

# Rainwater named Director of Member Services

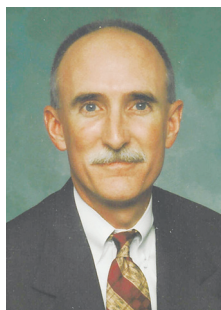
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The LGA staff has been forced to wear name tags in recent weeks as the second new hire in just under a month is now on board. Lee Rainwater, a native of West Monroe, has recently taken up residence at the LGA's offices in Lafayette as Director of Member Services. Lee comes to the LGA fresh off the completion of a dual Master's program at the University of Southern Mississippi, receiving an MBA in addition to a Master's in Sport Management. He received his undergraduate degree from Louisiana Tech University in 2006. Lee worked in a number of capacities at Calvert Crossing Golf Club in Calhoun (now Southern Pines CC in Calvert) while in college, eventually serving as General Manager there prior to leaving to pursue his graduate degrees.

Lee will oversee the Handicapping, Course Rating, and Information Technology areas with the LGA. He joins 2010 USGA Boatwright intern Brian Spence as recent additions to the LGA staff.

## REGISTRATION FOR 2010 LGA CHAMPIONSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE

Registration opened on Feb. 1 for the first three LGA championships of the 2010 golf season. Entry forms for the Club Team (Pelican Point Golf Club in Gonzales), Net Amateur (Santa Maria in Baton Rouge), and Amateur (Koasati Pines at



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Coushatta in Kinder) championships have been mailed to all LGA Member Clubs, 2009 LGA Championship participants, and LGA Gold and Silver Sponsors and may also be printed from the LGA website at [www.LGAgolf.org](http://www.LGAgolf.org).

To enter a LGA Championship, simply forward the completed application to the LGA offices prior to the deadline date.

In addition to paper entries, the LGA will be offering online registration once again this year.

For those of you that have not taken advantage of online registration in the past, we encourage you to give it a try in 2010. To register online, simply visit the LGA website at [www.LGAgolf.org](http://www.LGAgolf.org) and click on the link for "Online Tournament Registration."

From there, follow the instructions to complete your entry. Online registration is currently available for the Net Amateur and Amateur championships.

Registration (online and paper entries) for the Junior Amateur, Four-Ball, and Mid-Amateur championships will begin on April 1, while registration for the Senior Amateur and Senior Four-Ball Championships will be available on June 1.

## SHREVEPORT'S MIKE AMEEN INSTALLED AS LGA PRESIDENT

Mike Ameen, a member at LGA member club Southern Trace Country Club in Shreveport and a member of the LGA's Board of Directors since June of 2005, was

installed as President of the Louisiana Golf Association at its Annual meeting at Oakbourne Country Club in Lafayette on Saturday, Feb. 20. Other officers installed were: Mason Rudolph Jr., of Tchefuncta Country Club as Vice-President, and George Cestia of Lake Charles Country Club as Secretary/Treasurer. LGA By-laws call for the officers to serve concurrent two-year terms. New appointees to the board in 2010 are: Burt Allen of Southern Trace Country Club, Darell Benoit of TPC Louisiana, Frank Brame of OakWing Golf Club, Wiley Conn of Beau Chene Country Club, and Jared LeBouef of The University Club.

Returning members of the board include the aforementioned Ameen, Rudolph, and Cestia, as well as Bobby Bernard of The University Club, Doug Farr of Bayou DeSiard Country Club, Jean Hall of Squire Creek Country Club, Dave Kaspar of Gray Plantation, Butch Marshall of Oak Knoll Country Club, John Mendell of Oakbourne Country Club, Kevin Morvant of Ellendale Country Club, John Schiller of the Country Club of Louisiana, Ben Thibeaux of Oakbourne Country Club, and Corky Yates of OakWing Golf Club.

Retiring after seven years of service was: Immediate Past President Lew Ward of Beaver Creek GC, and after six years of service were: Ronnie Averett of Oak Knoll CC, Keith Breazeale of OakWing GC, Mike Morgan of Palmetto CC, and Henri Wolbrette of Audubon Park GC.

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