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THE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

By the time you get this message we will all be able to sit back, relaxed, for a little while and take stock. It has been a summer to remember; a summer that has tested all the skills of every superintendent; a summer without hours and the man who has come thru with little difficulty can be humbly proud of a great achievement. By now the summer scars have been largely healed and the plans for fall construction and other work completed and some work started.

In planning the fall activity, plan to be with us at every meeting. We will have continued outside activity 'till freeze up and you have been very close to your jobs all summer. Especially, make a special effort to attend the joint meeting with Wisconsin at Burlington on September 15. These meetings are always most interesting and the good fellowship among superintendents is never in more evidence than at that time.

I'll be seeing you at Browns Lake on September 15.

Ray Davis, President.



WELCOME TO WISCONSIN

On September 15, the Wisconsin Greenkeepers Association will be host to the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents at Browns Lake Golf Club, Burlington, Wisconsin.

As President of the Association, I wish to extend to all a hearty welcome. We are looking forward to getting together with the Illinois boys as we have done at this meeting for so many years. We hope to enjoy a fine day of golf together and the good fellowship which has characterized these meetings and to have what we so much enjoy—a good old fashioned Bull Session.

Let's all get together for a wonderful day.

Howard Gabbey

Pres. Wisconsin Greenkeepers Association



PRO-SUPT. TOURNAMENT AT WOODRIDGE

The 5th Annual Pro-Supt. Tournament was held at Woodridge Country Club on Monday July 28. Hosts were Ted Hammerschmidt, owner, and Peter Bild, Superintendent.

The best ball handicap event was won by Pro. Joe Paletti of Sunset Ridge Country Club and Dom Grotai, Supt. of the same club. They shot a 68 - 4 - 64. First low gross went to Stan Arendt of Inverness and Dick Buchen of Chesterfield. 2nd low net went to Roy Wallin and Peter Bild of the home club. 3rd low net Bob Collins and Amos Lapp of St. Andrews.

Many of the Superintendents did not have an established handicap with the Golf Committee of our Association, so a Peoria handicap system was played by them and their partners. Winners were, 1st; Frank Wilson and John Houdek; 2nd, Pete Wilcox and Ed Stewart; 3rd, Jim McDonald and Joe Dinelli.

The annual dinner was held in the evening with Henry Ransom, tournament star from St. Andrews, as guest speaker.

OUR MEETING WITH WISCONSIN

Our September meeting will be with the Wisconsin Greenkeepers Association on September 15. The meeting will be held at Browns Lake Golf Club, with Albert Ebbers, host Superintendent. Al is a likable, jovial fellow, comparatively new in the greenkeeping business, having taken over Browns Lake in 1949. He has been most adept at the art of greenkeeping since and what he recognized he did not know, has sought out the information from those who were in a position to help him. Browns Lake is a sporty course and we are confident that the boys will enjoy their day of golf and fellowship very much.

These joint meetings are an annual affair, with the two Associations alternating as hosts. This time Wisconsin is the host at Browns Lake. These meetings have always been a big success and have been very much enjoyed by members of both Associations.

The feature of the golf tournament in the afternoon will be the competition for the Midwest-Wisconsin Trophy, which was played for the first time last year. This is a team event with the four players from each Association with the lowest scores denoted as the teams. The cup was won at Fox Lake last year by the Midwest team consisting of El Pruess, John Coghill, Ralph Wymer Jr., and Bill Krafft. The Midwest Association can expect a great deal more competition this year with Wisconsin on their home grounds. The Wisconsin boys have some really fine golfers in their Association and they will be out to take the cup to Wisconsin this time.



THE SPECIAL MEETING AT MEDINAH

The special meeting at Medinah the evening of the 14th of August was spirited and interesting. Our guest speaker of the evening was Dr. O. J. Noer who had just returned from a tour of various sections of the country. He discussed what he had seen and commented on how some of the troubles of this summer could have been prevented. Dr. Noer showed Kodacrome slides of some of the troubles he had seen and as is always the case, his talk was very interesting. All parts of the country have suffered this summer and we are far better off than many. Dr. Noer said that a lot of the troubles were made worse by a lack of competent help on the golf course.

As usual Pres. Davis was the perfect host and the liquid refreshment at the close of the meeting was greatly appreciated.



GOLF WINNERS AT KANKAKEE

Low gross, Bill Krafft; 1st low net for guests, Allen Fryberger; 2nd J. McArthur. 1st low net for members, Al Hintz; 2nd, Ray Huenerberg; 3rd, Jerry Transier; 4th, Andy Dunn; 5th, Ray Davis; 6th, Pete Bild; 7th, Julius Goffo; 8th, Dick Buchen; 9th, George Roloff.



ON THE AILING LIST

Harold Reid, Supt. Ridgemoor Country Club, was reported on the sick list. Harold had been working too hard and probably worrying over his course and suffered a slight heart attack. We sincerely hope for a speedy recovery. Take it easy, Harold.



Directions for reaching Burlington for our joint meeting with Wisconsin are as follows: Follow Route 83 to Burlington and Browns Lake Golf Club is just east of town.