

# Leaders

PEOPLE ON THE MOVE



C. Hague

The TPC at Deere Run in Moline, Ill., hired **Chris Hague** as its superintendent, replacing Patrick Franklin, who recently

took over as superintendent at the TPC of Iowa outside Des Moines, Iowa.

Western Golf Properties named **Steven C. Thomas** as director of agronomy for the Pelican Hill GC in Newport Coast, Calif. The company also appointed Matthew Morton as superintendent of Oak Creek GC in Irvine, Calif., replacing Thomas.

**Robert A. Laubach** was named the winner of the United States Golf Association's Green Section's Piper and Oakley Award.

The Golf Course Builders Association of America added **Southeastern Golf** to its professional certification program.

**Randy Oberlander** was named national sales manager of Growth Products.



N. Toshikuni

Kubota Tractor Corp. named **Nobuyuki Toshikuni** as president.



B. Brochin

**Bryan Brochin** was named sales specialist for the Turf and Ornamental Group for BASF. The company also named Chad LeBlanc as a senior sales specialist.

Palmer Course Design Co. pre-

sented **Bill Kubly**, chief operating officer and owner of Landscapes Unlimited, with its award of merit for his contributions to the golf course construction industry.



D. Thrailkill

OASE Pumps named **David Thrailkill** as its eastern regional sales manager for the company's commercial division.

Barenbrug named **Kees Bleeker** as president and CEO.

Flowtronex named **Dave Talboo** as worldwide golf sales director. In addition, the company appointed **Joe Sciole** western regional golf sales director and **Bernie Meave** as international golf sales director.

Lesco named **Michael P. DiMino** as

president and CEO. The company also elected **J. Martin Erbaugh** as chairman of its board of directors

KemperSports Management named **Joe Wisocki** as general manager of Heron Glen GC in Hunterdon County, N.J.

## DEATHS

**Paul Runyan**, 93, one of golf's legendary instructors, died March 17 in Rancho Mirage, Calif. Runyan, known as "Little Poison" because of his slight size, relentless attitude and deadly accuracy around the green, taught golf for 78 years.

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