

News & Notes

New Members

Terrence Buxton	
<i>Golf Course Specialists . . .</i>	Class F
Tommy Cowett	
<i>Ciba Turf & Ornamental. . .</i>	Class F
Joe Hau	
<i>Chesapeake Env. Mgt., Inc.</i>	Class F
Mark Kuchera	
<i>Rock Creek Park GC</i>	Class D
David Mitchell	
<i>The Morie Company</i>	Class F
Gary Phillips	
<i>Phoenix Irrigation</i>	Class F
Scott Roche	
<i>Timbers at Troy GC</i>	Class D
Bert Shoenade	
<i>Mount Vernon CC</i>	Class D
Anthony Shore	
<i>Montgy. Cnty. Rev. Auth. . .</i>	Class F
Joseph Szkalak	
<i>Balto. Muncp. Golf Corp. . .</i>	Class B
Frank Thorne	
<i>Golf Course Specialists . . .</i>	Class D
Ray Viera	
<i>Somerset GC</i>	Class G
John Wendorf	
<i>Sandos Agro. Inc.</i>	Class F
Bill Wintz	
<i>Waynesboro CC</i>	Class A
Ed Wright	
<i>The Wright Connection. . .</i>	Class F

Reroutings

David Nehila, formerly at at Caves Valley GC, now at Jacobsen Textron, Carrollton, TX.

Philip Plaskowitz, formerly at Carroll Park GC, MD, now Baltimore Municipal Golf Corp., Baltimore, MD.

Congratulations

R. Tucker Mostrom, of Lakewood CC, who married his fiancé, Kathryn, on June 1st.

Get Well Wishes

Frances Graves, mother of Dean Graves, Superintendent of Bethesda CC, Bethesda, MD, recovering from angioplasty.

Scott Verchick, husband of Sharon Verchick of Terra International, recovering from a severe arminjury.

Condolences

The friends and family of **Tom Miller**, a graduate of the University of Maryland and longtime veteran of the Mid-Atlantic area, who passed away May 14th at his home in Cincinnati. ■

Pesticides

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The most important thing a golf course superintendent can do when applying pesticides is to read and follow the label directions. From planning and preparation to storage and disposal, following label directions will significantly reduce the risks of contaminating our water resources. When possible, select a pesticide that poses the least threat of rapid leaching and runoff and is relatively non-persistent.

The Rest of The Story

This is only a very brief overview of the processes that affect what happens to pesticides and nutrients in the environment. The rest of this issue of the Green Section Record is devoted to the USGA sponsored environmental research projects, which were conducted from 1991 through 1994. Compared to agricultural crops, the results not only build on what is known about pesticide and nutrient fate, and often show that turfgrass systems:

- reduce runoff
- increase adsorption on leaves, thatch and soil organic matter
- maintain high microbial and chemical degradation rates
- reduce percolation due to an extensive root system, greater
- plant uptake and high transpiration rates.

These results reinforce the view that turfgrass areas generally rank second only to undisturbed forests in their ability to prevent pesticides and nutrients from reaching ground and surface water. ■

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