

MIDWEST BREEZES

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“You Might Be a Golf Course Superintendent if.....”

I was looking for something “light” to help you start your year off in what is looking like a tough fiscal year for many. So I came up with this little ditty. Enjoy.

This article is kind of a play on Jeff Foxworthy’s “You Might Be a Redneck if...” comedy monologue. It’s always amazing to me that if you put a bunch of superintendents from anywhere in the country together in a room, the conversation is always the same. Whether it’s cool season or warm season turf, country club or public, we share similar stories about growing turf, golfer habits, staffing, and even our personal lives. Resemblance to any individual is purely coincidental.

You Might Be a Golf Course Superintendent if...

- Your dog is named bogey.
- Your favorite website is TGIF (Turfgrass information File).
- Your dress shoes are Dry Joy Teaching shoes.
- You only see your wife and children when it’s dark out. They think you are a vampire.
- Your favorite movie is Caddyshack.

- When you watch sports on TV, you check out the turf and mowing patterns.
- All of the books in your library are about turf diseases, landscaping, or golf course design.
- You quote memorized lines from Caddyshack in normal conversations.
- The people in your neighborhood only know you as “that grass guy”.
- All of the shirts you own have a golf course or other turf care product logos on them.
- The only magazines you subscribe to are golf or turf related.
- Your living room décor is golf memorabilia.
- You hang out with other turf nerds on your personal time.
- Your favorite day of the year is when you aerify greens.
- Your role model is a former employer/Superintendent.
- Unlike “normal” people you look forward to winter and hate summer. **-OC**



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