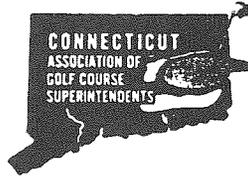


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S&R Tourney at TPC

On October 1, 1984, 120 CAGCS members and their guests gathered at the Tournament Players Club of Connecticut to participate in the annual Scholarship and Research Invitational. With threatening weather, the participants started, only to have the tournament shortened to nine holes due to wet and cool conditions. Most all the superintendents agreed that we needed the rain, but to hold off for a few more hours would have been nice. Some of the hardy participants went the full eighteen holes to see and play what Pete Dye had helped to create at the former Edgewood Golf Club.

On behalf of all CAGCS members, thanks go along to Drew Pierson, Director of Golf, Richard Crowe, Head Professional, Frank Prestwood, Food and Beverage Manager and Peter Pierson, Golf Course Superintendent whose combined efforts lead to a very successful tournament for the Scholarship and Research Fund.

Associate members of CAGCS again supported this fund-raising effort by purchasing advertising space during the tournament. We should thank the following associate members for their support; Hart Seed Co., Wethersfield, CT, I&E Supply Co., Milford, CT, Fermel Corp., Wethersfield, CT, Somers Turf Supply, Devon, CT, Golf Car Rental, Bolton, CT, Allen Lawnmower, Agawam, MA, Old Fox Chemical Co., Hazzardville, CT, Pro-Lawn Products,

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President's Message

November is here and with it should come serious thought about putting our courses to sleep for their winter naps. The past season has been a different one for many of us. Hopefully in the coming months we can evaluate our programs and search out new and better solutions to our problems.

I would like to thank all of our members and their guests who supported our annual S & R tournament at the new TPC golf course in Cromwell. Also, a special thanks to the associate members who donated to the S & R fund. This year's tournament netted almost \$3,000. Thanks to Peter Pierson and the staff at TPC for a fine tournament.

I would like to take a moment to thank all the Superintendents who hosted a meeting during 1984. We played many fine courses and your efforts are greatly appreciated.

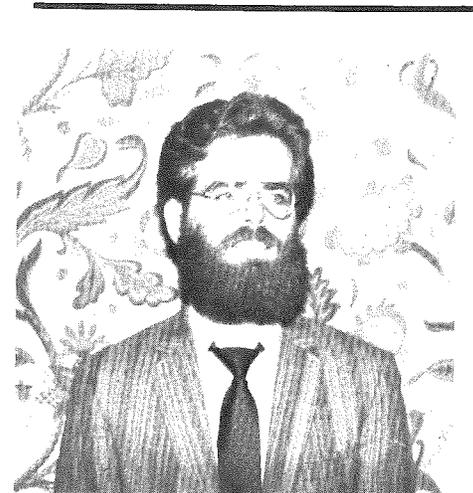
Also, Class A members—return those ballots for the "Superintendent of the Year Award." This award will be presented at the Annual meeting.

Hopefully, I will see everyone November 9th at our fall dinner dance. A great night has been planned and all we need is for you, the member, to come and enjoy it.

David Stimson CAGCS

Winter Seminar Set To Go!!

An exciting array of speakers are set for the 1985 Winter Seminar to be held January 8th at the Plainville Holiday Inn. Drs. Houston Corech of UPI University and Richard Hurley of Lofts' Seed Co. are but two of a cast of six prominent individuals who will speak. Topics include Selecting Grasses for Golf Course Use, The Art of Supervision, A New Look at Fungicides, Tree Selection, Alternative Spraying Techniques, and a look at the experimental growth inhibitor "Cutless." Watch the mail for further seminar information and be sure to take advantage of the savings by registering early.



Nothing but compliments could be heard at the C.C. of Fairfield where host superintendent Ted Maddocks immaculately conditioned his course for our October CAGCS meeting.

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Connecticut PGA Argonomy Scholarship

Eligibility requirements: Worker at a golf course that employs a PGA Professional in the Connecticut area or the Connecticut PGA section. Worker must be taking a turf program, winter turf program, two-year or four-year turf program.

Applications may be obtained from Walter Lowell, Canton Public Golf Club, Box 305, Canton, CT 06019 or Dr. Joseph Troll, University of Massachusetts.

Deadline for applications:
December 1, 1984.

Grass Catcher

I always feel somewhat embarrassed when I read a President's message or editorial in a Superintendent's association newsletter which addresses the issue of professional conduct and dress at Superintendent's meetings. Proper dress and proper conduct at our meetings *should* be the unspoken rule. Don't we as a professional association have enough adversity to overcome without self-inflicting ourselves with adolescent behavior and barnyard dress? I look forward to the day when messages of this type are a thing of the distant past. PLEASE DO YOUR PART.

At our November 30th CAGCS board meeting the following individuals who have attended their two required meetings in 1984 were voted in as new members of our association. Congratulations and welcome to CAGCS.

Heather C. Lowell
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Harry D. Ward
H. B. Bronson Country Club
Class A

Robert E. Devan
Oronoque Country Club
Class A

Garry Reindeau
Bacher Corp.
Class C

Michael Oleykowski
Lesco Inc.
Class C

On October 2 I attended the annual meeting of the Connecticut State Golf Association representing our association. Ridgewood Country Club was host for this meeting and Superintendent Mike Reeb had the course in super shape for the day's golfing activities. The business part of the meeting saw the election of new officers with Ridgewood Country Club's President, Jock McLean, voted in as the New President of CSGA. By a unanimous vote of the

delegates, the association decided to become a non-profit corporation. The move to the non-profit corporate status was initiated for business purposes and will not affect how the association carries on its normal operations and duties. CSGA will now be known as CSGA Inc.

The Met area Superintendent's Association team championship was held on October 23 at the Wilmington Country Club in Wilmington, Delaware. Our Association was represented by the team of Peter Pierson, Frank Lamphier, Steve Cadenelli, Mike Chrzanowski, Armand LeSage and Greg Wojick. Although we finished fourth out of seven teams, we all played fairly well on the demanding 7,000 yard, 72.7 rated South course. The Philadelphia association team took the first place honors. Low gross honors went to a trio of players with a score of 78.

Peter Pierson	81
Frank Lamphier	85
Mike Chrzanowski	86
Armand LeSage	87
Greg Wojick	90
Steve Cadenelli	91

Greg Wojick, Editor

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Lesco, Inc., Brue Dan Corp., Chester, NY, Turf Products Corp., South Windsor, CT, The Cardinals — John Callahan, Farmington, CT, Magovern Co., Windsor Locks, CT, Larchmont Irrigation, Lexington, MA, and the Board of Directors of CAGCS.

The results of the rain-shortened tournament were:

Low Gross (3-way tie at 2 over par for nine holes)

Tom Watroba	Frydell
Frank Lamphier	Fred Hyman
Peter Pierson	Pat Mazzarella

Low Net

Carl Wallace	Bob Schempp	-5
Doug Cooper	Curt Cooper	-4
Mark Fuller	Pat Lewis	-3
Bill Somers	Charlie Buck	-2
Al Arison	Alan Arison	-2
Paul Grover	Bill Brand	-2
Fred Bachand	Elmer Dakin	-2

New Disease Identified in Virginia

A new disease has recently been identified and seems to be sweeping across most parts of the state. It has been labeled "assistant superintendent burn-out." The symptoms are easy to spot and include some things that many superintendents should be able to identify with.

The disease is common where budgets are fertile enough to afford assistant superintendents and is proportional to the assistant superintendent population. At first, the disease was little known, but as more pressure was put on the assistant, the disease became more evident. It has now reached epidemic proportions.

Most of the symptoms are easy to spot. They include bloodshot eyes, stiff upper lip, a craving for beer and hard liquor, yellow-looking big toe, coming in to work in a suit and tie, and a new-found love for weed eaters. Assistants who claim to see snow mold in the middle of the summer or who particularly enjoy watching worms do the disco duck on a recently sprayed green, may be affected. Another symptom may be continually asking for raises.

When an assistant becomes "burn-out," it is very easy to bring him back up to the 100% level of participation and decision-making he or she was once at. Some methods used to accomplish this task might be for the superintendent to pat him on the back and say, "Job well done, have the day off," or "Let's go watch the worms do the disco duck together," or "That does kind of look like snow mold; here, have some Visine for your eyes." Last, but not least, "Have a pay raise on me."

Have you hugged your assistant today?

*by Albert Myers
Asst. Supt., Salisbury, C.C.
Credit: Heart Beat*

GCSAA Highlights



Be on the lookout for 1985 Conference brochures any day now. Just a brief glance at this soon to arrive information is sure to arouse interest and enthusiasm in the Washington D.C. conference. Highlights include:

- Twenty-one pre-conference seminars
- Annual Golf Tournament at Hilton Head, S.C.
- Awarding of the Old Tom Morris Award to Former President Gerald R. Ford at the annual banquet with previous recipients Arnold Palmer and Bob Hope likely to assist in the presentation.
- Over 250 companies exhibiting the latest in golf course management materials and equipment.
- Speakers, speakers, and more speakers covering numerous topics over three days of educational sessions.
- ABC-TV sports announcer Jack Whitaker as the featured speaker during the Opening Session
- A special International Golf Course Management session featuring speakers from Sweden, Scotland, England and Canada.
- Country western singer Tanya Tucker performing at the annual banquet.

While planning to attend the D.C. Conference, be sure to schedule a few extra days if at all possible to visit the many government and historical sites. A great opportunity exists to see first hand how the federal government works as well as to refresh one's interest in U.S. history. For sure, GCSAA's 56th Conference & Show should be one to remember.

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If you haven't already done so, fill out and return the Attitude Audit questionnaire that was mailed several weeks ago. This is a great chance to assist those administering GCSAA in developing plans for the future.

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Donald E. Hearn, CGCS
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Gerald L. Faubel
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