

# The Green Sheet



### **Central Pennsylvania Golf Course Superintendents Association**

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# **October Meeting**

**Carlisle Country Club** 

October 13, 2003

11:45 AM - Lunch 1:00 PM - Shotgun 5:30 PM - Annual Meeting 6:00 PM - Cocktails 6:30 PM Dinner

There will be a CPGCSA Board of Directors meeting at 10:00 AM.

### **Golf Course Profile**

The Carlisle Country Club was established in 1924 (9 holes), designed by its founders and in the early 1930's became the 18 hole, par 71 course you see today. It is considered a somewhat short, but very challenging golf course. Carlisle Country Club has survived floods, tornados and even an 18 wheeler on the golf course. "There have been many changes to the club since I first started working here" notes Greg Fantuzzi, "but the present management, staff, and members make this an enjoyable working environment".

## **Superintendent Profile**

Greg Fantuzzi is a 1975 graduate of Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture. Following graduation, he started working for an industrial landscaping company in Eastern PA. He became the Assistant Superintendent at the Lehigh Country Club in Allentown, PA under Superintendent Marty Nadenichek in 1977. Then in 1980 he accepted the Superintendent position at the Carlisle Country Club where Greg contends each year brings new challenges. However, this year is surely climbing to the top of his list of the most challenging.

Greg is married to Tracy and they have a 14 year old son who loves baseball, basketball and the Atlanta Braves. Greg resides in Carlisle and enjoys coaching and watching Sean play ball.

Coat & tie for meeting/dinner.

## Mid-Atlantic USGA Update

# **Summer's Gone and It's Time for Your Fall Checklist**

By Stanley J. Zontek, Director updated 9-15-03

The middle of September traditionally has been associated with the coming of fall. The days are shorter, the nights become longer, and more importantly, cool nights are the norm. The worst is over!

Now is the time to begin your fall checklist. The list could include:

- Extra Fertilizer. With all of the rainfall the region experienced this year, the fall is a good time to replenish soil fertility levels. Be generous (but not excessive) with these fertilizer applications. The grass should respond with better color, density, and with new roots.
- Fall Renovation. Now is the best time to fix what was damaged this summer. Increasingly, we are seeing more use of sod simply because golfers seem to lack patience associated with the seeding operation. Obviously, each situation is different but with lower soil temperatures and more rainfall, sod roots quicker and seed germinates better.

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## President's Message

I hope you have all had a chance to get your courses cleaned up from Isabel. Will we ever have to turn on our irrigation systems again this year? That is the question.

I would like to thank Jeff Fry for providing us with a great day at Lebanon Country Club. The rain at tee-off time scared off some people but ended around 1:30 pm and it actually turned out to be a relatively good day for golf. Dan Brickley, Deron Zendt and crew did a fabulous job in preparing the course. I was amazed to hear that the course was aerified 6 days prior to the meeting, as I could not find an aerification hole anywhere. Oh...and the food was great and since some of you left early, there was more than enough to go around.

So now it's on to our last golf meeting of the year. You all know by now that our annual meeting at Springwood had to be changed due to things out of our control. Thanks to Greg Fantuzzi and his last minute efforts, Carlisle is now the site I do apologize for messing up your schedules and I hope you all can still make it on the 13th.

May the sun shine and the wind blow!

Bill Brooks

As you probably know George Hamilton has been diagnosed with advanced pancreatic cancer and is undergoing chemo treatment for the next eight weeks. So far he is in good spirits but he gets great inspiration from hearing from his friends The Pennsylvania Turfgrass Council has a message board on their web site - <a href="www.paturf.org">www.paturf.org</a>. You can't measure the power of a kind word of encouragement.

### **Directions to Carlisle Country Club**

1242 Harrisburg Pike Carlisle, Pa. 17013 www.carlislecountryclub.org

From the Pennsylvania Turnpike:

Take exit #16 to Route 11 North. Carlisle Country Club is about 3/4 mile on the left.

#### From Route 81:

Take exit #52 to Route 11 South. Carlisle Country Club is about 1/4 mile on the right.

Carlisle Country Club is located on Route 11, The Harrisburg Pike, known locally as "The Miracle Mile".

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## **Membership News**

We would like to welcome the following individual into our association.

If you know of anyone who is interested in membership into the association, please have them contact John Colo at Country Club of York (717) 843-2190.

## 2003 CPGCSA Annual Meeting

The October meeting at the Carlisle Country Club will be the annual meeting with elections of officers and directors for the 2004 meeting year. Listed below are the nominees compiled by the nomination committee.

#### President:

Pete Ramsey - Range End Golf Club

#### **Vice President:**

Faron Stoops - Waynesboro Country Club

#### Secretary/Treasurer:

John Colo - Country Club of York

Steve Ludwig - Gettysburg Country Club

#### Directors:

Adam Bagwell - Wyncote Golf Club

Dan Brickley - Lebanon Country Club

Steve Shadle - Berkleigh Country Club

If you or someone you know is interested in running for the Board of Directors, please contact Faron Stoops at Waynesboro Country Club (717) 762-6370. Nominations may also be made from the floor by a voting member in good standing at the annual meeting.

### **For Your Information**

If you have any information that you would like included in the November newsletter, please fax information to Wanda at (717) 279-0368 or e-mail to cpgcsa@nbn.net by October 24, 2003.



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# Central Penn Night

January 31, 2004 at the Lancaster Host Inn

Please join for this evening to honor our second recipient of the David Rafferty Dedication, Leadership and Service Award.

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### **Golf Results**

The 2004 CPGCSA Championships were held at Lebanon Country Club on September 15. After a couple of holes of play in the rain, those of us "men" had a nice day for golf. For those of you who left, too bad! You missed a good time on a golf course in very good condition. The results are under protest as this goes to print. The protest is that the champion was witnessed cutting cups for the event! Some people will do anything! Just kidding Deron.

The result are as follows:

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1st Deron Zendt 2nd Steve Graybill

2nd Flight

1st Charlie McGill 2nd Terry Bennett

Dale Kintzer

3rd Flight

1st Jeff Flamisch 2nd Dave Spak

4th Flight

1st Thed Fraleigh 2nd

Thom Mahute

Craig Esbenshade

The next CPGCSA event will be held on October 13 at Carlisle Country Club.

That's the way I saw it, as your substituting golf chairman. See ya in October.

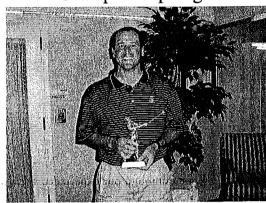
Faron Stoops

# **PSU Golf Course Turfgrass Management Program**

Applications are now being accepted for Penn State's Two-Year Golf course Turfgrass Management Program for the class beginning in September of 2004. There is an application fee of \$35 and the deadline for applications is December 31, 2003.

Applications can be obtained by calling (814) 863-0129, on the website www.agonomy.psu.edu/academic/turfgrass.html or by writing to PSU, 456 ASI Building, University Park, PA 16802.

### Championship Flight



Deron Zendt (Missing from photo: Steve Graybill)



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## Heather and Gorse By Mark V. DelSantro, CGCS

A man walking across a field encountered a tiger. He fled, the tiger chasing after him. He came to a cliff, caught hold of a wild vine and swung himself over the edge. The tiger sniffed at him from above. Terrified the man looks down to where, far below, another tiger had come, waiting to eat him. Two mice, one white and one black, little by little began to gnaw at the vine. The man saw a luscious strawberry near him. Grasping the vine with one hand, he plucked the strawberry with his other. How sweet it tasted!

#### Zen Parable

The above parable talks in some ways about the quality of life and how to truly experience joy one must first experience and understand pain. In today's world, quality of life is a term that has gotten lost in the shuffle of the everyday rat race. And the problem with the rat race is that even if you win, you're still a rat! With all the demands of work, rare is the opportunity to truly get a way from it all and relax. There is simply too much going on in our lives to completely detach ourselves from our jobs, as well as the numerous other stresses. Also, there are too many ways to stay attached via cell phones, voice mail, and e-mail. And yet it's like sleep, we all know we'd be better off with eight hours a day, but we're lucky if we allow ourselves four.

When I was a younger and much wiser lad growing up in Minnesota, I remember we went on a three-week vacation touring the west part of the US. We rented a pop-up camper, hooked it up to our woody (that's a station wagon for those who may be too young to remember) and embarked on a journey that, to this day, is still talked about at family reunions. In three short weeks, we experienced a tornado in the Bad Lands of South Dakota, a major earthquake in Yellowstone National Park, a flash flood in Las Vegas, NV and a torrential three-hour downpour stranding us at the Indian cliff dwellings in Mesa Verdi, Colorado.

This pseudo-camping experience from my younger days enticed my wife and I to blaze our own family vacation trail... over this past Labor Day, we rented an RV and drove to Minnesota to visit family and friends. What a cool experience! I'd definitely recommend it to anyone, although our experience was not without incident. In my twenty-four plus years of driving I've never hit a deer before... that is never before August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2003. Not thirty minutes in to our vacation and not 20 miles from our home, a four-point buck jumped out in front of us and essentially wiped out our front right lighting system. It's always interesting how your mind works in the seconds leading up to something like that... everything was in slow motion... and yet, I can tell you more details about that deer in the last three seconds of it's life than any other deer I ever seen.

After we checked out the deer damage and determined that the RV was still in reasonable working order, we trudged forth looking for more lasting memories. By Indiana, my cellular service was non-existent, which at first upset me, but shortly thereafter delighted me. This was a blessing in itself. I actually didn't have clear service again until six days later when we started a journey back through the cornfields of lowa. Of course I had more messages in those six days than I had in the previous six months, but some things should just be expected.

On the ride home we took our time, driving five or six hours a day and staying at campgrounds. The kids absolutely had a blast... we had a campfire every night... we roasted marshmallows... we went for walks and mingled with the other campers. There is just something about a campfire on a cool, crisp late summer night. It was more peaceful a journey than I could ever have imagined.

As for the camping experience... I've always thought of campers as an interesting counter culture. Go out into the wilderness with little or no technology, up against the elements, man against nature... man o' man, have times changed in the twenty-five years since I last experienced something like this. Every campground at which we stayed had hook ups for power, water, sewer, and cable TV at each station. Long gone are the days where you grab a tin can and a roll of toilet paper and hope there's no stinging nettle or poison ivy nearby.

One of the cool things about our experience was observing the gathering of certain groups. At Buckeye Lake, outside of Columbus, OH, there were several large groups watching the OSU Buckeyes struggle against another little sisters of the poor college team. At a campground outside of Indianapolis, IN there was a large group of older people who called themselves "the liars club." They were just a group of old friends that gather together about once a month at this campground. One older couple we struck up a conversation with told us they'd been on the road since February visiting other retired military vets... the group gathers in Florida in the spring and San Diego in the late summer. All the people we met on our voyage we so nice, down-to-earth, and relaxed... they were a testimonial for taking a step back and reassessing your priorities.

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# 8TH GRADE FINAL EXAM: SALINA, KANSAS, 1895

#### GRAMMAR (TIME, ONE HOUR)

- 1. Give nine rules for the use of Capital Letters.
- 2. Name the Parts of Speech and define those that have no modifications.
- 3. Define Verse, Stanza and Paragraph.
- 4. What are the Principal Parts of a verb? Give Principal Parts of do, lie, lay and run.
- 5. Define Case, Illustrate each Case.
- 6. What is Punctuation? Give rules for principal marks of Punctuation.
- 7. Write a composition of about 150 words and show therein that you understand the practical use of the rules of grammar.

#### **ARITHMETIC (TIME, 1.25 HOURS)**

- 1. Name and define the Fundamental Rules of Arithmetic.
- 2. A wagon box is 2 ft. deep, 10 feet long, and 3 ft. wide. How many bushels of wheat will it hold?
- 3. If a load of wheat weighs 3942 lbs., what is it worth at 50 cts. bushel, deducting 1050 lbs. for tare?
- 4. District No. 33 has a valuation of \$35,000. What is the necessary levy to carry on a school seven months at \$50 per month, and have \$104 for incidentals?
- 5. Find cost of 6720 lbs. coal at \$6.00 per ton.
- 6. Find the interest of \$512.60 for 8 months and 18 days at 7 percent.
- 7. What is the cost of 40 boards 12 inches wide and 16 ft. long at \$20 per meter?
- 8. Find bank discount on \$300 for 90 days (no grace) at 10 percent.
- 9. What is the cost of a square farm at \$15 per acre, the distance around which is 640 rods?
- 10. Write a Bank Check, a Promissory Note, and a Receipt.

#### **U.S. HISTORY (TIME, 45 MINUTES)**

- 1. Give the epochs into which U.S. History is divided.
- 2. Give an account of the discovery of America by Columbus.
- 3. Relate the causes and results of the Revolutionary War.
- 4. Show the territorial growth of the United States.
- 5. Tell what you can of the history of Kansas.
- 6. Describe three of the most prominent battles of the Rebellion.
- 7. Who were the following: Morse, Whitney, Fulton, Bell, Lincoln, Penn, and Howe?
- 8. Name events connected with the following dates: 1607, 1620, 1800, 1849,1865.

#### **ORTHOGRAPHY (TIME, ONE HOUR)**

- 1. What is meant by the following: Alphabet, phonetic, orthography, etymology, syllabication?
- 2. What are elementary sounds? How classified?
- 3. What are the following, and give examples of each: Trigraph, subvocals, diphthong, cognate letters, linguals?
- 4. Give four substitutes for caret 'u'.
- 5. Give two rules for spelling words with final 'e'. Name two exceptions under each rule.
- 6. Give two uses of silent letters in spelling. Illustrate each.
- 7. Define the following prefixes and use in connection with a word: Bi, dis, mis, pre, semi, post, non, inter, mono, sup
- 8. Mark diacritically and divide into syllables the following and name the sign that indicates the sound: Card, ball, mercy, sir, odd, cell, rise, blood, fare, last.
- 9. Use the following correctly in sentences, cite, site, sight, fane, fain, feign, vane, vain, vein, raze, raise, rays.
- 10. Write 10 words frequently mispronounced and indicate pronunciation by use of diacritical marks and by syllabication.

#### **GEOGRAPHY (TIME, ONE HOUR)**

- 1. How do you account for the extremes of climate in Kansas?
- 2. Of what use are rivers? Of what use is the ocean?
- 3. Describe the mountains of North America.
- 4. Name and describe the following: Monrovia, Odessa, Denver, Manitoba, Hecla, Yukon, St. Helena, Juan Fernandez, Aspinwall and Orinoco.
- 5. Name and locate the principal trade centers of the U.S.
- 6. Name all the republics of Europe and give capital of each.
- 7. Why is the Atlantic Coast colder than the Pacific in the same latitude?
- 8. Describe the process by which the water of the ocean returns to the sources of rivers.
- 9. Describe the movements of the earth. Give inclination of the earth.

This gives the saying of an early 20th century person that "he only had an eighth-grade education" a whole new meaning.

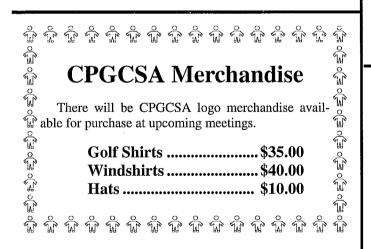
# Heather and Gorse.....

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And as for some of the RV's themselves... talk about woodies (and I'm not talking station wagons!)... I was amazed at some of the vehicles. In Ohio there was one RV that pulled in just before sunset... every set of eyes in that campground was watching this massive four-five foot diesel bus that crept into the a corner slot. Of course, then there was the air brake release, the decompression of the shocks, and the hydraulic expansion of the sidewall units that just had everyone's tongue hanging out. It was impressive (and extremely expensive) to say the least.

Overall, it was a very cool journey, but like every journey, it eventually had to end. So we headed back home and dove back into to the everyday bump and grind of our so-called lives. But with new memories that will cultivate occasional daydreams about how peaceful life can be. Everyone should have the chance to find out how sweet those strawberries can taste! That's my parabolic, relaxed, rested, and refreshed, pseudo-woody, and sweet view from the heather and gorse.

I want to pass on a special Heather and Gorse well wishes hello to Dr. George Hamilton. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you fight through these tough times. As the late, great Jimmy V. once said... no matter how tough it gets, don't give up don't ever give up!



Please contact Wanda with any employment or address changes, so that we can keep our records up to date.



## 2nd Flight Winners



Terry Bennett, Charlie McGill

### From the Editor

Gone Fishin', Part 2

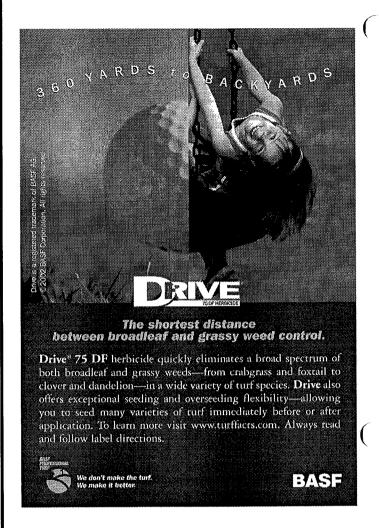
Historically, the Missouri River has been known for its huge population of large fish. Well as we all know, all good things must come to an end. The rivers eco-system can only support this for so long, and based off this years catch, the time has come. Don't get me wrong, we still caught fish, but not in the numbers of past years. The weather out west is very dry to begin with, so you throw in a drought and you have real trouble. The water release from Holter Dam was increased due to the needs of farms downstream, which raised the water level and velocity. It seemed as though every alfalfa and hay field in Cascade and Lewis & Clark counties were under 24 hour irrigation. We averaged ten to fifteen fish a day and worked very hard for them. I did have a few firsts though. I was wade fishing on Saturday morning during a Trico hatch, released five nice fish and broke off on three others. On Monday morning, I returned to the same area for the Trico hatch and wouldn't you know, the first fish I caught had one of my flies in its jaw! I've heard of that happening but never in twenty- five years of fly-fishing had it happened to me. When you are floating the river, both the boat handler and the person fishing are watching the water and are somewhat oblivious to what's happening around them. On one particular morning, we were floating and heard a commotion on a rocky hill along the river. Not five hundred yards away was a small herd of Bighorn Sheep. It was amazing to watch them run around on this steep, rocky hillside, never sliding or missing a step! Every year brings something new and next year will be no different as we plan to go back to the Southwest region of Montana, fishing the Gallatin and Madison rivers. We also plan to spend some time on Slough Creek and the Yellowstone River in Yellowstone Park and finish our trip in Idaho on the Henry's Fork. Can't Wait!

Mark MacDonald

### 4th Flight Winners



Thom Mahute, Thed Fraleigh



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rough, it's cloudy, cool, windy and rainy. No doubt you would say to yourself, "why didn't I spray last fall?"

• Tree Work. The fall is a good time to plant trees and to mark trees for removal over the winter and also, to map out areas where underbrush needs to be cutback. Providing the turf with good grass growing environments is one of the most important tasks a turf manager can perform in order to grow healthy grass during periods of weather extremes.

Now is the time to develop your Fall Maintenance Checklist. It is a true "To Do List" for your golf course.

Source: Stan Zontek, szontek@usga.org or 610-696-4747

# **Upcoming Events**

- Penn State Golf Turf Conference November 11-13, 2003 Nittany Lion Inn, State College
- Eastern PA Turf Conference and Trade Show January 13-15, 2004
   Valley Forge Convention Center, King of Prussia
- North Eastern PA Turf Conference and Trade Show January 29, 2004
   The Woodlands Inn and Resort, Wilkes-Barre
- GCSAA Annual Conference and Show February 9-14, 2004 San Diego, CA
- Western PA Turf Conference and Trade Show February 24-26, 2004
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## **CPGCSA Guest Policy**

Guests will be limited to the following:

- One guest per member per meeting with the approval of the host superintendent. (As indicated on the reservation form)
- Sponsoring member is responsible for any costs to the host's club.
- A guest is limited to two (2) meetings per year with the exception of club officials or with Board approval.

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### 3rd Flight Winners



Dave Spak, Jeff Flamisch

## Simpl Speling Maid Izi!

European officials have often lamented that English spelling is unnecessarily difficult—cough, plough, through and thorough, for example, all spelled similarly and pronounced differently. Having chosen English as the preferred language in the EEC, the community has commissioned a study to find ways to simplify communication between government departments.

In the first year, the committee suggested using s instead of the soft c. Sertainly, sivil servants in all sities would reserve this news with gratitude. The hard c could then be replaced with k sinse both are pronounced alike. Not only would this klear up konfusion with klerikal workers, but typewriters kould be made less kluttered.

Growing support is expekted when, in the sekond year, it is announsed that the always troublesome *ph* would henseforth be written as f, making words like *fotograf* twenty persent shorter in print.

In the third year, publik akseptanse of the new spelling kan be expekted to reash the stage where even more komplikated shanges will be possible. For instanse, governments kould enkourage the removal of double leters, which have always ben a bane to akurate speling.

We would all agree that the horible mes of silent e kould be korekted without a single komplaint. Simply by droping it altogethr, we kould rid and ryt as though nothing had hapend. Sins by this tym it will hav ben four years sins the skem began, piple would sirtinly be mush mor reseptive to advansd, criative inovashuns, sutsh as replacing the with z.

Perhaps zen se funkshun of w kould be taken on by v, vitsh is, after al, half a w. Ze unesesary o kud be dropd from virds kontaining ou. Similar arguments vud of kirs be aplyd to ozer nedles kombinashuns of leters.

Makin smal shangs yir aftr yir, ve vud eventuli hav a rili sensibl ryting styl zat kud izili bi mastrd. Aftr tventi yirs zer vud be no mor difikultis and evrivun vud fin it izi to undrstand ich ozer.



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