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The President's Message

JUSTICE — BENEVOLENCE — EDUCATION

The above three words are found in the By-Laws of our National organization and are so important the founder of the GCSAA saw cause to place them on its insignia (see Section 3 of the GCSAA By-Laws).

Over the years, much stress has been placed on Education and rightly so, because without it we cannot go ahead successfully. To be sure, our industry shares its technology and does so through good education facilities which makes for better economic opportunities. However, education without moral principles is a hollow shell. Our work is dedicated to a better, more pleasurable life for others. Let us dedicate one to another these very basic moral principles of Justice, the quality of being fair and using sound reasoning in everything we do; Benevolence, thoughtful consideration and kindness in our actions, words and deeds. If we can live by these principles, we will make our profession one to be admired and take pride in.

Adolph Bertucci
President

The following is a letter received from one of our honorary members.

Mr. Roy W. Nelson,
Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents.

Dear Roy:

I received the picturesque, graceful poster and the Honorary Membership Card for 1966. It was happiness to realize the spirit of love and friendship which prompted the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents to send them to me. I have always tried to feel when I was on a golf course that, if the greenskeeper were actually pleasant and present, I would try to do and swing in such a manner that he would give me the mark of his own approval. Love and best wishes to all of you.

Gratefully yours,
Chick Evans



Fred Opperman, Superintendent Elmhurst C. C.

MARCH MEETING

There is no doubt the three hardy souls that tried to play golf were not too disappointed when they found the course at Elmhurst cold, damp and wet. Fred Opperman, Superintendent, welcomed about twenty early birds who played cards and just sat around and caught up on the winter news. Our dinner of rib-eye steak, served up by Manager Jack Fina's staff was tender enough to cut with a knife. It was nice to see such a good turn out for this meeting, 83 people made their appearance by the end of the evening.

In our business meeting Past Presidents pins were presented to Al Johnson and John Darrah. Ed Wollenberg gave a detailed report of the Auditing Committee showing all figures were correct and in good order. Doug Jabaay as editor of the Bull Sheet gave last year's figures and reported anticipating an increase in advertising income in the next year.

Paul Voykin gave a report on the advisory committee meeting at Kansas City, a copy of this is printed on another page.

Our alternate delegate Ted Woehrle told that the Midwest with 120 votes was second in the nation only to Ohio. His report was covered in detail in the last issue by Bob Williams.

The educational part of our program for the evening featured an impromptu Kodaslide session and a film called "Heritage of Splendor" which told how litter is
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Hubby Habjan, Pro at Onwentsia C.C., and Adolph Bertucci.



Jack Smith, Superintendent Riverwoods C. C.

APRIL MEETING

According to the notice sent out about this meeting, Jack Smith, our host superintendent, was to have ordered perfect weather for our first golf outing of the year at Riverwoods Country Club. Looks like he is no better than the weather man, cause it snowed, rained, sleeted and the sun even tried to shine. But, six of our members didn't let this stop them, they went out with clubs in hand, and only three finished.

Hearts and poker were the order of the afternoon for those that could get away early. The usual bull sessions also had a place, with refreshments (hors d'oeuvres) through the courtesy of Art Baker, Jr., Lou Rosunova, Arthur Clesen. The host manager, Mike Loment, arranged one of the most outstanding buffet dinners that we have had in a long time. Quite a few members had a chance to see the ballroom where our fall dinner dance will be held. Our arrangements chairman Walter Fuchs reported the meeting sites for the rest of the year:

- May 3 — Palos Park C. C.
- May 16 — Northmoor C. C. (with managers)
- June — Indian Hills C. C.
- July — Olympia Fields C. C.
- August — (Meeting with Wisconsin)
- September — Flossmoor C. C. (Annual Tournament)
- October — Butterfield C. C.
- November — Fort Sheridan C. C.
- December — Midlothian C. C.

Our guest speaker of the evening, Mr. Hubby Habjan of Onwentsia Country Club, winner of the National "Club Professional of the Year" for 1965, presented an address on the "Club Superintendent and Professional Relationship." Operating as a team with the superintendent, working for one goal to give the members the best, were just two of the high points of a half hour that passed much too fast. You could see why this master of his trade was given the honor of pro of the year. This was a great meeting.

MARCH MEETING (continued)

one of the most costly expense items in our country. We wish to thank Bert Rost for bringing this film for us to see.

It was a pleasure to be back at Elmhurst Country Club again.



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