

North Central



MICHIGAN AND BORDER CITIES ELECT

Tom Mason of Birmingham (Mich.) Country Club is the new president of the Michigan & Border Cities Golf Course Superintendents Association.

Mason was elected along with Vice President Ken Debusscher of Wabeek Country Club in Bloomfield Hills, and Secretary-Treasurer Gary Thommes of Red Run Golf Club in Royal Oak.

Directors are Jim Eccleton of Arbor Hills Country Club in Jackson, Jay Delcamp of Katke Cousins Golf Club in Pontiac, Mike Bay of Tam-O-Shanter Country Club in West Bloomfield, Steve Kolongowski of Tanglewood Golf Club in South Lyon, Carey Mitchelson of Country Club of Detroit in Grosse Pointe Farms, and Paul Kolbe of Maple Lane Golf Club in Sterling Heights.

The Michigan & Border Cities association donated \$5,000 to the Michigan Special Olympics in 1990, and raised another \$18,000 which it will give to the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation for research.

SOUTH DAKOTA AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP

University of Minnesota at Waseca student Arlen Fenhaus was given the first annual South Dakota Golf Course Superintendents Association Scholarship.

Fenhaus is majoring in landscape-nursery technology with an emphasis in golf course management.

Recipients of the award must be South Dakota residents and must enroll or be enrolled at UMW intending to study golf course management. Scholastic ability, leadership potential, community service and extra-curricular activities are also considered by the selection committee.

HAUSMAN TALKS OF RIGORS

South Dakota Golf Course Superintendents Association President Doug Hausman told the group recently about the rigors of construction during a very wet spring and a hot, dry summer at the new Dakota Dunes Golf Course in N. Sioux City.

Dakota Dunes is a Palmer Group course and will be a 36-hole facility with inclusion of the older Boat Club course. The new layout is designed for major tournament play and is expected to open late this summer.

WARREN RETURNS

Brett Warren has returned from Nebraska to South Dakota to assume the position as superintendent at Huron Country Club.

NEW NINES ADDED

While Hartford, Spearfish and Madison, S.D., have added nine holes to their existing nine-hole facilities, Huron may lose several of its holes to a planned airport expansion projects. Huron officials are planning to offset this loss.

BENTGRASS SYMPOSIUM

A silver anniversary Wisconsin Golf Turf Symposium, dedicated to the memory of O.J. Noer, was held in Milwaukee in late October.

Sponsored by the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association and Milorganite Division of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District, the symposium focused on

"Bentgrasses — New, Old, Right or Wrong."

Speakers included Tom Mascaro of Turf-Tec International, USGA Green Section Mid-Atlantic Region Director Stanley Zontek, and Pennsylvania State University Professor of Turfgrass Science Joseph Duich.

West



PGA WEST NETS \$38,450

Jeff Walser, head golf pro at PGA West Resort Courses in La Quinta, Calif., raised \$38,450 in the National Golf Day Pro-Am at PGA West last fall.

Half the money will be donated to the Inland Desert Junior Golf Association and half to PGA of America charities.

"All of us learned to play golf in junior programs when we were growing up," Walser said. "We know that the future of the sport depends on our ability to help today's junior players learn the game."

PGA West golf members donated \$14,000 for National Golf Day. Another \$24,450 was raised at a tournament at the Nicklaus Resort Course.

Walser said the Landmark Land Co. courses have raised more than \$100,000 in the last five years' National Golf Days.

The PGA of America presented Walser its President's Plaque at its annual meeting in December at La Quinta.

Northeast



NEW JERSEY LEADERS

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of New Jersey elected David Pease of Monmouth County Park System president at its annual meeting Nov. 13 at Hollywood Golf Club.

Pease is joined by Vice President Cris Carson of Echo Lake Country Club; Secretary Thomas Grimic of Tavasock Golf Club and Treasurer Martin Mantell of Rancocas Golf Club.

Directors elected to two-year terms are Glen Miller of Manasquan Country Club, Ken Krouse of Paramus Golf Club, Chris Gaynor of Colonia Country Club, and Robert Prickett of Pennsauken Golf Club.

Fulfilling their second year are Directors John Carpinelli of Moorestown Field Club, Paul Powondra of Princeton Meadows Country Club, Lawrence Dodge of Essex Fells Country Club, and Dave Mayer of Bowling Green Golf Club.

Commercial representatives to the board are Shaun Barry of Nor-Am Chemical Corp. and Steve Chirip of Lebanon Chemical Co.

Judy Policastro is executive secretary of the 64-year-old association, which has 450 members and is headquartered at 66 Morris Ave., Springfield, N.J.

MEGAWINNER

Former Rockport (Mass.) Golf Course superintendent Nick Bruni recently won \$5 million in the Massachusetts Lottery.

CONNECTICUT OFFICERS ELECTED

The Connecticut Association of Golf Course Superintendents has elected a new slate of officers led by President Thomas Watroba of Suffield Country Club.

Joining him as officers are Vice President Steve Rackliffe of Willimantic Country Club, Secretary John Streeter of Woodbridge Country Club and Treasurer Scott Ramsay of Cliffside Country Club.

Peter Lewis of Country Club of Farmington and John Motycka of Skungamaug River Golf Club were elected to two-year terms on the board of directors. Other board members are Bob Chalifour of Shennecossett Golf Course, Frank Lamphier of Aspetuck Valley Country Club, Phil Neaton of Black Hall Club, Peter Pierson of Pequabuck Golf Club, David Stimson of Tumblebrook Country Club and Stephanie Zanieski of Cadwell & Jones Inc.

The CAGCS awarded honorary membership to Don Kiley, executive director of the Professional Pesticide Users of Connecticut, at the annual meeting Nov. 5 at Old Lyme (Conn.) Country Club.

WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Five scholarships were awarded to highlight the first annual turfgrass and grounds management conference held by the West Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association, in conjunction with the West Virginia University Extension Service.

WVGCS gave its first scholarships ever to Rodney Noel of Daniels, Elza O'Neil of Moundsville, Gene Boggess of Ravenswood, James Rhoden of West Milford and Keith Brooks of Vienna. Noel is in his second year at Penn State Turfgrass Management School. The others will attend the Ohio State Golf Course Management Short Course in January.

Mountains



PEAKS & PRAIRIES OFFICERS

The Peaks & Prairies Golf Course Superintendents Association is under new leadership under President Kevin Verlanic of the University of Montana Golf Course.

Verlanic was elected to replace Immediate Past President R. Scott Woodhead of Valley View Golf Club at the association's fall conference and trade show in Billings, Mont., in October.

Also elected were Vice President Todd Mumbauer of Butte Country Club, Secretary-Treasurer Joe Brinkel of Laurel Golf Club, and Directors Brad Berg of Olive Glenn Golf and Country Club, Peter Grass of Hilands Golf Club, Jon Heselwood of Stillwater Golf Club, Steve Johnson of Green Meadows Country Club, Doug Kremer of Big Sky Golf Club and Dean Krob of Pryor Creek Golf Club.

Southeast



GEORGIA CONFERENCE

Environmental issues and better turf management practices highlighted presentations at the 21st Annual Georgia Turfgrass Conference and Trade Show, Dec. 10-12, at the Georgia International Convention and Trade Center in Atlanta.

More than 40 scientists and professionals addressed the conference on turfgrass issues.

South Central



TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

Topics from DNA research in turfgrass to winter kill of Bermudagrass will highlight the Tennessee Turfgrass Conference and Show, Jan. 7-9, in Knoxville.

The first conference held in east Tennessee, the event is scheduled for Holiday Inn World's Fair and is being coordinated by the Tennessee Turfgrass Association, headquartered in Nashville.

Concurrent hands-on workshops on Jan. 7 are "Identifying Turfgrass Diseases, Insects and Weeds," with Drs. Alan Windham and Neil Rhodes, and Harry Williams; "Sprayer and Spreader Calibration," with Drs. Jim Wills and Tom Samples; and "Handling Pesticides Properly," with Dr. Gene Burgess.

The Tennessee Department of Agriculture will also offer a pesticide category exam and core exam that afternoon.

Jan. 8 will offer a full day of sessions, including Dr. Coleman Ward of Auburn University speaking on "Winter Kill of Bermudagrass"; superintendent Buddy Williams of TPC at Southwind in Memphis speaking on "Preparations for a PGA Tournament"; Dr. Joel Barber of Oklahoma State University on "New Bermudagrasses and Breeding"; Don Armstrong of Golf Resources in Dallas on "The Unforeseen Problems in Golf Course Construction"; and Tom Samples of the University of Tennessee on "Present and Future Turfgrass Pests."

Ward will give attendees highlights of Auburn University's turfgrass research on Jan. 9, followed by talks by Dr. Gary Wade of the University of Georgia on "Xeriscapes for Grounds Management"; Dr. Lloyd Callahan of the University of Tennessee on "DNA Research in Turfgrasses"; Barber on "Fertilization Strategies and New Product Formulations"; and Dr. Richard Duble of Texas A&M University on "Herbicides for Weed Control in Ornamental Ground Cover Beds."

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