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Decades of Successfully Juggling Career and Family, Charlie Zeh has it Down to a Tee

By: Chantal Zeh

A daughter's perspective on her superintendent father.

Even since I was a little girl my father, Charlie Zeh, was always the one to praise me. When I was in grammar school he would slip me an extra ten dollars if I did well on my report card. Now that I'm in college, he has congratulated me on many achievements including making the Dean's List and being inducted into the International English Honors Society. Nothing has felt better than having my dad be there to support and encourage me to do well in all that I have done. But little does my dad know that it has been his incredible work ethic which has made me admire him for the past twenty-one years of my life.

My dad has only been praising me for twenty-one years, but for the past fifty years he has been using his unbelievable work ethic on several different golf courses. It all began at Juniper Hill Golf Course in his hometown of Northborough, MA. He worked there for four years until he moved onto St. Mark's Golf Course in Southborough, MA, where he worked for seven years. In 1970, he began working at Sandy Burr Country Club and he has been there ever since.

When my dad was hired as Sandy Burr's superintendent, the course was in rough shape. Unfortunately at the time there was a lack of money and the course did not look like the designer, Donald Ross, had intended it to be. My dad had to start

from scratch. The greens were in poor condition and he returned them to where they should be. In the begin-



Charlie ZehPhoto Courtesy of The Zeh Family

ning, my dad manually watered the greens seven days a week. He eventually instituted an automatic irrigation system. Because of my dad's love for nature, he established a solid tree program. From 1970 until the present, there have been close to 2,000 trees planted at Sandy Burr. My dad revamped all the fairways by incorporating new and innovative bentgrasses. I guess I must have gotten my creative mind from my father, because by using his own design he reconditioned, re-

shaped and installed four greens all on his own. In addition, he built four new greens with professional contractors. My dad also built eight new tees and designed some sand traps and bunkers. The list of my dad's accomplishments goes on and on. Some of these I remember him talking about, others I iust found out as I secretly interviewed him for this article (Surprise Dad! - this wasn't for class!). Although I may not be familiar with all the accomplishments my father has made, Sandy Burr has certainly been lucky to have my dad as superintendent for the past thirty-nine years.

As a 1969 graduate from UMass Stockbridge, my dad has made a heavy impact on Sandy Burr. He has been friends with the course's own, Kenneth Munsey, for thirty-nine years. They were such close friends that when I was born, my dad decided to make Kenneth my godfather. As much as my dad has made an impact on Sandy Burr, working there has definitely made an effect on his own life as well. When I asked him what accomplishment he is most pleased with at Sandy Burr, he told me that he's proudest of building the greens. He also let me in on his own personal philosophy that he uses at Sandy Burr: "I never ask anyone to do anything I

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wouldn't do," he told me.

As much as I have seen and heard my dad use this philosophy, I think there are a few more things he brings to the table when he's working. First is his work ethic that I mentioned previously. I have never heard my dad say

that he didn't eniov doing his job. My dad is a masterpiece of challenges – he loves them, he thrives for them. Secondly is my dad's immense appreciation for nature. During the summer when he isn't working. he's always outside. If he's not sitting on our front porch enjoying the warm weather, then he's escaped to the middle of his massive vegetable garden, making sure that his plants are healthy and flourishing. My dad also enjoys planting flow-

ers all over our beautiful yard. Each year he tries to add something different, something new to the mix of brightly colored flowers. I'm not sure exactly what flowers he plants, but I'm always sure to take pictures of these flowers so my dad can enjoy his hard work all year long. The third quality my dad has is his amazing amount of knowledge. He tends to be humble about this trait, but it is very evident whenever you ask him about planting trees, flowers or working on turf. Any question you may ask, my dad has the answer to. The fourth attribute that my dad has at work and at home is his patience. At work, he uses his patience to grow green grass and stunning flowers. At home, he uses this patience with his garden (and in dealing with my mother and me!). All of these qualities I have and will always admire in my fa-

As I finish writing this article, there are so many things I would like to say about my dad that I'm not even sure can be put into words. Twenty-one years ago, I was a gift to my dad on Father's Day. But now that I'm older, I think I was the one receiving the gift that day. No one could ask for a better golf course superintendent and certainly no one could ask for a better father than my own. As much as the hundreds of golfers at Sandy Burr admire my dad's work, no one could possibly admire him as much as I do. I am honored, proud and privileged to be writing this article for my awe-inspiring dad. So this is for you dad, may no one ever forget the incredible amount of time, work and energy you have put into several golf courses for half a century. 💠



18th hole at Sandy Burr C.C. Photo Courtesy of Sandy Burr C.C.

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Sandy Burr C.C. Photo Courtesy of Sandy Burr C.C.

President's Message

I had numerous discussions with many of you about how the year has been going so far. Everyone seems to say the same thing...it's been slow. This recent stretch of warm weather will definitely speed things up. In the mean time, I hope everyone is spending some free time with family as things begin to ramp up with the addition of staff and members returning from the winter that's stretched into this spring.

The 2009 Member Directory is in the final edit stage and should be out sometime in May. It is a little later than we anticipated but Sharon Brownell and Scott Lagana have been working very hard to make sure it's right. I am sure the entire membership will be pleased with the results.

Some things you should know about this month:

• Expect a call from either Jason Adams or one of his Ouimet Committee members for sponsorship of this year's Marathon. Nat Binns will be taking over for Carl Miner in this year's Marathon and special thanks goes out to both for their efforts. This is a great opportunity for the golfing community to give back to golf and society by assisting youth in furthering their education. We hope you can help out.

- Glen Misiaszek ran the Boston Marathon this past Patriot's Day for Multiple Sclerosis and finished in 3:36:10. Well done on both accounts.
- Condolences to both Kip Tyler and Sharon Brownell for their recent losses.
- Congratulations go out to Brad and Erin MacDonald on the birth of their son Andrew on April 15th.

Our next monthly meeting is May 11 at Franklin Country Club. It is time once again for the Bear Cup, giving all of our members the chance to test their skills against the members of the Cape association. I hope to see you all there enjoying Mike Luccini and his staff's hard work.

Until next month, may the simple pleasures of life including good friends, family, health, happiness, and peace be with you and your families. •

Pat Daly, CGCS GCSANE President



UMass Update - Basal Rot Anthracnose

The first turfgrass disease specimens received by the UMass Extension Plant Diagnostic Lab have exhibited basal rot anthracnose caused by Colletotrichum graminicola. Basal rot anthracnose can be an extremely destructive disease in putting greens. This disease has become more commonplace in recent years and is considered one of the most important diseases of greens. The increased incidence is attributed to common practices such as mowing extremely low, maintaining low nitrogen fertility, and the frequency of abrasive cultural practices. Basal rot anthracnose occurs during cool periods in the spring and can remain active in annual bluegrass throughout mild winters. Areas of intense traffic, soil compaction, and shaded and wet spots are particularly vulnerable. Symptoms occur as orange or yellow spots about the size of a

dime. Infected plants can coalesce into large, nonuniformly affected areas which appear yellow or reddish brown. Large areas may thin out or die completely. Removal of sheath tissues to expose the stem base reveals a black, water-soaked rot of crown tissues. Basal rot is difficult to suppress when it becomes a chronic problem on annual bluegrass greens. The disease seldom attacks both annual bluegrass and bentgrass on the same green; this supports the theory that there are different biotypes of the pathogen.

To manage basal rot anthracnose, divert traffic from affected areas and avoid such practices as rolling, double cutting, core aeration, vertical cutting, or brushing. Use walk behind greensmowers and raise the height of cut temporarily. Irrigation should be applied only as needed to prevent wilt. A modest (0.125-0.25 lb N/1000 sq ft)

application of nitrogen should be combined with a fungicide application. Curative sprays include azoxystrobin (Heritage™), fenarimol (Rubigan™), fludioxonil (Medallion WP™), myclobutanil (Eagle™), polyoxin (Endorse™), propiconazole (Banner™), triadimefon (Bayleton™), thiophanate-methyl (Fungo 50™), or trifloxystrobin (Compass™). Follow with a separate application of chlorothalonil at a high rate.

Where basal rot is a chronic problem on greens, fungicides should be applied preventively in combination with an improved nitrogen fertility program. Greens should be spoon fed with nitrogen (0.1-0.2 lb N/1000 sq ft) every two to three weeks. In autumn after symptoms have eased, core aerify and overseed. ❖

Submitted by: M. Bess Dicklow

2010 USA Curtis Cup Captain has Close Ties to GCSANE

By: the USGA and Rich Gagnon

Far Hills, N.J.

The United States Golf Association announced in February that **Noreen Friel Mohler**, 55, of Bethlehem, Pa., has been selected as the captain for the 2010 USA Curtis Cup team by the USGA Women's Committee. The 2010 Curtis Cup will take place June 11-13, 2010, at Essex County Club in Manchester, Mass where Eric Richardson is superintendent. For those of you that may not realize it, Noreen Friel Mohler is the sister of longtime GCSANE member Dennis Friel. Dennis is a sales professional for The Cardinals Inc. based in Unionville, CT.

Mohler was a member of the USA's victorious 1978 Curtis Cup team that defeated Great Britain and Ireland by a 12-6 margin at The Apawamis Club in Rye, N.Y.

The Curtis Cup is a biennial competition between female amateur teams from the USA and Great Britain and Ireland. The first Match was held in 1932 at Wentworth (England) Golf Club, and the USA owns a 26-6-3 record, including victories in the last six Matches. In 2008, the Curtis Cup was contested at the Old Course at St. Andrews, Scotland, where the USA team was victorious, 13-7.

"This is the highest honor that I have ever received in my golfing career," said Mohler. "I am honored, humbled and excited about this opportunity. It was the thrill of a lifetime to play in the Curtis Cup, and I'm sure that it will be a life-changing experience as a captain."

Mohler was a semifinalist in the 1975 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship and has played in five U.S. Women's Opens. After stepping away from her playing career for a number of years to concentrate on her family and business affairs, she returned to the game in 2006 and reached the quarter-finals of the 2007 USGA Women's Senior Amateur Championship and the semifinals of the 2008 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship.

Born in Woburn, Mass., Mohler is a three-time Massachusetts State

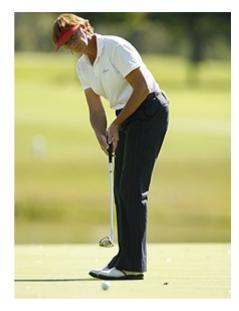
Women's Amateur Champion (1973, 1980-'81). She is also the Co-Chairman of the Marshals Committee for the 2009 U.S. Women's Open, which will be held at Saucon Valley Country Club in Bethlehem, Pa., July 6-12.

Noreen's family could not be more proud of her recent accomplishment. Dennis Friel said, "My entire family looks forward to watching Noreen captain the United States team. My mother Hazel who is 91 years old is really looking forward seeing her daughter lead the Americans at Essex County Club in 2010 and I know my late father Daniel Friel Sr. would have been just proud." When Dennis was asked if he knew his sister was going places as a golfer he replied: "My sister is 5 years vounger than me and it wasn't easy admitting that my little sister has beaten me in golf ever since the 1st time she touched a club." Years later, it was no surprise that Noreen was a regular on the LPGA tour where her brother Dennis would caddie for her on a regular basis. Good Luck Noreen!

Recourse: USGA.COM

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Noreen Mohler



Noreen Mohler, putting during last year's U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship, advanced to the semifinals. (USGA Museum)



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UMass Update -Annual Bluegrass (Hyperodes) Weevil

By: Dr. Pat Vittum

Date: April 21, 2009 Category: Insects

Subject: Annual Bluegrass (Hyperodes) Weevil

BY Pat Vittum of UMass.

It happens every spring! The annual bluegrass weevil (ABW) adults are moving from their overwintering sites to the fairways, greens, and tees even as I type (on Friday, 17 April). While visual inspection is not necessarily revealing very many weevils, I just received an e-mail from a co-operator in Fairfield County, Connecticut, who reported that they were able to find 10 to 30 weevils per square foot using a soapy flush. (They were collecting large numbers of weevils to screen for resistance to pyrethroids.)

Anyway, the purpose of this update is to remind golf course superintendents of some of the key points when trying to optimize spring insecticide applications.

1. Most years we find that applications of pyrethroids (targeting adults) should not be made until *Forsythia* has reached the "half green - half gold" stage. It seems that the *Forsythia* stay in full bloom for several days, and about eight years out of ten, applications made at the early end of full bloom do not do as well as applications made just a little later. I know it is hard to wait, but if you are using a pyrethroid, it usually is better to be a little

late rather than a little early.

Remember that some golf courses experience a five to ten day difference in the timing of plant development at this time of year. Courses that have elevation differences of 100 feet or more from the high spots to the low spots may need to spray part of the course relatively soon and the rest of the course a week later. Some courses may have Forsythia just beginning to show some color in some places and others in full bloom. So because timing of application is so critical with this insect, take the time to note the differences from one microclimate to another. It may be less convenient, spraying some areas at one time and the others a week later, but you should reap the benefits by experiencing greatly improved control.

2. If you are using Acelepryn™ this year, keep in mind that we are still learning how best to use the product. DuPont will guarantee Acelepryn™ (to control annual bluegrass weevils, grubs, and caterpillars) if applications are made between 15 April and 1 June, and we are now within that window. But tests conducted each of the last two years seem to indicate that the "half green - half gold" stage of *Forsythia* is the optimum time to apply the material. So based on what I have been seeing in my travels of the last week, most of you from Hartford north

need to hold on just a little longer.

- 3. The combination products (Allectus™, which contains Merit™ and Talstar™, and Aloft™, which contains Arena™ and a generic form of bifenthrin) also appear to be most effective at the same "half green half gold" timing. Remember that Aloft™ should **not** be watered in for at least a day or two after application, to give the product a chance to be absorbed through the foliage.
- **4.** For those of you in New England and the metropolitan New York area, it is too early to be putting down "rescue treatments" using Provaunt™ or Dylox™. Those will be most effective if they are applied just when the first young larvae begin to emerge. That is likely to be at least a couple weeks from now, and probably even further down the road.
- 5. There is a new website this year that is tracking movement and development of annual bluegrass weevils up and down the Eastern Seaboard. The website is supported by DuPont and, understandably, promotes their products (Acelepryn™ and Provaunt™). However, the information on the website should be useful to any golf course superintendent who has battled ABW in the past couple years, regardless of the products you plan to use, so the site is really worth checking out: http://www.weeviltrak.com ❖

Your Energy Needed on the GCSAA Energy Survey

We are encouraging all superintendents to complete the energy use and environmental practices survey to ensure adequate representation from all types of golf courses across the United States. If you have completed the survey, thank you for your support. If you have not started or finished your survey, please consider the following important points:

• If anyone is having difficulty obtaining energy use data, or are unable to obtain the requested energy use data, they should skip the question (s) they are unable to answer and complete the

rest of the survey. We are still able to use the information they provide, because we will analyze the data on a question by question basis.

- We have extended the closing date for the survey to May 19, 2009.
- To help us have an acceptable response rate for the survey we are asking superintendents to:
- Submit the survey if you have not already done so. You can access the survey at http://survey.ngf.org/81022/login.asp?code=1
- GCSAA will award 0.25 service points for a completed survey. In addi-

tion, those who submit their survey will be entered into prize drawings for GCSAA gift certificates.

- Should you have additional questions, please contact Mark Johnson, GCSAA Senior Manager of Environmental Programs at
- mjohnson@gcsaa.org.
- Please help us serve you and your profession by completing the energy use and environmental practices survey.

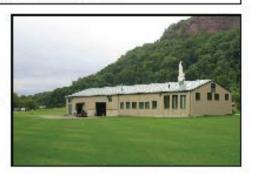
UMASS TURF RESEARCH FIELD DAY 2009

Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at the UMass Joseph Troll Turf Research Center South Deerfield, Massachusetts

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Turf managers and their associates from across the Northeast Region are invited to help us welcome summer at University of Massachusetts Turf Research Field Day on Wednesday, June 17, 2009. As in the past, this year's event will be held at the Joseph Troll Turf Research Center on River Road in South Deerfield, Massachusetts. Please join us for an update on ongoing improvements to the Center, including new research plots and a state-of-the-art rain-out shelter under construction.





As always, attendees will have the opportunity to meet and speak with the researchers and educators of the UMass Turf Team, and to hear about and see current turf research underway at UMass. Several ongoing studies will be highlighted at Field Day, covering selection and uses of turfgrass, integrated pest management, best management practices, pesticide fate and environmental issues. The half-day agenda will include a barbecue lunch and trade show, with Green Industry vendors and exhibitors on hand.

QUESTIONS ABOUT FIELD DAY 2009? E-Mail fieldday@umassturf.org

Support the UMass Turf Program with your presence at Turf Field Day 2009! Come to learn about cutting-edge turf research, network with colleagues, and meet with vendors. Enjoy a tour of the research facility named for Dr. Joe Troll. Pesticide recertfication contact hours will be available for all New England states. Continental breakfast and barbecue lunch are included in the price of registration. For additional information, including how to register online or by mail, visit our web site at http://www.umassturf.org

Visit our web site for more UMass Turf Research Field Day information, as well as information on:

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2009 Meeting Dates for the following Chapters

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**Special Note: Thank you to Mary Jo Kennedy, Chapter Executive, CAGCS for putting all this information together.

Tuesday, April 14, 2009	Amherst Country Club		New Hampshire GCSA
Monday, April 27, 2009	Willow Brook Golf Course		Connecticut Assoc. GCS
Monday, April 27, 2009	Whitinsville Golf Course		GCSA of New England
Monday, April 27, 2009	Siwanoy Country Club	Dave Mahoney 2-ball	Metropolitan GCSA
Tuesday, April 28, 2009	Agawam Hunt	RI Turfgrass Foundation Tournament	RI GCSA
Monday, May 4, 2009	Portsmouth Country Club	Joint meeting with Maine	New Hampshire GCSA
Monday, May 11, 2009	Franklin Country Club	Joint meeting with Cape	GCSA of New England
Tuesday, May 12, 2009	Crestwood Country Club		RI GCSA
Monday, May 18, 2009	Watertown Golf Club	Scholarship & Research	Connecticut Assoc. GCS
Tuesday, May 26, 2009	Willowbend	Scholarship & Research	GCSA of Cape Cod
TBA, May, 2009		Joint meeting with GCS of NE	Vermont GCSA
Wednesday, June 3, 2009	Brae Burn Country Club	Super/Manager or guest	Metropolitan GCSA
Monday, June 8, 2009	Chemawa Country Club		Rhode Island GCSA
Tuesday, June 16, 2009	York Golf & Tennis	Superintendent/Vendor	Maine GCSA
Tuesday, June 16, 2009	Equinox Golf Course		Vermont GCSA
Wednesday, June 17, 2009	Country Club of New Hampshire	Gold Ball Scramble	New Hampshire GCSA
Wednesday, June 24, 2009	Shennecossett Golf Club		Connecticut Assoc. GCS
Wednesday, June 24, 2009	Segregansett Country Club	Member/Guest	GCSA of New England
Thursday, June 25, 2009	Stanwich Club	MetGCSA Invitational	Metropolitan GCSA
Tuesday, July 7, 2009	Vineyard Golf Club	THE CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACT	GCSA of Cape Cod
Tuesday, July 7, 2009	Warwick Country Club	RHO-COD Cup	Rhode Island GCSA
Tuesday, July 21, 2009	Wintonbury Hills Golf Course	NE Team Championship Qualifier	Connecticut Assoc. GCS
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TBA July, 2009	Cedar Knoll Golf Course		Vermont GCSA
Tuesday, August 11, 2009	The Back Nine Club	Stress Buster Day	Rhode Island GCSA
Tuesday, August 11, 2009	Stowe Mountain Club	Stress buster bay	Vermont GCSA
Monday, August 17, 2009	Golf Club of New England	Scholarship & Research	New Hampshire GCSA
Tuesday, August 17, 2009	Mariboro	Individual Championship	GCSA of New England
Thursday, August 20, 2009	Holly Ridge Golf Club	marvioual championship	GCSA of Cape Cod
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	Glastonbury Hills Country Club	CAGCS Invitational	Connecticut Assoc. GCS
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TBA September, 2009	Okemo; Trade Show		Vermont GCSA
Thursday, October 8, 2009		UMASS Troll Fundraiser	GCSA of New England
Tuesday, October 13, 2009		Superintendent/Assistant	Connecticut Assoc. GCS
	O Spring Meadow Golf Course	Educational Meeting	Maine GCSA
Thursday, October, 15, 2009	Hatherly Country Club		GCSA of New England
Monday, October 19, 2009	Sleepy Hollow Country Club	Superintendent/Assistant	Metropolitan GCSA
Thursday, October 22, 2009			GCSA of Cape Cod
Thursday, October 22, 2009	Indian Hill Country Club	Class C Tournament	Connecticut Assoc. GCS
TBA, October, 2009	Quechee	Annual Meeting	Vermont GCSA
Tuesday, November 3, 2009	Wannamoisett Country Club	Superintendent/Assistant	Rhode Island GCSA
Wednesday, November 4, 20	O Sharon Country Club		GCSA of Cape Cod
	Highland Golf Club	Annual Meeting	Connecticut Assoc. GCS
Thursday, November 5, 2009			
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Meeting Results and Photos Whitinsville Golf Club - April 27th, 2009

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Tournament Results

1st Gross team

Dave Mucciarone Mike Turner Tim Crane

1st Net team

Bob Chalifour Gary Sykes Larry Cuoco Rich Gagnon

2nd Net team

Sean Hanley Jeff Urquhart Garrett Whitney

Long Drive #6

Manny Francis

Closest to the pin #2

Dave Mucciarone

Closest to the pin #7

Gary Sykes





Bob Chalifour





Gary Sykes

9th hole at Whitinsville

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome New Members: Todd Winton, Assistant, Long Meadow GC MAS Golf Course Construction LLC, Friend Matthew Staffieri, Affiliate, MAS Golf Course Construction LLC
- Our condolences are extended to Sharon and Tom Brownell and family on the recent passing of Tom's father.
- · Our condolences are extended to the Tyler family on the recent and unexpected passing of Richard "Rick" Tyler, age 57, of Galena, Ohio on March 29, 2009. Rick Tyler, the brother of Kip Tyler, superintendent of Salem Country Club in Peabody, MA was also a golf course superintendent and member of the GCSAA. Rick was the superintendent of Blackhawk Golf Club in Ohio for the past 31 years and a few weeks ago received the "Professional Excellence Award" from the Ohio Turfgrass Foundation which was presented by his brother Kip. Rick lent his expertise for a couple weeks in late June, 2001 during the US Senior Open at Salem Country Club. Many of the staff members and volunteers re-

member him well and are fortunate to have had the privilege of working alongside him.

- Congratulations to Russell Heller, CGCS GCSAA certified golf course superintendent at Franklin Park Golf Club who has recently completed the renewal process for maintaining his status as a Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS) with the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).
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