

GCSAA President McGinnis moves on

MESA, Ariz. — Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) President **Paul S. McGinnis** has been appointed superintendent at Alta Mesa Country Club here.

McGinnis, who previously served as superintendent at Moon Valley Country Club in Phoenix, assumed his new re-

sponsibilities Sept. 1.

"Having the president of GCSAA as our superintendent sends a message to our members that our board is committed to providing a quality course," said Ramon Gomez Jr., general manager at Alta



Paul McGinnis

Mesa Country Club. "We are proud that Paul has accepted this position, and look forward to having a certified and respected leader in the industry attending to our course."

Alta Mesa Country

Club is an 18-hole private golf course designed by Dick Phelps in 1985. The facility incorporates eight lakes on 160 acres and was originally operated by the developer, followed by eight years of management by the membership.

"With change comes new challenges, and I'm looking forward



to the opportunity to work as a part of Alta Mesa's management team to provide sound resources, skills and

expertise in turfgrass management," McGinnis said. "My experience in all aspects of the industry has been valuable in representing the GCSAA membership, and will continue to be applicable in representing the members of Alta Mesa Country Club."

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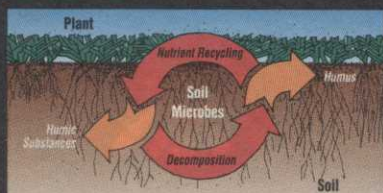
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LITTLETON, Colo. — **Todd Williams** has been named vice president of maintenance services of RBI Cos. Williams will oversee the development of Links Management of Colorado, a golf course management company, the development of the Bio-Channel, a water remediation system, and the continued growth of RBI Maintenance, a four-state commercial landscape management company.

GUNTERSVILLE, Ala. — Masters Golf Corp. has hired **Craig Gillespie** as superintendent at Gunter's Landing Golf Club here. He most recently served as assistant superintendent at Florence (Ala.) Country Club, where he managed bentgrass greens during the harsh north Alabama summers.

Gillespie, from Moulton, is a graduate of Auburn University.

Gunter's Landing Golf Club is an 18-hole, semi-private course cut out of the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in north Alabama and overlooking the Tennessee River. It is the centerpiece of a 730-acre residential development.

Job changes in Georgia:

William Woods is the new superintendent at Smoke Rise Golf & Country Club. He left Southland Country Club, where he was replaced by former Eagles Landing Country Club superintendent **Dave Gardner**.

HUGHES SPEAKS AT MID-AM

CHICAGO — The Mid-America Horticultural Trade Show's annual management seminar will be presented by nationally recognized landscape designer/contractor and nurseryman Dwight Hughes, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. From 7:30 to 10:30 a.m., Friday, Jan. 16, at Chicago's Navy Pier, Hughes will address "Systems for Success," a topic designed to simplify tasks, improve productivity, and enhance profits. Much of the seminar content has been incorporated into Hughes' 1996 book, *Systems for Success: Strategies for Maximum Efficiency in Landscape Installation and Nursery Production*.