

Super-n-Site Profile

by Dan Anderson

Kerry Blatteau will host the Midwest meeting on March 12 at the "Golf Club of Oak Brook Hill." Kerry has been the superintendent there since the fall of 1992. He has 15 years of golf course experience along with an Associates degree in turfgrass from Danville Community College and a Bachelors from Illinois State in education. Kerry became a "Certified Golf Course Superintendent" in 1992 through the GCSAA.

The Golf Club hosts many corporate outings and Kerry spends much of his time as a liaison between the pro shop, catering, conference services, and his maintenance staff. He is allowed to do this because he has two very capa-

ble assistants in Steve Schendel and Brian McCoy. They help him with the daily operation of the course so Kerry can spend more time in the hotel area along with its five acres of well manicured landscaping. Kerry believes his biggest challenges are the daily teaching of employees coupled with the constant communication that is required between all factions on the job site. His rewards are watching assistants that he has trained move on to be successful superintendents.

The course was opened in 1987; it's a Dick Nugent design, and Kerry has worked with Dick recently to form a 5 year improvement plan. Most of the improvements will be to fine tune the course layout such as tee spacing, rerouting cart paths, mounding,

landscaping and drainage. The course has come a long way since Kerry arrived, and we wish him continued success. Hope to see everyone there. ■



Kerry Blatteau
Oak Brook Hills G.C.

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