

Editor

Midwest Breezes

The June 19 meeting of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held at Lake Shore Country Club. Adolph Bertucci was our host. The golf course was in excellent condition, and one hundred forty tried to master par without success. Lake Shore Country Club is very lucky and should be proud of its golf course superintendent. The dinner and hospitality was, as usual, the finest.

Dr. Paul Alexander, former G.C.S.A.A. educational director, dropped in to say goodbye to his many friends who were present at this meeting. Paul left the following day for his new position in South Carolina. We all wish him the best and hate to have him leave us, but that is the way the ball bounces—one person's loss is another one's gain.

Emil Butenschoen, after over forty years with the George A Davis Co., filling the orders and keeping their trucks moving, retired about a year ago. After this period, he decided the rocking chair was not for him. He is now working for Charlie Rack at the Flying Carpet Motor Inn.

On July 1st, a couple of retired golf course superintendents, Frank Dinelli, former superintendent at Northmoor Country Club, and the editor, decided to try their luck at fishing. Where to go was not a problem when one has friends. We no doubt selected a friend who had the best fishing lake, and after two hours of fishing, we decided not to spoil a good thing, and accepted an invitation for lunch that Marilyn had so graciously prepared. We thank her for this. The camera the editor had in his possession was not very dependable, and after trying three times and no picture, the two fishermen put the fish in their cars and headed for home.

The arrangement chairman for the trip to Hawaii, following the G.C.S.A.A. conference in February 1974, reports there are very few who are interested that have sent their required down payment. If you are planning on this trip, please get in touch with Joe Grenko.

On July 10th Dr. Al Turgeon from the University of Illinois visited several golf courses in the Chicago area. The Bull Sheet editor traveled with him on this day. We visited some very fine golf courses. Sunset Ridge Country Club, under the watchful eye of Dom Grotti, superintendent, has everything under control even to the point that his wife, Betty, washes the car.

Stopped at North Shore Country Club to visit with Joe Dinelli, superintendent. He was busy on the far end of the golf course, and being our schedule was limited, we missed him, but the course looked magnificent.

Glen View Club was another stop, truly a fine piece of real estate and a fine golf course. Bruce Sering, superintendent and retired superintendent Henry Lange, gave us a tour of the club grounds and a demonstration of Glen View's new automatic watering system. With the exception of the damage done by the **cicada** to many trees, the golf course was just wonderful.

We also visited the Botanical Gardens at Glencoe, Illinois. A real interesting place and certainly educational.

Oscar Miles, superintendent at Olympia Fields Country Club, reports a hole-in-one on the eighth hole, 155 yards foth a 6 iron. Congratulations, Oscar.



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