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MEETING NOTICE

Date: November 12, 1970 Thursday
 Place: The Apawamis Club
 Host: Garry Crothers
 Golf: 11 AM on
 Lunch: Grill Room
 Cocktails: 5 PM
 Dinner: 6 PM
 Program: ANNUAL MEETING — ELECTION OF OFFICERS

(NOTE: 27 regular members are required for a quorum, also proxy votes must be in the secretary's hand before the meeting)

Coming Events:

December 12 Christmas Party — Green Tree Country Club
 January 20-22 3 day Golf and Fine Turf Course — Rutgers University
 February 8-13 GCSAA National Conference — Denver, Colorado
 March 3-5 University of Massachusetts Turf Conference
 Membership: The following members have been accepted into MGCSA.

Pierre Costa	Class A	The Patterson Club
Dick Allen	Class A	Sunningdale Country Club
Warren Schupp	Class B	The Stanwich Club

**ALL MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE and READ the by-laws change approved at the Special meeting in regard to all future new applications and how they are to be passed.*

MGCSA NEWS: It certainly was a busy period from mid-September to Mid-October with all the meetings, Special meetings, Field Days, Invitationals and golf outings and picnics. Our September meeting was held at Silver Spring Country Club in Ridgefield, Conn. Dick DePencier our host prayed for a break in the rainy period that part of the country was going through. Well he sure got his order as it was a gorgeous sunny day in a beautiful country setting. You see no houses on the border of the whole 18 holes even though Ridgefield Center is just down the street. We saw a lot of excellent turf especially on the greens. Tony Grasso gave an excellent presentation of slides of things happening or being done in our own area by fellow superintendents. It certainly always gives an idea or two for your own course in planning future renovations or improvement of your maintenance operation. Next stop on the tour was at the Annual meeting at Hampshire Country Club with Bill Caputi as host. The attendance was disappointing to say the least, only 13 Class A members in attendance, just enough for a quorum under the old by-laws. All changes and additions to the by-laws were approved. They are again enclosed in this issue of the Tee to Green so please file them in your directory and bring them to the annual meeting. Ted Horton (Secretary of New York State Federation of Golf Course Superintendents) made available to members present applications for Certification. Those members interested in Certification please contact Ted. The same week we had a large turnout for the golf outing at Whipoorwill followed by the always great picnic or feast (as I am sure no one ever leaves Labriola's without enough to eat and drink). Chuck Martineau, our host, said we had over 60 for golf and I am sure we added a few more for the picnic. It was a great fun day. A big THANK YOU to the Labriola's.

The following week some fellows went to the NJGCSA Equipment and Supplies Field Day. It's the first one I've missed and they tell me it was the best. Skip Cameron did a great job in spreading the word and I heard there were over 85 Superintendents in attendance (that's what you call participation). Ted Horton went up the Nevelle for the Federation conference and annual meeting and was chairman of one of the programs. I am sure he will clue us in at the annual meeting as to what is happening in the federation.

October remained very warm and we had another great day for our own MGCSA Equipment and Supplies Field Day at Wykagyl C.C. Al Smith, who was chairman and host for the Field, worked very hard to present another successful Field Day. We had over 30 exhibitors. Bill Caputi and Al Tretars contributed all the tables which certainly helped a lot. As usual, the mike was ably handled by Tony Grasso of Metro Milorganite in both the demonstrations of equipment and following the beer wagon and drawing the door prizes.





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Two days later we had our Invitational Golf Tournament at Scarsdale Golf Club. Everett Wood our host certainly went first class all the way, but one can't control Old Man Weather and this was the day he decided to make it rain and at times pour. We initially had 40 teams for this great annual event. 30 teams did brave the elements and as it turned out after the first few holes the rain let up and really the rest of the afternoon wasn't bad considering all the black clouds that kept passing overhead. Needless to say the hot shower felt great along with a few hot toddies. Then everybody enjoyed talking with other club officials and golf professionals while eating the many delicious hors d'oeuvres along with a few more drinks. Then the day was topped off with a delicious dinner. Woodie introduced his chairman and other club officials and also (take note, fellas) the board of directors of the club who all sat at one table.

Al Tretars awarded the winning team trophy to Bonnie Briar. The team consisted of Dom DiMarzo, Sal DiBuono, Pro Richard Learson, Pres. Lee Gibson, Greens Committee Chairman. On a match of cards, Rockland C.C. came in 2nd, Sterling Farms, 3rd; and apawamis, 4th.

The evening's program was highlighted with Anthony Verteri (NFL Official) giving some of the inside infromation on officiating and some of the tricks of the trade. Several questions were asked and this was followed by a short movie on highlights of the 1969 Giant football season.

SEE YOU ALL at the ANNUAL MEETING.

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A PRELIMINARY NOTICE REGARDING
THE PESTICIDE SITUATION

Dear Cooperator:

Because of the many questions we are receiving regarding the pesticide situation, I am sending out this preliminary letter which I hope will answer many of your questions although we have not yet received the official notice of the bans, restrictions, rules and regulations. The newly created Department of Environmental Conservation will be making final decisions at any time now. The following are some statements of the situation which should be of some hlep to you in planning for the coming season.

Do not build up inventories of pesticides in the hopes that after January 1st, 1971 you will be allowed to use up banned chemicals or those that you would otherwise not be able to use. You may need to declare an inventory and the use of pesticides banned after January 1st will be illegal.

Permits for specific use will be under the direction of Mr. Charles Frommer, of the Department of Environmental Conservation. It is expected that there will be 14 to 16 regional offices where permits will be issued - not decided where to be located and how many.

Disposal of pesticides - As of today, we do not have a program for the proper disposal of pesticides. Hold on to your pesticides in a safe, locked area until a program is worked out for the proper disposal of pesticides. State Officials, working with industry experts, are working on this program. We feel that until proper disposal methods are worked out, it is better to keep the pesticides in the areas where they are now, in small amounts, rather than bringing them together without a program for disposal.

Ten (10) BANNED ACCUMULATIVE CHEMICALS--
DDT, DDD, BHC, Bandane, Endrin, Mercury Compounds, Selinates, Sodium Floroacetate, Strobane, Toxaphene.

Seven (7) ACCUMULATIVE PESTICIDES--
Only for specific purposes, by permit, used by commercial and professional groups.

Chlordane, Aldrin, Arsenicals, Dicamba, not with fertilizer; Dieldrin, for termites and wood insects; Heptachlor, as a bait for alfalfa snout beetle; Lindane, for wireworm and rootworm, Asiatic, Oriental, Japanese beetle; Lindane for certain worm problems on ornamentals; as a paste for borers. It appears that Lindane will be permitted for homeowner use in flea collars and in paste form for borer control.

Fifty-five (55) TOXIC PESTICIDES will be available, by permit, to commercial and professional people.

To repeat - the above are some statements being sent to you because of the many questions I have been receiving. There likely will be some changes when the official regulations are issued. The above is for your information.

Sincerely yours,
Walter Androsko
Cooperative Extension Agent

The following changes and additions to the By-Laws, prepared by the By-Laws Committee and reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee are hereby submitted and recommended to the membership for adoption:

Article II, Section 1

Paragraph 5 Class C. Commercial Member. Any individual of good character and employed by a reputable commercial concern, and who is sufficiently interested in our profession to work for the benefit of the Association, shall be eligible for Class C. or Commercial Member. No company, corporation or commercial concern may be represented by more than one individual.

Paragraph 6 A Class C member may not vote or hold office nor attend the business meetings of the Association, and total Class C membership shall not exceed one third (1/3) of the total Class A and Class B membership.

Article III,
Section 1

Every applicant for Class A, Class B or Class C membership shall present an application in writing on forms provided by this Association. All applications shall be signed by the applicant, and that applicant shall be endorsed for membership, upon said application, by at least two (2) regular members in good standing. Each applicant shall have been present at at least two social meetings prior to the consideration of his application for membership. No non-member may attend more than three social meetings within the period of one year, and must be invited and accompanied by a regular member in good standing. A "social meeting" shall be defined as any time other than when the formal business of the Association is transacted, during the course of a regular or special meeting of the association.

Section 2 Membership applications shall be passed upon by the Executive Committee and favorable or unfavorable recommendations shall be made to the membership in the next regularly scheduled Tee To Green publication. The same recommendations shall also be made known to the members at the next regular or special meeting. Members wishing to vote unfavorably on any prospective member shall do so in writing to the Executive Committee within ten days following announcement of the recommendations of the Executive Committee at a regular or special meeting of the Association. In the event that four or more regular members in good standing choose to vote unfavorably on any prospective member, the Executive Committee shall review the application in question and announce its findings to the membership and to the prospective member without delay. At the next regular or special meeting of the association, final disposition of rejected applications shall rest with a majority vote of the membership. In the event of rejected applications, re-applications shall be made as outlined in Article III, Section 3.

Section 4 Any member who at any time shall change his status of employment shall have his membership reviewed by the Executive Committee for possible re-classification. All

reclassifications shall be voted upon according to provisions outlined in Article III, Sections 2 and 3. Applications for reclassification shall receive priority over new applications. The date of receipt by the secretary shall determine priority.

Article V,
Section 1

There is hereby created and constituted a Benevolent Fund, which shall be maintained by yearly additions from membership dues. The purpose of this fund will be to aid a sick or distressed member or a member of his immediate family, or provide insurance or retirement protection for the membership. The Benevolent Fund shall be administered jointly by the Welfare Committee chairman and the Association Treasurer, or in their absence or disability, the Executive Committee.

Section 2

The Benevolent Fund shall be replenished in March of each year to the sum of \$500.00 and shall be deposited in a reputable Bank, the choice of which shall be approved by the Executive Committee. Allocation of necessary monies to maintain the Benevolent Fund at its prescribed level shall be constituted at each annual meeting. Allotted monies shall be provided by the general funds of the Association. Such allocation shall be subject to a majority vote of those regular members in attendance at an annual meeting, provided a quorum is present. If during the course of operation in any calendar year, the fund should be depleted to less than \$300.00, it shall be immediately replenished in increments of \$100.00. The following March, it shall be replenished to the prescribed level of \$500.00.

Section 3

Money allocated to the Benevolent Fund shall be used only for benevolences herein stated, unless or until so voted otherwise by an affirmative vote of at least three fourths (3/4) of the total regular membership, and then only after written notice has been given to all members at least (30) days prior to such action.

Article IX,
Section 1

The Executive Committee shall annually appoint a Nominating Committee which shall consist of at least three members of the Association, and will be appointed ninety (90) days prior to the annual meeting. Said Committee shall prepare a nominating list of one nominee for each office to be filled at the annual meeting, and shall present the list to the members in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting. In the event of unforeseen circumstances, such as strikes or personal tragedy, presentation of the nominating list to the membership at the last regularly scheduled monthly meeting shall be considered as valid notice.

Article XII,
Section 1

Twenty (20) regular members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at regular or special meetings of the Association. Proxy votes shall be considered as valid, provided they are in the secretary's hands prior to the meeting. The number of members or proxies required for the annual meeting quorum shall be one third (1/3) of the regular members in good standing.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY SOIL STUDY STARTED

Soil scientists have been assigned to Westchester County by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to begin the accelerated soil survey of the County, it was announced by Edward R. Weidlein, Jr., of Croton Lake Road, Mount Kisco, New York, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Westchester County Soil and Water Conservation District. The soil survey, funded in major part by the County of Westchester, will classify all of the undisturbed soils of the County according to modern classification techniques to determine the quality and capability of the soils for various uses. The survey is expected to take three years to complete.

The initial survey work will be undertaken in the northeastern section of the County, in portions of Bedford, New Castle, Lewisboro, North Salem and Somers, in accordance with priorities assigned by the District Board of Directors. The communities in which the work will be done have all signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Soil and Water Conservation District.

The soil scientists will cover the County on foot, noting aerial photographs of the ground's surface those points where the soil type changes. The soil scientist will confirm this change by taking soil samples with a forty-two inch soil auger. The traverses will be close enough together so that soil differences on areas as small as one acre (approximately 200 feet square) can be observed. No evidence of the soil borings will remain nor will there be any evidence that the soil scientist has passed through the area.

Each soil scientist carries papers identifying him as an employee of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and each will endeavor, where possible and feasible, to ask the owner's permission to undertake the survey work before he begins. The scientists to have the right of entry for the purposes of making the survey, according to Soil Conservation Service sources.

Traverse findings will occasionally be checked by machine-dug pits to a depth of six feet or more. These pits will be on sites selected in advance, and if on private property, will be done only with the owner's permission. The pit areas will be fully restored to a natural condition when the examination has been completed.

The Westchester study is part of the National Cooperative Soil Survey of the entire United States. The cooperators in that survey in Westchester are the U.S. Soil Conservation Service, the State Experiment Station at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and the Westchester County Soil and Water Conservation District.

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