

**RUTGERS**

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reference.

This course also stresses the importance of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) as a key to successful turfgrass management. The cultural practices of proper fertility, irrigation and mowing heights greatly influence turf health and density. The healthier the turf, the more resistant it is to the invasion of pests such as weeds, fungi and insects. This in turn should decrease the amount of pesticides needed which is better for the environment and also saves money. IPM was a topic discussed often and should be an essential part of every good turfgrass manager's program.

In summary, these two years at Rutgers have been a

positive learning experience for me. Combined with my fifteen years of golf course turfgrass experience, I'm hopeful for the opportunity to implement my own program as a golf course superintendent in the near future.

If anyone has any questions about the Rutgers program, feel free to contact me. However, it's not my intention to solely recommend Rutgers Turf School for college education. Continuing education is a career-long process. Rutgers is just one of many viable alternatives to choose from. I exhort any superintendent who has employees with the desire to advance in our profession to encourage them to attend one of the programs available.

**FYI**

*by Barbara Mikel*

Well, a new year is upon us already. First of all, Happy New Year. I am looking forward to another enjoyable year with GCSANC.

With the New Year comes all the bills from last year. This includes some of your 1995 Dues Renewals for the Association.

At the end of December 1994, a \$20 late fee was assessed to all who had not yet paid 1995 dues. If you have not received your card by this time, chances are I haven't received your renewal check and questionnaire. If I have one and not the other, I have been sending notices. In any event, I can not waive the late fee, so please don't ask. If you feel you have a legitimate reason for being late, write a letter to the Board of Directors requesting they consider the reason and waive the late fee. If your accounting department simply didn't get it out in a timely manner, chances are almost 100% you will have to pay the extra charge. The late fee is really an attempt to cover the additional costs of sending bills (paper and office time).

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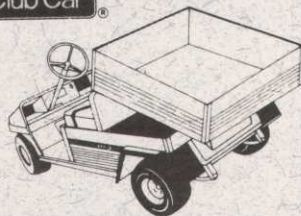
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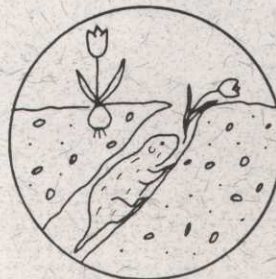
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