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MEET YOUR DIRECTORS

Gerald Dearie was born at Ridgemoor Country Club where his dad, Gerald M., was foreman of the grounds under Ed Dearie. In 1936 the "Dearies" moved to Edgewater Country Club. Here Jerry grew up in the atmosphere that was the setting for his profession. His caddying at Edgewater was the start and in his sophomore year at high school he went to work on the grounds crew.

The first year was spent as an official trap raker. In 1949 Jerry started his formal education at Purdue, but Uncle Sam stepped in during the Korean conflict and said, "I want you!" While in the service Jerry married his Evanston high school sweetheart.

January I, 1955 is a day that will be remembered because that's when the job of Course Superintendent of Edgewater Country Club was taken by Gerald F. Dearie. It took a golf course construction superintendent's position in Cucrnavaca, Mexico to move Jerry. He helped build the "Club De Golf Monte Costello." His wife, Beryl, and their three children are bilingual by reason of the wonderful experience of living in Mexico.

After 2 years across the border Jerry came home in 1963 to his present position at Medina Country Club. One of the highlights of his career as a golf course superintendent was the opportunity to host the 1966 Western at his club. National recognition was given for the condition of the Number Three course.

Elected as director in 1965 and now as second vice president of our association, Jerry has shown that constant effort to better our professional standing is one of his objectives.

Jerry's hobbies include golf (low 80's), fishing and hunting.