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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Wannamoisett Country Club – Rumford, RI

January 2017 – Present

A private country club providing a family oriented upscale atmosphere for members. Wannamoisett is home to a championship Donald Ross designed golf course and to the prestigious Northeast Amateur Tournament.

Assistant Superintendent

- Develop short and long range plans for golf course improvements in collaboration with the Superintendent
- Oversee the proper execution and overall outcome of all assigned tasks and chemical application
- Schedule and implement efficient and effective daily, weekly, and monthly job assignments
- Interview, hire, mentor, lead, and train seasonal employees, summer interns, and other assistants
- Provide championship course conditions and golf experiences meeting member expectations on a daily basis
- Successfully started labor-tracking to decrease inefficiencies and provide detailed labor expense reports
- Implemented an aggressive greens topdressing and greens aerification program, recommended by industry experts, to increase firmness, speed, plant health, infiltration, and consistency of putting surfaces
- Work with architect Mr. Andrew Green to develop a master plan that will restore, enhance, and modernize the golf course while maximizing membership enjoyment and staying true to Donald Ross's intent.

Victoria National – Newburgh, IN

October 2014 – December 2016

A private resort providing exceptional experiences to members and guests. Victoria National is "America's Private Retreat" and is home to a championship golf course ranked 45th greatest course by Golf Digest.

Assistant Superintendent

- Developed, implemented and tracked a 1.8 million dollar budget in collaboration with the Superintendent
- Created and applied a maintenance schedule for a crew of 35 resulting in a 10% savings in the labor budget
- Reconstructed eroding banks, slumped tees, and eroding bunker faces
- Implemented an OSHA approved employee safety and training program
- Successfully mentored and prepared interns for industry advancement
- Drafted quarterly newsletters effectively explaining agronomic practices to members and guests
- Coordinated and oversaw movement of all vendors and contractors involved with the United Leasing Championship
- Recruited and coordinated 20+ agronomy volunteers for the week of the United Leasing Championship
- Oversaw daily course conditioning such as water management, frequency of mowing, chemical applications, and bunker maintenance

Oak Hill Country Club – Pittsford, NY

January 2012 – October 2014

A private country club providing unrivaled golfing and club experiences. Oak Hill consists of two Donald Ross designed golf course and the East Course is currently ranked the 16th greatest course by Golf Digest.

Assistant-in-Training/Spray Technician

- Managed an exact up to date chemical and fertilizer inventory with a yearly budget of \$300,000
- Successfully and reliably maintained over \$250,000 chemical application equipment
- Efficiently communicated all status of all inventories and equipment to the Director of Grounds
- Educated all chemical applicators on the importance of safety protocols and precise applications
- Ensured Oak Hill CC was in compliance with all DEC regulations and guidelines
- Performed daily calibration and inspection of all chemical application equipment
- Lead large-scale projects and course improvements in preparation for the 2013 PGA Championship
- Repaired and troubleshot irrigation problems both in the field and at the control center
- Worked with arborist on large scale tree removals and yearly pruning of trees
- Installed 3000+ of feet of drainage providing firmer and drier conditions for golf and cart

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EDUCATION

Montana State University - Bozeman, MT Bachelor of Science – Environmental Horticulture	August 2007 – December 2011
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INTERNSHIPS

Oakland Hills Country Club – Bloomfield Hills, MI	May 2011 – August 2011
Fenway Park – Boston, MA	May 2010 – August 2010
Yellowstone Mountain Club – Big Sky, MT	May 2008 – August 2009

Associations and Licenses

GCSAA – Class B Member	February 2012 – Present
Rhode Island Certified Pesticide Applicator	January 2018 – Present
Toastmasters International – Providence, RI	February 2017 – Present

Tournament Experience – Host Course

2017-18 Northeast Amateur – Wannamoisett Country Club – Providence, RI	Senior Assistant
2015-16 United Leasing Championship – Victoria National – Newburgh, IN	Senior Assistant
2015-16 Big Ten Championship – Victoria National – Newburgh, IN	Senior Assistant
2013 PGA Championship – Oak Hill Country Club – Rochester, NY	Assistant-In-Training

Tournament Experience - Volunteer

2017 President's Cup – Liberty National – Jersey City, NJ	Volunteer
2014 The Player's Championship – TPC Sawgrass – Ponte Vedra, FL	Volunteer
2013 President's Cup – Muirfield Village Golf Club – Dublin, OH	Volunteer
2012 BMW Championship – Crooked Stick Golf Club - Carmel, IN	Volunteer