ROLL CALL

Coppinwood Golf Club (Goodwood, Ont.) appointed Thom Charters its new director of golf course operations.

William Shirley, CGCS, Peachtree Golf Club in Atlanta, was named the Georgia Golf Course Superintendents Association's Superintendent of the Year in late October. The Distinguished Service Award went to University of Georgia turfgrass professor, Dr. Keith Karnok. Anthony Williams, CGCS, honored Mike Crawford, CGCS, TPC Sugarloaf, with the President's Award.

The Nebraska Golf Course Superintendents Association recognized Nate Pehrson, Indian Trails Country Club, as its Superintendent of the Year.

Gary Roush, owner and superintendent of Riverside Golf Club, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the West Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association in early November.

Tyson Cline, assistant superintendent at Jefferson Country Club, Blacklick, Ohio, won an Apple iPad courtesy of Jacobsen.

Yamaha Golf-Car Co. announced the hiring of Brooks West as district sales manager for Tennessee, Northern Alabama and Northern Mississippi.

After 36 years, Palmer Hills Golf Course (Bettendorf, Iowa) superintendent Brad Peterson has retired. Tim Johansen was promoted from assistant superintendent to fill the position.

The United States Golf Association appointed Thomas C. Pagel director, rules of golf.

Industry loses Aquatrols' founder Robert A. Moore; superintendent Mike Pock.



The golf course and turf maintenance industry marked the passing of two individuals this past week.

Aquatrols' founder dies

Robert A. Moore, the man who founded Aquatrols Corp. more than a half-century ago and introduced the concept of wetting agents to the golf market, died Nov. 3.

Moore was a chemical engineer who became fascinated with the concept of water movement in soils. He patented and introduced the first commercially available soil wetting agent - AquaGro - in the 1950s. At the time, it was an entirely new product category in turfgrass maintenance and agriculture.

GCI's Pat Jones, who served with Moore on the Aquatrols board of directors for six years, said, "Even late in his life, he was an amazing visionary who never stopped thinking about how the technology he brought to life could be a better tool for superintendents and even a part of the solution for the worldwide water crisis. He was also just a wonderful energetic guy with a warm, impish sense of humor and a deep fondness for sharing funny stories over a dry martini. I'll really miss him."

Moore is survived by his three children - Tracy Jarman, Andy Moore and Demie Moore - who continue to run the Aquatrols corporation today.

Mike Pock passes

Mike Pock, former superintendent at Grayhawk GC, passed away last week surrounded by family, friends and memories of a great life in golf. GCI's Pat Jones wrote about Mike in his column "Bon Voyage," September 2010. Type http://tinyurl.com/28ceoad into your Web browser to read that column.

CLEAR YOUR SCHEDULES and MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Back by popular demand, GCI's crew of columnists and personalities will be holding office hours at the Golf Course Industry booth at the 2011 Golf Industry Show in Orlando.

Stop by Booth #901 and spend some time with all of your favorites:

Brian Vinchesi



Jeff Bauer





Monroe Miller



Stay tuned for more details on specific times.

Terry Buchen