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Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents



BILL SCHWANTZ

**THE MAY MEETING
HINSDALE GOLF CLUB
HINSDALE, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, MAY 4th, 1959**

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Educational Program

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our April Meeting held at the Calumet Country Club is one we will remember for a long time, and our many thanks to Paul Voykin, host superintendent, and the Club Manager, Mr. Haffner, for taking care of us in such a gratifying manner. The attendance was over eighty.

We were honored to have with us at our last meeting, Mr. Elmer Border, President of the Golf Course Superintendent's Association, Camarillo, California; Dr. Gene Nutter, Executive Director of the G. C. S. A.; Dr. William Daniels from Purdue University, and Mr. J. B. Beard from Purdue University. Dr. Daniels and Mr. Beard presented the educational program, and, as usual, did a marvelous job. Mr. Jim Holmes of the U. S. G. A., Greens Section, enlightened us on some of our problems which we are encountered with this Spring, and from most all reports there are many. *Poa Annua* has sure taken it on the chin this past Winter. The question is, will it recover? The results will be interesting.

Several species of Japanese Yews were severely damaged during the Winter. Some are a total loss. It is discouraging to see yews that were so beautiful last year and completely brown this Spring.

Our May 4th meeting will be held at the Hinsdale Golf Club, Hinsdale, Illinois. Bill Schwantz, Grounds Superintendent, will be our host. To the best of my knowledge this is the first time the Midwest Association has ever held their meeting at this Club. We are very grateful to the Club for this privilege. Hinsdale is a private Club and it will not accept cash money for any purchase made. It will be necessary for each person to sign his name and address to his charge ticket.

I hope to see all of you at our Dinner and Dance, May 1st, at Butterfield Country Club. DON'T FORGET to make your reservation.

RAY GERBER, *President*

CLIPPINGS

Bill Schwantz is well into his 41st year as an employee of the Hinsdale Golf Club, and has been Supt. for the past 25 years. In that time Bill has had a hand in making many changes at Hinsdale but the trap on the 16th green in the form of Andy Gump has been unchanged since it was constructed twenty-seven years ago. Bill and his wife Lillian now reside in Clarendon Hills. Bill loves to fish and has made many trips to Wisconsin and Florida.

Peter Bild Superintendent of the Woodridge G. C. is reported to be in Hines Hospital for a General check-up. Visiting hours are from 2 to 4 P.M. Harold Borgman formerly with Wes Updegraff at Oak Park is serving as assistant to Pete at Woodridge.

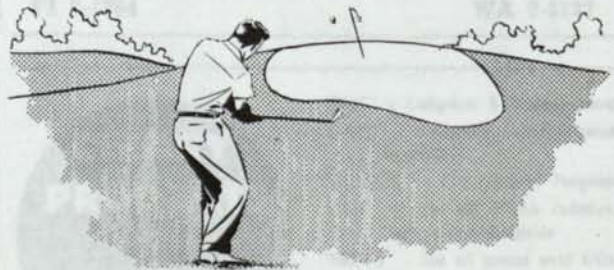
Dr. Daniels and Mr. Beard presented a very informative program pertaining to soil temperatures at our last meeting. Dr. Daniels pointed out that it took 1,000,000 separate notations to complete the slides that took only a few minutes to explain to us. Yes research is expensive, but necessary.

Mother nature sure took a slap at some turf grasses this winter, it is a bit early to evaluate the damage whether it was a T. K. O. or one to make it late in answering the bell.

Gordon Brinkworth who has been Supt. at the Olympia Fields Country Club for the past 4 years and prior to that 3 years at Brookwood has resigned to become General Manager at the Derrick Country Club, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Gordon will leave May 15th, to assume his new duties, returning after school is out to move his family north.

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Mr. and Mrs. Brinkworth and family will certainly be missed around the Chicago area. The Midwest Association certainly owes a debt of gratitude to Gordon and the Olympia Fields Country Club for providing its facilities each year for our fall clinic, also for the fine job he did on the ladies entertainment at the last National Turf Conference. But we know that Gordon has many friends in Edmonton as he was raised there. So health and happiness to the Brinkworth's and visit us when possible.

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1. *There shall be six classes of members as follows:*

(a) Charter Members. Those persons who become members of this Association prior to the date of the first Annual Meeting in 1927.

(b) Honorary Members. Those persons whose outstanding work in our profession or in related fields, entitles them to special recognition. Honorary Members may be dismissed from business meetings at the discretion of the President, but may attend all educational and social meetings and are entitled to all benefits of the Association, except they shall not have the right to vote and they shall not be required to pay any dues.

(c) Class A Members. Those persons presently employed as Superintendents of golf courses who shall have held such a position for not less than three years prior to the time of application for membership is made herein, provided however, that effective January 1, 1957 any person who is not a Class A Member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America must make application for membership in the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America simultaneously with the making of application for membership herein.

(d) Class B Members. Superintendents who are employed in golf course maintenance work as qualified Superintendents, but who are not eligible for admission as Class A Members. Class B Members may attend all meetings and are entitled to all benefits of the Association. All persons when making application for membership as Class B Members in the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents must also make application for membership in the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America simultaneously with the making for membership herein.

(e) Class C Members. Those persons who are employed as trainees in golf course maintenance work. Class C Members may attend all meetings and are entitled to all benefits of the Association, except however, they shall not have the right to vote.

(f) Class D Members. Commercial members who are sufficiently interested in our profession to attend meetings and work for the advancement of this Association, but who are not eligible for admission as Class A Mem-

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bers. Class D Members may be dismissed from the business meetings at the discretion of the President but may attend all educational or social meetings and are entitled to all benefits of the Association except, however, they shall not have the right to vote. Effective January 1, 1959 it will be mandatory for Class D Members to be a member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.

2. Application for membership shall be, by written application which shall be accompanied by a written character reference signed by two members in good standing. All applications must be approved by the membership committee, and must then be approved by the Board of Directors.

3. No member shall at any time, use his membership in this Association for the purpose of private gain. Violation of this By-Law shall be sufficient ground for expulsion from the Association.

(NOTE) Article IV paragraph e of the By-laws should be clarified insofar as the grounds for expulsion or suspension should be enumerated to prevent the Board of Directors from being charged with dealing unfairly or arbitrarily with a member. A suggested revision follows:

4. Expulsion or suspension of a member from the Association shall be by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors. A member may be expelled or suspended for the following reasons: Non payment of dues or assessments; Active promotion of disunity or disloyalty for the purpose of private gain; or, Failure to attend a meeting for a period of 6 months. Any member of this Association who is expelled from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America shall automatically be expelled from this Association.

5. Each member shall be issued a membership certificate upon being accepted as a member. Said certificate shall certify his membership in the Association, shall be signed by the President, Attested by the Secretary and shall have the Association Seal affixed thereto, and shall set forth the class of membership being conferred. The Board of Directors shall prescribe the form of this certificate.

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