

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

1976 - 1978 **Bachelor of Science (75% complete)**

- Ohio State University (Cols. OH)
- Major: Landscape Architecture



1969- 1974 **Doctor of Philosophy**

- University of Vermont (Burlington, VT)
- Field of Study: Plant Physiology
- Dissertation: *Morphological and Physiological Adaptations of Red Fescue (Festuca rubra, L.) Seedlings to Simulated Sunlight, Diffuse Skylight, and Canopy Shade*
- Major Advisor: G.M. Wood; Professor of Plant and Soil Science



1966 - 1969 **Master of Science**

- University of Vermont (Burlington, VT)
- Field of Study: Plant and Soil Science
- Thesis: *Effect of Light Intensity on Seedling Growth in Red Fescue (Festuca rubra, L.)*
- Major Advisor: R.M. Klein; Professor of Plant Physiology



1961 - 1966 **Bachelor of Science**

- Ohio State University (Cols. OH)
- Major: Turfgrass Science (1st graduating class)
- Distinguished Military Graduate (Top 10% of Class)



1957 - 1961 **High School Diploma** (Pleasant View High School; Cols. OH)

EMPLOYMENT

2012 - present	Hurdzan Golf Course Design (Cols. OH) Partner
1997 - 2011	Hurdzan/Fry Golf Course Design (Cols. OH) Managing Partner
1985 - 1997	Hurdzan Golf Course Design (Cols. OH) Managing Partner
1974 - 1985	Kidwell & Hurdzan Golf Course Design (Cols. OH) Junior Partner
1972 - 1973	United States Army Active Duty
1967 - 1972	University of Vermont (Burlington, VT) Office of the Dean. Instructor. Researcher.
1966 - 1972	The Ski Rack (Burlington, VT) Co-founder of retail store for alpine / nordic ski and camping gear. One of the 1 st east coast sellers of K2 skis, Salomon bindings and Le Trappeur boots
1967 - 1972	University Turf Services (Burlington, VT) Founder of landscape maintenance and construction company
1956 - 1966	Beacon Light Golf Club (Cols. OH) Greenkeeper / superintendent

AWARDS

2022	Most Influential People in Ohio Golf The Ohio Golf Journal
2021	Hall of Fame Inductee The Golf Heritage Society
2020	Turf's 15 Leading Innovators <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Golf Inc.

- Selected to represent the profession of golf course architecture as one 15 golf industry leaders helping to improve turfgrass quality through research, education and practice.

2013 - 2017

Design Excellence Award

The American Society of Golf Course Architects

2014

Elected Fellow

The American Society of Golf Course Architects

2013

Old Tom Morris Award

- Recipient of the highest honor of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America
- Presented once annually to an individual who "*through a continuing lifetime commitment to the game of golf has helped to mold the welfare of the game in a manner and style exemplified by Old Tom Morris.*"
- Notable recipients: Arnold Palmer, Bob Hope, President Gerald Ford, Robert Trent Jones, Sr., Gene Sarazen, Tom Watson, Dinah Shore, Pete Dye, Greg Norman, Byron Nelson

2013

Environmental Leadership Award

Ohio Turfgrass Foundation

2011

Jack Kidwell Personal Excellence Award

Central Ohio Golf Course Superintendents Association

2007

Donald Ross Award

- Recipient of the highest honor of the American Society of Golf Course Architects
- Presented once annually to an individual who "*has made a positive and lasting contribution to golf and golf course architecture.*"
- Notable recipients: Tim Finchem (Fmr. PGA Tour Commissioner), Byron Nelson, Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, Pete Dye, Fmr. President George H.W. Bush, Robert Trend Jones, Sr., Deane Beman (Fmr. PGA Tour Commissioner)

and Michael Bonallack (Fmr. Secretary of the Royal & Ancient)

- 2003 **Most Powerful Golf Course Architects**
Golf Digest
- 2002 **Don A Rossi Award**
- Recipient of the highest honor of the Golf Course Builders Association of America
 - Presented once annually to “*those who have made significant contributions to the game of golf and its growth, and who in doing so, have inspired others to do the same.*”
 - Notable recipients: Gary Player, Arnold Palmer, Karsten Solheim (founder of Ping Golf) and Robert Trent Jones, Sr.
- 2001 **Distinguished Alumni Award**
University of Vermont
- 1999 **Power 25: The Most Influential People in Golf**
Golf Inc.
- 1999 **Golf Architect of the Year**
The BoardRoom
- 1999 **Ten Hottest Architects in the U.S.**
GolfWorld
- 1997 **Architect of the Year**
GolfWorld
- 1997 **Golf Architect of the Year**
The BoardRoom
- 1997 **President’s Award for Environmental Leadership**
Golf Course Superintendents Association of America
- 1997 **Hall of Fame Inductee**
The Ohio Golf Association
- 1997 **Distinguished Alumni Award**

Ohio State University

1988 **Man of the Year**
Ohio Turfgrass Foundation

1984 **Professional Excellence Award**
Ohio Turfgrass Foundation

SELECT DESIGNS

Erin Hills Golf Course (Town of Erin, WI)

Original co-design w/ Dana Fry and Ron Whitten. Site of:

- 2025 US Women's Open Championship
- 2022 US Mid-Amateur Championship
- 2017 US Men's Open Championship
- 2011 US Amateur Championship
- 2008 US Women's Publinx Championship

Ottawa Hunt and Golf Club (Ottawa, Canada)

Remodel. Original design by Willie Park, Jr. Site of:

- 2022 LPGA Canadian Women's Open
- 2017 LPGA Canadian Women's Open
- 2008 LPGA Canadian Women's Open
- 1994 LPGA du Maurier Classic
- 1937, 1960, 1970 Canadian Amateur Championship
- 1932 Canadian Open Championship

Scioto CC (Upper Arlington, OH)

Remodel w/ Jack Nicklaus. Original design by Donald Ross. Site of:

- 2016 US Senior Open Championship
- 1986 US Senior Open Championship
- 1968 US Amateur Championship
- 1950 PGA Championship

- 1931 Ryder Cup Championship
- 1926 US Open Championship

Militia Hill Course of The Philadelphia Cricket Club
(Plymouth Meeting, PA)

Original co-design w/ Dana Fry. Site of:

- 2015 PGA of America Nat'l Championship

Country Club of Darien
(Darien CT)

Remodel. Original design by Alfred Tull. Site of:

- 2022 Ladies MGA Open
- 2021 Connecticut Open
- 2020 IKE MGA Stroke Play
- 2019 Westchester Open
- 2018 PGA Metropolitan Match Play

BOOKS AUTHORED

- 2020 **Dangerous Beauty of Modern Golf Course Design** w/ Samuel Ingerwsen, M.Arch., AIA
- The watercolor paintings of Mr. Ingwersen are presented to illustrate our thesis that the cost premium (construction, maintenance, user fees, pace of play) incurred to meet with the recent trend of hyper-beautifying (ornamenting) North American golf courses is a contributing factor in the decline of golf's popularity
- 2018 **Golf and Law: Golf Course Safety, Security and Risk Management**
- Drawn from over 60 years of golf course industry experience and testimony in 160 golf related lawsuits, this book is intended to help golf industry decision makers limit, or preferably, avoid, liability for injury and/or damage through an improved understanding of the dynamics of golf course safety and sources of risk

- 2013 **Golf Course Architecture: Design, Construction & Renovation**
(Chinese Edition)
- 2008 **Golf Course Architecture: Design, Construction & Renovation**
(Korean Edition)
- 2006 **Golf Course Design: An Annotated Bibliography** (w/ Geoffrey
Cornish, ASLA, ASGCA)
- A singular, authoritative anthology, this book combines essays on the history and literature of course design with an alphabetized listing of several hundred books and pamphlets written on all aspects of the subject.
- 2006 ***Golf Course Architecture: Evolutions in Design, Construction and Restoration Technology***
- The second edition to the original *Golf Course Architecture: Design, Construction & Restoration* (1996) containing 60% new material serving to highlight the rapid advances in the craft of golf course architecture over the last decade.
- 2005 **Building A Practical Golf Facility: A Step By Step Guide to Realizing A Dream**
- Publicly endorsed by golf's most influential governing bodies (i.e., PGA of America, PGA Tour, United States Golf Association, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America).
 - This book presents a strong case for affordable, accessible golf and provides insight into the required direction, planning, design, project management and budgeting processes. Includes an array of successful case studies and associated cost analyses for those readers interested in pursuing such facilities.
- 2004 **Golf Greens: History, Theory, Design and Construction**
- Through a unique exploration of the history of golf greens, related design theories, and future trends in the game, this book uncovers how the design of modern golf greens mesh with the history of the game, examines the strengths and weaknesses of various construction methods, provides commentary on legal considerations, advice as to how to manage specific problems, and much more.
- 2003 **Selected Courses by Hurdzan/Fry, Photos and Essays, Volume I**

- This book presents the story behind 29 of the finest designs by the award-winning team of Dr. Michael Hurdzan and Dana Fry
 - Foreword by 1996 British Open Champion Tom Lehman
 - Named a "Coffee Table Classic" by Travel + Leisure Magazine
- 1999 **Golf Course Architecture: Design, Construction & Renovation**
(German Edition)
- 1996 **Golf Course Architecture: Design, Construction & Restoration** (1st Edition)
- Described as "the modern bible of golf architecture," this book distills Dr. Hurdzan's knowledge and experience into one source as he reveals both the art and science of golf course architecture while inviting the reader inside designer's mind through each step in designing a golf green, golf hole and golf course. Beautifully illustrated with 326 color photographs, and 80 course maps and drawings, it chronicles all facets of designing, building, renovating and restoring a golf course.
- 1985 **Evolution of the Modern Golf Green**
- A four-part series examining the engineering and inner workings of golf's complex and often unpredictable "dance floors".

BOOK CHAPTERS AUTHORED_____

- 2019 **Ottawa Hunt and Golf Club**
- Found In: *Golf Architecture: A Worldwide Perspective, Vol. 7* (Daley. P)
 - The golf practice (learning) center has come to be viewed as a mandatory golf course amenity and, at some private clubs, a facet of envious distinction. Retrofitting such a center, particularly at a historic, land-landlocked club, means making tough choices / changes. However, properly executed, the return can unanimously justify the investment

- 2013 **An Architects Collection: Dr. Michael Hurdzan**
- Found in: *Great Golf Collections of the World*. (McDonough, Richard and Georgiady, Peter)
 - This book was originally envisioned and commissioned by the Smithsonian Institute. The intent was to catalog the best collections of golf memorabilia and history and recognize the people and institutions that are actively preserving golf's rich history.
- 2012 **Golf For Under A Million**
- Found in: *Golf's Grand Design: The Evolution of Golf Course Architecture in America* (Cupp, B. and R. Whitten)
 - *Golf's Grand Design* focuses on golf course architecture from the 1880s through present day featuring some of America's best known and influential courses. Behind these unique courses are the colorful and creative individuals who helped fashion them. The rise of golf in America over the past 130 years is due in large part to the artistry of the people who design the courses where the game is played. Includes the writings of Jack Nicklaus, Pete Dye, Robert Trent Jones, Jr., Tom Watson, Tom Fazio, Ben Crenshaw, Tom Kite, and Rees Jones.
- 2009 **Scioto, Nicklaus, Technology & Me**
- Found in: *Golf Architecture: A World Wide Perspective. Vol 5*. (Daley, Paul)
 - The international who's who in golf architecture explores the many facets of the craft while delving into the world's most breathtaking models. Illustrated with crisp photographs and professional sketches, this collection of essays expresses the necessity for detailed scrutiny in every design.
- 2008 **“The Evolution of Erin Hills”**
- Found in: *Golf Architecture: A World Wide Perspective. Vol 4*. (Daley, Paul)
 - A trite cliché used by golf architects since the early days of Old Tom Morris is “God made the golf course and we only had to discover it”, but this was precisely the case at Erin Hills...well,

almost. Includes the writings of Tom Doak, Bradley Klein, Michael Fay. Sponsored by the Toro Co.

BOOK FOREWORDS AUTHORED

- 2022 **Searching for Donald Ross; Golf in the American Heartland**
Author: Michael Bennett
- Epilogue to a book intended to demonstrate Chick Evans as the principal designer of Zanesville Country Club (OH) but having used parts of an earlier design by Donald Ross, and including an examination of how Evans was named the designer of record in only a matter of weeks following Ross' hire.
- 2021 **The Culture of Golf---Isn't it Just a Game?**
Author: Larry Hirsh
- Golf is always evolving technically, economically and socially but not always in a positive long term or healthy direction. This book exams the game from a wide variety of perspectives and suggests what can be done to keep it traditional and growing.
- 2021 **Golf Reaches the Seven Hills: Greater Cincinnati's Golf Heritage (1890-1960)**
Author: Gerry Lanham
- History of golf is a fascinating with lots of fun stories and facts that often get lost over time unless someone like Gerry Lapham takes the time to research and document them for public consumption.
- 2019 **Best Management Practices (BMP) Planning Guide and Template**
Author: Golf Course Superintendents Association of America
- Of all professions, none are more influential than the golf course superintendent towards improving the environmental sensitivity and sustainability of the golf course industry.
- 2011 **The Philadelphia Cricket Club** (Pearson, Duncan)
- but it wasn't until we reviewed the first draft, with Dr. Michael Hurdzan's foreword, that we realized we created a study of the progression of style in golf course design over the last three centuries. As far as we know, nobody, has ever applied this level of detail toward visually presenting design

elements from the air and the Philadelphia Cricket Club, being one of the few clubs in the World, maintaining three golf courses designed and constructed in three different centuries presented the perfect subject....

- 2009 **Desirable Trees For the Midwest** (Zanon, Scott A).
- Trees are a beautiful and natural part of North American golf courses and landscapes, but in most cases, they have either been taken for granted or neglected. Information on the selection and care for this arboreal niche has been sparse and fragmented. This book addresses that deficiency and serves a practical source of information to improve the health and beneficial qualities of trees both on golf courses and in the home landscape.
- 2009 **Tournament Management: A Superintendents Guide to Preparing a Golf Course for Competition** (Miller, John C).
- This book offers superintendents and allied professionals all the tools they need to prepare and maintain golf courses for tournaments. It offers practical guidelines for a successful tournament, from how to prepare greens, tees, fairways, bunkers and rough through cup-cutting, pest management, and fertilization prior to and during the tournament to tips on managing professional events.
- 2008 **Golf Architecture: A World Wide Perspective. Vol 4.** (Daley, Paul)
- If the saying “books are windows to the world” is a true, then nowhere is that more evident than in the books on golf architecture by Paul Daley. This is the fourth volume in a series that didn’t seem as if it could get any better... but did.

ARTICLES AUTHORED

- 2022 **What is Next When Things Go Wrong**
Golf Course Management
- 2021 **Safety Should Not Happen By Accident**
Golf Course Management
- 2021 **BMP #1- A Safety Committee**
Golf Course Management
- 2019 **The Eighteenth at Erin Hills and Holy Hill**

- The Erin Hills Journal
- 2018 **Golf Collecting: Golf Course Architecture**
ASGCA Magazine
- 2018 **Essential Personal Traits of Successful Turf Professionals That are
Never Taught in School**
GreenMaster Magazine
- 2018 **Renovation for Tournament Success**
GreenMaster Magazine
- 2013 **Beware of the Chinese Damsel**
Asian Golf Business
- 2012 **My View of Turfgrass Management: 1960 Into The Future**
Asian Golf Business
- 2012 **New Golf Technology May Be Good For The Game**
Asian Golf Business
- 2012 **Why I Prefer Walking Golf**
Asian Golf Business
- 2012 **The Importance of Research To Chinese Golf**
GolfPeople Magazine (China)
- 2012 **The Joy of Golf Collecting**
Golfweek Magazine (China)
- 2012 **Culturally Different Golf**
Golfweek Magazine (China)
- 2011 **The New Golden Age of Golf Course Design**
Asian Golf Business
- 2011 **Are Celebrity Architects Qualified to Design Golf Courses?**
GolfPeople Magazine (China)
- 2011 **The Seven Deadly Sins of Golf Development in China**
GolfPeople Magazine (China)

- 2011 **The History, Theory and Folly of Rough**
GolfPeople Magazine (China)
- 2011 **Future Growth of Golf in China**
Golfweek Magazine (China)
- 2011 **Integrity is the Heart of Golf**
Golfweek Magazine (China)
- 2011 **Modernizing Historic & Traditional Golf Course**
GolfPeople Magazine (China)
- 2011 **How Long Should A Golf Course Be?**
GolfPeople Magazine (China)
- 2011 **Future Paths for Golf Course Development**
GolfPeople Magazine (China)
- 2011 **Golf and The Government: Part I**
Golfweek Magazine (China)
- 2011 **Golf and The Government: Part II**
Golfweek Magazine (China)
- 2011 **Golf Architecture**
Golf Digest (China)
- 2008 **Bunker Restoration: A Golf Course Architects Personal Philosophy**
Golf Course Architecture
- 2008 **“How Green is Golf?”**
Golf Digest
- 2007 **Collecting Memorabilia of Golf Course Architecture**
Golf Course Architecture
- 2005 **The Cayman Controversy: The Emperor’s New Clothes?**
Golf Course News

- 2000 **The Use of Computer's In Golf Architecture**
Links To The Past
- 1998 **Clarifying The California Greens**
Golf Course News
- 1998 **Legal Liabilities of Golf Green Construction**
Golf Course News
- 1998 **Redesigning & Establishing an Existing Putting Green**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **Concepts in Golf Course Design**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **Design Trends in Golf Courses and Golf Layouts**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **Dry Weather Effects On Golf Course Construction**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **Golf Course Design: Following A Formula For Profit**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **How to Build A Golf Course For Only 1 Million Dollars**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **Improvement Studies: Master and Long-Range Planning**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **Native Americans: A Commentary**
Landscape Management
- 1997 **Thirty-Five Years of Evolution in Golf Course Design**
Landscape Management
- 1997 **Yankee Ingenuity**
Golf Course News
- 1997 **Wetlands**

- Golf Course News
- 1994 **Creating the Pulpit**
Golf Business
- 1994 **Defending the Golf Course: It's More Than Just A Game**
Golf Illustrated
- 1993 **How to Become A Golf Course Architect**
Leisure Management International
- 1991 **Microclimate: Keys To Successful IPM**
Golf Course Management
- 1990 **Golf Courses and the Environment**
Parks & Recreation Magazine
- 1989 **Celebrity Designers: Pro & Con**
Golf Course News
- 1989 **Danger!**
GreenMaster Magazine
- 1989 **Golf Course Planning Process**
Golf Course Management
- 1989 **Golf Course Planning Process**
Golf Course Management
- 1989 **Strategic Design**
Golf Business
- 1988 **Trends, Traditions & Visions For Tomorrow**
Golf Course Management
- 1988 **Blue Ash: Ohio Management Innovation**
Golf Business
- 1987 **Planning and Siting of Golf Courses**
Golf Course Management

- 1987 **Role of Turf Manager in Dealing with Environmental Issues**
Golf Business
- 1986 **Nature on the Golf Course**
Golf Course Management
- 1986 **Expanding/Remodeling Your Golf Course**
Golf Business
- 1986 **Grasses & Wildflowers**
Golf Course Management
- 1985 **Building the Course: Toward a Mutual Understanding**
Golf Course Management
- 1985 **Club Planning: Lines Form Early for Profitable Golf**
Public Works Magazine
- 1985 **Golf Course Design (Topic 203)**
Western Landscaping Magazine
- 1985 **The Golf Course Builder: An Unsung Hero**
Weeds, Trees & Turf Magazine
- 1984 **Are Golf Cars Good For the Game? (w/ Pete Dye)**
Golf Magazine
- 1984 **Executive is Not a Dirty Word**
PGA Magazine
- 1984 **Proceed With Caution**
Golf Course Management
- 1984 **Pro Design**
Golf Course Management
- 1983 **Charting The Course: Speed, Slope, Skill**
Golf Course Management

- 1983 **Master Planning (Topic 103)**
Lakeshore News
- 1983 **Why Golf Is So Popular in Ohio?**
Ohio Magazine
- 1980 **Defending the Value of Golf Courses**
Weeds, Trees & Turf Magazine
- 1980 **Design & Specifications Related to Maintenance**
Weeds, Trees & Turf Magazine
- 1980 **Remodeling on a Budget**
Golf Business
- 1979 **Public Golf Design: Cut Costs, Build Profits**
Weeds, Trees & Turf Magazine
- 1978 **The History, Theory & Folly of Roughs**
Golf Business
- 1972 **Pride Beat The Steam Drill**
USGA Green Section Record

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2023 **President**
American Society of Golf Course Architects Foundation
- 2023 **Centennial Celebration Committeeman**
Golf Course Superintendents Association of America
- 2020 **Certificate in Risk Assessment**
Certificate in Best Practices for Implementing Safety and Health Management Systems
American Society of Safety Professionals (Park Ridge, IL)
- 1984 - present **President**
Board of Governors

Environmental Impact Committeeman
Professional Development Committeeman
 American Society of Golf Course Architects

1982 - present **Green Section Committeeman**
Architectural Archive Committeeman
Museum Committeeman
 United States Golf Association

1994 - 2016 **Board Member and Chairman**
 Fore Hope charity

2012 **StoryTeller**
 1 of 5 industry luminaries selected to represent the Golf Course Industry on Capitol Hill during World Golf Foundations National Golf Day

2009 - 2012 **Adjunct Professor of Golf Course Architecture**
 Shanghai Jiao Tong University

2009 - present **Panelist**
 Golf Digest “Green Star” awards

2002 - 2008 **Editorial Board Member and Monthly Columnist**
 Golf Course News

2004 - 2007 **President**
 Golf Club of Dublin (OH) Investor Management Committee

2004 **Steering Committeeman**
 World Golf Foundation Golf 20/20 Conference

2002 **Honorary Chairman and Golf Outing Chairman**
 PBS Station WOSU Annual Fundraising Auction

1998 **Member**
 PGA Tour Advisory Board

1997 **Chairman**
 Board of Trustees
 GCSAA Environmental Institute For Golf

- 1995 **Steering Committeeman and Board Member**
Golf and The Environment Initiative
- 1985 - 1988 **Director. Regent. Instructor. Student**
National Institute for Golf Management (subsidiary of the National
Golf Foundation)
- 1977 **Co-Chairman of the Student Services Committee**
Student Representative to the Board of Trustees
American Society of Landscape Architecture

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 **Golf Course Safety, Security and Risk Management (4-hour seminar)**
Annual Meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of
America (Orlando, FL)
- 2022 **Data Driven Design / Shot Dispersion Study**
Annual Meeting of the American Society of Golf Course Architects
(Providence, RI)
- 2022 **Basics of Contracts and Agreements (1-hour webinar)**
Golf Course Builders Association America
- 2022 **Golf Course Safety, Security and Risk Management (1-hour podcast)**
AllTurf Podcast
- 2022 **Golf Course Safety, Security and Risk Management (2-hour seminar)**
Trenching and Compaction Safety (2-hour seminar)
New England Regional Turf Conference (Providence, RI)
- 2022 **Golf Course Safety, Security and Risk Management Seminar (4-hour)**
Annual Meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of
America (San Diego, CA)
- 2021 **Golf Course Safety, Security and Risk Management (1-hour webinar)**
Golf Course Superintendents Association of America
- 2021 Getting Started on Your BMP Manual; Section 1 – Planning, Design,
and Construction

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

- 2021 **The Life and Times of Jack Kidwell**
Annual Meeting of the American Society of Golf Course Architects
(Providence, RI)
- 2020 **“Trenching, Compaction and Safety: How to Protect Your Assets
Below and Above Ground”**
Annual Meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of
America (Orlando, FL)
- 2020 **Reconfiguration of Prairie Trace Golf Course at Wright/Patterson
AFB**
Society of American Military Engineers (Dayton, OH)
- 2019 **The Story of Erin Hills**
Golf and the Law
Michigan Turfgrass Foundation Annual Conference (East Lansing,
MI)
- 2018 **Commonsense Evaluation and Practical Golf Course Improvements**
Golf Industry Conference and Show (San Antonio, TX)
- 2018 **Renovation for Tournament Success: Collaboration Between Architect
& Superintendent**
Stories From the Greens and Traits for Longevity in Business
Canadian Golf Course Management Conference (Quebec City,
Quebec)
- 2018 **Erin Hills; A Fairy Tale Story**
Michigan Golf Association Board of Governors Annual Meeting (Ann
Arbor, MI)
- 2018 **A Short History of Golf and Contributions by Northern Ohio**
The Westfield Historical Society (Westfield Center, OH)
- 2018 **Function First: A Key to Golf Course Resource Management**
Club Managers Association of America Annual Conference (San
Francisco, CA)
- 2017 **Commonsense Evaluation and Golf Course Improvements**
Golf Industry Conference and Show (Orlando, FL)

- 2017 **Golf Course Improvements**
Peaks & Prairies Golf Course Superintendents Association (Bozeman, MT)
- 2016 **Commonsense Evaluation and Golf Course Improvements**
The Renovation of Scioto CC
Golf Industry Conference and Show (San Diego, CA)
- 2015 **Instructor for 4-Day Seminar in Golf Architecture**
Jiao Tong University EMBA Program (Shanghai, China)
- 2015 **The Evolution of Erin Hills**
United States Golf Association Architectural Symposium (Far Hills, NJ)
- 2015 **Commonsense and Practical Golf Course Improvements**
Jane and Walt Dennis OSU Indoor Golf Performance Center
Golf Industry Conference and Show (San Antonio, TX)
- 2015 **Precision Turf Management: A Case Study in Scientifically Managing Water**
Indiana Water Resource Symposium (Indianapolis, IN)
- 2015 **Commonsense and Practical Golf Course Improvement**
New England Regional Turfgrass Conference and Show (Hartford, CT)
- 2015 **Preserving Traditions of Classic Golf Courses**
Strategies for Coping with Tree Loss
Northern Green Expo (Minneapolis, MN)
- 2015 **A Golf Odyssey - 2035 - Future of the Game**
Top 10 Reasons Why Superintendents Are More Important than Designers
Northern Ohio Golf Association (Toledo, OH)
- 2015 **Giving Golfers What They Want**
Ohio Turf Foundation Spring Tee Off (Columbus, OH)
- 2014 **Commonsense Golf Course Design Evaluation and Practical Improvements**
Communicating with Members and Boards

- Golf Industry Conference and Show (Orlando, FL)
- 2013 **Successful Case Studies in Remodeling**
Remodeling U: American Society of Golf Course Architects (North Shore CC, Chicago, IL)
- 2013 **Principles of Golf Course Architecture**
Chinese Golf Course Superintendents Association Annual Meeting (Shenzhen, China)
- 2013 **Strategies for Coping with Tree Loss on Golf Courses**
Preserving Traditional Courses While improving Playability and Maintenance
Ohio Turfgrass Conference (Columbus, OH)
- 2011 **The Future of Golf in China**
National Golf Club General Managers (of China)
- 2011 **Green: Golf and Environment**
Asian Pacific Golf Summit (Bangkok, Thailand)
- 2001 - 2010 **Golf Greens: History, Theory, Construction & Maintenance**
Annual Meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (San Diego, CA)
- 2009 **FarmLinks "Business of Agronomy"**
Toro Co. International Golf Guest Program (Sylacauga, AL)
- 1995 - 2002 **Golf Course Environmental Considerations**
Harvard University Graduate School of Design (Cambridge, Massachusetts)
- 2000 **Keynote Speaker**
World Scientific Congress of Golf (St. Andrews, Scotland)
- 1994 - 2000 **Golf Course Design Construction, and Renovation for IPM (Integrated Pest Management)"**
Annual Meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (San Diego, CA)
- 1989 - 1993 **Golf Course safety, Security and Risk Management**
Annual Meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (San Diego, CA)

1985 - present	International Guest Speaker Golf and The Environment Initiative (Mexico, England, France, Germany, Czech Republic, Japan, Canada, Scotland and Australia)
1983 - 1988	Golf Course Construction Techniques and Project Management Annual Meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America
1976	Advanced Turfgrass Course Ohio State University (Cols. OH)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- **American Society of Golf Course Architects**
(Member Emeritus, Past President, Fellow)
- **American Society of Safety Professionals**
- **American Society of Landscape Architects**
(Member Emeritus)
- **United States Golf Association**
(Historical Committeeman)
- **Golf Collector's Society**
- **National Golf Foundation**
- **National Stereoscopic Society**
- **International Turfgrass Society**
- **Golf Course Superintendents Association of America**
- **O.J. Noer Research Foundation**
- **Keepers of the Green**
- **Special Forces Association**
- **Musser International Turfgrass Foundation**
(Member of the Board)

MILITARY SERVICE AND EDUCATION

1996 Official 30-year retirement letter

1994 Departs 2nd Psychological Operations Group (TAC) (Airborne)

1993 Promoted to Colonel (O-6)

1992 Completes Civil Affairs Qualification Course (MOS 380)

1988 Leaves 246th Company, 360th Battalion, 2d Psychological Operations Group. Selected Commander – 2d Battalion, Training Group, 70th Training Division

1988 Promoted to Lieutenant Colonel (O-5)

1987 Command and General Staff Course

1986 Selected Commander – 246th Psychological Operations Company (TAC) (DS), 360th Battalion, 2d Psychological Operations Group (2 POG)

1986 Completes Reserve Component Psychological Operations Officer

1985 Awarded MOS 18A – Special Operations Commander

1985 Leaves Company “C”, 2d Battalion, 11th Special Forces Group (Airborne). Selected Commander – Special Forces Company “C”, 2d Battalion, 11th Special Forces Group (Airborne), C/2/11 SFG(A)

1981 Completes Special Forces Staff and Operations Course

1980 Promoted to Major (O-4; leaves ODA 235, 11 SFGA)










1978 Completes Infantry Officers Advanced Course

1975 Completes Psychological Officer Basic Course
Awarded PMOS 5G – Special Forces Officer designator
Awarded SQI 3 – Special Forces Officer designator

1974 Promoted to Captain (O-3)

- 1973 Chemical Corps disbanded by Presidential Order (selects Special Forces). Completes Reserve Component Special Forces Qualification Course. Completes Basic Airborne Course. Completes Infantry Officer Basic Course. Awarded PMOS 11A. Selected Commander. Special Forces Operational Detachment 5, "C" Company, 2d Battalion, 11th Special Forces Group (Airborne), (C/5/2/11 SFG(A) a.k.a., ODA 235, 11th SFGA)
- 1972 Completed Chemical Officer Basic Course – Award PMOS 74B. Selected Class Commander
- 1967 Receives active-duty deferment to attend graduate school
- 1966 Commissioned ROTC Second Lieutenant, Chemical Corps, Awarded Distinguished Military Graduate Honors, Ohio State University (Cols. OH)

MILITARY DECORATIONS _____

- Special Forces Tab 
- Special Forces Crest 
- Legion of Merit 
- Expert Infantry Badge 
- Expert Marksmanship (M-16, Flame Thrower, .45) 
- British Parachutist Badge 
- Meritorious Service Medal w/ 1 OLC 
- Basic Airborne Badge  

- German Parachutist Badge 
- National Defense Service Medal 
- Army Achievement Medal w/ 2 OLCs 
- Army Commendation Medal w/ 2 OLCs 
- Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal w/ 4 OLCs 
- Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon w/ Number "2" Officers Insignia 
- National Defense Service Ribbon 

ENDOWMENTS

- **Dr. Michael J. Hurdzan Endowment Fund**
Sponsored by the Environmental Institute for Golf
- **Jack Kidwell Scholarship Fund**
Sponsored by The Columbus Foundation

PERSONAL INTERESTS

- **Golf antiquities**
Has assembled, over 50+ years, one of the largest privately held collections of golf antiquities in the world w/ specialization in books, sheet music and wood-shaft clubs
- **SuperKart**
A multi-time Club Champion in the 250cc single and twin 2-stroke road racing division. Tracks include Daytona International Speedway (FL), Laguna Seca (CA), Road America (WI), Mid-Ohio (OH), Putnam (IN), Michigan International Speedway (MI), Virginia International (VA),

NCM Motorsports Park (KY) and Pittsburgh International (PA)

- **Special Forces Association**

The voice for the Special Forces community perpetuating Special Forces Traditions and Brotherhood, advancing the public image of Special Forces and promoting the general welfare of the Special Forces Community

- **Psychological Operations Veterans Association**

An organization of soldiers who are serving, or have served, in the US Army Psychological Operations Branch to continue its traditions and support its members