

Midwest Breezes

Ye editor did a little visiting

Tom DiGuido, Superintendent at Oak Hills Golf Club, has the golf course and club house grounds in beautiful condition, in spite of some vandalism.

Dudley Smith, Superintendent at Silver Lake Golf Club, reports vandals know where his club is, also.

Kenneth R. Zanzig, who used to be Superintendent at Walnut Hills Golf Club for fourteen years, is now the Superintendent at Palos Country Club in Palos Park, Illinois. He started in February of this year. He has planted 325 maple trees and 120 birch trees. Ken expects to plant several more later on.

Stopped in to see George Dalman, Superintendent at Coghill Country Club. He has been Superintendent at this club for many years. Some of you may wonder why he does not attend more monthly meetings. No doubt the reason is due to the heavy play on his four eighteen hole golf courses that he is responsible for. At the end of the day, a good soft chair is more than welcome.

Lester Mach, Superintendent at Ruth Lake Country Club, has made several improvements at his club. He has built several new greens, tees, and sand traps; excavated for a new lake and built a beautiful new bridge across the lake; and planted several new trees.

John Boyd, Superintendent at Naperville Country Club, has some good blue grass fairways.

Ed Bronsky, who has recently become the Superintendent at Prest Bury Golf Club, is doing a fine job. My observation was that he will find plenty of work at the club. But knowing Ed, and seeing him function, Prest Bury is in good hands.

Peter Voykin, Superintendent at Idlewild Country Club, has under construction a new maintenance building.

Rodney Voykin, Superintendent at Deerfield Park, reports he has recently constructed sixty-seven new sand traps at his club.

Mrs. Paul Voykin is vacationing in Alberta, Canada. I hope Paul has the dishes all washed and the house in good order when she returns.

Bill Fallecher, Superintendent at Hillside National Golf Club, reports fire has destroyed his maintenance building.

The Western Golf Association held its 59th annual golf tournament at the beautiful Sunset Ridge Country Club in Northbrook, Illinois.

Sunset Ridge was in magnificent condition. The credit goes to Superintendent Dominic Grotti. Dom has been Superintendent at Sunset Ridge for the past thirty-seven years. He was interviewed on television on a national hook-up — certainly an honor and something to be proud of! Things of this kind do not happen very often. I hope other golf tournament officials will show their appreciation in the same respect to other golf course superintendents.



Dr. Paul Alexander, G.C.S.A.A. Director of Education, presents a certificate of certification to Fred Opperman, Superintendent at Glen Oak Country Club.

C. E. (Scotty) Stewart reports that June is a busy month for golf course irrigation system installation. For instance Scotty reports that he has just let the contract for systems at Foss Park District Golf Course, the Big Run Golf Course and the Billy Caldwell Golf Course, the system at this latter course will be automatic which now makes this the third automatic system for the Forest Preserve District which Scotty has designed, the District still has four more courses, plus two new ones in the design stage, all of which will be automated.

C. E. (Scotty) Stewart wishes his many friends to know that his services will not be available during the month of August for it is his intention to make a trip to England, Scotland and Ireland during that time.

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The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents held its meeting this month at Plum Tree National Golf Club. Charles Shiley, host superintendent, had the course in splendid condition. 92 played golf on this hot, humid day. The golf winners were: Tim Miles — 72 gross; low net winners were Charles Shiley, Bob Kronn, John Jackman, Bob Rychtarik, Bob Williams, R. Clifford, Tom Guthner, Brad Anderson, Bob White, Ed Smith.

There were a total of one hundred and ten who attended the meeting. Those who did come had an opportunity to listen to an educational program on conservation, delivered by the University of Illinois. It appeared that everyone found this type of program interesting, judging from the many questions that were asked. The large attendance proves the distance to travel means very little. The knowledge gained is far greater.

Two of our retired superintendents, who now are living in Florida, Ray Davis and Walter Hoyt, attended the meeting and visited with many of their good friends. We sure were glad to see them, and glad that they're looking so well.

Bill Kraft and Tony Sella, both from Indiana, traveled well over 130 miles to be with us. It is always good to see the boys from the Hoosier state!

From, Nick G. Geannopoulos

GCSAA HEADQUARTERS — Readers of the GOLF SUPERINTENDENT are reminded that because the 44th GCSAA Conference and Show will be held January 7-12, 1973, in Boston, Massachusetts, a month earlier than in past years, it has become necessary to change the publication's schedule.

It will be issued as follows for the remainder of the year: July, August/September, October/November and December (Special show issue). The journal will continue to follow its rigid mailing schedule of the first week of each publishing month and readers can still expect to receive their copies early in July, August, October and December.

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