this would not suit the publics. "If I were at a public course, I would not be mowing fairways at 1/2" and I would want a warm-season turfgrass. We take things a little closer to the edge than the public courses. There is more emphasis on keeping greens speeds up and keeping fairways tight and dry."

For those who are presently mowing light, for those willing to make the commitment, and especially if you have been growing ryegrass—drilling rye in and trying to reduce poa—this program would be a piece of cake. I can guarantee that under the right conditions, you could redo your fairways and be back in play in 30 days with 80 to 90 percent bent fairways."

Although Walter's new fairways are now under an early renovation, he knows that in a matter of a few days and with some much-needed rain, they will bounce back quickly. Furthermore, he's looking forward to October and cool weather when bentgrass really shines. "All indications are that everyone is pleased with what we've done. The playing surface has been magnificent."

It's just that blankety blank poa annua!

Scholarships Available
by Dean Graves

Our association is trying to better support the education of future golf course superintendents. If any member has a candidate who is currently—or is contemplating—further higher education, we are interested.

Please have candidates send a resume included with a letter of introduction. The letter should include where they are presently and plan to be in the future and why they are interested in this profession and deserve a scholarship. All letters should be sent to: MAAGCS 7270 Cradlerock Way Columbia, MD 21045 Attn: Dean M. Graves

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