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News from GCSAA Headquarters

"Conservation: Our Key to the Future" is the theme for the 1980 conference and show to be held in St. Louis, February 17-22, 1980. A most appropriate theme, this year's conference is sure to provide insights into the future of turf management and new ideas as to how the obvious shortages can be dealt with. Now is the time to approach club officials concerning your attendance at the premier educational conference. It is worth your while to attend.

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Membership benefits have been suspended for those who have not as yet paid their dues. However, these benefits can be quickly restored if payment is made by September 30. After that date, those failing to make payment will be dropped from the association.

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The Fall Seminar schedule has been set and frankly, it is a great disappointment to those of us in the Northeast. All Seminars will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, December 2 & 3. Information should be in the mail during the early Fall for anyone wishing to make the trip.

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GCSAA will shortly be offering a line of stationery supplies to all members. Also being developed is a Green Chairman Booklet and a job description for golf course superintendents. These will be distributed to members.

President's Message

It is extremely hard to think of November in August, but think of November we must and of our annual meeting and elections. At our monthly meeting in July, I, with the approval of the board, appointed Mr. Charles Baskin to chair the Nominating Committee of CAGCS for 1979. His committee is charged with selecting a prospective slate of officers made up of men who can uphold the dignity, encourage the support and stimulate progress of the association.

Our association is not a "fly-by-night" operation. The officers, directors and committeemen have worked hard to bring the association to what it is today; a respected, progressive, financially sound organization.

During the last fifty years, twenty-eight men have held the office of President. Many, many more have served as officers or directors and even more have served on committees. While there is a great deal of apathy in many other associations, CAGCS members continue to get involved, continue to contribute, continue to move CAGCS forward. I am certain that the originators of CAGCS would be proud of the direction our association has taken and where we are today. Fifty years from now, I hope the members of CAGCS can look back and say the same about us.

It takes an extra effort to be involved, to serve on the board or committee. CAGCS has a great many outstanding members who could contribute a great deal to the association. These people should speak up and say "Yes, I am interested in serving on the board. Yes, I am interested in contributing to the betterment of our association." The members who will be filling the various positions on the board and committees in November will be setting the direction of CAGCS for the next fifty years. Don't be one of those members who sits back, has no interest in the association, but will bitch

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Meeting Reports

Since the last issue of CONN. CLIPPINGS members have attended meetings at the Country Club of New Canaan and the Watertown Golf Club. Both meetings have been well-attended, interesting, informative, and overall, quite successful. Hosting the June meeting at New Canaan was a delight for me. I had always looked forward to such an occasion, but found myself a bit apprehensive for about a week prior to the meeting. All went well however, and judging from response that I have received, everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks must go out to Dr. Raymond Korbobo for delivering such an entertaining talk. Korbobo or "Bo," as he prefers, enlivens any meeting with his frank and honest opinions concerning contemporary American landscape. My personal thanks go out to everyone who attended our meeting, especially those who had played the Superintendent Invitational the day prior to the regular June meeting.

Speaking of the Superintendent Invitational hosted by Leon Kowalski, at the Country Club of Fairfield, the winning teams were: Gross, Canton G.C. - 66; Lyman Meadows G.C. - 68; and Mill River C.C. - 68. In the Net division the winners were: C.C. of Fairfield - 60, Minnechaug G.C. - 60, and Pine Valley C.C. - 61. Although I was unable to play, I'm told that the day went exceptionally well. This tournament is difficult to pull-off in that nearly 150 players participate. Congratulations to everyone who had a hand in making this annual event most successful.

The July meeting continued the string of very successful meetings during 1979. Host Bob Viera had Watertown G.C. in excellent shape for the second round of the Superintendent's Championship. It is always a pleasure to return to Watertown

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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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for the hospitality and welcome there is so genuine. Our thanks go out to Manager Fran Fenn for providing such a reasonable cost to our membership for a fine day. Bill Dest raised more than a few questions with his talk concerning soil testing and interpreting soil tests. As this was Bill's stated intention, I'm sure he went home smiling.

As noted above, this year's Championship was held at the C.C. of New Canaan and Watertown G.C. Winners include:

- A Division—Gross - F. Lamphier 74-76 - 150
Net - B. Phipps 81-84 (26) - 139
- B Division—Gross - B. Osterman 89-92 - 181
Net - D. Stimson 103-93 - (46)150
- Seniors—Gross - B. Kowalski 84-83 - 167
Net - D. Cook 87-81 - (20)148
- Associates—Gross - B. Somers 92-90 - 182
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Future Happenings

- Aug. 8 - 12 **Sammy Davis, Jr. Greater Hartford Open**
Wethersfield Country Club
Wethersfield, Ct.
Fred Bachand, Host
Superintendent
- Aug. 14 **CAGCS Monthly Meeting**
Yale Golf Club
New Haven, Ct.
Harry Meusel, Host
Superintendent
- Aug. 22 **Rhode Island Turfgrass Field Day**
Turfgrass Research Farm
URI
Kingston, R.I.
- Aug. 25 **CAGCS Annual Picnic**
**** IT'S FREE ****
Bring the entire family to Winding Trails Farm in Farmington for a day of Refreshments, Food, Fun & Games. Come share a day with your peers and have a plain olde good time!
- Sept. 11 **CAGCS Monthly Meeting**
Edgewood Golf Club
Cromwell, Ct.
Peter Pierson & Family, Hosts
- Sept. 25 **CAGCS Field Day**
(rain date)
Sept. 26 Beardsley Park
Bridgeport, Ct.
- Sept. 28 **CAGCS Golden Anniversary Dinner Dance**
Tumble Brook Country Club
West Hartford, Ct.
Dave Stimson, Host
Superintendent
- Oct. 9 **CAGCS Monthly Meeting**
Oak Lane Country Club
Woodbridge, Ct.
Ed Zenisky, Host Superintendent

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and moan about all that is wrong with it, and do nothing to correct it. Get involved, contribute, suggest. "VOLUNTEER" is not a dirty word.

Give the Nominating Committee something to work with. Volunteer your services as a prospective member of the board or committees. If you would like to see certain members as officers or directors, submit his name to the Nominating Committee for consideration.

A slate will be presented to the membership at our October meeting. Don't wait. Submit names at the earliest date so the Nominating Committee can come up with the best possible candidates to lead us into our next fifty years of growth.

Robert Osterman
President, CAGCS

Meet Your Hosts

Harry Meusel - Yale Golf Club

How does one write a couple of paragraphs that adequately describe such an individual as Harry Meusel? Here is an extraordinary man who has dedicated nearly thirty years of his life to a golf course or, more specifically, to nature. One cannot help but be engulfed by his love of nature and his enthusiasm for his profession even if only through brief contacts. Those who know him will attest to immense knowledge and professionalism. He is unique! He has appeared on countless conference programs, written numerous articles, and has found time to be active within CAGCS having served as President during 1960-61.

Little needs to be said about the golf course at Yale. Recognized as one of the top 100 courses in the country, it offers a truly different approach to the game of golf. As Harry states, "Our course is maintained to make nature look comfortable for people. It's a semi-rugged look. It never gets jungly, but it gives the illusion of an impenetrable area. We try to create that effect." Those who play are sure to find the course semi-rugged indeed!

Peter Pierson - Edgewood Golf Club

A relative newcomer to the profession of Golf Course Superintendency, Peter is no newcomer to golf. As Edgewood G.C. has been a family operation since its inception, Peter grew up on the golf course as an avid golfer and still maintains a low handicap. His interest in growing fine turf surfaced just a few years ago although his degree from Clemson University is in horticulture. Peter has some very definite opinions concerning our profession and feels strongly that a superintendent should become more than a once-a-year golfer. "How else," he states, "can a super get a real feel for that which he is trying to accomplish."

At Edgewood, Peter's goal is to provide the public golfer conditions that are comparable to that of a private golf course. Several projects are underway in that regard. Aprons are being redesigned and rebuilt to prevent the continual build-up of sand from bunker shots. Well thought out landscaping is being considered to beautify the course but not slow play. The Binar irrigation system is being re-wired to provide greater efficiency.

Peter looks forward to hosting CAGCS and promises a fine day for all.

Job Opening

Golf Course Superintendent
Norwich Golf Course, Norwich, Ct.

Send resumes prior to Aug. 15 to:

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Refer to CAGCS Code of Ethics when applying for positions of employment.

CAGCS
Celebrates Fifty Years of
Professional Development

FIELD DAY

Equipment & Materials
Demonstrated
Beardsley Park
Bridgeport
September 25, 1979
September 26 Rain Date
10 — 4

ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE
Tumble Brook Country Club
West Hartford, Ct.
September 28, 1979

Cocktails 6 - 7
Dinner 7 - 8:30
Dancing 9 - 12
\$40.00/Couple

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President Osterman addressing group at June meeting. Seated at head table include, l. to r.: Steve Cadenelli; Paul Setti, Professional; Les Young, Green Chairman; Victor King, Golf/Green Chairman; Robert Osterman; Dr. R. Korbobo, Guest Speaker; D. Stachura; K. Kelliher; F. Bachand; and, D. Stimson.

Celebrating Fifty Years of Professional Development

I have taken the liberty of coining the above phrase for I truly believe that it best reflects the real meaning of our celebrating Fifty Years as an organization. I realize there are those of you who are skeptics and would say that our business has not progressed as it should. You might say that much of the golfing public continues to refer to us as greenskeepers or worse yet as "what's his name down at the barn." And, in some instances, you are correct. Fortunately, these instances are few and as superintendents, both individually and through their professional associations, demonstrate their skills in business and financial management, public speaking, turf management, and in the game of golf itself, our image will improve and our professional continue to develop.

The past fifty years have seen changes not only in our business, but in the world itself, that are nearly incomprehensible. The determination of those who led CAGCS through

these times can only be termed remarkable. Imagine founding any organization in 1929. Throughout the years, the initial goal of the founders has remained intact, "to encourage increased knowledge of golf course management and greater professionalism." The challenge is ours and only through working together, with this goal in mind, will our profession continue to develop and pay greater dividends.

The calendar for the next couple of months is filled with association events aimed at celebrating our anniversary and promoting our profession. Schedule as many of these events on your own calendar as possible. Invite guests, especially those within the golfing industry or club members, so that as many as possible might recognize our achievements as a profession. These events are planned for you, the member and depend upon you for their success.

Steve Cadenelli

New Members

The following have been voted in as new members of our Association. Congratulations and Welcome!

Dan Cancelleri - Class C
J.A. Jackson Corp.
Mamaroneck, N.Y.

William Hamm - Class B
Shorehaven C.C.
Norwalk, Ct.

Les Scheiber - Class B
Hartford G.C.
West Hartford, Ct.

Charles Cross - Class B
C.C. of New Canaan
New Canaan, Ct.

Donald Pullen - Class B
Westchester C.C.
Rye, N.Y.

John Halibozek - Class B
Clinton C.C.
Clinton, Ct.

Michael Reeb - Class B
Redding C.C.
Redding, Ct.

Grass Catcher

Doug Stachura, Chairman of the S & R Committee, has announced the awarding of scholarships to Cheryl Arison and Karen Knoblock, both of whom are students at the University of Connecticut. Cheryl, daughter of Al & Joan Arison, and Karen, daughter of Karl & Mae Knoblock, have expressed appreciation for this financial assistance.

Doug also announced that applications are now being accepted for scholarships for the 1980-81 school year. Contact any member of the S & R Committee for the necessary information.

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Dick Bator called a while back from the wilds of Rochester, N.Y. to tell of the introduction of Golf's Grand Slam Tournament to be held at Oak Hill Country Club August 7, 1979. Sponsored by the PGA, this tournament brings together winners of the previous year's Master's, U.S. & British Opens, and the PGA Championship. This year's first Grand Slam will see Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Andy North, and John Mahaffey in this unique match. The real winner of this event, however, will be the PGA's Junior Golf Foundation which realizes its funds from tournaments such as the Grand Slam.

While talking with Dick, he told me of the numerous project under way in preparation for the PGA Championship to be hosted by Oak Hill C.C. in 1980. Included are: rebuilding and refilling of all 96 traps on the East Course and the construction of three new traps, construction of seven new tees, installation of three miles of drainage on the East Course, rebuilding of the pump house and the installation of Royal Coach Fairways sprinklers throughout the East & West Courses, the rebuilding of twelve bridges, and the planting of \$25,000 worth of strategic and flowering trees on the East course.

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Congratulations and Good Luck to Ed Zenisky, who recently assumed the superintendent's position at Oak Lane C.C. in Woodbridge.

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Once again, Fred Bachand has made arrangements for members of CAGCS to attend the GHO. Simply present your membership card at the Will Call both located at the Wethersfield Ramada Inn. There you will receive complimentary daily passes. Thanks, Fred!

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Keep in mind that a Scholarship & Research Tournament is going to be held early in October at the Pine Valley C.C. hosted by Leo Della Bianca. Details are incomplete as yet, but this promises to be a fun as well as worthwhile event.

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