

Meetings Coming Up

Monday, October 9th

Superintendent - Managers Golf Outing
Skokie Country Club
Glencoe, Illinois
Golf — 10:00 A.M. and on . . .
Lunch — 12:00 to 2:00 P.M.
Cocktails - Hors d'oeuvres — 6:00 P.M.
Dinner — 7:30 P.M.
Host Superintendent: Ron Rossett

Monday, October 16th

Midwest G. C. S. A. Annual Golf Tournament
Beverly Country Club
Dinner — 7:30 P.M.
Host Superintendent: Ted Woehrle

November 4th

Fall Dinner Dance
Acacia Country Club
Host: Ray Shei
Dance Chairman: Harold Fredrickson
Tickets to be sold at door only.

November 28-29

Fall Turf Clinic - Midwest G.C.S.A.
Medinah Country Club
Host: Gerald Dearie

December 7 & 8

Illinois Turfgrass Conference
University of Illinois
Urbana, Illinois

December 13-14

Wisconsin Turfgrass Symposium
Pfister Hotel
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

February 18-23

G.C.S.A.A. 39th Turf Conference
San Francisco, California

The following letter was composed by committeemen Dudley Smith, Marvin Gruening, Oscar Miles, Donald Gerber, Roy Nelson, for circulation among the various chapters of our National organization, and, Sherwood Moore, chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Dear Fellow Member,

The members of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents would like to make known to our fellow members of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America our views concerning the forthcoming nomination of Officers and Directors for the Annual Meeting of the G.C.S.A.A.

Our National organization was founded by a group of men, known as "greenskeepers", who strove to improve turfgrass conditions on golf courses by means of collecting scientific and related information, and then distributing this information to the members. Through the years the G.C.S.A.A. has had the leadership of many devoted and knowledgeable men whose efforts have influenced the development of better golf course superintendents, better golf courses, and the growth of our national organization. They have been our representatives and they have been representative of us — golf course superintendents.

At our August meeting the members voted that the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents will not support a candidate who performs his professional duties under a title other than and exclusively as "Golf Course Superintendent".

We trust that you share our convictions.

With our best regards
Midwest Association of
Golf Course Superintendents

The following is "The President's Message" by Leon V. St. Pierre, President of the New England GCSA, as published in the March, 1967 issue of their "Newsletter." Mr. St. Pierre submitted this editorial as a "letter" to the Executive Committee of GCSAA at the Spring Meeting. It is reproduced here in its entirety for your information as a matter for consideration by the Association Planning Committee.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Are you a Superintendent or a Club Manager?

This question has been posed many times over the last year and caused tempers to reach the boiling point. It is one question that needs an immediate answer and a change in the National Association's By-Laws.

A Golf Course Superintendent is naturally the man in charge of maintaining the golf course, club house grounds, parking lots, all outdoor activities areas, and more often than not, the golf carts.

The man in charge of buildings and grounds, should be called Superintendent of buildings and grounds, and be compensated for the extra responsibility.

The above job descriptions are very clearly outlined, and no quarrel should be raised on these classifications.

Friction develops when a Golf Course Superintendent takes over the responsibility of the Club office staff, bar and club dining facilities. He then becomes a General Manager. More power to this individual, if he has the capabilities to efficiently carry out this task.

I believe, he should then resign from the Golf Course Superintendent Association, and join the Club Managers' Association. (continued)