

THE BULL SHEET, official monthly publication of THE MIDWEST ASSOCIATION OF GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS. Editor, William H. Stupple, 543 Michigan Ave., Highland Park, Ill.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On May 14th, our executive committee held a meeting to formulate plans for the next several months. Attendance at the meeting was 100% and indicates that the directors and officers are very conscientious about their responsibilities. The plans and functions of the various committees will be reported upon to the membership at the regular monthly meetings.

Also on May 14th, I attended a meeting of the green committee and officers of the Chicago District Golf Ass'n. for the purpose of presenting the problem of golf course maintenance research to them and to ask their help in solving the question. Frank Dinelli, our research committee chairman and Ray Gerber our Turfgrass advisory committee chairman, assisted in the presentation. The primary outcome of the meeting was that the CDGA green committee wishes to cooperate with the golf course sup'ts. and help to work out the recommendations of the sup'ts. for local research work. While the objectives of our program will take several years to work out, I feel that the first step has been taken and as additional meetings occur we will keep you informed as to the progress.

At the monthly meeting held at Elmhurst C. C., I was directed to contact the Western Golf Ass'n. in regard to the possibility of establishing scholarships for potential golf course sup'ts. This I have done and a letter of reply has been received. I will forward the letter on to our BULL SHEET editor Bill Stupple for publication. I am pleased with the attitude of their ass'n. and hope that I will be able to meet with them in the near future to work out something a little more specific.

Your directors have planned a wonderful day for you at our next monthly meeting to be held at Ravisloe C. C. on June 4th. Host Sup't. Walter Kilmer is looking forward to seeing all of you so don't disappoint him.

Robert M. Williams
President

THE JUNE MEETING

Our June meeting will be held at Ravisloe Country Club, Homewood, Illinois, on Monday, June 4. Our old friend, Walter Killmer will be our host and any of you who have attended meetings at Ravisloe in the past, know of his wonderful hospitality. There will be the usual Golf Tournament in the afternoon, Social Hour, Dinner and the meeting in the evening. Gordon Brinkworth, Education Chairman, has invited Mal McLaren and Stan Graves of the Cleveland District to be our speakers of the evening. Their subjects will be of the speakers choice. These men are returning the visit which Bob Williams recently made to Cleveland to speak at their April meeting at Elyria Country Club, Cleveland. We believe it is a wonderful idea in furthering the promotion of inter-District relations and exchange of ideas between local areas. It should be a very interesting meeting.

We were very happy to see Ted Woehrle at the meeting. Ted has been in the army serving as a Lieutenant of Artillery. Ted was over seas in Germany during most of his service and has just recently received his discharge. Glad to have you with us again, Ted.

Mr. Robert M. Williams, President
Midwest Association of Golf Course Supts.

Dear Bob:

Before sending your kind letter of May 10 on to Jim O'Keefe, who is currently in and out of the city in connection with his activities as Democratic candidate for Attorney General, I would like to comment on your very plausible idea of having some of our Evans Scholars direct their education toward the field of course superintendence.

The way our Evans Scholars program is set up, each student is privileged to select his own field of study. Personally, were I working around a golf course as a caddie, I think I would see the great advantage of following the field of course maintenance, particularly if my aptitude were in the direction of agriculture, etc. Strangely, however, we very seldom have scholars who indicate that they desire to follow an agricultural course but this most certainly does not mean that in the future there will not be candidates who will desire to take up these majors.

I have talked with our Educational Director, Roland McGuigan, about the matter and explained to him the real importance and fine living which is connected with a course superintendent's position. He said he would be certainly alerted toward bringing up this type of curricula to any scholars he interviews who reveal an aptitude for such a type of work.

Most certainly, Bob, any candidate expressing a desire to follow the turfgrass management curricula will receive the top-most consideration, particularly in view of what contribution it will make to the future of golf. The problem up to now has been that no candidate yet has indicated a desire to follow this course, and we most certainly would welcome any encouragement that your Association, as a group, or your members as individuals could give toward bringing this pursuit to the attention of outstanding caddies at your club.

I don't know how Jim O'Keefe's time will be allocated during the next several months of active campaigning, but undoubtedly you will be hearing from him and, meanwhile, if you desire to discuss this matter further I would be very happy to get together with you.

Sincerely,
Milton Woodard
Executive Vice President

SPRING DINNER DANCE BIG SUCCESS

The dinner dance at River Forest on May 5, was without a doubt, the most successful to date. There was an attendance of 159 and Ed Stewart, Entertainment Committee Chairman, reports that there were really 164 reservations. The food was wonderful, the music excellent and the entertainment a big hit. Everybody had a great time. As usual, door prizes were distributed. The winners were Frank Koller, Mrs. Russ Reed, Mrs. Jerry Dearie, Jr., Louis Petges, Violet Johnson, Edward Farrell, Mrs. Wes Updegraff, Mrs. Paul Popp, Don Stewart, Cliff Rasmussen, Mrs. Robert Stunkel, Mrs. Bert Rost, Russ Reed, Mrs. Bill Saielli, Ward Cornwall, Bob Williams, Mrs. Ralph Dieths, Mrs. Wm. Brenner, Ralph Dieths, M. R. Ryder, Paul Popp.

Door prizes were donated by George A. Davis, Inc., Roseman Tractor Mower Co., Paul Burdett, Al Schaper—The Sod Nursery, Illinois Equipment Co., Frandsen Bros.

Our many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Stewart for a job well done.

Our July meeting will be held at Ridgemoor Country Club, Cliff Rasmussen host, on July 9.