

## Ken Killian Elected President of American Society of Golf Course Architects

Ken Killian was elected president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects during the organization's recent annual meeting at the Sawgrass Club in Florida.

Killian, whose design firm is located in Palatine, IL, began his architectural career in 1956 when he joined the staff of Robert Bruce Harris, a founding member of the Society. In 1964, Killian and Richard P. Nugent left the Harris firm and established their own firm. In 1983, he and Nugent each opened their own firms.

In 1971, Killian joined the American Society of Golf Course Architects, which is comprised of the leading golf course architects in the United States and Canada. He has served on a variety of committees. Prior to being elected an officer in 1983, Killian served as the chairman of the Supplier's Directory committee.

He also is a member of the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation, Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association, American Society of Landscape Architects and the National Golf Foundation.

Among Killian's most notable courses (designed in conjunction with Nugent) are Kemper Lakes, one of the top public courses in the U.S. and the site of the 1989 PGA Championship, in Long Grove, IL; Forest Preserve National, an 18-hole municipal course, in Tinley Park, IL; Sand Creek, an 18-hole course owned by Bethlehem Steel, in Chesterton, IN; and Mission Country Club, a private course which required a great deal of mounding to create a rolling course on flat land in Midland, TX. He also designed El Mirage, a course specifically designed for a retirement community in Sun City, AZ.

In addition, Killian has been involved in the remodeling of several older courses, such as Sunset Ridge Country Club, Northbrook, IL; Ravisloe Golf Club, Homewood, IL; and Sun City Golf Course, Phoenix, AZ.

At the present time, Killian is involved in the design and construction of courses in Columbia, S.C., Palatine, IL, St. Croix, Virgin Islands and South Bend, IN.

