green superintendent makes the presentation to the Board, all questions can be promptly and correctly answered. Further, by appearing before the Board his status will be enhanced. He will then be, in fact, the boss of the operation.

Built into the framework of the organization and primarily to protect the entire club membership from either an overzealous Green Committee or an equally ambitious superintendent, I would like to recommend that every club take advantage of some of the other services that are available.

In summary, it has become rather obvious that in the years that I have served as a Green Committee Chairman my basic ideas have changed as to the true role of the Green Committee. In any efficiently-run, successful business, appropriately trained individuals are given the responsibilities of the many facets of the operation. Why can't our golf courses be managed with a similar philosophy?

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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#### **BOARD MEETING NOTES**

A Mid-Atlantic GCSA meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Monday, April 28 at Beltsville, Md. The items discussed were as follows:

Doug Hawes, instructor at the University of Maryland, submitted a letter explaining his latest experiment on Penncross bent as related to the growth habit of the grass with varying temperature and fertility levels. In his letter, he asked if it would be possible for our Association to contribute some financial assistance to help with this project. His feelings coincided with those of the board that this experiment would be of great aid to golf course superintendents not only in this area but in all areas where cool season grasses are prevalent. The board felt that since there had been no scholarship contribution made to the University this year that \$100 would be donated for this project under our Research and Scholarship Fund. Copies of this project, its purposes, set-ups and parallel evaluations are available from any board member for examination.

A letter was read from Mr. George Quigly, the Director of the Institute of Applied Agriculture at the University, asking permission from the Association to add to the Turf Mgmt. Curriculum booklet a phrase reading "A summer placement and management report is a pre-requisit for Turf III. This is arranged in co-operation with the Mid-Atlantic GCSA."

The board authorized Mr. Quigly to go ahead

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with this since we felt this could do nothing but benefit all association members. This would mean turf students at the University would be required to work on a golf course in our area during his summer vacation and at the end of the summer, he would be required to submit a written management report. Good show!

It was brought up at the meeting that several members were classified wrong or now met the reclassification requirements needed for a change. If you fall into this group, notify Bob Miller or any board member in writing of your desire to change classification.

New member applicants were discussed and they are as follows:

Raymond F. Loving, applying as a Class E. Buddy is an associate of Algie Pully and his application was the last of the Class E's up for consideration before we enacted the applicant freeze on the E category.

Elias Oliver, the superintendent at the Hawthorne Country Club in LaPlata, Md., was also discussed. Elias is applying as a Class A member.

We had to make an exception to the freezing of the Class E memberships to allow consideration of prospective members as E's who are supers but don't have sufficient time in to qualify as A's or B's. This exception was made so we would not have to deny membership to fellows who are interested enough to want to join. If a man expresses an interest in joining with other supers, he should not be discouraged from doing so.

The two fellows who fell into this category were:

Robert Bingham, super at Montgomery Country Club in Montgomery County. He is applying for Class E pending Class A memberhsip.

Thomas Comalli, new super at Crofton Country Club in Crofton, Md. Tom is also applying as a Class E and after his one year as super will resubmit as a Class A.

It was also brought to the attention of the Board that only Class AA, A or B members are allowed by the by-laws to sponsor a new applicant. Please keep this in mind when talking to prospective members.

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#### LADIES NIGHT

Paul Barefoot, our Ladies Night chairman, informs the members that this years' show will be held on July 30, a Wednesday night. We will be going to see the Jack Benny Show at Shady Grove Music Fair. Further details will be forthcoming in next month's newsletter.

Ladies will also be invited to the October meeting at Woodmont Country Club. Our host, Bob Shields, reports althought this will not be our ladies night function, all ladies are invited and welcomed. Any reasonable suggestions as to activities for them at the meeting should be submitted in writing to Bob.

### DRUNK AND DISORDERLY

Conduct of some of the members at the last meeting was noteworthy, to say the least. Several people remarked that they were quite embarrassed, upset, and in general disgusted with the complete lack of courtesy shown to our speaker, Dr. Sartoretto. The Board advises that we should all at least have common decency to show respect and gratitude to our gests and speakers. It does little to better our image when one or two people louse up an entire meeting at the expense of the majority.

### **NEW PARENTS**

A rather belated "Congratulations" to Sue and Sam Kessel on the birth of their pretty new daughter, Elizabeth Ann. Beth was born March 17 and weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces. Hope she gets her mother's looks!

#### SCHEDULED MEETING PLACES

June 3 - Suburban Club of Baltimore - Host Bob Miller

July – Picnic meeting Family outing – Tentative Host Bob Martino.

August 6 - USDA Field Day at Beltsville - Host Dr. Felix Juska.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS - WHO AND WHAT

Our board is made up of six members, each with a particular job to perform. As a matter of information, let's take a look at what each one is doing.

Lee Dieter, the super at Washington Golf is in charge of finding places for us to hold our meetings each month. Along with this, Lee has to make sure that our financial records get audited at the end of the year. Finding and setting up the place for the Baltimore Conference is also under Lee's jurisdiction, and he is looking at one or two new spots for this annual gathering. This is his second go-round as a board member, his first turn being spent editing the early editions of the first few newsletters.

Bob Miller from Baltimore's Suburban Club is a new addition to the board and he is doing an excellent job as membership chairman. Bob has read, re-read, and practically memorized the by-laws and classification requirements and is really screening all new applications