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The President's Message

Our last meeting at Glen Flora Country Club with host superintendent, Peter Bild; manager, Fred Parkinson; Pro, Ken Henry, was a delightful success from the standpoint of attendance and hospitality. It is nice to have such congenial friends in the Chicago district to host meetings for the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents. We also want to thank the boys that supplied the refreshments on the course; the shrimp bowl, and McGregor Company and representatives for their donation of a set of woods and irons.

Our next meeting, August 9th at the McHenry Country Club is a joint meeting with our many fine friends from Wisconsin Association that have traveled many times to our turf clinics and meetings and again we should have a fine turnout at a club that has always welcomed the golf course superintendents.

Before our meeting at Glen Flora, I was invited as a representative of the Midwest Association on June 29th to attend the Al Dorband day at Mission Hills Golf Club. It was an honor to attend such a dinner in recognition of a superintendent and his fine family for the many years at Mission Hills. Harry Pezzula, President of the P.G.A. of Illinois, was M.C. and as always, great. Probably the most enjoyable day I have experienced in a long time. May the next forty years be as successful to you, Al Dorband.

Al Johnson,
President

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LAST MEETING

The July meeting of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held at the beautiful Glen Flora Country Club in Waukegan, Illinois. Peter Bild was host Superintendent for the July 15th meeting. The weather was perfect and the attendance was outstanding. Over 160 attended. Highlights of the day included golf, dinner and an Educational program following a lively business meeting.

Golf activities were divided into two types of tournaments. These were, a Blind Bogey run by the Assistant Pro, a Peoria System Tournament run by the Association with extra gifts donated by the MacGregor Golf Equipment Co. Golf Chairmen, Douglas Jabaay and Ed Braunsky distributed the prizes as follows:

Low Gross — Joe Dinelli.

Low Net winners with 66's were Joe Canale (winner of a set of MacGregor irons donated by Harry Adams and Harold Borgman) and Bob Winters who won a set of MacGregor woods also donated by the above. Mike Mulvihill and Paul Frankowski were tied for the next spot with 67's and the remainder of the Peoria System winners were: Bob Williams, Don Gricus, Don Theesfield, George Druzisky, Bill Hargrave, Harry Roberts, Ken Lapp, Ken Goodman, Ed Stewart, Al Pruess, Roger Rochelle, Buzz Didier, Fred Opperman, Ted Hammerschmidt, George Whitner, Steve Parkinson, Bill Saielli Jr., Russ Reed, Ken Christianson, Chuck Reed, Emil Mashie, Oscar Miles Art Benson Jr., Alby Staudt, Art Benson Sr., Warren Roseman, Ted Woehrle and Dick Richardson.

Winners of the Tournament conducted by the Assistant Pro in the Blind Bogey event were: Ed Burke, Wes Updegraff and Dan Taggart. Each won a handsome carrying bag.

BUSINESS MEETING

The monthly business was held immediately after the delicious buffet dinner served by Manager, Fred Parkinson and his able staff. A few words were offered by Mr. Chas. White Jr., Chairman of the Grounds Committee in the way of a welcome. Peter certainly is appreciated by his Club Members at Glen Flora.

Wes Updegraff pointed out that Don Strand, Superintendent of Westmoreland Country Club is ailing and in the hospital. A get-well card was passed around the room for the members to sign and send on to Don. We all wish Don a speedy and complete recovery so he can once again join us at our meetings.

President, Al Johnson called the meeting to order for the specific purpose of nominating and electing members of the Midwest Association for various positions in the National. During the confusion of a boisterous and unruly session in which several of our notoriously famous agitators walked out of the meeting the outcome was finally decided in favor of Ed Stewart (relatively unknown in National affairs) as our choice for Nomination of National Director, Bob Williams was suggested and appointed as chief delegate to the National Conference and Ted Woehrle was appointed as Assistant delegate. Ed shouldn't have much trouble getting elected with these two seasoned politicians working for him. They should be able to overcome any shortcomings that Ed might have.