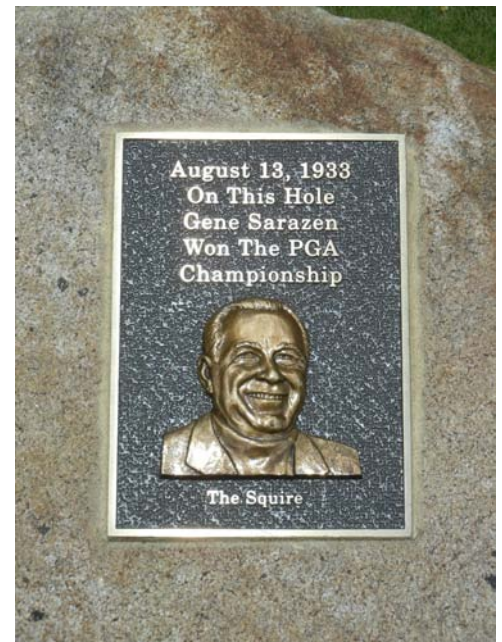


## Member 9 With Zach Reineking

1. **First Vehicle?** *Pontiac Grand AM GT*
2. **Favorite Piece of Golf Course Equipment?** *Verticutter*
3. **18 Hole Handicap?** *Was about 8 but it raised to 25 working in the industry.*
4. **Current Vehicle?** *GMC Sierra.*
5. **Favorite TV Show?** *Modern Family*
6. **Favorite Pro Sports Team?** *Brewers.*
7. **Favorite Main Course Meal?** *Lasagna*
8. **Pets?** *Labradoodle, Buster (As a warning no one gave me, Buster will greet you loudly at the maintenance facility door.)*
9. **Favorite Thing About Working In Golf Industry?** *How dynamic the job is. We are accountants, agronomists, pathologists and Human Resource Directors all wrapped into one.*



Blue Mound Golf & Country Club celebrates its history with a statue of Seth Raynor who designed the course in the 1920's and a plaque on the 5th hole where "The Squire" Gene Sarazen won the 1933 PGA Championship.



### WISCONSIN'S FUTURE MAJOR GOLF TOURNAMENTS

2012 U.S. Women's Open Championship - Blackwolf Run, Kohler

2015 PGA Championship - Whistling Straits, Sheboygan

2017 U.S. Open Championship - Erin Hills, Erin

2020 Ryder Cup - Whistling Straits, Sheboygan

## MISCELLANY



**Host Superintendents - Zach Reineking (left) from Erin Hills and Tim Venes from Blue Mound**



**(Left) Without carts Erin Hills offers narrow packed walking paths to prevent hillside erosion. (Right) Blue Mounds Par 3 - 7th Hole offers 167 yards to a green surrounded by deep bunkers.**



**Erin Hills (Left) Par 4 - 11th Hole plays 458 yards with challenging tee shot over natural fescue. Blue Mounds (Right) Par 5 - 18th Hole plays 558 yards with cross bunkers in the fairway landing area.**



# MISCELLANY



**Below** - The “fast and firm” fescue fairway on Hole 10 at Erin Hills followed by a close-up of the same.

**Right** - The Par 4, 432 yard 12th hole at Erin Hills from the tee (top), landing area (middle) and behind the green (bottom) shows the tremendous topography changes the glaciers left behind.





## Wee One at Pine Hills

By David Brandenburg, Editor, The Grass Roots

October 21 will mark 7 years since longtime Ozaukee Country Club Superintendent Wayne Otto lost his battle with Cancer. In respect for Wayne's legacy as a great person, friend and superintendent his colleagues started the Wee One Foundation to honor their longtime friend.

Wayne was given the name "Wee One" on a 1985 golf trip to Scotland. The local caddies were making wagers on the four friends when one caddie declared, "My money's on the Wee One!"

The Foundation was developed to assist golf course management professionals (or their dependents) who incur overwhelming expenses due to medical hardship. Through the Foundations work, Wayne's legacy will never be forgotten.

Membership in the Wee One Foundation has grown to over 270 in 17 states. Member dues along with event proceeds have allowed the Foundation to give over \$375,000 to deserving families.

The golf industry is unique as we are all competitors of each other for the almighty round of golf or member but

at the same time we are all willing to help each other with equipment needs or turf problems. Through the Wee One we can take it one step further and help through the donation of funds at a time families need them the most.

Sheboygan Country Club was founded in 1905 and moved to its current "Pine Hills" location in 1929. The new course was designed by Harry Smead. The course plays to a par 71 at 6,481 yards over rolling terrain crossing the Pigeon River a few times.

The format for the Wee One is a select drive alternate shot played in 6-somes and thanks to your support the field maxed out again at 162 players. Attendees are treated to a Taco Bar and Sheboygan Brat Stand on the course, great prizes and raffles along with Hors d'oeuvres with plenty of camaraderie after the round.

Membership in the Wee One is currently \$75 per year and the money truly goes to a great cause helping those in our industry through their most troublesome times.

Visit [weeone.org](http://weeone.org) to learn more about Wayne, the foundation, how to donate or how to join.



**Host Superintendent Rod Johnson prepares to advertise for the 50/50 Raffle. Rod has been Superintendent at Pine Hills since 1980 and is only the 5th superintendent in the clubs 106 years.**

# COVER STORY

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## *One of Many Testimonials on How The Wee One Foundation Helps Our Colleagues*

“I am writing to thank you for the very generous check that we received in January from your organization. I was not even aware of your organization, but we surely were in need of help at that time. My husband was diagnosed with esophageal cancer shortly after we moved to Arizona following his dream of becoming a golf course superintendent. He lost his battle against cancer after a one year struggle. One of the last times he was able to leave our home was when his co-workers took him to lunch and presented him with your check. He was so grateful for that. Please accept this donation in memory of my dear husband. I hope that you can continue to help others during their most difficult times.”- Carrie Duerr



**Above Left - Darrin DiChristopher is congratulated by Foundation President Dan Quast for a hole in one on Hole 9 to win \$10,000 cash.**

**Above Right - The clubhouse and hole 8 from 11 tee.**

**Below Left - The view of 10 and 8 fairway from 10 tee.**

**Below Right - Par 3, 208 yard 7th Hole well guarded by bunkers and features a contoured green.**





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## Falling Fast

By David Brandenburg, Editor, The Grass Roots

Is it possible October is here and the leaves are changing colors and falling to the ground? How does the time go by so fast. We can only hope for a nice fall with an extended growing season for turf to recover from summer stress and golfers to enjoy our product many more times.

Football season is well underway with the thrill of Friday night high school games, the Badgers on Saturday and the World Champion Packers on Sundays. Luckily the Packers success leads to late Sunday and Monday Night games to allow golfers to play before the game. Wisconsin sure does shut down to watch the Green and Gold play on the gridiron each Sunday.

At the same time the Brewers have won their division for the first time since 1982 and are headed to the playoffs against the Arizona Diamondbacks. I might be in the minority for preferring baseball over football but I really don't follow the NFL until after the World Series. I hope in my lifetime my team will be there once but as a fan of the Chicago Cubs I realize many fans have been born, raised and died without seeing the pennant raised at Wriggley Field.

Recently ESPN has been playing the documentary "Catching Hell" by Ales Gibney. The central theme is the 2003 collapse of the Chicago Cubs in the League Championship against the Florida Marlins after Steve Bartman interfered with a foul ball that may have been caught by outfielder Moises Alou. It covers some great history of both the Cubs and Red Sox who also struggled to win the World Series for a long time.

It shows how quickly we can turn an innocent act of reaching for a high flying foul ball into a demonic act. Bartman only did what so many fans around him did and do

every game. His deflection of that foul ball turned him into a scapegoat for the entire stadium and changed his life forever.

It is a reminder on how quickly we judge others without looking at ourselves.

The turf industry lost another past industry leader and WGCSA Past President when Elwood "Woody" Voight passed away on September 9th at the age of 83. Woody retired in 1991 as the Parks Commissioner of Ozaukee County Parks and their two golf courses Hawthorn Hills and Mee-Kwon.

Woody got his start in the golf industry as a high school student working at a 9 hole course during World War II. After military service Voight worked a few jobs and re-entered the golf business in 1955 at a course his cousin owned in 1955. He made the move to Ozaukee County in 1969 and stayed for 23 years.

Elwood was a regular at monthly meetings until he moved to Arkansas in 1991 to enjoy his retirement. Rod Johnson discusses how he was influenced by Woody. *"Woody was a friendly face to WGCSA members never missing a monthly meeting or educational opportunity. He was WGCSA President when I joined the group and certainly made me feel comfortable and encouraged me to get involved."*



Woody Voight carefully chooses a prize at a meeting. (Photo from *The Grass Roots Files*)

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# EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK



If you have any trees that look like this 15' Norway Spruce the damage is likely from Imprellis herbicide. The new product from DuPont worked great on weeds but has caused significant damage to White Pine and Norway Spruce but also many other evergreen trees.

Damage has also been reported on some deciduous trees. Your first step is to call DuPont at 866-796-4783 to start the claims resolution process. Shortly after that a team will visit your golf course to evaluate and document your damage. It is important to start the process soon and be sure you do not sign any settlements with DuPont or a third party.

There are a number of law firms trying to latch onto the Imprellis refund process so proceed cautiously.

Our site visit was last week with 17 trees documented. They were

**Gene Haas provided this drawing to say goodbye to Dr. John Stier as he starts his new position at the University of Tennessee.**

mainly Norway Spruce but one Blue Spruce and three Honey Locusts that turned color and lost it's leaves on half the branches in late July. DuPont has stopped selling the product and will begin a return and refund process soon. The official Imprellis website is <http://www.imprel-is-facts.com/>.

Enjoy the shorter days of fall and remember to appreciate the numerous sunrises we are privileged to see in this business.

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