

Mike Waldron leaves LPGA post to replace Mona at Georgia SGA

Mike Waldron, who had served as director of tournament services for the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA), has taken over as executive director of the Georgia State Golf Association (GSGA).

Waldron replaces Steve Mona, who was named president and chief executive officer of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) late last year.

A native of Atlanta, Waldron has been a member of the GCSAA's Board of Directors since 1978 and a member of the GSGA executive committee from 1988-90.

Prior to joining the LPGA staff, Waldron began his career in the golf industry as manager of regional affairs for the United States Golf Association.

Management book from Corneskys espouses principles of total quality

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profile index tool based on the modified Malcolm Baldrige Award Criteria.

The self-assessment will provide readers with "a method to get a baseline of where your organization is at the present time" and as "a tool for comparing your progress after you have undertaken the quality journey."

The Corneskys have started a

newsletter, "TQM in Golf & Country Clubs," which will answer questions from the golf industry, and will share stories, procedures that colleagues are using to keep quality initiatives alive while assessing their effectiveness.

They can be contacted at 489 Oakland Park Blvd., Port Orange, Fla. 32127; telephone — 904-760-5866.

COMMENTARY

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construction," said Elizabeth Hart, National Club Association vice president and government liaison.

Hart noted that California not only mandates the 2-to-1 construction ratio but also requires a place for women to lie down.

Is it true that all trends start in California? Is this a case of the blind leading the blind? I feel faint. Actually, if I really did feel faint, I'd have no place to lie down. Men's rooms have no couches.

In fact, I feel these states have not gone far enough! Why not? Well, have you ever seen a woman go to the ladies' room alone? Ever? No, it's an unwritten law (though our beloved government may mandate it some day) that women go in pairs. Enter that into the equation and what do you get? The ratio should rightfully be 4-1 in Florida, 6-2 in Minnesota.

That would cost still more, but who's counting? Certainly not our government, which seems more and more bent on placing its thumb squarely on the populace in every corner of our lives... Even the restrooms.

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You've heard of NIMBYs (Not in My Back Yards), but what about NIMPF (Not in My Picture Frame)? World-renowned golf photographer Tony Roberts lamented: "Rakes are the worst thing that ever happened to golf. A hazard is a hazard."

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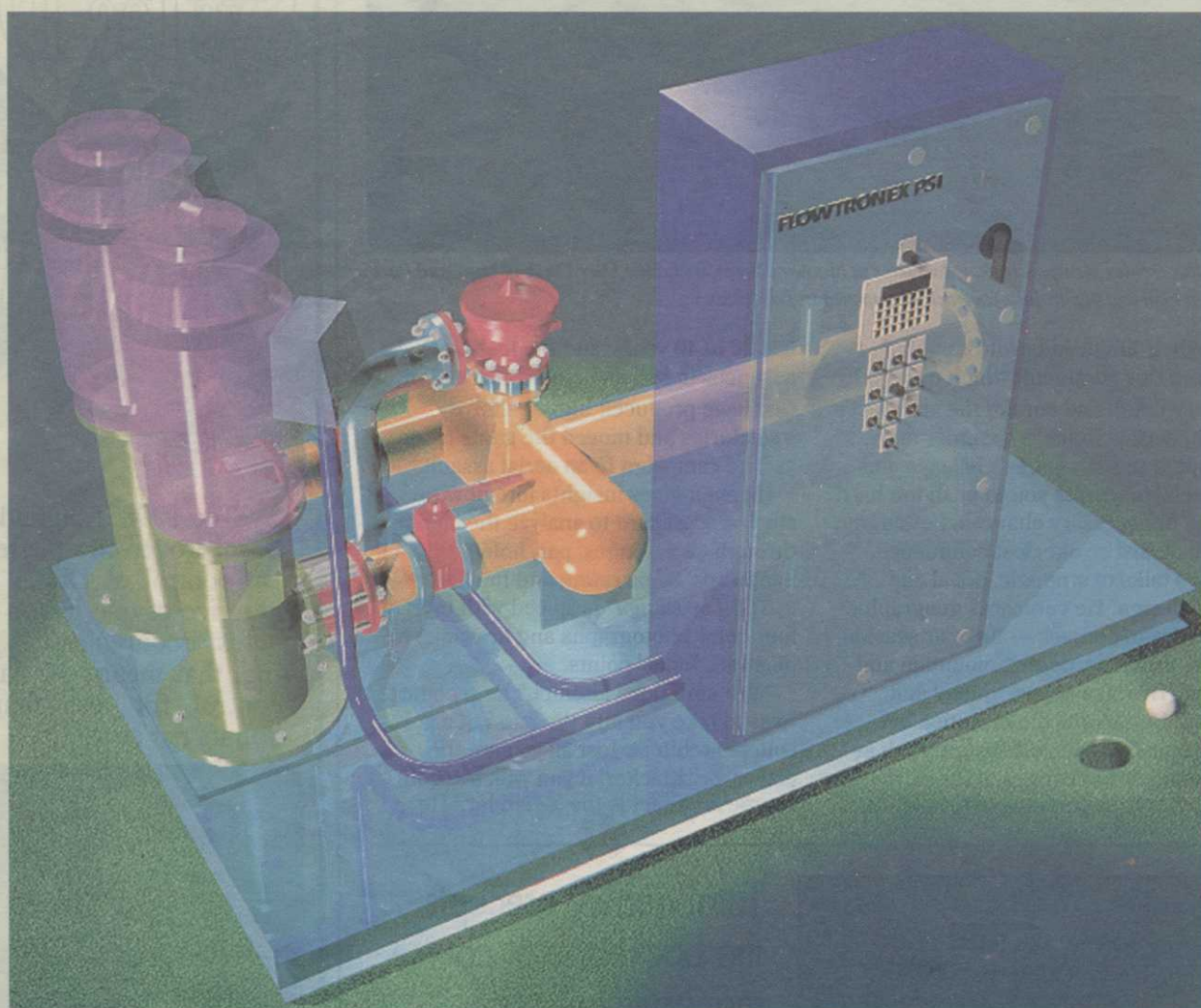
Credit where it's due, kind of: Remember the quotation about attitude in my March commentary? Superintendent Peter Leuzinger read it aloud during his talk at the GCSAA conference in Dallas, but didn't know its author. To the rescue came Roger Smith of Ridgefield Country Club in Kingsport, Tenn., who called to tell us the quote comes from Tim Lautzenheiser. Smith discovered it a couple of years ago, had it blown up poster-size and framed in his office. Now — who in the world is Tim Lautzenheiser?

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Dogged pursuit: Spotting our March story on border collies (see followup on page 34), Certified Golf Course Superintendent Thomas Dale of Radnor Valley Country Club in Villanova, Pa., told us he has used a border collie to keep geese off his course for 10 years. Samson recently died of cancer. His 8-month-old successor, Divots, is expected to take over the task this year.

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