



Editor
MIDWEST BREEZES

The Midwest Association of Golf Courses Superintendents' July 24th meeting was not as well attended as most of our meetings have been. The distance may have been the reason. Fifty members and guests played golf and reported that the course was in super condition. Supt. **Craig Marfia** is to be congratulated. Fifty-nine enjoyed a wonderful dinner. The door prize was won by Jerry Adank of Illinois Lawn Equipment. It is our hope that we have a better attendance at McHenry C.C. on Sept. 21 or **Harold Michels** will not be very happy. This meeting was scheduled for Sept. 12, but was changed due to a conflict with Illinois Field Day.

On July 28, 1978 sixty-five Northmoor Country Club members and twelve senior golf course superintendents honored retired Northmoor supt. **Frank Dinelli** on his seventy-fifth birthday. After a superb buffet was served, several senior members of Northmoor recalled some of the conditions and events that occurred fifty-three years ago when Frank became supt. His ability and dedication contributed very much to the fact that Northmoor is considered to be one of the better clubs in the Chicago area. One is always profoundly moved when he hears flowery remarks and witnesses a pat on the back in recognition of accomplishment. The members of Northmoor did not stop with words. They got together and made it possible to present to Frank a very generous check as an expression of their appreciation. Nice going, Frank! It could not have happened to a more deserving person.

Mrs. **Ruth Burdett**, wife of **Paul E.** and formerly of Swift Road in Lombard, has been visiting friends in the Glen Ellyn, Lombard and Wheaton area. Ruth feels fine and looks the same as she did when making a delivery of merchandise to your club. She reports that Paul is enjoying himself by swimming and participating in many other activities including being the head of the lapidary committee. If you are ever in the area of Green Valley, Arizona stop and say hello to the Burdetts. **Paul** may find time to teach you something about the art work that he is doing.

It was stated in our news media in the Chicago area that the greens at Oakmont Country Club during the P.G.A. Golf Championship were mowed at 5/64 of an inch. If my figures are correct, 5/64 of an inch is 2½/32 of an inch or 1¼/16 of an inch. This editor has

been involved with putting green mowers for over sixty years and I have never seen a mower that could be adjusted to cut at a height of 5/64 of an inch. For my information I would like to know how one can cut grass at this height if the bedknife thickness exceeds 5/64. If you know, please let me know because I am always willing to learn.

Supt's. Position Open - Oak Hills C.C. 9 holes. Phone 312-448-5544 or 928-8500.

Present Supt. **Don Hoffman** has resigned and has accepted the Supt's. position left vacant by the former Supt. **Bob Brame**. **Bob** has accepted the supt. position at Lafayette C.C., Lafayette, IN.

WASTEWATER CONFERENCE SCHEDULED

On November 13 and 14, 1978, a conference sponsored by the American Society of Golf Course Architects Foundation, the National Golf Foundation and the Green Section of the United States Golf Association will be held at the Arlington Park Hilton, Euclid Avenue & Rohlwing Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60006 (near O'Hare). The Theme of the 2-day conference is "Wastewater Irrigation of Recreational Turf Areas". The conference's objectives are (1) to produce "State of the Art" information and to document what is now known as it applies to recreational turf; (2) to generate additional information on wastewater uses; (3) to produce "Guide Line" information for publication.

Everyone interested in land disposal of wastewater (effluent and other) is cordially invited. A monumental bit of work has been done in this area. Interest in wastewater has quietly mushroomed due to concern for possible future limits on fresh, potable water for recreational purposes. Representatives of all recreation turf installations--golf, park and recreation, industrial, military, government, irrigation, landscape and water works are invited.

Mark these dates on your calendar now--plan to attend! Would you indicate your interest by detaching and mailing the following.

Yes, I plan to attend the November 13-14, 1978 conference.

(Name)
(Address)
(Number of guests)

Please mail to: USGA Green Section, P. O. Box 1237, Highland Park, NJ 08904 - Attn: A. M. Radko

The Toro Co., Minneapolis, hosted a 'roast' in honor of 'Babe' Brinkworth's retirement. He had been with the company for 30 years and, although he had been on the west coast, he had many friends here in our area, and sends his best wishes to all.

Lynne and Pete Nasen and Russ and I were at the buffet dinner on Saturday, August 5. Barbara and Pete McConkey were unable to attend because Barbara didn't feel well. There were about 125 in attendance.

Ruth Reed

- A fresh ball mark repaired by a player takes only five seconds
- A freshly repaired ball mark will completely heal in twenty-four hours
- A fresh ball mark left unrepaired for only one hour requires fifteen days
- Before the ugly scar has satisfactorily healed, please repair all ball marks