December Meeting

Site: Marlboro C.C.
Host: David Scott Wagner
Date: December 11, 1979
Lunch: Available
Golf: Anytime
Carts: $5.50 per person
Cocktails: 5:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M., Cash Bar
Dinner: $14.00 — Buffet including:
Prime rib, potatoes, two vegetables, salad bar, relish trays, jello molds, rolls and coffee and tea.

Scott Wagner is the new Superintendent at Marlboro C.C., replacing Wayne Evans who has just recently moved over to Indian Springs C.C. Scott has graciously accepted to keep the meeting at his club, which all of the Mid-Atlantic should come out and show support to a new Superintendent who not only has the new responsibility of position, but also of the difficult task of hosting a monthly meeting. In talking with Scott, he hasn’t really been able to complete a course profile for the newsletter so instead he’ll try to give us some course history at the meeting.

Directions: 495 to Rt. 4, Upper Marlboro exit. Take Rt. 4 to Crain Highway. Left onto Crain and proceed into Marlboro. Upon entering Marlboro, bear left at the large monument onto Rt. 725. Go straight on 725, 1/2 mile to the Club which will be on the right side.
Phone: 952-1300 or 952-0333.

Dear Mike and Peggy Larsen,

I asked Greg how I might express my appreciation for your outstanding efforts in organizing this year’s Ladies Night. He suggested the Mid-Atlantic Newsletter.

Nichi Bei Kai has always been one of our favorite restaurants, so I was pleasantly surprised to see it as the choice for dinner. The play, “Death Trap”, was a real thriller that kept me on the edge of my seat and amused simultaneously. Judging by the screams and laughter of those around us, I’d say we all felt the same.

I have a pretty good idea how much energy you must have expended for this event. I can only speak for myself, but from the feelings I received from the other wives, I feel safe in saying to you and your wife, a very sincere thanks for your hard work and most enjoyable evening.

Yours truly,
Gini Bayor

Editors Review of 1979

For those of you who don’t already know it, I’m giving up the job as Editor of the Newsletter. The single biggest reason for this is that my job of running two 18 hole golf courses and 900 acres of parks is just too time consuming. Its my opinion that if I were to continue as Editor the Newsletter would suffer. Although this past year as Editor did have its dark moments, I really did enjoy the opportunity to contribute to the Association.

The year 1979 has been rewarding to me as Editor. Add this with what I believe was a satisfactory meeting at my Mt. Pleasant G.C., totals a year for me to always remember. To all of you Newsletter contributors and Host Superintendents, I wish to extend my thanks to you for making this year memorable.

This years’ meeting continued the tradition of events that are always looked forward to, and I’m sure next years will be also. After and abscence of a few years the Mid-Atlantic again held two joint meetings, their success this year indicates that this is something worth continuing. The golfing was supperb on excellent conditioned courses that were fun and challenging; in addition to our regular events, the new match play was an added attraction. A special thanks to Ken Braun for his continued effort to keep us hackers feeling like pros.

The dinners this year ranged from the plush at $16.50 to the basic at $8.50, quite a difference in range, but all well worth their value. The topics and speakers were again beneficial to all who attended; to those of you who stayed home, you not only lost out on valuable information, but you also missed that extra special comradery with fellow Superintendents.

1979's special events were outstanding: the Turfgrass Booster Tournament, the Annual Picnic, and the Ladies Night. All members who attended these special functions owe a great debt of thanks to the organizers. There are a lot of “non-contributors” in the Mid-Atlantic who could really contribute a lot with a few remarks of thanks to these “organizers” who receive nothing but the smile on your faces.

The best piece of advice I can offer my successor is that whomever takes over this Newsletter had better be honest with himself and sincerely believe that he has the amount of time it takes to do a GOOD job worthy of the Mid-Atlantic. Secondly, let me warn the new editor to work with what he has on hand, and now wait for any promised material. Theres always room for improvement in anything, so I’m sure the new Editor will come up with some really great issues.

The areas that I tried to improve on was more article material and an attempt to make the Newsletter break even financially. I do believe that many of this years articles were beneficial to the readers, and hopefully kept their interest and anticipation up. Unfortunately the Newsletter came close, but never did break even: in order to increase the number of articles, the number of advertisers had to be increased to pay for the added costs. My one attempt at a

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