

# NEWSLETTER



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## *Golf Course Superintendents Association* OF NEW ENGLAND



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# Golf Course Superintendents Association

## NOVEMBER MEETING

The November meeting was held at the Colonial Coach Inn, Marion, Mass. After lunch several Supts played golf at the Kittansitt Country Club. The first annual Lawrence S. Dickenson Scholarship given by the G.C.S.A.N.E. was awarded to Norman F. Bartlett, Stockbridge class of 1967. The scholarship is for \$250.00.

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held December 5th at the HOLIDAY INN on Grove St., Newton, Mass. Take exit 53 (Grove St. Exit) off Route 128.

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|--------------------|---------|
| Director's Meeting | - 11:00 |
| Lunch              | - 12:00 |
| Business Meeting   | - 1:00  |

This will be the annual meeting. Elections and a lot of old and new business to attend to.

## CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION

|                            |                                      |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| President                  | Leon St. Pierre                      |
| 1st V.P.                   | Anthony Caranci Jr.<br>John O'Connor |
| 2nd V.P.                   | Richard C. Blake<br>Cosimo Piantdosi |
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| Golf Committee Chmn        | Edward Murphy                        |
| Newsletter Committee Chmn  | Dean Robertson                       |

## ★ CHRISTMAS PARTY ★

The Association's second annual Christmas party will be held at the Framingham Country Club, December 15th.

### Program

|                             |                |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Cocktails                   | 7-8:00         |
| Roast Beef Dinner           | 8:00           |
| Orchestra and entertainment | - After dinner |

There will be corsages for the ladies. All this and a lot of enjoyment for \$15.00 per couple.

Everyone who attended last year had a great time. This is YOUR PARTY so let's all attend. Tickets will be available at the December meeting or send check to Dick Blake or Lou Duval.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### GOOD BUSINESS

An opportunity (and a challenge) to add to your knowledge and prestige is available to all qualified, forward-thinking "Golf Course Superintendents," in the form of a membership to "The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America."

Your By-Law Committee is now drafting a new amendment to the by-laws making it mandatory that no new applications will be accepted, unless, he is a member of "The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America." Members already in our Association will not be affected by this change, in the by-laws.

By joining the National body, you are making our own New England Association stronger nationally. You will personally share in their life and retirement insurances, and receive their monthly professional journal.

Let us begin the Year of 1967 in a positive way with a membership to "The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America!"

GET YOUR APPLICATIONS IN NOW!

MAKE NEW ENGLAND'S ASSOCIATION  
100% NATIONAL

Leon V. St. Pierre

The Association is saddened by the recent death of David Barry.

### LOGICAL ENOUGH

It seems logical enough to say that a nail driven into a young tree will rise higher and higher from the ground as the tree grows. However, if you believe that, you're mistaken. A nail driven into a small tree will remain the same distance from the ground no matter how tall the tree grows.

## THE OBLIGATION OF OUR HERITAGE

How can we younger superintendents express gratitude to our senior superintendents for the strong foundation upon which they have built our profession? Theirs was the responsibility to set high standards; with integrity it was accomplished. Theirs was the determination to bring recognition and prestige to the profession; this too was effected. Through the work of these same superintendents, now in their twilight years, a certain degree of prosperity has been gained. They will not reap the harvest of their efforts in terms of money. Testimonials and other conferred honors help to recognize their efforts, but this is not enough. To show how thankful we are to these men for what they have done for us, it is time to repay our elder superintendents with more than talk and praise. We need action! They started the ball rolling; now it is time for us to pick it up and start where they left off. Don't let our forebearers down.

Now the question arises: "What can I do as one individual?" The logical answer would be: "Support your organizations." Let's take stock of the present situation:

With new courses being built each year, chemical advancements, engineering achievements, further educational opportunities, and more intense research, the New England superintendents have found it necessary to form individual state associations. This is beneficial, particularly since more superintendents are being reached and the communication within each state has certainly improved. However, on the other hand, there seems to be a lack of communication between the New England states.

There have been much time, effort, and money spent each year on individual state conferences. The basic idea is good; but it is certainly not a practical one, particularly due to the repetition which is always involved. It would seem much more sensible to hold a single inclusive conference. Each state association could contribute financially and per-

sonally by representation. Such a meeting, complete with speakers, equipment demonstrations, and social activities, should be held during the fall season so that the weather would not be a problem. This type of activity would do us all good individually and should lead to a better image nationally.

Our status in the National Superintendents Association is not enviable. It is common knowledge that we did not win our bid to have the national meeting in Boston for the year 1969. This would have been a great privilege to host this event. Certainly our president Leon St. Pierre and Dick Blake, representative to the National Association, did their best to propound Boston as the site for the 1969 meeting; but they were outvoted. The delegation from New England just was not strong enough. In order to get more out of our National Association, we must be more a part of it. First, we must join as a member; secondly, we must actively support this association.

This year Dick Blake is a member of the National Association's board of directors. We must get behind Dick as much as possible by thinking and acting aggressively and progressively.

Do join and actively support your state associations. They are invaluable. But we must not forget to think beyond the confines of our individual states. It is not enough today to stay by ourselves; we must join and actively become involved with our National Association. We owe it to our senior superintendents to better our profession. It is now our responsibility to carry on the splendid work started by those before us.

Every day we are leaders in our profession. Tomorrow let's be leaders among leaders.

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