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Mike Wiltse

The Valley National 8-Ball League Association (VNEA) has named Mike Wiltse as their new Executive Director, as Gregg Elliott transitions into retirement. Gregg will serve as VNEA's Senior Advisor after 38 years of service to the VNEA.

Effective July 1, 2025, Mike Wiltse has been promoted from the VNEA's Office Manager to their next Executive Director.

The Valley National 8-Ball League Association is a non-profit organization established to promote the game of pool on coin-operated equipment. The membership is comprised of men, women and junior players, coin machine operators and manufacturers.

Founded in 1979, the VNEA has shown tremendous growth, success and stability by expanding from 2,500 members in the initial season to nearly 100,000 players currently.

These 100,000 men and women players will visit their local establishments two or three times a week and play more than ten million games of pool in competition and practice.

Teams from nearly every state, and several foreign countries will compete each week in organized VNEA league play.

Gregg Elliott took the position of Executive Director with the VNEA in 1988 after working as a Certified Public Accountant for nine (9) years. After nearly four decades of leadership, he is stepping down as Executive Director and will now serve as a key consultant for the Association and will continue to remain very active in growing the VNEA.

Mike took the position with the VNEA in 2023 after working and teaching in Law Enforcement and Public Safety for over thirty years. Mike graduated from Ferris State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and received a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Saginaw Valley State University. He coached Delta College's women's softball team to a National Championship in 1999, and he and the team will be inducted into the Bay County Sports Hall of Fame in November of this year. He has been named National Outstanding Educator of the Year by SkillsUSA, Delta College Employee of the Year, numerous Life Saving awards, as well as other Law Enforcement awards for service above and beyond the call of duty. Mike has served as a college, high school and youth coach and ran athletic tournaments for over thirty years.

With Gregg remaining as Senior Advisor for the immediate future, the transition will be seamless, and our players and Charters should expect the same excellent service they have received in the past.

Mike has spent a career serving people, always putting people first. He will continue in that role with the VNEA as a leader who will always think of the members first.