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Presidents Message

Many thanks to Paul and Jimmie Barefoot, host and ostess of our Ladies Night at Toby's Dinner Theater in Columbia. Great food and fellowship; and the show was a real side splitter. Paul, that was a job well done.

On February 22nd I had the privilege of hosting, being chairman, and secretary to the 1982 Past President's meeting. How in the world we let these guys get out of office with the wealth of knowledge they have stored in their heads I'll never know. I have four pages of notes on this meeting that I'm trying to condense into presentation form for action by the board.

I've heard many members of the Mid-Atlantic ask "What does the Mid-Atlantic do for me?"

To many of us, the Mid-Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents gives us a *REASON* to get together and enjoy the company of our fellow superintendents. There is probably a greater exchange of ideas, on the golf course and during cocktail hour, than at any conference you will attend. Let's take advantage of one of the *REASONS* for our existence and attend our meetings. I'm betting you will find it worth the time.

J. Ben Stagg

Hog Neck Meeting by Ben Stagg

Hog Neck Golf Course is a 27 hole public facility. It was esigned by Linsay Erving, built by Maddox Const. Co., funded by Mrs. Alton Jones, and doanted to Talbot County after completion.

Some characteristics of the course include bentgrass tees averaging 80 yds. long, and 89 gaping sand traps. Four of

the fairways were built through a pure stand of Loblolly pine, seven fairways built through a forest of old growth hard woods, and the remaining holes built on farmland. These remaining holes have a links type setting with large bunker-type traps, just a few trees, and sixteen acres of ponds to catch errant shots.

The bluegrass fariways have stayed playable on a fertilizer program of two applications of 1 lb.N and 2/3 lb.K in the fall and ½ lb.N and 1/3 lb.K in mid June to take full advantage of long daylight hours.

The fertiizer program for the greens consists of 4 lbs.N/1,000 sq.ft. split into three fall and winter applications and $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of N spread out over the summer put on through the sprayer.

Nearly all programs in use here at Hog Neck are a result of practical experience or experimentation.

My first training in this profession came from working a season at Ocean City Yacht and Country Club under George Gumm. The next four years I spent at Nassawango Country Club as superintendent, gaining experience with Lou White and Russ Kerns as close as a phone call. In 1974 I moved on to tackle the 27 holes at Hog Neck. By using a good mix of the knowledge and experience of other superintendents, my Park Board, and myself, I have been able to mold Hog Neck Golf Course into a successful operation. It's a facility that has become a pleasurable and learning experience for me.

PROGRAM FOR THE DAY

Golf: 11:00am till 1:00 pm

Lunch: Deli-type sandwiches for sale

Golf carts: \$14.00

Dinner: Yesteryears Seafood; cocktails and raw bar

— 5:30 to 7:00 cash bar; Dinner — 7:00.

Cost - \$12.00

Directions to Hog Neck: Take Rt. 50 east 25 miles after Bay Bridge to Rabbit Hill Road, turn left and follow signs to Golf Course. *Note:* Due to construction at Kent Narrows Bridge, allow for extra time in case of delays.

Directions to Yesteryears Seafood: When leaving Hog Neck turn right 3 times to get back on to Route 50. Go south on Rt. 50 to Rt. 322, bear right and continue on Route 322 for 2 miles to Marlboro Road, turn left, go .2 of a mile to shopping center on the left. Yesteryears is in the North-west corner of the shopping center.

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1982 Meeting Places

MAY

Superintendent/Pro Towson Golf and Country Club Phoenix, Md. Paul O'Leary, C.G.C.S. — Host

JUNE

JULY

Chestnut Ridge C.C.
Lutherville, Md.
George Cleaver, C.G.C.S. — Host

AUGUST — Picnic
Bretton Woods Rec. Center
Germantown, Md.
Gerald Gerard, C.G.C.S. — Host

SEPTEMBER

Mid-Atlantic/Philadelphia Joint Meeting Great Bay Country Club Ed Johnson — Host

OCTOBER

Annual Glover/Hines Memorial Tournament Prince Georges Country Club Mitchellville, Md. Harry Allen — Host

NOVEMBER

Suburban Club Pikesville, Md. Bob Miller — Host

DECEMBER

* Meeting locations are subject to change *

Soil Testing to Go On Pay Basis in Md.

Ever since the state's first county agricultural agents were appointed in 1911, Maryland residents have had the opportunity for soil testing from the University of Maryland at College Park. But now the free service has fallen victim to economic circumstances.

Effective Feb. 15, the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service has announced that it will start charging for its laboratory analyses of soil samples. The cost will be \$4 per sample.

Dr. V. Allan Bandel, Extension soils specialist in charge of the soil testing program, says that charging for soil sample testing will permit hiring additional laboratory help. A larger staff will provide more efficient service in the face of a workload which has more than doubled since 1964. Unfortunately, budget allocations have not kept pace with the increased workload, Dr. Bandel commented.

1982 Match Play Tournament

By Paul O'Leary, Golf Chairman

The Fourth Annual Mid-Atlantic Match play tournament will start at the April 13 meeting, at Hog Neck G.C. The first round pairings are as follows:

- 11:00 Steve Nash (22) vs Bill Neus (27) Lou White(24) vs Tom List (26)
- 11:10 George Renault (24) vs Gene Dyke (29) Al Watson (25) vs Ben Stagg (27)
- 11:20 Ken Braun (16) vs Tom Turner (15) Bill Shirk (11) vs Virgil Robinson (14)
- 11:30 Ron Hall (11) vs Bob Miller (16) Harold Parr (12) vs Bob Orazi (14)
- 11:40 Ken Ingram (16) vs Sam Kessel (20) Ken Keller (17) vs Joel Ratcliff (19)
- 11:50 Grant Pensinger (17) vs Tom Malehorn (20) Walter Montross (18) vs Bert Yingling (19)
- 12:00 Mike Larsen (31) vs John Drew (40) Mike McKenzie (36) vs Jerry Gerard (40)
- 12:10 Wayne Evans (33) vs Mike Claffey (40) David Fairbank (31) vs Lee Deiter (40)
- 12:20 Tom Regan (5) vs Craig Rhoderick (10) Scott Wagner (7) vs Bill Emerson (9)
- 12:30 Paul O'Leary (5) vs David Kroll (9) Jeff Yingling (6) vs Harry Allen (9)

These matches will be played according to USGA rules. ALL MATCHES WILL TEE OFF ON TIME! SO DON'T BE LATE.



10th ANNUAL MID-ATLANTIC AGCS SUPERINTENDENT/PRO TOURNAMENT

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1982

TOWSON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB PHOENIX, MARYLAND

Superintendents—Merchanise Pros-Cash Prizes

Individual & Team Prizes Paul O'Leary — Host Superintendent Coleman Plecker — Host Professional



Membership

The following name has been presented to the Board of Directors for approval as a member of the Mid-Atlantic.

Steve Potter

Woodholme C.C.

Class B

Reclassification:

Walter Montross

B to A

Bob Miller (Lakeshore) Retired

NEWLY CERTIFIED

The following Mid-Atlantic members have recently reached the highest in Superintendency:

William Emerson Wayne Evans Paul O'Leary Martin Nadenichek George Renault

Shirts, Sweaters and Jackets

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GIVE AWAYS

Anyone that is interested in some free cannas or lockers, please contact Bob Shields at 424-7482.

REMEMBER

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