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Shields Tourney

The 13th Annual Ray Shields Memorial Golf Tournament will be at Glenn Dale Country Club on May 8. It benefits the Turfgrass and Golf Course Management program at the U of M Institute of Applied Agriculture. If you are interested in participating as a player, tournament sponsor, or in donating door prizes please contact Kevin Mathias, 301-405-4692.

Legacy Awards

GCSAA Legacy Awards are available for children of GCSAA members. Call Lou Rudinski for application forms. Deadline is May 15.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My thanks to our co-hosts for the March meeting, Lee Carroll and Mitch Williams. Both men went out of their way to accommodate us.



I would like to use this month's President's Message to report on some of the activities of your Board that are outside its normal responsibilities:

✓ I am pleased to report that the MAAGCS has a new office arrangement. As many of you know, for the past eight years we were granted some space with the MAPGA. As both associations have grown, we had the need for space of our own. More details are in the article on page 8.

✓ In January we voted to join two important pesticide policy activist organizations, the Coalition for Sensible Pesticide Policy and the Maryland Alliance for the Responsible Regulation of Pesticides. A contribution was made to the MARRP. In addition, at least one Board member has attended each meeting of the Governor's Council on Pesticides. We hope to continue supporting those groups working on our behalf to educate lawmakers and the public as to the benefits of golf courses.

I look forward to seeing you at WestWinds on the 14th!

Ken Ingram CGCS President, MAAGCS

Area 410

MAAGCS members whose area code has changed to 410 must inform Rhys Arthur, 301-871-0365 (leave message) in order to be properly listed in the 1992 directory.

Also, be sure to up-date your dues renewal information for National for their 1992 directory.

GOLF NOTES

Golf activity at Northwest Park, our first meeting site of 1992, was slow due to the prediction of foul weather. Although our competition finally did get rained out, we had 14 players who braved the elements. Winners were: 1st low net, Ken Braun; 2nd low net, Glenn Smickly.

April's meeting at WestWinds CC will be a net and gross tournament. Members and guests may tee off from 11:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. Cart fees will be \$11/person; tournament fee will be \$5/person. Limited shower facilities available.

Again I would like to thank Lee Carroll and his staff at Northwest Park GC for their hospitality and hard work!

> Bill Shirk, CGCS Golf Chairman, MAAGCS

Attention CEU Seekers

by Dean M. Graves, MAAGCS Education Chairman Effective July 1, 1992 no Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be awarded for a seminar/ educational talk that is shorter than five hours and that does not have a pre-approved written test involved with the session. The logic of this, according to the GCSAA, is that a test will measure the amount of learning that has occurred. In the past, only attendance has been needed for CEUs during local association meetings.

How will this effect CEU seeker in the future? (1) No CEUs for monthly MAAGCS meetings, and (2) no CEUs for local seminars unless a pre-approved test is submitted and the attendee passes the test.

The MAAGCS Board is contemplating a one-day winter seminar that would be solely dedicated to the golf course superintendents needs. This seminar would be eligible for CEUs. More on that later.