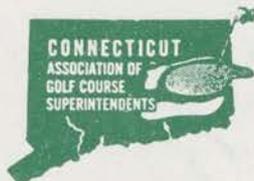


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 1976 Golf Season is fast approaching and like Spring, we are getting ready to project our Association's fine programs. We have a few new golf courses that we will be visiting this year and hope to have more distinguished speakers to upgrade our meetings.

We have a great group of men in our Association and I am looking forward to serving all of you. I hope we can get more people involved in our various committees so we can improve our Association. I have always felt that communications is the key — so let's hear from you.

This year we will have a Field Day. Lloyd Russell is hard at work for us in order to make this year's Field Day a great success. If you can help him on this committee in any way, please do so.

The National Conference held in Minnesota in February was very rewarding. More and more of our C.A.G.C.S. members are taking advantage of the educational programs provided. Your new G.C.S.A.A. President is Richard W. Malpass; Vice President is Theodore W. Woehrlé. The two-year directors are Melvin B. Lucas, Charles H. Tadge and David C. Holler. New business discussed was a dues increase which was passed. The By-Law Amendments 1-2-3-5 were passed; No. 4 defeated.

As usual, the 1976 University of Massachusetts Turf Conference was a great success. Their motto, "Better Turf through Research and Education" was well received. At the 45th Annual Conference Banquet, it was my pleasure to present our Second Annual Scholarships and Research Awards. Scholarship Certificates were presented to Gary Carlson, winter school, and Allen Lee Semprebón, Paul J. Mierzejeski, two year-students. Our Association gave a

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Dunbar Leaves Experiment Station

Dennis Dunbar recently left his position as Associate Entomologist at The Connecticut Experiment Station in New Haven to become a Research Biologist with the FMC Corporation in California. While at the Experiment Station Dunbar did extensive research on the problem of Japanese and Oriental beetles on golf courses in Connecticut. He has been a great help to the superintendent in Connecticut and will be greatly missed. We at the "Clippings" wish him the best of luck in his new position.

GCSAA HIGHLIGHTS

By Bob Osterman
CAGCS National Affairs Chairman

Approximately twenty-five members represented the Connecticut Association at the 47th International Turfgrass Conference held in Minneapolis, Minnesota February 8th — 13th.

This conference was probably one of the best planned out and most efficiently operated conferences of all times. Starting Monday morning right on through to the slide presentation Friday, the program went without a hitch. The Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents Association deserve a hearty "well done" for their hard work. The weather even cooperated. For the entire week there was a window of good weather. I understand it can get just a few degrees colder than it was and maybe just a little more of the white stuff around.

Election of new officers was one of the important functions that took place at the annual meeting held Wednesday, February 11. Mr. Richard Malpass of Portland, Oregon was elected President of

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Continued Education Proves A Must In Times Of Tight Budgets

When money is tight, should seminars and other forms of professional education be eliminated? "Definitely not," was the conclusion of 90 percent of the businessmen surveyed recently. In fact, they pointed out that it becomes all the more essential to keep up-to-date at such times, thereby becoming familiar with cost savings techniques.

Obviously, not all educational programs will offer the same potential value to you; therefore, the following recommendations are offered:

1. Determine your desired learning objectives and/or areas of weakness and review all program proposals with a view toward meeting those requirements.
2. Make every attempt to attend those programs nearest you or those which can be attended in conjunction with other travel.
3. Look for potential programs both within and outside of your own professional circle.
4. Closely check Internal Revenue Service regulations for the tax deductibility of attending educational programs.

While attending an educational program, the following suggestions may be useful:

1. Listen to each speaker analytically.
2. During a presentation write only brief notes and fill them out during a break.
3. Prepare a list of questions before the seminar begins, and get answers while you are there.
4. During off-hours, make as many professional contacts as possible, and encourage "shop-talk."
5. At all times maintain a list of new ideas to try or things to discontinue or alter upon your return.

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The object of this association is to promote research, education and an exchange of practical experiences in the field of turf grass culture so that the increased knowledge will lead to more economic and efficient management of golf courses and related turf areas.

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GRASS CATCHER

Welcome Back! The winter schedule of seminars, conferences, and vacations is behind us and the stage is set for another season of diseases, insects, equipment breakdowns, and a myriad of happenings that serve to make our profession so interesting and so very challenging. Those who attended the national conference witnessed a very well put together educational program and enjoyed the hospitality of the fine city of Minneapolis. The UMass conference was also very well done and provided much in the way of interesting and informative material. Now we must put this newly learned knowledge to use in hopes of providing better facilities as well as increased job efficiency.

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The national association (GCSAA) has asked President Ford to designate the week of September 12 — 18 as "National Golf Course Superintendents Week". This coincides with the 50th Anniversary celebration of the GCSAA which will be marked by exhibits, a banquet, and a golf tournament during this week. It is requested that letters be sent to area Congressmen to help in making this official designation possible.

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Thought For The Month

"I have yet to find the man," said Charles Schwab, "however exalted his station, who did not do better work and put forth greater effort under a spirit of approval than under a spirit of criticism."

EDITORIAL

The new season is rapidly approaching and for many it is already here. Increased demand for those extra dollars has seen many clubs get a very early start on the new season. In some cases the only respite came while courses were snow-covered. What do these trends signify and what are the implications for superintendents?

Undoubtedly, the money pinch continues. Although there are signs the country's economy is turning around, golf facilities do not show this trend as yet. Budgets are being held tight and less money is available for capital expenses. Consequently, many clubs are looking for extra

dollars from extended play. More importantly however, superintendents are being asked to get more out of their budget dollar and to manage their crews as efficiently as possible. Although difficult, these demands must be dealt with.

It is the responsibility of the superintendent to provide his members the best possible conditions. This responsibility and the challenge of difficult times can be met through cooperation with everyone concerned and a willingness to produce quality conditions with what may seem inadequate resources.

S.G.C.

LEO LOMBARDI, JR.

A SURPLUS-OF-COURAGE!

Fate — At Times — Oppresses With Intensity And Pain;
Tho' Nature Heals, It's Vital To Adjust To A Mindful-State,
To Join-In, As It Were And Be Part Of The Human-Chain;
If Not, "The-Strayer" Will Fall Prey To Self-Pity And Hate,
And Exist Forever On The Edge Of A Living-Death.

The Brave One's Make-It To The Sterling Chain.

Currently, One Of Our Own, Was Forced To The Crest;
With Shocking Swiftiness — Life Struck Deep and Cruel,
Vigorously — He Battled The Fires-Of-Hell In Crimson-Sweat;
Until Even The Un-justly Gods Knew He'd Survive The Duel;
Tho' The Mist Cleared; Friends Waited With Anxious Breath.

Nearing The Hospital — One, Pictured A Roomful-Of-Woe;
Instead, Leo — Lofty, Pointing With Future Aim,
Un-ruffled, Soothing — Like A Sunglow Stream AfLOW, —
With Nary A Telltale Thread Of Sorrow And Pain;
Totally Forgotten Was Destiny's Faceless Foe;
As Tho' The Mishap Had Vanished In The Glaring Rain.

Sublime — This Man, Who Shuns The Pitiful Chatter,
But Thrives On A Spirited-Attitude And A Surplus-Of-Courage;
Is A Flourishing Example Of Sheer Mind-Power-Over Matter;
An Incredible Action Rarely Seen In This Pampered-Age.

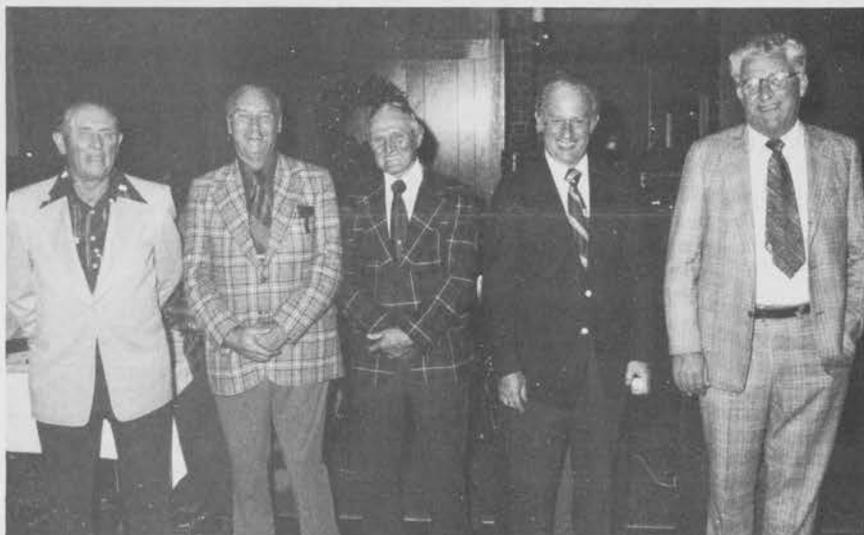
Oh, Yes! — This One Made-It With Perfect Aim, —
With Hardly A Trace It Had Ever Left The Chain.

Frank Paladino

SERVICE PINS AWARDED

At the annual Christmas Party held at The Farms Country Club, membership pins were awarded to ten, fifteen, twenty, twenty-five year members and to a life member, Everett Pyle. These awards are presented in recognition of the many years of membership to the association by these individuals. Congratulations to everyone!!!

The following were awarded pins: Life member, Everett Pyle '37. Twenty Years: E. Anderson, J. Bidwell, R. Capstick, G. Clark, R. Cook, L. Dziedzie, W. Lowell, R. Mendez, M. Ovian, J. Perry, R. Scully, A. Wydra. Fifteen Years: G. Bryant, V. Burnham, G. Christie, W. Dest, F. Fenn, J. Grant, R. McCarthy, W. Queen, M. Ryan, E. Sanson, R. Tosh, R. Viera. Ten years: A. Ajello, R. Barret, C. Baskin, J. Espey, T. Grywalski, A. Hawkins, R. Hoshings, K. Kelliher, P. Ladzinski, J. Lynch, P. O'Connor, K. Ovian, R. Parsons, T. Polidor, R. Silva, R. Smith, S. Terhune, J. Wydra, E. Zenisky.



Twenty-Five Year Award Winners (With year joined CAGCS) L. to R. W. Somer '37, L. Russell '45, B. Kowalski '48, L. Kowalski '47, H. Meusel '49. Not pictured: E. Fanfesti '47, R. Kennedy '49, S. Kristoff '49, R. Miller '38, K. Ovian '49, W. Smith '49.

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K. Anderson	6
R. Barret	6
E. Bedus	6
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T. Grywalski	9
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F. Lamphier	3
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P. O'Connor	15
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Kay Ovian	8
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EPA Bans Use of "New" Chlordane & Heptachlor

Effective December 24, 1975, you may no longer use either chlordane or heptachlor which was manufactured after July 29, 1975, according to the latest rulings of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Apparently, quantities of these chemicals produced prior to the July 29, 1975 deadline can still be sold and used according to label directions.

To avoid possible violation of this new ruling, it is suggested you contact your local supplier to determine exactly when the product you possess was manufactured.

CAGCS MEETING DATES AND GOLF SCHEDULE 1976

- April 13** Shorehaven C.C. A & B Two Ball Best Ball, Host Superintendent Bob Phipps.
- May 20** Greenwich C. C. Joint meeting with Metropolitan GCSA, Host Superintendent Paul Caswell.
- June 8** Wampanaug C. C. First Round Superintendent's Championship, Host Superintendent John Mulhearn.
- July 13** Open Finals Superintendent's Championship.
- August 12** Hillan Dale C.C. Play against Par, Host Superintendent Larry Sheridan.
- September 14 - 21** Black Hall C.C. Guest Day, Host Superintendent Dick Cook.
- October 12** Pequabuck C. C. Blind Holes Tournament, Host Superintendent Louie Dziedzie.
- November** Open.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Research Grant of \$250.00 to Dr. Joseph Troll, University of Mass. for the study of dormant fertilization.

Each month a postcard is sent to notify you of our monthly meeting. Try and make a special effort this year to attend. The second half of the business card should be returned as a courtesy to our host superintendent.

Bob Tosh
President

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GCSAA for 1976. Mr. Theodore W. Woehrlé was elected Vice-President. Three directors were elected for two year terms. They are Mr. Melvin Lucas Jr., Mr. Charles Tadge and Mr. David Holler.

CAGCS's Charlie Baskin now steps down from the GCSAA board. I think the Connecticut Association should feel very proud of the job Charlie did while serving on the board and as President of GCSAA.

A JOB WELL DONE CHARLIE!

Bob Tosh, CAGCS's new president has asked me to serve as National Affairs Chairman for 1976. If any of our members are thinking about joining GCSAA, and have any questions or would like some information on GCSAA, please feel free to contact me and I will try to help you get some answers.

PLEASE SUPPORT THESE COMPANIES

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