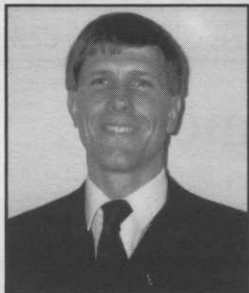


President's Message

*T*was the dawning of summer and all through the course, Golfers were everywhere; I was full of remorse.



Cup cutters were strewn 'bout the floor with no care, Equipment was broken down everywhere.

On this hot humid morning there arose such a fear, My disease kits were smokin', my mission was clear.

On, Banner! On, Chipco! On, Manzate! On, Subdue! You better perform or my job here is through.

Keep your wits intact and your sanity well, It's the only way to survive the 100 days of hell.

*Bill Neus, C.G.C.S.
President*

Bits and Pieces

○ The winner of the name the newsletter contest is Larry Ott, Grounds Superintendent at Bretton Woods Recreation Center. Larry came up with the title "Turfgrass Matters." It's the name of the column he writes for the BWRC newsletter. Larry says that the title has two meanings. It's a promise of information relating to turf and a statement about the importance of turfgrass. For his suggestion, Larry wins a \$50 savings bond.

John Haley, Sean Remington, Greg Roman, Jeff Carson and Carl Ballas all sent in excellent ideas as well and I would like to thank them for the contribution.

○ One hundred nine people showed up for the June meeting at Chestnut Ridge. The attendance at this year's meetings has been phenomenal and hopefully this trend will continue. However, some folks have still been remiss in making their reservations on time. Please call in your reservation before Friday at 3 p.m. Better yet, call in your reservation as soon as

you receive the newsletter; hopefully the newsletter will arrive well before then.

○ Dean "Roots" Graves is hosting the Mazda LPGA at Bethesda Country Club in July. This is going to be the largest purse the ladies have ever competed for and it's quite an honor for both Dean and Bethesda. Mr. Graves is looking for a few good men to help prepare for the event. If you're interested or can spare a good man for the duration (July 23-29) contact Dean at 365-0100 and leave a message.

○ If you happened to miss the June 1, 1990 edition of the *Washington Times* you may want to obtain a copy and turn to page D-5. On that page is an article entitled, "Courses Stay Green, But at what Cost?" Here are a few excerpts:

"...because the shrubs and grass cannot maintain such beauty without artificial help [pesticides]. It's basically the same thing as the drug problem. Once a life form is hooked on a chemical, you either take them off of it or you maintain them on it." "Right now they [golf courses] ought to be treated as hazardous waste sites. The average golfer has no idea how bad it has gotten."

Hazardous waste sites? Drug problem? These types of comparisons are unnecessary and inflammatory. My letter to the editor has already been sent. If you read the article I think you will be incensed enough to do the same. If we remain silent some day we may wake up to discover that well-informed, rational people are no longer making the decisions that effect our livelihoods.

New Members

Gordon M. Caldwell

CGCS at Greenspring Valley Hunt Club, Garrison, MD. Class A

S. Darrel Oxyer

Assistant, The Elkridge Club, Baltimore, MD. Class D

Steve Gilson

Superintendent, Imperiel Resort Hotel, Swan Lake, NY. Class G

Michael J. Luciano

Assistant, Army-Navy Country Club, Arlington, VA. Class D

Jeffrey Alan Facto

Assistant, Heritage Harbour Golf Club, Ellicott City, MD. Class D

Michael D. Del Biondo

Assistant, Hunt Valley Golf Club, Hunt Valley, MD. Class D

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William M. Patton

Assistant, Robert Trent Jones International, Gainesville, VA. Class D

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