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July Meeting

The July Meeting will be held at Hunt Valley Golf Club, located in Phoenix, Maryland, on Tuesday, July 12th.

Your host superintendent is Bob Orazi. Bob was born in Rhode Island and attended the University of Rhode Island, where he majored in Agronomy. Bob graduated in 1960.

The original 18 hole course was built in 1969, designed by Ed Ault of Silver Spring, Maryland. Bob assisted during construction in the grading and seeding of the greens and tees and remained on, following construction, as Golf Course Superintendent.

In May of 1975 another 9 holes were started at Hunt Valley as part of an expansion program which included a swimming pool complex and 4 Har-Tru tennis courts, plus 2 all weather tennis courts, in addition to expansion of the clubhouse. The new 9 were designed by Algie Pulley and opened for play in May of this year.

All greens are Penncross Creeping Bent. The majority of tees are a blend of 3 Colonial Bent varieties. Some of the tees have been converted to Bluegrass and Ryegrass varieties. The fairways are primarily a blend of several Bluegrass varieties.

Bob received his maintenance experience under the watchful eyes of Alex Watson at Sparrows Point Country Club. Prior to working with Alex, he worked in the field of Golf Course construction, where he was involved with the construction of 7 other golf courses.



BOB ORAZI

Directions to the Club: Exit on Shawan Road East from Interstate 83 North. Proceed to York Road and then turn right. Approximately 1/2 mile on York Road turn left onto Ashland/Papermill Roads. Continue along Papermill Road for approximately 2 miles and turn left on Phoenix Road. Entrance to golf course is on right off Phoenix Road.

Program: Golf: Anytime
Cocktail Hour: 6:00 p.m.
Dinner: 7:00 p.m.
Speaker: Peter Chapin - topic:
"Motivation"

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Members,

It has been encouraging to your Board of Directors to see attendance picking up at our monthly meetings. It's hard to put a finger on exactly why our attendance has increased, but for whatever reason or reasons, it most definitely is encouraging.

Our July 12 meeting at Hunt Valley Golf Club will be hosted by Bob Orazi and will be highlighted by Bob's new nine hole addition: Take it from me, you've got to see it. Bob has done a super job of establishing nine holes of Good Golf on some pretty rough terrain.

Bob Milligan has once again donated the use of his Gunpowder Country Club in Laurel for our annual picnic, August 9th. Mark the date down, August 9th, for fun and frolic with the family. Ben Stagg, Ken Braun, or Paul Barefoot will be in touch with you with requests for food stuffs.

Yours for finer turf for better Golf.

Bill Emerson