CMAA's Schuping resigns

James A. Schuping recently announced his resignation as executive vice president of the Club Managers Association of America. He also served as the association's chief operating officer since 1986.

During his tenure with the CMAA, Schuping was instrumental in achieving many of the association's goals including the development of a monthly magazine; creation of an educational foundation; and relocation of the CMAA's national headquarters.

A search committee has been appointed to find a successor. Replacement should be named by early May.

Utah county plans third golf course

Davis County, Utah, officials hope to build a third county-owned course.

The county already operates Valley View in Layton and Davis Park in Kaysville, which together generate $500,000 in revenue annually.

A search committee, comprised of the golf pros at the two facilities and Bountiful Hills, is reviewing possible sites for the third course.

The county is seeking donated land with adequate irrigation water and has earmarked $10,000 for consulting fees for golf course architects to review potential sites.

A parcel in Kaysville and another along Farmington Creek have already been eliminated because they could not accommodate 18 holes. Sites in Syracuse and Farmington are still being considered. Landowners have offered to give land while reserving neighboring land for development.

Developers closer to ‘go’

180 World developers have attained town board and planning commission approval to build an exclusive subdivision featuring a public golf course in Park Forest, Ill.

“This will be a public golf course, not a private facility, and it will be a first-class facility,” said Ed Gregory of 180.

Two-time U.S. Open champion Curtis Strange will design the 18-hole course at Odyssey Golf Club-Residential Development. Homes at the development will sell for as much as $1 million.

The Tinley Park Village Board and Long Range Planning Commission gave the project their blessings despite traffic concerns.

Just how cold was it? I'll tell you ...

As those of you in the Northeast begin venturing outside with the promise of warmer and longer days ahead, here's a brief reminder of just how cold this winter, especially in its earliest days, really was.

Among the happiest people in the land with January's return to seasonal temperatures after one of the the coldest December's in history were the research and development team at Barebo, Inc., the Emmaus, Pa.-based vertical aerator manufacturer.

For the past 10 years, Barebo researchers have tested their equipment on a pond at the nearby farm of company president Chuck Barebo.

But December's cold wave iced over the half-acre pond despite the 55-degree water that feeds it from an underground spring. It remained ice-bound from Dec. 2 through Jan. 5.

"The temperature dropped so quickly, we couldn't react," said Barebo. "We went so far as to make arrangements to use the YMCA pool after hours. They said we could have it from midnight to 3 a.m. Our R & D people weren't too crazy about that idea."

Fortunately, with the start of the new year came a change in the upper air patterns that had been bringing frigid air into the Northeast. Temperatures rose and so did the spirits in the Barebo research department.

"The pond is open again," Barebo said in early January. "We really got caught by surprise. It was the coldest month of December in history here."

Site changed for Kauai course

Hemmeter Corp. has withdrawn a request to build the 18-hole Jack Nicklaus Academy on conservation land on Kauai and will instead locate the course adjacent to its Kauai Lagoons project in Lihue, Hawaii.

Because the new parcel is zoned urban, Hemmeter no longer needs approval from the Land Board of the state Department of Land and Natural Resources.

Hemmeter is working with the state and Federal Aviation Administration to find if unused airport lands adjacent to the project could be leased for the course.