

Southeast

MID-ATLANTIC AGCS AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents has awarded \$625 scholarships to eight students majoring in turf maintenance.

At Jan. 6 ceremonies in conjunction with Turfgrass '92, Vince Bagli of WBAL-TV in Baltimore presented the scholarships to Rutgers University student Ed Brown and the University of Maryland's Michael Augustin, Ryland Chapman, David D'Orazio, Gary Harshman, Mark Kingora, John Pollaro and David Smith.

"A very important priority of the association since its founding has been the education of fellow and potential superintendents," said MAAGCS President Ken Ingram of Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, Md.

That priority has translated into scholarships for 12 years, according to the association's education chairman, Dean Graves of Bethesda (Md.) Country Club.

"The MAAGCS is especially proud of this fund because we are able to extend a helping hand to financially needy students in a down economy," Graves said. "The scholarship fund has grown enormously this last year. The support of students is something the association is very proud of, and to be able to increase the funds by so much in this economy makes it even more precious."



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Union Hills Country Club superintendent Paul McGinnis told the 6th annual Greatest Show on Arizona Turf that, increasingly, superintendents and golf professionals are being recognized with equal credibility.

McGinnis attributed the recognition to superintendents' efforts to enhance their professional image.

He said the Cactus & Pine Golf Course Superintendents Association of Arizona has grown ever closer to the Southwest Section PGA.

Predicting that superintendents will assume a leading role with respect to issues facing the golf world, McGinnis said allied association will be hard pressed to keep pace with efforts of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and local chapters.

Club Managers Association of America Executive Director James Singerling told the conference national organizations are constantly working together.

Saying golf has become a scapegoat for other businesses that are damaging the envi-

ronment, Singerling said the industry must present itself as a permanent and positive member of the community and a positive environmental and economic influence.

Singerling advocated a "team" approach

by superintendents, golf pros, general manager and other administrators in communications with a club's governing body.

Each member of the team should see "the big picture" at each club, he said.

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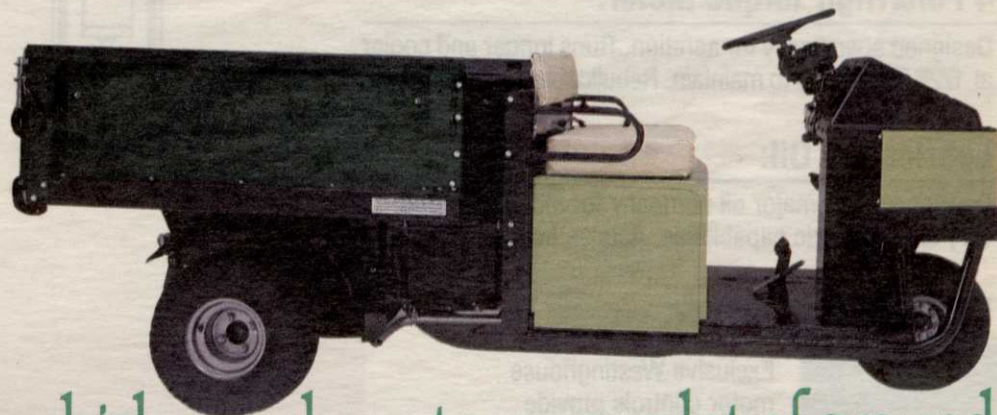
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