Congratulations are in order to Dick Fischer. Dick is Superintendent at the Lake Monticello Golf Course in Charlottesville, Virginia. Dick was awarded his Certified Golf Course Superintendent’s Status and was presented his plaque at our October meeting. Dick was presented his plaque by our Vice President Sam Kessel. This was a great personal pleasure for Sam, as Dick once worked for Sam as his assistant at Country Club of Fairfax.

I’ve just received a flyer in the mail from the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendent’s Association. This flyer announced their 12th Annual Turf Symposium October 26th and 27th at the Pfister Hotel in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In the last year I’ve received 20 flyers announcing Turf Symposia, seminars and conferences from all over the country, but this year Wisconsin has come up with a very refreshing and very important format for their symposium. They have pointed out that growing grass is not enough anymore for the progressive golf course superintendent. Their talks include “Professionalism At Its Best”, “Pride in Our Profession”, and “Keeping Your Head On Straight During Stress”, presented by Carl D. Koutsky, M.D. The other lectures include Budgeting, Personnel Management and Club Operations and Economics.

Personally, I get “turfed” to death at many seminars. I hope that the 12th Annual Wisconsin Golf Turf Symposium is a resounding success, and I further hope that other associations will follow their lead.

WAYNE EVANS

Memorial Tournament Successful Again

A large thank you is in order to Bob Shields and his Woodmont staff. Bob and company have made us feel right at home once again. Thanks Bob, you’re the greatest.

Congratulations are also in order to all of our winners, they were:

LOW GROSS, CLASS A & B
1st - David Kroll (Rueben Hines Trophy)
2nd - Paul O’Leary
3rd - Stanley Lawson
4th - Bob Miller
5th - Ron Hall

LOW NET, CLASS A & B
1st - Sam Kessel (Bill Glover Trophy)
2nd - Ralph Strouth
3rd - Grant Pensinger
4th - Martin Nadinichke
5th - Bert Yingling

CLASS C & D
Low Net - Steve Fowler
Low Gross - Bill Neus

CLASS E
Low Net - Brian Finger
Low Gross - Tom Comalli

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The farmer always had to contend with the weather. The year without summer was 1816. Ice formed one-half inch thick in May; a three-inch snow fell in June and ice was still one-eighth inch thick in July.

In 1850, the value of equipment and implements on an average farm was valued at $115. Today, that valuation might be multiplied a thousand-fold or more.

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GUESTS
Low Net - Chuck Sissell
Low Gross - Harry Allen
LONGEST DRIVE - David Kroll
CLOSEST TO PIN - Bob Miller

Gentlemen, congratulations. To all other contestants, better luck next year.

Endangered Species
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the chance for its commercial success is so slim. With pesticides for food crops in jeopardy, you can imagine how remote is the possibility of new pesticides for turf.

4. Just after Silent Spring appeared, the food pesticides people found their warehouses filled with pesticide compounds that the government had banned for food crop use. When a magazine writer said that, "A $14 million market has opened up for fungicides on golf course turf," you can bet the food pesticides manufacturers started moving their erstwhile unsaleable (for food crop use) fungicides over into the turf market, rightly reasoning that "very few people eat grass." It was at this time (mid 1960's) that you saw entry into the turf fungicides markets, firms which had never participated in such markets before.

5. Right after Silent Spring, Monsanto published a resounding rebuttal to the book. To discover what the world would be like without pesticides, read the October, 1962, issue of Monsanto Magazine article entitled "The Desolate Year." It depicts a world without pesticides, overrun with insects and other pests, and presents a frightening picture of how tenuous is the thread that holds civilization together. Without pesticides, the human race could literally be eliminated.