MAAGCS Notes

MAAGCS Honorary Member George Cleaver Dies

By Ken Ingram

The MAAGCS lost one of our Honorary Members on January 15th. George Cleaver died at his home in Lewes, DE. He was 78 years old. George was our chapter President in 1968 and GCSAA President in 1978. He was the Superintendent at Chestnut Ridge from 1959 until the mid-1980's.

George graduated from Long Island Agricultural and Technical Institute with a degree in Ornamental Horticulture. He worked as a gardener at a Dupont estate and had a couple of other assignments with Dupont. Upon meeting and talking with the legendary Jim Reid at Suburban Club, George moved to Baltimore as Jim Reid's assistant.

George always loved Lewes, DE. He used to spend weekends and vacations there fixing up his retirement home. He started a floor sanding business there after retiring from golf. Friends remember him as a very easy going, laid back man. In what could have been a very embarrassing situation for our association, George lost his job at Chestnut Ridge on a Friday and the MAAGCS had a meeting scheduled there the next Tuesday. George handled it like a gentleman, introduced his Assistant, Mark Bertoldi as the new Superintendent at our meeting. That was some time back in the mid-1980's and many of us never saw George again.

GCSAA Annual Tournament

Rich Sweeney, CGCS, Golf Chairman

Below is a list of Notables that played well in the GCSAA Golf Championship in Orlando. The weather was perfect, the courses are great. This is how the Mid-Atlantic fared:

CHAMPIONSHIPFLIGHT:

Rick Wakefield, CGCS, tied for 4th with a score of 148; Ed Brown, CGCS, tied for 6th place with a score of 150

FOURTHFLIGHT:

John Anderes tied for 4th in gross, 3rd place net; Tom Tokarski tied for 7th place gross, 9th place net;

Ed Gasper tied for 8th place gross; Charlie Ulevich tied for 8th place gross; Mike Evans, CGCS, tied for 9th place gross.

SIXTHFLIGHT:

Paul Masimore, CGCS, tied for 7th place gross.

CHAPTER TEAMNET:

John Anderes, Mike Evans, Paul Masimore, Tom Tokarski, 9th Place.

TWOMANTEAM:

NET I - Tied for 3rd. Score 66, Matt Richter, Steve Sweiderk **NET II** - Tied for 2nd., Score 61, John Anderes, Tom Tokarski

