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JOE VENTURELLA

**THE JUNE MEETING
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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Your good attendance at our regular meetings is most gratifying to me and to our board of Directors. I want to thank the men who have made their clubs available to us for our meetings, and to the excellent hosts we have had month after month. A big "Thank You" goes to Carl Hopphan for the wonderful time he showed us at the Aurora Country Club. The course was in fine condition and the food was excellent.

Joe Venturella will be our host for our June 3rd meeting at the Brookwood Country Club. It will be on a Tuesday again and lunch will be available at noon and dinner will be served at 7 o'clock with our meeting afterwards. Let's all plan to attend.

Our thanks go to Norm and Peggy Kramer for the nice time that everyone had at our Spring Dinner Dance. It takes a lot of time and hard work to set up a Dinner Dance and we appreciate it very much. We will be looking forward to our Fall Dance.

Please set this date aside, Tuesday, July 15th. Nels Johnson has made arrangements for us to have a picnic at Adler Park in Libertyville on this date so let's all plan to come.

Ed Stewart, President

THE JUNE MEETING

Our June meeting will be held at Brookwood Country Club on TUESDAY, June 3. Joe Venturella will be our host. There will be golf in the afternoon, social meeting, dinner 7:00 P.M., business meeting and educational meeting. Joe invites us all out to have an enjoyable day at his beautiful course.

OUR MAY MEETING

Aurora Country Club was the scene of our May meeting and Spring Golf Tournament on May 5. It was a nice clear day, but a little on the windy side. Some 50 golfers toured Carl Hopphan's beautiful golf course. All who played were loud in their praise of the condition of the course. A number of others who did not play golf enjoyed the facilities of the club house in the afternoon. In the evening we enjoyed a delicious meal and the business meeting followed. At the meeting, it was announced that the Finance Committee recommended financing our share of the expenses of the National Turf Conference and Show in Chicago in January with either an assessment to all members or a raise in dues. The membership voted that a special meeting be held for the purpose of determining ways and means of raising the money. By unanimous vote, Al Johnson was named our candidate for National Director for 1959. Gordon Brinkworth announced that our Annual Fall Clinic would be held at Olympia Fields on November 18-19. Wes Updegraff, Education Chairman, introduced our speaker of the evening, Mr. John Holden, who gave us a very nice talk on flowers. Ben Kronn, Tournament Chairman, distributed the golf prizes.

Golf Prize Winners

1 Low Gross, Emil Mashie. 1 Low Net, Al Pruess. 2, Carl Hopphan, 3, Ed Muzik. 4, Adolph Bertucci. 5, Oscar Borgmeier. 6, Chester Sikora. Door Prizes - 1, Bill Black. 2, Al Kroph. 3, Bill Smith.

SPRING DINNER DANCE BIG SUCCESS

138 Superintendents and guests and their ladies, attended the Spring Dinner Dance at River Forest Golf Club on May 3.

The food was good, and so was the music and everybody had a most enjoyable evening. Our congratulations to Norm and Peggy Kramer and also to Ed and Mrs. Stewart for a fine party.

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS AT THE SPRING DINNER DANCE

1. Mrs. R. Breen; 2. Mr. Joe Domm; 3. Mrs. Marshall Williams; 4. Mrs. Ted Weidenfeller; 5. Mrs. R. DiNovo; 6. Mrs. C. Daugherty; 7. Mrs. Lorraine Pavlich; 8. Mr. Ray Gerber; 9. Mr. D. White; 10. Miss Kathy Schlinger; 11. Miss Shirley Johnson; 12. Miss Marilyn Stoker; 13. Mrs. W. Saielli; 14. Mr. Ray Runnfeldt; 15. Mrs. J. McIntosh.

Booby Prize Winners: Mrs. J. Woody; Mrs. L. Millies; Mrs. G. Dalman; Mrs. W. Fuchs; Mrs. O. Borgmeier; Mrs. W. R. Smith and Mrs. A. Johnson.

"HERE'S A WHALE OF A NEMATODE STORY!"

Many of us have some sort of an idea about what nematodes are, the damage they do to crops and what they look like. We often hear how three of them will fit on the head of a pin. Well, we got interested in figuring out just how small are the smallest and how large are the largest. Almost every week we have heard about species that have extended their size range, but now we think we have found the two extremes.

"On the small end there is a new species of *Aphelenchoides* whose adults average 1/150 of an inch long. At the large end is *Placentonema gigantissima* which is 25 feet long. This giant is a parasite found in the placenta of whales. We're sure glad we are not mama whales, because there's not much that can be done about her parasite, but we can do something about the nematodes that attack crops." —SCAN, March 1958. Sounds like a Jim Holmes story, doesn't it?

—From Mid-Continent Turfletter, April, 1958

Carl Hopphan had Aurora Country Club course in magnificent condition for our Spring Tournament there on May 5. It was also gratifying to see the sign in the Pro Shop window "Golf Course Superintendents — Welcome."

COMING EVENTS

June meeting, Brookwood Country Club, June 3. Joe Venturella, host.

July meeting, Gleneagles Country Club, July 7. Walter Fuchs, host.

August meeting, Twin Orchards Country Club, August 4. Ben Kronn, host.

September meeting. Joint meeting with Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association. Brynwood Country Club, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Sept. 9. Les Verhaalen, host.

October meeting and Fall Golf Tournament. Open. November meeting, Silver Lake Country Club, November 3. John Coghill and Norm Kramer, hosts.

Fall Clinic, Olympia Fields Country Club, November 18-19.

December meeting, Annual Meeting and Election of Officers, Glendale Golf & Country Club. Clarence Mueller, host.

LADIES ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

The Ladies' Entertainment Committee held a meeting April 16th at the Sherman Hotel and a good many subjects were discussed that we could use to make up quite a complete Ladies' program.

It was decided that a Ladies' Hospitality room was essential but the daily continental breakfast brought about quite some discussion and upon further investigation I found this breakfast was rather costly, and we also might be setting a precedent in supplying the women with a free breakfast.

Some of the subjects that were discussed were either too costly or arrangements could not be made to hold them. After thoroughly filtering all the material I have and pricing same, I am submitting a tentative Ladies' program which would require \$2500.00 in expenses from our local association to put this into effect.

I am using a figure of 250 as an expected Ladies' registration. This is merely a guide for setting up this program and I have tried to stay away from activities requiring transportation as past experiences have proven transportation to be very costly.

The tentative program is as follows:—

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| Mon. Jan 26th | A.M. Registration
2:30 P.M. Cinerama-Palace Theatre
Evening-mixed get acquainted cocktail hour |
| Tues. Jan. 27th | A.M. Open for personal shopping
Hospitality room open for "coffee clutch"
2:00 P.M. Sightseeing tour and "Top of the Rock Observatory"
8:00 P.M. Lillian Brodahl-Lecturer and Humorist |
| Wed. Jan. 28th | A.M. Open for personal shopping
Hospitality room open for "coffee clutch"
12:00 Noon Luncheon and Fashion Show at Marshall Fields
2:30 P.M. Matinee - "My Fair Lady" or "Music Man"
8:00 P.M. Celeste Carlyle-Beauty & Fashion Expert |
| Thurs. Jan. 29th | A.M. Open for shopping
Hospitality room open for "coffee clutch"
12:00 Noon Brunch at Thorne Galleries-Art Institute
6:00 P.M. Mixed cocktail party and banquet |

Orchids will be passed out to the ladies for the banquet.

The foregoing program is quite complete and is planned with thought for inclement weather and plenty of time allowed for the women that wish to have time to shop the stores of Chicago. Most of the activities are centered around and in the close proximity of the hotel, therefore should provide enjoyment for all who attend.

Trusting the Directors will see fit to allocate the required expense money to make this the biggest and best conference to date.

Respectfully submitted, Gordon Brinkworth
Chairman, Ladies Entertainment Committee

DO YOU HAVE TO INTRODUCE THE SPEAKER?

It is not a difficult job to introduce the key speaker at a big banquet or a small gathering—if it is taken a step at a time.

Whether you are introducing one or more speakers, these steps may be helpful to you. First get a package of 3" by 5" cards. Hand one of these cards to the speaker and have him: 1, write down his name; 2, where he is from; 3, his position and title and; 4, the subject of his talk; then, politely tell your guest how long he is expected to talk and that the group would appreciate it if the time limit is observed.

In making your introduction: (a) address the audience—not the speaker—and NEVER APOLOGIZE in case the speaker is a substitute; (b) be brief; (c) tell a few of the qualifications which make the speaker the appropriate choice for this meeting, but avoid too big a build-up; (d) give a couple of reasons why the listeners should be interested in the talk; (e) don't embarrass the speaker with humor or other devices to warm up the audience for him.

In closing the introduction refer to the written information the speaker has provided on your 3" by 5" card and pronounce his name CORRECTLY. Always close your introduction with the speaker's name; remain standing on the platform, then sit down.

After the talk: 1. appropriately lead the applause for the speaker; 2. thank him in behalf of the group, 3. AVOID—as poison—rehashing what the speaker has said. If in a question and answer period a point needs clarification or repeating, let the speaker do it himself.

—By H. E. Thimas, N. Y. S. College of Agriculture.

SOCIETY HEADLINES

The Dominic Grotts have moved into their newly completed home adjoining the grounds of Sunset Ridge Country Club. They are always glad to have their friends visit with them and will be home from now on, as Dominic intends to spend a good deal of his time on the golf course this summer.

The William Saiellis attended the Spring Dinner Dance at River Forest. They had a wonderful time and Saielli intends to enroll at the Arthur Murray Dance School this winter.

Mrs. Frank Dinelli is becoming famous as an African Violet breeder. At a recent local show she had by far the best entry, but lost out on a technicality. Frank says that the Violets take up so much of her time that she isn't of much help to him anymore in his Zoysia planting.

Frank Mastroleo claims that the electric cart is, in his opinion, the greatest invention in golf in many years. Although his cart broke down on the 14th hole at Aurora, he was still able to finish the 18 on foot.

Warren Roseman is laying in a stock of fine cigars. He expects to be passing them out soon.

Pete Peterson of South Shore Country Club and Miami, Florida, expects to retire to his Miami home in the near future. Pete claims that he can sit in his backyard and catch all the fish he wants without getting out of his rocking chair.

Oscar Borgmeier is playing golf every chance he gets. He hopes to be able to break 100 regularly by the end of the summer.

SPREADING IT THIN

Charlie Wrack, Superintendent of Chevy Chase Country Club has been a very busy man since last summer. He has enlarged 16 greens from an average of 4,000 square feet in area to an average of 6,500. He has rebuilt 5 tees and built 14 new bridges over the creek to replace those washed away in the floods of last July.

Walter Fuchs of Gleneagles is getting the championship No. 1 course ready for the big tournament the last part of July and the first part of August. Walter says that he is confident that the course will be in beautiful shape for the tournament.

Elmer Lemke of Tam O Shanter is looking forward to a calm and peaceful summer. Elmer has been at Tam since 1940, and this is the first summer in which they will not have a major tournament played over the course.

Our May meeting at Aurora received quite a bit of publicity locally, at least. The Aurora Beacon on Sunday, May 4, had an article about the meeting and tournament. Aurora's radio station, WMRO, also mentioned our meeting and tournament on the 5 PM news and sports show.

We note that Mel Warnecke, who left Evanston Country Club to go to the Country Club of Indianapolis several years ago has accepted the position of Golf Course Superintendent at East Lake Country Club, Atlanta, Georgia. Mel assumed his duties there on June 1. East Lake is the home club of the great Bobby Jones. It is a 36-hole layout with two greens for every hole. It looks like a big job and we wish Mel much success on his new job.

Matt Bezek, who has been associated with Norm Johnson at The Country Club of Florida at DelRay Beach, Florida, recently became Golf Course Superintendent of Ponce de Leon Country Club, St. Augustine, Florida. The best of luck, Matt, and here's hoping we will have a chance to visit you next winter.

Received a card the other day from our old friend Bob Marbury. Bob says that the tornado that hit Fort Pierce missed him but did \$5,000,000. worth of damage in the area. Bob misses our meetings and also meetings of the Hearts Club.

George Roloff was reported improving and hopes to get out of the hospital in the near future. Gabe Rosset is able to get around a little and has been able to be on the job for short periods.

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