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Bob Williams Elected to Illinois PGA Hall of Fame

Bob Williams is the first Golf Course Superintendent to be elected to the Illinois PGA Hall of Fame. Bob is to be inducted into the PGA Hall of Fame on September 14, 1990. Anyone wanting tickets for this event can call the Illinois PGA office at (708) 990-7999.

A little background to Robert M. Williams. He was first introduced to golf as a caddy at the Onwentsia Club. He decided on a career in turfgrass management and graduated from the University of Massachusetts. Upon graduation he worked for three years as assistant at Medinah C.C. and then to an assistant at the Ohio State University courses. He served three years in the military during World War II. After the service he became superintendent at the Beverly C.C. for twelve years. In 1959 he started at Bob O'Link G.C. and retired there in 1980.

He has published many articles and has lectured for all of the various golf association seminars and numerous Universities and Colleges. He is the past president of our local and national association. He claims his greatest achievement was in the training of 67 student trainees who are now superintendents or in related fields all across the country.

His wife, Roberta, and he will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next year.

Bob, congratulations on this honor, and we thank you for your leadership and guidance.

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