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President's Message

Once again I am honored to have been elected President of the Conn. Association of Golf Course Superintendents at our annual meeting at the Farms Country Club. This affords me the opportunity to continue the programs that were started during my first year as President. The year goes so fast that you don't get a chance to do all you wanted to do.

As I said in my report at the annual membership meeting we have made changes this past year. Changes that have worked out very well for the association. I am sure there will be more this year, for as we go through a season, priorities change, and if we prepare well, we are always ready for change.

One of the changes this year will be the structure of the board. Last year several committee chairmen did not have a vote on the board. This year, because of the By-Law changes last January, seven directors were elected, with each one chairing a standing committee. This way, all committees will be represented on the board with a vote. Listed elsewhere in this newsletter are those committees and chairmen. If you wish to serve on one of these committees for 1979, please contact myself or the committee chairman. Any member, regardless of classification, may serve on committees.

Last year I asked each member to help me and the board to make 1978 a successful and productive year for CAGCS. You did not let me down. Thank You!

We are now starting a new year and I ask for that help again. Not only are we starting a new year, but 1979 will be the year the Conn. Association of Golf Course Superintendents celebrates it's Golden Anniversary, (50 Years). During this year we are planning many activities to commemorate this anniversary, and look forward to your participation in these activities.

I hope and pray that the eagerness, participation and progressiveness of our membership, which is at an all time high, continues. If it does, CAGCS will continue to be a respected leader in the profession.

1979 CAGCS Board of Directors & Committee Assignments

The elections held at the annual meeting at the Farms Country Club produced the following Officers and Committee Chairmen for 1979:

President	Robert Osterman
Vice-President	Stephen Cadenelli, <i>Organizational Study</i>
Sec.-Treasurer	David Stimson
Immediate Past President	Robert Tosh
Director	Ken Kelliher, <i>Membership</i>
Director	Fred Bachand, <i>Public Relations & Social</i>
Director	Bruce Cadenelli, <i>Education</i>
Director	Richard Cook, <i>Golf</i>
Director	Michael Wallace, <i>Welfare</i>
Director	Charles York, <i>National Affairs</i>
Director	Doug Stachura, <i>Scholarship & Research</i>

Anyone wishing to serve on one or more of these committees should contact the appropriate chairman.



CAGCS Gala Christmas Party

Saturday, December 2, 1978
Wethersfield Country Club
Wethersfield, Connecticut

Hors D'oeuvres, Dinner
Door Prizes &
Dancing to the
PAUL SCALORA ORCHESTRA

6:30 — 1 A.M.
\$35.00 per couple
Guests welcome

On behalf of myself, my family and the officers and directors of CAGCS, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and PROSPEROUS New Year.

Robert Osterman, CGCS
President CAGCS

Association Trends reports that there are now 80 federal regulatory agencies, administering 1,000 federal regulatory programs, producing up to 10,000 new regulations per year from 100,000 employees, at a cost estimated up to \$300 billion.

Osterman Nominated for GCSAA Director

The Nominating committee of the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of America has nominated Robert Osterman for Director of that association. Bob, who is presently starting his second term as President of CAGCS welcomes the challenge and looks forward to the election in Atlanta.

This run for national office will not be Bob's first in that he lost a very close election for this same position during last year's election at San Antonio. The members of CAGCS know that Bob presented himself well last year and left voting delegates from around the country with a very fine impression. This past along with the strong support of his family and peers is sure to aid Bob in his present quest. CAGCS supports Bob in this endeavor and will do all that it can to help him gain national office!

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Fred Bachand	Bruce Cadenelli
Ken Kelliher	Michael Wallace
Richard Cook	Charles York
Douglas Stachura	

Al Arison, *Associate Director*
Robert Tosh, *Immediate Past President*

The object of this association is to encourage increased knowledge of golf course management and greater professionalism through education, research, exchange of practical experience and the well being of each individual member.

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

Nick Carlo — Associate
Golf Car Rental Service
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Suffield, Connecticut

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Pine Orchard Yacht & Country Club
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O.M. Scott
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Jack Serleto — Class B
Cohasse Country Club

Editorial

Very slowly we golf course superintendents are being recognized as professionals in our particular field. While it is true that we look at ourselves as true professionals, i.e. individuals learned in the art of maintaining fine golf course turf, our profession suffers from an overall lack of recognition by the golfer in general. The majority of members and greens fee players have absolutely no idea as to the amount of time spent not only learning the art of growing fine turf but of the knowledge of management, bookkeeping, public relations, and salesmanship necessary to succeed as a golf course superintendent. Can this low level of recognition be increased? If so, how?

First and foremost we must stop telling ourselves how professional we are and begin to tell those who need to learn—the member and greens fee player! We must sell our profession. Speaking engagements at professional organizations and garden clubs, articles in local newspapers or magazines are all ways that the superintendent's image can be made more evident. Membership in local and national superintendents' associations is but another tool for recognition. Active participation in a professional association and knowledge of that participation can be one of the best means of increasing the recognition of our profession.

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Grass Catcher

Harry Meusel, superintendent at the Yale Golf Club, tells us that the new bentgrass released by Penn State named PENN-EAGLE, certainly looks promising. A new practice putting green built at Yale and seeded in July was opened for play in September.

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Walt Lowell asks us to announce that applications for the P.G.A. scholarships for agronomy students are now being accepted. Hurry and get them to Walt for there is a December 1 deadline. Send applications to: Mr. Walter Lowell, P.O. Box 305, 108 Albany Turnpike, Canton, Ct. 06019

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The annual meeting is history and your new Board of Directors is already at work making plans for 1979. CAGCS will be celebrating its 50th anniversary during 1979 and plans are being made to celebrate this event in several special ways. Be a part of these plans. Get yourself on a committee, make new friends, build strength in your association, and plan for the new year.

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October Meeting Race Brook Country Club

A fine day greeted all that attended the October meeting at Race Brook Country Club hosted by Maurice Ryan. It was also a fine beginning for the initial Superintendent—Assistant Superintendent Tournament which saw fourteen teams compete. The event was won by the team of Lowell & Rainey from Canton in the Gross division and Cook & Taylor in the Net division. In all over 60 golfers played golf.

Golf course architect Al Zikorous spoke after dinner concerning his philosophy on golf course design. Mr. Zikorous feels the architect's main function is to design a course that the average player will not only enjoy playing but one which he will find challenging and make him want to return to often. The architect needs to learn the layout of the land as well as possible in order to provide proper drainage. Mr. Zikorous does not favor excessively large greens (i.e. 10,000-12,000 sq. ft.) but greens of a more modest 5500 - 7000 sq. ft. He also feels that tees should be built similar to greens in order to provide optimum drainage and growing conditions.

The evening concluded with the presentation of a check for Scholarship & Research to Robert Phipps by Mr. William Truac of Race Brook Country Club.

Bruce Cadenelli

Your Education Chairman, Bruce Cadenelli, already has several excellent clubs lined up for next year's meeting agenda. More are needed. Contact Bruce if you are interested.

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Best of luck to John Ferry in your new endeavors at TPC. How's it feel to have Saturday and Sunday off?

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Many thanks to Stan Sablak and the staff at The Farms Country Club for hosting the Annual Meeting. Accommodations were great, lunch excellent, and the golf course in fine shape. Also, can you guarantee such excellent weather every year Stan?

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Who says Fall is the slow time of the year? It's late November and the grass is still growing, the leaves are everywhere, it hasn't rained in a month, the conference season is starting, and relatively few days remain for Christmas shopping. HELP!!!

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, &
See you in Atlanta!

Steve Cadenelli

Future Happenings

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Nov. 28 - Dec. 1

NEW JERSEY TURFGRASS EXPO 78

Cherry Hill Hyatt House, Route 70
Cherry Hill, N.J.

Contact Dr. Henry Indyk, General Chair-
man, Cook College-Rutgers University
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dec. 2

CAGCS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wethersfield Country Club
Wethersfield, Ct.

Hosted by Sue & Fred Bachand

Dec. 6, Dec. 11

PESTICIDE TRAINING SESSION
TESTING DATE FOR PESTICE
LICENSE

Fairfield County Extension Center Rt. 6,
Stony Hill, Bethel, Ct.

Directions: From 84 west, take Exit 8 to
Rt. 6, proceed straight ahead to Extension
center. From 84 east, take Exit 9, take left
at ramp and proceed to Rt. 6. Take right on
Rt. 6 and proceed as above. Center is op-
posite Stony Hill Inn.

Dec. 14

SCOTT'S PROTURF SEMINAR

Holiday Inn, Morgan St., Hartford, Ct.

Registration 8 to 9 A.M.

Seminar at 9 A.M.

Jan. 16, 1979

CAGCS EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR at
The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment
Station, New Haven, Ct.

1 to 4 P.M. Topics & Speakers to include;

Insects Bob Moore
Diseases Gerry Walton
Trees & Shrubs George Stevens

Jan. 26, 1979

USGA GREEN SECTION
CONFERENCE ON GOLF COURSE
MANAGEMENT

The Plaza Hotel

5th Ave. & 59th St., New York, N.Y.

9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Feb. 4-9, 1979

GCSAA 50th INTERNATIONAL

TURFGRASS CONFERENCE & SHOW

Georgia World Congress Center
Atlanta, Ga.

Feb. 27 - Mar. 1, 1979

1979 UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHU-

SETTS FINE TURF CONFERENCE

Springfield Civic Center, Springfield, Ma.

A 'New Look' to THE GOLF SUPERINTENDENT

With the first issue of 1979, THE GOLF SUPERINTENDENT official publication of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, will unveil a new format. The new design will improve its attractiveness, readability and usefulness to superintendents and course officials.

Highlighting the modifications is the development of an "Association News" department, devoted exclusively to news about GCSAA, superintendent organizations and individuals. The president's message will conclude this section and be located just opposite the highly visible inside back cover.

Anyone wishing to subscribe to THE GOLF SUPERINTENDENT can contact GCSAA Headquarters, 1617 St. Lawrence Drive, Lawrence, Kansas 66044.

GCSAA Travels to Atlanta

Atlanta—a young, exciting city with more than 150 years of history—is the site of the 50th International Turfgrass Conference and Show, sponsored by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, February 4-9, 1979.

This year's conference themed "Appraising Our Past—Discovering Our Future" promises one hundred and thirty-three hours of educational sessions and seminars as well as an industry show that will be the largest ever with more exhibit space sold by November than the total sold for the 1978 show.

The conference will be preceded by GCSAA's 40th annual golf tournament at Sea Island Golf Club and the Island Club, St. Simons Island, Georgia and will conclude with the traditional golf course tour. This year's tour will be of several of Atlanta's finest courses including Northwood Golf & Country Club, Atlanta Athletic Club, and Horseshoe Bend Country Club.

Make plans now to attend!

Improve Pesticide Planning with Annual Calendar

If you could project, up to a year in advance, what types and amounts of pesticides you were likely to need, wouldn't your long-range planning be more accurate?

Many turf managers find that the more common pests and diseases are most likely to surface at a particular time of year. By keeping track of these cycles, they can tell well ahead of time what provisions they need to make to counteract potential problems.

An efficient method for forecasting your pesticide needs is to create an ongoing annual calendar, divided into months or weeks, as appropriate. Go through your records of actual pesticide usage for the past several years, noting in your calendar when pests or disease historically have appeared on your course and what action was most effective against them.

In addition to past experience, you should enter data collected from local experts, including universities, consultants and other superintendents. This information will make you aware of developing problems.

Taken together, this information will give you a rather specific time frame in which to be alert for a given pest or disease. Weather may affect your timetable somewhat, but you should be able to maintain a schedule accurate within 10 days.



Autumn Love

*When the leaves fall —
And the wind seems cold —
Your arms will be full —
And you'll be warm —
Only then — you'll know —
Summer is gone —
And he is truly yours. —*

Frank Paladino

October's Golf Winners Superintendent — Assistant Superintendent Tournament

Gross

1. Lowell & Rainey
2. Roule & Negrelli

Net

1. Cook & Taylor
2. LeSage & Burr

INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

Gross

1. D. Roule
2. T. Rainey
3. F. Lamphier
4. R. Phipps
5. Curry
6. B. Furgess
7. R. Cook

Net

1. Stone
2. Burkowski
3. W. Somers
4. R. Mason
5. G. O'Donnell
6. W. Tuac
7. Taylor

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