

Editor

Editorial

The time of year has again arrived to hang up a new calendar for the year 1973.

At this time the Bull Sheet Editor thanks everyone who has helped make this Bulletin one of the better publications pertaining to the Greenkeeping profession.

A special thanks to you who contributed many local news items and to those of you who were kind enough to devote many hours of your time in preparing the educational articles you sent me for publication. These are the things that help make the Bull Sheet a worthy publication.

It seems to me there are only a very small percentage of our members who are willing to share their knowledge with others by writing an article for the Bull Sheet. How about making a New Year's resolution that you will contribute at least one news article each year.

The people who are really responsible for the finances that it takes to print the Bull Sheet and to get it in your mail box are the advertisers. I hope those of you who have the authority to make the purchases at your club will first look through our ads and give them first consideration. I am sure this is not asking too much of you. Keep it in mind. They are depending on you to help make this 1973 a most joyous and prosperous year. Certainly we are depending on them.

Midwest Breezes

Oscar Borgmeier, formerly of the Geo. A. Davis Co., who served the golf course Superintendents so promptly for forty years until his retirement two years ago, is enjoying the sun in Florida this winter. I am sure he would enjoy seeing some of his long time friends from the cold north. His address is C. O. Borgmeier, 2503 N.W. 53rd St., Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33309. Give him a phone call if you are down his way.

Paul Burdett, founder of the Burdett Inc., who also retired after giving the golf course Superintendents top service for forty years, has decided to reside in Arizona during the winter months and has taken up a hobby of panning for gold. Good luck, Paul.

Bernard Kronn, Superintendent at Twin Orchards Country Club, has been busy this fall building five new greens using C15 strain for the putting surface and A20 for the collars. He also planted one hundred new trees.

Julius Albaugh, Superintendent at Westmoreland Country Club, has a three year program started at his club. As a starter he resurfaced the collars around six greens using FYL King and built two new practice pitch greens using C15 strain of grass.

Gene Palrud, Superintendent at Ravina Green Country Club, has resigned and will become the new Superintendent at the Play Boy Club, Lake Geneva, Wis., vacated by Tom Burrows who moved to Florida.

Roy Nelson, Superintendent at Ravisloe Country Club, and Mrs Nelson will be vacationing over the holidays at Canary Island. The name sure is inviting.

Charles Schultz, Superintendent at Hinsdale Golf Club, is busy planting new trees on the golf course.

I assume that all of the G.C.S.A. members have been notified by this date that their national office is moving from Chicago to Lawrence, Kansas, not Kansas City, as we were informed. How many of you have ever been in Lawrence, Kansas? My prediction is that the rug at the front door will never be worn out by the golf course Superintendents who will visit the office.

Word has reached me, and I presume you also have received the news, that our national Director of Education, Dr. Paul Alexander, is leaving our association. A year ago it was our Executive Director, Ben Chlevin. Men with the ability of Dr. Alexander are made to order for our educational department. We of the Midwest Association sure do not like the action that was taken and its results.

The annual meeting of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents was held at the Flying Carpet Inn on December 4th. A lengthy discussion took place pertaining to the G.C.S.A.A. Its results will probably be known after the conference in Boston. The election of officers and Directors was held at this time. The results are:

Denis Straus — President
Albey Staudt — First Vice President
Edward Smith — Second Vice President
Mike Bavier — Secretary Treasurer
Fred Opperman — Director
Clifford Behrendt — Director
Directors retained from last year:
Joe Grenko
Robert Breen
Roger LaRochelle
Paul Voykin — President Emeritus

FEBRUARY MEETING

Nordic Country Club, Itasca, Illinois
David Meyer, Host Superintendent



Passing of the gavel by Paul Voykin, right, to Denis Straus, newly elected president.

The Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association can be very proud of the clinic they sponsored on November 14th and 15th at Medinah Country Club. It was without a doubt one of the best educational meetings we ever had. The committee deserves a lot of credit for their fine job. All the speakers were excellent and the young Superintendents can be proud of their presentations. I wonder how many of you who have attended the clinic in the past years realize how fortunate we are to be invited back to Medinah year after year. The location, facilities and food are the best. Our many thanks go to the team that make it possible for us to return each year. Mr. Donald Johnson, Green Chairman, and his most able Superintendent, John Jackman.



Newly elected directors Fred Opperman, Superintendent of Glen Oak Country Club on the left, and Cliff Behrendt, superintendent Turn-Berry Country Club.

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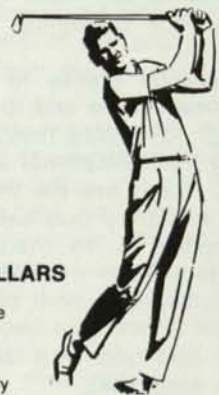
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