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## An interview with David Fay

by Doug Vogel

he Greenerside was recently welcomed with open arms into the office of David Fay, Executive Director of the United States Golf Association. The following interview produced his candidremarks about the golf course superintendent and issues concerning golf course maintenance. He is no stranger to golf course maintenance, having spent three



**David Fay** 

years of his youth working on the crew of the Tuxedo Club.

 Welcome to *The Greenerside* interview. Let me break the ice by asking, how is Iron Byron hitting the ball these days?

Fay - As perfectly as ever. (Laughter)

- What is David Fay's perception of the golf course superintendent?
- Fay It is hard to overstate how important the role of the golf course superintendent is. The superintendent is the guardian of the most important part of golf—which is the golf course. We really value the relationship we have with the golf course superintendent and the importance of that role. We find examples of this every year. Just this past year, those horrible rains we had at the U.S. Open on Wednesday. Without the efforts not only of Steve Glossinger, CGCS, the golf course superintendent of Oakland Hills, but the superintendents and crews from the surrounding clubs, we would have had no open. That might be the most graphic example of just how important the golf course superintendent is.
- Do you feel they get the credit they deserve?

Fay - No, I don't think they are getting the credit they deserve. But I think it has improved significantly over the last 10 years or so. I think that golfers, club members, green fee payers at courses and clubs recognize now just how important the superintendent is. Again, the most important element of the game, really, is the golf course. They recognize the person responsible for that is the golf course superintendent. I think it's been a result of education and communication. Education on the part of the superintendents association, both the national and local, and I think the USGA has had a role in that.

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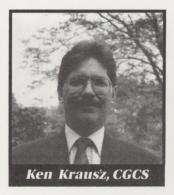
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### **EDITORIAL**



## Looking forward and back: Entertainment galore

by Ken Krausz, CGCS

elcome to 1997! As we enter a new year, we are thinking toward the future; heck, the year 2000 is

coming SOON. While doing research for this issue of *The Greenerside*, I had to look back quite a lot.

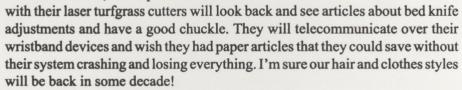
Going back to past issues was quite an experience. Superintendents' profiles of the past are a great way to refresh memories. Past articles show that we have not changed much in terms of problems that superintendents face day-

to-day and year-to-year. If you have saved older *Greenersides*, take a look; it will provide for an entertaining time.

If anyone has older copies of *The Greenerside*, I would like to see them as I do not have many dating before the mid-80s.

Harry Harsin and Ken Kubik set up a file with excerpts from older *Greenersides*. They had them at the Presidents Ball in November, and they created quite a bit of conversation. By the way, if you missed the Presidents Ball, you missed a great evening. There are plenty of inexpensive hotels in the area so you could make a complete night of it.

In the future, the superintendents



NASA just sent a space vehicle up that should land on Mars around July 4th. They feel that maybe it could sustain life. I wonder who will be the first superintendent out there?

I wish you the best of health, both physical and turf-wise, for the future. About the future, please forward any articles for the March/April *Greenerside* to me by February 1, allowing me to get it together before the GCSAA Conference.

See you all soon.



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



### Needed: Committee members - help make GCSANJ stronger

would like to thank the members of GCSANJ for giving me the opportunity

to serve as your president. My goal is not so much to run the association as to see that the association is well run. To achieve this goal I plan to utilize all the resources available to me. Those resources include, but are not limited to, the following: current Board members, past presidents, past Board members, our management staff, GCSAA and, most important of all, YOU, the members of this organization.

One of the most difficult tasks the association leadership faces is finding and developing volunteers for our organization. Our current Board members are very dedicated and hard working, following in the footsteps of past Boards, but we can not and should not have to run this association alone. I know that we have many members who can contribute a lot to this profession and this association. The key for the Board and me is to find the strengths, talents and abilities of each member and match them appropriately to the activities of this association.

If you went back and re-read the President's Message from the last 10 years or so, I am sure you would see the same words of encouragement you see from me: get involved! I think it is important to remember that the more we put into the association the more we get out of it. I am currently in the process of restructuring committee assignments. Once I finish, I will forward a copy to all members and ask each of you to select a committee with which you would like to be involved. It will then be the responsibility of each chairperson to put together a committee of at least three. We will then include a list of all committee members in the member directory to improve communication between this Board of Directors and the members of this association.

Glenn A. Miller

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## Calendar

Jan. 17-18, 1997	Lake Management
	Cook College, New Brunswick
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January 20-Feb. 7	Rutgers Professional
	Golf Turf Management
	School
	Three-Week Preparatory Short
	Course
	908-932-8451
January 28-29	Rutgers University
	Center for Turfgrass
	Science Annual
	Turfgrass Management
	Symposium
	Current Concepts of Pest
	Management in Turfgrass
	908-932-9271
January 29-30	Stabilization and Resto-
	ration of Disturbed
	Sites
	Cook College, New Brunswick
	908-932-9271
January 30	Internet for the Golf
	Course Professional
	Rutgers University
	908-932-8451
February 6-12	GCSAA's 68th Interna- tional Golf Course Con-
	ference and Show
	Las Vegas, Nevada 800-472-7878
Enhance 24	Water Conservation
February 24	Practices on the Golf
	Course
	Rutgers University
	908-932-9271
March 3-4	Management Skills for
	Golf Course Profession-
	als
	Rutgers University
	908-932-9271
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	Course Management
	Rutgers University
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Bloch and Judy Bell.

- Does the USGA do anything to promote the golf course superintendent?
- Fay I think we do. We do it through our Turf Advisory Service, which I think not only provides superintendents with useful information, but serves as a vehicle which acts as a conduit between the superintendent and the green committee and green committee chairman.

  We have had, particularly in recent times, presidents of the USGA who are very aware of the importance of the golf course superintendent, and they articulate that. Names that jump out quickly are Bill Campbell, Stuart
- The golf course superintendent has taken years of research, combined it with modern technology, added his own innovation and hard work ethic to present to the golfer a somewhat flawless playing field. Is this good or bad?
- Fay Well, I think they have done a terrific job in improving the conditions of golf courses to the point where they almost are perfect. I don't necessarily think that's a good trend, but that's not the fault of the superintendent. He's almost being pulled along. People may see a particular course or setup, particularly the major championships, and say, "That's what we want," with no regard to the cost, no regard for the fact of the labor involved. So, it is not a criticism of the golf course superintendent, but I am concerned that the trend is to almost have perfect conditions. I don't like that trend.
- What is your opinion on non-metal spikes?

Fay - I have not worn metal spikes in four years. I think the



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(609) 655-2281 74 Petty Road, Cranbury, NJ trend is growing and growing very, very quickly. You see that in the recent study of Met area courses, the number that will be converting to non-metal spike policies next year. It's not only good agronomically, that's been proven, actually boat shoes would even be better.

The decision by the NCAA to prohibit metal spikes beginning next year is the most important news because that's sending a message to the future generations of golfers. If they turn professional, having played all their golf in something other than metal spikes, they won't switch back. The trend is clearly in the direction of the future.

- What is your opinion on green speed?
- Fay I think I've said publicly that we've now reached the point where they are too fast. It puts the plant under great stress to mow the plant at those low cutting heights. I also think the best, the very, very best players can reach a point where faster greens don't require as much skill as slower greens. The more hit you put into a stroke, the more likely the ball is going to go off line. So in a way, you need even more skill on a slower green.

In many ways, the stimpmeter is one of the worst inventions of all time. I remember a story I've always heard. Somebody handed the stimpmeter to the superintendent of either the Old Course or Muirfield and explained that this would enable you to have consistent green speeds. He said, "Why would I want that?" (Laughter)

So I think in many ways this desire, this passion to get fast greens has gone overboard. How you get that genie back in the bottle—I don't have the answer.

- Knowing that all golf courses appeal to different people for different reasons, what five golf courses in New Jersey are your favorites?
- Fay I'm not going to commit myself. (Laughter) Certainly you have to put Pine Valley at the top of the list. There are so many great golf courses in New Jersey, it would be tough to single out just five. I think Plainfield is one of Donald Ross's best designs anywhere, and I don't think it gets the acclaim it deserves. You then have the rest of the likely suspects. I'm not going to limit myself to just five! I will pick Plainfield, and I will say, obviously, Pine Valley. You get the Somerset Hills, you get Baltusrol Upper and Lower, Ridgewood, Mountain



#### 25-YEAR MEMBERS HONORED

Nine members of the Golf Course Superintendents Association were recently honored for their 25 years in the Association. They each received a plaque at the annual meeting. The members honored were:

- Fred Allan Fred has been the superintendent at Seabright Lawn Tennis/Cricket Club for 27 years. He graduated from Rutgers Fine Turf Management in 1971. Fred and his wife, Rose, have three grown children. His son, Dave, will be taking over at Seabright.
- Les Carpenter, Jr. Les has been the superintendent at Newton Country Club for the past 10 years. He began his superintendent career at Picatinny Golf Course two months shy of his 21st birthday. His father, Buck, and brother, Scott, are also superintendents. Les and his wife, Dana, have two children.
- Phil DeMarco Phil is the branch manager with Century Rain Aid-Hammonton. He was previously the owner of DeMarco Turf Irrigation (15 years), and Aqua-Flo Inc. (20 years). Phil is also a member of the Mid Atlantic GCSA, the Eastern Shore GCSA, a trustee of the Irrigation Association of New Jersey and is on the Board of Directors for the National Irrigation Association. Phil and his wife, Jo, have two children.

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Ridge. You get Hollywood; the list goes on and on.

Just between you and me, does Iron Byron were spikeless golf shoes?

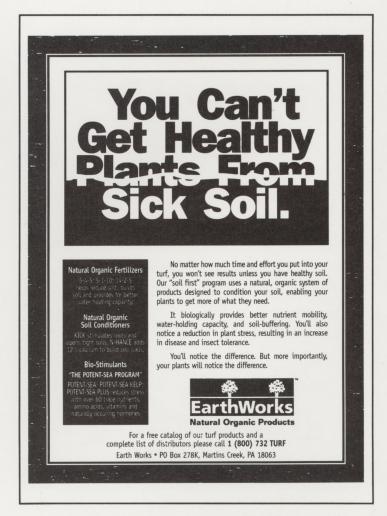
Fay - (Laughter) He never has worn spikes in his life.

Thank you for sharing your thoughts with The Greenerside.

Fay - Thank you, Doug.



Twenty-five-year members (from left to right) Don Heyniger, Bob Lowry, Phil DeMarco and Roy Griffiths with 25-year Committee Chairman Sky Bergen (center).



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- Ron Faulseit Ron is the manager for the State Park Service Golf Course at Spring Meadow Golf Course. His past clubs include Two Bridges Country Club in Lincoln Park, N.J. and Cedar Creek Golf Course. Ron is a Certified Golf Course Superintendent and is a member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and The New Jersey Turf Grass Association. He and his wife, Dianne, have two children.
- Joe Fricovsky Joe is with Wilpat Turf Sprinkler Systems, Inc. Before joining Wilpat, his positions included groundsman, groundskeeper and assistant superintendent at various golf courses. Joe attended the Rutgers 2-year course. He and his wife, Marilyn, have two grown children.



- Bill Gaydosh Bill is the superintendent at Round Hill Club in Connecticut. His past clubs have included Edgewood Country Club and Hackensack Golf Course.
- Roy Griffiths Roy is the president of Sportsturf-East servicing golf courses, athletic fields and other large turf areas. He is also a member of the New Jersey Turfgrass Association. Roy and his wife, Jeanette, have two children.
- Don Heyniger Don is employed by American Golf Corporation as superintendent at LaTourette Golf Course. He broke into the business back in 1968 when he owned a landscaping business and a friend told him that the superintendent's position was open at Hanover Country Club. He applied and was hired. Don has attended Rutgers 2-year Turf Grass Program and the 5-year Advanced Turf Grass Course as well as various seminars and the U.S. Marine Corps Aviation Mechanics Course. He is currently president of his local 4-H Club and has been with the Belmar Volunteer Fire Department for the past 35 years. Don is also a trustee and deacon of his church and has been with the Belmar Board of Adjustment for 20 years. Don married his wife, Joyce, in 1962, and they have three grown children.
- Bob Lowry Bob is employed by the Somerset County Park Commission and is assistant superintendent of four golf courses: Spooky Brook, Warren Brook, Quail Brook and Green Knoll. His professional achievements include the overseeing of the construction of Spooky Brook, and he has been with the Park Commission for 30 years. He has been with the Hillsboro Volunteer Fire Department for 25 years. Bob has completed the 2-year Turf Grass Course at Rutgers.

Congratulations to all the recipients of this award. Special thanks to **Sky Bergen** for all the work he puts into compiling the information required for these awards each year. We all appreciate your efforts. Sky!

#### **WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?**

The Greenerside staff would like to hear from you. We want your likes and dislikes regarding this publication. Would you enjoy more technical information or more human interest stories? Would you like to see the continuation of the Superintendents Profile? Would you like a question and answer forum?



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Drop us a line or two and address it to: The Greenerside, 330 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ 07652 or fax your opinion to: (201) 447-0301.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

The Greenerside welcomes the following new members:

Richard Gaylord

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Maplewood C.C.

Jeremy A. Lee

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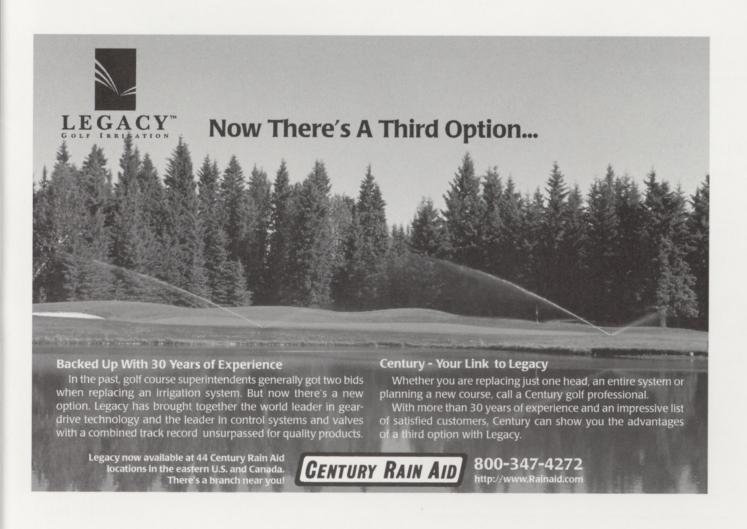
The Meadows Golf Club

#### DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD WINNER ANNOUNCED

by Chris Carson

At the awards banquet at the Turf Expo in Atlantic City, GCSANJ presented the Distinguished Service Award to Peter Pedrazzi, Sr. Our most important award, the DSA represents recognition of a lifetime commitment and service to our profession and our association.

Pete has spent a lifetime in the golf business. First a superintendent at Suburban Golf Club, he served on the Board of GCSANJ and as secretary for two years and vice-president Continued on page 8





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for two years. Pete also had an impact on our association with service on various committees and through speaking engagements. In 1965 Pete moved to Crestmont Country Club where he served with distinction for 31 years. While at Crestmont, Pete served on the Board of Directors of GCSANJ for a number of years. Pete retired from Crestmont in 1996 and leaves



Distinguished Service recipient Pete Pedrazzi.

as his legacy not just the fine reputation as a professional turf manager he so richly deserves, but also three of his five sons who follow him into the golf business.

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### MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD TO SHAUN BARRY

by Chris Carson

The first annual Member of the Year Award was presented at the Presidents Ball on November 16, 1996, to **Shaun Barry**. This award recognizes the significant contributions Shaun has made to our association and profession, and carries with it the Board's and the entire membership's heartfelt appreciation of his continuing hard work for GCSANJ.



Past President Chris Carson presenting a plaque to our first Member-of-the-Year, Shaun Barry.

Shaun was first elected as a

director to the GCSANJ Board in 1987 and continued on the Board as commercial representative. His first active involvement with a GCSANJ function was helping to run our Invitational. He assisted in this role until 1991 when he was appointed chairman of this committee. In addition to organizing this event, he also arranges our meeting schedule, secures our speakers and runs tournaments. While on the Board he was instrumental in changing our August meetings into district events and is responsible for the season-ending Presidents Ball. A frequent contributor to *The Greenerside*, he has also been a major force behind the successful fund-raisers over the last several years. Those who know Shaun know him as a tireless worker and a major supporter of GCSANJ.

Though the plaque we gave Shaun is a relatively small item compared to his years of service, it represents the resounding thanks of the more than 500 members of GCSANJ. We hope



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that when he looks at it on his wall he sees not wood, brass and hardware, but the appreciation, affection and esteem our membership has for him.

### TRENTON C.C. TESTS OUR CHAMPIONS

by Shaun Barry

If you haven't met **Justin** Stewart from Trenton C.C., take the time and say hello. This will be time well spent. He is young, smart and talented, and he is willing to reach



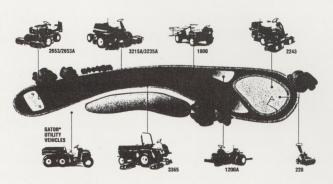
Justin Stewart, host of the GCSANJ Championship, with President Paul Powondra.

out to help the association. Once again a course had to cancel its plan of hosting one of our meetings. We had no place to turn to for a replacement. Justin just happened to give me a call. The rest is history. He quickly set things in motion, and we were on their schedule. The championship would not be held at the local meeting hall.

Our meeting date arrived, and the rain that wasn't supposed to be there was there. We all teed off dodging the drops, but that only lasted one hole. The sun came out and the course's beauty and charm became evident. What a gem. Hit it right or left, though, and get out the calculator. **John Alexander** said it was the toughest short course that he had been on. John is still under 30, so every course is short. Tough, however, is correct, but "truly enjoyable" would sum up all of our feelings.

After a wonderful dinner it was time to acknowledge the winners. Heading up the A Flight was Charlie Clarke (77) and Mark Kriews (78). Charlie took home the Sherwood Moore Cup. Jack Martin (69) and Pat Campbell (72) led all the net

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players in the B Flight, while **Chip Kern** (69) and **Mike Famularo** (72) did the same in the C Flight. Our commercial winner was **Tony Raczynski** who had a 77 gross and a 67 net. He wins the Dr. Paul Sartoretto Cup for this year. **Mike Uckar** came in second with a 70.

Our closest-to-the-pin winners were Mark (only one to hit the green) Peterson, Jim Waniak, Seamus Barry, Jim Cross and Ed Mellor. Winning our longest drive contest (both with his car and his club) was J. Waniak. We were once again fortunate to have Rob Finnesey of Tree Tech donate \$100 to each winner of a separate and flighted long drive contest. He also gave a matching amount to our association. Winners by flight were John Farrell(A), Jim Cross(B) and Lance Seton (C). Once again, Lance donated the flag that we give away to the superintendent who hosts our monthly meeting.

The team of C. Clarke, **Bob Prickett**, **John Carpinelli**, **Doug Larson**, **Alan Beck** and **Kevin Gunn** led District IV to victory in the District Championship. Skins were won by B. Prickett, **John Fenwick** and **Ian Kunesch**, but Mr. Carpinelli threw a sand wedge into the hole for an eagle and a double skin.

Clyde Ashton was unable to attend, but we thanked him and Double Eagle Equipment Co. for once again (five years in a row) donating \$500 to help defray the cost of our plaques. This really helps to keep meeting costs down, and it is appreciated.

Our year is coming to a close, but our memories of this meeting will be with us for a long time. Justin and Trenton C.C. were perfect hosts, and I for one can't wait to be invited back. Thanks again.

#### IT DOESN'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS

by Shaun Barry

Without a doubt, the wonderful tournament that we call the Invitational has been at 18 great golf courses. Fairmount C.C. hosted our 19th event, and it continued the sto-



First place team - Fairmount (left to right): William Lovett, Jim Dwyre, Vince Bracken, Craig Lindsey.

ried history of this meeting.

Vince Bracken was our host, so he had to handle the

weather. I think he let it rain just a little too close to the day of the event. The added moisture seemed to add 500 yards to the course. It might explain why some (?) of the pins were "tucked" into areas that had never been used before. Well, maybe a few times. Actually these greens were referred to by

Matt Dobbie as being absolutely perfect. It did not matter where the flags were placed. If you read it correctly and you hit it correctly, then it went in. Dave Pease captured the essence of these greens. He was presenting Vince with a plaque for host-



Panther Valley G&G.C., 3rd place winners (left to right): Pat Campbell, Richard Hughes and Dan Colin. Bob DeSemdt was out warming up the car.

ing the event when he said that "Fairmount should be a posterchild for using spikeless shoes." All day long we felt like the first group playing on a newly-cut green.

Each team member received a beautiful collectible piece. Framed and mounted postage stamps of Bobby Jones and Babe Zaharias made everyone a winner. On the course, Fairmount swept honors with a dual victory. Vince and Craig Lindsey won the Superintendent-Pro Trophy with Pat O'Neill and Dan McArthy of Navesink taking second place. Fairmount also took 1st in the team event as Vince, Craig, Jim Dwyre and

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William Lovett posted a 60. Tom Crump helped Ralph Romano, Paul Karp and Robert Cronheim shoot a 62, as second place went to Twin Brooks C.C. Making it a clean sweep for District II in this team event, Panther Valley G. & C.C. came in third. Pat Campbell led Richard Hughes, Dan Colin and Bob DeSmedt to a 64.

Individual honors were only recognized with a closest-tothe-pin contest. Dick LaFlamme, Ian Kunesch, Ted Cox and Steve Phillips won gift certificates for their shots, while professional Mike Knight took home \$100 for his.

The Invitational tournament is the most important event that we host each year. It is so nice when everyone at a club goes out of their way to make the day great. Each and everyone at Fairmount did just that. We can't thank each one of them, but perhaps, Vince, you will do it for us. Just don't forget to thank yourself first.

#### **DISTRICT I CHAMPIONSHIP**

by Steve Chirip

Better late than never. The District I meeting was again held at Arcola C.C. Our host, Mike Mongon, had the course in great shape. After a fine lunch cooked up by our own Chef Ken, groups were made up and the qualifying started. Not one to name drop, but some did see an ex-Giant quarterback out on the course. Let's see, Phil Simms on the course. A picture of O.J. in the office, what up with that, Mike?? The scores tabulated, the skins paid, now time to relax and catch up on what kind of season we had gone through, and what would fall bring. Again Chef Ken outdid himself at the grill, the filet were perfect as was the rest of the food and drink. A special thanks goes out to Mike Mongon and Ken Krausz, of course, but also to Mike Continued on page 12

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#### **DISTRICT IV CHAMPIONSHIP**

by Doug Larson

The District IV Golf Championship was held at Woodbury Country Club on August 8 and fun was had by all (except Bob Prickett). The low gross honors were taken by Tom Grimac (75), Jim Waniak (76) and Doug Larson (77), while the low net winners were Kevin Gunn (66), John Carpinelli (68) and Wendell "Don't smoke in my truck" Beakley (68). The closest to the pin award on #12 went to "Big" Al Phillips at 19'10". John "Bass Master" Carpinelli won both closest-to-the-pin on #14 at 9'1" and the longest drive. The District would like to thank Charlie Clarke and Woodbury Country Club for hosting the event, and a big thanks to our commercial friends who took care of the prizes and refreshments.

## HOLLYWOOD GOLF CLUB HOSTS ANNUAL MEETING

For as many years as I can remember Hollywood Golf Club has been a gracious host of our annual meeting. You know that when you go to Hollywood you are going to get a great lunch and nine holes of wonderful golf. The only change this year is that the weather finally cooperated!

Jan Kasyjanski presented those that played a wonderful

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Glenn Miller was elected president of GCSANJ. Congratulations! Ken Krausz was elected vice president, Ron Mencl, treasurer and Joe Kennedy, secretary.

The meeting went smoothly with commit-



President Powondra thanks Hollywood Golf Club Superintendent Jan Kasyjanski.

tee chairmen giving reports (see article concerning 25 year awards) until the issue of raising dues came up! There was a lively discussion that went on for close to a half hour. The idea was tabled, and the GCSANJ Executive Board was given the task of cutting costs without affecting member services and investigating other ways to increase income. It was great to see such participation at the meeting.

Thanks to everyone at Hollywood Golf Club for another great day.

#### THE PRESIDENTS BALL

by Steve Chirip

Harry and Rita Harsin were again our hosts at the Barclay Hotel. All arrived and were greeted by Shaun (who else), camera in hand, ready to take pictures of all, especially our better halves. The cocktail hour was a great time to see friends and just unwind. Some copies of *Greenerside* were passed around for all to see. Boy, how styles have changed. I think Ed fired people for having hair that long. Dinner was served and the awards were given out. Pete Pedrazzi was given the Distinguished Service Award, well-deserved and congrats to Pete. Pete, keep the speech short at Expo, please!! Next was a brand new award—Member of the Year, our MVP, so to speak. This went to my friend, actually everyone's friend, Shaun Barry. As Chris Carson said, this was easy; no one does more for the association than Shaun. Congratulations, Shaun.

Also, this was the new president's first official meeting, and didn't he do a fine job holding that unicycle? We look forward to Glenn Miller's presidency.

For most, the evening ended early; for a few hardy souls,

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Pat's awaited. More about that in the future.

Thanks again to Harry and Rita, and next year let's all get another member to come and make this the year-end event it should be.

#### SUPERINTENDENT PROFILE

by Doug Vogel

Glenn Miller, golf course superintendent of the Manasquan River C.C., is big on housekeeping, a trait he learned from his mentor. The newly-elected president of the GCSANJ said, "I learned from Jim McNally that if everything is groomed and in its place, small stressed areas will be overlooked." Filling the boots of McNally has been Glenn's biggest challenge so far in his 17-year career in course management. With the daily championship condition at Manasquan and his perennial ranking on Golf Digest's hidden gem list, it seems Miller has succeeded in the challenge.

Glenn epitomizes the classic story of local boy makes good. While growing up, the entire Miller family found employment at Manasquan River. After receiving his Civil Engineering degree, Miller returned to the club to work on its crew. He then graduated from the Rutgers Turf Program. After a short stint as assistant superintendent, he took over the top post 12 years ago.

Under Glenn's leadership, Manasquan River has hosted the USGA Junior Girls Championship, the Ike, the NJ State

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Amateur and qualifying for the US Open. He has served on the Board of GCSANJ as treasurer and vice president before becoming its top gavel swinger. His efforts on behalf of our country have been chronicled in the May-June 1991 issue of *The Greenerside*.

Manasquan River has two distinct nines. The front has hills and valleys. The back is flat and runs along the river. Glenn finds peace during his busy day on the 11th hole. It is here that he can view the ocean, the river, the fairways and the culmination of his efforts.

Glenn and his wife, Diane, have a three-year-old daughter, Diane.

## MY MENTOR, PATRICK V. CAMPBELL, DIED OCT. 5, 1996

At the age of seven, Pat's mom died; his aunt rescued him from an orphanage in New York City.

He then resided in Summit, New Jersey, three miles from Canoe Brook C.C.. He started caddying at eight years old and in a year or so was promoted and moved inside the locker room shining shoes.

The construction for the South course began in the early 20's. At that time Jack Ormond came on board as the construction superintendent. After its completion, Jack stayed on as golf course superintendent for 40 plus years.

Taking a liking to Pat, Jack brought him back outside to work on the golf course. Pat, not having parents, admired Jack. Becoming a father figure, Jack worked with Pat teaching him the art of fine turf. Pat worked his way up from greensman to foreman, leaving for four years to serve in the Army during WWII. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge, holding the rank of Staff Sgt. Shortly after returning to Canoe Brook C.C., Jack promoted him to assistant superintendent. He worked at Canoe Brook until 1966, close to 40 years.

Then Pat became superintendent at Flanders Valley G.C. for the Morris County Park Commission in 1973, hosting the National Public Links Tournament. Later Sunset Valley G.C. was constructed, and Pat became superintendent of golf courses. Retiring in 1978, Pat received his 25-year plaque from GCSANJ in 1983, staying around golf courses for the remainder of his retirement eating, sleeping and staying abreast of the on-going changes of golf course management from his easy chair. Pat was very proud of being a part of such a great profession and being a golf course superintendent as well as a member of the

#### GCSANJ and GCSAA.

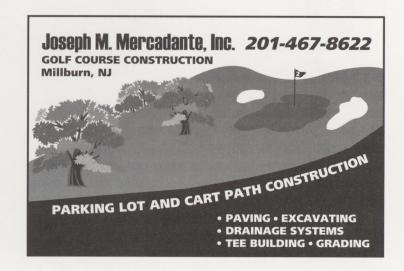
In closing, a personal note. I and my family had the opportunity to live with him for the past 14 years. He taught us *all* about life and me about fine turf. As his son, if I can become half the man he was during my stay, I will have made a difference in the world. Thanks, Dad, for being you; I'll miss our talks 'til we meet again.

Love, Your proud son Patrick K. Campbell, CGCS

### TWO MEMBERS REMEMBER LEW WEILAND

Lew Weiland died last month, living to an age of ninety-eight years. Lew's life bridged nine generations of golf course superintendents. He began his career as a greenskeeper in the 1920s at the Springdale Golf Club. Lew was a greenskeeper from the "old" school: tough, knowledgeable and opinionated. But he was always willing to listen to young superintendents espouse their latest theory on keeping Poa annua alive in the summer.

I began to know Lew when he would make unannounced calls on me while I was the superintendent at The Bedens Brook Club. I can still see him sitting behind the wheel of his Dodge, low in the seat, looking around waiting for someone to appear and talk with him. Most times I would go out and greet him, and we would talk endlessly about how I did things and



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how he used to do things, but never agreeing on too much. There were times when I wouldn't want to talk with him, and one of the crew would announce his arrival and he knew I was there, so I couldn't hide and we would talk.

Our conversations were simple, I would tell him how I did things and he would tell me how I should do things. Always the conversation would drift back to the "old" days and how he had to endure the lack of equipment, a scarcity of pesticides and the wrath of greens chairmen. It was an education once I started to listen to him; since the problems were still there, I only had to look for the solutions. I had to be innovative like him and not expect the solution to walk in the door.

This essay is only the passing thoughts of a man I knew briefly, but the conversations will always be remembered.

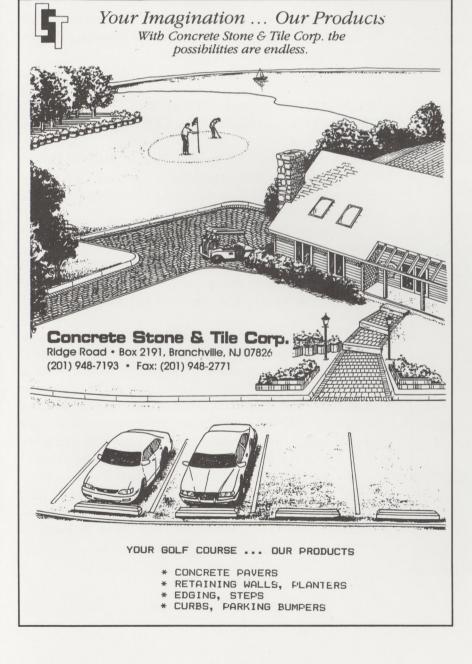
Jim Gilligan

Lewis Weiland, our most senior member, passed away on Wednesday, November 6, 1996. He missed his 98th birthday by one day.

The association used to recognize its retired members every year at the June golf meetings. I first met Lew Weiland at the June 1982 meeting at Canoe Brook. He was sitting at a designated table for retired members. When I later became district director, one of my responsibilities was to deliver fruit baskets to retired members in District 3, and it was always a pleasure to visit Lew around the holidays. He would regale me with stories of his years as superintendent at Springdale Golf Club in Princeton in the 1940s and 1950s. It seems there was an older gentleman who lived in the neighborhood adjacent to the golf course, and he had the habit of coming out onto the golf course in the early morning and late evening to walk and enjoy the peaceful relaxing atmosphere and green expanse of the property, which is set almost in the center of the Town of Princeton and the university campus. The man told Lew he appreciated the privilege of living so close to the golf course and that he was able to relax when he was out there in the peace and quiet and think clearly about his work. The man told Lew he envied him the opportunity to have an occupation that allowed him to work in such a beautiful environment every day. Lew introduced himself and was surprised to find out the man who was so enamored of his occupation was Albert Einstein.

Lew eventually left Springdale to be involved in the construction of the Bedens Brook Club nearby in Skillman, and he retired there.

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He lived for several years in retirement on Canal Road where he could be found early every morning in his "doghouse," a little shed behind the barn with a lavatory, wood stove and sofa, where he would go to shave and read the paper and just relax. You could find him out there in the coldest winter morning even with snow on the ground because he had a lawn tractor with a plow he used on his driveway and walks. Now this tractor was about as old as Lew was, and he would have trouble with it from time to time. Once when I came to see him with a fruit basket for Christmas from the association, he was standing over his machine with the hood up (Lew may have been the first to do an impression of Ross Perot). I don't remember what was wrong with the machine, but I do remember taking him for parts and getting coffee and then coming back to fix the

machine. He could always get it running.

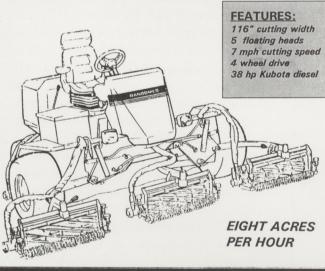
So that's how I remember Lewis Weiland, and his memory has me thinking about the importance of the custom of recognizing retired members every year. You never know who you're going to become acquainted with or who you are honoring for the last time.

Gerald B. Fountain

Editor's Note: Lewis Weiland was the subject of the "Superintendent Profile" in The Greenerside, March-April 1992, by then District Director Paul Powondra. Lewis Weiland was involved with the creation of GCSANJ and served as president in 1936 and 1937.



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### NEW JERSEY SUPERINTENDENT RECEIVES PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

**Donald Zeffer,** CGCS, superintendent of Harkers Hollow Golf Course, has been designated a Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS) by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).

Zeffer has been superintendent of the Phillipsburg, New Jersey, course since 1989.

GCSAA instituted the certification program in 1971 to recognize outstanding and progressive superintendents. More than 1,500 active GCSAA members currently hold CGCS status.

To become certified, a candidate must have five years' experience as a golf course superintendent, be employed in that capacity and meeting specific educational requirements of college credit or continuing education units. The candidate must then pass a rigorous six-hour examination covering knowledge of GCSAA and its certification program; the rules of golf; turfgrass management; pest management, safety and compliance; and financial and organizational management.

As part of the certification process, an on-site inspection of Zeffer's golf course operation was conducted by two certified golf course superintendents: Edward Walsh, CGCS, of Essex Country Club, West Orange, NJ, and John O'Keefe of Preakness Hills Country Club, Wayne, NJ.

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### PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES TO BE VOTED ON

by Wayne Remo, CGCS

Following are proposed changes to the bylaws of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America which are to be voted on:

• Dual Requirement Amendment - This amendment to Article I, Section I of the association bylaws is a technical change in the wording of the dual membership requirement that would require that once a Class A or B superintendent applicant for membership joins GCSAA and a local affiliated chapter, the member would be required to maintain an affiliated chapter membership thereafter.

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- Class AA Amendment This amendment to applicable sections of the association Articles of Incorporation and bylaws would change the eligibility requirements to qualify for Class AA-Life membership and would also waive the membership dues for Class AA-Life members.
- Retired Amendment This amendment to applicable sections of the association bylaws would add a second option to the Retired membership classification allowing members who have completed a minimum of 20 years of service in any membership classification to retire in that classification and maintain all of the privileges of that classification, except that of holding office.
- Class A, B and C Dues This ballot issue is a proposal to raise the membership dues of Class A and B members to \$250 and Class C members to \$125.
- Class C-V Amendment This amendment to applicable sections of the association Articles of Incorporation and bylaws would establish a Class C-V membership class. This class would be a voluntary classification for assistant golf course superintendents with three or more years' experience. This class would have the right to vote, pay full membership dues and be bound by the dual membership requirement to belong to both GCSAA and a local affiliated chapter.
- Class C-V Dues This ballot issue would set the initial Class C-V membership dues at the same rate paid by Class A and B members as voted upon at the 1997 Annual Meeting.

## GCSAA WEB SITE LINKS MEDIA WITH THE SOURCES

How can a superintendent affect the speed of play? What is the impact of using effluent water for irrigation purposes? What policies do golf courses have on alternative or soft spikes? How are golf courses prepared for tournament play?

The media can find the answers to these questions and a myriad of others on the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) internet Web site. The GCSAA Information Services Department has long been a source of data for the media, but a new feature puts journalists directly in touch with superintendents. In addition to finding information on a variety of golf course management topics, media representatives will now be able to pose questions to superintendents via the members-only GCSAA area of the GCSAA Web site.

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Media inquiries can be submitted to the GCSAA media/public relations department, which will in turn be posted on the site. Member superintendents then have the ability to respond to the media directly or through GCSAA staff.

"GCSAA has always been thorough and current in providing a wealth of information on a variety of subjects, whether it be to the membership, media or public," GCSAA Director and Public Relations Committee Chairman R. Scott Woodhead, CGCS, said. "This service takes that capability to the next level. There may be an issue for which no study has been completed, or there may be a question that may need a personal case study—such as the on-going debate over soft spikes. Now the media can access the experts, the golf course superintendents, for the most accurate and pertinent information. We believe this is a significant, user-friendly service to the media."

Along with the ability to question superintendents, the site also provides news to the media through other vehicles. Tournament Fact Sheets, which preview the course and its personnel, are included in the "Golfer's Corner" section of the public area. These fact sheets are compiled for all USGA, PGA, PGA Tour (regular, senior, Nike) and LPGA events. GCSAA news releases and media advisories can also be found on the public area in the "News" section, under "GCSAA News."

To post a question on the GCSAA Web site, please contact Media/Public Relations Manager Jeff Bollig or Public Relations Specialist Kristi Frey at 800-472-7878 (ext. 430 or 608) via fax at 913-832-4433 or by e-mail media@gcsaa.org. The site, launched in May 1996, features public and members-only areas. The site can be found at http://www.gcsaa.org, and has had more than 250,000 hits combined in June, July and August.

## Some say real superintendents don't wear earrings: Kenneth S. VanFleet, CGCS, has a different angle

by Ken VanFleet, CGCS (real superintendent?)

ome say that you're not a "REAL" superintendent until you get fired for the first time. They also talk about hanging in there and that it will work out for the better in the long run.

Now I know that entirely too many of us have lost our jobs needlessly, but when it happens to you, it really is overwhelming! Thoughts immediately turn to finding another position as soon as possible so that, hopefully, you don't lose all those things that make life what it is. You know the things—house, car, food, your pride, etc.

Resumés get polished, references put together. You contact everyone you know to get the word out. You wait for replies and pray for interviews. All the while you have a knot in your stomach that just won't go away, all day and all night.

Every day and every night you deal with it as best you can.

It's during this time that you truly appreciate your good friends. The people who really care and are there for you. Helpful phone calls, tips and leads. All those little things that mean more than words can describe.

This is how it has gone for me since I lost my job of nearly 14 years. Fortunately, it took only six weeks to get a better position than the one I lost.

I would like to thank all my friends, both in and out of the business, who stood by me and my family during this period. There are just too many to list them all, but some went above and beyond and have to be mentioned: Bernie Stuck, Dave Geyer, Brad Simpkins, Steve Malikowski, Al Phillips, Jeff Allen, Rick Broome, etc., etc.

I would also like to thank all those involved with my new position with American Golf. Luckily for me it really did work out for the better in the long run.

## Community involvement helping to improve the image of the golf course superintendent

ow involved is your golf course in the local community? As President Kennedy asked, "What can you do for your country?" There are many things that we as golf course superintendents can do for our community that cost nothing and generate a lot of good will with little inconvenience.

We have all heard about inviting schools to your course to show them how nature and golf courses blend together. Going to the local garden club and giving them your insight is also another often-expressed sentiment. I feel that we can do more!

Paramus Golf Course is owned by the town so that may seem to make interaction with the community easier, which is probably true, but involvement in the community is something that we can all do. If you live on the course or in the community, you can join the Fire Department, Ambulance Corps or any other volunteer agency. You are now a member of the community and get to know people on another level.

Let's bring this idea to another level. We are in charge of a facility that has much more to offer. One thing that we do every year in conjunction with the Recreation Department in town is to run a hay ride one night during the weekend before Halloween. We supply the tractor and get a trailer from the Shade Tree Department. I drive the tractor (who else knows how to get around the course at night) and the recreation department arranges for people from the high school, girl scouts, boy scouts and parents to do different scenes on the course and the younger children on the hay ride have a blast!

Besides the golf course itself, we have a few other things to offer. How many places in town have a building as large as most maintenance shops? Not many. We have twice stored emergency vehicles in my shop. The doors are big enough, and with a little moving around, you can probably fit a fire truck in your shop for a little while. I am fortunate enough to be a member of the local fire department, and last year I was approached by the town because one fire house needed repairs and they needed to store a truck. With a little work we were able to fit the fire truck in the shop while the fire house got repaired, and the golf course looked like a hero! It did not end there; since I am a member of the fire deparement, we were able to keep the one truck in service. As I knew and trusted all the drivers, I made keys to my shop for all of them, and we were able to keep this truck available to respond to fire calls. It took a little bit of extra work on my part but the effort was worth it. Since we had more than one truck to store I went to the next likely places, the DPW Building and the Rescue Squad. We were able to keep all

three vehicles at the ready to service the town. Our last piece of equipment was an antique fire truck, and Mike Mongon was able to allow us to store this piece at Arcola Country Club until the repairs were made to the building. The members of my fire company only knew Arcola as the place down the road, now

Talk to your club and talk to your mayor or department heads in the community; a little help may go a long way when you need it!

they know them as the place that helped them out when they needed it. Fire Trucks cost at least \$350,000, and no one wants to keep them outdoors. I am now housing a Rescue Squad truck for a week and although it had to go out of service, at least it is protected from the weather.

How many of your towns own a swimming pool? Mine does and we went together on a joint project. Last winter I heard that the pool commission was having a problem with geese (think about it, bare feet, laying in the grass, swimming with them). Since I was thinking about putting in for a Boarder Collie, I approached the pool with a proposal to remove the geese at both properties; they liked the idea and the town fathers liked the idea of sharing services. I really did not think that the town would spend \$2,600 on a dog, but since we were able to service a greater number of residents they went for the idea and now "Mist" and I are heroes.

If you have a goose dog and it has chased all the geese away, it is logical to give it another challenge. In doing so you are building community awareness that the golf course in town is not only for the rich, but it also gives back! Who knows, maybe you will get a pass for your family at the town pool!

There are many ways that we can give back to the community, these are just a few. If you do something along these lines please let me know as I would like to share it with the rest of the membership.

Superintendents are trying to get the respect that we deserve, this may help.

Talk to your club and talk to your mayor or department heads in the community; a little help may go a long way when you need it! How green is Germany?

by Ilona Gray

reen enough. Green in this country is a political statement and not an expression of turf quality. Green is the word to use in describing the "environmentalists." Home and garden shops carry manures of various descriptions including some suitable for use with indoor plants. Pesticides? Well, that can be a little more complicated. We did find some glyphosate Round-Up. It is sold in little packages as a water dispersible powder. The packages are enough to treat the sidewalk in front of the average house.

Recycling is another green expression. Everything, or almost everything, is recycled. Packaging, plastic wrap, cans, foil, margarine tubs, etc. all go into a special color coded bag. In Wiesbaden, the bag is yellow. All materials purchased with a green dot on it are to be recycled. Bins for this purpose are scattered around and generally have a yellow matching top. Paper is recycled by dropping it into a little slot in a big drum. It's like mailing a letter. Unfortunately there is no way to just dump the stuff. Glass is segregated by color and dropped



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silently into bins. You can't throw the stuff into the bin and watch it break, and you can't drop it into the bin on a Sunday.

Green is also an expression for parks, gardens, flowers and such. Germany has achieved a high state of greenness. But as Kermit would say, "It's not easy being green." The population understands that it takes some sacrifice to keep things clean and to give the air, water and soil a chance to recover. Several years ago, co-generation stations were built to fuel factories with electricity from the burning of waste. There is now a sufficient shortage of combustible garbage that these plants are finding it uneconomical to operate. So even the best laid plans can be laid to waste!

Being green also means conserving water. Water is the number one necessity for human life, and the quality of water is under pressure all over the world. The German solution is to make it expensive. I guess it is about four times as expensive as New Jersey water. Toilets flush with less water and very few households water a lawn. However, washing the car, be it a Mercedes or a VW, still is a priority!

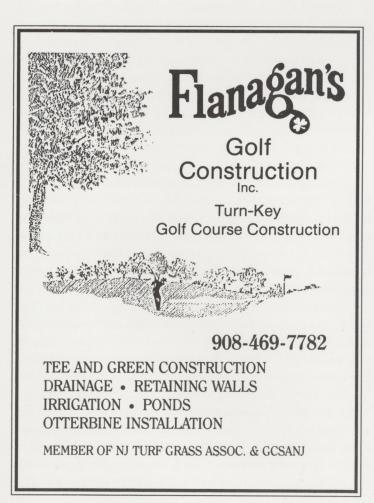
Golf courses consume a lot of resources including land and water. As a superintendent, you need to consider programs that respect the sensitivities your neighbors and members have in this area. Try to implement conservation measures and other green programs before it becomes an issue. Do a brief check list for the course: Recycling containers in strategic locations; water use under control; irrigation equipment designed for efficient and effective applications; pesticide application equipment that is well-calibrated; licenses in place; back flow devices set; pesticide storage shed locked; employees trained; etc. By having this all in place you can keep the green in *The Greenerside* and avoid potential misunderstandings.

## The truth leaks out or Nigel has moved

by Steve Malikowski, CGCS The Sand Barrens Golf Club

s you may see by the title, I am no longer serving as golf superintendent at Cape May National Golf Club. Having built and grown in one golf club, I decided that I would like to do it one more time and take the learning experience and expand upon it and build one more.

The Sand Barrens at Royal Oakes is now my home and is the course that I hope to retire from one day. It is a Dana Fry masterpiece of championship quality, and those who have had the opportunity to see it all agree that it is a course open to the public that is truly unique. Dana Fry is the lead architect with the Hurdzan Design Company who has just added to the list of greats he has designed. These include Naples National, The Devils Pulpit, the Devils Paintbrush and Glenmaura National, to name a few. The Sand Barrens will open in the Spring of 1997, and even though I don't like to see time go by quickly,



I look forward to winter ending and seeing the grass green up again.

As the name indicates, the Sand Barrens incorporates a lot of sand. I am not sure how many different definitions there are of the word lot, but I think 25 acres would fit in quite nicely. How many courses do you know of that have more trap rakes than triplexes? In fact, the word "lot" can be used a lot in describing this course. A lot of fairway (35 acres), a lot of

## How many courses do you know of that have more trap rakes than triplexes?

greens space (5 acres), a lot of tee space (5 acres), a lot of practice tee space (3 acres) and a lot of cupping space (55,000 square feet on #2 green alone). Finally I think the golfing community will like it a "lot." Come and see for yourself.

Well, enough of me. Now for some other District 4 news. Ken VanFleet is now the superintendent at Brigantine Golf Club after leaving Avalon Golf Club, and we congratulate him on his move. Tom Grimac and his wife, Stacy, are now the proud parents of a new baby girl, and we should all be proud of him and Stacy for adopting. There are too many family-less children in this world, and Tom and Stacy should be added to the list of world's greatest human beings.

District 4 recently had a meeting at Pine Valley, and thanks are in order for Rich Christian and Pine Valley as our hosts for this event. What can you say about having the opportunity to be at Pine Valley? It is easy to see why they continually are ranked number one with Mr. Christian (another great U-Mass product, I might add) at the helm. The day was fabulous, and the tour of the short course was very memorable. What Mr. Fazio and Mr. Ransomes had accomplished in duplicating some of the best holes in the world was truly amazing. We can not say thank you enough for the chance to be there.

P.S. For this truly to be one of my typical articles, I should add something about Tom Grimac, adoption and his being Polish. But I won't do that. Instead, for the sake of constancy, I'll simply mention the name Ed Walsh because I usually have something to say about him.



by Ed Walsh, CGCS

have a good friend who says we should all live by the Three C's of Life. They are: Never Criticize, Complain or Condemn. Now that's a great way to think, but there are times when that thinking must be abandoned and criticism must be directed accordingly.

Those are the times that you see something that is done, and you know you have to respond, or at least I have to respond. If that is considered being critical, so be it.

By this time, most GCSANJ members have heard about the behavior at a recent monthly meeting. Seems a few of our members got way out of hand and caused quite a commotion. I won't elaborate, but my understanding is it was pretty ugly. Now I have been a golf course superintendent for more than 25 years. When I first started to attend association meetings, we, as a group, were a little rowdier than we are now. The true

professionals among us stood out because they always acted differently. They always seemed to be a bit quieter and reserved.

At that time we were perceived as the weaker link in the golf business. The greenkeepers. The people who worked just as hard as they partied. How times have changed! How education and experience has helped our *profession* gain a stature of importance in this great business we call golf.

We have accomplished true professionalism by changing the way people in the golf community see us. We talk like professionals, we act like professionals, we manage like professionals, and at some point over these last 25 years, we started to be respected and compensated as professionals should be.

With that recognition comes a responsibility to maintain a high level of dignity and decorum. It is not a request, it's a demand. A demand we put on ourselves because we all know it goes with the territory. All professionals know you act as you are. Act poorly, you get treated poorly; act professionally, you get the respect a professional deserves.

The actions of a few go against all that we have worked so hard to achieve. Those actions should not for a second be considered acceptable, and I am hopeful our state association takes the necessary measures that send that message. We have worked too hard to accept anything less.

## What to expect from an inspection

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hen an inspector stops by your place of business unexpectedly or by appointment, there are four basic things he (or she) will be looking for: your licenses (applicator, operator and business), records, storage area and service vehicle. The following is a summary of what is required. Please refer to the Pesticide Control Regulation book for the exact requirements. To avoid possible penalties, look up each of these regulations so you know exactly what is required.

LICENSES (NJAC 7:30, Subchapters 5, 6, 7)

The inspector will ask to see your applicator's license and your business license. The applicator's license is the blue one; the business license, the pink. You should always carry your

applicator's license with you when applying pesticides. Keep the business license posted in your office and make sure it's always available for inspection.

The names and license numbers of any applicators who are responsible for their own applications must be kept on file, along with the category of application for which they will be responsible. If this is not done, responsibility for pesticide misuse will fall back to the person listed as the responsible applicator on the business license.

If you do not have enough credits to be recertified you will not receive your license renewal. If you are the responsible applicator for the business and for operators, the business registration will not be renewed and neither will the operator's. They are all tied in to the applicator's registration. So please keep track of your credits.

The operator's licenses should be on the operator's person when he (or she) is applying pesticides. The inspector will want to know who your operators are and their license numbers. Suggestion: Have a list of operators handy along with their license numbers.

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**RECORDS** 

(NJAC 7:30, Subchapter 5, 6, 7)

The inspector will want to see your records. He/She will not look at all your records, just a representative sampling. There are at least seven things required to be recorded for each application you make:

- 1. Application date.
- 2. Place of application.
- 3. Brand or trade name of the pesticide including formulation.
- 4. Total amount used (dilute material or total acreage).
- 5. Dosage or rate.
- 6. Applicator's name.
- 7. Site of application (the exact location you sprayed; for example, all trees in the front; all baseboards in kitchen—crack and crevice; turf—backyard only; etc.). Be as specific as you can.

Records have to be kept for a minimum of three years, except termiticide records, which have to be kept for at least five. They have to be provided to NJDEP officials and medical personnel, upon request.

You are required to keep a list of all EPA registration numbers of the pesticides used by the business, or include the number with each record. Alternatively, maintain a book of EPA-approved labels for each pesticide you use.

#### STORAGE AREA

(NJAC 7:30 - Subchapter 9, Sections 9.4, 9.5)

Restricted use pesticides or containers contaminated with restricted use pesticides must be stored as follows:

- 1. Secure, locked enclosure.
- 2. Warning sign posted. The word "pesticide" must be on the sign.
- 3. Structurally separate room.
- 4. Proper ventilation.

If you store any pesticides, whether restricted or general use, you must:

- 1. Maintain a list of pesticides stored and keep the list separate from the storage area.
- 2. Provide the fire department with a list of the pesticides stored.
- 3. Inform the fire department of the location of your storage area, in writing. Keep a copy of the letter to show the inspector.

#### Pesticide containers:

1. Original - must have a readable EPA label. If any part of the label is illegible in any way, leave the original label attached to the container, obtain a duplicate label (the same edition) from the manufacturer and place it on the container, or put it in a service container with the information below:

Records have to be kept for a minimum of three years, except termiticide records, which have to be kept for at least five.

- 2. Service Containers label service containers with the following information:
  - a. Brand/Trade name (include formulation)
  - b. EPA registration number
  - c. Active ingredient and % a.i. in container
  - d. Signal word (caution, warning, danger-poison).

Never store pesticides in containers normally used for food or drink.

#### SERVICE VEHICLES

(NJAC 7:30 - Subchapter 9, Definitions; Section 9.4(f))

What qualifies as a service vehicle? Any vehicle used to transport pesticides to an application site. Service vehicle requirements:

- 1. Must be identified as a pest control vehicle.
- 2. Must have the business registration number.

  (#1 and #2 above must be in 3-inch (or bigger) lettering on two sides of the vehicle. If the name of your business does not have the word "pest" in it, you can use the word with your business registration number. For example: Acme Tree Service, NJ Pesticide Lic. #98765, or NJ Pest Control #. etc.
- 3. Containers 5 gal. or less, securely stored.
- 4. Glass containers to be padded.
- 5. 5 gal. or greater, braced to the side.
- 6. Absorbent material and shovel.
- 7 Working fire extinguisher.
- 8. Separate compartment for pesticides
- 9. Vehicle locked when unattended.
- 10. Cover for tank (to prevent spills).



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Can you identify the men in this picture? How about the year?

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Exclusion to service vehicle requirements: Vehicle used to pick up supplies from dealer/supplier, or vehicle used to deliver pesticides to a service vehicle at an application location and is not normally used for that purpose. The amount is limited to 5 gallons liquid or 50 pounds dry formulation.

#### **OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Notification:**

The inspector will want to see the notification packet you give to your customers. For the exact requirements, refer to NJAC 7:30, Subchapter 9, Section 9.10 or 9.11.

Remember: Use common sense when applying pesticides. Read and follow label directions. Protect yourself, your workers, your customers and our environment.

Those handsome young men, left to right: H.W. Indyk, Al Rathjens, C. MacCrae and James O'Gibney. Year unknown. Photo courtesy of Dr. Henry Indyk (from a packet I received from Ilona when I took over).



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