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#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the MAGCSA will be held on July 13 at Island View Golf club in Sterling Park. This will be the annual Family Picnic and Bob Martino will be our host for this once a year get together.

## **DIRECTIONS TO ISLAND VIEW**

Exit from 495 (Va. Beltway) at exit 10 W or Route 7. Go west through Drainesville and turn right at the first hard surface road at the top of the hill route 637 just west of Drainesville and past Sterling Pk. Go to the end of the road and once on the course bear to the left.

#### JOBS OPEN

Golf Courses Superintendent - 27 holes Arlington, Virginia in complete charge - advisory capacity to 18 hole Fairfax Course (near Fairfax Circle) - total 45 holes - Top quality man required, under 52 years of age, Army Navy Country Club-Salary commensurate with ability and experience - Mr. Del Hammersley, incumbent, resigning effective 31 October 1971 and knows of this announcement. Desire successful applicant work with Mr. Hammersley for one month prior to his departure. Contact General Manager, Joe Sims, Army Navy Country Club, 2400 South 18th Street, Arlington, Virginia 22204 - Telephone: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. - (703) 521-6800.

Sincerely,
J.A. Sims
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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It was a real pleasure being host to the MAGCSA at Beaver Creek C.C. We had a delightful day and I hope everyone enjoyed themselves.

It is quite evident our job as golf course superintendents should not stop on the golf course. We as well as our numbers have to keep our eyes on our politicians and just what they may be trying to push into legislation.

A short time ago, George Thompson called me about a bill that was going before the House. It was to prevent anyone from doing any mowing, operating golf cars, jack hammers and just about any piece of equipment that made any noise from the hours of between midnight and ten o'clock in the morning on Saturday and Sunday. This would just about curtail any work that we could do before the golfers came out in droves.

We made a few calls to some politicans that had some pull and helped defeat this bill before it made any headway.

If such a thing as this comes to the attention of any superintendents, be sure to contact an officer or director so we can take measures to prevent this from happening if necessary.

P.S. Bert got some great press coverage from the Hagerstown Daily Mail, the local daily up there from the meeting. Pics, articles, the whole bit. It sure is too bad the sports writers here in the metro Washington aren't half as interested!

#### LETTER FROM ED

Dear Denny:

Your last Newsletter mentioned sending the Questionnaire back to you. I don't know if you want to use mine or not but since I am still a member of the Mid-Atlantic you will find it enclosed. It might help the Averages.

Everything is going very well so far for me but like the Mid-Atlantic area you can't speak with much authority until Labor Day. Time will tell.

Give my regards to all the gang. The bad part about the move is leaving so many good friends.

Sincerely, Ed Dembnicki

# BOARD NOTES

The Board met on May 20 and the following items were discussed; The board meets once a month of the second Thursday following the monthly meeting. If there are any matters you would like the board to discuss, now you'll know when to mention it to the directors.

The conference meeting place is still being discussed. Several sites have been suggested, examined and discussed but no dicision has been reached.

One classification change was recorded. It was from Grant Pensinger from the Chambersburg C.C. His status is changed from Class B to Class A.

### THAT'S A NO NO!!!

Word has reached us that some student members who went to the meeting at Beaver Creek played golf and left. Well, the same rule applies to student members as well as active members; if you play golf, you either eat at the club in the evening or you pay for the meal if you leave early. It's only fair to the host, the club and the rest of the membership.

## DEADLINE

The deadline for any contributions for the Newsletter is the 15th of the month. If you have anything you would like to get off your mind, put it on paper and let's see it! But please get it to us by the 15th or it will be a month before it can be printed.

### ADDRESS CHANGE

We received two address changes. Please note them in your directory.

Craig Spottswood 14405 Pecan Drive Rockville, Md. 20853 301-929-1038

Joe Harding 9329 Allentown Road Oxon Hill, Md. 20022

## IN MEMORIAM

It is with deep regret that we inform you of the death of our President Emeritus Norman W. Kramer.

During his career he also was vice president of the Midwest GCSA. He served as director, vice president and president of the Western Michigan GCSA and the Michiana GCSA. He was a former president of the Midwest Turf Foundation at Michigan State University.

Norm passed away June 3, 1971. He is survived by his wife, Peggy, and two daughters, lauri and Lynn

#### SPECIAL BOOK

Superintendents, park managers, sales organizations and other interested parties may purchase the carefully edited Proceedings of the First International Turf Conference held in England in 1969. Only 400 copies have been received in the U.S. The cost, including postage, is \$8.00 per copy. Make check payable to International Turfgrass Society, and forward to the attention of:

Dr. R.R. Davis, Assistant Director Ohio Agricultural Research & Dev. Center Wooster, Ohio 44691.

This unusual book, 610 pages, divided by subjects, combines the current research technology of the U.S. and Europe.

Libraries, organizations, as well as individuals, are alerted to this recent availability. The next International Turf Research meeting will be in June 1973, in the U.S.A.

#### **FUNGUSHEAD SEZ**

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You know it's going to be a rough year when the water in the ball washers is so dirty that mosquitoes are a problem around the tees.

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## **GOLF COURSE SCHOLARSHIP**



GOLF COURSE SCHOLARSHIP - Donald R. Viands (right) of College Park (Prince Georges County gets a close-up of perpetual honor plaque on which his name has been inscribed as one of two 1971-72 winners of \$500 agronomy scholarships sponsored by the Maryland State Golf Association. Holding the plaque is Dr. H. Palmer Hopkins, director of student aid at the University of Maryland. Occasion was the seventh annual awards program of the university's Agronomy Club, held May 20 at the Fireside Beef House in Berwyn Heights. A graduate of High Point Senior high school at Beltsville, Viands also was one of two freshman winners of \$300 Agricultural Development Fund scholarships last fall.



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#### MEETING PLACES

July 13, Picnic, Island View C.C. Host. . Bob Martino

August 4 Wednesday, U.S.D.A. Field Day Host. . . Dr. Felix Juska

September 14, Joint with Philadelphia, Kennet Sq. C.C. Host. . . Paul Weldin

October 5, 1st Tuesday, Golf Tournament, Woodmont C.C. Host. . . Bob Shields

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