On August 6, 2007, over 100 golfers, all affiliated in some way with the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents, had the privilege of playing the Chevy Chase Club in Chevy Chase, MD. It was a very sunny day, and it was hot! If you did not have the chance to make it down, and were battling the day to day issues common across this region, fear not, you are not alone. Even a place like Chevy Chase has their problems. I am fairly certain I saw a puddle on a cart path, but don’t quote me on that.

The MAAGCS would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to Dean Graves, Golf Course Manager, and his three assistants, Chris Harriman, Dave Ediger and Jim Weaver, and the entire maintenance staff. The course was in magnificent shape as always.

Thank you also to Head Golf Professional Jim Fitzgerald and his Assistant Pro Nathan Pressnal and their staff. The tournament went off without a hitch.

Last but absolutely not least, thank you to Luke “Ace” Oboyle, General Manager of Chevy Chase Club. According to sources on deep background, Luke had been working very hard on his game as of late, slipping down the road to Columbia CC to practice below the radar. All the hard work paid off as Luke scored a hole-in-one during the event on hole number 15. How about that? Awesome!

For the general record, fine events like these could never happen if it wasn’t for the generous contributions of all our sponsors which include Title Sponsors Bayer Environmental Science and Syngenta Professional Products. Additional sponsors were BASF, Cleary Chemicals, Cypress Turf Farms, Davison Golf, Finch Services, Genesis Turfgrass, Harrell’s Turf Specialty, G.L. Cornell, Genesis Turfgrass, Lesco, Plant Food Products, Sports Aggregates, Summit Hall Turf Farm, Turf Equipment, UAP, and Westwood Country Club.

The winners of the 2007 Stewards of the Chesapeake are...

**Team Winners**

**1st Gross**

Piney Branch Golf Club  
Score 114  
Scott Wunder, Cliff Trone, Mike Zgozski, Bill Hoffman

2nd Gross  
Schlegel Golf Course Design  
Score 119  
Dan Schlegel, Mark Peck, Fred Heuval, Terben Agesen

3rd Gross  
Leisure World of MD  
Score 119  
Scott Wagner, Jim Johnson, Josh Johnson, Bill Shirk

**1st Net**

Lesco  
Score 94  
Andrew Harrison, Shawn Smith, Rob Larsen, Mark Jewell

2nd Net  
CC of Maryland/Genesis Turfgrass  
Score 100  
Bill Augustin, Chris Paul, Brad Herle, Mike Del Biondo

3rd Net  
Evergreen CC  
Score 101  
David Anderson, Chris Hall, Brian Dorieslaiger, Elket Wilfimer

**Closest to the Pin**

Hole #3  
Kevin Smith

Hole #9  
Rick Maranto

Hole #12  
Bob Sturgis

Hole #15  
Luke Oboyle (Hole-in-One)

**Long Drive**

Hole #8  
Eric Christensen

Hole #18  
Bernie Hipkins