## SUPERINTENDENT PROFILE

Name: Stacy L. Wallace

**Employer:** StoneTree Golf Club **Position:** Golf Course Superintendent

Years in the Business: 25

Previous Employment: Sonoma Golf Club, Northmoor CC,

Prairie Landing Golf Club, Bryn Mawr CC

**Education:** Associate Degree, Farm Machinery Technology at Spoon River College Canton, IL; Associate Degree, Turf Management at Danville Area Community College, Danville, IL

Other Organizations: GCSAA, USGA

Family: Single

What was the first car you ever owned?

1970 Ford Mustang Mach I

How fast did you drive it? Too fast!

What is your favorite band? Country: Johnny Cash and The Tennessee Three; Rock: Bruce Springsteen and The E Street Band (rest in peace, Clarence!).

**How did you get into the business?** Brother was Supt. at local golf course.

What did you learn that they never taught you in college? Staff and clientele management.

**Please list your fantasy foursome:** Walter Hagen, Bobby Jones, Ben Hogan, and myself.

What is #1 on your bucket list? Playing National Golf Links.

What's the best bit of professional advice ever tossed your way? Keep it simple, do not complicate things.

What accomplishment are you most proud of? Tough question.

What's your favorite restaurant? Lou Malnalti's Pizza, Chicago or any good steak joint.

Beer or wine? Youth: beer; now: wine.

**Favorite course to play:** Difficult question to answer since I have been fortunate to be able to play some great golf courses over the years. Modern course: Rock Creek Cattle Ranch; Classic Era: Oakland Hills CC. To play on a daily basis—if I were a member—I have to throw in a plug for Sonoma Golf Club.

**Ipod top 5:** Bruce Springsteen, Johnny Cash, Rolling Stones, the Killers and Frank Sinatra.

What's your favorite vacation spot? I live in my favorite vacation spot! (Wine Country)

Favorite hobby: Riding my Harley!

Strangest thing you've ever seen on a golf course: Wow! Where to begin?

Name your top superintendent influences: Brian Bossert (Bryn Mawr CC, Lincolnwood, IL), Tony Kalina(Prairie Landing GC, West Chicago, IL), Jim Johns (Northmoor CC, Highland Park, IL), Mat Dunmyer(Valley Hi CC, Elk Grove, CA), Ron McCarthy(Edgewood Valley CC, LaGrange, IL)

Name your top life influences: Parents

**Lowest score you ever shot and course:** 34 at Scripps Park (par 35).

The hardest part of your job: Managing people.

The most rewarding thing in your job is: Working with staff.

If you weren't in the business of growing grass what would you be doing? Airline pilot.

What's in your garage? 1994 Jeep Wrangler, and 2008 Harley Davidson Softail Deluxe.

What's in your closet at home? Wine and clothes.

**What's in your office?** Golf clubs & shoes along with work materials.

What magazines do you subscribe to? GCM, Golf Course Industry, Golf Course Architecture, HOG.

**Worst piece of equipment ever owned?** Ransome rough mower (diesel).

**Worst place you have ever slept?** Pump House (getting it through the night).

Closest to death you ever came? Driving the Mustang!

The invention that you thought of but someone else made the million dollars and not you? Still waiting to think of it!

**Do you expect to collect on Social Security?** Since I have paid into it all these years, YES!

