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Forest Hill Field Club
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## **Welcome New Members!**

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## **President's** *Message*

Paul Dotti, Arcola Country Club

Well the summer is upon us and I think I watered more in March and April than I did in May and June. Unfortunately our second attempt

for a May meeting at Forest Hill Field Club was washed out for the second straight year. At least this year we made it to lunch and Frank Tichenor said he may actually torture himself again next year and try again. But I want to thank him for his hard work two years in a row and nobody even got to put a tee in the ground and enjoy his golf course. The new GCSAA Northeast Field Rep Kevin Doyle joined us and gave us updates on what is happening in Kansas and how we can get more out of our membership. Kevin will be a very valuable resource to our association. Also, we invited Board members from the NJSGA to be our guests at the May meeting. One of our goals is to create stronger relationships with allied associations that can benefit all of us in the future. At the May meeting, our recently proposed bylaw change passed easily and now our Board will only have 1 director from each district and that will allow interested candidates to run from anywhere in the state compared to candidates running from a specific district when a vacancy occurs.

Also in May, Hamilton Farms and Seaview both hosted LPGA events and the courses looked great on television. On a sadder note, *Jim McNally* passed away after a long battle with cancer. Jim served many years on our Board and recently stepped down as our GCSAA Delegate. He also spent a great deal of time getting our finances in order as Treasurer and we are very thankful for his hard work and dedication.

What is in store for the golf industry in the coming months? At times, the economy is showing some signs of improvement and at least some contractors and vendors are saying they are seeing increased orders for products and services which is hopefully a good sign of things to come for golf. Many clubs are continuing to struggle with membership numbers and this is a problem that goes beyond the economy and relates to more supply vs demand and time constraints we all have with our busy lives. The focus in golf right now is to make rounds shorter and making clubs more family friendly. It is said that clubs should focus on attracting women and juniors, something that was unheard of 15-20 years ago. As Superintendents, we are getting creative in how to get more out of our budgets while not sacrificing quality and the same is true in the clubhouse; everyone is trying different things to keep their current members and attract prospective members.

From Your Exec Director
Cece Peabody, MAT, CMP
Executive Director

## Generosity fosters generosity.



The members of the New Jersey Chapter of GCSA (you) more than prove that statement. When asked to step up and volunteer, or attend an event, or give to a cause, you do it and do it willingly.

There are members who want to be part of the board of directors -- that takes time and commitment to attend monthly meetings and help in the direction and initiatives of the chapter; there are members who want to host an event at their course -- that takes time to do the planning of price-conscious golf and food with their course; and there are members who work for the good of the association on legislative issues by attending meetings with NJGIC and representing our chapter as well as sharing the latest laws being reviewed in the state; there are also members who show up at every event and work at the registration booth, or take photos of the day, or sell tickets, or do any number of 'to dos'.

It is an honor to be part of such a great group of humans who give constantly and consistently. And it is good to know that if ever you are the one in need, that you will have the help you need.

An unsung hero is a role model whose generous acts of compassion, strength, selflessness, perseverance and, quite possibly, sacrifice, make a profound and positive difference on the course of history.

Thanks to all the unsung heros of our chapter.

Our lives are not determined by what happens to us but by how we react to what happens, not by what life brings to us, but by the attitude we bring to life. A positive attitude causes a chain reaction of positive thoughts, events, and outcomes. It is a catalyst, a spark that creates extraordinary results.

-- Anonymous

One way or another, golf will persevere as it has for decades through many economic downturns but it will have a different complexion than it did 15-20 years ago. The coming months will also be a barometer for Tiger Woods. At times he shows brilliance and other times he is ordinary. Amazing to think how he dominated the game and overnight he lost it. It is good for golf when Tiger is on his game but then again it is great to see these young guys giving him a run for his money.

While we all hunker down for the summer months, keep in mind we have our district tournaments in August and our Championship in September at Canoe Brook. Hope you all have a good summer.

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## Annual GCSANJ/PAGCS Joint Meeting Brings Old

## Friends Together April 19, 2012

by Shaun Barry

The annual joint meeting between the GCSANJ and the PAGCS was not always annual. Every year the Philly Association made Atlantic City CC the start of their meeting season. They chose this location because it offered them a better chance of getting warmer and drier weather and in most years a course that was firmer and faster than anything on the other side of the Delaware River. I am not sure if the lure of Atlantic City figured in on the final decision for a location but I know this meeting was being held there as far back as the late seventies. At some time during the early years an invitation was extended to the GCSANJ to join in on the fun. It was readily accepted and it gave members from each association the chance to meet their neighbors. It was a really nice opportunity and there are many great and long-lasting friendships that have emerged from these gatherings.

Without any mandate to formalize a joint meeting, many years produced schedules from the two associations that had April meetings that were in conflict. It never was an attempt not to have a joint meeting but rather just a simple lack of communication between the groups. Each group picked an April site and date only to find out that it was often competing with the other association's schedule.

Through the years the PAGCS and GCSANJ started to make this meeting a priority to start the season. Added to that change came the offer of support from Turf Equipment & Supply Company. They were working very hard on both sides of the river and they wanted to do something special to say thanks for the great support they were receiving. Lou **Bosco** suggested the idea of a real competition between the two associations. We had been playing for "Bragging Rights" and he thought this meeting needed something more. These conversations led to what now is called "The Friendly War At The Shore." Lou spoke to the new owners of the company and they immediately wanted to help. They decided that a traveling trophy would be a nice addition. The president of the association that won the match would get to keep the trophy for the whole year. Lots of names for the trophy were discussed but soon everyone settled on "The Challenge Cup" In addition to purchasing the cup, Turf Equipment & Supply Co wrote a very large check to be the Meeting Sponsor. As of 2012 their 5 year total support has reached \$6,000 and they have indicated that this sponsorship will continue. In lean years like this one, that money has really helped in every facet of our meeting. Our thanks go out to everyone who is responsible for keeping this tradition alive.

With most of the courses in the AC area being members of GCSANJ, it has become easier for us to find a site and a date but every other year the meeting is hosted by the other association. This year it was our turn to host. Steve Craig immediately expressed a strong interest in having this meeting. Wendell Beakley once again got the ball rolling and together we met with Barry Shewalter who listened to our needs and within days a contract was ready for us to review. A couple changes later and we were ready to go and it was still November 2011. What a nice feeling to have things settled so far in advance. Having had our Championship here in 2004 we also knew this was going to be a great choice because it is a wonderful course.

DRYJECT came to us with a request. Could they have a demonstration at this meeting to show what their new machines could do? It was discussed at the executive level and was only ok if Turf Equipment was ok with it. Wendell spoke to Lou and it was decided that there was no conflict because this was a service and not a machine that competed with Turf Equipment's line of equipment. It was an early morning demo so most of the field would actually miss the machine working but it was hoped that people would see the results and express some interest. With so much going on that day we thought that only a few people would inquire and that is what happened. Hopefully people did take away some interest and have called to discuss what they saw. It was still very good to have a demo and it is something that we will consider at future meetings.

Registration tables for the event were set-up to capture attendees as they entered the clubhouse with a team from each association working their table. The amazing good weather our state had been experiencing since January continued and was the main reason why attendance was down over previous years. The opportunity to get so many things done on the course was too appealing for many people to ignore and with smaller crews their presence was needed. We had over 90 people attend this meeting but last year we had 123. The lower number of golfers however made the day move quickly. Cece and Kevin Driscoll were assisted by Phil O'Brien and Ed Potosnak checking in the GCSANJ folks and they sold 50/50 tickets to both groups. Kristen Liebsch, Jay Parisien, Greg Hufner and Rob Nolek handled the PAGCS members.

Our education was presented by **Kris and Steve Shreiner**. They spoke about tree management in the PA & NJ area but especially what issues need to be addressed in the

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Spring. These gentlemen have their own tree care company and are big supporters of both associations but their presentation was strictly educational. Everyone in the room learned a lot and will hopefully take that back to their courses. As soon as Kris and Steve were finished everyone moved quickly into the line for lunch. As has been the case recently, **Fisher & Son** has sponsored lunch for our meetings. Many thanks to **Rob**, **Ralph and John** for their help and support.

Before the carts started rolling, the rules of the day and the competition were explained.. Everyone was anxious to start but the lure of a big win in the 50/50 kept the carts in place. We had 3 people share the fun of winning. **Brian Pardoe** was the big winner. His prize was \$160. He immediately gave the money back. I actually try to discourage this because I don't want anyone feeling that they need to return their winnings. He did this very quietly and it was split between both associations. He is a new rep for Turf Equipment and this kind of choice bodes well for his future.

Once people got to the course their adventure began in earnest. This part of the state had been very dry for quite a while and I think I noticed a slight smile on Steve Craig's face when he said the course would be hard and fast and the greens would be firm. I soon realized the reason for his smile. He wasn't playing. He was going to be a roving ambassador. He got to meet most of the field and I don't think he heard one negative word. The course was wonderful.

As each group came off of the course they were smiling and looking for the scoresheets to post their scores, skins and the results of their match. The individual results seemed to be much less important than how each team did representing their association. For some unknown reason the GCSANJ won for the third year in a row. That means **Paul Dotti** will get to keep the trophy for another year. Paul wasn't going to be able to play because of a knee injury but he was scheduled to drive the 2 hours down for dinner and to return the trophy. As things turn out sometimes his plans changed. His son was injured on the school playground and Paul had to go to the emergency room. That meant the trophy stayed at Arcola and wasn't available for pictures but everyone understood. Next year however I think Lou will be bringing it to the site early.

Since NJ had more players the odds of them winning more prizes increased and that is what happened. Bill Murray and John Garger both shot 77 but Bill won on a match of

cards. The "Dean" of South Jersey, Bob Prickett, won low net honors with a 68. He edged out Clark Weld by one shot. Mitchell Products sponsored the long drive contests for the PAGCS. Those winners were Sumner Cross and John Gruneisen. Fisher & Son were sponsors for the GCSANJ players. Brian Minemier and Lou Bosco won their flights. Double "D" Turf, E-Z-GO Cart Services, Fisher & Son and Syngenta sponsored the closest to the pin contests. Taking these prizes were Jason Abner (3ft 6ins), Paul Brandon (10ft 7ins), Sumner Cross (11ft 2ins) and Brad Fox (3ft 8ins) In the skins contest we had 11 different winners from both flights. There were no multiple winners. With one each were Jason Abner, John Alexander, Bill Cimochowski, Brad Fox, Joe Kinlin, Ian Kunesch, Nick Lubold, Steve Malikowski, Brian Minemier, Kevin Monaco and Bill Murray.

The official activities ended fairly early but nobody seemed to want to leave. Everyone wanted to congratulate Steve on the condition of the course and then they spent lots of time visiting. Lance Rogers filled in for Paul when it came time to take pictures. He joined PAGCS President Jay Parisien, Lance Ernst and Kevin Monaco for the trophy-less presentation. It still however is an important picture because these two gentlemen are the reason for this match continuing. Our sincerest thanks go out to them and everyone at Turf Equipment & Supply Company for their generosity and support. I hope this wonderful sponsorship never ends and maybe next year Kevin and Lance will play for the winning side....:-).

We also need to thank **Steve Craig** and everyone at Ballamor for being such wonderful hosts. We are welcome back to Ballamor and also to have a meeting at Scotland Run. If the success of this meeting is any indication I am sure those invitations will be accepted.



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## Family, Friends, and Strangers Rally for Ali

April 27, 2012

by Shaun Barry

If you have been receiving messages from the GCSANJ in 2012, you have seen the info about the Rally For Ali. This request for help came from **Dave Pease**. Dave has been a GCSANJ member for over 30 years. He has been president of our association and he has remained active on the local and national stage. He is a bigger than life character with an amazing amount of energy when he is motivated. Finding out that one of his 2 beautiful and talented daughters had cancer got him motivated. She needed help and Dave knew what he had to do. He was one of the original GCSANJ Foundation board members. He was part of its birthing process and he knew that this is where he needed to go for help.

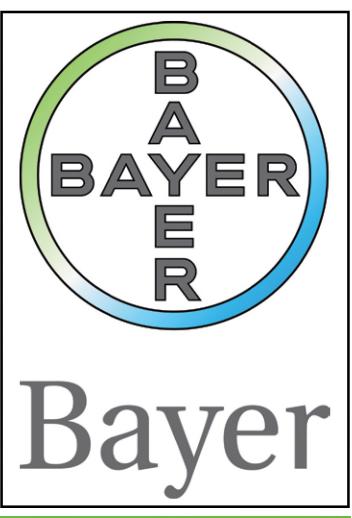
Dave has a great relationship with Jim Cadott who is the secretary of the foundation and superintendent at Pebble Creek GC. Dave and Jim talked for hours (perhaps Jim listened for hours...I wasn't there but I do know Dave...LOL). The idea of a fundraising golf tournament at Pebble Creek seemed like a great idea. The owners of Pebble Creek, Ray and Roseann Longobardi and Ray Jr., have known Dave and have always respected him and appreciated his passion for living life to the fullest. They also know Amy, Daphne and Ali, and if Ali needed some help they wanted to do what they could do to help. A date for the fundraiser was picked and Dave was on his way. He formed a committee and he got GCSANJ and GCSANJ Foundation Vice-President, Lance Rogers, involved. Dave is good with a computer but Lance is better. Within hours he had created the rough draft for a brochure that could be used to promote the outing. It was great and with a few tweaks it was ready to go. Dave also reached out to Cece Peabody and with her guidance, Constant Contact and Dave were perfect together.

GCSANJ Foundation President Glenn Miller and board members Bill Murray and Fred Rapp became active members of the planning committee. Meetings were scheduled every two weeks and Dave supplied the agendas and the meeting location. Amy and Daphne and Alan Roberts were the other members of the committee. We started with a goal of \$5,000. Times are tough and everyone has problems in their lives so this seemed like a reasonable number. Somewhere in the planning stage we decided on a Platinum level of sponsorship. That was \$2,500 and while we didn't expect to have anyone reach that level we knew it wouldn't hurt to offer it. As it turned out we didn't get a Platinum Sponsor. -- we got 4 Platinum Sponsors. Rich LaBar called Cece hours after he heard about the event and what it was all about. Morris Golf wanted to be a Platinum Sponsor and they were also bringing a foursome. Mary Lou DesChamps was out of the office for a few days but once she heard about the cause,

**Storr Tractor** sent in \$2,900 for a sponsorship and a team. **The Saker Family** wrote a personal check to get to Platinum and **Tyler Otero** and **Trump National Colts Neck** joined that group. We raised our goal to \$15,000.

The one thing that I don't want to do is to try to list everyone because they didn't give to be recognized, and I would feel awful if I left someone out. I however do want to acknowledge our \$1,000 Gold Lunch Sponsors and our \$500 Silver Lunch Sponsors. At the Gold level was Dennis Shea, Bayer, The Eastern Shore Association of Golf Course Superintendents, Shop-Rite, Harbour Mechanical, Manasquan Elks Lodge 2834, The MET Team Championship and Fran Owsik (there will be more about Fran in another article). Reaching the Silver level were Adria Industrial Piping, John & Diane Hughes and The Val Skinner Foundation. There are some truly amazing stories with these donations, but I will thank them this way although there is no way we can adequately thank anyone who helped in any way. Your kindness and donations have made a difference.

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## 2012 CALENDAR

Check calendar for updates and signup info.
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## July 31 - Tuesday

Rutgers Turfgrass Research Field Day -Golf & Fine Turf \*\* Hort Farm II , New Brunswick NJ

## August 1 - Wednesday

Rutgers Turfgrass Research Field Day -Lawn, Landscape, and Sports Turf \*\* Adelphia Farm , Freehold NJ

## August 16 - Thursday

District III Golf Event
Toms River Country Club, Toms River NJ

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In addition to all of the sponsors, we quickly went past the limit we had set for the number of golfers. As names and teams came in, we took 24 players off the original list to allow room for others to play. We went to 116 and to 128 and then to 144 and then we had 16 additional golfers playing at Hominy Hill. We stopped taking players 5 weeks before the event and we ended up with 160 players one of which flew in from CA just for this event. We also had **Jack Martin** and **Phil Scott** drive-up from Florida to be part of the day. That tells you a lot about how people react to a great cause that they feel connected to and when they know they can really help someone.

Jim Cadott promised that this wasn't going to be their "first rodeo". The club would be able to handle it and he was correct. Every time we asked for something they had it ready for us. They couldn't have been more helpful or professional. What a great experience.

The day started out sunny, cold and windy and stayed sunny, cold and windy. Our volunteers came from as far south as Florida and some weren't ready for the weather. We made many trips out to relieve these folks before they got too cold. They were watching the hole-in-one for a car contest and others were giving out gifts to anyone who tried to beat golf professional *Lloyd Monroe*. It was a fun contest but Lloyd was hard to beat. The putting contest was run by **Karen and Ron Luepke** and that also sparked lots of interest and many great putts. The 4 closest putts got these folks into a chipping contest. **Larry Dodge, Brian Lescrinier, Chris Munger and Lance Rogers** qualified but **Larry Dodge** won the beautiful basket of cheer.

The volunteers ran a Chinese Auction, a 50/50, and a Silent Auction before and after play. Combined with the contests on the course, these raised over \$5,000. Part of that is because **Chris Biringer** donated back the \$960 he won in the 50/50. The correct person's ticket was drawn this time...... but that is what great people do when they get the chance to help.

Before we got to announce the winners of the golf prizes three people asked to say a few words. Dave Pease spoke for the family and he did a great job. He only spoke briefly but his words touched everyone there. Pat Mayer told us what "Just Us Girls" is all about and how they have been helping for years. Ann Noble has been heavily involved in the Val Skinner Foundation for years, and she came to speak about their mission but she also brought a group and then she wrote a personal check the day of the event because she was so touched by the sincerity and love she felt from everyone. Another one of so many amazing stories.

It was such an important cause, the golf results took a back-seat which is hard to do at a golf tournament. We did have winners and they did win prizes and they should be mentioned. Courtney Kling won the women's long drive and Billy Hausman won the men's contest. Billy was joined by Newt Hausman, Buddy Hausman and Mike Bascom in the team event and they won the scramble with a score of 58. In second place was the threesome of Bill Baumert, Lenny Beaver and Larry Cunningham. They shot a 60. Bill Baumert also won the closest to the pin contest with a shot to 11 inches. No team playing at Hominy Hill won in the team event but Pete Blackwell's shot to 15ft 5ins was closest to the pin and Lance Rogers had the longest drive.

The day ended too quickly for most of us because we didn't want all of the wonderful emotions ending. Hugs and kisses and smiles and tears were everywhere. We all knew that something good had happened at this event and we felt a certain joy looking at everyone who was there to help. There was also a certain sadness because we knew that a wonderful young woman was dealing with a disease that nobody should every have to deal with. We had done our part but her fight continues. I hope we have done enough, but if necessary we will do it all again until we get to the time and place that Dave spoke about. A time and a place when nobody ever has to wear a pink ribbon again because the scourge of cancer has been defeated.

At this time we are still receiving donations and payment so a final number isn't known but it should be over \$25,000. Our initial goal would have been nice but this is astounding. In addition to this, **Fran Owsik and Lakewood Country Club** had their own *Rally For Ali* so the final number will grow. I know lots of long hours and hard work went into preparing for the event but it succeeded because of family, friends and strangers. Our thanks go to each one of you. You will be remembered.

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Words cannot capture the caring, love, and generosity of those who supported this event. Heartfelt thanks to everyone involved.











## Fran Owsik is One Classy Class A Superintendent

May 3, 2012 by Shaun Barry

any years ago Fran Owsik was forced to roll the dice and he had lost. He has worked long and Lhard at every job that he has ever had. He was starting a new job and was temporarily without insurance. What could go wrong? His boys were young and strong and he was too busy to get sick. The cost of insurance was prohibitive and in a few months he would have coverage at the new job. It sounded logical and it really was all that he could afford at the time. When his son blew his knee out, major surgery was required and it couldn't wait. Even though Fran never asked for assistance, the GCSANJ and the GCSANJ Foundation got involved and raised some money to help with the costs. It was a very successful fundraiser because the health of a child was involved and everyone who meets Fran likes Fran. The surgery went well and everyone was pleased to have helped.

Fast forward to 2012 and Dave Pease needs some help for his daughter who is also dealing with a serious health issue without insurance. He sends out a notice to family and friends but he also reaches out to the GCSANJ Foundation because he has seen that they are there to help in cases like this. You will read another article in this newsletter telling you in detail about the success of

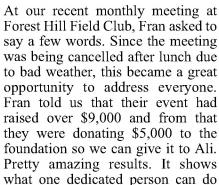
the Rally For Ali at Pebble Creek. Fran was part of that success. He paid for 2 teams and he had Lakewood CC donate a round of golf for a foursome. That however wasn't enough. Fran decided to have a satellite Rally For Ali at Lakewood CC. He spoke to Dave and to the foundation and he was on his way and mostly on his own.

Everyone at Lakewood CC was marvelous. They could feel Fran's passion to make this work. Ted Misa is their manager and he whole heartedly supported having a fundraiser. We met at Lakewood CC because Fran wanted to make sure what he was going to do was going to be ok with the foundation. It was fine with us. With Bill Murray's help he got a state approved 50/50 and he personally made calls on local businesses and fraternal organizations. Donald Trump would have been impressed. On the day of the event there were sponsor signs everywhere and 80 people showed up. Pink was the color of the day and it looked great. Fran even got his 95 year old father to ride around the course saying hello to everyone and thanking them for their support. They were great ambassadors for the event.

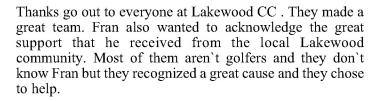
The day went beautifully and even though some of the golf was pretty bad (mostly mine) nobody cared at all. They were there to help a good cause and they succeeded. Everyone walked away with a gift and a smile and a memory that will last for a long time. The Pease family was there and they were overwhelmed with the love and good wishes. Just Us Girls took a few moments to explain their mission and how much they want to help others like they helped Ali.

The food was excellent and it was impossible to go away hungry. Fran alternated between being the master of ceremonies, a comedian and photographer. He was a busy man but this was his baby and he was making sure everything went well. It was a really great day.

Their committee decided to also help 2 people who are affiliated with the club and who are also dealing with this disease. That is a great decision.



when they have a goal and a reason to reach that goal and what happens when others pitch-in and help in any way that they can.



In closing, I ask everyone who reads this to please take away some great lessons. Fran can be your role model. He saw a need and he helped. He was busy with his daily life but he found a way to resolve every tournament issue as it arose. His actions should let you know that you aren't just the job that you do. You can always do more and every sad story can have a better ending if you answer the call to help.

On a personal note Fran, there aren't enough words of praise to let people know how I feel about you and your friendship and your generosity. You have created a legacy that others will remember and use when it becomes their time to help. Thanks for setting the bar so high.

Forest Hill Field Club, Fran asked to say a few words. Since the meeting was being cancelled after lunch due to bad weather, this became a great opportunity to address everyone. Fran told us that their event had raised over \$9,000 and from that they were donating \$5,000 to the foundation so we can give it to Ali. Pretty amazing results. It shows what one dedicated person can do

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- Level 3 Sand Root Zone Test

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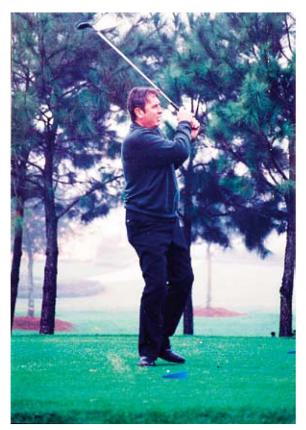
## We Will All Miss Jim McNally - The Man, Mentor,

## Father, and Friend

by Wayne Remo

n 1983 I wrote a farewell to my father and best friend James (Jiggs) Remo, and now almost 30 years later, I have lost my next best friend **Jim McNally**. Jim lost his battle with cancer at the age of 72. His last real words to me were that he was not upset but rather tired of not being able to do all the things he enjoyed and that it was his time. He now gets to play golf once again with my father and some of his friends that have passed before him like Chet Hewey, Ernie Rizzio, Roy Bossholt, Billy Kaputi, and Dave Mahoney.

Jim's first priority was always his children Scott and Dawn. He said to me years ago it was a parent's responsibility to see to it that they received a college education. That he did as Dawn graduated from Seton Hall



and Scott followed in his father's footsteps graduating from Delaware Valley College. Both are very successful and Jim was eager to speak of how proud he was of both of them.

Jim graduated from Don Bosco High School and received his degree in Agronomy from Delaware Valley College. It was Jim's influence that helped not only me but my son Brian to graduate from there as well.

His life in the turf field began at Passaic County Country Club, followed by Greenbrook Country Club and Manasquan River Country Club. From there he managed the Rockefeller Estate called Green Rock in Tarrytown NY. His last golf course was Rock Spring Club and finished his career managing the Estates at Pierson's Lakes. As if this was not enough he founded Quality Irrigation and installed or repaired hundreds if not thousands of irrigation systems. In his spare time (hah) he loved to work on his home and 5 acre property in Ringwood, New Jersey. Believe it or not he was still doing that just weeks before his death.

Jim also was very involved with the GCSANJ as Secretary, Treasurer, and Voting Delegate to the GSSAA. He received the Distinguished Service Award in 2006. Jim and I attended more than 25 GCSAA Conferences together. Of course Jim attended

many before our acquaintance and many after I retired from the Golf Course Industry. I actually hated going to the trade show floor with him as he knew so many people it would take days to see the whole thing. He was my golf partner in countless tournaments and shared memories I will never forget. You will have to meet me at some bar like Jim and I did with Joe Flaherty for hours and hours just to come close to all the stories about Jim.

Some of Jim's best friends were Red Dickinson, Jim Pelrine, Marty Futyma, Glenn Miller, Joe Kennedy, John O'Keefe, Maurice Cruz, Jim Neal, and of course Wayne Remo.

Rest in Peace my friend, say hello to my dad, and choose a course up there to play where the fairways are wide to the right. I loved being your friend and I will miss you.

Wayne (Moss) Remo

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## The Rutgers Turfgrass Classic Keeps Setting the

## Standard May 7, 2012

by Shaun Barry

ost of you are quite familiar with the records and streaks in all different sports. Joe DiMaggio and Byron Nelson immediately come to mind. Both of those records probably will never be broken. You can also include America's dominance in The America's Cup. There are many other great non-sport accomplishments and I think the Rutgers Turfgrass Classic can be added to that list. There have been 17 editions of this annual fundraiser and each one has gotten better. There are many reasons for this success but it starts with Dr. Bruce Clarke, Dr. Bill Meyer and Dr .Jim Murphy. These gentlemen are the "soul" of the Rutgers turfgrass program and they are why people keep coming back every year. Without them my guess is that we would be using one golf course with 100 people attending. In case you missed the event this year, we once again used all 54 holes at Fiddler's Elbow and we had 368 golfers. No that is not a typo and it is not an attempt to inflate numbers. That is what the club billed us for and they don't make mistakes when it comes to billing. We have had a year when 336 people paid to play but 324 was the highest actual number of people that have ever showed-up. This year's number came as a shock to me. That is almost a 14% increase. Other than gas prices nothing goes up 14%. It was such a jump that the club had to scramble to find additional carts. They hurriedly borrowed some from 3 neighboring courses because I made a mistake. I thought they would have many extra carts but not so. My apologies go out to Doug Graubard who is our Fiddler's contact and event organizer. As usual I started sending him the list of players on the weekend and he immediately saw the number of golfers and he reacted and was able to get the carts we needed. I have learned a lesson Doug and will not do that to you again. That old adage about making assumptions was true once again.

I recognize the importance of the good doctors getting 368 golfers to our event but there are so many others who make the day go so smoothly. At the top of the list is Cece Peabody and her wonderful staff. It takes days and days of work to process the entries and to prepare the working lists needed for registration. In addition to that she creates the brochure, sends out notices, contacts neighboring states to get credits for the education part of the day and brings everything needed for our silent auction. The list could go on. Her hard work and skills are on display for all to see. In addition to Cece, NJTA president Matt Sweatlock and NJTA Foundation president Keith Kubik were helping at every stage of planning. Co-chairman, Darrell Marcinek was deeply involved in running a major celebrity tournament at his course that occurred on the same day as our event. That kept Darrell away from joining us on the

7th but his strong involvement leading up to the event was one of the key reasons for our success. We also could not have done it without everyone on our committee and the dedicated volunteers who find the time to help with registration. Many thanks to each one of you for your efforts.

Golfers started arriving at 8:00 am and that continued right up to when the carts started moving. We also had some arrive after the carts were gone but that wasn't an issue and they were driven out to join their group. Some were late because of plane delays and others because of traffic but everyone was welcome whenever they arrived. The late arrivals missed the great breakfast but they soon found freshly cooked burgers, hot dogs and chicken breasts waiting for them on the course. Play moved very nicely even with the additional players. I guess that means we can add more players next year !!

The weather was predicted to be fine without a chance of a shower. We did get a few drops near the end of the day but it had no effect on anyone's game. What did help some teams was the contribution made by our on course professors. Bill, Bruce and Jim were each stationed by a tee or a green on a different course. This gave them the opportunity to meet everyone playing their course. It is often a case of old friends meeting but for some it is the highlight of their day to meet a turfgrass legend. Jim helped on tee shots and Bruce and Bill worked their magic around the greens. Bill wasn't able to swing a club because of an injury but he will be back on the tee next year.

As soon as play was completed everyone headed back to the clubhouse to turn in their potential winning scorecard and to join in the buzz on the patio. We repeated last year's choice of the extended cocktail reception over a sit down dinner buffet and it was a hit once again. I think everyone got a chance to try some of Fiddler's gourmet pizzas along with a vast selection of seafood, carving stations and hors d'oeuvres. The patio was so busy many folks just moved out onto the grass and under the tree. Next year we will need to get tables and umbrellas set up to avoid the congestion caused by the larger field. With so many people standing in front of the silent auction tables it actually kept the bidding down. That is a shame because Darrell and Rick Krok spent lots of time securing the items on the auction and Tracy Wadhams, Angela Adamchak and Cece Peabody worked hard at giving out bid numbers to potential bidders while gathering credit card info so paying for winning bids would happen easily once the auction closed.

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Everyone moved inside to hear from Bruce and Bill but they also got the opportunity to hear from Dean Robert Goodman and interim president of Rutgers, Richard Edwards. Their remarks were brief but you could see how pleased they were to be at this event and to have the opportunity to extoll the virtues of Rutgers and to acknowledge the respect that they have for their world-class turfgrass program and its dedicated and talented leaders and amazing supporters.

Bruce Clarke knows the value of keeping remarks to a minimum but he always wants to say thank you to everyone and especially the Premier, Eagle, and Birdie Sponsors. Those names will be listed below but he singled out Mary Lou DesChamps and Dr Mike Agnew. Because of their efforts **Storr Tractor** and **Syngenta** have been at the Premier level for all 17 years. Each one of these companies has given \$127,500 to the Classic. That effort should always be acknowledged. Their shining example is one reason why we had 3 new Premiers this year for a total of 12. **DuPont** and **Lebanon Turf** moved up and they were joined by **Grass Roots**.

Some other changes occurred at the manager and head supt positions. Tom Hurley replaced a retired Dave McGhee and Matt Willigan took over from Tom Breiner. Mark Loos, Steve Saxe and Gary Shupper are the superintendents at each course and they did a great job getting the courses ready for us. When I say us I am including 101 A, SM and C members along with 110 golfers from companies that are strictly golf focused and university people from turfgrass programs and the USGA. There were also many people from seed companies, lawn care companies, tree companies, landscapers and cemeteries but the majority of the attendees work in or for the golf industry. It is truly a diverse group and could easily grow another 10% next year.

Before I get into the winners I need to list our major sponsors. I would like to list every sponsor because they are very important but that would be too long of a list for this article. Thanks to each one of you for your great support.

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On the golf course there were many teams that really played well. In a scramble it usually comes down to the team that makes the putts and looking at the scores that must have been the case again. There however is one competition here that asks everyone to play their own ball and the best gross score on each hole is the team's score for that hole. When all 18 gross scores are added that gives these teams their team score. It is only open to one team from each Premier Sponsor and only if they choose to enter. They have to play on the Forest Course and their only prize is getting the sponsor's name added to the Rutgers Cup. This year we had 5 teams entered which is about average. Last year's winner was the Lee Kozsey led Syngenta team. You also have to have at least one player from the company be part of that team. They played well again and shot a fine 70. Normally that might win but the team from Grass Roots came in with a terrific 68. I wonder if Ken and Keith moved up to the Premier level because they knew they had enough good players to try and win the cup (just kidding guys but it might be something that I would have done). Ryan Batz is from Grass Roots and he was joined by Grover Alexander, Tony Hooks and Dan Wilbur. Nice going fellows. Your trophy will be on display at Hort Farm waiting for you to try and defend in 2013.

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Here are the winners from each course:

## Forest Course:

1st: Scott Hall, Josh Kopera, Travis Pauley, Chris Walick- 60 2nd: Rob Alonzi, Ed Brockner, Glen Dube, Dave Dudones- 62 (MC)

3rd: Steve Craig, Brad Fox, Gordon Kaufman, Joe Kinlin- 62 (MC)

## Meadow Course:

1st: Andrew Adams, Bill Finnegan, Jim Grosso, Carlos Hinrichs-57

2nd: Darin Bevard, Adam Moeller, Jim Skorulski, Stan Zontek-60

3rd: Jason Abner, John Fowler, Mike Kuflik, Scott Parker- 64 (MC)

## **River Course:**

1st: Matt Anasiewicz, Gill Goodrich, Don Rossi- 59
2nd: Russ Nicholson, Brad Park, Tom Taylor, Eric Weibel- 61
3rd: Josep Bulger, Michael Golden, Brann Higging, Torry Peters

3rd: Jesse Bulaga, Michael Golden, Bryan Higgins, Terry Peters-62

## Closest to the Pin winners:

Darin Bevard (5ft 6ins), Jason Criss (3ft 8ins), Mike Donahue (6ft 10ins), Rob Nolek (13ft 4ins), Vinny Sasso (1ft) and Rich Steel (1ft 9ins)

## **Long Drive Winners:**

Janice Bara, Dave Giordano, Ron Gorniak and Josh Johnson

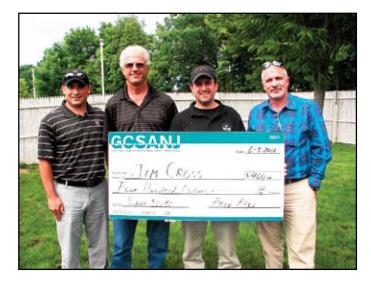
(Note: It has been reported that Dave will not be cashing in his gift certificate. He is going to hang it on the wall to prove to people that he really did win a long drive contest. I will have to stop at his office and see if this is really true. If so I might suggest locking it in a safe because that Kevin Driscoll fellow is looking at new clubs and this could be used to lower his cost..... LOL)

After the winners were announced we took a moment to remember Dick Caton who was the first Executive Director of the NJTA. We also acknowledged the extra donation made by Mountain View Seeds. In addition to being a Premier Sponsor they also asked to sponsor dinner. This not only pushed their 2012 sponsorship to \$11,500 but it also went towards Bill Meyer's total in the friendly competition between Bill and Bruce. This actually seemed to thrust Bill into the lead but after using what must be some "fuzzy" math it was declared a tie. Neither Bill nor Bruce like to lose at anything so there actually must have been some accounting that needed to be adjusted. In spite of this outcome they are already deciding what needs to be done to become an outright winner in 2013. Make plans to return to see what happens with them but mainly so you can once again be part of the largest turfgrass research fundraiser in the world. I don't know where we are exactly with this year's total but it could very easily add more than \$120,000 to the \$1.1 plus million raised from the first 16 years.

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# Wayne's John O'Keefe travels to nation's Capitol, meets with members of Congress, advocates for golf industry Press Release, April 24, 2012

John O'Keefe, Director of Golf Course Management, Preakness Hills Country Club traveled to Washington, D.C., April 16-18 with nine peer members of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) Government Relations Committee to meet with members of Congress as part of National Golf Day.

The goal of the visits with federal lawmakers was to promote the true face of golf, one that better reflects the economic, human and environmental benefits of the industry across the nation.

The committee discussed a variety of issues with members of Congress and their staff affecting the golf industry including Clean Water Act (CWA) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) pesticide general permits, the H-2B visa program, as well as golf's exclusion in recent years from federal relief and stimulus measures being considered by Congress.

"Our group's participation in National Golf Day was integral to sharing the positive message about golf on a widespread basis," GCSAA Board of Director and Government Relations Committee Chairman John J. O'Keefe, CGCS, said. "This important event allows our federally elected officials the opportunity to understand the golf industry's concerns. It was truly an honor to work with the leaders of golf's allied organizations to speak up as a unified voice to ensure lawmakers have an accurate perception of the golf industry."

The Capitol Hill visits coincided with those of WE ARE GOLF, a coalition led by five of the golf industry's leading associations and supported by other small businesses. Founded by GCSAA, the National Golf Course Owners Association, the World Golf Foundation, The PGA of America, and the Club Managers Association of America, WE ARE GOLF is a broad-based coalition that seeks to maximize the industry's synergy and reduce redundancy. Its growing membership includes participation from association members, multi-course owners, manufacturers and golf facilities.

Beyond better demonstrating golf's profound economic clout, WE ARE GOLF illustrates the industry's environmental sustainability initiatives, its health and wellness benefits and its unparalleled charitable giving. First and foremost, the goal of WE ARE GOLF is to get members of Congress to understand golf's contributions to communities across the country when they're developing and advancing important legislation – just as all small businesses want. WE ARE GOLF will work to share information, case studies and articles with media, elected officials, regulators and other key constituents so they are better informed on issues of concern.

"I was pleased by the quality of conversations we had," said GCSAA CEO Rhett Evans. "We did not come with a hand out for special favors. We came united as one, asking only for a level playing field with other industries and small businesses. That message resonated with the congressmen and women. Those who were already supporters of golf were surprised by the diversity and size of the industry. They vowed to help us in our efforts and share the information. But even more impressive was the reaction by those who were not golfers. They thanked us for coming to tell our story and offered feedback on how we could be successful in accomplishing our goals."

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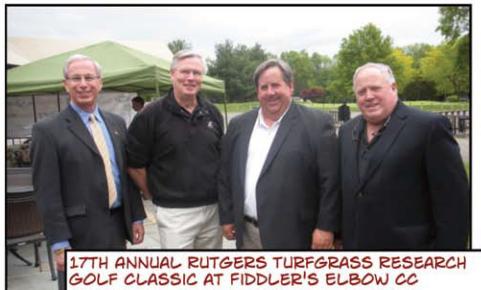
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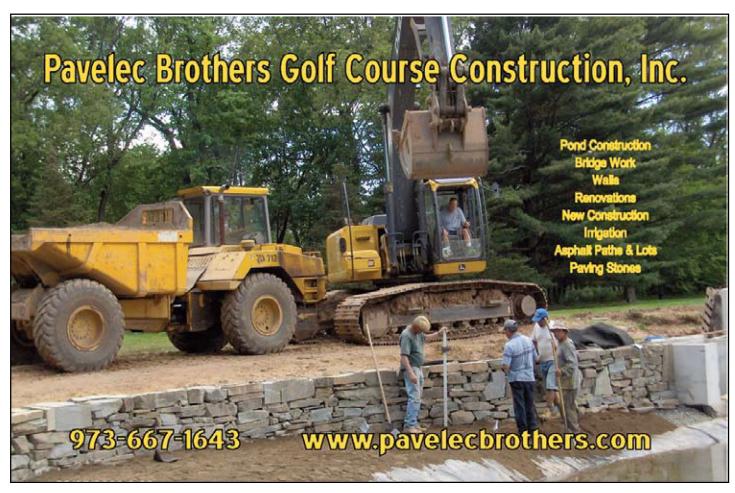




## GCSANJ Board of Directors 2012

Back Row (L to R): Bill Murray, Frank Tichenor, Rolf Strobel, Brad Simpkins, Paul Dotti Front Row (L to R): Les Carpenter, Lance Rogers, Cece Peabody, Kevin Doyle (GCSAA NE Director), Wendell Beakley, Russell Harris. Missing: Gary Arlio, John Alexander, Shaun Barry (taking pic), Jim Cadott, Jeff Staeger





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## Bad Weather Thwarts Forest Hill Field Club Again

by Shaun Barry

usually don't write about a cancelled meeting because there isn't much to write about. When it happens two years in a row that puts a different slant on the event and when the superintendent and the club are willing to try it again the following year it becomes newsworthy. That is what has happened to our monthly meeting at Forest Hill Field Club.

The 2011 meeting date arrived and the meeting had been cancelled a few days before because the flooding on the course was so bad Frank Tichenor knew it wasn't going to recover in time. Our 2012 date appeared to be right ontrack for a great event. Frank and his staff had worked hard to prepare the course for normal member play and that was going to be more than enough for us. Normal meant that 4-putt greens would be commonplace for us. Unfortunately a narrow band of rain kept moving over the course and when things looked promising a new cell would pop up and move in off of the ocean. Eighty plus players showed up and they got to listen to Kevin Doyle talk about his role working for the GCSAA and for us. This was followed by a vote on the by-law change and then we were treated to a terrific lunch.

During lunch Frank had to make the very difficult but correct decision. The course was saturated and if we went out to play, the course would be damaged. For some groups that

might have caused a problem but everyone who was there saw the lightning, heard the thunder and listened to the regular downpours. There was not one word of dissent. People were disappointed but lunch was extended and great discussions were had by all.

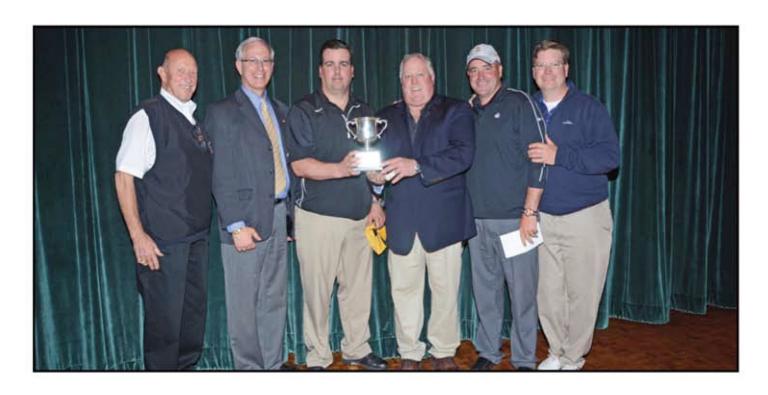
Before we finished lunch and headed back to work or home, Fran Owsik used the time to make a check presentation to the GCSANJ Foundation. He had raised \$5,000 for the Rally For Ali by hosting a tournament at Lakewood CC on May 3, 2012. I am sure many people knew nothing about this but everyone was really impressed by his dedication and generosity.

Frank Tichenor was one of the last folks to leave because he was busy saying good bye to everyone. He immediately told me that this was it. Two attempts was enough and I understood. Two days later Frank let me know that he would be willing to try again in 2013. He is proud of his course and he wants everybody to see what he has done. With that request we are looking for a date and hopefully soon we will have another chance to play this gem.

Thanks again Frank to you and everyone at the club for giving it one more chance.

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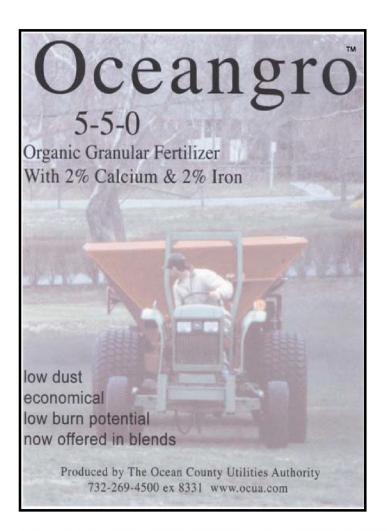
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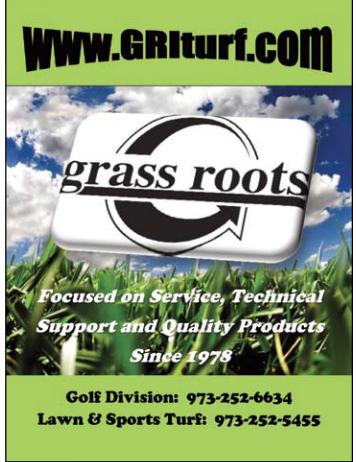
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## Heron Glen Golf Course Achieves River-Friendly Certification

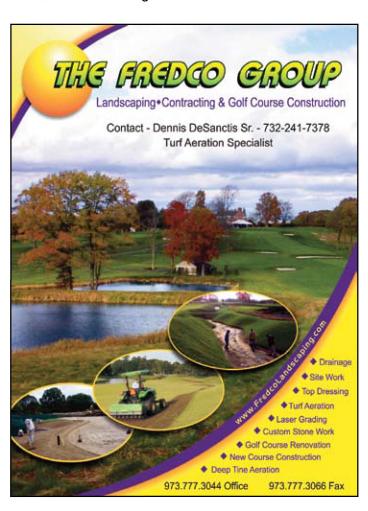
RINGOES, NJ: Hunterdon County's golf course, Heron Glen, has received certification as a River-Friendly Golf Course from the New Jersey Water Supply Authority (NJWSA). Through the River-Friendly Program, NJWSA works with golf courses, businesses, and schools that are taking steps to help improve surface water quality. Heron Glen Golf Course, located in the Neshanic River Watershed, which flows to the Raritan River, took specific actions to improve water quality, including the enhancement of vegetated buffers along streams and ponds, the establishment and expansion of reduced mow areas that help to infiltrate rain water into the ground and require less irrigation water, the development of a water conservation plan, and the installation of a bioswale to treat water from their maintenance area and wash pad. These actions are important steps to protecting the quantity and quality of drinking water supplies and enhancing wildlife habitat. Other actions focused on educating visitors to the course about Heron Glen's actions and actions they can take at home.

"The River-Friendly program has been a great addition to the environmental stewardship Heron Glen employs. Projects like the bioswale and habitat restoration have had a positive impact. We look forward to maintaining

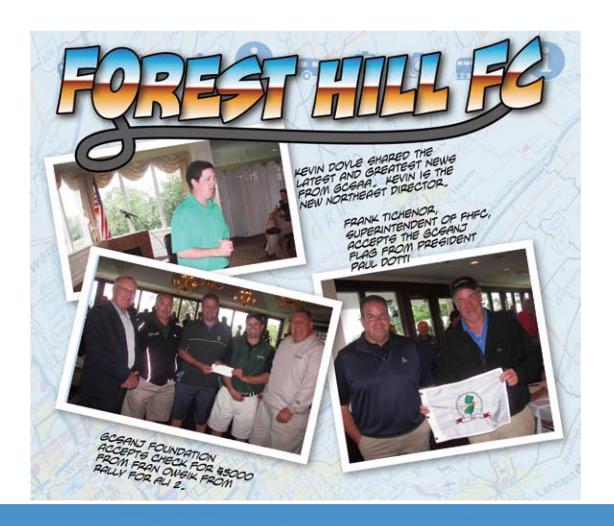
the River-Friendly Certification and our partnership with NJWSA, and are proud to be the first Hunterdon County golf course to be certified through this program", said Heron Glen Superintendent Jason Pierce.

The New Jersey Water Supply Authority is a state owned utility that operates the Spruce Run, Round Valley, and Manasquan Reservoirs and the Delaware & Raritan Canal, which provide drinking water for over 1.5 million New Jersey residents. The Authority's Watershed Protection Programs Division administers the River-Friendly Programs to protect the quality of the regions' drinking water supply. For more information on the River-Friendly Programs and other projects in the Raritan River Basin, visit www.raritanbasin.org.









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7:30 AM		Registration Open				
8:00 -8:30 AM	Optional Early Bird	CORE Session (Limit 80) SILENT AUCTION Opens				
9:00 AM		Tours Begin				
1:00 PM		Tours End				
1:00 - 2:00 PM		Lunch & SILENT AUCTION Ends				
2:00 PM		Field Day Ends				
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9:00 AM		Tours & Equipment Demos Begin SILENT AUCTION Opens
1:00 PM		Tours & Demos End
1:00 - 2:00 PM	-	Lunch & SILENT AUCTION Ends
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