



**Al Bertucci**

### MEET YOUR DIRECTOR

Al Bertucci started his golf course career working for his dad during summer vacation in 1930. Except for two seasons at Knollwood under Elmer Bertucci, and 20 months in Europe during World War II, Al has been at Old Elm for 37 years.

In 1957, after a long career Al's dad retired, turning over the course to Al, where he has been Superintendent ever since.

Al has kept up in the field by attending the many valuable turf conferences offered to us.

Al and his wife, Anne, live in Highwood. He has two sons, Jerry and Ronald. Al's hobbies are golf and "the quiet life." Al has been appointed to be Golf chairman.

### MEET YOUR DIRECTOR AND BULLSHEET EDITOR

Richard Trevarthan was born in Louisville, Kentucky and raised on a farm in southern Indiana.

He has a B.S. degree in turf management in the school of Agronomy from Purdue University. While attending Purdue he worked for Ray Phillips at Louisville Country Club, Louisville, Ky., during the summer vacation.

After being honorably discharged from the U.S. Army, he went to work for Ted Woehrle at Beverly Country Club, Chicago, Ill., as an assistant. From there he went to Island View Country Club, Sterling, Va., as superintendent. He helped complete the golf course and stayed on for one year.

In 1963, he came to Prestwick Country Club, Frankfort, Ill., upon completion of construction of the golf course. He has been superintendent there for the past five years.

His hobbies are golf, and fishing.

Dick and his wife, Janet, live in Frankfort with their three children, Jeanne, Bobby, and David, amid absolute and utter confusion.

Dick has been appointed Bullsheet Editor, and to the Golf committee.

An appointment can be made with the editor by calling 815-469-5238 in the evenings after 6 P.M.

## Woodridge Golf Club

This fall at Woodridge we sodded 1672 yards of A-20 Blue Grass on tees. This grass was grown by Ben Warren of Warren's Turf Nursery. It is from a natural selection of an old stand of blue grass from a golf course fairway. It has been in test plots at the University of Illinois, Rutgers and Ohio with no proven leaf spot and is very disease resistant. Of course, these tests are not on a golf course tee. However, with cutting heights between 5/8" and 3/4" and proper fertilization and management practices it has stood up well, having a very stiff leaf. It has been used some at neighboring clubs but it is still too new to evaluate it because of varying conditions.

Another project at our Club this summer was improving tee paths. Last spring one of the Directors suggested I go to Medinah and see the material used on their paths. After surveying their course with Gerald Dearie decided the white stone screenings were very serviceable and looked outstanding. Consequently we did put in several tee paths this summer and did receive many compliments. One good thing is that once the path is settled by rolling and use, it gets very hard and does not wash. It depends on the terrain of the path how much base is needed. On some of the hills we dug out the top soil and used two to three inches of road gravel under them and two inches of screenings on top. On others with flat surfaces used only two inches of screenings. The golfers do not seem to mind walking on them and from my observation know we will have to make them longer, going along the edge of the rough and fairway so traffic will turn off the paths at various places, instead of all going off the end of the path.

Last winter the inside of the Club House received quite a face lifting with panelling, new furniture, etc. Cliff Van Poucke is the Manager. We hope to have a meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents at Woodridge during the coming year.

Sincerely,  
Anthony Meyer,  
Grounds Superintendent



**Bill Saielli, Adolph Bertucci, Lindo Bernardini**