

# People



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**Chick Ritter** has been tabbed the first full-time administrator for the PGA's Dixie Section, which covers Alabama and the Florida panhandle. Ritter will work from a new office at the Prattville CC in Prattville, Ala. He is a Class A member and has been Section employment chairman for a number of years.

**David Burdette** has been promoted to manager of the golf course and grounds at Congressional CC in Bethesda, Md. The former course superintendent succeeds **Warren Bidwell**, who has returned to Olympia Fields CC in Chicago. The new superintendent at Congressional is **Jim Meier** and his assistant is **Mike Evens**. Meier is a graduate of the turf program at the University of Georgia, where he was aided by a \$500 scholarship from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. Evens is a 1977 agronomy graduate from Penn State University.

**PGA Tour star "Chi Chi" Rodriguez** has signed a multi-year contract with representatives of the Dorado Beach Hotel in Dorado Beach, Puerto Rico to become touring pro and executive director for the 72-hole resort.

**Sara Romspert** has been named parts and accessories product manager for The Toro Co.'s irrigation division. **Sally Jo Ashton** is the new sales order supervisor.

**Jay Glatt** has joined Turf-Seed Inc. in Hubbard, Ore., as the marketing department vice president. Glatt is a former assistant director of the Oregon Department of Agriculture.

**Steve Barber** is the new manager of marketing services for J I Case Division of Davis Manufacturing in Wichita, Kan.

**Douglas Bruce** has been appointed marketing manager of the Ag-Turf Department of the Johns-Manville Sales Corp. He has responsibility for marketing irrigation system products.

**James E. Lovaas** will take over the new post of planning administrator

for The Toro Co.'s outdoor power equipment group in Bloomington, Minn. He will be replaced as general manager of the Tomah, Wis. plant by **James Bruha**.

**James Chatham**, a former Southern California PGA club professional, has been named eastern regional sales manager for the PGA-Victor Co.

Monsanto Agricultural Products Co. has chosen **Lenny L. Benton** as their new product supervisor for Parthion insecticide and **Timothy Zink** in the same position for Roundup, a herbicide produced by the firm.

**Keith Shepersky** is Rain Bird Sprinkler Manufacturing Corp.'s new district manager for Hawaii in turf and agriculture. The company has also hired **Bob Guadagni** as district manager for northern California and northern Nevada.

**Jeri Reid** will give private and group lessons, sponsored by Ram Corp., at Sweetbriar golf course in Avon Lake, Oh., beginning May 1. She has taught golf classes for a number of years at elementary schools and universities.

**Warren T. Fikejs** has been named equipment sales manager for the Norton Corp., a turf equipment, irrigation systems, and related power products distributor headquartered in Phoenix.

**Richard L. Tock** is the new head professional at South Hills CC in Fond du Lac, Wis.

**Barry Mueller** is the new course superintendent at the Kah-Nee-Ta resort on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation in Warm Springs, Ore. He was formerly superintendent at Pineway Golf Course in Lebanon, Ore.

**Bob Schuh** has been named head professional at Lakewood CC in Rockville, Md. He had worked 15 years at Crofton CC in Crofton, Md.

**Rodney Doogs** has been chosen new course superintendent at Hoosier Heights CC in Tell-City, Ind.

**Dan Smitley** has left Santa Maria, CC, Santa Maria, Calif., to become superintendent at Carrac de Tierra CC in Salinas, Calif.

**Merle Howe** has replaced Mike McGee as superintendent at the Newport Beach GC in Newport Beach, Calif.

**Mike Maringello** has left his superintendent's position at Rancho Las Palmas GC in Rancho Mirage, Calif., for the same job at El Dorado CC in Palm Springs, Calif. His former job has been filled by **Frank Paulino**.

**Bill Tinder**, Florida professional of the year in 1964, is the new pro at Crooked Creek CC in Miami. His assistant is **George James**, formerly of Florida's Briar Bay GC.

**Philip Katz** has joined Osaga Actionwear, Inc. — Oleg Cassini as vice president of sales.

**Dan Dunstan** has been appointed vice president, secretary, and chief operating officer of Lakeshore Equipment & Supply Co. He has responsibility for total overall management of the company, one of the largest turfgrass supply houses in the country.

**Dr. Garald Horst**, Texas A&M University turfgrass researcher, is the 1978 president of the Rio Bravo Turf & Golf Course Superintendents Association. **Dale Notgrass** is vice president and **Charlie True** is secretary/treasurer.

**David J. Lilly** has rejoined the board of directors of The Toro Co. after serving 1½ years on the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System. He replaces Bruce B. Dayton, who has resigned.

**David Canavan** of Culpepper, Va., has been elected the eighth president of the Golf Course Builders of America. Canavan has been president of Moore Golf since 1962 and is a past president of the Greater Washington Golf Superintendents Association. Other new officers are **Harold E. Bishop**, Quakertown, Pa., president-elect; **Carl Hedlund** Palmer, Mass., secretary, and **James J. Kirchdorfer**, Louisville, Ky., treasurer.

**Randy Melocik** has taken the club pro's position at Thunder Hills CC in South Madison, Ohio. He was the former professional at Berkshire Hills CC in Chesterland, Ohio.

All-time LPGA money winner **Kathy Whitworth** has been named director of women's golf at Trophy Club, a residential-recreational community in Roanoke, Tex.

**Bobby Stricklin** has been chosen golf director for the Northdale golf course, a new course being developed as part of a real estate recreation complex in North Tampa, Fla.

**Dave Zimmerman** is the new sales representative for Lakeshore Equipment & Supply Co. in Elyria, Ohio. He graduated in February from Penn State University's 2-year turf management program.

**Bernard L. Biller** has assumed the national branch manager's position at The Gravely Division of the Clarke-Gravely Corp. He will be responsible for Gravely factory branch sales.

**Dick McAllister** has resigned as superintendent of golf for the city of Long Beach, Calif., to become a sales representative for an agricultural firm in Montana.

**Bill Griffith** is the new superintendent at the West Delta park golf course in Oregon.

**John (Woody) Wudnoski**, a golf professional for 25 years, has died after a recent illness. He had been at the Wyoming Valley CC in Upper Askam, Pa.