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June Meeting

LedgeRock Golf Club

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Registration Begins..... 10:00 AM
Speaker & Working Lunch 11:00 AM
Gather at Carts for Instructions 12:30 PM
Golf Shotgun.....12:45 PM
Reception/Golf Awards5:30 PM

*There will be a CPGCSA Board of Directors Meeting
at 9:00 AM in the Learning Center.*

June Education

Scott Van de Mark from
Pennsylvania Environmental Council
will present

**“Best Management Practices for Protecting and
Improving Water Resources at Golf Courses”.**

Scott Van de Mark has been Director of Special Projects for the Pennsylvania Environmental Council [pecpa.org] since 2000. Previously, he worked as an environmental scientist for the Environmental Strategies Corporation.

Scott completed his undergraduate work at the University of Vermont, earning a BA in Economics and Environmental Studies [1983]. He went on to earn a Masters from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies in 1987. “I love the game of golf, and I’m thrilled if I can break 100,” attests Scott. He learned to play on a course two hours north of Toronto, where a lack of topsoil means no bunkers!

Scott’s presentation will review best management practices that can improve water quality, storm water and flood control, and groundwater recharge at golf courses. Attendees will also learn some practices that can generate nutrient reduction credits under the Pennsylvania Nutrient Trading Program in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.

This is a unique educational opportunity.

An application for .1 CEU’s from the GCSAA is in process, as well as an application for pesticide credits from the state.

Superintendent Profile

Alan FitzGerald was born in Kilkenny, Ireland. He took a summer job in 1991 at Mount Juliet Golf and Country Club that turned into a full time position in 1993. While working there he attended the turf program at the National Botanical Gardens in Dublin, graduating in spring of 1996. He was accepted to Penn State’s 2-year program that fall and interned at Loch Lomond Golf Club in Scotland in the summer of 1997. Upon graduating from PSU in 1998, Alan accepted an Assistant Superintendent position at Pine Valley in NJ where he managed the Short Course. Alan started at LedgeRock Golf Club in May 2004 prior to the start of construction. Alan and Jamie were married at home in Ireland last September.

Golf Course Profile

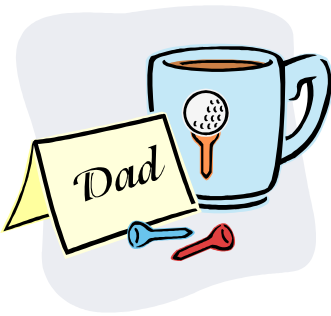
A Rees Jones design, LedgeRock Golf Club opened in July of 2006. Located in Berks County, LedgeRock offers a unique and extraordinary experience, including over 300 feet of elevation changes and impressive views. With five different tees to accommodate all playing abilities, LedgeRock and it’s state-of-the-art Learning Center offers something for everyone. Despite being just about three years old, the course has already undergone change, including bunker renovations and relocation of cart paths. John Dale and Kim Stumpf are the assistants.

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What Makes a Dad

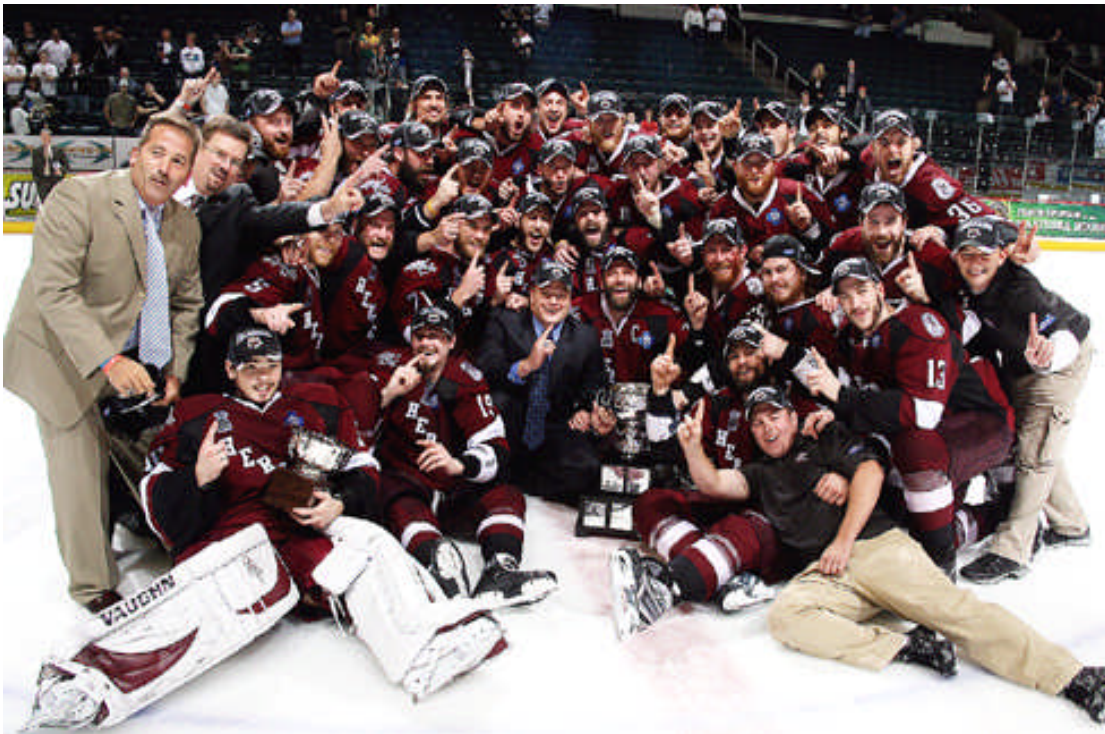
God took the strength of a mountain,
 The majesty of a tree,
 The warmth of a summer sun,
 The calm of a quiet sea,
 The generous soul of nature,
 The comforting arm of night,
 The wisdom of the ages,
 The power of the eagle's flight,
 The joy of a morning in spring,
 The faith of a mustard seed,
 The patience of eternity,
 The depth of a family need,
 Then God combined these qualities,
 When there was nothing more to add,
 He knew His masterpiece was complete,
 And so,

He called it ... Dad

~~Author Unknown

Hershey Bears Win Calder Cup

Hershey players, coaches and support staff crowd around the Calder Cup trophy after winning it for the 10th time after a 4-1 victory in Game 6 in Manitoba .



Central Penn Member Jim Jones (Fairview Golf Course) joins in the celebration.

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Membership News

The following individual has applied for membership into our association. If there are no written objections within the next seven days, he will be accepted into CPGCSA at the next meeting.

Andy Zook..... Class C
Assistant Superintendent, Crossgates Golf Club

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

Ryan DavidheiserClass AF
Territory Manager, Aer-Core, Inc.

Lance V. ErnstClass AF
Vice President, Turf Equipment & Supply Co.

Bob Good.....Class AF
Owner, Good's Tree Care, Inc.

Ryan Grady..... Class C
Assistant Superintendent, Flying Hills Company

If you know of anyone who is interested in membership into the association, please have them contact Craig Esben-shade (Lancaster Host Inn) at 717-397-8928 or Curt King (Moccasin Run Golf Course) at 610-593-2600.

Congratulations to:

Mike and Krista Bair (Colonial Country Club) were married this month. After their honeymoon in Florida, they will reside in the Harrisburg area.

Our Sympathies to:

The family of Scott Wentling (Lebanon Valley Golf Course). Scott passed away on Monday, May 18, 2009, at the Lebanon Good Samaritan Hospital.



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May Golf Results

Thank you to all who attended the meeting at Rich Valley. The weather was absolutely perfect and everyone had a great time. Hopefully the turnout will be better for our future meetings.

The results are as follows:

1st Flight Winners

Dan Davis
Faron Stoops
Doug Rae
Matt Strader

2nd Flight Winners

Alan Fitzgerald
Mark DelSantoro
Steve Ludwig
David van Leeuwen

Closest to the Pin

#2 Jim Byrne
#10 Andy Zook

Golf Format for the June meeting is Central vs. Philadelphia for the "Super's Cup"

Thank You!
Barry Bollinger

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**Directions to
LedgeRock Golf Club**
1 Greenbriar Drive
Mohnton, PA 19540

From Harrisburg:

I-95 East - PA Turnpike to Exit 286 to US 222 toward Ephrata/Reading. Merge onto Spur Road. Merge onto 222N toward Reading. Take PA-568 Exit toward PA-272/Adamstown. Turn right at Adamstown Road/W Lancaster Ave/PA-568 (signs for Green Hills) Continue to follow PA-568. Turn left at New Holland Rd/PA-625. Turn left at Greenbriar Drive.

From Reading:

Travel Route 222 south to Route 625, and bear left. Traveling south on Route 625, go approximately 3.5 miles from the intersection of Route 724. Turn right onto Greenbriar Drive. The entrance to LedgeRock Golf Club is 0.1 mile on the right.

From Lancaster:

Travel north on Route 222 to Route 568. Turn right onto Route 568 continuing east 2.3 miles to the intersection with Route 625. Turn left onto Route 625 and travel north approximately 2.5 miles to Greenbriar Drive. Turn left onto Greenbriar Drive and travel 0.1 mile to the entrance to LedgeRock Golf Club on the right.



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Brief Survey of Turf Management Priorities

During the Central Penn GCSA meeting at Rich Valley Golf Club (Mechanicsburg, PA) on May 19, 2009, those in attendance participated in an informal survey regarding concerns and priorities for the upcoming year. Here are the summarized results.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>What are your most pressing agronomic issues/concerns?</i></p> <p>Economics ~ turf maintenance costs.</p> <p>Plant health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual bluegrass seedhead control (consistency, reliability). • green speed. • thatch management. • plant nutrition/plant stress. • plant growth regulation as affected by weather/rain. <p>Water:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • water use efficiency and management. • water quality <p>Soil:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • aerification practices. • traffic/compaction. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>What are your key pest issues/concerns?</i></p> <p>Diseases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • brown ring patch (<i>Waitea</i>), anthracnose, dollar spot, summer patch, fairy ring. • longer residual disease control from products. <p>Weeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • thistle, other broadleaf and grassy weeds, ponds. <p>Insects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • annual bluegrass weevil, sod webworms, grubs, cut worms, armyworms, black turfgrass aetenius; gypsy moth in trees. <p>Earthworms - disruptive to turf surface and mowing equipment.</p> <p>Product application timing/performance as affected by weather.</p> <p>Controlling pests on steep slopes.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>What is on the top of your "wish list"?</i></p> <p>Economy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • financial stability. • increase in maintenance budget. • increase in golfers/membership. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - affordability for golfers, - less than 18-hole rounds (ie. time constraints on golfers). <p>Labor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • available labor. • better trained labor. <p>Less demand for perfection by the golfers.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>What are your turf research priorities?</i></p> <p>Environment ~ water conservation.</p> <p>Plant protection products:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • branded vs. post-patent products. • low-rate herbicides for grassy weed control. • season-long control from certain products. • GPS technology for applying products. <p>Removal of perennial ryegrass/ rough bluegrass from bentgrass.</p> <p>Thatch removal without disruption of the playing surface.</p> <p>More field research on actual golf courses.</p> <p>Turf management with today's expectations and reduced budgets.</p> <p>Delivery of up-to-date research information to provide solutions.</p>



Golf Course Superintendents Association

Dear CPGCSA Member:

The CPGCSA Board of Directors has developed a scholarship for students pursuing a career in Golf Course Management. This scholarship is open to any college student who is currently a member of CPGCSA, employed by a member of CPGCSA or is the child of a member of CPGCSA. The deadline for applications is June 30 to insure there is a recipient for the upcoming school year. The scholarship recipient will be acknowledged at Central Penn Night.

Listed below are the CPGCSA Scholarship Guidelines:

Eligible Candidates:

Applicants must fall into one of the following categories:

- Students majoring in Golf Course Management at an accredited institution who are employed at least part time by a CPGCSA member.
- Students majoring in Golf Course Management at an accredited institution and are currently a member of CPGCSA in good standing.
- Students majoring in Golf Course Management at an accredited institution and are the child of a CPGCSA member in good standing.

Guidelines for Applicants:

- Applicants must have completed at least one year at an accredited institution.
- Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
- Applicants must submit a typed essay of no more than 300 words outlining his or her career goals and why they feel they are deserving of the CPGCSA Scholarship.
- Applicants must submit two letters of recommendation: one from an instructor and one from a CPGCSA member.

Timeline

- May 10 – Scholarship applications will be accepted.
- June 30 – Deadline for submission of applications.
- August 1 – Board will review applicant's information, approve and notify recipient.
- Central Penn Night – ceremonial presentation of the award.

Enclosed please find a scholarship application. Additional applications can be found on the website www.cpgcsa.org or obtained by contacting CPGCSA office at (717) 279-0368 or cpgcsa@comcast.net. If you know of a deserving student, Central Penn GCSA can help.

Sincerely,

Matthew W. Strader, President



Golf Course Superintendents Association

Scholarship Application

Personal Data

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Address: _____ Telephone: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Educational Data

School: _____ Major: _____
Address: _____ Telephone: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Current Status: [] Freshman [] Sophomore [] Junior [] Senior
Current GPA: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____ Year expected to graduate: _____
Are you a CPGCSA member? [] Yes [] No

Employment Data:

Work Experience: (Club/Position/Dates)

Miscellaneous Data:

What are your sources to pay for college? _____

Enclosures: [] Essay [] Resume [] Professor Recommendation [] Superintendent Recommendation

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return to: CPGCSA, P. O. Box 1420 Lebanon, PA 17042

For Your Information

If you have any information that you would like included in the July newsletter, please fax information to Wanda at (717) 279-0368 or e-mail to cpgcsa@comcast.net by July 6, 2009.

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2009 CPGCSA Meeting Schedule

June 23	LedgeRock Golf Club Joint Meeting with Philadelphia
July 22	Quail Valley Golf Course
August 10	Country Club of Harrisburg
September	Penn National Golf Course Golf Championship/Annual Meeting



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