experience in the boardroom can be of great value to PGA Professionals and Associates. I look forward to the opportunity to continue elevating the members and organization of the Southern Ohio PGA.

What is the biggest challenge our organization/members face and how would you address that as a member of the Board?

I believe the biggest challenge facing our membership is the threat of becoming devalued in the eyes of our employers and losing sight of what a PGA Member brings to an operation. I would continue on the path of helping to mentor professionals in their chosen career paths and shine a light on the importance and value that a PGA Professional brings to a facility of any size. Speaking as someone who started as a PGA Head Professional at a very small public facility and now a PGA Chief Operating Officer at a large private facility which employs eight PGA Professionals and Associates, I know how important it is to have a PGA Member leading your operation. My hope is that by getting more involved at a local level, the SOPGA Section can be a leader in producing and employing the most well-rounded PGA Professionals.