



Western Golf Association and the Evans Scholars Foundation
CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1899, SCHOLARSHIPS SINCE 1930

The Western Golf Association conducts three national golf championships and sponsors the nationally acclaimed Chick Evans Caddie Scholarship Program. Headquartered in Golf, Illinois, the organization was founded in 1899 by 11 Chicago-area golf clubs to promote their interests in golf. Today, more than 500 member clubs in states throughout the nation support the WGA.

The WGA conducts two prestigious amateur championships, the Western Junior and the Western Amateur, as well as running the BMW Championship, the third of four PGA TOUR Playoff events in the TOUR's FedExCup competition.

The WGA also champions education through golf in sponsoring the Evans Scholars Program. Established by famed amateur golfer Charles "Chick" Evans, Jr., the program provides full housing and tuition scholarships to deserving caddies across the country. Currently, 825 caddies are attending college on scholarship; there are more than 9,400 Evans Alumni across the country. Most Scholars attend one of the 14 universities where the Foundation owns and operates a Scholarship House.

The Evans Program is funded by contributions from more than 100,000 golfers across the country, as well as Evans Alumni and proceeds from the BMW Championship.

The WGA is governed by volunteer officers and a Board of Governors. WGA officials and Evans Scholars Foundation trustees share a love for golf and a willingness to serve the best interests of the game. WGA board members, who serve without pay, assist in fund-raising, caddie matters, tournaments, scholarships, legal issues and administrative affairs. For more information, visit: www.wgaesf.org.

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