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Massachusetts Golf Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony

On the evening of October 16th, I had the distinct honor of attending the Massachusetts Golf Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony at the Blue Hill Country Club. I use the word honor because it has been twelve years since the last Induction. Coming from Rhode Island originally, I had no idea there were so many people in neighboring Massachusetts that made such huge impacts on the game.

I had originally planned on a long night with long-winded thank you speeches from all of the recipients. Fortunately, it was not long winded. The evening was over by 9:00 pm. The only unfortunate part of the night was that only two of



Mike Dowling is Master of Ceremony for the event

the inductees were there in person to make their speeches. The gala was a well orchestrated event. Everything was organized and carefully planned as the recipients had time limits on their speeches.

This year's Inductees were, The Curtis Sisters, Ted Bishop, Joanne Goodwin, Fred Wright, Paul Harney and Bob Toski. Only Joanne Goodwin and Bob Toski were there in person to accept their awards. All of the acceptance speeches were good with thanks going to the Hall of Fame and others who were responsible for helping them with their golfing success. There were three speeches that stuck out to me.

Joanne Goodwin is getting along in years but she is still sharp as a tack. She was interviewed in a little sit down with Mike Dowling. She got started playing golf in her early years because her father was a Golf Professional at Plymouth Country Club. Her mother and her siblings would work at the



Joanne Goodwin and Mike Dowling

club during the season in the Pro Shop and selling snacks. She talked about her parents and how the game was changing as she was growing up. She can remember when a salesman came to the Pro Shop and asked her father if any of his members would like to try something called a pull cart. The members of course liked the pull carts and soon many members wanted them. She recalled her father saying "what is this game coming to?"

Paul Harney's son accepted his father's award. I think the message that was portrayed regarding Paul was that above all he was one heck of a man. He kept to his word. Paul made a promise to his wife that when his children became school aged, he would leave the tour and become a teaching Professional. And so when his son became school age he became the teaching pro at Pleasant Valley. Paul's son became very emotional while talking about his Dad. He said that while he was in Thailand, he had met someone who knew his Dad. He said that person didn't talk about Paul's achievements as a golfer, he simply mentioned what a great man Paul was. He said that was the way his Dad would have wanted it.

The final interview of the evening was Bob Toski conducted by Jim McCabe. Bob had a quick wit. He talked about his touring days and how in the early days he would only attend a few events a year because that was all he could afford to enter. "In 1949 I was in California and I didn't

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From L-R: Jim McCabe, Senior writer for *Golf Week* with Hall of Fame Inductee Bob Toski

have enough money in my checkbook" said Bob. "I didn't want to call home so I called a friend Joe Stack". Joe sent him one thousand dollars. Hitting bottom like that must have lit a fire in Bob because he was the leading money winner in 1954. Bob made a joke and said "in 1954 I became the leading money winner making over one hundred thousand dollars and that same year my wife became the leading money spender!" Bob was a relatively small man to be on the tour but his determination helped him to be successful. Eighty Eight year old Bob proclaimed "there will never be another 118 pound champion."

By Tom Albert





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2015 New England Regional Turfgrass Show News

Our dates are January 26-29, 2015!



Unless you have a birthday, anniversary or you are planning a big vacation, there is not usually a lot to discuss about January otherwise. It is tough when the peak day is the 1st, the rest of the month seems to just drag on.....Many in the industry tell me that they experience boredom in January, because there just isn't much to do on a golf course in the dead of winter... For 2015 at least, we are going to mix things up a bit! You may know that GCSAA has scheduled for 2015 a

visit to San Antonio, Texas. Their trade show would close on Thursday afternoon on February 26. Originally, our conference and show was planning on opening Monday, March 2. With just a few days (72 hours) separating the two events, it was decided to move our (your) show to late January (January 26-29) to avoid the conflict.

So, I hope you already have that on your calendar, but if you don't then please put it on today! If you are a creature of habit like me, that may not be enough....then, you can do what I do every morning as I shave. Looking in the mirror I repeat 10 times each morning, "The 2015 show is the 26th-29th of January"....and on and on. I think this will help me be ready as I count down the days, but for you, you just only need to come to Providence the week of the 26th. So, put it on the calendar, plan your vacationing around it and we'll take care of most of the rest! Here are some of the show highlights to come in January 2015:

- Several seminars on Monday including these instructors: Dr. Michael Hurdzan, Dr. Jack Fry, John Kelly and Stephen Ami, Tim Moraghan and Dr. Fred Yelverton, Dr. Michelle DaCosta and Dr. Scott Ebdon and others.
- Other seminars will include Grass Tennis Court Management, CPR and AED Certification and MA Hoisting License Recertification.
- Full USGA day with featured speaker Mr. John Dennis, WEEI and a show floor reception.
- As in previous shows...a Large Trade Show Floor, Loads of Education, Pesticide Recertification, an Auction, Turf Bowl, Food, much Networking. All this to help your plan for the new season to come.

So, we hope you take advantage of these opportunities and remember to plan on being in Providence in January...... repeat after me... "the 2015 show is the 26th-29th of January, the 2015 show is....." See you there! Online preregistration will start November 15. ❖

> Gary Sykes, Executive Director New England Regional Turfgrass Foundation, Inc.

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Thoughts From Your Association Manager

In the July/August issue of *Tee to Green*, the publication of the Metropolitan Golf Course Superintendents Association, an article authored by Greg Wojick spells out the need for golf course superintendents to have an employment contract. This article is a very candid look at employment contracts and is full of good advice and ideas that I believe you will be interested in reading. If you'd like to read the article please view it in the online edition of the *Tee to Green* publication by clicking on http://www.metgcsa.org.



The Team: from the left – Garrett Whitney, Bob Healey, Donny D'Errico, Mike Hermanson, Jim Fitzroy, Mike Luccini, Bob Dembek, Brian Skinner. Photo by Jim Fitzroy

The GCSA of New England was represented at the MET Area Team Championship by the members of our Association shown in the photo above. The event was held September 26, 2014 at the Philadelphia Country Club, located in Gladwyne, PA where Superintendent Mike McNulty had the course in excellent condition. Everyone had a wonderful time and enjoyed spending the day with each other. The event is also an annual fundraiser for a charity in the area of the tournament. This event allowed members from our Association to meet others in the profession. Many lasting friendships are formed by this kind of competition and it exposes the participants to management practices that can be used to judge their own facilities. The teams that competed this year were treated to a very well conditioned course and all were very happy to have made the trek to the Philadelphia area. While the Association's team didn't take home first place bragging rights, they posted scores low enough to be eligible for inclusion in the 2015 event. The team dominated the skill prizes, winning 3 of the 7 available, including the best shot of the day from past GCSAA and New England President Jim Fitzroy with a shot that stopped 1'-1" from the cup on the hardest hole on the course, a 235 yard uphill par three. Thanks to all of them for taking the time to represent the GCSA of New England.

The USGA Green Section Seminar held at the Dedham Country and Polo Club, September 26 was an event attended by close to forty people and was packed with information for superintendents, club officials and others interested in the maintenance of fine turfgrass. Sand topdressing of fairways, shade tolerance of grasses, equipment design and use, and the rules of the game in relation to course maintenance were discussed, questions asked, and a lot of important information was taken away from the event.



Scott Whitcomb (red stake in hand), Director of Field Operations for the MGA explains the importance of proper marking of the course and how maintenance can affect the play of the game.

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A Compliment, Written or Spoken, Can Go a Long Way

Compliments are a great form of positive recognition and can go a long way to help make someone feel like they're part of your team. I sometimes slough off a comment because I'm a bit embarrassed. Other times I get tongue-tied. As you'll see below, there's a way to express recognition and appreciation for a compliment.

Things to consider when giving a compliment:

■ Sincerity matters. Compliments should be heartfelt as they are delivered. A monotone "Nice job" doesn't cut it. But an enthusiastic "Nice job Bill. I know you worked hard to keep your mowing lines straight," does.

■ Keep the focus on specifics. "I really appreciate your effort" is pretty nebulous. "The extra care you took with the bunker banks on #16 really made a difference. Great work," is much better. It shows you really noticed.

■ You can offer your boss a compliment once in a while, too. Just be careful: Too often and it can look like you're brownnosing. Focus your compliment on how your green chairman's actions helped you understand how to handle a situation better. "Mr. Smith or Bob or Bill or Sue, the way you resolved that problem in the green committee meeting was impressive. I learned something."

■ As a boss, if you give a compliment orally, consider putting it in writing as well so the recipient has a record of it. Remember though, that written compliment might be brought up at the next review. So make sure you meant what you wrote!

Don't overuse compliments by giving too many. They should be parceled out carefully. Give them too freely and too frequently and you lose the sincerity that is so important to a good compliment.

Many times when people receive a compliment, they don't know how to respond. So they end up diminishing it: "It was nothing." Or, in their embarrassment they may actually say nothing and think their faint smile takes care of the acknowledgement. The best response to a compliment is a sincere "Thank you."



Results of the NE Superintendents Championship at the Omni Mount Washington Resort



On Tuesday, October 7th the Omni Mount Washington Resort, Superintendent Dave Ousterhout and the New Hampshire Golf Course Superintendents Association, hosted the 2014 New England Golf Course Superintendents Championship. Each of the seven associations across New England was represented with an 8-man team for the event.

Overall the event was a success despite having to suspend play for a rain delay, and shorten the event to a 9-hole scored match. Mother Nature threw just about everything she could at the players up in the White Mountains, but the event finished.

The 2014 Championship went to the Vermont Team who posted a team score of 115 to take the top spot. They were followed by the New England Association who posted a 96. Closing out the top three was Connecticut with a post of 94 points. Joe Oliveira from the Rhode Island Association took the longest drive prize and Rick Lewis from the Maine Association took home the closest to the pin award.

A big thank you to the Director of Golf, John Pawlak, at the Omni Mount Washington Resort and his staff, as they provided great support throughout the event. John was even able to get a little plug in on the Fox 25 Boston news broadcast first thing Tuesday morning:

http://www.myfoxboston.com/clip/10663352/lilly-on-theloose-on-the-mountain-at-mt-washington-resort

Thank you to everyone who played in the event on Tuesday, it was a pleasure to have had such a great group of individuals play here at the Historic Omni Mount Washington Resort. We will all be looking forward to next year's event hosted by the Rhode Island Golf Course Superintendents Association.

Sincerely, David A. Ousterhout President, NHGCSA

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USGA Agronomist Adam Moeller explains the benefits of sand topdressing of fairways.

USGA Agronomists Adam Moeller and Jim Skorulski addressed the group after lunch to offer comments and answer questions.





Host superintendent Kevin Corvino, far left, explaining the function and purpose of a piece of specialized turf maintenance equipment.

Congratulations to Doug Stachura, who retired after a thirtyyear career as superintendent of the Springfield Country Club, on his induction into the Western Massachusetts Golf Hall of Fame. The ceremony took place October 3, 2014 at the Wyckoff Country Club in Holyoke. Doug is a retired member of the Association.

Rich Gagnon had a photo of his club, Segregansett Country Club, published on the "Final Shot" page of the October 2014 issue of *Golf Course Management* magazine. The specifics of the photo and the camera used are listed with the photo.



From left: Greg Bennett; Tavis, Kathy and Megan Comee; and Alex Magay, Dean of Students at the Winchendon School. Photo by Jim Fitzroy

The annual Turkey Shoot honoring the memory of Dave Comee, long time superintendent of the Winchendon School Golf Club and long time member of the Association's Scholarship and Benevolence Committee was held at the Club, October 5, 2014. Close to 100 friends and associates of Dave's came together to honor his memory and support the GCSA of New England's Scholarship and Benevolence Fund. Superintendent Greg Bennett and his team had the course set up for a round of fun, and creative hole placements were the order of the day. This is a place where people come together for a friendly round of golf and contribute the proceeds of the day to our S&B Fund. John Kerney, Head of School, has shown strong support for our Association and Dave's memory as you can see from the check the group is holding.

The GCSAA Chapter Delegates Meeting was held October 14-16, 2014 at GCSAA Headquarters in Lawrence, KS. There were many subjects presented and discussed and action was taken to move the Association and its Members forward. In addition, all candidates for office made presentations and were interviewed by the delegates. Delegates representing 87 Chapters were present and those I spoke with thought it was an informative and productive session. Membership classifications, inclusion of equipment managers, a dues increase, size of the board of directors and other items were discussed. Details of the outcomes of the subjects considered will be available soon.



Chapter Delegates, GCSAA Staff and GCSAA Board Members discussing various issues at the Chapter Delegates Meeting.

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The New England Superintendents Championship was played at the Omni Mt. Washington Resort in Bartlett, NH October 7, 2014. The GCSA of New England Team placed second out of seven teams. It was a wet day, but the players had a good time in spite of the poor weather. This is the kind of event where camaraderie is the order of the day. Yes, it's nice to win, but it's even nicer to be with friends and have a good time.



Front left to right: Mike Hughes, Ron Dobosz, Bob Healey Rear left to right: Matt Lapinski, Ken Crimmings, Rich Gagnon, Mike Hermanson, Mike Carignan. Photo by: Rich Gagnon



Left to right: Tom Ohlson, Kevin Corvino, Peter Lanman, Greg Misodoulakis Photo by: Mark Casey

This year's member-guest meeting was held at the Dedham Country and Polo Club, October 14. The event was well attended with 108 players signed-up. The weather was beautiful, the course in magnificent condition and the staff at Dedham made all feel very welcome. Superintendent Kevin Corvino and his team worked hard to prep the course and the players were hearty with their praise. Golf Professional Jim Noris and his staff were easy to work with, quick to please and made all feel welcome. GM Ryan Kenny and Events Manager Christine Vandam worked enthusiastically to make sure the food and beverage part of the event went as planned. It was a great day at Dedham! ❖

By Don Hearn





Kevin Doyle - GCSAA Updates



What kind of value is in information? I'm pretty sure we have a solid grasp on the answer to that question when it comes to our own facilities. We are often faced with how to divide our time with respect to information. What value do we achieve through social media? What educational opportunities provide the best return to my situation? These questions

and more relate to a flow of information and opportunities coming at you, others trying to give you input that will create a positive response for your situation. What about the flow of information from you to others? Having been in those seminar seats for a long time silence seems to be golden. Sometimes it is not, and it can take away from your facility in the long run.

While your email inbox continues to get stuffed with items of varying importance, this one should have found its way in there already. It is a request for information from you and it is important to you, your facility, and your industry. GCSAA's website relays the message like this: "In 2006, GCSAA and the EIFG began a series of surveys on the physical features and maintenance practices of golf courses in the U.S. known as the Golf Course Environmental Profile. The results were released from 2007-2012 and provided a baseline of information for use in the management of golf facilities but also offered an opportunity to communicate golf's environmental efforts to the public. In fall 2014, the second phase of the Golf Course Environmental Profile will begin, with a second series of surveys being conducted and reported from 2014-2017, mirroring the previous series. The USGA will sponsor the profile in conjunction with the EIFG and support GCSAA in its efforts in the second phase"

For you long time Superintendents, you probably remember the first time through. A lot has happened both within and outside our industry. There has been increased pressure on Superintendents as professional managers of golf turf, and as environmental stewards. The best way to help alleviate some of these forces is with solid and viable information that only you can provide. What is this information used for:

• Advocacy efforts conducted at the local, state and national levels. This scientifically viable data shows the true impact of our industry so legislation and regulations can be developed wisely.

• To develop research opportunities that will have positive impact on your industry now and in the future.

Allocation of resources by those within the industry to best impact immediate needs.

Each of these uses will pay dividends at your facility, but they might not be available without your help. The first survey to be released in the second phase focuses on water use and conservation practices.

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The EPA has granted GCSAA's request for an extension on the use of fenamiphos (Nemacurnematicide) existing stocks labeled for use on golf courses until Oct. 6, 2017. Nemacur is used to control the major genera of nematodes attacking turfgrass including root knot, root lesion, sting, lane and rink nematodes. Contact Chava McKeel, associate director, government relations, for more information

GCSAA Grassroots Network - Building our Grassroots Army

Advocacy is one of the most powerful ways to impact public policy. Successful association advocacy and lobbying efforts depend upon establishing strong relationships with elected officials. Ad hoc advocacy makes it hard to build strong, long -term relationships with elected officials and have a positive impact on policy decisions.

The GCSAA Grassroots Network is a new, dedicated group of GCSAA members who want to engage in the association's government relations efforts. Individuals in the GCSAA Grassroots Network also have the opportunity to serve as a <u>GCSAA Grassroots Ambassador</u>. GCSAA will give its Grassroots Ambassadors personalized training on building relationships with Members of Congress.

Ambassadors Update by State:

Massachusetts: 4 Connecticut: 5 New Jersey: 1 New York: 5 New Hampshire: 1

There is still a great need for more support of this program from all northeast states. If you have any questions regarding the program, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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- Dec. 10: Legume Inclusion: a path towards greener golf course management
- Dec. 18: From the Trenches to the Trencher: Leadership Transition

Again, if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me. <a>

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MET Team Championships

Thank you to all that participated in this year's MET Team Championships at Philadelphia CC!! We had another fantastic day, thanks to Philly member and greens chairmen Chet Walsh, golf course superintendent Mike McNulty, head professional Scott Riley and the entire staff at Philadelphia CC!! Mike had the golf course in fantastic shape for this year's event and players from every state are still raving about how great a course Philadelphia CC is!! We keep dodging the weather year after year and this year was no different as we just got it in before some light sprinkles. The Banquet Manager Ashly Reese and her entire team put on a great spread and kept everything dry for the after golf festivities, so thank you very much to everyone at the club!! Blake and I have been blessed with not only great host golf courses year after year, but also great people to work with!

The competition was once again strong, but a little home field advantage may have been just too much for everyone to overcome as the team from Philadelphia ran away with this event with an 11 shot victory over the defending champions from Connecticut! In what is believed to be the tournament record, Philadelphia blistered through the par 71 layout at 8 under par with strong showings from all team members, including low gross partners Andy Drohen and John Gosselin who had the day's best 2-ball score at 65. Philadelphia last won this event in 2011 at Galloway National. (Attached are the results for your newsletters and also the individual results for teams to view)

Defending champs Connecticut narrowly held on to second place by 1 shot over annual contender Hudson Valley and with a tie-breaker, NJ held on for 4th place over Northeastern. The tiebreaker is determined by the lowest total gross score, followed by the lowest total net score.

Meanwhile, no one won the \$20,000 dollar hole-in-one prize this year, but the team from New England dominated the skill prizes, winning 3 of the 7 available, including the best shot of the day from past GCSAA President Jim Fitzroy with a shot that stopped 1'-1" from the cup on arguably the hardest hole on the course, a 235 yard par three up-hill no less!! We are happy to report Jim did make the putt!!

Thanks again to all that participated and special thanks to GCSAA rep Kevin Doyle for his help all day long and Shaun Barry who helped with the \$20,000 hole-in-one hole and also took some fantastic photos of all the groups! We're happy to report this year we have Shaun's photos loaded on Flickr for all to view and download, so please forward to you teammates and associations for the newsletters! The photo link is here.... https://www.flickr.com/

photos/118804232@N02/, thanks Shaun, nice job! Finally, we want to thank our 7 sponsors that perennially step up each year and support this great event! Without them, this event would not be able to be held to the standards we have come to know and love, and we greatly appreciate their support! Please join us in thanking our sponsors, Aquatrols, BASF, Bayer, Care of Trees, Koch Agronomic Services, Syngenta and Toro!

Also, this year's Nor'easter Ski Day will be held at Killington Ski Area on March 5th! More details to follow, but please post on your associations calendars!

Thanks again everyone and we'll see you all in 2015! <

Regards,

Andy Drohen

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Wednesday, Dec. 10, Grand Room A

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- May 5 Worcester Country Club Joint meeting with Rhode Island GCSA
- May 12 Alumni Turf Group 10th Annual Dr. Joseph Troll Classic - Old Oaks Country Club
- June 9 Challenger Demo Day Blue Hill Country Club
- June 30Walpole Country ClubScholarship & Benevolence Tournament
- August 12 Marlborough Country Club Individual Championship
- Sept. 8 Renaissance Two Person Team Championship
- Oct. 7 New England Superintendent Championship Omni Mt. Washington Resort, Bartlett, NH
- Oct. 14 Dedham Country and Polo Club Member-Guest
- Oct. 22 William J. Devine Golf Course at Franklin Park Assistants Tournament
- Nov. 10 Sassamon Trace Golf Course (re-scheduled) Nine-Hole Meeting

DIVOT DRIFT... announcements ... educational seminars ... job opportunities ...tournament results...and miscellaneous items of interest to the membership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome New Member:

• Jesse Shannon, Superintendent, Manhattan Woods Country Club, West Nyack, NY

Our condolences are extended to the Nunes family on the passing of Cliff Nunes on October 12, 2014. Many of you remember Cliff as the long time denizen of the grounds of the Salem Country Club. Cliff was a sixty-year employee of the Club and filled the positions of mechanic, assistant, foreman, and superintendent with an unending willingness to make Salem a better place.

Our condolences are extended to the Heroian family on the passing of Dave Heroian on October 29, 2014. Dave was the longtime Superintendent at the Myopia Hunt Club.

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I appreciate your time and participation.

Jeffrey Urquhart Membership Chairman 70 Green Lodge St Canton, MA 02021

Rescheduled Nine Hole Meeting at Sassamon Trace Golf Course

Due to poor weather forecasted for the Nine Hole Meeting originally scheduled for Thursday, November 6, it has been rescheduled to **Monday, November 10, 2014** at the Sassamon Trace Golf Course.

Host Superintendent: Kris Armando Registration: 9:30 am ; Shotgun Start: 10:00 am; Lunch: after golf; Cost: \$40 Retiree: \$20

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED FOR THE NOVEMBER 6 DATE AND WILL BE PLAYING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, YOU WILL NOT NEED TO REGISTER AGAIN. IF YOU'VE ALREADY REGISTERED BUT CANNOT PLAY MONDAY NOVEMBER 10, PLEASE CONTACT Don Hearn at <u>donhearn@gcsane.org</u> TO LET HIM KNOW YOU WON'T ATTEND. IF YOU HAVEN'T REGIS-TERED, BUT WISH TO PLAY NOVEMBER 10, PLEASE REGISTER.



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