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Arnold Palmer To Be Keynote For 50th Anniversary Banquet

Arnold Palmer, one of the foremost golfers in the world, will deliver the keynote address for GCSAA's 50th Anniversary Celebration on September 13 at the Sylvania Country Club in suburban Toledo, Ohio. In the address, "Golf's Golden Asset: Your Fifty Years of Progress," Palmer will talk about how the golf course superintendent affects the game of golf.

Palmer is the son of Milfred J. "Deke" Palmer, a golf course superintendent from 1924 until his death earlier this year. Deke Palmer began his 55-year professional golf career as a greenkeeper at the Latrobe Country Club, for which he designed the first nine holes in 1921. He was also the only resident pro the club ever had, from 1921 to 1975.

The one-day GCSAA Anniversary

Celebration will feature displays of antique golf equipment and golf course maintenance tools and equipment that date back to the Association's founding in 1926.

The Association, originally known as the National Association of Greenkeepers of America, was founded at the Sylvania (Ohio) Country Club, which will receive a bronze plaque commemorating the founding. The plaque will be mounted on a stone at the entrance to the clubhouse.

Awards will be presented at an evening banquet to 11 winners of GCSAA's "Outstanding Service Award," with Past Presidents and Charter Members of the Association also being honored. In addition to Association members, invited guests will represent the Ohio political scene, Sylvania Country Club, allied associations and pub-

lications, the GCSAA Executive Committee, the Educational and Industrial Advisory Councils and others.

The annual GCSAA Tournament will be played at the Sylvania and Glengarry Country Clubs September 14 and 15. The Ladies Tournament, September 14, will be played at the Toledo Country Club.

BASEBALL TRIP

Sponsored by C.A.G.C.S.

WHERE: New York City, Yankee Stadium
WHO: New York Yankees vs. Baltimore Orioles.

WHEN: August 8, 1976 (Sunday) Rain or Shine.

COST: \$18.00 (Price includes: Bus Fare, Ticket to game, Grinders and Beer.)

Pick-up Schedule:

Hartford Area: Corbins Corner Commuter Lot — 9:30 A.M. (Off I-84 at Sears, West Hartford)

New Haven Area: Howard Johnson (Jct. I-95 & I-91) — 10:15 A.M.

Fairfield Area: Magovern Co. (Meadow St., Fairfield) 11:00 A.M.

This event is for MEN ONLY. Members have first choice on tickets until July 13 meeting at Wallingford C.C. if all tickets are not sold by then additional tickets may be purchased for friends, employees, etc.

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Grass Catcher

The last several meetings of C.A.G.C.S. all have one thing in common: excellence. The May meeting, a joint venture with the Metropolitan Golf Course Superintendents Association, was held at the Greenwich Country Club, hosted by Paul Caswell. Everyone who played commented on the excellent condition of the course. The highlight of the meeting was a talk by A.J. Turgeon, assistant professor at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois.

The June meeting hosted by John Mulhearn at Wampanoag Country Club again had excellent attendance. The central location as well as Wampanoag's fine reputation brought out many of our hard-to-move members. Al Radko, as usual, gave a most interesting talk. It was good to see Al back on his feet again.

Ed Anderson and Wallingford Country Club hosted our July meeting. Ed is to be congratulated for doing such a fine job in providing such a well-groomed course for this meeting. As was noted in the meeting

notice, a discussion was held regarding the revision of the by-laws. There was good commentary regarding the revisions and several new proposals were made. A second discussion will be held at our August meeting. Plan to be there.

The most popular topic for discussion at the July meeting was, what else, the weather or should it be the lack of any moist weather. Most areas in the state seem to be approaching drought conditions. Superintendents from throughout the state are watching their water supplies closely.

The year in general has been full of surprises. Many areas reported a dry spring as well where the poa just didn't seem to get going. The extremely dry conditions at present are just compounding the problems. It also seems a banner year for insects. Hyperodes were reported in every corner of the state. One report even found them in Berkshire County up in Western Massachusetts. Adult Japanese beetles are now making their appearance and they

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The object of this association is to promote research, education and an exchange of practical experiences in the field of turf grass culture so that the increased knowledge will lead to more economic and efficient management of golf courses and related turf areas.

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Editorial

C.A.G.C.S. Needs You

Having been appointed to head the Nominating Committee by Bob Tosh, I feel justified in utilizing this space to urge any members that are interested to speak up and volunteer to serve on the Board of Directors as a director or committeeman. This association has made great strides in the areas of membership, revision of the bylaws, scholarship and research and others. To continue this upgrading, our association needs the help of interested and diligent members who are willing to spend the time necessary in governing this association.

I have asked Ken Pierce and Bob Chalfour to sit on the Nominating Committee to help in selecting people to fill various positions. Help make our job easier and make your membership in CAGCS more rewarding by letting our committee know of your desire in serving. We look forward to hearing from you!

Steve Cadenelli

Plant Science Day

Plant Science Day, the annual field day of The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, will be held at the Station's Lockwood Farm in Hamden on Wednesday, August 11.

Station scientists, who will be at or near their research plots, will answer questions about plants and insects, and several will give talks on their studies. Each department will have a display illustrating its work.

The farm will be open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There is no admission charge, and there is plenty of free parking.

Frederic Winthrop, Jr., Commissioner of the Massachusetts Dept. of Food and Agriculture, will deliver the principal address, "Experts, Expectations, and the Future of Farming in New England" at 11:35.

In addition to tours of research plots, the following short talks are scheduled: 10:15, "The Sugar Maple Problem on City Streets"; 10:45, "Exploration of Plants' Inner Space"; 1:30, "Vacant Lots Make Good Gardens"; 2:00, "Crop Plants from Single Cells"; 2:30, "Medical Importance of Mosquitoes in Connecticut"; and 3:00, "Looking for Elusive Ingredients in Food."

Visitors may come and go as they wish, and may bring a lunch or purchase it at the farm.

Fall Treatments For Control of Japanese Beetle Larvae 1975

Dennis M. Dunbar

During spring 1975, Connecticut golf course superintendents experienced difficulty in controlling Japanese beetle larvae with diazinon, Dursban or chlordane. The ineffectiveness of chlordane was likely due to the development of resistance as described by Dunbar and Beard (1975¹). The effectiveness of both diazinon and Dursban tended to be highly variable and dependent upon application procedure and amount of thatch in the turf. Since liquid formulations of these materials were generally being used and were yielding variable results the question arose if granular formulations would yield better control. Therefore, the experiments reported here were designed to compare performance of both liquid and granular formulations of both registered and unregistered insecticides for control of Japanese beetle larvae.

Procedure — Liquid and granular formulations of the various insecticides shown in the following table were applied August 28, 1975 to 4 replicates of 12 randomized plots (10 x 10 ft) each, using a Squire Applegate 18 in lawn fertilizer spreader for the granules and sprinkler cans for the liquids. Granules were mixed with sifted sand to increase bulk and assure good coverage. Liquids and wettable powders were mixed in water and applied in 1 gal. total volume (= 10 gal./1000 ft²).

Each plot in a replicate was separated from an adjacent plot by a 2 foot alleyway. Parallel replicates were separated by 6 or more feet. All plots were irrigated for 5 minutes by fairway sprinklers before the insecticides were applied and for 30 minutes after they were applied.

The field conditions at the time of treatment were: turf — no thatch; grass — annual bluegrass and clover; temperature — 81° F; grubs — 53.9/ft.². Treatments were evaluated on September 29, 1975. Data are based on 6 (0.23 ft.²) samples per plot. Total rainfall during the test period was 7.95 inches, 5.5 inches of which fell during the last 7 days before plots were evaluated. Results:

Insecticide	Formulation	Lb AI/acre	Mean no. larvae/ft ² and % control () 32 days post treatment.
CGA-12223	1% G	2.0	0 (100)
Dasanit	15% G	2.5	0.7 (98.5)
*Diazinon	14% G	5.5	1.6 (96.6)
Dyfonate	10% G*	6.0	2.0 (95.8)
*Diazinon	4 lbs/gal. EC	5.5	2.2 (95.3)
Ficam	76% WP	2.0	3.3 (93.0)
*Dursban	2 lbs/gal. EC	2.5	4.4 (90.7)
CGA-12223	2 lbs/gal. EC	2.0	4.7 (90.0)
*Chlordane	10% G	10.0	8.9 (81.1)
Ficam	76% WP	1.0	9.2 (80.5)
*Dursban	1% G	2.5	13.9 (70.5)
Untreated	—	—	47.1

4 replicates/treatment (10 x 10 ft. plots) treated August 28, 1975 and evaluated September 29, 1975. Data based on 6 samples, 6.4 in. in diam./plot. Total rainfall during the test period was 7.95 inches.

*Currently registered for grub control in turf.

¹Dunbar, D. M. and R. L. Beard. 1975. Status of control of Japanese and Oriental beetles in Connecticut. Conn. Agr. Exp. Sta. Bull. 757. 5 p.

Future Meetings

AUGUST 10 — Monthly Meeting

Hillandale Country Club, Trumbull, Connecticut
Larry Sheridan — Host Superintendent

Larry has been at Hillandale for the past thirteen years. A 1962 graduate of the University of Rhode Island, Larry worked at the Winged-foot Golf Club under Sherwood Moore before moving to Hillandale. He has been a member of C.A.G.C.S. for seven years.

SEPTEMBER 14 — Monthly Meeting

Pequabuck Golf Club, Bristol, Connecticut
Louie Dziedzic — Host Superintendent

What more can be said about a man who has been at one club for over thirty years and in this business for nearly fifty years? His members recently paid tribute to him by giving a testimonial in his honor recognizing his long tenure at Pequabuck. Over the years he has worked at Torrington C.C., Farmington C.C., Chappanee G.C. and during WWII he was roused from R & R to recondition a course in Colorado Springs, Colorado so the officers could get their recreation! Louis is a graduate of Stockbridge School and a member of C.A.G.C.S. for twenty five years. We salute you, Louie, and look forward to visiting your course in September.

Grass Catcher

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seem to be everywhere. Everyone knows where that will lead! To put the frosting on the cake many supers found themselves out with the SP and Koban in early June to do battle with that "mid-summer" disease — pythium. Cheer up...September can't be too far away.

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As was noted above, Bob Tosh and his By-Law Committee have published a first rough draft of the revised by-laws. At our July Meeting a good discussion was held regarding these revisions. Now is the time to make any proposals and to let your ideas be known. A great deal of time has been spent in reworking these by-laws. Help the committee out by giving it some input. Make it a point to attend the August meeting where these by-laws will be discussed.

The September and October meetings have been switched due to a conflict. The September meeting will be at Pequabuck Golf Club on September 14. October 12 is the date for our October meeting which will be held at Black Hall Country Club.

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In the way of national news, G.C.S. A.A. will be celebrating its golden anniversary "50 Years of Progress," September 13-15 at the Sylvania Country Club in Sylvania, Ohio. Several events will mark this anniversary including a banquet and golf tournament. All members are invited to attend the festivities in Ohio.

Many members have reported troubles in receiving their cards for 1977. In a new policy voted in at Minneapolis, all members must fill out and return to National Headquarters the reclassification card that was sent out with initial billings. Cards cannot be mailed if this information is not

received by National Headquarters. Check to be sure you have filled out and returned this card.

National Headquarters has set up a post-conference tour to Hawaii the week of February 12 - 19. This has been billed as a first class tour with accommodations in some of Hawaii's newest and finest hotels. Also scheduled is a tour of several of Hawaii's finest golf courses.

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Greater Hartford Open — Fred Bachand, Superintendent at Wethersfield Country Club, site of the GHO has announced that up to date C.A.G.C.S. cards will be honored for admittance to the grounds for this PGA tournament. Members should present their cards at the Will Call booth where they will receive a day pass. Many thanks, Fred!

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Finally, I would like to thank the Board of Directors for appointing me to fill the vacancy on the board. I feel honored by their belief in me and hope that I can live up to their expectations.

Steve Cadenelli

National Institute on Park and Grounds Management

Atlanta, Georgia will be the site of the sixth annual NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON PARK AND GROUNDS MANAGEMENT. Dates will be November 8-11, 1976. Atlanta was selected because of its excellent park system and fine transportation facilities. Delegate housing will be in both the Marriott Motor Hotel and the downtown Holiday Inn, both located in downtown Atlanta, just a block from the freeway and Interstate system.

University of Rhode Island

Turf Field Day

At URI Turf Plots,
South Kingston, R.I.
August 28, 1976

New Members

THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN VOTED IN AS NEW MEMBERS OF OUR ASSOCIATION. CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!

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S & R Raffle

Ed Anderson, Chairman of the Scholarship and Research Committee has announced that the annual raffle to raise funds for scholarship and research will begin shortly. In an effort to promote a greater sale of tickets, there will be a change in prizes. Several trips of various destinations will be offered. These will be trips for two people and are sure to create better support for this project.

It is important to note that this is the only means of support for scholarship and research. This fund is independent of other association monies and needs everyone's complete support if our association is to be able to continue support of research and to help students attend turf school.

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Pro-Superintendent

The 1976 Pro-Superintendent Tournament held June 4, 1976 at the Ellington Ridge Country Club was won by the team from Ludlow Country Club with a gross score of 67. Net team honors went to the team from Hop Meadow C.C. with a score of 58. Host superintendent John Ferry had the course in excellent condition. Many thanks to John and his crew for a fine job. Many thanks also to the members of Ellington Ridge Country Club for allowing the use of their golf course.

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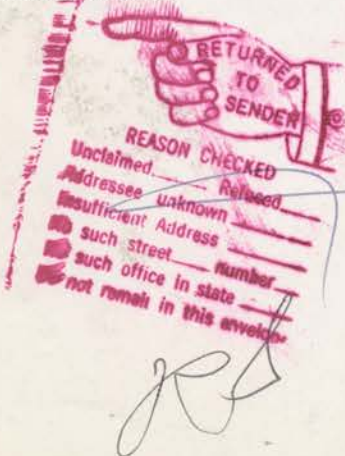
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