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## **Contract superintendent Michael Hightower stays busy tending to Westboro C.C. – and to area athletic fields**

By **Dave Nordman**

If asked, most golf course superintendents Michael Hightower's age would consider themselves lucky to have a job – any job. At 32, Hightower has been a head superintendent for 10 years.

"I was lucky to get a job when I did," said Hightower, a member of the Golf

### **MONTHLY FEATURE**

Course Superintendents Association of New England now in his fifth season maintaining the town-owned Westboro Country Club, a nine-hole municipal course located off Route 135 about 10 miles east of Worcester.

Hightower previously held the maintenance contract at Green Hill Municipal Golf Course in Worcester from 2002-2004, serving as club manager (2002-03) and superintendent (2004).

In addition to Westboro C.C., Hightower also has contracts to maintain athletic fields at Clinton and Algonquin Regional High Schools.

Needless to say, he stays busy.

Prior to winning the contract at Green Hill, Hightower served as superintendent there under another golf management group from 1997-2001. Hightower actually became the head superintendent at Green Hill before graduating from college.

He left Clemson (S.C.) University early in 1996, his accelerated course load leaving him one course shy of his degree after three-and-a-half years. Sort of like a college basketball player jumping to the NBA after a successful junior season.

"My professors encouraged me to take the job at Green Hill," said Hightower, who completed his degree in 1998. "At the time, it was too good of an opportunity to pass up. They suggested I jump right in. I'm glad I did."

A native of Windsor, Conn., Hightower worked at seven different golf courses before arriving at Green Hill, many of them internships while a student at Clemson. He even took a year off after high school to work at Forest Oaks C.C. in Greensboro, N.C.

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**Michael Hightower  
Westboro C.C.**

"While I was never an apprentice before getting my first head superintendent job, I did have a lot of experience," said Hightower, who admits to "learning on the job" during his first season.

"I admit, there were a lot of things I didn't understand about the business when I first started out," Hightower said.

For starters, he didn't have a mechanic at Green Hill.

"I didn't understand the (mechanical) side of the business," he said. "Plus, I was 22 years-old and I had never managed a staff before. And while that was difficult, it was a tremendous learning experience."

Hightower's contract to maintain Westboro is much different than the one he had to maintain Green Hill. At Westboro, he is only financially responsible for paying his staff and "upkeep" of the golf course. While at Green Hill, he provided upkeep while purchasing all the necessary materials.

"Green Hill was only concerned with the condition of the golf course," Hightower said. "They didn't care how I

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did things as long as the course was in good shape (which it was). Westboro has much more input in how the course is maintained."

At Westboro, the Country Club Operating Committee, and more specifically the Greens Committee, pays for all materials. In fact, Hightower must ask for approval for all purchases over \$200, provide monthly status reports, and talk to committee members four times a week.

"My situation (at Westboro) is relatively rare," Hightower said. "My situation at Green Hill was much more typical. Usually, when you're contracted to maintain a golf course it's to do everything - staffing, materials, everything."

At Westboro, the town pays for materials from its enterprise fund (greens fees, memberships). Hightower provides the manpower. His staff includes two assistants.

And while he'd love to tackle big projects, he knows he must stay within "his" budget.

"There is a lot more to consider when the money's coming out of your pocket," Hightower said. "You have to be careful before beginning any projects, especially ones that will involve additional staffing."

Unlike some cities and towns which maintain full control over some portion of its municipal golf course (Gardner employs its own superintendent, while Worcester pays a PGA pro to run the pro shop at Green Hill), Westboro C.C. accepts separate proposals to maintain the golf course, operate the pro shop, and run the restaurant.

Hightower's contract with Green Hill expired in 2004. He actually serviced both Green Hill and Westboro from 2002-2004 and would have continued if his bid with the city of Worcester was accepted.

While he believes the Green Hill contract went to the highest bidder, Hightower is "protected somewhat" from that happening at Westboro, which solicits two sets of bids - a cost bid and a service bid. The price bids remain sealed until the service bids are reviewed.

"Having worked at a municipal course for 10 years, I believe I provide a good service," said Hightower, who recently purchased a home in Westboro. "I'll never have 100 percent job security, but I have a pretty good situation." ■

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Michael Hightower  
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**CALENDAR . . .**

- July 10 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting**  
Juniper Hills Golf Course  
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- August 23 **URI Turfgrass Field Day**  
Skogley Memorial  
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- Sept. 18 **Superintendent / Club Official Tournament**  
Winchester Country Club  
Winchester, Mass.  
Host: Dennis Houle
- Oct. 2 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting**  
Vesper Country Club  
Tyngsboro, Mass.  
Host: Donald E. Hearn, CGCS
- Oct. 23 **Dr. Joseph Troll Turf Education Fundraiser**  
Westchester Country Club  
Westchester, N.Y.  
Host: Joseph Alonzi, CGCS
- Nov. 6 **GCSANE Monthly Meeting 9-Hole Meeting**  
Harmon Golf  
Rockland, Mass.  
Host: Christopher Tufts
- Nov. 15 (Wed.) **GCSAA Seminar**  
*GPS/GIS Tools for Effective Course Management*  
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- Nov. 16 (Thurs.) **GCSAA Seminar**  
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# The president's month: His crew hustles . . . he ponders DEP rules . . . he's grateful for S&B success . . . and he looks forward to a ballgame

The course was beginning to dry out after 16 inches of rain, and then what happens? We get another 2½ inches of water the night before a 36-hole one-day tournament. All of a sudden it's not so much about green speed as it is about just getting the course playable.

Well, the crew scrambled and did what they had to do, and at the end of the day a champion was crowned. We all go through these days on the job. It's rewarding when the team we've put together has the fortitude to get the job accomplished when the odds are against them. Here's to all of our crews that hump their butts for us.

It may seem strange with all this water around to be concerned about the D.E.P. and the recently published guidelines pertaining to water use in stressed basins, but we are. The guidelines state that water use on golf courses could be restricted to greens only in stressed basins

depending on the surface flow. If implemented, this policy would cause economic hardship and agronomic damage. There has been some communication between our association and the

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state water management director. After a meeting, reason has prevailed. The policy has been tabled for several months. This doesn't mean it's gone away. Scott Lagana and I will be working with the department to help steer the guidelines into a more usable document. Hopefully we can accomplish something that meets the goals of all parties involved. There's no telling where this will go or how long it will take, but the days of unlimited water use will most likely change in the near future.

A special thanks need to go out to Ron Dobosz. The S&B tournament had to be rescheduled because of the tragedy in the Marrone family, and Ron and his committee pulled off a successful tournament. It wasn't an easy task. I'd like to thank all the corporate sponsors and participants for making this a successful

event. This is the sole fund raiser for helping our members in distress.

A new event for the association has been put together by Pat Daly. It's a family night out with the Brockton Rox. On Wednesday, August 30, a picnic and ballgame has been reserved for us. Bring the family, have some fun, and show the wife and kids some of the people you always on the phone with. There's nothing more fun than a ballgame on a warm summer evening.

Until next time, keep your head up and remember to enjoy the sunrises.

Sincerely,  
Pat Kriksceonaitis  
President, GCSANE

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# UMass Department of Plant, Soil, & Insect Sciences announces hiring of turf pathologist Dr. Geunhwa Jung

The Alumni Turf Group welcomes the announcement from University of Massachusetts' Dr. Peter Veneman, Professor and head of the Department of Plant, Soil, & Insect Sciences, regarding the hiring of a turf pathologist, Dr. Geunhwa Jung.

Dr. Jung, presently at the University of Wisconsin, will join the Turf Program at UMass-Amherst effective September 1, 2006. Dr. Jung received a B.S. degree in horticulture from Chung-nam National University in South Korea. Subsequently he received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in breeding and genetics from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln. He moved to Wisconsin in 1995 where he did post-doctoral work, and eventually was appointed as an assistant professor in turf pathology.

In addition to providing solutions to practical problems facing the turf industry, Dr. Jung studies the molecular basis of host-pathogen interactions, mainly resistance to fungal diseases

using comparisons of turfgrass genomes with other members of the Poaceae, including rice, barley, and rye. His ultimate goal is to improve turfgrass cultivars by imparting resistance to important turfgrass diseases via classical and molecular breeding methods. Ultimately this will lead to a reduced reliance on pesticide applications, thereby reducing expenses and lowering environmental impacts while maintaining high quality turfgrass. Dr. Jung has a strong record attracting

extramural funding and intends to transfer several of his current grants to UMass.

"Dr. Jung brings tremendous energy as well as excellent qualifications to the program. Initiating contact with area superintendents to set up trials, the day he accepted the position, exemplifies the level of his determination and interest," said ATG President, Steve Curry. "Dr. Jung gave a sharp lecture during the interview process that made apparent his energy, intelligence, and ability to work with superintendents conducting practical and useful research."

Dr. Veneman stated, "Dr. Jung has a very strong background in teaching and extension. Dr. Jung is a very enthusiastic teacher and communicator, and we expect that he will contribute significantly to our undergraduate and graduate instructional programs."

While the bulk of Dr. Jung's research and teaching activities will take place at the Joseph Troll Turf Research & Education Center in S. Deerfield, he is looking forward to working with the industry to solve practical problems through complementary research at golf courses and ballfields.

Dr. Jung stated "I am very excited about this new position and great opportunities to work with the turf industry and turfgrass researchers at UMass."

Dr. Jung will be at the UMass Turf Field Day on June 21, where he welcomes the opportunity to become acquainted with the Massachusetts Turf Industry.

The Alumni Turf Group (ATG), formed in 2005, is made up of turf professionals who are graduates of the Stockbridge School of Agriculture and the University of Massachusetts. Through fundraising, ATG hopes to further research and education, promote UMass alumni in the turf management profession, and instill pride and commitment in the turf programs at the University of Massachusetts.

ATG information is available online at [www.alumniturfgroup.com](http://www.alumniturfgroup.com).

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**Dr. Geunhwa Jung**

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# 'News from the Grounds, June 1, 2006': Our president-as-superintendent reports on the aftermath of the deluge

**Editor's Note:** We all have to sit down every month to write articles for our club and it gets harder and harder to get inventive. I was wondering if anyone would be interested in sending me copies of their best articles for printing in the GCSANE Newsletter. This would be helpful to other superintendents as they search for ideas for their own club newsletters.

Our next article is by GCSANE president Pat Kriksceonaitis, superintendent at Essex Country Club.

**By Pat Kriksceonaitis  
President, GCSANE,  
Superintendent,  
Essex County Club**

It started raining on Wednesday May 4, and by the time it stopped on the May 9, more than 16 inches of rain fell on the Essex property. Such was the flood of 2006.

This deluge of water closed the golf course and tennis courts until Saturday the 14th. We still haven't fully recovered. The sand had eroded, entirely washed out, or was covered with silt and debris on all 82 bunkers. The 18th green was under water for seven days, the 5th and 7th greens under water for three days. The water was so high the irrigation pump motors were submerged for three days. The bridges on the 5th, 10th, and 11th holes were lost for a week.

The programs for the turf, trees, and flowers on the property are in disarray. Some applications have been washed out, some have been missed, and others rescheduled. It would be nice if the insects and diseases could get back on to a normal schedule. I could go on and on with the lost work days and setbacks but it's over and the sun is shining.

On the bright side, the turf survived with manageable damage. With the experienced crew we have we were able to nurse the turfgrass back to playing condition. Small amounts of fertilizer and fungicides and growth regulators have been applied to help with the recovery. The bunkers have been worked on for the last 10 days and are almost back. The rough and fairway turf is growing faster than we can cut it. Additional mowings have been added

to the usual schedule. The additional growth makes for sloppier than normal conditions, but every day it gets better.

The flower beds are a week behind the normal planting, as there was just too much to do after the storm. Most will be planted by this weekend. The rest will be finished next week.

The pool project has shaped up nicely. The main planting, which consists of

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Kousa dogwood, Hetz Wintergreen arborvitae, several species of hydrangea, Spirea, Hatfield yews, hosta, hardy geranium, Wisteria, and Mandevilla, has been installed. There is a little rearranging of the existing plants still to be done, but the view from all sides is much improved.

It's hard to believe that June has begun. The summer season is in full swing. We should be in a regular routine of maintenance, but we are not. The mowing schedule is extra because of the extra growth. The tennis courts and several fairways need a topdressing of

sand. Fertilizer applications which are normally made in May will not be done until mid-June. These applications have to be made or else the turf will suffer mid-summer and beyond. Every effort will be made to do them in a way that least affects the use of both the tennis courts and golf course. If there is some interference with your game let me please apologize beforehand. We are trying our best. 🍷

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Applications are reviewed by a committee of seven GCSANE members. All decisions of the committee are final. Applicants are notified by mail of their

status by August 15 of the year the application is submitted.

To receive an application and the eligibility requirements, please contact Ron Dobosz, Scholarship & Benevolence Chairperson, 413-589-9487; e-mail: [rdobosz111@aol.com](mailto:rdobosz111@aol.com).

Scholarship applications must be postmarked by July 1 of the year submitted. ■

## More S&B comments extracted from the GCSANE web site forum . . .

And here are more S&B comments from the GCSANE web site forum:

**Topic: Just my thoughts . . . S&B Golf Outing at Wachusett C.C. . . .**

**Dave Comee**

(Posted 5/22/2006)

Another in a long string of great days at Wachusett. Under very trying times, thanks to Don, Nick, and most importantly, Matt. You guys came through in great fashion when you could have said "Not this Year" and everyone would

have understood. It's a great golf course, in great shape, and as always we all walk away happy.

To those of you who participated or contributed your support, I, for one, appreciate it.

To Dobz and the committee, I know how much effort it is and how frustrating it can be, Thanks.

Sharon and Julie are now old pros at manning the table. Thanks.

Tristan Healey, a past scholarship recipient, thank you for your assistance

at the registration. That is something we have seldom seen.

To those who did not or could not attend, you missed a great day.

And a final comment to those whose children have benefitted from this fund and choose to never participate, contribute, or offer a helping hand in any form or fashion . . . sleep well!

**Topic: Re: S&B 2006**

**Ron Dobosz**

(Posted 5/23/2006)

It was a wonderful day and the Marrone family went above and beyond to make it such a great day. Thanks to all the players, sponsors, and supporters for helping out such a great cause!! Thanks especially to the Marrone family, Sharon, Julie, Tristan Healy, and the S&B committee for their help. See you all soon. ■

"Under very trying times, thanks to Don, Nick, and most importantly, Matt. You guys came through in great fashion when you could have said 'Not this Year' and and everyone would have understood."

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# Turf Disease Update: The latest 'disease du jour'

Yellow Rings, similar to those seen with Yellow Patch (caused by *Rhizoctonia cerealis*), have been showing up on greens from California to Massachusetts and Kansas to Canada in the last several weeks.

The Yellow Rings have been described as *Rhizoctonia*-like in nature, but also as

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Fairy Ring and Necrotic Ring Spot. The symptoms, although very similar to Yellow

Patch, occur under much warmer temperatures than are associated with the former disease and also occur without the darkened roots and crowns associated with 'patch' diseases like Necrotic Ring Spot. Many of the reports have been on push-up or older greens and the primary turfgrass affected has been *Poa annua*. New sand greens have not been affected, but there are reports of this new disease on creeping bentgrass.

The strange weather patterns of last winter and the wide fluctuations in both temperature and moisture this spring may be responsible for the unusual growth of soil fungi. The disease has been variously named, Sheath and Leaf spot, Brown Ring Patch, and *Waitea* Patch; and the causal agent identified



as *Waitea circinata* var. *zeae*, *Rhizoctonia circinata* var. *zeae*, or simply *Rhizoctonia zeae*. This new pathogen is also closely related to the Brown Patch fungus, *Rhizoctonia solani*.

Although the name and cause of this new disease is academic, the control recommendations are the same as for other *Rhizoctonia* diseases. Apply azoxystrobin (Heritage™), fludioxonil (Medallion™), flutolanil (ProStar™), polyoxin D (Endorse™), or propiconazole (Banner Maxx™) according to the label, at the high rate, and in at least four gallons of water per 1,000 sq. ft. to reach the turfgrass crowns and roots. ■

**Source: UMass Extension Management Updates; submitted by M. Bess Dicklow.**

## GCSANE's own Steve Thys gets time in the spotlight

Worcester C.C. superintendent Steve Thys was interviewed by CBS News & Weather Channel meteorologist Mish Michaels at the National Golf Expo in Boston last March. The interview focused on a turfgrass winterkill research project that Thys and other New England superintendents are involved in. The project correlates weather events to turf injury during Northeast winters. ■

**Source: Onset Computer Corp.**



Above, Steve Thys being interviewed by CBS meteorologist Mish Michaels in March.

## GCSANE Family Night Out

Wednesday, August 30, 2006  
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Brockton, Mass.

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**Welcome New Members:** John Mills, Assistant, Nantucket G.C.; Ethan Tease, Assistant, Woodland G.C.; Keith Tortorella, Affiliate, Country Club Enterprises; Joseph Gikis, Student, UMass-Amherst; Pat Folan, Student, UMass-Amherst; Lindsey Hoffman, Student, UMass-Amherst; Stephen Hicks, Student, UMass-Amherst; Daniel Vetere, Student, UMass-Amherst; and Marc Mimmo, Student, UMass-Amherst.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Our condolences** go to Mary Owen and family on the recent passing of Mary's father Kenneth B. Oates, Sr.

## **MEMBERS ON THE MOVE**

**Congratulations to Mark Casey** as he has accepted a sales representative position with S.V. Moffet Turf Equipment, covering the Metropolitan Boston / Eastern Massachusetts territory. (Office: 978-276-3180, cell: 617-990-2427, e-mail: [mcasey@svmoffett.com](mailto:mcasey@svmoffett.com).)

**Congratulations to Chris Filadoro** as he has accepted a sales manager position with Turflinks Environmental Services for Middlesex and Essex counties. (Office: 866-567-9221, cell: 508-294-0168, e-mail: [cfiladoro@turf-links.com](mailto:cfiladoro@turf-links.com).)

## **GCSANE NEWS**

**Request for Club Newsletter Articles.** We all have to sit down every month to write articles for our club's newsletter, and it gets harder and harder to get inventive. If anyone is interested in e-mailing copies of their best articles to get printed in GCSANE's Newsletter, please send them to Mark Gagne, Editor, at [mgagne@walpolecc.com](mailto:mgagne@walpolecc.com), or Julie Heston, Business Manager, at [jheston@verizon.net](mailto:jheston@verizon.net). This would be helpful to other superintendents as they search for ideas for their own club newsletters.

## **EDUCATION**

**UMass Green School now accepting registrations.** Green School is a comprehensive certificate training program for Green Industry professionals taught by UMass Extension Educators and Faculty. This course is designed for landscape, turf, and other

horticultural practitioners wishing to gain an understanding of horticulture fundamentals and strategies and their relation to environmental quality. Green School attendees learn about sustainable approaches to turf and landscape management in managed environments. Green School's curriculum is based on research and information emphasizing environmental stewardship and integrated pest management (IPM). Participants will develop an understanding of how proper management practices impact natural resources such as soil and water. Participants learn how to make environmentally appropriate decisions related to turf and plant selection, plant maintenance, and pest & nutrient management. Choose one of two sections: Landscape Management or Turf Management. Green School begins on October 31, 2006 and runs for 12 sessions until December 12. Classes will be at the Radisson Hotel in Milford, Mass. (exit 19 off Rte. 495). For information and registration form, go to [www.UMassGreenInfo](http://www.UMassGreenInfo), or call 413-545-0895.

**Nursery & Landscape Summer Meeting & Trade Show**, July 19, 2006, 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., UMass Amherst Student Union & Metawampe Park. The day will offer horticulture education workshops presented by well known researchers and educators; a trade show; and a hands-on insect, disease, and weed laboratory. The featured speaker is Dr. Michael A. Dirr, author, lecturer, and retired Professor of Ornamental Horticulture from the University of Georgia, who will speak on Breeding, Evaluating, Introducing, & Marketing New Woody Plants. For information and registration form, go to [www.mnla.com](http://www.mnla.com), or [www.umassgreeninfo.org](http://www.umassgreeninfo.org), or contact UMass Extension's Landscape, Nursery, & Urban Forestry Program at (413) 545-0895, [eweeks@umext.umass.edu](mailto:eweeks@umext.umass.edu). Four pesticide contact hours will be offered, three in categories 29 and 36; four in category 37 and Applicator's License (00).

## **GOLF RESULTS**

**May 22, 2006  
Scholarship & Benevolence Tournament  
Wachusett C.C., West Boylston, Mass.**

1st Gross: Ed Gianni & Joe Peck  
2nd Gross: Rob Parker & Todd Farland  
1st Net: Neil Hannaran & Rob Larson  
2nd Net: Tom Rioux & James Small  
3rd Net: Ken Crimmings & Clyde Rowles  
4th Net: Dennis Friel & Joe Piana  
5th Net: Jim Fitzroy & Carl Miner  
Long Drive: Scott Mackintosh  
Closest To pin #18: Tom Rioux  
Closest to pin #4: Mike Marks

## **POSITION OPENING**

**Distribution Manager, Tom Irwin, Inc.** Tom Irwin Inc. is a leader in the sales of plant health and disease prevention products to the golf and sports turf industry. For the distribution manager position, previous background in product distribution is very helpful but not required. This position requires the ability to forecast, plan, and monitor all purchasing for Tom Irwin Inc. The candidate must maintain manufacturer relations as well as manage the distribution team to ensure customer satisfaction. The distribution manager position requires reporting to OSHA and other federal and state agencies relating to transportation, safety, and restricted products. A detailed description of requirements will be provided by the client. A college degree is preferred, but not required. Candidate must have a working knowledge of golf course principles, practices, and materials used for a successful golf course product. Salary is very competitive, and a bonus is available. The position offers standard benefits, and is available immediately. All inquiries are strictly confidential and should be directed to Harvard Golf Partners Co. Send resume to: Bob Piantedosi, Harvard Golf Partners, P. O. Box 455, Harvard, MA 01451; phone/fax: 978-369-5904; e-mail: [bphvd@juno.com](mailto:bphvd@juno.com).

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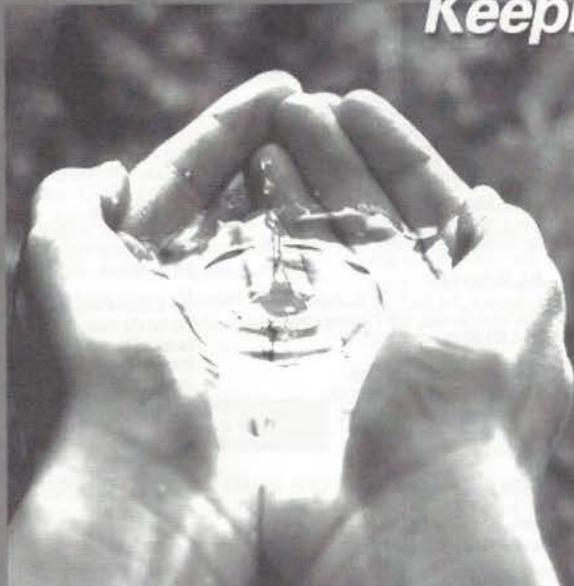
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