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him. "We're still going to build a lot of golf courses. We have 33 on the list for next year," he said.

So who's counting?: The "19th hole" has a different meaning for Rulewich. When designing a golf facility with 27 holes, or 36 or 54, he thinks of the holes as the 19th, the 20th, the 36th, etc. What a memory, huh? Ask Roger to describe the 43rd hole at Opelika, Ala., then sit back and listen to him expound on the 7th hole of the short course.

Alice on thriftiness: "Our first golf course was the nine-hole El Dorado Country Club in Indianapolis. It was really supposed to be 18 holes but we spent all our money on the first nine." — Alice Dye on her and her husband Pete's beginnings

Dyed in the wool: Perry O. Dye on his mother, Alice's straightforwardness: "Her constructive criticism has made my dad's work as fantastic as it is. There's no fluff around our house when we talk about our work. If it's bad, we know it, and we have somebody to tell us right away — (Perry chuckles

as he adds:) sometimes before we're ready to hear it."

Roger and I: A "perfect" pass-catch combination in football is a quarterback and receiver who never misconnect. Thanks for the perfect pass, Roger Staubach. And thanks, K Power, for the opportunity to catch a pass from a Hall-of-Famer.

We were touched: Leuzinger showed slides of the bounteous flowers at his St. Charles (Ill) Country Club. Then, with a photo of his wife with him in the woods, he said: "This is my flower."

Best new product name: Slime. Did they pick this stuff up off the floor of the movie set at *Ghostbusters*? What does it do? You empty your tires, pump Slime into them, refill them and you won't get a flat tire for the next seven years — guaranteed. Sounds great, but how about *Flatbuster!*

Most soul-searching comment: "Sometimes it's wise for the architects to swallow their worldwide, well-known pride. Sometimes the superintendent does, too." — ASGCA President Jerry Matthews on potential clashes between the

two pros at new courses.

Just call him Mister: Joe Baidy took on his job of Herculean proportions (the presidency of the GCSAA) after completing a Rossian challenge (renovating the bunkers at his golf course). Hercules and Ross: A good duo to emulate, Joe.

Honest, he's innocent: The USGA Green Section's Larry Gillhuly of Oregon, director of the Western Region, said: "I've been asked hundreds of times if I was involved in the Nancy Kerrigan assault. The answer is 'No.' Jeff Gillhuly spells his name G-i-l-l-h-u-l-y.

SUPPLIER BUSINESS NEWS IN BRIEF

HCC ACQUIRES DIG-IT

MENDOTA, Ill. — HCC, Inc., a manufacturer of agricultural equipment and utility products for North American and European markets, has acquired Dig-It, a Waukesha, Wis.-based manufacturer of compact towable backhoes and tractor-loader-backhoes. The Dig-It product line includes 3 models of heavy-duty compact towable backhoes popular in the Utility, Rental and Construction markets, and a compact tractor-loader-backhoe. Mendota-based HCC completed the transfer of the production operations in January of this year.

HUEBER TO HEAD ACCUFORM

MISSISSAUGA, Ontario, Canada — David Hueber, former head of Ben Hogan Golf, has been appointed president and CEO of Accuform Golf Corp., and will be one of four principals of this privately held Canadian golf accessory/equipment company. While it is probably better known for its patented sand trap rake, the company introduced Accuform II a perimeter weighted golf club in 1993.

TANAKA OFFERS WARRANTY

BOTHELL, Wash. — Tanaka will now provide a one-year commercial use warranty on many of its professional grounds maintenance products, including the most popular models of trimmers, brushcutters, hedgetrimmers, edgers and blowers. For more information, contact the nearest Tanaka power equipment dealer or call 206-481-2000.

FARMER TO DIRECT SALES AT WOODS EQUIPMENT

OREGON, Ill. — Woods Equipment Co., the manufacturer and marketer of tractor-powered accessories, has named Steve Farmer director of sales, with responsibility for the company's sales force and network of approximately 3,800 independent farm equipment dealers. Farmer was most recently regional manager for sales in the Southern Region. He will be replaced by Ron Tiller.

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