Wonokur's recently published *Encyclopedia Neurotica* (St. Martins Press, $23.95) highlights all of our worst fears, anxieties and other peculiar tendencies under one book cover. Wonokur lists 19 phobias you've probably never heard of, defining them as intense, irrational and often disabling fears.

Some estimates claim that one in five Americans suffer from at least one phobia and that new phobias are identified constantly. A few of my favorites in the never-heard-of-category include:

- **Arachibutyrophobia**: fear of peanut butter getting stuck to the roof of the mouth.
- **Metrophobia**: fear of poetry (sign me up!).
- **Pentheraphobia**: fear of one's mother-in-law.

But Wonokur left out an entire subset of phobias related to that most unusual species of human prone to intensely irrational and often disabling anxiety — the green chairman.

So, I called up my old pal Dr. Heimlich Penalbunker down at Orlando's Center for the Protection of Par. Penalbunker is still basking in the 2004 U.S. Open glory, where many of his par-protection theories were confirmed.

For years, the doctor has been quietly working to identify the various neurotic tendencies of green chairmen in hopes of furthering his cause to preserve and protect par's almighty sanctity.

Exclusive to *Golfdom*, he shared a few of the phobias that his team of scientists has identified. If your green chairman suffers from more than three of these phobias, Penalbunker recommends you book him on the first plane to Orlando. The list begins here:

- **NoAnswerCellphobia**: Fear that if the superintendent does not answer his mobile phone on the first two rings, he is out defying committee recommendations.
- **Framingphobia**: If every hole is not separated by a dense forest of non-native trees to make golfers on neighboring holes invisible, the subject fears that the greatness of one's home course will be undermined severely.
- **Hootiephobia**: Intense fear that committee-driven course changes will not bring great attention and acclaim to the green chairman.
- **LockerAirVentpbobia**: Fear of fellow members slipping anonymous, threatening notes into the green chairman's locker.
- **Communicadophobia**: Fear of communicat-