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President's Message

The relationship of the Mid-Atlantic and Philadelphia associations has been a unique one. Although not in the heart of the transitional zone our friends from Philadelphia still have transitional zone problems. Our problems and solutions in raising turf have been similar enough to draw us together both professionally and politically. Lets all get together next month and renew our relationships and talk about the summer of 73 – Past History – Yea!! A record turn out is in order, see you at Hunt Valley on September 11th.

Lee Dieter President

SEPTEMBER MEETING – HUNT VALLEY C.C.

The September Meeting of the Mid-Atlantic will be held September 11, at Hunt Valley Inn and Golf Club in Cockeysville, Maryland. This will be a joint meeting with the Philadelphia Association of Golf Course Superintendents. Our host will be Bob Orazi.

Bob worked along with the contractor and was responsible for the grading and seeding of tees and greens when construction started in June of 1969. Hunt Valley was opened for play in July of 1971. Edmond B. Ault was the architect and Ray Matthews was the general contractor. The course was built by Richard B. Edgar and later leased to Maryland Properties, Inc. a subsidary of McCormick & Co.

Bob graduated in 1960 from the University of Rhode Island where he majored in agronomy. Much of his maintenance experience came under Al Watson at Sparrows Point C. C. and during the service where he maintained the Fort Sill Officers and Enlisted Golf Club in Oklahoma. He also worked for a golf course contractor in Marietta, Ohio for three years. The greens at Hunt Valley were seeded to penncross bent; the tees have a mixture of colonial bents and the fairways are an 80% blend of bluegrasses. All greens, tees, and fairways are on a "tri-cal" program.

Like most golf courses in the area, Hunt Valley was not spared the inevitable disasters of Hurricane Agnes in 1972. An encore of similar devastation hit again in July of this year when 2.25 inches of rain were recorded during a one hour period.

For our meeting the course will be available for play anytime after 11:00 a.m. Carts are available as well as lunch at the club house. The main dinner will be served at the Hunt Valley Inn.

Please return the cards enclosed in this newsletter so that we can plan for the proper number for dinner, especially since members of two golf course associations are invited.

Directions to Hunt Valley Inn and Golf Club

From the Baltimore Beltway take Interstate Route 83 North to Exit 18 marked Shawan Road. Go east on Shawan Road to the Hunt Valley Inn. This is where dinner and the meeting will be held. To reach the golf course, proceed on Shawan Road to York Road, turn right and continue for approximately one-half mile. Turn left on Papermill Road. Continue on Papermill Road for approximately 3 miles and turn left on Phoenix Road. The entrance to the clubhouse is on the right approximately one-half mile.

LADIES' NIGHT SEPTEMBER 4th

Remember Ladies Night – if your wife hasn't already reminded you. Date: September 4th Place: Washingtonian Motel Cocktails – 6 p.m., Dinner – 7 p.m. Show – 8:30 p.m., Shady Grove (Sonny & Cher) Golf anytime – call Paul Barefoot at 291-2095 or 726-9100 (Ext. 237) for additional information or reservations.