

(Same Old, Same Old continued)

golfers can handle fast greens, but for the average golfers, 3 and 4 putts can quickly transform an enjoyable 4½ hr. round of golf into a 6 hour ordeal. As the saying goes, "be careful what you wish for, because it may come true." There will always be a golfer who won't be pleased until his opponent misses that downhill putt and it rolls off the green, down the fairway and out of bounds.

I haven't given up hope because the other day a Green Committee Chairman raised this question during the visit. "Wouldn't the greens be healthier if we raised the height of cut from 1/8" to 5/32" but maintained the speed and smoothness by rolling a few times a week and perhaps rolling instead of mowing on Mondays?" Sometimes going the extra mile to communicate and educate pays off.

Super-In-Site

by Tony Rzadzki

It's been 13 years since the Midwest Association has had the pleasure to play golf at the Shoreacres Golf Club. This month's meeting will be proudly hosted by Tim Davis.

Tim has been the superintendent at Shoreacres since 1984. Before working at Shoreacres, Tim started his career at Plum Tree National in 1976. After one year at Plum Tree, Tim began working at the Woodstock Country Club as an assistant. After one year at Woodstock Tim became the course superintendent. Throughout his early years Tim attended college while working. First Tim attained an Associate degree from McHenry Community College. Undaunted Tim continued his educational goals, and finally graduated from Southern Illinois University in 1981.

Tim has been married for 15 years to his wife Jean and has 2 daughters, Erin 10 and Vicki 8. Aside from golfing Tim enjoys fishing (when he can) and his winter hobby is reading.

The first major project Tim faced at Shoreacres was the rebuilding of their club house that burned 9 months before Tim started in 1984. Part of the project included the installation of a new 6000 foot sewer line that traversed the course. Other than that, Tim says that the course has basically remained unchanged since it's founding in 1916. Shoreacres was founded by former members of the Onwentsia Club. It seems that way back then things were a 'little too crowded and tee times hard to come by', so in 1921 Shoreacres opened.

Tim has begun a renovation project where bunker complexes are renovated but not redesigned. Sod is stripped, sand that has infiltrated the soil profile is removed, and tile lines are replaced, but all is put back to it's original design. Tim plans to have an architectural evaluation done at his course to see if some small changes can be made on the course to keep up with new equipment technology. Some tees may soon be renovated and repositioned also, but kept in vogue with the original design of the course.

Old North Shore courses have a quality all their own. It is nice to see that in our whirlwind of change in design concepts and construction, that there are still some classic jewels to challenge our golfing abilities. I encourage everyone to attend this meeting and experience golf in a timeless atmosphere .. Shoreacres.

PAARLBERG CHEMICALS

featuring

- Par-Ex Fertilizer
- Lebanon Fertilizer
- Du Pont Chemicals
- Chipco Chemicals
- Daconil - Dacthal
- Bean Sprayers
- Elanco
- PBI Gordon
- All Major Turf Supplies



Quality



Value



Service

1840 E. 172nd St., So. Holland
708-474-3086

815-469-6730

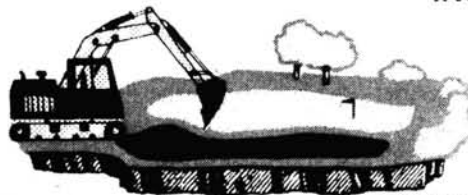
PERSONALIZED AND PROFESSIONAL LAWN AND TREE CARE SERVICES.

For tree care, hydroseeding, prairie installation or lawn care go with the professionals. McGinty Bros. Inc.! We're small enough to provide that personalized service and large enough to offer all the professional systems knowledgeable clients insist upon.

McGinty
BROS., INC.

3524 Long Grove Road
Long Grove, Illinois 60047
TEL: (708) 438-5161
FAX: (708) 438-1883

HOLLEMBEAK EXCAVATING & GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION INC.



MIKE HOLLEMBEAK
708-556-3891

BOX 103 GRANART RD.
BIG ROCK, IL 60511

**the
bruce
company**

(608) 836-7041
Fax: (608) 831-4236

OF WISCONSIN, INC.

LEE BRUCE
GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION

2830 W. BELTLINE HWY. • P.O. BOX 330
MIDDLETON, WI 53562