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Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents



AL HINTZ

**THE MARCH MEETING
MOHAWK COUNTRY CLUB
BENSENVILLE, ILLINOIS
AL HINTZ, OUR HOST
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1957
SOCIAL MEETING IN AFTERNOON
DINNER — 6:30 P. M.
BUSINESS MEETING — 7:30 P. M.
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

*Midwest Regional Turf Foundation
Turfgrass Conference, Purdue University*

MARCH 4 - 5 - 6, 1957

SPRING DINNER DANCE, FRIDAY MAY 10, 1957

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The National Turfgrass Conference and Show is over with and I am sure that those of us who were fortunate enough to go derived a great deal of benefit from it. It was the largest attendance in the history of the organization. All of our members, and the wives of those who attended, wish to thank the Kentuckiana Golf Course Superintendents Association for a most enjoyable time.

We are proud that Bob Williams was elected Vice-President of the National. We know he will do a very creditable job.

Our next meeting will be held at the Mohawk Country Club on March 11 — Al Hintz, our host. Walter Fuchs has a good educational program planned for this meeting, as well as for all other meetings this season.

Don't forget the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation Conference at Purdue University March 4-6. It is hoped that a lot of our members will plan to attend. It is certainly one of the best in the country.

AMOS E. LAPP, President

THE MARCH MEETING

Our March meeting will be held at Mohawk Country Club, Bensenville, Illinois on Monday, March 11. There will be the usual social meeting in the afternoon and, possibly, if the weather is good, some hardy souls may want to play golf. Al Hintz will be our host and he promises to leave nothing to be desired in the way of hospitality, and knowing Al from past experience, we know he will show us a wonderful time. Dinner will be at 6:30 P.M. and the meeting will follow. Most of our members will be home from their vacations by that time, and we expect a good turnout. There will be our usual Educational meeting following the business meeting.

BOB WILLIAMS ELECTED V. P.

Our own Bob Williams was elected Vice-President of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America at the Annual Meeting in Louisville on February 14. We want to congratulate Bob and our Association should certainly be very proud of him. We know Bob will go on to be one of the greatest Presidents of the National Association. And, lest we forget, our congratulations to George Roloff and Amos Lapp who represented our Association at the meeting, for their great and loyal endeavors to line up the votes for Bob. They did a most outstanding job and there were a number of complimentary remarks from Delegates of other Associations on the gentlemanly and courteous manner in which these two men conducted themselves.

Others elected at the meeting were: Paul Weiss, President; James E. Thomas, Henson Maples and Andrew Bertoni, Directors.

Our best wishes to President Weiss and his officers, and we look forward with confidence to a great year under their guidance.

JUST BETWEEN US GALS

Well, how does it feel to be home from Louisville and back into the dishpan again? Wasn't that conference wonderful? — with all those handsome Kentucky

Colonels running around in those big black Stetsons, and all that good food. Then we had those nice banquet speakers who said until we arrived they thought all the pretty women were in Kentucky. But the gals did look pretty all the time, and especially at the banquet all done up in their best bib-and-tucker, with those great big orchids and that terrific glow put on by the International Harvester Company. Weren't those orchids the biggest you ever saw, and they didn't even come from Texas. I saw quite a few dresses that were decollette, and to save you a trip to Webster's, decollette is that part or parts of a dress which ain't. I'm going to get one of them to take to Washington, D. C. next year, and the boss is going to have to fork over for a fancy trunk to haul it in. Can't go into the nation's capitol with a fancy dress done up in a little suitcase. When the GSA wives arrive in Washington that Mamie Eisenhower better be careful or she'll lose her spot on the list of the ten best dressed women. You have one year to get your waist line back in shape. I'll be seeing most of you at our Spring Dinner Dance, so goodbye 'till then.

The GRASS Widow

MIDWEST TURF CONFERENCE

March 4 - 6, 1957 - Memorial Union - Purdue University

A total of 45 hours planned program in a two-day conference, but designed so that you choose 13 hours (4 half-day sessions) of most interest to you out of 37 hours offered. Then, there are 8 hours of evening programs and tours as special features you will want to attend. There will be more than you can hear, but most important, you can choose the item of most interest to you.

During the program, March 4, you should meet with the interest group you best represent. There you can get acquainted with those from other areas and share in discussions on mutual problems.

On March 5, for the entire day, we have another innovation. A new section, "Basic for Beginners," is designed to be presented in a 3-year sequence. This year, the subjects, Soil, Nutrition and Water, tie together to receive, with Grass a full-day program. In the 1958 Conference, that may be disease and fungicides — later machinery, weeds, etc. This is for anyone, but especially for the young men, the new men, the newcomer to our Conference.

Meanwhile, two other sessions will be going on—Advances in General Turf and Advances in Golf Courses. In each, a wide range of reports and talks will bring current material.

Our theme is "Basic Principles and Applications". The program committee is anxious that it be a valuable educational program for you. Get in your room reservations early and ask a car-full of friends to join you.

PROGRAM

Monday, March 4 —

- 9:00 Registration Begins
- 10:00 Bus Tour of Campus
Tour Turf Experiments in Greenhouse
- 11:00 Second Bus Tour of Campus
Second Tour Turf Experiments in Greenhouse
Visit Display in Ballroom
- 11:50 Luncheon for Program Personnel
Chestnut Room
South Ballroom — Ward Cornwell, President
M.R.T.F. Presiding. Stan Graves, Timekeeper
- 1:15 Resources of A University - Dean A. R. Mallett
- 1:40 Some Geology of Our Midwest - Dr. W. N. Melhorn

2:15 Six years of Nitrogen Studies - Prof. H. B. Musser
 2:45 Break — Coffee Served
 3:00 Let's Get Acquainted
 (Each interest group will assemble to get acquainted and have talks. Please be prompt in joining your group.)
 Sod Nurserymen - E. Johanningsmeier, Room 314.
 Problems in Growing Sod - H. B. Musser
 What Business in '57? - Group Discussion
 Athletic & Park Grounds - John Gallagher, Room 312
 Fast Planting - Charles Finn
 Playground - Group Discussion
 Nursery, Cemeteries, Room 304
 Let's Discuss Problems - R. C. Pickett
 Industrial & Highway - F. V. Grau, Room 304
 Buzz Table Discussions - F. V. Grau
 Turf Material Distributors - Stan Fredriksen, Room 355
 Using Technology in Sales - Jess Taggart
 Sales Ahead? - C. O. Borgmeier
 Serving Our Customers - R. Maier
 Public Golf Courses - Richard Kennedy, W. Faculty
 The public and Their Golf Course - John Vaughn
 League Golf and My Course - Earl Yesberger
 Private Golf Courses - Stan Graves, S. Ballroom
 Maintaining Aprons - O. W. Young
 Maintaining Aprons - Charles Wilson
 Working with Greens Committee -
 6:30 p.m. Banquet - North Ballroom
 Speaker: K. T. Payne - That Reminds Me
 Purdue Glee Club - A. P. Stewart, Director

Tuesday, March 5, 1957

Attendees are divided into 3 groups for entire day. Each group will have four subject areas presented, as speakers come to their room.

9:00

Basic for Beginners, West Faculty Lounge, Clarence Wolfrom, Chairman

Soil Is Basic, Jim Watson, and A. R. Bertrand - (Textures, Structure, Org. Matter)
 (Group Picture)

Nutrition Is Basic, H. B. Musser, and Stan Barber
 (Solubility, Leaching, Minor Elements, Levels of Feeding)

LUNCH

9:00

Advances in General Turf, Room 355 - 363, R. Duke, Chairman

Grass Establishment - Military Turf Uses - Burton Kiltz
 Seeding Principles - H. B. Musser
 (Group Picture)

Soil Amendment & Nutrition - Soil Test Results - W. H. Daniel

Purdue Studies - N. Goetze
 Adequate Nutrition - C. Wilson

LUNCH

9:00

Advances in Golf Courses - South Ballroom - M. Mendenhall, Chairman

Pest Prevention - Rust Studies - M. Britton
 Putting Green Diseases - M. C. Schurtleff
 (Group Picture)

Soil Modification - Practices with Putting Green Soils - M. H. Ferguson

Modifying Other Turf Areas - Jim Watson

LUNCH

1:15

Mal McLaren, Chairman

Water is basic - Charles Wilson, and Dan Wiersma
 (Terms, Illustrations, Moisture Control)

Grass Selection Is Basic - F. V. Grau, and R. C. Pickett
 (Terms, Samples, Temperature Effects)

1:15

A. Linkogel, Chairman

Pest Control - Crabgrass Chemicals - J. Gallagher
 Rust Studies - M. Britton

Seed Field Problems - Arden Jacklin -

Lawn Diseases and Their Control - M. C. Schurtleff
 Insect Control - Don Schuder

1:15

Ray Phillips, Chairman

Professional Advancement - What Is Your Program? -
 Leo Feser - Training for Tomorrow - H. B. Musser

Fertilizer and Grass - Purdue Studies - N. Goetze

Soil Test Results - W. H. Daniel - Potash and Turf -
 W. L. Nelson

5:30 p.m. Advisory Council Dinner

Movies - South Ballroom - Athletic Field
 Pictures of Field Day taken by John Ott
 Annual Meeting - Midwest Regional Turf
 Foundation

Football Highlights - With Commentator -
 How To Watch A Football Game

9:00 p.m. Board of Directors Annual Meeting

Wednesday, March 6

South Ballroom, Marion Mendenhall, Chairman

9:00 a.m. Turf Organizations and Their Programs -
 W. H. Daniel

The Other Fellow Enjoying Turf - Doyle Mullen
 Improved Seed for You - Arden Jacklin
 Roadbuilding - U.S.A. - E. Yoder

11:55 a.m. Conference Closes

There are 15 persons having Ph. D. training speaking on the program. But much more important, the more than 40 speakers bring together a wide range of observations, experience and training through this divided program. You will have maximum chance to gain information in your speciality.

This advises members of the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation that the annual meeting will be held Tuesday evening, March 5.

March 5 there will be a lunch meeting of all persons on the program at 11:50, March 4. During the Conference, several groups will join together for lunches. At noon, Tuesday, March 5, the Indiana, Cincinnati and St. Louis groups will each have a meeting. The Advisory Council will have a dinner meeting, Tuesday evening at 5:30, rather than its Wednesday noon luncheon.

We are pleased to have Professor H. B. Musser of Pennsylvania State University share his research observations with us. A newcomer to our conference, but with exceptional experience and judgment, is Arden Jacklin, a large grower, producer, handler of grass seed and President of Turf Research Foundation. In Dr. Fred V. Grau, we have a man of ideas, one with extensive opportunity to know turf. Dr. Marvin Ferguson, Research coordinator and Southwest Director for the U. S. Golf Association, is an accomplished speaker who has studied his subject of soils under many conditions.

At Purdue, Mike Britton and Norm Goetze are working three-fourths time while doing turf research thesis. We are very pleased and proud of their progress. You will want to meet them. From our campus, from the Board of Directors of Midwest Turf and a wide array of speakers, you have tops in turf ahead during the 1957 Conference.

SPREADING IT THIN

The big meeting of the year is over and it was a big one. There were 1197 registered at Louisville. There was considerable difficulty in pronouncing the name Louisville but a waitress solved the difficulty for Walter Fuchs of Glen Eagles C. C. when she said, "When you say Louisville, hold the ooooo".

A great many from the Midwest came, but when we all got home and got around a little we found that many stayed home too. We kind of envy those that went on south and southwest from Louisville (hold the oooo) to warmer climates and to a period of fun before returning to work. A lot of our friends have done this, The Gabe Rossets from Skokie C. C. planned to visit Mexico, The Mastroleos from Geneva C. C. and from the Addison Golf Course went on to Orlando, the Barewalds from La Grange C. C. went on to Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Chet Ramsby from Edgewood Valley C. C. went on to Florida in their new Buick. These are but a few there were many more. Don and Mrs. Strand took off for Texas after the meeting.

With the return from the many winter vacations and from the Louisville meeting, work went on at a record pace. Frank Dinelli is in the midst of digging a 2 acre pond at Northmoor C. C., John Coghill and Norm Kramer are very busy rebuilding the clubhouse at Silver Lake and much work has already been done. They hope to start laying brick the last of Feb. Ray Gerber from Glen Oak C. C. is supervising major work in the clubhouse where almost the whole place is being rebuilt. Bert Rost of Butterfield C. C. is busy installing a watering system in the fairways and the last of Feb. started an extensive clubhouse rebuilding program. Walter Fuchs of Glen Eagles is in the midst of a rebuilding program there, too.

Geo. Roloff starts his new job at Inverness very soon. Al Rausch and his family from Bonnie Dundee have about completed work on their new home just south of the course and it is beautiful. Elmer Lemke of Tam O Shanter C. C. spent most of his vacation finishing the recreation room of their new home and his wife is very pleased.

The parents of the men who are in the Armed Forces are still interested in the welfare of their sons. The weekly letter is still important. Mrs. Burdett received this message from her son Paul W. in Feb. "Infiltration course Monday and Monday night, night firing Tuesday and Tuesday night, today, machine gun and bazooka's." Emil and Mrs. Cassier were supposed to take off for Florida right after the Meeting at Louisville.

Dick Rahe, who is now at the Des Moines Country Club, attended the Louisville meeting. Dick served as assistant at Glen Eagles C. C. for several years. He attended every session of the Educational Conference.

It is time to be thinking seriously about attending the Purdue Short Course. March is too soon here. That motor court on the south side of Route 52 just before you get to the by-pass serves the best Smorgasborg. Better eat there at least once.

In spite of the cold weather the grass seems to be greening up. There has been some Snowmold reported around the greens but none yet on the bent.

Our President Amos Lapp got his first taste of Politics at the National meeting in electing Bob Williams Vice president. Amos got the job done and proved to himself and to the association that he is a practical Politician. Amos and Geo Roloff and Walter Fuchs worked hard getting a total of 87 proxies and then used these votes to win the election for the Midwest. No one enjoyed himself more than Amos and the memories of his efforts will stay with him for quite a while.

Mrs. Henry Lange got the \$20.00 hat certificate the last day of the Louisville meeting at the Bonnet Breakfast. She bought a beauty. Some other women came home with hats, too.

Our Spring Dance will be held at the O Henry Ball Room, on Archer Ave., near Willow Springs on the evening of Friday, May 10th. The O Henry Ball Room always has excellent orchestra and we will have a special room with bar, choice of food for all, ample parking, and excellent dance floor. Norm Kramer of Silver Lake C. C., Chairman of the Committee plans door prizes, and entertainment and altogether it will be an excellent evening.

Tom Coyne of Lincolnshire C. C. spent his vacation in Texas and California. Tom was gone three weeks.

All the ladies registered at the Educational Conference received orchids to wear at the banquet.

THE MOLE

We saw Herman Woehrle at Louisville and he said that his vacation had been delayed this winter due to the recent arrival of his second grand daughter. Herman and Mrs. Woehrle, accompanied by son Ted, left immediately after the Conference for a few weeks in Florida.

Oscar Borgmeier threw his traditionally famous dinner party for the Chicago area Superintendents and their wives at Louisville. Needless to say, we all had a wonderful time and many thanks to you, Oscar.

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