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Fred Opperman — President.

The President's Message

February, the shortest month of the year. The month of our 47th GCSAA Turfgrass Conference and Show. The month that many Superintendents take their vacations. The month that you will no doubt plow the most snow.

The month that Mike Bavier has looked forward to in the past two years in his bid for election to the National Board of Directors. The past two years were a great disappointment for Mike in that he lost. At least that is the way the tally showed after all the votes were counted. But it is not Mike who lost. It was our own National Association who lost in those two years. They have lost the dedicated and hard working services plus the level headed thinking that Mike would have contributed. They lost the organizational abilities and the complete follow-through that Mike has shown in all his past endeavors. They lost! Unfortunately we also are the ones who lost. For in those two years many changes could have been made, clearer thinking could have prevailed, and our dues dollar more wisely spent or invested.

Once again it's February, February 1976. February in the year of the Midwest's 50th Anniversary, February in the year of the GCSAA's 50th Anniversary, February in the year of our Country's 200th Anniversary. February, and Mike Bavier is running for Director of the GCSAA. Surely this is the year that we all are winners. February and Mike Bavier.

The M.A.G.C.S. March 17, 1976 meeting will be held at Nordic Hills C.C. Our host will be Dave Meyer and Michael Gruening. Nordic is located just off of Rt. 53 west of Itasca.

The M.A.G.C.S. Hospitality Room in Minneapolis will be at the **Raddison Hotel**, Suite 1116 and 1118, open on Sunday, Feb. 8th, 4 p.m.

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The sympathy of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendent's Association is extended to the Al Hinz family due to the death of Al. Mr. Hinz was the Golf Course Supt. at White Pines G.C. Al started at White Pines in the late 20's at the time of construction. He retired two years ago. This is a remarkable record. Al was also a member of the G.C.S.A.A.



Mike Bavier.

WHY I WANT TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

To make a name for myself—on the contrary. Serving on the local board in many capacities and having worked **with** and **for** people has been very humbling. I have also known defeat, only long enough to get back up and try again.

The G.C.S.A.A. Board means to me the true pinnacle of achievement in serving ones fellow superintendents. I would be deeply gratified to render my services and abilities by serving as a Director of their Association.

The G.C.S.A.A. has grown over the years and has enhanced the image of the golf course superintendent. The Association must continue to grow and educate not only our members but to educate the people we work for.

Our Association has expanded many of its programs over the years, but I truthfully feel we have only scratched the surface. We are in an era when all possible resources should and can be tapped. Now is the time for young ("green") and old ("experienced") superintendents to work together to strive to make our Association most meaningful and one to be proud of.

We need this togetherness to improve our numerous programs—education, membership, retirement, plus the **Golf Course Superintendent** magazine. I truly feel I could contribute something to our Association and also work with the necessary people in any or all of these endeavors.

Mike Bavier

The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents is proud to announce that we have nominated Mike Bavier for director of the GCSAA. We feel confident that Mike's leadership, dedication and ability will prove valuable to our International Association.

He has served the Midwest Chapter since 1969 as director, secretary-treasurer, and president, now serving as president emeritus. Mike is also presently serving as a director of the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation. The members of the MAGCS invite you to talk to Mike or anyone else from our association before the election. We believe you will find Mike Bavier to be a capable candidate for director of the GCSAA.

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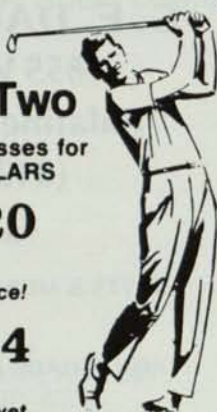
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I am graduating from Michigan State University on March 13, 1976 with a Bachelor of Science in turfgrass management. I would like to further my education by becoming an assistant superintendent under a qualified superintendent. Do you have an opening on your crew that I could apply for or do you know of an assistant's position that will be available in March?

Working as an assistant I would be exposed to the problems, and their solutions, that arise daily on a golf course. As a trainee I recognized some of the problems that occur when managing a crew, and I received an understanding of the importance of daily plans, which both have expounded on classes that I have had at State. My general objective is to get an overall view as to what it takes to achieve a well managed operation that results in a good golf course.

JOB OBJECTIVE: To become the assistant superintendent at a well managed golf or country club.

PERSONAL DATA: Single, 21 years old, 5'11", 130 lbs., Military Status: None

EMPLOYMENT: July 74 to Sept. 75: Walnut Hills Country Club, E. Lansing, Michigan. Position: Turfgrass Trainee and Laborer. Became familiar with the basic ideas involved in the management of an 18 hole golf course.

EMPLOYMENT: May 74 to July 74: Chippewa Hills Country Club, Durand, Michigan. Position: Golf Course Laborer.

EMPLOYMENT: Summers of 68-71: Leo Seman's Farms, Corunna, Michigan. Position: Farm Laborer.

EDUCATION: June 72 to March 76: Michigan State University, E. Lansing, Michigan. Bachelor of Science, Agronomy-Major, Turfgrass Management. Honors: Phi Eta Sigma, Beta Beta Beta, GCSAA Scholarship Recipient.

EDUCATION: June 75: Toro's Turf Products Service Course 1A, Minneapolis, Minnesota

REFERENCES: Dr. Paul Rieke, 209 Soil Science Bldg., Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI; Dr. James B. Beard, Dept. of Soil and Crops Sciences, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas; Thomas E. Mason Jr., Supt. Walnut Hills CC, 2858 Lk Lansing, East Lansing, MI.

EMPLOYMENT

KENNETH J. SHEPHERD

Box 27, East Division Street
Lockport, Illinois 60441

Telephone: (815) 838-1693

PERSONAL: Single, 5'10", 170 lbs., 20 years old

JOB OBJECTIVE: Assistant Golf Course Superintendent, leading into becoming a Head Superintendent.

EDUCATION: Will complete the Associate Degree in Turfgrass Management from Joliet Junior College in May, 1976.

Available for work March 8, 1976.

WORK EXPERIENCE: May, 1973 to Present: Since graduation from high school in May of 1973, I have worked at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club, a 72 hole golf complex in Lemont, Illinois. Working at a 72 hole golf complex, I've had the opportunity to learn how great amounts of work are scheduled and how they're accomplished, along with how a crew of at least 30 men are handled. I've also been exposed to the managing of four different golf courses, all with different characteristics and problems. Also have had the opportunity to be at Cog Hill while tees, greens, fairways, and sand traps have been designed and constructed. Major tree plantings have also been done every fall while I've been at Cog Hill. Have operated most all types of equipment, particularly Toro and Jacobsen. During summer of 1975 completed Supervised Occupational Experience in Horticulture for school credit while at Cog Hill.

WORK EXPERIENCE: June, 1972 to September, 1972: Worked at Sunny Hill Nursing Home taking care of grounds and buildings with another worker and supervisory personnel. Work was mostly concerned with upkeep of turf.

REFERENCES: Available upon request from my current or former employers, teachers, or coaches. College Counselor and Program Co-ordinator is Mr. Alvin Brandenburg, Agriculture Department, Joliet Junior College, Route 3, Houbolt Avenue, Joliet, Illinois 60436.

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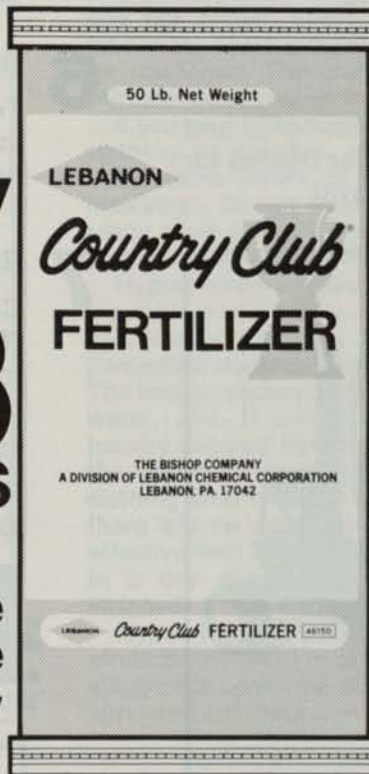
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TO MR. RAY GERBER, BULL SHEET EDITOR. SUBJECT-ELECTION REFLECTION.

I was looking with great interest at the pictures of the three nominees for position of vice-president, and I couldn't help thinking of what might be the final outcome if we had to judge our final votes on just facial expression alone. George Cleaver, an honorable man, looks like he has chronic indigestion. Ted Woehrle, an old friend, keeps submitting the same perennial-old youthful picture he has been submitting since the first office he has ever run for. But frankly, it's the picture of Gordon Witteveen in the center that has me confused and baffled. The Gordon Witteveen I once knew had a large gregarious moustache and a Telly Savalas, Yul Brenner tonsorial mane. This formidable look combined with Canadian jacket and maple leaf crest was a resplendent sight to behold. (Not unlike a certified wild rooster on his first day at a farm). But sad to observe the fellow in the nominee brochure is not Gordon Witteveen. He is obviously some young imposter and certainly not the Gordon Witteveen I so vividly (and fondly) remember. But regardless of my feelings the pictures really look great. Three fine upstanding and hardworking men who will serve us well in the National if elected—even the guy who doesn't look like my friend Gordon Witteveen.

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Hypothermia is the lowering of the body's internal temperature which is normally 98.6° F. If as little as 6° of heat are lost, death can result; it makes no difference whether your boat capsizes in 65° water, your house is out of fuel, or your car out of gas. Hypothermia is a danger all year round, even in mild temperatures between 30° and 50°. Further danger is posed by wind and wet clothing.

The head is the most efficient part of the body's heating system. A person who leaves the head unprotected, even in a minor wind, may lose up to one-half of the body's total heat production. There is an old maxim: "when your feet are cold, put on your hat".

When the body begins to lose heat faster than it produces heat, hypothermia threatens. As the body temperature falls dexterity is reduced and shivering begins thus reducing chances of successfully lighting a fire. The more the temperature drops the more confused the brain becomes; although the means to your survival may be handy, you may not have the sense to use them.

Dry clothing and adequate shelter are the keys to survival. Clothing provides insulation by creating dead-air space between your body and the air outside. Down clothing is very warm, but of no use when wet. Wool is useful in almost any weather because it dries from within and can keep the body warm even when wet. Denim jeans and cotton are very poor insulators especially when wet.

If you find yourself without proper protection, use your wits. Pad your clothing with any soft, fluffy, or bulky material. Dry grass, hay, cattail down, and even paper can be stuffed inside your clothes.

When stranded in a car or truck in a storm you should stay where you are. Even after the fuel tank has run dry and the heater doesn't work you still have many resources. Seats and padding can be torn up and used for insulation. The crankcase oil and tires will burn. Mirrors can signal aircraft.

If you are in a boating accident, put on as much warm clothing as possible, and a life jacket. Underwater, these extra layers of clothing can provide thermal insulation. Do not swim unnecessarily (unless land is really close enough) because you will simply exhaust yourself and burn up energy your body needs.

Hypothermia warning signs include intense shivering, poor coordination, stumbling, thickness of speech, and loss of memory. Even mild symptoms demand immediate treatment to restore temperature to normal. The best procedure is to place the victim in a tub of hot water, and, if conscious, force him to drink warm heavily sugared liquids or beef broth. In the field, get the victim to the best shelter available. Replace wet clothing with dry and insulate. Administer liquids. If there are no dry clothes, skin to skin contact is an effective field treatment: strip the victim and place him in a dry sleeping bag with another person (also stripped).

Hypothermia is deadly because it is so subtle and its effect on the mind is paralyzing. The strongest are not always the ones who survive an emergency; often the survivors are those who can think clearly.

Gary Deverman
Extension Adviser, Youth

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The Editor

MIDWEST BREEZES

The G.C.S.A.A. 47th Annual Turf Grass Conference and Show to be held in Minneapolis Feb. 8-13, 1976 is fast approaching. The weather could be in our favor or could be the opposite, that is a chance one must take. Warm clothing is a necessity just in case. Take along your skates and enjoy some real ice and how about some ice fishing; many lakes are near by. Lake Minnetonka is just a few miles from the western edge of the city. If you like iceboating, you will find many lakes for this type of sport. If you plan on driving your car from the Chicago area, you should have no problem; interstate 194 highway all the way. Allow about seven hours and it will require approximately thirty gallons of gasoline each way and watch your speed.

Bob Williams and wife Bobbie are enjoying the warm weather in sunny Florida, mostly playing golf. Bob has been seen on the practice tee with the pro. He could be preparing himself for some easy snow bird money, or could it be the better half, Bobbie, is putting pressure on him on the golf course?

There were a few Chicago area Supts. who visited with Bob over the holidays and played some golf at HOWEY IN THE HILLS golf course. The winners have not been published and the losers we will never know.

Bruce Sering, Walter Fuchs and Keith Fuchs all enjoyed the sun in Florida and had a good time.

To those of you who plan on going to Florida in February; I am sure the Williams' would be glad to see you.

Dear Ray,

Sorry you did not attend the Bojo Turf Supply Co.'s well attended open house over the holidays. Also sorry the pictures are not back from processing.

Ed Wallenberg was voted "teller of best story."

Dick Trevarthan was voted "fire bug of the year."

Jack Urban was voted "most overworked."

Jim Gerlach was voted "most times to buffet table."

Norm Stelter was voted "foxiest."

Walter Peeper was voted "fastest on his feet."

All the rest by popular vote were, "good time Charles." Please plan on attending our 1976 Open House.

Regards,
George Hoddad

There have been persistent rumors going around recently, and we hope that's all it is, that the dues in the G.C.S.A.A. are going to be substantially increased. If so, is this to make up the deficit of moving to and maintaining headquarters in Lawrence, Kansas?

Paul Voykin, Supt. at Briarwood C.C. and Brother Pete, Supt. at Idlewild C.C. have left for Tampa, Florida to enjoy the sunshine and golf.

Bruce Burchfield, Supt. at Hillcrest C.C. will be joining Paul at a later date in Fort Lauderdale.

Some Supt's. hit telephone poles, deer, cows and even chickens. Our friend Adolph Bertucci did one better. He hit a horse that jumped out of a ditch as he was rounding a sharp curve near his home. The horse "A Thorough Bred" was knocked back into the ditch and adolph had to go to the hospital for some check-ups.

Thank God the horse didn't die.

A note from the "Boonies" for the Bull Sheet. This Fall we installed 1400 feet of 12" drain till to take care of our 13 - 14, 15 and 16 fairways. Hope this is the answer! We also cleaned additional 4" and 6" existing tile, bringing our total to 10,000 linial feet of drain tile on the course that we have repaired, rodded and cleaned. We have installed in the past two years a total of 50 catch basins, manholes and clean-out basins. Also this past summer we planted a total of 60 trees using a Vermen 44" and 66" tree spade, sizes to 8" in diameter. In between this work we tried to mow the course and plant some flowers.

My best wishes for 1976.

Jack Hanson
Crystal Lake C.C.

Our 50th year. Who started it and where?

Frank Dinelli, retired superintendent at Northmoor Country Club, sent me the following, in regards to the birth of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association. The first meeting was held at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago in February, 1926. Officers elected were: John MacGregor, President, Chicago Golf Club; Fred Krueger, Secretary, Olympia Fields Country Club; Alex Bennie, Director, Shore Acres Country Club; Peter Stewart, Director, Knollwood Country Club; Edward Dearie, Director, Oak Park Country Club; Fred Sherwood, Treasurer, Northmoor Country Club.

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If the picture above Charles Tague's head is any indication the type of person Charles is, the G.C.S.A.A. is in good hands. Mr. Tague, Director of the G.C.S.A.A., was the speaker at the Jan. 14 meeting of the M.A.G.C.S. at Pheasant Run and he did a remarkable job. The meeting was well attended and was enjoyed by all.

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1 March - Monday pm

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Life and its Living -	
One Superintendent's View	Roy Nelson
Starting a Profession - A Student	Randy Bellinger
As the Earth Turns -	
Your World Today	M. L. Baumgardner
Our Daily Bread -	
Economic Supermarket	Eric Osterere
Quite A Story - M.R.T. - 1937-1976	W. H. Daniel
One Man's M.R.T.F.	Harold Glissman
Telling Your Story	Richard Crum
The Weatherman Said	Jim Newman
Views About Fertilization	A. J. Powell
Student Training - Progress	W. H. Daniel

MRTF Annual Meeting

2 March - Tuesday am

General Turf

Surface Cultivation Research - John Roberts
Ryegrass - The Picture Changes - Al Turgeon
Parks & Recreation Around the World - Jim Peterson
Large Area Maintenance - C. C. Counterman
Getting A City Golf Course - Fred Stewart

Golf

The US Open - People and Turf - John Jackman
I'd Rather Do the Extra - Ray Knapp
Seeking Information - J. A. Eguiarte
Beetle Damage - John Fanning, Jim Glazer
Pythium, Wow! - Ken Quandt
Fusarium Experiment - Oscar Miles
Drainage Improvement - Roger LaRoche
Wet Wilt, Please Understand - W. H. Daniel,
Dick Trevarthan

Luncheons - by group arrangement

2 March - Tuesday pm

Public Golf

Golf Education - Jo Ann Price
Record Keeping As An Economy Tool - A.J. Powell
Thatch - pH & Management - Paul Henderlong
Thatch Testing - Bill Lyons
Time Assignment to Players - Bill Lyons
Decades of Grass - Ray Keen
The Varietal Surge - Al Turgeon

Private Club Golf

Communications Choices - Louis Miller
Decades of Grasses - Ray Keen
The Varietal Surge - Al Turgeon
Preemergence in My Life - Dick Craig
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3 March - Wednesday am

Golf

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Good Management for Zoysia Fairways - Peter Hitch
Surface Cultivation - John Roberts
Starting a Sideline Service Business - Dick Trevarthan
EPA - Words and Calculations - R. P. Freeborg
The New Course - Killian & Nugent
Turf Pests and Questions - Don Schuder

3 March - Wednesday pm

Interpreting The Laws and Ideas - EPA - George Hutton
Understanding The Situation - Larry Nelson
Certification Test - Indiana - Category 3, Turf and/or
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DON'T LOOK BACK . . .

Go very lightly on the vices such as carrying on in society — this social ramble ain't restful. Avoid running at all times. Don't look back. Something may be gaining on you.

Satchel Paige