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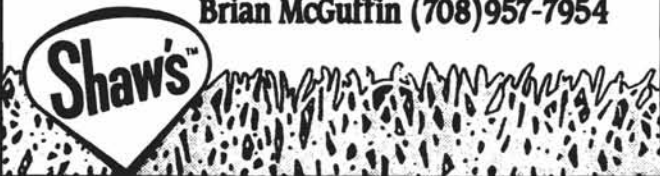
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headquarters from the Chicago area to Lawrence, Kansas, and by the written and vocal efforts by Midwest members relating to other national issues.

Another happening was that Ed Smith, Deerpath Golf Course, who had served as first Vice President in 1974, and was in line to be President in 1975 volunteered to step aside so that Mike Bavier could be Midwest President in 1975 and would have a stronger resume to run on a national level. This was certainly a generous and unselfish act by Ed Smith.

I would like to acknowledge the assistance given me in this endeavor by Mike Bavier and Fred Opperman.

MORE 1954 OMISSIONS & CORRECTIONS

by Pete Vandercook

Among Father/Son Superintendents 1954-1994, I should have added the name Kronn — sorry Ben and Bob.

I also stated that Frank Dinelli was at North Shore when I should have said Northmoor — another slip of the pen.

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What's in a name?

by J. (Dr. Bob) Gray

Poa pratensis L. is the Latin name for Kentucky bluegrass. It's not from Kentucky, and it is really not "blue". Not blue like the flag blue, but maybe to some a little blue in the green. The "L" at the end of the name means that it was named by none other than Linnaeus, the founding father of modern taxonomy. Taxonomy is the science that classifies plant species, species into genera, genera into families, etc. But what's in a name?

Poa is the name of a genus or group of species. It literally means "grass" in Greek. Perhaps because *Poa* is so common a grass or so representative of all grasses it was given that honor. "*Pratensis*" refers to the slender creeping rhizomes that make Kentucky bluegrass such a popular choice in lawns, golf courses and pastures. But that's a digression. Back to *Poa*. There are over 200 species in the genus *Poa* and about 65 of them are native to the United States. *Poa pratensis*, however, is thought to have originated from Europe. Maybe we should call it English Bluegrass? But I don't think so. But what do they call it over there?

Regardless, we got it right when we refer to English and Italian ryegrasses. The English ryegrass is *Lolium perenne* L. and the Italian ryegrass is *Lolium multiflorum* Lam. Lam Jean

Baptiste Pierre Antoine de Monet, Chevalier Lamarck, or Lam for short. *Lolium* is an old Latin name for darnel, which is not some high tech polyester fabric but rather an old French word for weeds.

Now not all turf type grasses, of course, come from Europe. *Zoysia japonica* you may suspect comes from Japan. It could have come just as easily from the Philippines or Korea. When species travel, they don't carry passports. The origin of the word, *Zoysia*, however, is clear. The genus was named after Karl von Zois. But I don't know who he was or why he was so honored.

Another important turf type grass is *Agrostis stoloniferous* or creeping bentgrass. The word "*Agrostis*" is also from the Greek. It refers to "agros" or the field. Modern words like agriculture, agronomy, agrarian and agrostology (the science of grasses) have agros as their origin.

The word grass itself is likely derived from the ancient Aryan (India) word ghra. It's not a big leap to more modern words like grain, green, grow and to the Latin word for grass, "gramen".

So what's in a name? If it's a name like Lamark, it could be dozens of letters! But for the name of a few key grass species, the origin of names is fun and part of the learning process. Our thanks to Dr. James Murphy, Turf Specialist, Rutgers University, for reviewing this article.

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- May 16 — ITF Golf Day at Silver Lake Golf Club
- June 8-12 — Ronald McDonald Children's Charities Celebrity Golf Classic at Seven Bridges G.C.
- June 20 — MAGCS Meeting at Aurora C.C.
- July 3-9 — Western Open at Cog Hill
- July 11 — MAGCS Meeting at Orchard Valley G.C.
- July 11-17 — Ameritech Open at Stonebridge G.C.
- July 14 — University of Illinois Field Day
- August 13 — Family Picnic & Kane County Cougar Ball Game
- August 15-21 — LPGA Chicago Challenge at White Eagle G.C.
- August 29 — John Deere Team Championship at Naperville C.C.
- September 12 — MAGCS Meeting at Seven Bridges
- September 26 — ITF Golf Day at Ivanhoe Club & Conway Farms
- October 3 — Pro/Superintendent at Glenview Club
- October 10 — MAGCS Meeting at Oak Brook Hills C.C.
- November 28-30 — NCTE at Pheasant Run Resort

All meetings starting in March 1994 will require advance paid registrations.

There are only three more months for Superintendents to be eligible for the Ray Gerber Editorial Award for this year. The deadlines are the 10th of May, June, and July.

Congratulations to Mark Kowaliczko of Joliet C.C. on being elected the President of the Chicagoland Golf Course Superintendents Association at their annual meeting in early March.

June 20 — Aurora — L. Strojny, L. Wesson
2 man chapman. Prizes will be for low net and gross. The net team score will be determined by averaging both players handicap total and taking 80% of the total. Each player will hit a drive. On the second shot of each hole you will hit your partners ball. After the second shot you will pick up one ball and then alternate shots until you are holed out. On par 3's you will pick up one ball after your drives.

- 1994 Golf Events are as follows:**
- April 25 — Inverness — 4 man mixed texas scramble
 - June 20 — Aurora — 2 man chapman format
 - July 11 — Orchard Valley — Senior Championship
 - August 15 — Tamarac — 4 man team total
 - September 12 — Seven Bridges — Annual Tournament
 - October 10 — Oak Brook Hills — College Championship

NECROLOGY

It is with a deep sense of loss that we announce the death of Richard G. Hahn, March 29, the father of Rick Hahn, Superintendent of Marriott's Lincolnshire Resort. Richard (Dick) Hahn had worked more than 25 years as a grounds-keeper at the Chicago Golf Club.

Andy Dauksas, Glen Oak C.C. is looking for an assistant. Call 708/469-6220. Mick Twito who was Andy's assistant last couple of years has taken a Superintendent's position at Crystal Lake Golf Course in Lakeville, MN.

Doug Hellman has joined Jacobson Golf Course Design as Director of Business Development/Design Associate. He will oversee new business development and marketing activities and be involved in project development for the Libertyville, Illinois based Golf Course Design firm. Hellman formerly was Director of Business Development for Dick Nugent Associates.

Congratulations to the following MAGCS members on becoming Certified Golf Course Superintendents recently: Danny Wyatt at the Rockford C.C., Dave Blomquist at Naperville C.C., and John Gurke at Aurora C.C.

John Gurke (most eligible bachelor) has recently become engaged to Kristin Morse. Wedding scheduled for February 4, 1995.

Adolph Bertucci suffered a mild heart attack on April 18. We pray that at this time Adolph is well on the road to recovery. This is always a difficult item to relay, since it is written 14-18 days before you read it.

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Dudley Smith (on the left) presenting the Charles Bartlett Award to Peter Leuzinger at the CDGA Green Seminar March 24, 1994.

Editor's note: The following is a condensed note received by Dudley Smith from Peter Leuzinger.

Dear Dudley,

Thank you so much for making the Charles Bartlett Award so meaningful. As you talked about all of the past award winners, I wondered who the lucky honoree would be this year. Then I heard my name called and I was so filled with emotion and quite overcome at the moment.

The award is very special and a great honor. You know that all of the recipients are still in the business or have retired. This, along with the fact that it is not given out every year makes it so special. You have put me into a pretty marvelous group of individuals.

This kind of recognition does a little more than make a guy like me happy. I have never received an award like this before. I was truly humbled by the experience of hearing my name called out. I was surprised at my own reaction. It was a day I will treasure. Thanks for helping me share it with so many friends. Sincerely,

Peter V. Leuzinger, CGCS

CDGA Green Seminar Notes

by the Editor

Once again Dr. Randy Kane and his committee did an excellent job of providing an interesting program and packing the room with club officials and superintendents.

I felt that Don Hearn hit the nail on the head with his many comments on how ignorant many of the announcers are when they are narrating a golf event. Don's commentary on grain in greens got quite a few laughs from the audience. Ben Hogan's theory on grain is that it always grows in a westerly direction following the setting sun. Another theory of someone was that it grows in the direction of the drainage of the green. Then there was the one, "you can't see it, can't feel it, but it's there!"

Bruce Sering really worked the audience with his stimp meter stories and how that instrument has changed the game of golf; plus the maintenance practices of growing grass on greens.

But even with many club officials in attendance, Mr. Joe Low Handicap will still come into the grill room and state emphatically that half the greens have grain on them and that they are too slow. They should have a stimp reading of 10+.

I'm not sure how the rest of the audience felt when Peter Leuzinger was awarded the Charles Bartlett Award and he showed so much sincerity and emotion. But, it moved me. Peter is one who is in love with his profession and it shows. Congratulations Peter.



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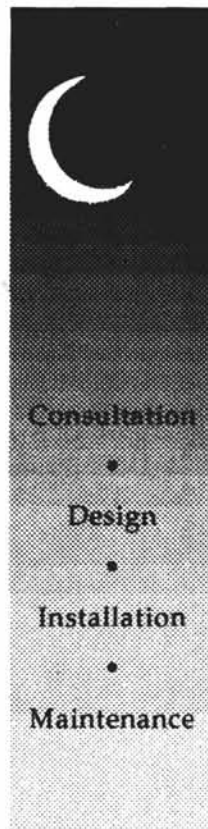
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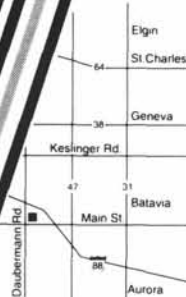
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