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### *The President's Message*

Historically, the newly elected President's first message is basically a thank you and a promise. The thank you meaning how grateful the new President is for being selected to lead the Midwest Association, and the promise that of trying to do a good job. It goes without saying that I feel the same way as those who have preceded me in this office, but I do feel that more important than that, I think you should have an idea as to my personal objectives for my term as President.

Everything we are exposed to these days is new — new equipment, chemicals, seeds, and methods; new concepts in management, labor effectiveness and construction, all new. I know each of us are appreciative and are receptive to these new innovations, but I feel that there's a few of the old things that perhaps we often overlook or forget. I'm talking about the things that have made us what we are as individuals and as an Association. The most important of these old things is Fellowship and Teamwork. For 1966, I'd like to propose a slogan for the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents and it's quite simply "let's bring back the good old days." Let's keep pushing ahead with the new ideas, turf management materials and techniques. Let's keep on trying to improve and keep abreast of the times, but at the same time, let's bring back the spirit of help and mutual cooperation that the old timers had when they started the Association.

This year, let's all pull together to eliminate some of the problems that we have experienced and go on to make the Midwest — Better Than Ever!

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On January 7, 1966 Donald Strand age 58, passed away. His wife Marjorie preceded him in death in 1961. He is survived by two sons, Donald and Clair Robert, a sister, Norma Bright, and five grandsons.

Don was Superintendent for some twenty-five years at Westmoreland Country Club, Wilmette, Ill. Previous to this he was at the Fort Wayne Country Club. He also was associated at one time with the Maddox Construction Company in the building of golf courses. In his early years he was employed by the Remington Arms skeet and trap shooting division.

Don was past president of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association as well as director of our National Association. May we all bow our head to a man that has done so much for our profession.

The members of the Midwest Association wish to express our sympathy to Leo Cleary and the W. A. Cleary Corporation in the passing of Bill Cleary on December 4, 1965. We all know of him as a person whose high ideals in the golf supply industry have long furthered the cause of the Golf Course Superintendent. May his good work continue on with those who are left to carry on.

## DECEMBER MEETING

Brae Loch Country Club was quite a surprise! The Nielsen's have a right to be proud of the new addition to the club house. If the dinner and the service that was shown us is a standard of the hospitality found here, it looks like a good year is in store for the Brae Loch Clan in 1966. The hors-d'oeuvres were through the courtesy of Clavey Nursery and the H & E Sod Nursery.

This being our annual meeting, election of officers was the first thing on the agenda. Adolph Bertucci was elected President, Dudley Smith First Vice President and Walter Fuchs Second Vice President. Roy Nelson was re-elected as Secretary Treasurer. The new Directors for a two year term are Thomas Burrows, Gerald Dearie Jr. and Ed Wollenberg. Retained for one year is Edward Braunsky, Doug Jabaay and Al Johnson, our past President.

A change in the by-laws was affected whereby the proxy vote was discontinued. The only vote that is valid for election is in person, at the annual meeting. The board was directed to study the question, arising from the floor, on the use of absentee ballot. The report to be brought up at a future meeting.

Thanks to Brae Loch Country Club for the hospitality extended to the M.G.S.A. and for the opportunity to meet here again. We hope to see them at a summer meeting soon so that we can have the pleasure of playing their fine golf course.

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