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President's Message



Harry Meusel - Yale Golf Club

With the spring of 1985 just around the corner and all indications of early openings, I look forward to a new and exciting season for our Association.

Our January Seminar was excellent thanks to Eric Johnson and his Education Committee. I have heard many compliments on the outstanding program presented. A special thanks to Steve Cadenelli who works with Eric to organize and coordinate the program along with the Metropolitan Association.

The all new membership book will be passed out at the March meeting. Each member will have his or her own page. It will be the responsibility of each member to keep their own book current. Any changes will be provided through association mailings and can then be

placed in the book by each member. A special thanks to Ron Holcomb for his many hours of organizing the book and making the listings as current as possible.

The dates for meetings for 1985 are completed and are in the membership book.

For our August meeting, we are planning a family-day outing at the beach. I hope to hold a 9-hole golf tournament where husbands and wives may play. A date and details will be sent as soon as possible.

Any member who may have some thoughts or ideas concerning organizing a dinner-dance for the Association should please contact me.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming meetings.

David Stimson, CGCS

Fact or Fiction?

The State of Connecticut was considering making you post your property four hours before you sprayed a pesticide and keep the signs in place for forty-eight hours after spraying. The State was or is considering raising the fee for applicators to five-hundred dollars a year. The above two items were in fact proposed as new bills in Hartford. Richard Marcks and Gred Wojcik actually spoke for the Association

against these two proposals.

Gentlemen, the time has come when we as an association must unite with other allied groups in the "Green Industry." We must form a coalition, present a united front and allot funds for a lobbyist. We are going to lose the ability to make a living, unless we get organized. No one is going to do it for us. We must do it ourselves.

My hat's off to Rich and Greg for their

fine efforts on our behalf. You can help by becoming involved and by making sure your operation is up to standards. Remember it only takes one of us to make a mistake to cast a cloud over the entire industry. We are the environmentalist. There are no, I repeat no, short cuts in the use of pesticides. Only disasters waiting to happen. So do it right.

Michael Wallace, CGCS

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The object of this association is to encourage increased knowledge of golf course management and greater professionalism through education, research, exchange of practical experience and the well being of each individual member.

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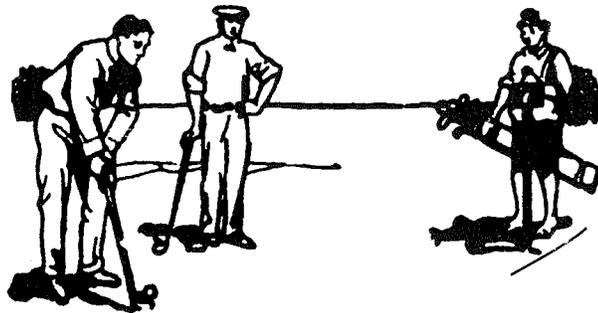
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Future Happenings

April 1 & 2, 1985
GCSAA Regional Seminar
Cape Cod, MA

April 9, 1985
CAGCS Monthly Meeting
New Haven Country Club
New Haven, CT
Jim McDonald -
Host superintendent

May 14
CAGCS Monthly Meeting
Schenecossett Golf Course
Groton, CT
Bob Chalifour -
Host superintendent



RAP of Connecticut

An organizational meeting to form the Rational Approach to Pesticides of Connecticut (RAP) was held March 11, 1985 at the Hawthorne Inn, Berlin, CT. Michael McKee (New England Green), Joel Caplin (The Green Machine), Glen Lessig (Lesco), Oscar Stone (Alpine Tree Care), Paul McDonough (Old Fox), James Wilkinson (Old Fox), Joseph Merlino (Chemlawn), Charles Dooley (Old Fox), Greg Wojick (CAGCS), Richard Marcks (CAGCS), and Richard Tice attended the meeting and will act as the Board of Directors pro tem.

The organization will act as a statewide alliance with goals common to all professional pesticide users. Similar statewide coalitions (i.e. RAP of Massachusetts) have proven to be the only effective way for professionals to preserve their rights within their respective state regarding pesticide regulations.

The pro-tem officers for RAP of CT are: Richard Marcks—President, Paul McDonough—Vice President, Greg Wojick—Secretary/Treasurer.

The dues structure will be: Associations—\$1,000/yr., Companies with sales less than \$1 million—\$250.00/yr., Companies with sales over \$1 million—\$500.00/yr., Manufacturers/formulators—\$1,000/yr. and individuals—\$15/yr.

The board of CAGCS has voted at their March meeting to allocate \$1,000 for membership (1985) to RAP of Connecticut.

At the next board meeting of RAP of CT (April 10, 1985), plans to incorporate will be finalized and a set of by-laws will be adopted.

Greg Wojick

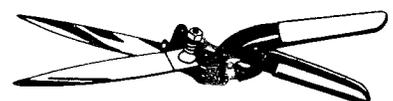
Prayer Breakfast A Success

The opening event of GCSAA's 56th International Golf Course Conference and Show was the Sixth Annual Christian Prayer Breakfast. The purpose of the breakfast is to seek God's blessing on the Conference, its affairs, our membership, our directors, our staff, our Nation, and to share God's love. The breakfast was held on Saturday, February 9th at the Sheraton Washington Hotel and was attended by some 225 people including some families and Directors of GCSAA.

Our guest speaker was Cal Thomas, well known author and TV personality. Mr. Thomas spoke of the lack of fulfillment in his life and how Christ came into his heart and enabled him to do the many things he is presently accomplishing.

Those in attendance especially enjoyed the music portion of the program. Frank and Fay Cochran and Ted and Faith McMichael along with Demie Moore Powell led the audience in singing lively spiritual songs. (Tape cassettes of Cal Thomas's address are available from GCSAA headquarters.)

Many favorable comments were received from those Superintendents who attended and enjoyed the fellowship. Because it is our hope the Prayer Breakfast will continue to grow, the Committee is enthusiastically making preparations for next year's Conference in San Francisco and you will be hearing more about that in the months ahead.



Meet Your Class "C" Member

Jesse Anderson, owner of Anderson-Warner Inc., is our featured class "C" member for this issue. Jesse has built one of the largest irrigation installation companies in the northeast. He manages an average of sixteen men and divides them into three to five specialized installation crews. Fifty percent of Jesse's operation gears towards golf course irrigation systems, the remainder is spread out among ball fields, commercial buildings, tennis courts, university, and prep-school campuses.

Jesse's career experience includes construction and work for a water company. The water company, having had occasion to install irrigation systems for golf courses, pointed out to Jesse a great market for an experienced irrigation service. Anderson-Warner Inc., being the successful enterprise that it is, leaves Jesse little leisure time; however, he does manage to sneak in a few winter weekends skiing in Stowe, Vt. with his wife Peg, and their two sons.

Tracey Holliday



Important Notice!

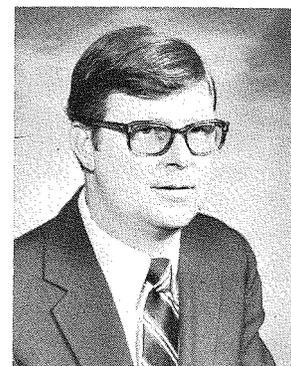
An unnecessary burden is being placed on the host superintendent of our monthly CAGCS meetings by having inaccurate counts for golf and meals. ALL MEMBERS MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR MONTHLY MEETINGS BY MAIL OR PHONE NO LATER THAN 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE EVENT. Once pre-registered, members are responsible for the cost of the meal unless the host superintendent is notified of cancellation 24 hours prior to the event. IF YOU ARE NOT PRE-REGISTERED, PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND THE MEETING. GOLF AND MEALS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO HAVE NOT PRE-REGISTERED!!



Eugene Baston, CGCS



Riley L. Stottern, CGCS



Donald E. Hearn, CGCS

GCSAA News

Eugene D. Baston, CGCS, Birmingham, Ala., was elected president of the 6500-member Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) during the Association's Annual Membership Meeting, Feb. 12, 1985. He succeeds James W. Timmerman, CGCS, Bloomfield, Mich.

Riley L. Stottern, CGCS, golf course superintendent for the Jeremy Ranch Golf Club, Park City, Utah, was elected vice president.

Elected to the Executive Committee as directors were *Dennis D. Lyon, CGCS*, property manager for the Aurora, Colo., Parks, Recreation and Public Properties Department and *John A. Segui, CGCS*, superintendent of Waynesborough Country Club, Paoli, Pa.

Re-elected for a second term as director was *Donald E. Hearn, CGCS*. Hearn will also serve as the Association's secretary/treasurer.

Gerald L. Faubel, CGCS, superintendent of golf course and grounds for Saginaw Country Club, Mich., was appointed a director to fill the unexpired term of Riley Stottern.

Continuing to serve as directors are *John E. Laake, CGCS*, and *James M. Taylor, CGCS*.

The elections and Annual Membership Meeting were held Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1985, in conjunction with the 56th Annual International Golf Course Conference and Show in Washington, D.C., sponsored by GCSAA. Some 9,000 persons from around the world attended.

GCSAA's president and vice president serve one-year terms; directors serve two-year terms; and the immedi-

ate past president remains on the Executive Committee for a year.

A Special Recognition Award has been presented by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) to Ogilvy & Mather of Atlanta for the first in a series of advertisements which began in the December 1984 issue of Golf Course Management Magazine.

The two-page, four-color ad, appearing on pages 8 and 9, "is remarkable not only because of its creativeness and effectiveness in presenting a product but also for the way it successfully portrays golf course superintendents as the professionals they are," commented GCSAA Immediate Past President James W. Timmerman, CGCS, of Orchard Lake, Michigan.

The ad features Jerry Tims, a professional New York area model, as a golf course superintendent managing operations from a golf car in the field using mobile communication equipment and wearing a coat and tie.

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) announces a mid-year Turfgrass Conference and Show to be held at the Hoosier Dome in Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 19-24, 1985.

This new conference represents an extension of GCSAA's education program and will offer extra opportunities for improvement to those in the golf course and turfgrass management profession. It will bring some of the nation's top researchers, educators, golf course superintendents and turfgrass man-

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1985 CAGCS Membership Report

The new members to CAGCS in 1985 include:

Scott Lowe – C
 Bruedan Corp.
 Peter Howe – A
 Mill River Country Club
 Wayne Urban – B
 Tagmar Corp.
 Victoria Wallace – C
 Loft Seed
 Kent Pierce – C
 Alpine Tree Service
 Les Kennedy – A
 Oak Lane Country Club
 Gary Mondor – A
 Crestview Golf Club
 Peter Hull – D
 Hartford Golf Club
 Robert Johnston – A
 Wampanoag Country Club
 John Marceau – A
 Green Woods
 Timothy Berge – B
 Race Brook Country Club
 Larry Pakkala – A
 Woodway Country Club
 Michael Ferraiuolo – B
 Ridgewood Country Club
 Gregory Pagano – C
 Mobay
 Jeff Weiss – A
 Patton Brook Golf Club
 Michael Moran – B
 Yale Golf Club
 Michael Oleykowski – C
 Lesco
 Heather Lowell – B
 Canton Golf Club
 Robert Devan – A
 Oronoque Country Club
 Garry Riendeau – C
 Bacher Corp.
 David Athans – D
 Richter Park
 Michael Kravonta – B
 Wethersfield Country Club
 James Staszowski – C
 TPC
 Scott Gennings – B
 Wallingford Country Club
 Ernest Cuzzocreo – C
 Cuzz Acres Nursery
 Harry Ward – A
 H.B. Brownson Country Club

Joseph Malay – B
 Country Club of Fairfield
 Bud Eskola – C
 East Haven Garden Center

Those deleted from the membership include:

Edward Bedus
 Dennis DeSanctis
 Mark Fuller
 Stephen Kaplan
 Ken Kelliher
 Joseph Kocet
 Charles Marsella
 Sherwood Moore
 Patrick O'Connor

Total Membership as of Nov. 1984:
 212

Tom Watroba

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agers together for this unique educational conference.

The staff technician training courses will be 'hands on' instruction by the direct involvement of manufacturers. Courses will be offered in equipment repair and maintenance; irrigation equipment operation, repair and maintenance; pesticide safety and applications; and golf car repair and maintenance.

The trade show will allow companies to offer show discounts and purchases on site and will feature an outdoor equipment demonstration area where superintendents can actually test the latest equipment.

The turfgrass research portion of this mid-year conference will gather more than 20 of the nation's leading scientists presenting updates on all major turfgrass research being funded with GCSAA's support. Papers on other research will also be presented.

A one-day golf championship will be played with the proceeds going to further turfgrass research. Many affiliated golf course superintendent associations hold similar golf championships, but this will be the first national golf championship specifically to benefit turfgrass research.

Scholarship Announced by New York State Turfgrass Association

The New York State Turfgrass Association is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for their 1985 scholarship for continuing education. This award, being given for the second time in NYSTA history, is given to a selected graduate of one of New York's two-year colleges who is transferring to a four year college or university to pursue a higher degree in one of the turfgrass sciences.

Candidates must be residents of New York State and a spring 1985 graduate of one of New York's two-year colleges with a degree in horticulture or a related field. The candidate must be transferring to a four-year college or university to work for a degree in one of the turfgrass sciences. The candidate should send a letter of application to NYSTA which should include his/her name, address and telephone; educational background; educational goals; career objectives and reasons for seeking the scholarship. Letters should be sent to the New York State Turfgrass Association; Ann Reilly, Executive Director; 210 Cartwright Boulevard; Massapequa Park, NY 11762, and must be post-marked by May 31, 1985.

The scholarship award of \$500.00 will be forwarded to the candidate's college or university during the fall of 1985, and an official announcement will be made at the NYSTA Conference in Syracuse in November. All eligible candidates, regardless of NYSTA membership, are encouraged to apply.



Grass Catcher

Congratulations to Steve Cadenelli who is leaving the Country Club of New Canaan in June to become the Golf Course Superintendent at the Links at Vista Center in Tom's River, New Jersey. Steve will have his hands full bringing this brand new golf course and facility into play.

I'm sure Steve will become involved with the New Jersey Associations in much the same way he dedicated his time to CAGCS. Thanks to Steve for his hours and hours of devoted service to CAGCS.

The board of CAGCS voted to raise the initiation fee for membership to \$30.00 to cover the cost of the new green books.

\$500.00 in research money for Pat Vittum and her research on nematodes in New England was also voted in at the March CAGCS board meeting.

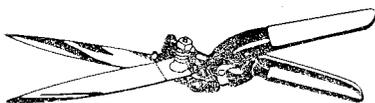
The 1985 Metropolitan area team championship will be held at the Stanwich Club in Greenwich, CT (Scott Niven, CGCS), in October. Look for details coming soon.

Greg Wojick, Editor

Correction

In the last issue of Connecticut Clippings, I incorrectly stated the date of our June CAGCS monthly meeting at Sterling Farms Golf Course. The June meeting was listed as June 10. Please change your calendars to June 18 at Sterling Farms.

Editor



Food For Thought

Are five 2's better than a "Ten?"

Membership Involvement

This began as an article to solicit help in obtaining written material, useful information, and ideas for the Connecticut Clippings. I soon realized that the problem that besets Greg Wojick in producing a quality newsletter, is the same problem affecting many other endeavors of CAGCS—Lack of help, support or both.

If you attempted to maintain your golf course or interest, with about half the normal staff required to produce a quality product, what would the result be over a period of time? Wouldn't the course or product eventually suffer? Corners would have to be cut, regardless of what technology or state of the art equipment was at your disposal. The effort may have increased, yet the results decreased to an adequate or substandard level, for the simple fact that you didn't have enough physical help to accomplish the tasks necessary to achieve quality results. I believe a comparison can be drawn between that imaginary situation and CAGCS. Without our involvement, commitment and help as members of CAGCS, what can we expect to accomplish as a group in terms of quality, unity and substance in our endeavors?

Within CAGCS there are some things that we can do to show our support, which really aren't that difficult. Attendance at monthly meetings, educational functions and social events show support of CAGCS. Going a step further, how about volunteering to serve on a committee, contributing articles and feedback to Connecticut Clippings, or offering a small amount of your time to a worthwhile project.

The membership of CAGCS is growing in numbers and in appeal to other factions in the turf industry. The present and future problems we face are also growing in numbers, diversity and complexity. I believe we need a stronger and more unified organization to face the future and its problems effectively.

There are members who can, and have offered this group more, in measures of experience, knowledge and leadership than I, but I am willing to get involved, learn and help as best that I can. How about you?

Tom Watroba



Left to Right: Robert Kennedy (Hart Seed Co.), Harry Meusel (Yale GC) and Walter Smith were honored as new CAGCS Life members at the 1985 March CAGCS meeting. (Missing from photo: Kayem Ovian.)

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