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And then there's David Shaw, the mild-mannered green chairman of the Country Club of Orlando. Shaw will be the first to tell you that he doesn't know it all — or even close to it all — about turf maintenance. But like an eager-to-learn college kid, Shaw will also tell you that he's trying to learn more about turf management by reading trade magazines like Golfdom because he knows being informed can only aid him in his role as green chairman.

Shaw is genuine when he says he wants to understand the plight of superintendents and turf workers in their ongoing battle against the mighty Mother Nature to maintain healthy turf.

Is this guy a dream green chairman or what? And it gets better.

Shaw sincerely appreciates when superintendents and their crews shed their blood, sweat and tears. We know this because we've heard stories about how Shaw shows his appreciation.

Brian Poorman, the assistant superintendent at the Country Club of Orlando, relates a story about how Shaw showed his gratitude for the maintenance staff's hard work a few years ago after the crew helped stage a successful member-guest tournament. After the event, Shaw sent a limousine to pick up Poorman, the course's superintendent and two other core staff members and took them out for a steak dinner.

"David is a down-to-earth guy," Poorman says. "He tells me, 'I'm here to help you be successful.'"

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The gravelly voiced Shaw, in his fourth year as green chairman, says the responsibility he holds for his post has more to do with his passion for the club than his desire to wield power.

“This is our second home,” the 47-year-old Shaw says of himself and his wife and two children. “We love it here.”

Jerry Valone, the club’s general manager, jokes that people are already chanting “four more years” in reference to Shaw taking on another term as green chairman.

If it were an election, you can bet Shaw would garner the majority vote of the golf course maintenance staff.

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David Shaw, the mild-mannered green chairman of the Country Club of Orlando, conducts a green committee meeting last November. Shaw is the type of leader who likes to ask others, “What do you think?”

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