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The Suburban Club Hosts the MAAGCS Annual Meeting



Front: (l to r) Jim Halley, Ken Ingram, CGCS, Nick Vance, CGCS, Tim Norris, CGCS, Chris Ayers, CGCS
Back: (l to r) Dean Graves, Dave Burkhart, Walter Montross, CGCS, John Newcomb, CGCS, Mike Evans, Dave Nehila

The Mid Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents elected the Officers and Board of Directors that will take the association into the next century on Tuesday, December 14, 1999. The annual membership meeting was held at The Suburban Club in Baltimore, MD and hosted by John Kotoski, CGCS.

The MAAGCS membership first voted in a bylaw change that eliminates the Class G membership. This change was needed to bring the MAAGCS membership classifications in compliance with the GCSAA Affiliated Chapter Dual Membership Agreement. Following the bylaw vote, Past President Mike Gilmore, presented the slate of candidates for officers. Mr. Nick Vance, CGCS from Rattlewood Golf Course was elected President, Mr. Chris Ayers, CGCS from Lakewood Country Club was elected Vice-President, Mr. Mike Evans, Golf Course Superintendent at The Country Club of Woodmore, was elected to a second term as Secretary and Mr. Tim

Norris, CGCS from Army Navy Country Club in Fairfax was elected to the position of Treasurer. The new members of the Mid Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents Board of Directors are Mr. Dean Graves, Golf Course Superintendent at Bethesda Country Club, Mr. Ken Ingram, CGCS, Golf Course Superintendent at Bretton Woods Recreation Center, and Mr. Dave Nehila, Golf Course Superintendent at Hunt Valley Golf Club. These gentlemen were elected from a slate of seven strong candidates.

Earlier in the evening outgoing Education Chairman, Ryland Chapman, IV, presented MAAGCS scholarships to four deserving students. Jason Bowers and Steve Evans were both awarded a Merit Scholarship. Brian Moreau and Jeff Van Fleet were also presented MAAGCS scholarships.

Mr. John Kotoski, CGCS, who served as Golf Chairman in 1999, presented the "Player of the Year" award to Mr. Mike

Evans, Golf Course Superintendent at The Country Club of Woodmore.

President Walter Montross, CGCS presented Mr. Ryland Chapman, IV, from Fairway Hills Golf Club, with a plaque and thanked him for his service on the Board of Directors over the past three years. Mr. Chapman will be stepping down from the Board this year. Mr. Montross also thanked Mr. Mike Gilmore, Immediate Past President, for the leadership and direction he has provided during his seven years on the MAAGCS Board of Directors.

After the election, Mr. Montross turned the gavel over to newly elected President Vance. President Vance presented Past President Montross with a plaque and gavel as appreciation for his tenure as President. Mr. Vance then thanked the membership for their attendance and wished everyone safe travels home.

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President's Message

Walter C. Montross, CGCS

As the year 1999 comes to an end, so does my term as President. My goals coming in were simple. I wanted to create a structure within the Association that would allow us to be better organized, involve more members, be more proactive on issues, be more responsive to member's needs, enhance our image and create long term strategic objectives. As I read back over this it wasn't really that simple after all. With the significant growth of the Association, the drought of 1999 and an ever-increasing need to monitor environmental/regulatory issues, never has the Association faced a greater need for change. I am happy to report the board of directors is well on its way to implementing changes that would allow us to meet the above objectives.

With the thought of "you can't do it alone", my thanks go out to last year's board, Charlotte Norris our Executive Secretary, all of the clubs and superintendents who were gracious enough to host our monthly meetings, my assistants and my family. In spite of a tough year all of these individuals helped me retain my sanity. My congratulations to Nick Vance, CGCS on his ascendance to President and the rest of the new 2000 Board of Directors. I have no doubt they will continue to serve the Association well.

Happy holidays and a great "new millenium"

to everyone. Remember that family and friends will always love you, even if the grass dies.



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Bullets from the Boardroom

MAAGCS Secretary - Mike Evans



The Board of Directors has approved the formation of a fundraising golf tournament with proceeds to be earmarked strictly for government relations issues and research projects. This will be a separate event, and will not coincide with our monthly meeting schedule. The inaugural tournament will be held August 21, 2000 at South River Golf Links. Teams will be comprised of a golf course superintendent, two club officials, and one guest who may be a MAAGCS affiliate member, politician, or university representative. Look for more details this spring.



A motion to raise dues for the year 2000 was unanimously approved by the Board. Dues for Class A, B and F members are \$140 per year, an increase of \$20. Dues for Class C members were raised \$10, to \$105 per year. Non-resident member dues will be \$70. This dues increase, the first in seven years, will help to offset the cost of ever-increasing member services.



A letter was sent on behalf of the MAAGCS to Bud Key, publisher of Chesapeake Golfer, expressing our extreme displeasure with the portrayal of golf course superintendents in an article that appeared in the October issue. When Mr. Key did not respond to the letter, he was contacted by telephone. He stated that the piece was meant to be humorous, with no malice intended, and that he would not offer a formal apology. Mr. Key did, however, extend an invitation to the MAAGCS to write monthly articles for the magazine. The first issue for the year 2000 will be published in March. If you would like to write an article for publication please contact the MAAGCS office.



In response to a suggestion that the MAAGCS, as an Association, endorse certain political candidates for election, the Board of Directors unanimously agreed that such endorsement would not be feasible. To do so would jeopardize our status as a non-profit organization.



The Board unanimously approved a motion to donate \$100 to the Joe Duich Foundation. For decades, Dr. Duich has been instrumental in advancing turfgrass research to benefit golf course superintendents.



The MAAGCS will again, sponsor a hospitality suite at the Maryland Turfgrass Conference and the GCSAA Conference and Show. The hospitality suite in Timonium will be Tuesday, January 4, at the Holiday Inn from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The hospitality suite in New Orleans will be Thursday, February 17, at the Radisson Hotel from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Invitations will be mailed in January for the GCSAA reception.



The Eastern Shore Association of Golf Course Superintendents will be partnering with the MAAGCS to host the hospitality suite in New Orleans. We would like to express a hearty "Thank You" to all of our friends in the ESAGCS for your support.



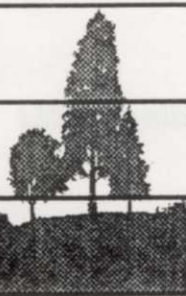
Beginning with the first MAAGCS golf event in April, all golf participants must have a registered handicap card. A registered handicap card will be required for every MAAGCS-sponsored golf event. Please review the golf policy for the year 2000 in order to avoid a conflict before it arises.



The Board has recently become aware that many members are not wearing their name badges at the monthly meetings. It is nice to be able to attach a name to all the new faces in the Association. Conversely, wearing your name badge makes you readily identifiable to those who are not regular attendees. If you need a name badge please contact the MAAGCS office.

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Editor's Letter

Tim R. Norris, CGCS
Director of Communications

I will be turning over my editor's pen to a new board member next year and would like to say that I have enjoyed serving the membership in this capacity for the last eighteen months. Although at times there were delays, I tried to make every issue of Turfgrass Matters informative and enlightening. I would like to thank those members who made my job easier by contributing articles and would encourage every member to participate and share their knowledge with the readers.

I also want to thank the members of the Communications Committee, Keith Williams and Carmen Giannini. Their efforts are greatly appreciated. Lastly thanks to our Executive Secretary, Charlotte Norris, who does the lion's share of layout and mailing of all MAAGCS publications.

Thank you again for giving me the privilege to serve you as Newsletter Editor. Wishing everyone a Happy Holiday and prosperous New Year.

With warmest regards,
 Tim R. Norris, CGCS



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Communications

Tim R. Norris, CGCS

The MAAGCS newsletter *Turfgrass Matters* continues to provide pertinent information to the membership and has received many favorable comments in the GCSAA Chapter Newsletter Editor Contest. All MAAGCS members should strive to become part of the process by submitting articles for publication. Advertising for the newsletter and monthly bulletin continues to be fully subscribed. Thanks to our many industry partners who's advertising supports our publications. Please continue to support these companies and individuals with your business.

This year the MAAGCS hosted four very successful public relations booths. There were booths at both the Greater Washington Golf Show held at the Capitol Expo Center in Chantilly, VA and the Baltimore Golf Show held at the Baltimore Convention Center. MAAGCS had information tents at the PGA events, the Kemper Open and the State Farm Senior Classic, held in the Mid Atlantic region. These booths and tents distributed information to the golfing public about the

superintendent, proper golf course etiquette and education opportunities for students interested in the profession of golf course superintendent. These booths were well received by all that attended. Many thanks to those superintendents who volunteered their valuable time to man the booths. It is planned to continue these information/public relation endeavors in the future. Once again the MAAGCS will have a booth at the Maryland Turfgrass Conference. Any superintendent or assistant superintendent interested in volunteering their time, please contact the MAAGCS office.

Thanks to the members of the Communications Committee, Keith Williams and Carmen Giannini, for their help throughout the year.

Education

Ryland O. Chapman, IV

I believe that 1999 was filled with many educational opportunities for the MAAGCS members. These educational opportunities ranged from Turfgrass 1999, a USGA Regional Green seminar, a MAAGCS and local vendors' March Seminar, guest speakers at our monthly chapter meetings, and completing the year with a two days of GCSAA educational seminars co-hosted by the MAAGCS in December.

The MTC's Turfgrass 1999 Conference and Trade Show was successful this past year with a record number of attendees at the Timonium Fairgrounds. The Golf Course Management educational sessions' topics ranged from "Welcome to the Jungle: Complex World of Microbes in Turf" with Dr. Peter Landschoot to "The Year In Review" with Mr. Keith Happ, USGA.

The MAAGCS' March Educational Seminar "Creating an Environmental Plan" with the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program was very successful. This two-day seminar was to prepare and assist in developing an environmental plan for golf course properties and provide participants with the information needed to meet the minimum require-

ments necessary to have their property designated as a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary. I wish to thank Joellen Zeh, Staff Ecologist, of Audubon International for doing a great job in showing how to start the process to become a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary golf course. I would like to thank Egypt Farms, Inc., Finch Turf Equipment, Inc., Green Meadow Turf Supply, Newsom Seed, Turf Equipment & Supply Co., Rhone-Poulenc Ag. Co., G.L. Cornell Company, and Zeneca for their sponsorship of this year's MAAGCS March Seminar. A special thanks to Dean Graves for his help in initiating this seminar between the MAAGCS and Audubon International. Thank you all for making the seminar a success.

The 1999 USGA Regional Green Seminar was hosted by Steve Potter, CGCS at Woodholme CC. This year was once again a huge success. Over 200 people came to listen to Dr. Watchke, Mr. Scott Harrison and the USGA Sec-

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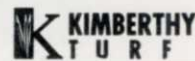
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For most of us, there are times when we feel under-appreciated, as if no one understands how hard we work and how much we are trying. One of my favorite pieces of advice has always been to praise often and tell people how much you appreciate them. You'll find bits of this advice scattered throughout the book. There are times, however, when no one seems to be applying that advice toward us, when no one seems to be appreciating us.

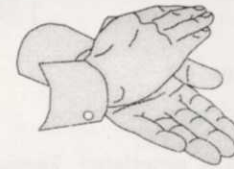
At times, it's important to stop what you are doing and pat yourself on the back. Take a few moments to reflect on what you've been doing and on the nature of your intentions and actions. Mentally review your accomplishments. Thank about how hard you work and how much you are contributing to your goals, and to the people you are working with.

As simple as this sounds, it really helps! I've done this many times, and have found that it puts things in perspective. Sometimes it reminds me of how busy I

have become, which gives me compassion for everyone else who is busy. I can recognize why people sometimes forget or are unable to be appreciative—they are absorbed in their own work and their own lives.

Sometimes we get going so fast that we forget to pause and reflect. When we take a moment, however, we can regain our perspective and realize that we are making a valuable contribution to ourselves, our families, the people and business we work with, and humanity. Recognizing your contribution from within yourself is actually more powerful and satisfying than hearing it from others. In fact, in order to feel good about yourself and your efforts, you must be able to compliment yourself and recognize and acknowledge your contribution from within.

Almost, everyone loves to be patted on the back by others. It feels good. However, when it's not happening, don't let it get you down or adversely affect your



attitude. Praise from others is never a certainty, and making it a condition of your happiness is really a bad idea. What you can do is praise yourself and pat yourself on the back. Be honest and genuine regarding your compliments. If you're doing a good job, say so. If you're working long hours, give yourself credit. If you're making life a little better for even one person, or making any type of contribution to society, then the world is a better place because of you. You deserve to be recognized. If you'll actually take the time to do so, I think you'll find this exercise is well worth the effort.

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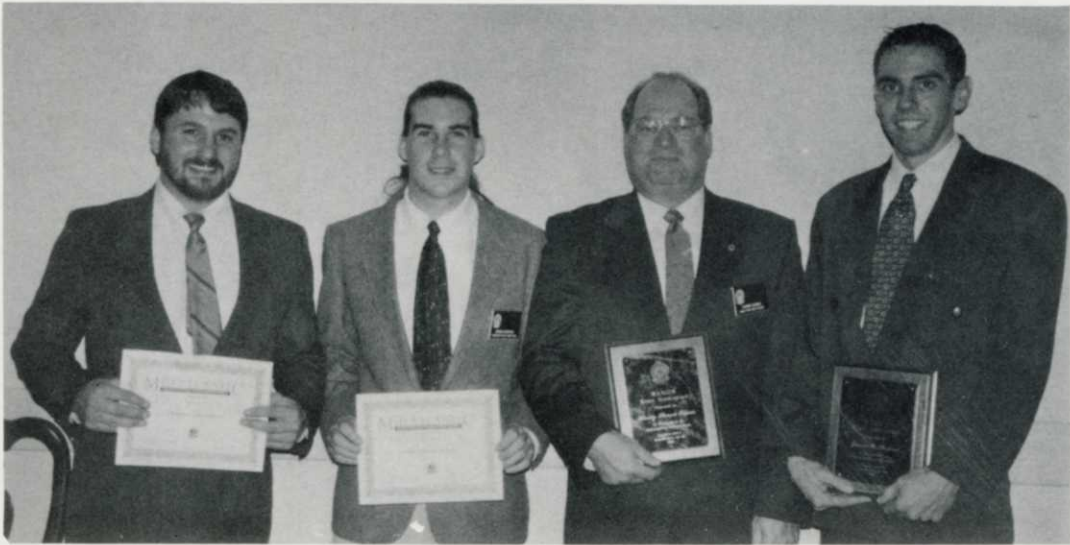
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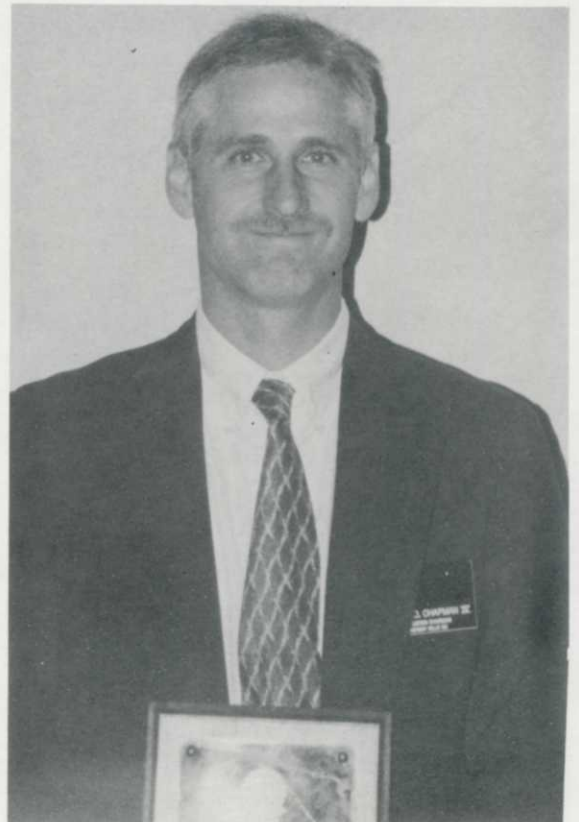
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Jeff Van Fleet, Brian Moreau, Jason Bowers



1999 Player of the Year

Mike Evans



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tion staff speak on topics dealing with public awareness and golf course research and maintenance practices.

The MAAGCS was pleased to award four students a 1999 MAAGCS Scholarship. Of these four scholarships two were presented with a Merit Scholarship for their outstanding accomplishments. This years recipients are:

MAAGCS Merit Scholarship

Jason W. Bowers
Sponsor - John Kain, CGCS

Harry Steven Evans
Sponsor - Jeff Wahl

MAAGCS Scholarship

Brian K. Moreau
Sponsor - Gary Angell, CGCS

Jeff D. Van Fleet
Sponsor - Tom Fornasar

Our MAAGCS monthly chapter meetings covered a variety of topics for our members. I would like to thank this year's guest speakers for their time and highly educational topics.

April: Mike Farrar, EPA
EPA New Pesticide Regulations

June: Mr. Stephen F. Mona, CAE
Chief Executive Officer of the GCSAA
GCSAA Updates and Future Directions

July: Dr. Dave Chalmer; Virginia Tech
USGA/GCSAA Tests Greens Reports

September: Dr. Thomas Turner; University of MD
Nutrient Management Plan Update for Golf Courses in Maryland

November: David Locke (ASIA)
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In the legislative department there were two hot issues that affected golf courses directly this year. The first one was House Bill 765-Water Appropriation or Use Permits. This ended up going to a summer work study and will be voted on again in the year 2000. The second was the Water Use Prohibition during the drought of '99. Thanks to Maxine Adler, Esq. (Senunes, Bowen & Semmes) our legislative representative from MAGI. We were able to send letters and set meetings with the correct committees

involved in these issues. Thank you Stephanie Hau and Lou Rudinski for your help in House Bill 765 and to Bill Neus for sending a letter to the Drought Emergency Coordinating Committee. To Chris Ayers, a special thanks to you for all of your time and efforts in these issues. A job well done.

I would like to thank the MAAGCS Board of Directors for their support and words of wisdom. I would like to especially thank Bill Neus, CGCS for helping and contributing to this year's speakers and scholarships. Finally, thanks to Charlotte Norris, MAAGCS Executive Secretary, once again you made life easier through a stressful year with your patience and sense of humor and I thank you for that.

In closing, I want to thank the membership for allowing me the opportunity to give something back to the industry and to my fellow associates. To have worked with a group of individuals whose goals and ideas is the future of the MAAGCS will always be a positive part of me. I have always had the highest respect for them. To the current board members and future board members I say to you, "Stay focused and make a difference".

Finance

Jim Halley

As the 1999 Season comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the MAAGCS and thank all of our Class F Members who participated in the 1999 sponsorship program. This year the Associate Members and their affiliated companies generated \$7,750 dollars in contributions. These funds surely helped make our monthly meetings a great success. I feel the support and commitment that has been given to our association over the years has helped make us one of the finest local chapters in the country. I would like to encourage our membership to support the many fine companies that are committed to our profession and the MAAGCS.

The average monthly meeting attendance for 1999 in our main classifications: Class A & B - 33, Class C - 7, Class F - 25. This was a decrease from last year's attendance. I am sure the extreme drought and weather conditions we all endured this year was a large factor. Also, Class C Member's attendance has been very low for the past few years, so lets try to get our Assistant Superintendents more involved.

I would like to thank my committee members: Tom Ritter, Lester Tanner, Tim McMahan and Larry Parker for all their help this past season. I have enjoyed my first year on the board and I'm looking forward to serving our association again next year.

Golf

John Kotoski, CGCS

I would like to review a policy change for being eligible to play in any future Superintendent/Pro and Annual Championship. You must have attended three (3) regular meetings to be able to play. Attendance has been recorded from March 1999 up to the sign up for the Superintendent/Pro and/or Annual Championship in 2000. The Annual Meetings will count towards two (2) regular meetings. What will not count towards a regular meeting is participation in the Superintendent/Pro, Annual Championship and the Picnic.

I would like to recognize our gross and net winners from three (3) of our events this year. At the Superintendent/Pro at Woodholme Country Club in May our low gross went to the team of Steve Potter/Barry Fuhrman of Woodholme Country Club with a 69. The Presidents Cup went to the team of Mike Evans/Larry Ringer of Country Club of Woodmore with a 63.

At the Superintendent/Club Official at the Chevy Chase Club in June our low gross went to the team of Glenn Smickley/Tom Tracy of Robert Trent Jones Golf Club with a 67. The Bethesda Country Club team of Dean Graves/Jack Hargett won low net with a 58.

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During the Annual Championship at Lowes Island Club in October the Superintendent low gross went to Dave Horton with a 72 while low net went to Sean Remington with a 63. The Affiliate low gross went to Dan Schlegel with a 75 and Affiliate low net went to Jim Cervone with a 70.

I would like to thank the following Superintendents who hosted a meeting this year for a job well done: Ken Keller, Steve Potter CGCS, Sean Remington, Walter Montross, CGCS, John Newcomb, CGCS, Mike Larsen, CGCS, Byron Lash, Bernie Beaven, CGCS.

I would like to congratulate Mike Evans of the Country Club of Woodmore for being selected the Player of the Year. Congratulations Mike!

Membership

Dave Burkhart

The membership roster of the association has experienced slight growth this past year. We have a current total of 527 members. Fifty-one (51) members were dropped from the roster while sixty-four (64) new members were added for a net increase of thirteen (13). New and total members are broken down into the following classifications:

	1999	Total
Class A	5	145
Class B	2	49
Class C	23	105
Class D	9	35
Class E	0	14
Class F	21	151
Class G	4	18
Class AA	0	10
Total	64	527

All members should have a name badge to be used at monthly membership meetings. If anyone does not have one or needs any changes, please contact the MAAGCS office.

Social and Benevolence

John Newcomb, CGCS

I) Major Life Changes

Totals for major life changes affecting MAAGCS members in 1999 that the Social & Benevolence Committee needed to take action on were:

Births - 15; Marriages - 6; Illnesses, Injuries, & Surgeries - 19 (8 Members, 11 Direct Relatives); Deaths - 3 (2 Retired Members, 1 Active Member)

II) Baby Bonds: 12 issued

III) Turfgrass '99 Hospitality Room

In January, MAAGCS sponsored a hospitality room at the Holiday Inn Timonium from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm of the first day of Turfgrass '99. This event was attended by approximately 100 guests.

IV) GCSAA National Conference 1999 Hospitality Room (Orlando, FL)

In February, MAAGCS sponsored a hospitality room in the President's Suite of the Peabody Hotel, Orlando on Thursday, the 11th from 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm during the GCSAA National Conference and Show. This event was a celebration of George Renault III CGCS GCSAA Presidency and attendance was tremendous.

V) MAAGCS Annual Picnic

In August, MAAGCS hosted its annual picnic. Golf was provided by South River Golf Links (Host - John A. Newcomb Sr. CGCS) and the picnic was, once again, held at the Anne Arundel County facility, Mayo Beach. Highlights of the day included hard crabs, corn on the cob, pit beef, and great pot luck entries by the members and their spouses to eat and

pony rides, a balloon bounce, candy, bubbles, and "Bows the Clown" for the children. Approximately 200 members and their families attended the event and everyone seemed to have a great time.

VI) Ladies Luncheon and Ladies Night

Postponed until 2000.

Welcome Committee

Nick Vance, CGCS

This year I had the privilege of chairing the welcoming committee with Dave Burkhart and John Newcomb, CGCS. We also enlisted the services of 26 Class A, B and F volunteers from the membership.

We sent a Superintendent and an Affiliate member to call on each of the people on our "hit list". This list consisted of prospective members, new members and some of our members that have become "inactive".

We had at least two goals in mind when we started. First, we wanted to introduce ourselves to the new and prospective members and make them feel welcome and we wanted to try to get the older members to become more involved.

Our efforts were rewarded with several new members joining the Association. We saw some of the faces we had not seen in a while at the last few meetings of the year. We also got some good feedback from the membership as to what the Association could do for them.

I think we accomplished what we wanted and with your help we will continue to make this Association stronger.

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November Golf Results

<u>1st Place (64)</u>	<u>Closest to the Pin</u>
Wren/Tschudi/Vance, J./Wannemaker	#5 - Orazi
<u>2nd Place (65)</u>	#8 - Evans
Fierce/Graves/Tanner/Davisson	#11 - Tschudi
<u>3rd Place (66)</u>	#15 - Montross
Gasper/Gilmore/Haines/Robinson	<u>Closest To Line</u>
<u>4th Place (66)</u>	Lester Tanner
Farrar/Plescow/Walsh	<u>Longest Drive</u>
	Vance, N.

Upcoming Events

January 4th	Maryland Turfgrass 2000 MAAGCS Hospitality Suite Holiday Inn - Timonium, MD
February 5th	MAAGCS Ladies Luncheon King's Contrivance Restaurant Columbia, MD
February 17th	GCSAA Show & Conference MAAGCS & ESAGCS Hospitality Suite Radisson Hotel - New Orleans, LA
March	PDI Discussion w/GCSAA Representative Superintendent/Assistant Tournament Breton Woods Recreation Center

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Class C

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Kelly Kilpatrick	Indian Spring Country Club
Charles W. Walnoha, III	Manor Country Club

Class D

Jeff Hammel	University of Maryland
Greg Shoemaker	Bethesda Country Club

Class F

Cathy Fiddler	Geese B. Gone
Todd van Derwerken	Agro Distribution, LLC

Job Well Done

John Newcomb, CGCS upon his GCSAA re-certification

Congratulations

To Rich and Jamie Isaac upon the birth of Hunter Graham

Get Well Wishes

To Preston Licklider after recent surgery

To Russ Davis after recent surgery

To Tim Haines after recent surgery

To Bud Burkhart, father of Dave Burkhart, after recent by-pass surgery

To Jennifer Giannini, wife of Carmen Giannini, after recent surgery

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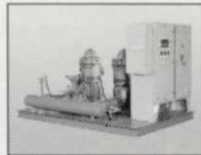
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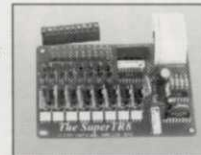
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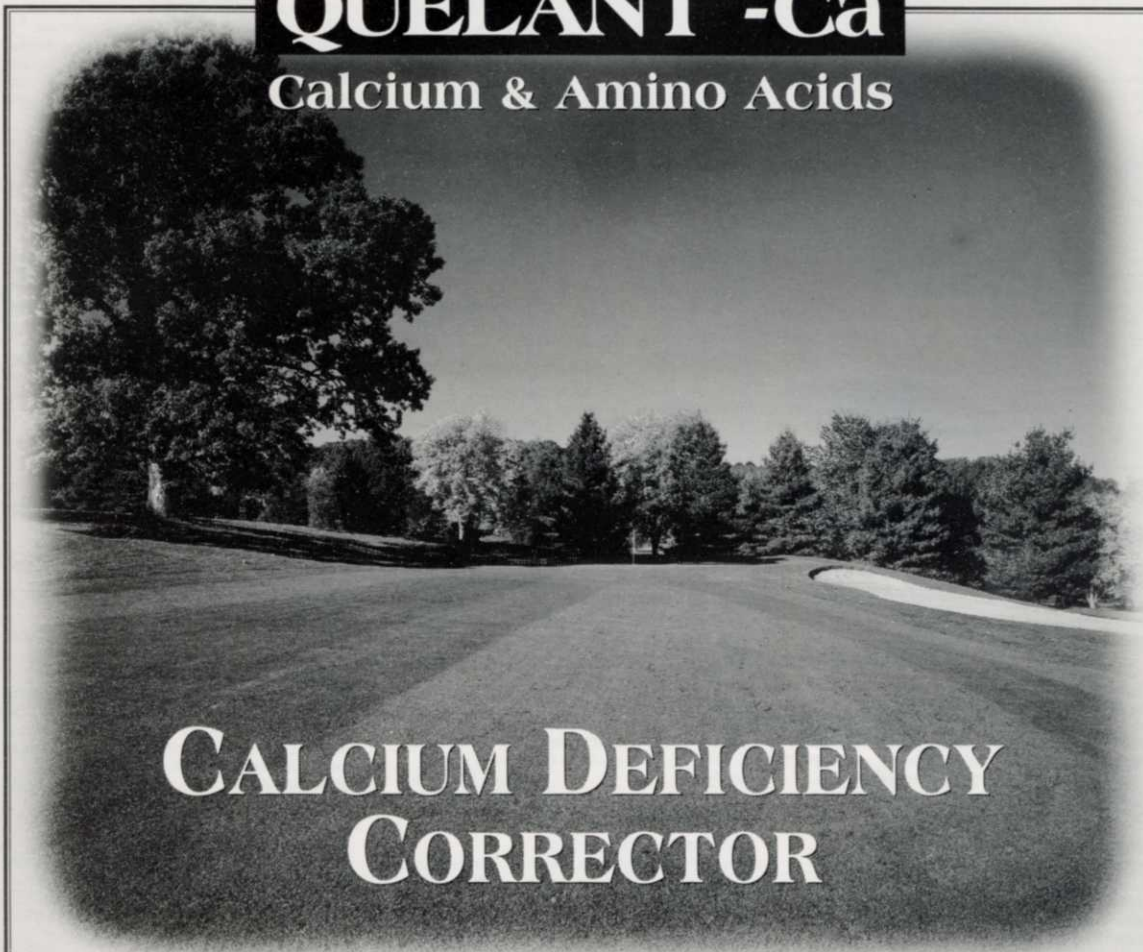
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