


**Dealing With a New Invader . . .**  
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effective on both mature and seedling perennial ryegrass. When it becomes necessary to treat on a curative basis, the spray intervals may have to be compressed beyond what is stated on the product labels and continued through the end of October.

Looking ahead, the future of perennial ryegrass tees, fairways and rough in the Mid-Continent region appears to be up in the air. While gray leaf spot can be controlled with fungicide applications, the cost thereof can be substantial when summertime temperatures persist thought late September, as they did during the 1998 season. For those low-budget courses that heretofore have not had to spray perennial ryegrass fairways, this situation is particularly troubling as it may increase the cost of golf beyond the means of their players.

For those that no longer feel that they can afford the cost of maintaining perennial ryegrass, there are, in reality, few options. Kentucky bluegrass is one and creeping bentgrass is the other. Unfortunately, each of these options has their own Achilles' heel and would require course closure during a fall season to establish. Determining which of the options is best, if any, is a subject for another article.

For those that have suffered from the extraordinary destructive powers of gray leaf spot, I can only hope that the golfers have been understanding and will support whatever future steps are necessary to prevent similar circumstances from reoccurring during 1999 and beyond. Having been surprised by gray leaf spot myself, dealing with this new invader has been a truly humbling and frustrating experience. 

## MAGCS College Tournament


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A full field enjoyed a brisk, sun-filled day at Seven Bridges Golf Club on October 13. A big thanks to Don Ferreri and their staff for hosting the event. The Penn State Nittany Lions came away with first place in the annual college championship. Bob Kronn, Ed Fischer, Joel Purpur and Dave Blomquist made up the winning team, and Dave brought along a life-size Joe Pa to witness the event. The squad from Southern Illinois (Tim Davis, Jim Knulty, Tommy Robinson and Dave Schlagetter) finished a close second. The defending champion and perennial powerhouse group from Danville Area Community College came in third.

Bob Kronn and Ed Fischer were low for the day in the two-person

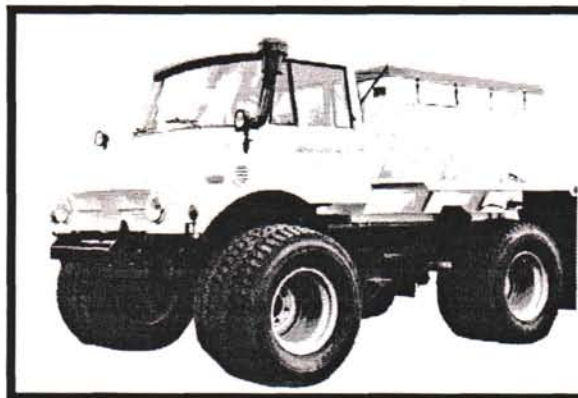
scramble event. John Meyer and Bruce "I only played four times this year" Schweiger finished first in the low net division. Jim Keith took long putt, Jeff Leuzinger the long drive, Rich Daly the straightest drive and Joe Betulius closest to the pin. Congratulations to all the winners!

Additionally, a local pantry benefited from the generous donations of canned goods and money. A big thanks to all who took part, and congratulations to Peter Leuzinger on winning the raffle prize: a new putter.

In closing, the golf chairman would like to acknowledge that the year was not without a few hitches. The board of the MAGCS appreciates the constructive criticism and has discussed changes and improvements for the events in the upcoming year. 

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