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University of Rhode Island Turfgrass Field Day, Kingston, RI, Aug. 26. Contact C.R. Skogley, University of Rhode Island, Dept. of Plant Science, Woodward Hall, Kingston, RI, 02881, 401/792-2570.

Northern Michigan Turf Managers Association meeting, Gaylord, MI, Aug. 26. Contact C. E. "Tuck" Tate, President, NMTMA, 1147 Santo, Traverse City, MI 49684, 616/947-9274.

Ornamentals Northwest Seminars, Oregon State University, Portland Memorial Coliseum Portland, OR, **Aug. 28-29.** Contact Dr. James L. Green, Oregon State University, Dept. of Horticulture, Corvallis, Oregon 97331, 503/754-3464.

Garden Industry of America Conference & Trade Show, Pittsburgh Convention/Exposition Center, Pittsburgh, PA, Sept. 10-12. Contact GIA, Box 1092, Minneapolis, MN 55440.

Tree Foreman Training, Kent, Ohio, **Sept. 14-25.** Contact Richard Abbott, Davey Environmental Services, 117 S. Water St., Kent, OH 44240, (216) 673-9511.

Northern Michigan Turf Managers Association meeting, Acme, MI, Sept. 15. Contact C. E. "Tuck" Tate, President, NMTMA, 1147 Santo, Traverse City, MI 49684, 616/947-9274.

Pacific Horticultural Trade Show, Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, CA, Sept. 23-25. Contact Lanny E. Walker, California Association of Nurserymen, 1419 - 21st Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, 916/448-2881.

Northwest Turfgrass Conference, Olympia, WA, Sept. 28-Oct. 1. Contact Dr. Roy L. Goss, Northwest Turfgrass Association, Western Washington Research and Extension Center, Puyallup, WA 98371, 206/593-8513.

Central Coast Turf Day, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA, **Oct. 1.** Contact Ronald D. Regan, Head, Ornamental Horticulture Department, CPSU, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407, 805/546-0111.

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GOLF

Bavier elected president of GCSAA

Michael Bavier, superintendent of Inverness Golf Club, Palatine, IL, was elected president of the Golf Course





Michael Bavier

James Wyllie

Superintendents Association of America at the group's annual meeting in Anaheim.

Also elected were James Wyllie, Bayview Country Club, Thornhill, Ontario, Canada, vice president; Eugene Baston, Birmingham (AL) Country Club, director; and Riley Stottern, Jeremy Ranch Country Club, Salt Lake City, UT.

Bavier, who served as GCSAA vice president in 1980, has been a GCSAA member for 15 years. He also served as a director of GCSAA for four years. He has been superintendent of the Inverness Golf Club since 1969, and previously was superintendent of Calumet Country Club, Homewood, IL, from 1965 to 1969. Wyllie has served as a director of the association for three years and has been a GCSAA member for 20 years.

GOLF

Firestone agrees to sell country club

Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. has agreed to sell its Firestone Country Club and golf complex in Akron, Ohio, to Akron Management Corp., a subsidiary of Club Corp. of America from Dallas. Firestone did not give the price, but said the club has been appraised at \$5 million. The company said it decided to sell the 500-acre country club and golf complex after several organizations and companies showed interest in purchasing both the North and South courses. The sale includes all land, maintenance buildings, the clubhouse, and all equipment at the club.

The country club will continue to be known as Firestone Country Club.

PEST CONTROL

Pines suffer damage from nematode

If pines didn't already have enough to tolerate with drought and a dry, cold winter, a Japanese nematode pest is attacking pines in at least 28 states, according to USDA nematologists in Beltsville, MD.

The pinewood nematode is carried by beetles from infested to healthy pine trees where it burrows into crevices in the bark of the branches. Infestations block the resin flow in the tree.

Dr. William Nickle of USDA has reported million of dollars damage to *Continues on page 69*



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pines in Japan over the past 30 years. Nickle warns Christmas tree farmers to be on the alert. "Periods of hot, dry weather, as we had last summer, tend to weaken pines that previously showed resistance to the invading nematodes," says Nickles. Researchers suspect some pine mortalities in recent years may have been mistakingly attributed to weather stress or infestation of bark beetles.

For positive nematode identification, send a small branch or chunk of sapwood in a sealed plastic bag to Dr. William Nickle, USDA/SEA/AR, Room 106, BARC-WEST, Beltsville, MD 20705.

ASSOCIATION

PGMS expansion includes 2 branches

Fulfilling a goal of expansion, the Professional Grounds Management Society chartered two new chapters in January, the North Carolina branch and the Ohio Miami Valley branch.

PGMS President John Van Vorst and Executive Director Allan Shulder are leading a move to gain more members and to consolidate allied groups into PGMS. Adding to the momentum is a certification program initiated in 1979.

Van Vorst has travelled and spoken extensively during his term. PGMS membership has risen to more than 800 in the last year. President-elect Earl Wilson is directing a review of PGMS conferences to increase attendance and gain support from allied industries.



Diamond Shamrock became the second largest producer of phenoxy herbicides in the world with the recent purchase of this plant in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Diamond Shamrock purchased Fallek-Lankro Corp. in February. Diamond Shamrock also produces phenoxy herbicides at its plant in Belvedere, England.



Four Michigan State University Turfgrass Management students received scholarships from the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of America at the 51st annual Michigan Turfgrass Conference in East Lansing, MI. Left to right are Gary Pulsipher, Steven White, James Timmerman (GCSAA board member), Michael McElroy, and James Johnson.

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