

Certification Attestors Needed!

I have been asked by the Mid-Atlantic Board of Directors to act as a liaison between the GCSAA and MAAGCS, in coordinating Certification attesting. As I understand it, the GCSAA Board of Directors is striving to provide more consistency in its evaluation procedures. By establishing a core group of attestors we can provide consistent evaluations (not comparisons or quality ratings!) and also offer positive feedback to help any individual whose course is evaluated.

There are at present 28 certified members in the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents. Ideally, if two to three persons from each geographic region would offer to attest, i.e. Maryland Eastern Shore, Western Maryland, Baltimore, Washington, and Northern Virginia, the distance traveled would be minimal. I wholly support the GCSAA in its efforts to strengthen the concept of Certified Golf Course Superintendent and I believe this process is another step towards this goal.

If you are interested in helping out, please give me a call or let me know at one of the monthly meetings. My phone number is 703-281-1939.

Walter Montross
C.G.C.S.

Meeting Dates

November 14 Chevy Chase

December 12 Turf Valley

News & Notes

Congratulations to Bob Wren and his wife, Amy, on the birth of their son, Trevor Ian, on July 5th!

Steve Raabe, formerly superintendent at Rock Creek Golf Course, is now the assistant superintendent at Queenstown Harbor Golf Links.

Congratulations to Bruce Cadenelli and his staff at Caves Valley Golf Club on a successful USGA Mid-Am. Congratulations also go to Steve Potter, C.G.C.S., and his staff at Woodholme who co-hosted the Mid-Am qualifying rounds.

Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Angelo Cammarota C.G.C.S. who passed away on September 16. (See articles on page 3).

Welcome New Members

William S. Andison	Class F Aqua-Flo, Inc.
L. Michael Barberry	Class F Barberry Brothers Landscape
Louis Bettencourt	Class B Turf Valley Country Club
E. Gillette Boyce	Class F Mid-Atlantic Equipment Company
John Lee	Class A Landsdowne Golf Club
Anthony Lorenz	Class D Rehobeth Beach Country Club
Neville R. Martin	Class F Marva Resources
Bryan McFerren	Class B Westwood Country Club
Tony Stancill	Class F Stancill Inc.

Quotes from Queenstown Visit Attendees

"The meeting at Queenstown Harbor Golf Links was a real-life education about the challenges of managing and maintaining a top-flight golf operation in an environmentally cost efficient method."

"As an enthusiastic golfer, I clearly had an appreciation for the knowledge and skills required by golf course Superintendents. The tour showed me how advanced the technology for managing the courses has come. I know the experience will help all Legislators when evaluating changes that impact the industry."

Both from Senator Christopher McCabe

"A wonderful opportunity for Legislators to see firsthand what is involved when faced with golf course issues."

Maxine Adler, Esq., Lobbyist MAGI

"I hope there would be continued communication between those involved in development and operation of golf courses and Legislators involved in the decision making process."

Randy Reed, President
Maryland State Golf Association