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President's Message

July is here, and with it, our normal hot, humid, and wet weather. This month's meeting is at Mt. Pleasant golf course in Baltimore, where we are going to have an outdoor bull roast and meeting, so dress casually for this one. Also, on July 19, we will be bidding farewell to another Mid-Atlantic member who is leaving us. Alex Watson, superintendent at Sparrows Point Country Club is retiring, and the Middle Atlantic Association CGS will host a cocktail party that night in his honor.

A flyer has already gone out on Alex's party, but if you need more information, call me at 486-2054. It will be at Sparrows Point, and wives and guest are welcome.

We recently received a supply of 25-year pins from the GCSAA, and these will be mailed out shortly. We presented Bert Yingling with his at the June meeting.

Ken Braun, *President*



Picnic Coming Up!

Mark your calendars now for the annual Mid-Atlantic Picnic to be held at Bretton Woods on August 9.

As in the past, the Mid-Atlantic will provide ribs, hot dogs, crabs, hamburgers, soda, and beer. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish vegetable, salad, or dessert for 15-20 people.

Bring a volleyball or other games if you wish to put forth that much energy, and swimming and golf will be available.

If anybody wants to make a big contribution like a dozen watermelons or a keg of beer, please contact Paul Barefoot at 722-3262 (O) or 291-2095 (H) with your offer. Paul also has one pair of checked socks left, so there might be an auction. Watch the August newsletter for further details.

Salary Survey Complete

The salary and benefit survey undertaken by Wayne Evans is nearing completion, and the analyzed data, showing averages and ranges will be available next month. Wayne received approximately 68% of the surveys given to Mid-Atlantic superintendents.

It's Golf, Barbecue At Mt. Pleasant, July 12

The Mt. Pleasant municipal golf course in Baltimore is one of the older public courses in the Mid-Atlantic region, but it retains its reputation as a very playable and busy layout. Designed in 1933 by Charles "Gus" Hook, who built a number of public courses, it has been serving Baltimore golfers for nearly 50 years. And, it will be the scene of the Mid-Atlantic Association's July 12 meeting, with the third round of the match play championship to be completed, plus open golf for the rest of those attending.

The July 12 program is a simple one: golf about 12, after the match play contestants go off, and an open pit barbecue at 6 p.m. The cost will be \$12, which includes beer, although an open bar will be available for those preferring other beverages. The meeting starts at 8 p.m., and because of the informality of the outdoor bullroast, the coat-and-tie requirement is waived for this meeting.

Kevin Pryseski has been the superintendent at Mt. Pleasant for the last four years, having taken over after working at Baltimore Country Club. His course has Penncross bent greens, which he overseeds every Fall, and his fairways are a mixture of bluegrass and Pennfine rye, which he has overseeded the past three seasons. He cuts the greens five times a week to 3/16" and the fairways twice a week to 11/16. He aerifies twice a year and topdresses with a 70/30 mix.

Directions to Mt. Pleasant start with getting on 695, the Baltimore Parkway, and going south at exit 30 onto the Perring Parkway. Four stoplights (about 2½ miles) will take you to the Northern Parkway, where you turn left (heading West). Go to the first stoplight, turn left on Hillen Road, and go a quarter of a mile to the course, whose entrance is on the left.

Mail the enclosed reservation card to let Kevin know if you'll be on hand for golf and/or dinner, or call him at 301-444-4660 (O) or 301-337-9574 (H).



The 1983 Board of Directors sit for their official portrait; front row, left to right, are Ben Stagg, Mike Larsen, Ken Braun, Paul O'Leary, and Gerry Gerard; back row, Paul Barefoot, George Renault, Bob Lambert, Lee Dieter, Wayne Evans, and Walter Montross.