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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our April Meeting held at the Calumet Country Club is one we will remember for a long time, and our many thanks to Paul Voykin, host superintendent, and the Club Manager, Mr. Haffner, for taking care of us in such a gratifying manner. The attendance was over eighty.

We were honored to have with us at our last meeting, Mr. Elmer Border, President of the Golf Course Superintendent's Association, Camarillo, California; Dr. Gene Nutter, Executive Director of the G. C. S. A.; Dr. William Daniels from Purdue University, and Mr. J. B. Beard from Purdue University. Dr. Daniels and Mr. Beard presented the educational program, and, as usual, did a marvelous job. Mr. Jim Holmes of the U. S. G. A., Greens Section, enlightened us on some of our problems which we are encountered with this Spring, and from most all reports there are many. Poa Annua has sure taken it on the chin this past Winter. The question is, will it recover? The results will be interesting.

Several species of Japanese Yews were severely damaged during the Winter. Some are a total loss. It is discouraging to see yews that were so beautiful last year and completely brown this Spring.

Our May 4th meeting will be held at the Hinsdale Golf Club, Hinsdale, Illinois. Bill Schwantz, Grounds Superintendent, will be our host. To the best of my knowledge this is the first time the Midwest Association has ever held their meeting at this Club. We are very grateful to the Club for this privilege. Hinsdale is a private Club and it will not accept cash money for any purchase made. It will be necessary for each person to sign his name and address to his charge ticket.

I hope to see all of you at our Dinner and Dance, May 1st, at Butterfield Country Club. DON'T FOR-GET to make your reservation.

RAY GERBER, President

### CLIPPINGS

Bill Schwantz is well into his 41st year as an employee of the Hinsdale Golf Club, and has been Supt. for the past 25 years. In that time Bill has had a hand in making many changes at Hinsdale but the trap on the 16th green in the form of Andy Gump has been unchanged since it was constructed twenty-seven years ago. Bill and his wife Lillian now reside in Clarendon Hills. Bill loves to fish and has made many trips to Wisconsin and Florida. Peter Bild Superintendent of the Woodridge G. C. is reported to be in Hines Hospital for a General check-up. Visiting hours are from 2 to 4 P.M. Harold Borgman formerly with Wes Updegraff at Oak Park is serving as assistant to Pete at Woodridge.

Dr. Daniels and Mr. Beard presented a very informative program pertaining to soil temperatures at our last meeting. Dr. Daniels pointed out that it took 1,000, 000 separate notations to complete the slides that took only a few minutes to explain to us. Yes research is expensive, but necessary.

Mother nature sure took a slap at some turf grasses this winter, it is a bit early to evaluate the damage whether it was a T. K. O. or one to make it late in answering the bell.

Gordon Brinkworth who has been Supt. at the Olympia Fields Country Club for the past 4 years and prior to that 3 years at Brookwood has resigned to become General Manager at the Derrick Country Club, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Gordon will leave May 15th, to assume his new duties, returning after school is out to move his family north.

The Derrick Country Club will officially open July 1st. The plant consists of a new club house, an 18 hole golf course, designed and constructed by Gordons father



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