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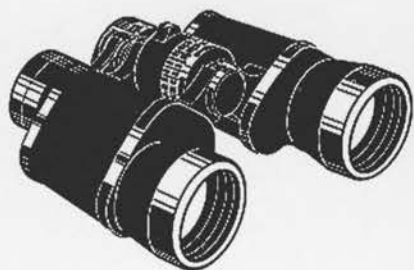


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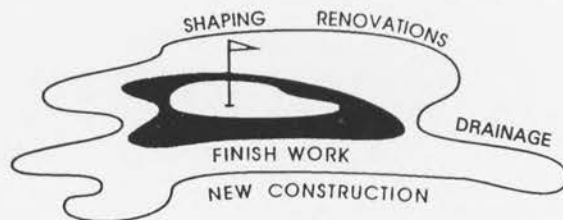
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Meeting new people has always been challenging for me. I'm not great at "small talk" and so I never looked forward to going to gatherings where I didn't already know people. So I wasn't exactly looking forward to attending my first meeting of the Michigan and Border Cities GCSA 12 years ago. But am I glad I did.

First of all, golf course superintendents talk shop all the time so all the "small talk" was relevant. Second, I learned a couple of really useful things at my very first meeting. Third, and by far the most important, I began to build some of the most important friendships of my life.

My first committee assignment after I joined was "beverage boy." I was in charge of setting up the hospitality suite in the Michigan Room at GCSAA. Boy oh boy, those suitcases I hauled up the stairway were heavy. In fact, I met some of my favorite people icing down beer in the bathtub of the Michigan Room.

As time went on, I got more and more involved and so I was truly honored 11 years ago when I was selected to serve on the board of what is now the Greater Detroit GCSA. As I write my final President's Message, I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president this year. It's been a privilege to follow in the footsteps of my predecessors. Joining this association and becoming involved in its activities has been one of the most beneficial professional and personal things I've ever done.

I know that many prospective and maybe even some less active members struggle with the thought of going to a meeting where they don't know anybody. All I can say to you, based on my own experience, is the struggle is worth it. So let me be the first to invite you to the "Superintendents Only" meeting at Forest Lake Country Club on December 4th and the Holiday Party on December 6th at the Greektown Casino. These events are my favorites because everyone has something to talk about.. I'm sure we'll all have some anecdotes to share about how tough the past season was.

The purpose of our organization as stated in our constitution is... "to unite the golf course superintendents of the Detroit Metropolitan area into a cooperative group for the collection, preservation and dissemination of scientific and practical knowledge and information. In other words, we exist to make one another better in our chosen profession. I know my membership in this association has made me a better golf course superintendent. I'm grateful to have had the opportunity to give something back to this great group of people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. J. McKelvey". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a light-colored background.

## THANKS TO OUR HOST SUPERINTENDENTS AND CLUBS

Rick Murphy, Bay Pointe Golf Club  
Dale Bauer, Burning Tree Golf & Country Club

Mike Mulkey, Edgewood Country Club  
John Cooney, Tam O'Shanter Country Club

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# 37<sup>th</sup> Annual 2002 Big Event Fundraiser

Monday, October 7 started out as a typical, cold fall day, a bit unusual considering the past summer season we've had. But things soon heated up with the start of our 37th annual BIG EVENT. Host superintendents for this year's event were John Cooney of Tam O'Shanter Country Club, Mike Mulkey of Edgewood Country Club and Rick Murphy of Bay Pointe Golf Club. Special thanks to Dale Bauer of Burning Tree Golf & Country Club who had also volunteered to be a host, but due to a reduction in players, their course was not used.

Based on conversations back at the Bay Pointe Dining Room, all the courses were in excellent shape and our appreciation goes out to all the staff members involved in preparing their courses for the event. Special thanks goes out to Rick Murphy and the Bay Pointe clubhouse/banquet staff for a great dinner and bar service.

The BIG EVENT Committee members who helped with this year's event include Mike Fouty, Scott Ford, Tavis Horton, Mark McKinley, Carl Metzner, Sue Shockey, Rich Locke, Jeff Fiserte, Jim McLean, Scott Trbovich, Mike Bay, Al Goethe and Tim Johnson. The success of this fundraising event could not happen without the experienced effort from G.D.C.S.A. Executive Secretary Kate Mason. Thank you very much, Kate.

Winners of the 2002 Golf Day:

## **Bay Point Golf Course**

*First Place - Net*

Mark Harwell, Luke Sharpe, Brett Sharpe, Tim Sharpe

*First Place - Gross*

Mark Miller, Mark Maras, Pete Kingsley, Dale Bauer

*Closest To The Pin*

Bill Jackson @ #7

Steve Kim @ #16

## **Tam O' Shanter Country Club**

*First Place - Net*

Tim Dorner, Marco Mazzola,  
Jack Leavy, Mike Pesendorfer

*First Place - Gross*

Gerald Prieskorn, Jerry Prieskorn,  
Ron Adams, Ray Green

*Closest To The Pin*

Truman Hammett @ #8

Ray Green @ #15

## **Edgewood Country Club**

*First Place - Net*

Scott Trbovich, Kevin Fuchs,  
Tim Jenkins, Scott Gardiner

*First Place - Gross*

Jay Delcamp, Mike Casey,

Jim Koziatek, Mike Mulkey

*Closest To The Pin*

Scott Sand @ #6

Bob Issell @ #10

Congratulations to all the winners and thank you for your support. Special thanks to Chantell Horton for again helping us with the new scoring system.

Plans are already being made to run next year's event. We hope to add some diversity and excitement to continue the fundraising tradition we have enjoyed in past years.

A much appreciated thank you again to all the vendors, players, committee members, clubhouse staff and all those who supported our efforts this fall.







Above - Tom Mason, Sue Shockey,  
Paul Kolbe, Craig Roggeman  
and Mike Bay



Honored Retiree Jay Delcamp



Left- Honored  
Retiree Harold  
Fiebelkorn

Right - Ron  
Adams, Jerry  
Prieskorn and  
Gerald Prieskorn



Left (Front row) - Mark McKinley, Jon Shreve, Scott  
Ford, Sec./Treas. Bob King and V.P. Fritz McMullen  
(Back row) - John Cooney, Mike Fouty, Dan Billette,  
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Below - Newly elected Directors Mike Fouty  
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# 2002 Annual Business Meeting Indianwood Golf and Country Club

by Robert King

What can I say? A great lunch, dinner, sunshine, and golf at one of Michigan's premier country clubs. How could anyone pass this up? A chilly start to the day gave way to a sun-drenched afternoon, complete with fast greens, rolling hills, fescue, bluegrass rough, deep bunkering and an all-around pleasant experience.

The Old Course at Indianwood is a links style, Wilfreid Reed design that is very well maintained and a treasure to play and see. Our host and Golf Course Manager Brian Schweihofer, his Superintendents Aaron Mitzelfeld, Tom Ryder, their assistants, and the maintenance staff had the Old Course in tip-top shape and playing tough after deciding to place the pins in the same location as the 1989 Women's U.S. Open (too bad we didn't put us at the women's tees also). These challenging pin placements combined with the fast greens required accurate shot making and a seasoned putter. Many times if you missed the putt, your next putt was longer than the one you started with. Three putts were common and many gollers were satisfied with making bogey and probably overjoyed with par. Below is a list of winners:

Individual Winners:

1st Net	Ron Adams	\$50
2nd Net	Jerry Prieskorn	\$30

1st Gross	Kevin Haaek	\$30
2nd Gross	Chris Andrejicka	\$30
Closest to the Pin:		
Hole 3	Tom Gill	\$40
Hole 5	Kevin Haack	\$40
Hole 13	Fritz McMullen	\$40
Hole 17	Tom Ryder	\$40

2-Man Best Ball:

1st Net	John Kirtland and Bryan Grill	\$160 each
1st Gross	Ron Adams and Jerry Prieskorn	\$160 each

Immediately following golf, members were spoiled by the very pleasant and attentive dining staff. We were treated to an excellent steak dinner, followed by a creme-filled chocolate eclair. The ambience was perfect within the English Tudor style dining hall that is filled with priceless collections of furniture and heirlooms from all over the world. This was one event that no member should have missed.

On behalf of the G.D.G.C.S.A. I would like to thank Stan Aldridge, Brian Schweihofer, Aaron Mitzfeld, Tom Ryder, the general manager, the maintenance staff, the pro shop staff, the dining room staff, the chef and all of the other people who contributed to such a great day.

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**Tim Dorner, CGCS, Chapter Delegate**

The Annual Chapter Delegates Meeting was held November 1-3, 2002. This year's meeting was very interesting and informative. Although many issues and programs were discussed, a good portion of the meetings centered around the implementation of PDI, the proposed dues increase, the candidates for office and the possibility of moving GCSAA Headquarters from Lawrence to another city.

The following is a synopsis of the two and one-half days of presentations. A packet with more detailed information will be distributed at the Forest Lake meeting on December 4th. If you cannot attend this meeting and would like an information packet, contact Kate Mason and one will be mailed to you. In addition, all the information presented at the delegates' meeting is being made available on GCSAA's web site.

**GCSAA Financial Discussion**

This presentation centered on the need for a dues increase. The main points for a dues increase were:

- GCSAA has been operating at less than break-even for the last two years.
- The Future Program Accrual Account has absorbed those losses.
- Loss of income from investments.
- The tenant that was leasing the second floor of Headquarters went out of business shortly after 9/11. No current leasing prospects available in the short term.
- Past history has shown that a 20% increase has been the norm and done on the average of every five years. Last increase was in Fiscal Year 97-98.
- PDI is not directly related to proposed dues increase

**Professional Development Initiative (PDI)**

- Official date of implementation: July 1, 2003
- The first renewal cycle for everyone (except CGCS) will be prorated
- Selection process will occur in May, 2003
- Randomly select members to determine which cycle they will be placed
  - 3 year = 3 points (min. of 1.2 must be education points)
  - 4 year = 4 points (min. of 1.6 must be education points)
  - 5 year = 5 points (min. of 2.0 must be education points)
- **PDI Pilot project: Nov. 1, 2002 - April 15, 2003**
  - Purpose:** preparation for processing all necessary paperwork for various scenarios that could occur when the additional Class A standards are required.
  - Measures of Success for Pilot Project:**
    - \*Resolve systematic or policy issues for implementation
    - \*Identify processing time requirements
    - \*Define internal staff responsibilities
    - \*Identify the organizational reporting mechanisms
    - \*Members of the Chapter Relations and Membership committees will serve as "actors" for the Pilot Project
    - \*These individuals will be provided with case scenarios and asked to complete various processes
- **PDI and Education**
  - Goal is to provide accessible and affordable education through:
    - \*Local Chapters
    - \*E-Learning opportunities
    - \*External educational opportunities

This is just an overview of the key points for the implementation of PDI. To get more detailed information or have questions answered visit the GCSAA website at [www.gcsaa.org](http://www.gcsaa.org) or contact me or a board member and we will do our best to answer any questions or concerns that you may have regarding PDI.



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### **Proposed Move of GCSAA Headquarters**

This topic caught all the delegates off guard. Although this is not a new topic, not many people were aware that a move was being considered. It was revealed that a resource group that was made up of member superintendents was put in place 10 months ago to determine the feasibility of a move. In addition, a consultant has been hired to help facilitate this process.

The primary criteria for considering a move is:

- Long-term benefits to the members
- Long-term growth and positioning of the association

Included in our packet were the following statements relating to the primary criteria for a change in location.

*The leadership of GCSAA believes today that to maximize the visibility of the association in the golf community, to continue to broaden the scope of membership services, and to continue to solidify its leadership role in golf requires a re-examination of the benefits to the membership of moving GCSAA to a high-traffic, golf intensive region.*

*A higher association profile has tangible benefits in expanded member services and serves to elevate the awareness and understanding of the role of the golf course superintendent.*

*Any relocation must bring long-term financial and growth benefits to the association and its members*

The criteria that has been established for the "ideal location" is accessibility, climate and strategic partnership. Included in our packet were the following statements relating to the "ideal location".

*A strategically positioned headquarters is one that facilitates high accessibility for constituents, most importantly members.*

*Enhances the ability of the association to conduct business in terms of more direct interaction with the leaders of the game and more flexibility to conduct events that require outdoor venues, including research.*

The feedback from the delegates was mostly positive and the overwhelming majority felt that a move should be considered. Because of the positive feedback from the delegates, the board felt that in order to move forward with this and have the most flexibility and leverage to negotiate a deal we should consider amending the Articles of Incorporation by eliminating Lawrence, Kansas as the primary place of business for GCSAA.

What does this mean? Under the current language in the articles of incorporation, because Lawrence Kansas is the primary place of business of GCSAA, any deal negotiated would have to be approved by a 2/3 vote of the membership. Traditionally, all voting matters are handled at the annual meeting. Under this scenario, a deal could be negotiated in July and the prospective city could have to wait for 6 or 7 months for an answer. The board feels that this could hinder them in making a timely deal.

At this year's annual meeting in Atlanta, we will be asked to vote on a change in the articles of incorporation to remove Lawrence, Kansas as the primary place of business for GCSAA. This means that a yes vote will empower this board or future boards to make a deal with a prospective city without coming back to the membership for a vote.

The board has promised to present the details of any potential deal in a concise, timely manner; however, if we vote yes to amend the articles of incorporation we are essentially approving a move at that time and we are trusting that the board and senior staff at GCSAA will be acting in our best interest as an association.

There is a lot of speculation that Florida is the targeted site but according to the board and Steve Mona, no location has been targeted and Lawrence, Kansas is still considered a viable location. There are several cities that meet the criteria and the next phase is to start targeting some of those areas. Steve Mona also mentioned the possibility of getting a better deal from Lawrence to stay put.

### **Candidates for GCSAA Office**

As with past elections, the candidates for President and Vice-President are running unopposed. Both candidates for Secretary/Treasurer are at the end of their terms for Director. The loser of the election for Secretary/Treasurer will more than likely be nominated from the floor for another Directors term. There are three Director positions available. The slate of candidates is:

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### **Other Items of Importance**

- Compensation and Benefits Survey will be sent out in January 2003. This year you will be able to complete the survey online. Results will be sent out in May 2003.
- At this year's conference and show on Thursday, February 13th the Trade Show Floor will be open to members only.
- There was a presentation made on the Board of Directors travel policy because of the backlash of the Ryder Cup trip. The delegates were satisfied with the information provided. If you would like detail on this policy, contact me or any board member and it will be provided.
- GCSAA is negotiating with the National Golf Course Owners Association in an attempt to combine our trade shows. The goal is to have two separate conferences going on at the same time with their own identities but have a joint trade show.

There was a lot of information given out in two and one-half days and it would be difficult for me to write an article that contained all of the information that was presented. Please plan to attend the Forest Lake meeting on December 4th where a presentation will be made and the topics will be discussed in detail. If you have questions or concerns regarding GCSAA, feel free to contact me and I will do my best to get you the information that you need.



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Dear Superintendent Members,

We trust you will find the following pages of this issue to be of great help to you in the next year. Listed Alphabetically and by Product/Service category are vendor members of the Greater Detroit GCSA (GD), Mid-Michigan Turf Assn (MM), Northern Michigan Turf Managers Assn (NM) and the Western Michigan GCSA (WM) regional areas, who have chosen to be a part of the Resource Issue. ***Please support these vendor members.***

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# Product/Service Categories

Aerators  
 Aerification Services  
 Aggregate Supplier  
 Asphalt Paving  
 Baseball Field Clay  
 Batteries & Accessories  
 Biological Equipment  
 Biostimulants  
 Blowers  
 Brush Chippers/Shredders  
 Bunker Sand  
 Computers & Software  
 Concrete Pavers  
 Construction Soils  
 Construction of Tees and Bunkers  
 Consulting & Management Services  
 Design/Build Construction Management  
 Drainage Systems & Supplies  
 Driving Range Equipment  
 Endophyte Seed  
 Engines  
 Equipment Lifts  
 Erosion Control Products  
 Fans  
 Fencing & Netting  
 Foliar Fertilizers  
 Free Next Day Delivery  
 General Contracting  
   Club houses/Storage Facilities/New/Remodels  
 Geotextiles  
 Golf Course Accessories  
 Golf Course Construction & Renovations  
 Gravel  
 Greensmix Materials  
 Grinders & Sharpeners  
 Hand Tools  
 Hydroseeding  
 Injection Equipment/Systems  
 Irrigation  
 Irrigation Water Testing  
 Limestone  
 Micronutrients  
 Mobile Svc  
 Mosquito Control Services  
 Mowers & Accessories  
 Mulch  
 Nursery  
 Overseeders/Contracted Service  
 Pesticide/Fertilizer Application Services

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 Pesticides/Fertilizers/Biological Products  
 Pond/Lake Management Products  
 Power Rakes  
 Pressure Washers  
 Pruner/Trimmers  
 Pruning  
 Pumping Stations & Equipment  
 Reel Grinding  
 Removals  
 Rentals-Equipment  
 Repairs  
 Replacement Parts  
 Retaining Walls  
 Safety Products  
 Sand  
 Seed  
 Seeding Mulch  
 Signage & Markers  
 Slag  
 Slit Seeders/Contracted Service  
 Small Engine Parts  
 Sod  
 Soil Conditioner & Amendments  
 Soil Testing  
 Sphagnum Peat (bulk)  
 Spill Control Absorbants  
 Spray Adjuvants  
 Sprayers, Seeders & Topdressers  
 Straw Blankets  
 Stump Grinding  
 Surveys & Mapping Services  
 Sweepers & Vacuums  
 Tackifiers  
 Thatch Management Materials  
 Tires, Wheels & Accessories  
 Topdressing Materials  
 Topsoil  
 Tractors  
 Tree Care Equipment/Service  
 Trees  
 Turf Colorants & Markers  
 Turf Covers  
 Turf Rollers  
 USGA Sand  
 Utility Vehicles/Trucks  
 Waste Water Equipment  
 Weather Monitoring Equipment  
 Wetting Agents



# Product/Service Category Listing

## **Aerators**

John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source  
Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Valley Turf Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz

## **Aerification Services**

Deep Roots Aerification Services

## **Aggregate Supplier**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Osburn Industries Inc.

## **Asphalt Paving**

Associated Construction Services, Corp.  
S&F Construction, Inc.

## **Baseball Field Clay**

Osburn Industries Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.

## **Batteries & Accessories**

W.F. Miller Company

## **Biological Equipment**

Atomic Cleaning Systems LLC  
Green & Grow, Inc.

## **Biostimulants**

Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

## **Blowers**

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company

## **Brush Chippers/Shredders**

Valley Turf, Inc.

## **Bunker Sand**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Osburn Industries Inc.  
Sand Sales Co., LLC

## **Computers & Software**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Valley Turf Inc.

## **Concrete Pavers**

Associated Construction Services, Corp.  
Boksa Landscape Construction

## **Construction Soils**

Associated Construction Services, Corp.  
Boksa Landscape Construction  
Osburn Industries Inc.  
Sand Sales Co., LLC

## **Construction of Tees & Bunkers**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Terry Malburg Landscaping, Inc.

## **Consulting & Management Services**

Associated Construction Services, Corp.

## **Controller Repair Service**

John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source

## **Design/Build Construction Management**

Associated Construction Services, Corp.

## **Drainage Systems & Supplies**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source  
Valley Turf, Inc.

## **Driving Range Equipment**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.

## **Endophyte Seed**

Rhino Seed  
Tri Turf Inc.

## **Engines**

W. F. Miller Company

## **Equipment Lifts**

Valley Turf Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company

## **Erosion Control Products**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Rhino Seed  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.

## **Fans**

Green & Grow, Inc.

## **Fencing & Netting**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Rhino Seed  
Tri Turf Inc.

**Foliar Fertilizers**

The Andersons  
Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Rhino Seed  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Fountains**

John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source

**Free Next Day Delivery**

Rhino Seed  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**General Contracting - Club Houses/Storage Facilities/New/Remodel**

Associated Construction Services, Corp.

**Geotextiles**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Rhino Seed

**Golf Course Accessories**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Golf Course Construction & Renovation**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Terry Malburg Landscaping, Inc.

**Gravel**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Osburn Industries Inc.

**Greensmix Materials**

Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Osburn Industries  
Sand Sales Co., LLC  
United Horticultural Supply

**Grinders & Sharpeners**

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Hand Tools**

John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source  
Rhino Seed  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.

**Hydroseeding**

Rhino Seed  
Terry Malburg Landscaping, Inc.  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Injection Equipment/Systems**

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Turf Chemicals, Inc.

**Irrigation**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source  
Marc Dutton Irrigation, Inc.  
Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.

**Irrigation Water Testing**

The Andersons  
Green & Grow, Inc.

**Landscaping Accessories & Services**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Rhino Seed

**Limestone**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Osburn Industries Inc.

**Micronutrients**

The Andersons  
Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Mobile Service**

Valley Turf, Inc.

**Mosquito Control Service**

Advanced Pest Management

**Mowers & Accessories**

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Mulch**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Rhino Seed  
Sand Sales Co., LLC  
Tri Turf Inc.

**Nursery**

John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source

**Overseeders/Contracted Service**

Terry Malburg Landscaping, Inc.

**Pesticide/Fertilizer Application Services**

The Davey Tree Expert Co. (tree & turf)  
Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Mike's Tree Surgeons, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Turfgrass, Inc.

**Pesticides/Fertilizers/Biological Products**

The Andersons, Inc.  
Emerald Isle, Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turf Chemicals, Inc.  
Turfgrass Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Pond/Lake Management Products**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turf Chemicals, Inc.  
Turfgrass Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Power Rakes**

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Valley Turf Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Pressure Washers**

Atomic Cleaning Systems LLC  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Pruner/Trimmers**

Valley Turf, Inc.

**Pruning**

The Davey Tree Expert Co. (trees)  
Mike's Tree Surgeons, Inc.  
Schilbe Tree Care

**Pumping Stations & Equipment**

John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source  
Spartan Distributors, Inc.

**Reel Grinding**

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Removals**

Schilbe Tree Care (organic waste & trees)

**Rentals-Equipment**

Atomic Cleaning Systems LLC

**Repairs**

Atomic Cleaning Systems LLC  
Spartan Distributors  
W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Replacement Parts**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Spartan Distributors  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Retaining Walls**

Boksa Landscape Construction

**Safety Products**

Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass Inc.

**Sand**

Osburn Industries  
Sand Sales Co., LLC

**Seed**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Rhino Seed  
Simplot Partners  
Turf Chemicals, Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Seeding Mulch**

Rhino Seed  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Signage & Markers**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.

**Slag**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Osburn Industries Inc.  
Sand Sales Co., LLC

**Slit Seeders/Contracted Service**

Terry Malburg Landscaping, Inc.

**Small Engine Parts**

W.F. Miller Company

**Sod**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Huggett Sod Farm, Inc.



**Soil Conditioner & Amendments**

Emerald Isle, Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Soil Testing**

The Andersons  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Turf Chemicals, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Sphagnum Peat (bulk)**

Osburn Industries  
Tri Turf, Inc.

**Spill Control Absorbants**

Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.

**Spray Adjuvants**

Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Sprayers, Seeders & Topdressers**

Spartan Distributors, inc.  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company

**Straw Blankets**

Rhino Seed  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.

**Stump Grinding**

The Davey Tree Expert Co.  
Mike's Tree Surgeons, Inc.  
Schilbe Tree Care

**Surveys & Mapping Services**

The Davey Tree Expert Co.  
Mike's Tree Surgeons, Inc.

**Sweepers & Vacuums**

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
Valley Turf, Inc.  
W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Tackifiers**

Rhino Seed  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.

**Thatch Management Materials**

Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
Turfgrass, Inc.  
United Horticultural Supply

**Tires, Wheels & Accessories**

W. F. Miller Company

**Top Dressing Materials**

Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Osburn Industries Inc.  
Sand Sales Co., LLC

**Topsoil**

Boksa Landscape Construction  
Osburn Industries Inc.  
Sand Sales Co., LLC

**Tractors**

W.F. Miller Company  
Weingartz Golf & Turf

**Tree Care Equipment/Service**

Mike's Tree Surgeons, Inc.  
Schilbe Tree Care

**Trees**

The Davey Tree Expert Co.  
Huggett Sod Farm, Inc.  
John Deere Golf & Turf/One Source  
Schilbe Tree Care

**Turf Colorants & Markers**

Emerald Isle Ltd./Milliken Turf Products  
Green & Grow, Inc.  
Simplot Partners  
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Turf Chemicals, Inc.  
Turfgrass Inc.  
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**Turf Covers**

Simplot Partners  
Tri Turf Inc.  
Turf Chemicals, Inc.  
Turfgrass, Inc.

**Turf Rollers**

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Weingartz Golf & Turf

**USGA Sand**

Osburn Industries  
Sand Sales Co., LLC

#### Utility Vehicles/Trucks

Spartan Distributors, Inc.  
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#### Waste Water Equipment

Atomic Cleaning Systems LLC

#### Weather Monitoring Equipment

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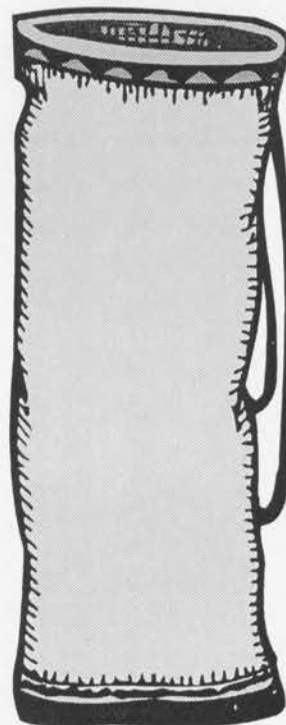
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## Beards offer \$100,000 to support MSU Turfgrass graduate students

EAST LANSING, Mich. -- The Michigan Turfgrass Foundation has announced that noted turfgrass scholar James Beard and his wife, Harriet, have established an endowed fund to support graduate students in turfgrass science and management at Michigan State University.

The Beards have provided a gift of stock, valued at approximately \$100,000, to establish the James B. and Harriet Beard Endowed Graduate Fellowship at MSU. Once fully funded, this endowment will provide graduate fellowships for doctoral candidates conducting research in the fields of turfgrass science and management.

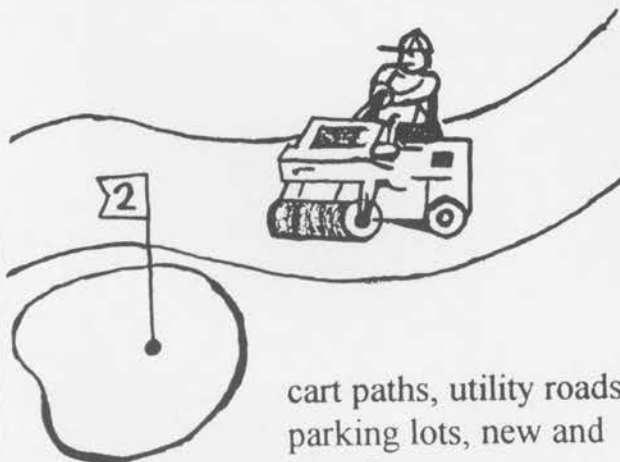
"This endowment serves as a tribute to both James and Harriet for their many years of dedication and hard work in turfgrass science and management," said Doug Buhier, Chair of the MSU Dept. of Crop and Soil Sciences. "The students who benefit from this fellowship will carry on their legacy of in-depth study and exhaustive investigation."

Dr. Beard's influence within the turfgrass industry is the product of his extensive research as a professor in the Department of Crop and Soil Sciences at MSU, from 1961 to 1975, and at Texas A & M University, where he was a professor from 1975 to 1992. He has been Professor Emeritus of the Turfgrass Science Dept at Texas A&M since 1993.

With Harriet Beard's support, Jim Beard produced hundreds of scientific papers and three of the most definitive texts in the field of turfgrass science and management. Through his organization of the First International Turfgrass Conference in 1969, he extended turfgrass science to the world. His influence continues today as president and chief scientist of the International Sports Turf Institute.

A committee has been established to solicit donations for the *James B. and Harriet Beard Endowed Graduate Fellowship*, with a goal of raising \$350,000 to fully fund the endowment. Information on contributing to this fund is available by contacting Josh Merchant, MSU Development, at (517) 355-1217 or by email at [mercha32@msu.edu](mailto:mercha32@msu.edu), or Kay Patrick, Michigan Turfgrass Foundation, at (517) 321-1660 or by email at [mtfturf@amsn.com](mailto:mtfturf@amsn.com).

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## **BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS Maple Lane Golf Club Monday, September 17, 2002**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Present - Abbott, Billette, Ford, King, McKinley, Schwehofer, Shreve  
Absent - Fouty, McMullen, Szyndlar

### **FINANCE (King)**

Aug. Assn. Svgs: \$19,523.05    Aug. Fdtn. Svgs: \$2,063.09  
Aug. Assn. Chkg: \$2,464.34    Aug. Fdtn. Chkg: \$550.75

### **MEMBERSHIP (McMullen)**

Total membership - 423; Applications - 0; Class Change - 2

### **EDUCATION (King/Schwehofer)**

Oct 14 - Annual mtg @ Indianwood G & CC  
Nov 5 - GCSAA Seminar/Annual Bluegrass Management

### **GOLF DAY (Ford/Fouty)**

Plans ready for Oct. 1. Continue to receive reservations, donations and sponsorships.

### **HOLIDAY PARTY (McMullen/Billette)**

Date: Fri., Dec. 6, 2002  
Site: Greentown Casino  
Cost: TBD

### **AWARDS (Ford/Fouty)**

Heritage Award - No apps received. Deadline Nov. 1.  
Retirees - Brown, Delcamp, Fiebelkorn and Woehrle Class A to AA. Will be invited to Annual Meeting for presentation of plaques. No charge.

### **MICHIGAN ROOM (Shreve/Fouty)**

Dates: February 13, 14, 2003  
Site: Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Atlanta, GA  
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### **GAM SEMINAR (Shreve/Billette)**

Because of poor attendance, interest and participation the committee suggested that the event be changed next year. GAM no longer wishes to provide this event in its present format or date. The Board voted to continue to provide a seminar on behalf of the supts., without GAM, to take place in mid-March on Thursday or Friday.

### **NOMINATIONS (Szyndlar)**

John Cooney and Mike Fouty will run for the two Director positions available.  
Pres. - Abbott; VP - King and McMullen; Sec./Treas. - Billette

### **MTF ROSTER (Dorner)**

MTF has asked our assn. to be included in a statewide roster, which would include not only supt. assns. but other turf related entities. Board willing to do so.



**Monday, October 14, 2002**

Leslie Lennier, Class AA member passed away Oct. 2. He was at Twin Beach CC for 33 years prior to retirement. Donation in his memory will be sent to Peach Tree Hospice.

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