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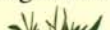
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Brianne Smith, Daughter of Jeff Smith (Springbrook G.C.), Receives GCSAA Legacy Award

Funded by Syngenta Professional Products and administered by the Environmental Institute for Golf, the GCSAA Legacy Awards benefit children of superintendents that are going into careers other than turf-grass management.

Brianne Smith, daughter of MAGCS member Jeff Smith, is one of 20 students to be awarded \$1,500. Brianne, who won the Midwest's George S. Minnis Scholarship, will attend Cornell University and major in biological and environmental engineering. Her parents are Peggy and

Jeffrey A. Smith, assistant superintendent at Springbrook Golf Course in Naperville. 

GCSAA to Honor Rees Jones with Old Tom Morris Award

GCSAA's most prestigious honor, the Old Tom Morris Award, is presented each year to an individual who "through a continuing lifetime commitment to the game of golf has helped to mold the welfare of the game in a manner and style exemplified by Old Tom Morris."


Widely respected golf course architect Rees Jones has been selected to receive the 2004 Old Tom Morris Award during GCSAA's 75th International Golf Course Conference and Show, February 9-14, in San Diego.

Jones, a member and past president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects (ASGCA), has designed or renovated more than 100 courses throughout his career, many

of which are widely regarded as among the very best in the world. His designs include Pinehurst No. 7, Haig Point Club, Nantucket Golf Club, Ocean Forest Golf Club, Atlantic Golf Club, Sandpines Golf Club and England's Oxfordshire Golf Club.

Nicknamed "The Open Doctor" for his highly acclaimed work remodeling several U.S. Open courses, including Bethpage Black, Torrey Pines, The Country Club at Brookline, Hazeltine National, Baltusrol, Congressional and Pinehurst No. 2, Jones is the first second-generation Old Tom Morris Award recipient since the award was created in 1983. His father, the late Robert Trent Jones, Sr., received the award in 1987.

"Through nearly 40 years in golf course design, Rees Jones has made an indelible imprint on the game of golf," remarks GCSAA president Jon D. Maddern, CGCS. "His design approach creates courses that deliver a fair challenge and aesthetic appreciation to golfers of every skill level, from novice to professional. His environmental approach blends the course with its natural surroundings and provides for sustainable ecosystems. Those who have worked with him have nothing but the best to say about him and their experience."

"Rees Jones perfectly represents the dedication and service that the Old Tom Morris Award was created to recognize." 


Applications Now Available for 2004 Excellence in Government Relations Awards

Applications for the 2004 GCSAA Excellence in Government Relations Awards (EGR Awards) are now available to members and affiliated chapters. The EGR Awards recognize and honor outstanding individual and chapter efforts in government relations. Recipients are recognized for their efforts and accomplishments in the areas of advocacy and compliance. Nominees will be judged on how their efforts best serve the interests of

the golf course superintendent profession and the golf course management industry.

Any affiliated chapter and all Class AA, A, superintendent member and C members are eligible to receive EGR Awards. EGR Awards recipients will be selected by the GCSAA Government Relations Committee. Recipients will be recognized through various GCSAA publications

as well as at GCSAA's 75th International Golf Course Conference and Show in San Diego.

The deadline for nominations is Oct. 15, 2003. Applications are available online. To request a hard copy nomination form or for more information, contact Erica Brown at 800-472-7878, ext. 453. 

the Bull Sheet

John Gurke, CGCS
Contributing Editor

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 6-7 — GCSAA's Chapter Delegates Meeting at the Kansas City Airport Marriott in Kansas City, MO.

September 9 — MAGCS Scholarship Golf Outing at Orchard Valley Golf Course in Aurora, IL, **Jim McNair, CGCS** and **Harry Lovero** hosts.

September 23 — MAGCS monthly meeting and golf championship at Shoreacres in Lake Bluff, IL, **Tim Davis** host.

October 6 — Fall session of Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School begins at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, in New Brunswick, NJ.

October 7 — ITF Combined Golf Day at Prairie Landing Golf Club in West Chicago, IL, **Tony Kalina** host.

October 8 — Wisconsin Turfgrass Association's Fundraiser Golf Outing at The Bull at Pinehurst Farms, **Tony Rzadzki, CGCS** host. More info follows.

October 21-22 — Illinois Arborist Association's 21st Annual Conference and Trade Show at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Tinley Park, IL. Again, more info follows.

November 5 — Annual Midwest Turf Clinic at Medinah Country Club, **Tom Lively, CGCS** host.

November 15 — Annual MAGCS Fall Dinner Dance at Aurora Country Club, **Julie and John Gurke, CGCS** hosts.

MAGCS offers its deepest condolences to the family of **Brian Winkel** on the passing of Brian's mother, Dorothy, on August 11. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

For those of you who've been wondering what **Tony Rzadzki** (former superintendent of Cantigny Golf Club) has been up to lately, you can find out for yourselves by signing up for the Wisconsin Turfgrass Association's golf outing, scheduled for October 8 at Tony's brand-new club and Wisconsin's only Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course, The Bull at Pinehurst Farms in Sheboygan Falls, WI. The club's grand opening took place on August 18 with the Golden Bear himself kicking things off.

The outing will raise funds for the Wisconsin Distinguished Graduate Fellowships in Turfgrass Research; format will be a four-person scramble teeing off at 10:30 a.m. This is a great opportunity to play a highly-rated new facility (albeit in the land of cheese and Packer fans), and Tony would love to see some of his old friends and catch up. For registration information, call Audra at 608-845-6536.

If you are at all like me and my wife (which is a scary thought, come to think of it), you have HGTV programmed into your remote. On August 17, the home of Mark Anderson (assistant superintendent under **Henry Michna, CGCS** at Winnetka Golf Club) was featured on the network at 7:00 p.m., and again at 10:00. Congratulations on your beautiful home and your 15 minutes of fame, Mark!

Welcome to our newest MAGCS member, **Beth Whitehouse** of Dow. Beth introduced herself at the August meeting, and a photo was taken, but it was taken by me after 18 holes of golf with a VERY efficient beverage cart staff on the course, and my back was acting up

so I took a couple of . . . Oh, never mind—suffice it to say that the photo did not come out. Look for Beth at upcoming meetings and welcome her aboard.

Congratulations to **Lynn Wesson** of Fox Valley Golf Course who, as of now, has the very enviable title of retired golf course superintendent. Lynn is excited to wake up and not worry about the weather, and can't wait to begin the "tour" of golf courses he has always wanted to play but never had the time to do so. Best of luck, Lynn, and you are welcome to start the tour at ACC (just no thongs).



Lynn Wesson.

On October 21 and 22, the Illinois Arborist Association will be hosting its 21st Annual Conference and Trade Show at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Tinley Park, IL. The two-day event will feature debates and discussions on the state of the Illinois tree-care industry, along with special Spanish-language sessions, live demonstrations and a trade show with more than 40 industry companies exhibiting the latest supplies and equipment. For more information on registering, call 877-617-8887.

Congratulations to **Joe Giuliano** and his wife, Stacey, on the August 3rd birth of their son, James Vincent. Joe is assistant superintendent at White Pines G.C. The 19-inch long, 5.9-pound James and his mom are both doing great!

Congratulations to Jennifer and **Rusty Stachlewitz** on the birth of their baby daughter, Perris Audrey Stachlewitz, on July 8, 2003 at 8:18 a.m. Perris came into the world weighing 8

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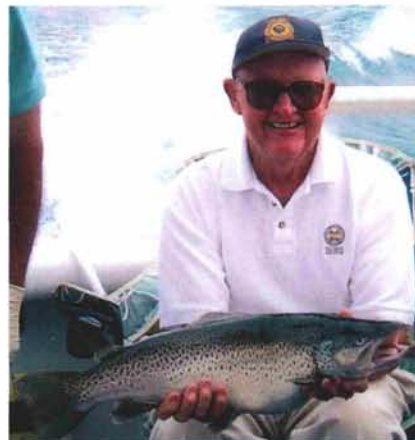
pounds and measuring 19-½ inches. As you may remember, Rusty is the new turfgrass instructor at Kishwaukee College, and will be responsible for sending young, impressionable turf students out into the big world of golf course management where we can really mess them up.



Perris Audrey Stachlewitz.

The baby boomlet continues . . . warm wishes to Steve Partyka of White Pines G.C. and his wife, Dawn, on the birth of a healthy girl, Brianna Marie, on August 1.

This was handed over to me from **Dudley Smith** (retired superintendent of Silver Lake Country Club): Recently, on a Sunday in July, a group of guys went fishing on Lake Michigan with Captain Craig Marfia (former MAGCS member). The group consisted of **Scott Armstrong** (Conserv FS), **Sonny Bain** (Willow Run G.C.), **Todd Schmitz** (Phillips Park G.C.), **Ray Schmitz** (retired—Flossmoor C.C.) and **Dudley**. During the four-hour fishing trip, six fish were lost and six were caught. Dudley won the money for largest fish, a beautiful brown trout that weighed in at 9 pounds. Todd came in second with a coho salmon that just missed the mark at 8-1/2 pounds. As usual, Craig did a wonderful job as captain and host for the charter adventure. He played the role of strict disciplinarian by yelling at a couple of the “fishermen” who tried to land a fish with rod in one hand and beer in the other. A good lesson for all was learned that day.



Dudley shows off his 9-pound brown trout—Dudley is the one with the glasses and hat.

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