

## New Hampshire GCSA elects Hillier president... honor Flanagan for service

**S**POFFORD, N.H. — The New Hampshire Golf Course Superintendents Association has elected Jim Hillier of Pine Grove Springs Country Club as president, succeeding Londonderry Country Club owner Tom Kimball. Joining Hillier as officers are Vice President John Clark of Rochester Country Club, Secretary Randy Weeks of Londonderry Country Club and Treasurer Gary Summerton of Countryside Golf Club.

New directors are Steve Rowell of Nippo Lake Golf Club, Tony deBettencourt of Portsmouth Country Club, Bob Mattheson of Hoodcroft Country Club, Bob Turcott of Stonebridge Country Club and Tom Lloyd of Candia Woods Golf Links.

**D**OVER, N.H.— Robert P. Flanagan of Dover, N.H., was honored by the New Hampshire Golf Course Superintendents Association for lifelong service to the golf course maintenance industry.

Flanagan was co-founder and a charter member of the 32-year-old NHGCSA. He is a graduate of the Thompson School of Ap-

plied Science, at the University of New Hampshire, and the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. He was employed as the golf course superintendent at Cochecho Community College here from 1960-62, and once again from 1965-73. During this time, he was instrumental in formatting the NHGCSA. He served

the NHGCSA in many capacities, including all executive positions, and was turf conference chairman for 17 years. He is a former recipient of the NHGCSA "Outstanding Service Award."

Flanagan entered private business in 1973 and built his company, Turf Specialty Inc. of Londonderry, into one of the largest suppliers of golf course maintenance products in the Northeast.

Flanagan retired in December, 1995, at which time he attained Life Member status in the NHGCSA, the eighth person to do so. On Jan. 6 at the 27th and last NHGCSA Turf Conference in Manchester, he was recognized for this and his many other accomplishments.

## Indiana research, education supported

**I**NDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — At the 1997 Midwest Turf Expo at the Convention Center in Indianapolis, the Indiana State Lawn Care Association and the five golf course superintendents associations in Indiana presented checks totaling more than \$36,500 to the Purdue Turf Program to support turfgrass research and education.

The Midwest Regional Turf Foundation presented a check for \$96,000 to the Purdue Department of Agronomy for annual support of the Turf Program and also presented an additional check for \$10,000 to the School of Agriculture for development of the Purdue Turfgrass Research and Diagnostic Center. Bob Shaw was presented with the 1997 Distinguished Service Award, the highest honor given by the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation.

The award is presented to an individual who has gone above and beyond the call of duty for the turf industry of Indiana. Next year's Turf Expo will be held Jan. 20-22, in Indianapolis.

## RMGCSA honors Karbatsch, Cranshaw

The Rocky Mountain Golf Course Superintendents Association (RMGCSA) honored Bobby Karbatsch and Dr. Whitney Cranshaw of Colorado State University during the Rocky Mountain Turf Conference.

Karbatsch, of Pinehurst Country Club in Denver, was presented the Distinguished Service Award, while Cranshaw received the Turf Professional of the Year award. Cranshaw has co-authored a new book titled "Insects of Colorado & Northern New Mexico."

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