

CHAPTER OF THE YEAR MEDIUM CHAPTER



FIRST PLACE



GEORGIA CMAA CHAPTER

NEWSLETTER

**SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM
PEACH REVIEW EDITOR,
SYDNEY ROBERTSON**

2026 CHAPTER MOTTO

**Connecting Leaders,
Building Legacy**



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NEW MEMBER WELCOME



MESSAGE FROM PEACH REVIEW EDITOR, SYDNEY ROBERTSON

Hello, Georgia Chapter!

I hope everyone's year is off to a wonderful start. I'm excited to introduce myself as your Peach Review Editor and to share a little more about what that role means - and why your involvement is so important.

I have the privilege of working closely with Allegra Johnson, CCM, along with the Georgia Chapter Board, to highlight the many accomplishments, milestones, and meaningful moments happening across our chapter each month. From professional achievements to club innovations to community involvement, there is so much worth celebrating. One of the most rewarding parts of this role is discovering the incredible work our members are doing. Often, we find stories by searching online and following along on social media. That's why it's so helpful when you share your news with us directly. If you or your club are launching something new, earning recognition, hosting a special event, or celebrating a team member, we want to know about it.

Be sure to tag us on LinkedIn, Instagram, or other platforms using #GACMAA and #ConnectingLeadersBuildingLegacy so we can help amplify and celebrate your accomplishments.

A favorite quote of mine from Maya Angelou says, **"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."** That sentiment resonates deeply with me in this role. My goal is to ensure that every member of our chapter feels seen, supported, engaged, and celebrated.

The Peach Review is more than a newsletter: it's a reflection of who we are as a chapter. I'm looking forward to sharing your stories and continuing to highlight the leaders who are building our legacy every day.

I can't wait to hear from you!

With appreciation,

Sydney Robertson
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CMAA WORLD CONFERENCE: GEORGIA CHAPTER TAKES FIRST PLACE!



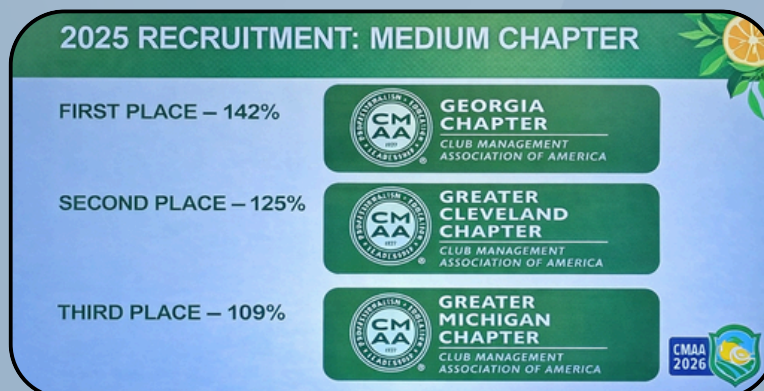
THE GEORGIA CHAPTER HAS BEEN NAMED **CHAPTER OF THE YEAR - MEDIUM CHAPTERS!** THIS INCREDIBLE HONOR REFLECTS THE PASSION, PROFESSIONALISM, AND COMMITMENT THAT DEFINE OUR CHAPTER. AS PART OF OUR AWARD, THE CHAPTER WON AN EDUCATION GRANT FROM THE CLUB FOUNDATION TO BE USED TOWARDS OUR WOMEN IN CLUB MANAGEMENT PROGRAMMING.

WE ALSO SECURED FIRST PLACE IN RECRUITMENT, SURPASSING OUR GOAL AT AN IMPRESSIVE **142%**. THIS ACHIEVEMENT SPEAKS VOLUMES ABOUT THE ENERGY, OUTREACH, AND DEDICATION OF OUR MEMBERS.

THESE ACCOMPLISHMENTS BELONG TO EVERY SINGLE MEMBER WHO CONTRIBUTES, INSPIRES, TEACHES, MENTORS, SUPPORTS, AND SHOWS UP FOR OUR CHAPTER DAY AFTER DAY. TOGETHER, WE ARE BUILDING SOMETHING TRULY SPECIAL - AND IT SHOWS ON A NATIONAL STAGE.

HERE'S TO THE TEAMWORK, THE LEADERSHIP, AND THE COLLECTIVE SPIRIT THAT MAKE THE GEORGIA CHAPTER SHINE.

CONNECTING LEADERS, BUILDING LEGACY



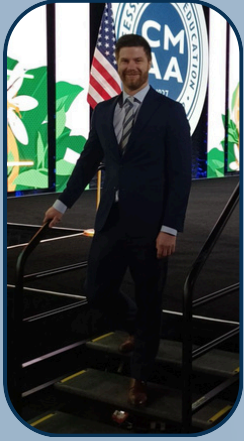
PROUD OF OUR GEORGIA STUDENT CHAPTERS



Congratulations to our University of Georgia and Georgia State University CMAA student chapter members for representing our chapter so well at the CMAA World Conference. Their energy, professionalism, and enthusiasm for connecting with industry leaders and peers were truly inspiring.

Experiences like these shape the future of our profession. We are grateful to these universities, and others across our state, for encouraging and supporting student involvement at conferences like this. Their investment in developing future leaders makes a lasting impact on both our chapter and our industry.

CMAA WORLD CONFERENCE RECAP



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

23

**BUILDING IT RIGHT. GOVERNING IT WELL
WITH JOE KRENN, CCM, CCE
MONDAY, MARCH 23
8:30 AM - 3 HOUR EDUCATION
ATLANTA COUNTRY CLUB**

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**Building it Right.
Governing it well**

GEORGIA CHAPTER

SPEAKER:
Joe Krenn, CCM, CCE
Chief Executive Officer & General Manager, Farmington Country Club
Secretary-Treasurer, CMAA Board of Directors

**Monday, March 23
8:30 Registration
3 hour education**

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APRIL

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**LEADERSHIP WITH J. ESPENSHIP
MARIETTA COUNTRY CLUB
MORE INFO COMING SOON!**

WELCOME TO THE CHAPTER!



Christopher Fasce

Director of Food and Beverage
Champions Retreat

1. What city were you born?

a. I was born in Winchester VA

2. If you could visit any place, where would it be and why?

a. If I could visit any place, it would be Italy. Because I still owe my wife a honeymoon and we enjoy exquisite wine!

3. My favorite food is _____ and why?

a. Favorite food is my mother's lasagna, hands down.

1. What city were you born?

a. Fort Valley, Georgia

2. What is your favorite movie and why?

a. Interstellar - because I am a bit of a NERD

3. Do you prefer summer or winter and why?

a. I prefer winter. I don't know why but I have just always felt more comfortable in the cooler temps. Makes for questionable golfing though.

Zack Whitaker

Assistant Food and Beverage Director
St Ives Club

REST IN PEACE

FORMER CHAPTER PRESIDENT HIR



Former Georgia Chapter CMAA President, Imre F. Hir, of Derry, NH, pass away on Sunday, January 25, 2026. He was born on November 26, 1939 in Pilisszentiván, Hungary. He enjoyed flying gliders as a young man. He emigrated to the United States in 1956 and served in the U.S. Army from 1959 – 1961 when he was honorably discharged. While living in Georgia, he obtained his pilots license and flew single engine planes.

He managed the Atlanta Country Club for over 40 years and after his retirement, he moved to Derry.

He was a beloved uncle and friend to many. He selflessly offered his guidance and wisdom to family.

CMAA HONOR SOCIETY

Membership in CMAA's Honor Society is open to all managers who have achieved their Certified Club Manager (**CCM**) designation and have met the following criteria:

- Achievement of 400 credits beyond certification with a minimum of 150 of those credits being CMAA/CMI-endorsed education programs.
- Professional membership with CMAA for a minimum of ten years
- Successful completion of BMI Tactical Leadership or BMI Strategic Leadership

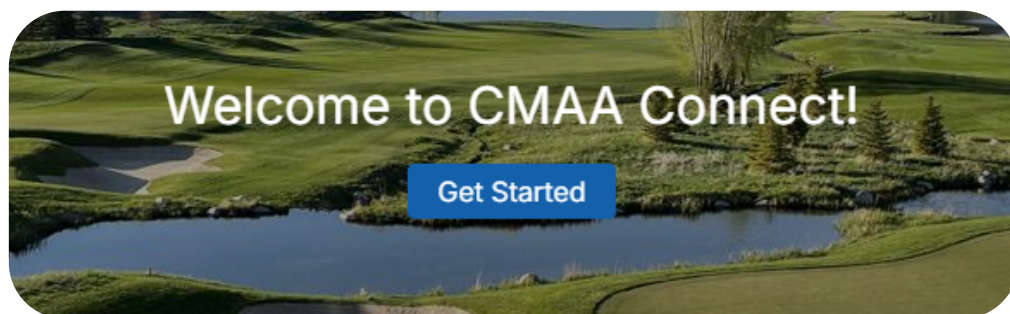


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PROGRAMS HERE**

GET CONNECTED TO YOUR CMAA NETWORK!

Endless possibilities are within reach! Explore the many tools available to spark innovation and solve challenges at your club. By engaging at the State and National levels, you'll gain access to a network of support and limitless resources!

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