Chris Erickson

Superintendent, The Crosby at Rancho Santa Fe, San Diego, Calif.

What's your favorite beverage following 18 holes of golf? An iced tea. If I'm feeling a little crazy I might make it an Arnold Palmer. Although, I do miss Gatorade in a glass bottle. I think it tasted so much better back then.

If you were going to go on America's Got Talent, what talent would you bring to the table? I have no talent that America would be interested in watching on national television.

What's your favorite maintenance tool?

The Drill & Fill. We use it everywhere because it's simply an amazing and effective piece of equipment that provides immediate and long term improvements to the turf and soil. So, if you are reading, Drill & Fill Manu-

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facturing, I think that promo plug is worth a free set of drill bits.

Where are you originally from?

That's a difficult question. It would depend on the definition of "originally." I am of Swedish and German descent but was born in Lawrence, Kan. I grew up in South Texas and then in Ventura County, Calif. See what I mean? Oh, and I did not become a Jayhawk – I went to Kansas State.

Are you married? Kids? A beautiful wife (Elizabeth) and two beautiful daughters (Valorie, 5 and Ella, 19 months.) Life is good.

Best part of the 2011 Golfdom Summit?

The location (Pinehurst Resort.)

Golfdom did a phenomenal job for an inaugural event. Pine-









hurst was absolutely beautiful and I thought the 1-on-1 sponsor meetings were a great way to arrange meaningful time with those sponsors that made it happen.

Ever had a reoccurring nightmare?

Yes! I'm taking a final exam in college and haven't been to class once during the semester and I don't know anything that's on the test. That never really happened to me but I bet it has happened to someone out there.

How is K-State football going to do this

year? I think being good comes in different forms. You can be the best but lose your integrity to get there. I hope my alma mater is good this year but more important to me, maintains their integrity as an organization. That's good enough for me and I can't wait for the season to start because I love Fall football.

So you're saying Kansas is going to beat them? Not a chance.

As interviewed by Seth Jones, July 18th, 2012.