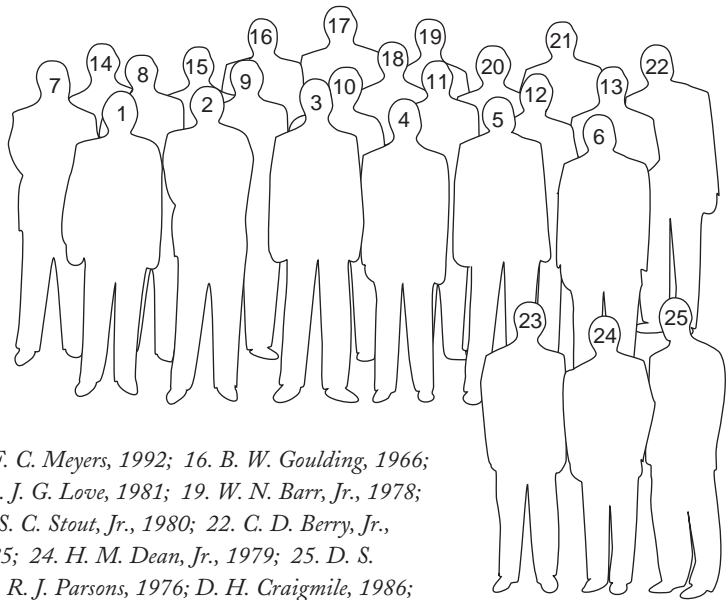


CHAPTER SEVEN

Membership

“The Club is composed of many good fellows,” noted the 1905 edition of The Golfers’ Magazine. Some of today’s good fellows are pictured on the facing page—they are twenty-five of the Club’s twenty-nine living Past Presidents. These gentlemen met the challenges of staff changes, facility improvements, financial crises, and legal problems, giving generously of their time and knowledge during their tenures.

1. M. G. Mitchell, 1970;
2. R. G. Bohnen, 1953;
3. E. N. Halladay, 1997;
4. R. K. Decker, 1968;
5. G. W. Heidrick, 1963;
6. M. D. Miller, 1974;
7. J. S. Coman, 1994;
8. P. D. Maca, 1990;
9. R. A. Anderson, 1977;
10. N. Hall Layman, 1973;
11. W. M. Freeman, 1975;
12. R. M. Andersen, 1983;
13. R. T. Mortimer, 1989;
14. H. R. Jones, 1993; 15. F. C. Meyers, 1992; 16. B. W. Goulding, 1966;
17. J. A. Copeland, 1984; 18. J. G. Love, 1981; 19. W. N. Barr, Jr., 1978;
20. F. W. Swan, 1991; 21. S. C. Stout, Jr., 1980; 22. C. D. Berry, Jr., 1988;
23. G. R. Forbes, 1985; 24. H. M. Dean, Jr., 1979; 25. D. S. Brown, 1996. Not pictured: R. J. Parsons, 1976; D. H. Craigmile, 1986; A. W. Haarlow III, 1987; A. R. Laidlaw, 1995.

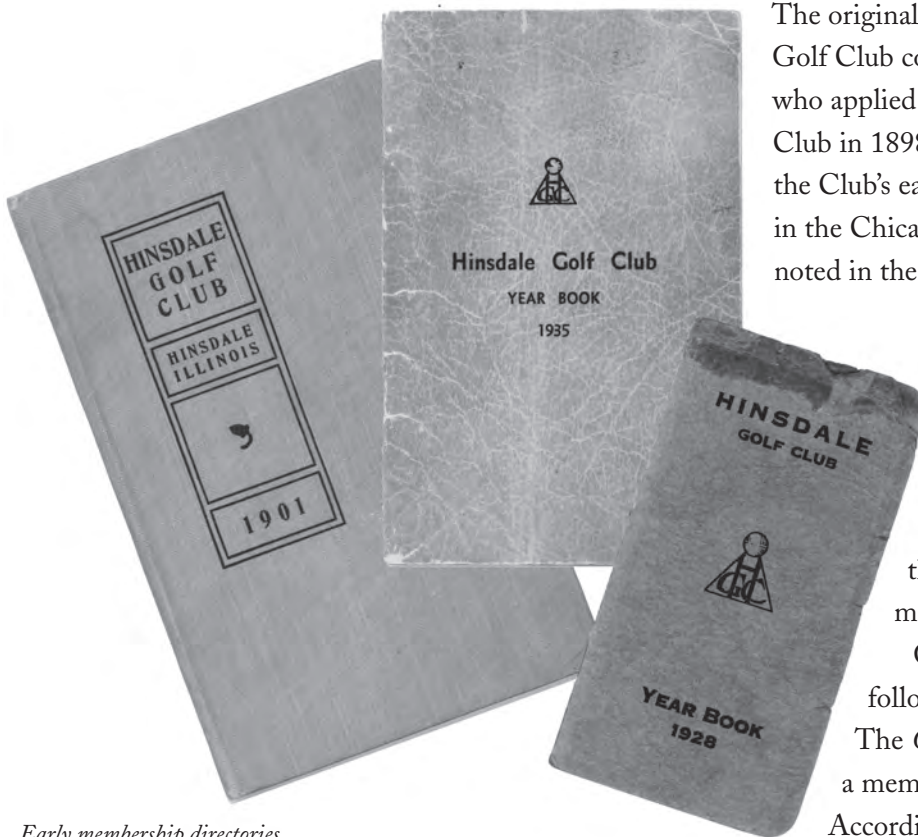




Without a doubt, the heart of the Hinsdale Golf Club is its members. From the first innovators, eager to try a new sport, to the many people whose commitment sustains a modern, complex organization, the members give the Club its warmth, energy, and life. From the Presidents and the Boards of Directors to the committee chairpersons, from the casual golfers to the daily players, the members are the core of the Club. Success in their professions, whether as industry and business leaders, financiers, broadcasters, physicians, attorneys, or athletes, is a trait common to the membership, as is dedication to community and charity. Most members choose not to have a public persona, and the Club respects their privacy in all ways. In this chapter we look at how the membership has grown and survived some challenges, making note of some of the Club's more visible members throughout its history.



GROWTH THROUGH THE YEARS



Early membership directories.

The original membership of the Hinsdale Golf Club consisted of the thirty-three men who applied for a charter to incorporate the Club in 1898. Membership grew rapidly in the Club's early years as golf became popular in the Chicago area. The *Chicago Tribune* noted in the fall of 1898 that "several

Chicago businessmen who live in Hinsdale have been working for the formation of a club in that suburb, and have succeeded in enrolling sixty members." By June 1899, the membership had grown to more than ninety members.

Growth continued to accelerate following the turn of the century. The *Golfer's Green Book* of 1901 listed a membership roster with 118 names. According to the bylaws at that time,



annual membership dues were “\$25, payable as follows: \$15 on the first day of March, and \$10 on the first day of June of each year.”

By 1905, 123 members were listed (including 4 nonresident members). By 1907 the total had risen to 175. The 1928 bylaws limited membership to a total of 365—the Club was full.

Club Growth in the Early Years

1898: 33 members	1906: 154
1899: 90+	1907: 175
1901: 118	1928: 365
1905: 123	



THE GREAT DEPRESSION

Membership teetered during the 1930s. The Depression made it impossible for even some of the most faithful members to manage the cost of membership. By 1932 the Club had several memberships available for sale as a result of members who were forced to resign. The Club also allowed its members to sell their playing rights for the season; they could remain members because the purchaser would pay the Club dues.

At its meeting on January 5, 1933, the Board of Directors took steps to make the Club more affordable through an amendment to the bylaws. At a special meeting on January 20, the members agreed to reduce dues from \$180 to \$135 and to increase the number of members who would be allowed to join. The Club also created a Special Convertible Membership, which offered a three-year membership without voting privileges for payment of annual dues without a capital investment. The holder of such a membership could convert it to a regular membership by paying a fee linked to the amount of time the convertible membership had been held.

The strain on the membership meant that the Treasurer’s job during those years included drumming up funds. In 1930, for example, the Club posted an operating loss of \$5,724.79.

The commitment of loyal members and the Club’s willingness to adapt to changing times carried it through the Depression. As noted in Chapter 5, the 1930s was the decade when the Club’s activities and membership were broadened to welcome families. In a 1935 memo to *Club Management* magazine, Club officials commented, “We now have a family club where members and their families swim, golf and often remain for meals. . . . Our membership of 250 is nearly full and the restaurant business has increased about 20% over the 1933 season. This we attribute in part to the interest shown in the Club by the lady members.” Among the attractions for the female membership were a weekly Ladies’ Day featuring a “special priced luncheon,” Ladies’ Guest Days on which greens fees were waived, and a number of tournament events for women.



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CICERO 220

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(FORMERLY ELECTRO-MAGNETIC TOOL CO.)

1834 SOUTH 52ND AVENUE, CICERO, ILLINOIS



Sept. 27, 1933

CABLE ADDRESS
"SPEEDWAY"

Dr. Frederick G. Dyas
25 E. Washington St.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Doctor:

Here is a Macedonian cry!

The Golf Club is in a place where it needs some money badly right now before the end of the month to clean up taxes and payroll.

I am writing to ten men personally. You are one. If you can spare it, enclose \$50.00 and it will be credited to your account.

This is the first time we have had to yell this year.

Yours very truly,

J. G. Knowlson
Treasurer

JSKnowlson/cs

*Dear Jim -
The m.o.s. has had a hard time
getting in collections. Am enclosing
check for \$50.00 & will send balance
before Oct 10th.
Sincerely,
F. G. Dyas*

DRILLS - SAWS - PORTABLE ELECTRIC - HAMMERS - SCREW DRIVERS - GRINDERS

At the start of the 1937 season, the Club showed signs of having weathered the economic storms. Its roster totaled more than 300 members.



MORE PROSPEROUS TIMES

By 1973, at the Club's seventy-fifth anniversary, its membership roster had reached 250 golf members plus 285 members in other categories. At that time, there was a two-and-a-half-year waiting list for a golf membership. Today the golf members are still limited to 250; total membership is just over 640; and there is a six-year waiting list for a regular golf membership.



CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

The early bylaws limited membership, granted by a vote of the Board of Directors, to "any male person over eighteen years of age."

The initiation fee in 1916 was \$100, with \$75 annual dues; the Board could

waive the initiation fee if membership dropped below the 200 maximum at that time. A House membership offered "the privileges of the Club House only" for \$50 annual dues. House memberships were available to "any gentlemen eligible to membership not at present a member of the Club." A \$100 Summer membership was also offered. A Non-Resident membership for persons living more than 50 miles from Hinsdale whose "principal place of business is not in Cook County" was offered for half the initiation fee and half the dues. Junior members could join for \$15 but would "not be admitted to the smoking room or any of its privileges."

The Club survived the Depression with the help of its members, who pitched in to help make ends meet.



This membership certificate was signed and sealed in May 1923.

The bylaws in 1928 listed the following categories of membership: Honorary, Life, Resident (Regular and Special), Non-Resident, House, Summer, Junior, and Winter. The Board of Directors recommended adding two additional membership classes that year, Associate and Women. Junior members were barred from the golf course on holidays, Saturday afternoons, and Sunday mornings. By 1938 the membership categories had been streamlined by eliminating House, Summer, and Winter memberships; up to ten Women's memberships and the same number of Army and Navy memberships were allowed.

By 1948 both Golf and House Women's memberships were offered, and a Senior membership had been added. Member charges for sons between the ages of 21 and 27 were reduced if the son were in school or in the service. By 1977 the current classes of membership were in effect.



READ ALL ABOUT IT



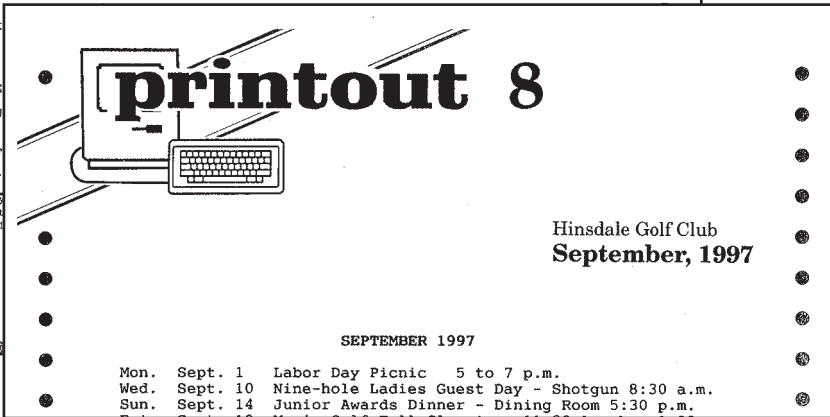
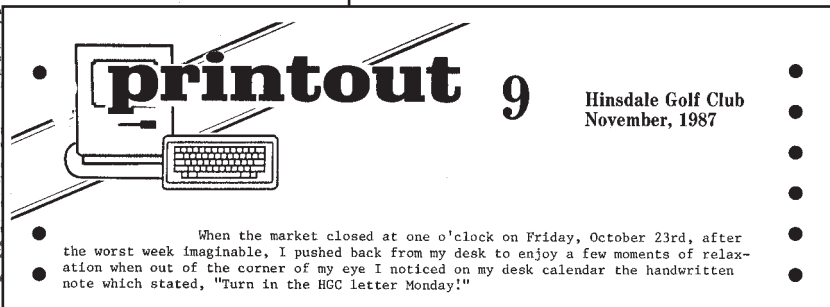
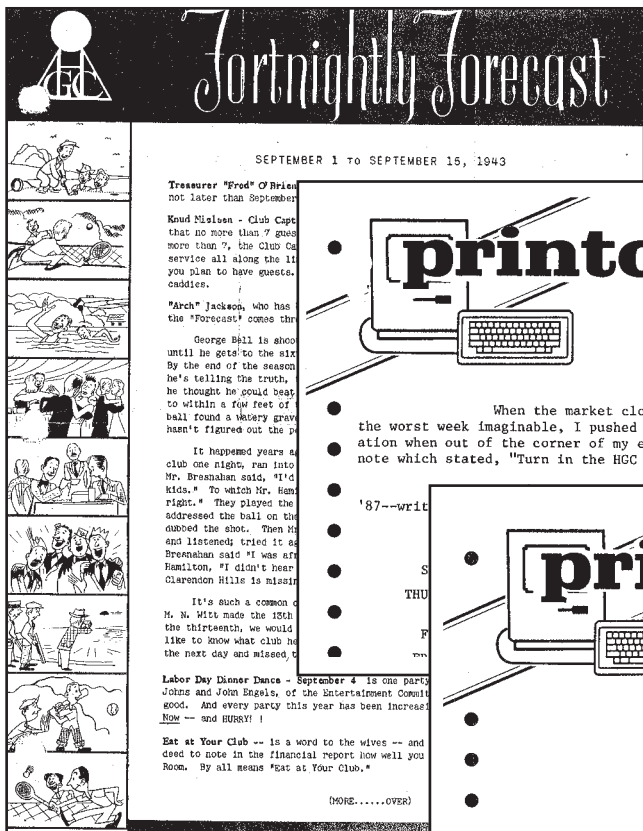
With so much going on at the Hinsdale Golf Club, members would be hard pressed to keep track of their options were it not for the commitment and creativity of certain members. These people initiated and edited a series of helpful newsletters for the Club.

First was Jack Sherman. As chairman of the Publicity Committee, he instituted the *Hinsdale*

Golf Club News, which was published in booklet form beginning in 1940. Three years later, a paper titled *Fortnightly Forecast* took its place for five years. The *Yearbook* was issued periodically.

The next publication lasted for almost two decades. Titled *The Baffy*, this newsletter was published (though somewhat sporadically) from 1948 through 1969.

At the behest of the Board of Directors, the Club initiated a newsletter called the *Printout* in 1985. The editor-in-chief as well as the chief reporter was Bob Mortimer, the Club's Director of



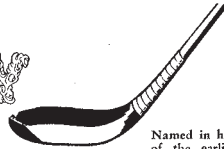


Communications and Orientation. Interestingly, Mr. Mortimer is the son-in-law of Jack Sherman. With Mr. Mortimer at the helm, the *Printout* published its first issue in June 1985. In February 1988, Samuel Stout, Jr. replaced Mr. Mortimer as editor. Mr. Stout served for three years, then Susan and Terry Eichler took over the responsibility.

The *Printout* continues today as the Club's major tool for communicating with the membership. It has not missed a single monthly issue since June 1985. The editors devote countless hours of volunteer effort to it each month, and the product that results is a priceless and most entertaining record of the Club's activities.

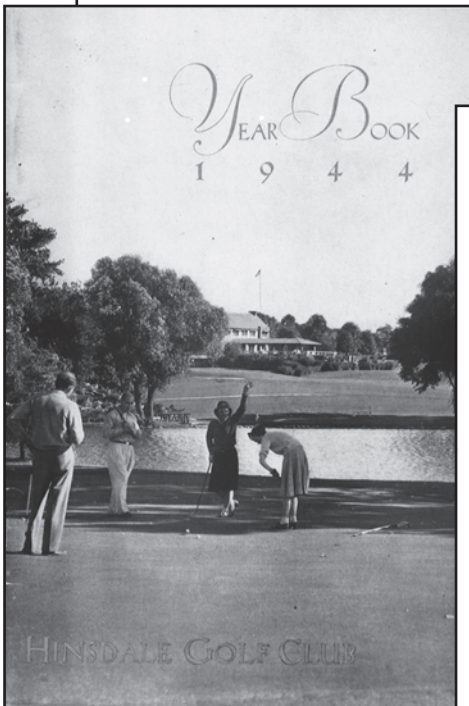
THE BAFFY

SPRING 1973



Named in honor of one of the earliest Scottish clubs, fashioned of wood, short-shafted and with a high loft face.

MEMBERS OF HINSDALE GOLF CLUB



Issued now and then for Members
of
Hinsdale Golf Club

March 1981

A special issue in recognition of
Very Special People
The Baffy
Under these roofs members have had
many memorable times.



1908 - 1909



1909 - 1922



1953 - 1981

*The Baffy named in honor of one of the earliest Scottish clubs, fashioned of wood, short shafted and with a high loft face.



"DARLING, I JUST WASHED THAT BALL!"

VOLUME VII NO. 1



MAY 1940



THE CLUB'S LEADERS

Like any successful organization, the Hinsdale Golf Club has benefited from strong leadership. The Club's official leaders are the President and the Board of Directors. The Club has prospered under the leadership of these men, who serve without compensation. This Board, as directed in the bylaws, manages the Club's "business, affairs, properties, and activities."

The Hinsdale Golf Club's Presidents have made a mark on the Club, the community, and their professions. Some were in professions that were more public than others; some held civic office while others worked for the community behind the scenes; but the qualities of leadership that made them successful as Club Presidents led to success in other fields as well.

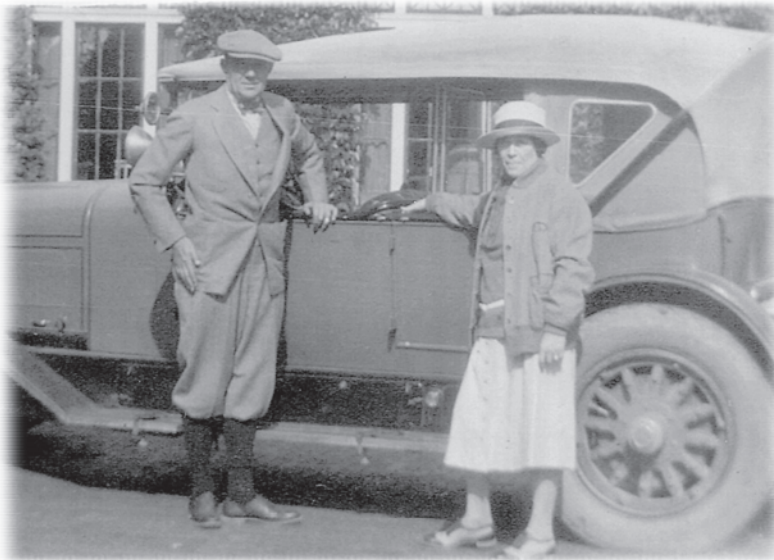
In the Club's early years, a notable President was Francis Stuyvesant Peabody, an executive in the coal industry and a force in Illinois politics. Another President, Frank O. Butler, is discussed in Chapter 1. Also notable is President William L. Veeck, Sr., a sportswriter early in his career who became president of the Chicago Cubs from 1919 until his death in 1933. In 1932, during his term as Club President, Mr. Veeck invited the entire membership to Wrigley Field for a baseball game

between the Chicago Cubs and New York Giants. More than 300 guests from Hinsdale Golf Club watched the Cubs take the game 4 to 3. Mr. Veeck's son, Bill Veeck, later became widely loved in the Chicago area for his leadership of Chicago's other baseball team, the White Sox.

Treat your caddy like your son.

—Francis S. Peabody's philosophy regarding the treatment of others.

William L. Veeck, Sr., and his wife, Grace DeForest Veeck, in front of the clubhouse in the late 1920s or early 1930s.





FRANCIS S. PEABODY



The Club's President from 1912 to 1914 was Francis Stuyvesant Peabody, a magnate of the coal industry. He was born in Chicago in 1859. Following his graduation from Yale University, he worked for two years as a messenger, then formed Peabody, Daniels & Company, which became Peabody Coal Company, one of the nation's largest coal companies. By 1894 he was earning \$10 million a year and was one of the wealthiest men in the United States. Mr. Peabody took on the responsibilities of Club President only a year after purchasing his Hinsdale home at Third and Washington.

Mr. Peabody also contributed to Illinois politics (an avocation that may have been inspired by his uncle, the first Democratic governor of New Hampshire). He worked for Adlai E. Stevenson in his 1908 race for governor, and his name surfaced in 1912 as a possible candidate for vice president of the United States. He was chairman of the Coal Production Committee of the Council of National Defenses, and also named an

assistant to the Director of the Bureau of Mines. Despite his personal fortune, he was popular among all levels of people and well-known for his exceptional judgment.

Mr. Peabody was the first president of the Chicago District Golf Association in 1914, a group he personally helped form.



He later built a home on a country estate he called Mayslake, after his first wife and his daughter, which was situated on 848 acres bordered by Ogden Avenue, 31st Street, Midwest Road, and Route 83. In September 1922, only months after moving into his Mayslake mansion, Mr. Peabody died of a heart attack suffered while riding his horse during a hunting party on the

grounds. The family built a chapel at the spot where Mr. Peabody fell and later sold Mayslake to the Franciscan Fathers of St. Louis, who operated a seminary and retreat on the property. That part of the property is now owned by the DuPage County Forest Preserve District and is being restored.



BILL VEECK



To Chicagoans, Bill Veeck is probably remembered as the owner of the Chicago White Sox baseball team. Mr. Veeck first shared ownership of the Sox with Chuck Comiskey from 1959 to 1961. Later, he owned the St. Louis Browns and the Cleveland Indians. In the 1970s, Mr. Veeck returned to Chicago to buy the Sox franchise, thereby blocking an effort to move the team to Seattle. John Allyn, who sold the team to Mr. Veeck, helped assemble a group of investors to help finance the purchase. Club members remember Mr. Veeck as an outgoing child and an equally outgoing adult.

Commitment to community was something young Bill Veeck surely learned from his parents, Hinsdale Golf Club members William L. and Grace DeForest Veeck. Their sports-loving son was born on February 9, 1914, in Hinsdale. The senior Mr. Veeck's career as a sportswriter for the *Chicago American* and his later presidency of the Chicago Cubs placed his son in close contact with the athletic world. Young Bill avidly followed professional baseball as well as local sporting events and played football with gusto. (His own participation in sports later had to be curtailed when

his foot was injured in World War II during his service as a Marine, and he lost his leg as a result.)

He had an adventurous nature as a child. Club member John S. Lord recalled that when the swimming pool first opened, members enjoyed sitting on the deck and watching the swimmers: "Sometimes it was only Billy Veeck, who was always doing something hazardous or dangerous."



In adult life, Mr. Veeck molded his love of adventure and enjoyment of mischief into a creative talent for promoting his teams. Some of Mr. Veeck's promotional ideas are now routine: bat day, players' names on uniforms, and fireworks shooting out from behind the scoreboard. Others were provocative: a midget popping out of a cake and stepping up to the plate. Other promotional efforts showed his compassionate side, such as scheduling morning games to accommodate night-shift workers during World War II.

In a 1986 interview in *The Doings*, Chuck Comiskey says of Bill Veeck, "He never did make a lot of money when he was in Chicago. But I always considered him a native Chicagoan. He loved people, and they loved him." Bill Veeck died in 1986 at the age of 71.



CLUB DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES

Today, the Hinsdale Golf Club's Board of Directors consists of twelve Directors. Like the Club's Presidents, the other Board members tend to be highly committed to the community as well as to the Club. The bylaws stipulate that the Club's President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Captain, and latest Past President shall be ex officio members of the Board. Six Directors are elected to serve three-year terms on the Board with these officers. The Board oversees the standing committees, which have grown in number through the years. Besides the standing committees, the Board of Directors may establish special committees.

As the Club has grown and its activities have diversified, so have the number of committees and volunteers required to maintain its standard of excellence. Each standing and special committee is led by a chairman, and the Club has been fortunate to have many excellent members chair its committees.

Besides the committee chairmen, volunteers have taken responsibility for specific activities. For example, editing the members' publication takes an enormous amount of time (see "Read All about It" on pages 106 and 107). Since 1935, many dedicated women have served as chairmen of women's golf. As the Club has added other activities, volunteers have assumed responsibility for these as well.



REGIONAL GOLF ASSOCIATIONS

Many Club members have supported the promotion of golf through their leadership in other organizations. This leadership dates back to at least 1914, when the Board of Directors called together representatives of more than twenty golf clubs to form the Chicago District Golf Association, as discussed in Chapter 4.

Two decades later came another mention of Club members' contributions to the sport. In a 1934 article in the *Chicago Daily News*, Art Sweet credits the Hinsdale Golf Club as a source of leaders for golf organizations:

The Hinsdale Golf Club has a reputation as the home of golf club executives. The late Robert Cutting, president of the U. S. G. A. and former president of the Western Golf Association, was a member of this club as is Norman Freer, present reigning executive of the Western Golf Association.



Club membership today also implies committee membership. The 1997 committees had more than 150 members.

Then and Now: Committees of the Hinsdale Golf Club

1901

Green	Membership
House	Finance

1997

Finance	Golf Course Operations Group
Planning Group	Golf Course Operations Committee
Long Range Planning Committee	Caddy Program
Long Range Golf Course Planning Committee	Golf Shop Operations
Safety & Engineering Committee	Range Operations
Operations Group	Cart & Reception Operations
Legal Committee	Evans Scholarship Operations
House Committee	Golf Activities Group
Communications & Orientation Committee	Golf Activities Committee
Membership Committee	Men's Golf Activities
Centennial Book Committee	Centennial Cup Committee
Sports Group	Buggy Ride Day Committee
Sports Committee	Fall Classic Committee
Pool Committee	President's Trophy
Tennis Committee	Director's Trophy
Skeet Committee	Senior's Trophy
Platform Tennis Committee	Senior Club Championship
Grounds Group	Club & Class Championships;
Grounds Committee	John Mason Lord Trophy
Plantings Committee	Bud Matteson Trophy
Social Group	Men's Senior Golf Activities
Social/Entertainment Committee	Women's Golf Activities
Entertainment Committee	Mixed Golf Activities
Travelogue & Special Events	Junior Golf Committee
Women's Social Activities	

The members' dedication to area and regional golf associations continues today. Robert Bohnen served as the Western Golf Association's president in 1976 and 1977. Jim Love was a long-time director, and E. Q. Sylvester was a director in 1997.



A FAMILY TRADITION

The pleasures of its athletic and social activities have made the Hinsdale Golf Club feel like a family for its members throughout the years. And for some members, Club life has literally been a family affair. Several members are grandchildren and even great-grandchildren of the Club's early members. The sons of Samuel C. Stout—John A. and Samuel C., Jr.—competed against each other in 1972 for the Club championship (Sam won); over twenty years later the next generation, John A., Jr., and William C., followed suit in head-to-head competition for the Club championship (John won).

Many members are second generation, whose own families are enjoying the same summer activities that they did as children. Most notable is the number of third and fourth generation members of the Club; those who supplied this information to the Centennial Committee are listed in the table on the next page. Not only are several members included in the Club's genealogy, a few of them have links through both parents.



Mrs. John Sherman, the second generation member of a four-generation family, is pictured here celebrating her 90th birthday at the Club in 1996. Mrs. Sherman remembers watching the clubhouse burn in 1920, when she and other students at Hinsdale Township High School rode on the back of an ice truck to the Club.



OTHER NOTABLE MEMBERS

Other members are notable for the mark they made in athletics outside golf and the Club. A University of Chicago football star, Felix Caruso helped the team win the Western Conference Championship in 1924. Jay Berwanger, a University of Chicago football star during the 1930s, was the first Heisman Trophy winner. His college friend and All-American basketball star at the University of Chicago, Bill Haarlow, brought Mr. Berwanger to Hinsdale. The three Haarlow sons, Bill III, Bob, and John, all went on to basketball stardom at Princeton University. Not only did the Veeck family make the Chicago Cubs and Chicago White Sox baseball teams part of the Club's history through the Veeck family but the Comiskey family, whose name is synonymous with the White Sox, are also long-time members. More recently, Club members have been thrilled to watch young Brian and Scott Musso play for the Northwestern University Wildcats. Brian set several records during his outstanding college career, highlighted by



Three and Four Generations at Hinsdale Golf Club

Fourth Generation Members

1st Lewis K. Hildebrand	1st Horace A. Stocker	1st Walter B. Templeton
2nd Philip R. Clarke, Sr. (Louise Hildebrand)	2nd Horace E. Stocker	2nd John B. Templeton, Sr. (Betty)
3rd David G. Clarke (Barbara)	3rd Horace E. Stocker, Jr.	3rd Dennis Keller (Connie Templeton)
3rd Philip R. Clarke, Jr. (Barbara)	4th E. John Elting (Kathryn Stocker)	3rd John B. Templeton, Jr. (Susan)
4th Philip R. Clarke III (Diane)	1st Wade Fetzer	3rd Phillip H. L. Templeton (Jennifer)
4th Michael K. Smith (Carol Clarke)	2nd John H. Sherman (Margaret Fetzer)	4th Whitney M. Templeton
1st Horace H. Holcomb, Sr.	3rd Robert T. Mortimer (Mary Sherman)	4th Jonathon H. Templeton
2nd Horace H. Holcomb, Jr.	4th Robert T. Mortimer, Jr. (Marion)	
3rd Horace H. Holcomb III (Betty)	4th Peter S. Mortimer (Victoria)	
4th Tom Deneen (Abbie Holcomb)		

Third Generation Members

1st William B. Allbright	1st A. William Haarlow (Midge)	1st Carl C. Giles
2nd Norman J. Allbright	2nd A. William Haarlow III (Lynne)	2nd John S. Giles
3rd William B. Allbright (Claudia)	2nd John B. Haarlow (May)	3rd Albert R. Miller (Deirdre Giles)
1st Clarence S. Boothby	2nd John L. Wright, Jr. (Meg Haarlow)	1st Wilford L. Shea
2nd Palmer C. Boothby	3rd Blair R. Haarlow (Lauren)	2nd Terence J. Shea (Patricia)
3rd Mrs. Robert R. Bell (Bebo)	3rd William N. Haarlow (Laurel)	2nd Lawrence E. Emmons (Anne Shea)
1st Howard J. Burridge	1st Samuel E. Dean	3rd Terence J. Shea, Jr. (Susie)
2nd Richard M. Burridge (L. Nan)	2nd Howard M. Dean	3rd Anthony J. Bittman (Mary Pat Shea)
3rd Richard M. Burridge, Jr. (Andrea)	3rd Howard M. Dean, Jr. (Diane)	3rd Jeffery H. Jones (Susan Emmons)
1st Felix Caruso (Dorothy)	1st John D. Matz	3rd Mark C. Knight (Sarah Emmons)
2nd F. Willis Caruso (Barbara Gariepy)	2nd Victor P. Kayser (Frances Matz)	1st Samuel C. Stout
3rd F. Willis Caruso, Jr. (Cynthia)	3rd John P. Kayser (Marjorie)	2nd John (Jack) A. Stout (Marilyn)
1st Francis J. Curran	1st Herbert A. Kern	2nd Samuel C. Stout, Jr. (Suzy)
2nd Charles A. Comiskey (Donna Curran)	2nd John C. Kern (Anne)	3rd William C. Stout (Ann)
3rd F. J. (Beau) Comiskey	3rd John (Jan) C. Kern, Jr. (Katie)	3rd John A. Stout, Jr. (Ali)
1st Lemuel H. Freer	1st Bennett C. Creed	3rd Samuel B. Stout
2nd Norman B. Freer	2nd Bennett C. Creed, Jr. (Ruby Watson)	1st Nathaniel H. Whiteside
3rd Mrs. John C. Cushing (Patricia Freer)	2nd Morris Mather, Jr. (Mary Creed)	2nd Nathaniel H. Whiteside, Jr.
1st Stanley A. Framburg	3rd D. Anderson Mather (Melissa)	3rd Peter A. Whiteside (Jeri)
2nd Mrs. Gail Framburg Elmore	1st Harold E. Moyer	1st George H. Hartong (Adelaide)
3rd Douglas S. Elmore (Suzy)	2nd Donald K. Nelson (Joan Moyer)	2nd Bert Belt (Barbara Hartong)
1st Fred A. Gariepy (Marguerite)	3rd Mark H. Melin (Lesley Nelson)	3rd Scott Elisha (Elizabeth Belt)
2nd F. Willis Caruso (Barbara Gariepy)	1st William H. Regnery	
3rd F. Willis Caruso, Jr. (Cynthia)	2nd David C. Meyers (Mary Regnery)	
1st Edward P. McKenna	2nd Frederick L. Regnery	
2nd John A. McElwain (Jane McKenna)	3rd Frederick C. Meyers (Priscilla)	
3rd Richard G. Forward (Phyllis McElwain)	3rd David R. Meyers (Rebecca)	
	3rd Frederick W. Regnery	



JAY BERWANGER



In terms of success, Jay Berwanger could be known simply for his distinguished career in business. Mr. Berwanger's significant contributions to the sport of football, culminating in his winning the first Heisman Trophy, sometimes overshadow that considerable business success.

Mr. Berwanger starred in track as well as football at his Dubuque, Iowa, high school. After a visit with his track coach to the University of Chicago, he chose the Maroons as his college team. The university boasted a Big Ten football team.

At Chicago, Mr. Berwanger played varsity football for three years, from 1933 to 1935. In his *Wall Street Journal* biography of Mr. Berwanger in 1985, Frederick C. Klein says Mr. Berwanger "was about as close to a one-man team as you can get in football." The halfback rushed, passed, or kicked on almost two-thirds of the team's plays. His net yardage from rushing was 1,839 yards (more than a mile), and he scored twenty-two touchdowns. At the end of 1935, 104 of the 107 players he had competed against rated him the year's best halfback.

On December 10, 1935, New York's Downtown Athletic Club awarded Mr. Berwanger its first trophy for the best college player east of the Mississippi River. The following year, the award was

renamed the Heisman Trophy. Mr. Berwanger's original trophy is in the trophy room of the University of Chicago's gymnasium, and a replica is on display at his Iowa high school.

Also in 1935, Mr. Berwanger was the first player chosen in the first National Football League college draft. George Halas, Chicago Bears owner, asked about his salary requirements; Mr. Berwanger replied he needed \$25,000 for two years. The highest annual NFL salary at that time was about \$7,000. Mr. Halas never made Mr. Berwanger an offer and Mr. Berwanger, who had not been interested in a low-paying professional football career, did not play the sport past college.

Mr. Berwanger entered a career in management and served in the Navy during World War II. Following the war, he formed a business that produced sponge rubber products. In 1954 Mr. Berwanger was elected to the National Football Hall of Fame.

Mr. Berwanger and his wife, Jane, reside in Hinsdale and in Manzanillo, Mexico. Mr. Berwanger gets in a few rounds of golf at the Club each week. In a December 1996 interview, he told a *Chicago Tribune* reporter, "I fight to break 100 every time I go out. Golf is fun torture to me."





1920 Olympic Medalists

Frank K. Foss set a world pole vaulting record in 1920 at the Antwerp, Belgium Olympics. He had never lost a meet. Edwin E. Meyers won the bronze medal for the same event at the same Olympics.

the 1996 Rose Bowl game; his father Johnny, a Hall of Famer, Heisman Trophy nominee and an All-American from the University of Alabama who played professionally in Canada and for the Chicago Bears.

The Club has been honored to have had several Olympic athletes among its membership. Besides swimmer John Kinsella and aspiring Olympic diver Tom Caruso (see Chapter 5 for details on both), Edward E. Meyers and Frank K. Foss (pole vault, 1920), Ralph N. Budelman (water polo, 1948), and Joseph McNulty (cross country skiing, 1972) have competed at the Olympics. Other Hinsdale Golf Club athletes who made their mark in swimming and tennis are discussed in Chapter 5, and some outstanding golfers are covered in Chapter 4.

As with the Presidents of the Hinsdale Golf Club, some members work in less public professions or make less publicized contributions. For example, a chronological list of the Village of Hinsdale presidents, trustees, and commission members—all virtually unpaid positions—would include dozens of Hinsdale Golf Club members, from George Robbins in 1898, son of Hinsdale’s founder, to the current Village president, William Whitney. Other members have been active in charities, such as John Laidlaw, Jr., who was instrumental in the founding of the nationally famous Robert Crown Health Education Center in Hinsdale, among his other endeavors. Other members, including Robert



The first of three generations of Club members, Fred A. Gariepy poses with his wife, Marguerite, in the 1940s.

A three-time Club champion in the 1930s, Mr. Gariepy was noted for always playing golf in his “plus fours” (knickers).

Morris, James Knight, Robert Day, and Richard Decker, volunteered their considerable talents to the Center for several years and were essential to its development.

Who will be the notable members of the future? If history is any guide, the Club’s membership will continue to include talented athletes, dedicated community servants, and a host of friends who are, quite simply, a pleasure with whom to associate.



Presidents of the Hinsdale Golf Club

William Coffeen1898-99	R. I. Parker1941	Orval H. Ause1972
G. B. Robbins1900-01	C. S. Craigmile1942-43-44	N. Hall Layman1973
H. A. Fulton1902	H. F. Grumhaus1945	Martin D. Miller1974
F. O. Butler1903-04	John S. Lord1946	William M. Freeman1975
A. R. Robinson1905-06	Richard J. Bell1947	Russell J. Parsons1976
C. E. Raymond1907-08-09	K. H. Clarke, Jr.1948-49	Roger A. Anderson1977
W. O. Thompson1910	John F. Hutson1950	Warren N. Barr, Jr.1978
John Marshall, Jr.1911	Richard C. Winkler1951	Howard M. Dean, Jr.1979
F. S. Peabody1912-13-14	M. N. Witt1952	Samuel C. Stout, Jr.1980
E. H. Hicks1915-16	Robert G. Bohnen1953	James G. Love1981
John Marshall, Jr.1917	P. E. MaGill1954	Wallace B. Behnke, Jr.1982
J. H. Carr1918	G. L. Clements1955	Robert M. Andersen1983
A. O. Kuehmsted1919	H. M. Dean1956	John A. Copeland1984
R. W. Childs1920-21	H. E. Moyer1957	George R. Forbes1985
J. B. Berryman1922-23	H. R. Medici1958	Donald H. Craigmile1986
Charles Murray1924	E. H. Baker, Jr.1959	A. William Haarlow III1987
W. H. Eckert1925	L. J. Sebek1960	Carl D. Berry, Jr., M.D.1988
O. W. Dynes1926	C. B. Mahin1961	Robert T. Mortimer1989
R. M. Cutting1927-28	Jack Luhn1962	Paul D. Maca1990
H. A. Miller1929-30	Gardner W. Heidrick1963	Frank W. Swan1991
W. L. Veeck1931-32	Robert Wise1964	Frederick C. Meyers1992
H. L. Martin1933	George M. Schlosser1965	Howard R. Jones1993
J. S. Knowlson1934	Byron W. Goulding1966	J. Stephen Coman1994
J. H. Irvin1935	Donald F. Warnke1967	Andrew R. Laidlaw1995
P. S. Dickinson1936-37	Richard K. Decker1968	David S. Brown1996
H. G. Symonds1938	James W. Coultrap1969	Eugene N. Halladay1997
J. H. Sherman1939	Marvin G. Mitchell1970	Philip R. Clarke III1998
B. C. Creed1940	Keith I. Parsons1971	