

# Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents NEWSLETTER

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## GOLF

by Tom Regan, CGCS

The annual GCSAA golf tournament was held in Palm Springs, California on February 6th and 7th. The only good thing about being in Palm Springs at that time was knowing that the weather in the Baltimore/Washington area was better than Palm Springs, if that is any consolation! The Mid-Atlantic Association had three teams playing for the gross and net prizes. — The golf was like the weather.

We did have two individual winners, congrats to Bob Orazi of Hunt Valley, he finished second in the senior 1 flight, and to Dick Gieselmann of Rock Creek for his third place finish in the orange flight. The overall tournament winner was Dave Powell of North Carolina. Dave is the Superintendent of the Myers Park Country Club.

I would like to thank all of the twelve Mid-Atlantic members who journeyed west to play and represent our association. Hopefully next year when the tournament shifts back to the east coast the weather and the golf will be more enjoyable. The dates for next year's tournament are set for February 19th and 20th. We will be playing all three courses at Disney World, which are the Lake Buena Vista, the Palm, and the Magnolia. The fourth course will be the "new" course at Grand Cypress. Mark down the dates and plan to participate.

## President's Message

A sincere thank you for electing me President of our Association. I hope to continue my predecessors' endeavors of keeping the Association financially strong and growing.

I trust the winter has given you some much needed relaxation and time to prepare for the upcoming year. I, as I am sure you do, hope not to see a single weather record set this coming year. Moderation in the weather patterns would be greatly desired, but moderation for our Association is unacceptable. I believe we need to promote our recognition in the golf community, encourage participation in our Association and provide the educational programs necessary to keep pace with a fast moving and challenging industry. The Mid-Atlantic Board of Directors is already striving to meet these goals. First, we will be making every effort to achieve name recognition for the Association as well as our individual members. Under the guidance of the new Editorial and Publicity Chairman, Lou Rudinski, we will be working locally with the news media, other affiliated associations in the golf industry and golfing members of the area. Also we hope to work with the GCSAA in their same efforts. Secondly, our new Membership Chairman, Donn Dietrich, will be trying to recruit new members. Over the last 4 years our roster has increased by over 75 new members and we hope to continue this trend. Donn will also be involved in a survey of the membership that will update our records. Lastly, the Educational Chairman, Steve Cohoon, will continue his fine efforts of last year in providing quality educational programming. This is only a part of next year's activities. The rest of the Board will be carrying out their duties to provide the membership an Association of which it can be proud.

Please plan on attending the March 14th Mid-Atlantic meeting at the Chevy Chase Club, with our host George Renault. This is also a joint meeting with the USGA so bring your Assistants, Green Chairman or Club Presidents and enjoy a terrific day.

Walter Montross, CGCS, President

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

by Donn Dietrich,  
Membership Chairman

The following have been approved for membership by your board of directors. Please get to know them and make them feel welcome when you see them at our meetings or when they visit you.

Gregory Hofstetter, Class G  
Superintendent, Bon Air Country Club  
Glen Rock, PA

Walter Smith, Class D  
Assistant Supt., Winters Run Golf Club  
Bel Air, MD

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John Haley, Class D  
Assistant Supt., Lakewood Country Club  
Rockville, MD

Edward Childs, Class F  
Sales Rep., Finch Golf and Turf  
Westminster, MD

Stephan Malknowski, Class F  
Sales Rep., Finch Golf and Turf  
Westminster, MD

Scott Johnson, Class F  
Sales Rep., Finch Golf and Turf  
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Gregory Roman, Class F  
Representative, P.B.I. Gordon Co.  
Elkton, MD

Garfield Thomas, Class F  
Representative, Sandoz Crop Protection

Paul Tydman, Class F  
Sales Rep., EZ Go Corporation  
Gaithersburg, MD

## OUR SYMPATHY

Your editor received a note from our good friend and retired member Al Watson. He wanted to let the membership know that Esther Reid, wife of Jim Reid passed away on the tenth of January. Esther had been living in Kingwood Texas so she could be near her daughters' families. She had moved there after Jim's death in 1974. For you new members, Jim was the superintendent at The Suburban Club of Baltimore for 15 years and had been the Mid-Atlantic voting delegate and politician in residence for many years. We all miss them. God bless them both.