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August 12 Meetings will be held at Village Greens of Woodridge Country Club.

Leonard Berg, Superintendent, will be our host.

Village Greens of Woodridge Country Club is located at 1575 W. 75th Street, Woodridge, III.

Dr. Al Turgeon from University of Illinois will be our speaker at the August 12th meeting. His subject will be "Progress in Reach."

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## By J. M. Vargas Assistant Professor, Michigan State University

June 6, 1974 Mr. Fred D. Opperman, CGCS Glen Oak Country Club 21 West 451 Hill Avenue Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137 Dear Fred:

I believe I have the answer to the "Toronto" (C-15) problem. I believe the fungus causing the problem is stripe smut. The "Toronto" creeping bentgrass appears to be able to withstand the stripe smut infection provided no additional stress is applied. In most cases this additional stress is supplied by high populations of nematodes.

We don't have any direct evidence on controlling stripe smut in creeping bentgrass. All I can do is exstrapolate from work done on stripe smut on Kentucky bluegrass which would indicate the ideal time to treat the disease is in the fall after the grass has gone dormant with 6-8 oz/1000 sq. ft. of Tersan 1991. However, I believe it would be worth while to start treating the disease right now with 1 oz/1000 sq. ft. of Tersan 1991 on a bi-weekly basis.

I realize this will steal some of my thunder at the conference this fall, but I feel it is better that people with the problem start treatment. I think greens that have been severely thinned may be slow in recovering. However, the treatment should be helpful on greens that are just beginning with the disease.

P.S.—Alternate weeks a centact fungicide like Dacenil 2787, Acti dione-thiram or Dyrene should be used.