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507 S 10th

Current Business: Dunlap Golf Course (1928)

Previous Businesses:

Cemetery

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1867 – Dunlap was platted





DUNLAP WILL HAVE A REAL GOLF COURSE

Preparations Being Made at Present
at Tom Shields Place, Mile
South-east of Town.

Grounds have been rented from Tom Shields and at present are being prepared to make Dunlap a nice golf course. Members are being signed up rapidly and it is very pleasing to see our citizens taking so kindly to this wonderful game.

The low green fee of \$1 and membership fee of \$9 makes it possible for nearly everyone to be a member. This membership due pays members for the entire season of 1925. Membership cards have been printed and anyone desirous of joining may secure a card from Clifford Howe, the club secretary and treasurer.

When sufficient members are taken in, the grounds can be thoroughly maintained, but at first we will be unable to put it in perfect condition. One must bear in mind the enormous expense of renting the land, buying and building tee boxes, making the greens, cups, flags, etc., buying a lawn mower, and the mowing of the 25 acres which the course embodies, as well as the numerous necessary other things for a good course.

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Correctionville and Mapleton, two towns of smaller population than Dunlap, sport very fine golf courses. We feel confident that within a very few months we will be able to boast of a course that will put us on a level with our neighboring towns and show them that what we start we finish well.

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**LOCAL GOLF COURSE
GETTING VERY POPULAR**

**Is Drawing A Very Large Crowd of
Enthusiasts, Especially on
Sundays and Evenings**

Last Sunday marked the largest crowd to yet visit the local golf course since it was laid out here some six weeks ago. Nearly every day some new member is joining and the club is enjoying a good healthy growth. However we still need more members, for the cost of renting and keeping the grounds up come higher than the dues will amount to from the present membership. All the business men should get behind this thing and join the club. It is the most healthful game in the world as well as being the most fascinating.

Some very good scores have been made out there, the lowest one being held by Ed Wilson, who made it in 44 with the printer's devil a close second with a 45. Carl Sturges of Correctionville tied the record of 44 last Sunday.

While we may not at present have a first class course we are working in that direction, but it takes members to have a first class course, and, while we are getting new members nearly every day, we have not as yet nearly enough to maintain a course.

To you who are not already members, we extend a hearty invitation to join. Get out some time and get the thrill of the game. There is some one out there every evening and always some one willing to show you how to get started.

February 18, 1926 – Dunlap Reporter

DUNLAP GOLF CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL ELECTION

Officers Elected and Much Business
Transacted at Meeting Held
Last Week

The annual election of officers of the Dunlap Golf Club was held on Wednesday evening of last week and the following officers were elected:

O. E. Bramson, president.
Dr. W. L. Reichelt, sec.-treas.
Dr. Slattery, Dave Moore and Dave Rogers, directors.

The only chairman of any committee appointed at the meeting was Gus Danenbaum of the membership committee, all other appointments being deferred until later.

It is the intention of the club to have a fine maintained course this summer and much enthusiasm was shown at the meeting, which was attended by a large majority of the members.

Every town of this size around here now has a golf course and when the Dunlap grounds have undergone the anticipated improvements we will have a course second to none for a town this size. We invite anyone who is interested to join. If you don't think you are interested go out some day this spring for a couple of games and you will soon change your mind. The dues are nominal for the sport and healthful exercise there is in it and anyone can join.

February 3, 1927 – Dunlap Reporter

NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by the Secretary of the Dunlap Golf Club up until 6 P. M. Friday, Feb. 11 for the maintaining of the Dunlap Golf Course for the year 1927. Bids must state price per hour for man and man and team. It is estimated it will require from two to three days per week. Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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W. L. REICHELTL, Sec.

DUNLAP'S NEW GOLF COURSE NOW READY

**Greens as Fine as Any in the State—
Fairways Getting Better
and Better Every Day**

The new Dunlap Golf Course on the Baily farm just north of town is now ready for the members and is fast getting in first class shape.

If Dunlap shows the enthusiasm which we hope for and which we are sure will be aroused, we can be in a position to soon have a course of which we can be proud.

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July 19, 1928 – Dunlap Reporter

NEW **GOLF COURSE** SUGGES-
TIONS

Since it is almost an impossibility to have and maintain a nice **golf course** in a small town the size of Dunlap or Woodbine, where the members obtainable is limited to a, few why not combine, have a real course midway between the two towns. A nice course well maintained, would attract a larger membership than the two towns now have, we believe. This would insure reasonable membership dues to finance the proposition in nice shape. Neither town now has a course that they can really feel proud of. Dunlap has spent at least \$800 in two seasons and still have no course. Let's hear from you, Woodbine.

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**DUNLAP'S GOLF COURSE
TO BE A VERY FINE ONE**

**Work On Course Is Coming Along In
Fine Shape Now—Many Enjoying
Course Already**

Dunlap has in the making one of the finest golf courses in western Iowa in its new 30 acre course adjoining the town on the south. The club has a ten year lease on this ground and a golf pro came up from Omaha and laid out the course. Much work has been done to get it in first class shape and much remains to be done yet but things are coming along fine now and the course can be played by using temporary greens.

The permanent greens are still under construction and will all be seeded to fine creeping bent grass one of the first days. The fairways are in fine shape and have already been rolled and mowed a couple of times.

Water has been piped to all greens, so when the hot, dry weather comes they can be watered. All equipment necessary for the upkeep and maintenance of this fine new course has been purchased new. Members are urged to come out after supper every Monday and Thursday evening to help finish up the work yet remaining to be done.

And now folks, we invite you to join this club. Get out and try this fascinating sport and you will agree with us that it is a wonderful game. Any member will be glad to take you out.

DUNLAP'S NEW GOLF COURSE IN FINE SHAPE

Fairways in Excellent Shape and Getting Better Every Day—Greens Fair

The new golf course on the Barrett farm adjoining Dunlap on the south is fast becoming a popular place.

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May 30, 1929 – Dunlap Reporter

GREENS SEEDED ON NEW GOLF COURSE

The fine creeping bent grass for the greens on the new Dunlap golf course arrived last week and was placed on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, many of the members helping with the work. This will require a couple of months growth before it can be played on but when that time comes, Dunlap will have one of the finest courses in western Iowa.

Many members have joined the past month but we can still use several new members yet. From the size of the crowd playing this great game, daily, the course is becoming more popular every day.

May 7, 1931 – Dunlap Reporter

DUNLAP'S GOLF COURSE IS INCREASING IN POPULARITY

Fairways in Excellent Shape, And
Getting Better Daily; Greens
Are Extra Fine

Dunlap's fine golf course is increasing in popularity every day now that real golfing weather has arrived.

Many matches have been played for high places in the club the last month and many matches and tournaments are planned for the coming months.

Last Sunday a match was played here with players from Woodbine, but the local golfers were far too much for the boys down the line. The final score was 19 to 3.

An invitation is extended to all to join the club, and we are sure you will not be disappointed in the game. A number of new members have begun to play this spring, and are intensely interested in the sport.

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July 30, 1931 – Dunlap Reporter

Mrs. Thomas Lehan and Mrs. Otto Bramson, chairmen, assisted by Mrs. Lehman, Mrs. Slattery, Mrs. Van Horn, Mrs. Chauncey, Mrs. Hagen and Mrs. Reichelt, served a splendid picnic supper to the golf auxiliary and their husbands at the golf course last Thursday evening. The erection of the new club house was started that morning and the workmen were invited to the picnic. The auxiliary sponsored the club house and are being ably assisted by the men members, who are donating their labor. Funds are also being raised for a porch and the members from Soldier have volunteered to furnish what is needed in porch furniture. The auxiliary was invited to attend open day at Council Bluffs and the three day tournament at Harlan beginning last Monday.

May 28, 1936 – Dunlap Reporter

WARNING

The Golf Course is a dangerous place for children who are overrunning it in increasing numbers. Parents, please keep children under twelve away from there. Golf members will not hold themselves liable for injury to children who are trespassing.

Boys over twelve may obtain caddie badges. These boys should remain at the club house except when caddying.

DUNLAP GOLF CLUB

Golf Club Thanks Workers and Donors

The Dunlap Golf Club wishes to thank Frank Hagen, Jr. and Carl Walvoord for four days labor last week helping clean trash off the golf course, all the caddies and any others who helped, the M. & S. Chevrolet Co., Dunham Hdwe. Co., G. W. Brace and G. E. Taylor for the use of their pick-up trucks in hauling trash off the **golf course** which washed down from the farm land above the course.

The Club has put up with terrible "messes" for eleven years, and it is hoped that dams will be constructed to hold the trash or that it has all been washed down. This is the third such occurrence this year, and the land owner, J. F. Barrett, and the club officers are about ready to take steps to prevent this in the future.

Golf Club Making Drive For New Memberships

About forty people have been enjoying the golf course this spring. We hope and are almost certain that there will be a hundred members this year, so if you intend to be a member, why not join up now and get your money's worth? You know, as the saying is, "The course is there for you, and if you don't play, it's your own fault."

We can't bring the course to you, but you are most welcome to come out and play it. The doctors claim there is no one game that the majority of people can enjoy so thoroughly for a good clean, wholesome sport and exercise than golf. Why not join now and really benefit from a long season?

Four new members have already been signed, namely, Don Wood, F. O. Humlicek, Lucille Manion, and Raymond Major.

The machinery has all been overhauled, and consequently the greens and fairways are carefully groomed several times a week. The weeds in fence rows, banks, and ditches have all been raked and burned, the tee boxes leveled, 25 Chinese elm trees have been set out, the hole dug for top-dressing west of Number 9 green has been filled in, the parking leveled, and a great improvement north of Number 2 green, where the bank has been dug farther north from the green to prevent overflow and mud settling on the green in case of floods. All three of these places have been leveled with rakes and seeded.

The club has just purchased 400 pounds of ammonium sulphate, half of which will go on the greens at once. This is not only a good fertilizer, but also discourages insects.

Next Sunday the caddies will be organized, and will help remove all dandelions from the greens. Also, the prospects are good for new steel posts for the fence.

The chairman of the club, Dr. R. G. Moore, has appointed H. F. Ploth to oversee the greens. The tournament committee is Dr. W. W. Walvoord, F. A. Hagen, H. F. Ploth, and George Taylor. The club will stage a "Sleight of Hand" show, and the committee in charge is Ed Norman, Phil Gambs, and Wilbur Zitzlsperger. May 28 and 29, the club will sponsor a picture show entitled "Sis Hopkins," a comedy starring Judy Canova and Jerry Colonna, and a sports reel, "There Goes Rusty." This sports reel is a picture of Art Wilson's racing dogs in Florida, and shows one of his dogs winning the Gold Collar Race, which is equivalent to the Kentucky Derby in horse racing.

June 22, 1950 – Dunlap Reporter

GAS EXPLOSION SEVERELY BURNS MRS. C. M. WORL

Mrs. Carl Worl was painfully burned about the face Friday afternoon in an unusual accident in the club house at the Dunlap Golf course. The ladies' auxiliary had held a luncheon and after it was over some the ladies thought they smelled gas in the kitchen.

Mrs. Worl went to investigate. Gas had escaped into the oven and as she opened the oven door it caught from the burner above and exploded in her face. She was badly burned about the face. Mrs. Clarence Egan was also slightly burned. Mrs. Worl was rushed to Dr. C. W. Byrnes' office for treatment.

Infection developed Monday and she was given penicillin. Due to the accident Mrs. Worl was unable to act as news and society writer for the Reporter as she had planned last week.

September 15, 1950 – Dunlap Reporter

Club Champion Gets Hole-in-One Sunday Afternoon

Joe Talcott, champion of the Dunlap Golf Club, attained the ultimate ambition of every true golf fan — a hole in one. The event took place on the No. 4 hole on the Dunlap Golf course last Sunday afternoon — reported later in the afternoon at the club house by Wilder Nelson who witnessed the event. Nelson said the only drawback, and the thing that would keep Joe from getting a free case of Wheaties, was the fact that the hole was a gopher hole. In reporting the incident, he said the ball rolled across the green and down the east side. After a thorough search it was discovered in the gopher hole — a little digging and it was retrieved. The question now is, did Joe count a stroke for lifting his ball from an unplayable lie?

June 26, 1952 – Dunlap Reporter

Speaking of an all-wise Providence, most of us owe Him a greater debt of gratitude than we like to admit. I sometimes wonder why the greatest killer of them all—the highway, doesn't get more of us than it does, the way most of us drive.

Did you ever stand near a curve on one of our highways during a hot afternoon and listen to the traffic go by? If you haven't, the third green on the Dunlap golf course on a Sunday afternoon is a good place to get some idea of the crushing force of a car traveling at 60 miles an hour around a curve.

From this vantage point, across from the Dunlap Sale Barn, you can look down the S curve southwest of Dunlap on highway 30. Cars from both directions come zooming around the curve and you wonder what would happen if a tire should blow. But somehow they never do—at least not while we have been watching.

This all boils down to the fact that July 4 is only a short time away. The Safety Council has been telling us that editors should stress highway safety for the Fourth in their columns. You've perhaps heard the injunction to have a safe and sane fourth and be alive on the fifth, so many times that it has lost its potency.

Young people are especially prone to throw caution to the winds and take a chance. It's true on the highways and true in their other activities. That's why the young man between 19 and 24 makes a better fighting soldier than a man 28 or 30—he hasn't yet learned caution.

This lack of caution, or willingness to take a chance on the highway is reflected in the insurance rates you pay on your automobile. If you have a person under 25 in your family driving your car you are paying approximately one-third more for collision, property damage and liability coverage, than if only older persons drive it.

It seems then, the logical conclusion from all this is the fact, a little more caution, a little less speed and a little more courtesy in our driving, is much more liable to bring us back alive on the 5. It goes without saying of course, that your car should be checked for safe mechanical condition.

Small Twister Hits Dunlap Sunday Evening

Trees Broken And Uprooted in Southeast Part

Damage to Homes Is Very Light

Dunlap was no exception to the news over the nation of tornados, torrential rains and high winds. Branches were torn off, trees uprooted, power and phone lines broken and other damage done when a small tornado swept across the southeast part of Dunlap shortly after 7:00 o'clock Sunday evening.

Heavy rain following the wind soon filled low places in the streets hub deep with water, faster than it could run away, but it soon receded without damage.

The twister apparently approached Dunlap from the southwest. It took down a large tree in the west part of the golf course then swung towards town, clipping down and breaking off a large tree near the ally and across the street west from the Charles Sweetman home. It then veered back along the golf course going east taking trees near the Alex Stroehrer home and again touching down near the Dean Honaker residence where branches were whipped off and tossed against the house.

A large branch was also dropped on the sidewalk between the Ray Nauroth home and his car parked at the edge of the street. The twister apparently lifted then, breaking a light pole at the corner of the golf course and stripping trees about 15 feet high at the Earl Thomas residence.

It whipped back across the street and tore two big maple trees Herkenrah home, caught tops of out by the roots in front of Pete trees near the Ralph Schwingdorf residence and did not come down again until it reached the Andy Datterl residence to the east where it damaged the chimney on their house and twisted trees.

Reports of minor damage from the storm and winds are coming in from a wide area around Dunlap, but none of them serious. Trees and out buildings were damaged at several places. The Ray Rule farm where Lowell Farley lives felt the effects of the wind with some damage. The Husmann, Ralph Koski and Jess Smith places also had minor damage. Machinery was up set and other damage done at the Earl Hack farm east of town.

Weather continued without further incident up until the time of going to press Wednesday afternoon. Tuesday night storms again threatened Dunlap, but missed the town. Thunder showers swept around the west and north of Dunlap. It was reported 5 inches of rain fell at Denison Tuesday night.

May 24, 1956 – Dunlap Reporter

Sick, Injured and Hospital Patients

Mrs. Pat Brasel returned home Wednesday afternoon from St. Joseph hospital in Omaha where she has been for the past two weeks. She was there for a goiter operation. Her father, Herbert Christiansen, brought her home. She returned to the hospital yesterday where she underwent another throat operation today.

Mrs. Joe Heller underwent surgery Wednesday morning at St. Joseph hospital in Omaha for a stomach ailment. Her condition has been grave and all of her children were in Omaha Wednesday to be with her.

Mary Katherine, four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schmitt, was taken to the Mercy hospital in Council Bluffs, Monday for observation and treatment.

Darcy Brasel, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Brasel, was bit on the temple near the eye by a baseball bat Sunday while play-

ing a game of baseball at their school picnic. He was taken to the Denison hospital by the Dow City Emergency Unit for medical care and observation.

Joan Rannells, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Rannells Jr., underwent a tonsillectomy at the Denison hospital Friday morning. She returned home Saturday afternoon.

Eddie Driggins, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Driggins, accidentally mangled the ends of the two middle fingers on his left hand Wednesday of last week. They caught in the blade of a mower at the Dunlap golf course when he attempted to fire the machine. The fleshy part of the fingers below the nails and the end of the bones were mangled.

Mrs. Bernard Hanson was an outpatient at the St. Joseph hospital

in Omaha Thursday. She underwent minor surgery there.

The Dunlap Emergency Unit was called to the Mrs. Ione Lee home southwest of Dunlap Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mrs. Lee was rushed to Mercy hospital in Council Bluffs, where it was several hours before she regained consciousness. The trip was made by the Barrett Ambulance. Members of the Dunlap Unit accompanied the ambulance to administer oxygen with unit equipment.

Apparently Mrs. Lee suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and her condition continued to remain grave for some time though she was not paralyzed. A son Jack was called back from Chicago by plane to be at her bedside. She is now getting along as well as can be expected, it was reported Tuesday.

April 4, 1957 – Dunlap Reporter

YOUTH PAYS \$25.00 DAMAGE TO GOLF CLUB FAIRWAYS

An out-of-court settlement of \$25.00 was made this week by a former Dunlap youth for damage done to the fairways of the Dunlap Golf course late Saturday night or early Sunday morning.

The settlement was agreed upon with the Board of Directors of the club after the youth admitted damaging the fairways. The damage was caused by a car being driven on the soft fairways and then skidded around in sharp turns so that the tires tore up the sod and plowed furrows in the ground. At least five spots were torn up on fairways 1, 2 and 6.

Only one car was involved in the depredations. The youth was apprehended by members of the club when dirt was discovered on his car and bumper which had been gouged out crossing a ditch. Tire marks also matched. The youth was glad to make the settlement rather than be turned over to authorities.

April 7, 1958 -Dunlap Reporter

Brakes Fail; Car Rams into Tree

Tommy Cline and Mary Sanbothe were injured Monday morning when the car he was driving hit a tree at the Dunlap Golf course. They were coming down Casey Hill east of the course when the brakes failed to hold as he attempted to turn the corner. It struck a tree near the club house.

She received cuts about the face and bruises. He also received cuts about the face and a cut knee that required 20 stitches. Although not seriously injured he was taken to the Denison hospital Tuesday evening for treatment. The Dunlap Emergency Unit was called to the scene of the accident and they were treated at the office of Dr. C. W. Byrnes.

Tommy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wray Cline of Dunlap, and recently received his discharge from the service.

Miss Sandbothe is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Sandbothe of Panama. The couple recently announced their engagement but have not set a date for their wedding.

Helicopters Land at Dunlap, Follow Balloon



Crew members of the U. S. Air Force are busy here replacing a door on one of their helicopters at the Dunlap golf course where it landed last Thursday morning. Along with a sister ship from the Sioux City Air Base, the whirlybirds were following a weather balloon released at Sioux City that morning. The door fell from its hinges or track when it was opened by sightseers while the crew members were downtown for a coffee break. The weather balloon which had the appearance of a silver pea, was 17 miles up, crew

members said, when it passed over Dunlap. The bag of the balloon had a diameter of 128 feet, and a height of 600 feet from the top to the weather equipment hanging under the plastic bag. The balloon was expected to remain aloft from 6 to 8 hours and was expected to land somewhere in the Harlan area. Many sightseers came to the golf course to see the ships when they were parked near the green and tee of the No. 4 fairway.

—Reporter photo

March 2, 1967 – Dunlap Reporter

If ever a town showed a spirit of united cooperation, Dunlap certainly did in 1920. A swimming pool had long been desired, but city finances did not warrant building it. But the residents got together, and the cooperative machine went into high gear. With the single exception of one mason in charge, all the labor and material was contributed or donated. The ladies entered into the spirit; and served lemonade and hot coffee to the workers who labored far into the night. Business men

drove teams, and held slips in making the excavation in the city park. Blister and lame backs were much in evidence the following week, but the work never ceased from start to completion. As a result, a pool that swelled the hearts of the citizens with justifiable pride was completed.

Again, this same spirit was manifested in building the golf course in 1928. A pasture within the city limits was converted into one of the finest golf courses in western Iowa. Separate city water lines were run to each green, and bent grass greens, deep and soft as Wilton rugs were built. Teams and slips were again manned by interested citizens who wholeheartedly gave freely of their services.

September 28, 1967 – Dunlap Reporter

Roadside Flowers Give Publicity to Dunlap

Pictures in

Pictures in Daily Press

Dunlap's flowering roadside bank on the west end of the golf course and across highway 30 east of the 4-County Lanes and Dunlap Livestock Auction has brought favorable publicity to Dunlap in the daily press.

A recent issue of the World Herald carried a picture of the bank and also one of the tri-angular flower bed on City parking south of Hanson's Service Station. Bernard Hanson is shown in the flower bed which he has planted and tended.

Mrs. Ralph Koski, secretary of the Dunlap Booster club was shown with the roadside planting. The Herald said Mrs. Ray Stockstad was number one instigator of the project and it was accomplished through cooperation of the Dunlap Booster club, the Office of Economic Opportunity, and many individuals.

In commenting about the article Mrs. Stockstad said credit should go to many people. Among them are Mrs. Carleen Moore, Sam Frazier, Jim O'Connor and Wilbur Melby, OEO workers, who did the planting and caring for the project. The stones for the name of the town were given by the Schemmer Limestone of Logan and were hauled to the site without charge by Dean Honaker.

Ray Stockstad assisted in measuring the space for the letters in the name of the town and helped set them in place. They were cemented for permanency by OEO workers. A \$5.00 donation was given by the Chattering Dozen club to buy petunias planted around the letters and the Entre Nous club gave \$3.00 to buy tulip bulbs to be planted this fall. Balance of the flowers came from friends in Dunlap, Logan, Defiance, Moorhead and Missouri Valley, Mrs. Stockstad said.

The Dunlap Booster club paid for the back-hoe work by Johnny Pedersen and credit should be given to Firemen John Heller, Jack Hawn, Bob Crilly and Conrad Knickman who watered the bank during the dry spell.

Various kinds of flowers have been planted so that something will be blooming from early spring thru the summer and into late fall, Mrs. Stockstad said.

To those approaching Dunlap from the southwest on Highway 30, the bank presents a very pleasing picture, a decided improvement on the bank of brush and weeds which had been there for several years.

April 29, 1971 – Dunlap Reporter



—Reporter Photo

Club House at Golf Course Is Remodeled

Pictured above are Pete Peterson and Don Hartwig, president of the Dunlap Golf Club. They are standing behind the bar in the newly remodeled club house at the [Dunlap Golf Course](#). The work was done by members of the club. A large part of the redecorating was done by Fritz Baldwin.

July 11, 1974 – Dunlap Reporter

Sheriff's Office Reports Vandalism

The Harrison County Sheriff's Office reported that unknown person or persons vandalized the [Dunlap golf course](#) during the night of Monday, July 1 or early morning, July 2.

It was reported that two greens were torn up and several water hoses were cut.

Greens Require Constant Care the Year Around

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teers donating time on the greens and erecting the club house," said Paul. They were Dave and Ed Rogers (Ted Rogers father, Ed, and uncle Dave), Joe Chauncey, Dr. Reichelt, Ray Fox, Dr. R. G. Moore, John Bowman, O. E. Bramson, Tom Lehan, (Paul's dad), and Paul Davie. "The members took turns taking care of the golf course and the greens," recalled Paul.

During World War II, ten took charge of the maintenance and upkeep of the entire golf course. "It was a volunteer effort by all," recalled Phil Gambs. Phil is a former grocer at the Spot IGA, now called Baker's Supermarket. Phil was among the ten volunteers along with Dr. R. G. Moore, veterinarian; George Taylor, manager of Iowa Light and Power; Walt Shea, Dunlap Merchant, Dr. Walvoord, M.D.; Dr. Reichelt, dentist, Harry Plath, vocational agriculture school teacher at the Dunlap Community Schools; Clarence Pageft, a Dunlap Jeweler, and Leo Baker, custodian at the Dunlap Community Schools.

The ladies auxiliary took care of the clubhouse. The clubhouse auxiliary members were Gladys Moore, Gen Ingersoll (aunt of Joe Burke), Anna Reichelt, Viola Walvoord and Georgia Hagan.

"Dunlap attracted golfers from the surrounding towns," recalled Phil. He remembered the Soldier golfers who were Ray Sevderson, farmer, Dr. Junger, Toad Everson, and Mr Lamp, a soil conservation-

ist. "There was a limited membership during the wartime years," he said.

Today, the **Dunlap Golf Course** is managed by Clancy and Karol Murphy. The previous managers of the Dunlap Golf Course were Harold Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Peterson and Kenny and Alma Bissen. The fairways were maintained through the years by Paul Bissen, Clyde Crandall, Pete Driggins, Conrad Rudd.

Clancy manages the clubhouse and Karol maintains the outside work on the golf course. Karol grew up helping her dad, Jim Davie, with various chores. She attended meetings and training sessions on golf course care and upkeep. Karol was 16 and the youngest woman in the state of Iowa to achieve a commercial license for pesticides, herbicides and fungicides for the golf course.

There is an examination including 100 questions, which must be passed for the license. The basic questions were for maintenance of grasses, weeds and insect control. The turf and ornamental category was covered by 25 of the 100 questions. State law requires renewing the license every two to three years. The licensee must take the test again, if it expires. There is a small fee for the license.

Hard work and knowing the facts are important in maintaining the golf course. Karol mows three to four times a week to keep the grass about 1/4 to 1/2 inch high because the putting can't be done in thicker bent grasses. There

are 100 types of grasses. The mower cost between \$8500 to \$9000.

The aeration process is carried out a minimum of once in the spring and once in the fall. A machine is placed 2-3 inches deep, 1/2 inch diameter. It throws the dirt up and picks up the plugs, then verticuts the greens with little slits 1/2 inch apart and takes the dead grass out. A coat of top dressing, 70% fine sand, 15% dirt and 15% peat moss pre-mix costs \$500.00 for a truckload. This process is for one application. It is done after the Labor Day tournament, giving the grass time to heal up before winter comes.

In the summer Karol slits spike greens once a month and vertical cuts every two to three weeks. The grass is mowed short and often and the greens are fertilized once a month. The fungicides are applied once a month, especially during the rainy months. The weather is the biggest factor in fungicides. "The faster it grows, the more problems are encountered," said Jim Davie.

The automatic sprinkling system is on a timer, ten minutes per green per day which places 1 1/2 inches of water a week on each green. Karol changes the golf cups two to three times a week. The traffic on the course will wear it down and create roughness. It must remain smooth. The process is done before an open tournament and twice during the open tournaments between golf

rounds.

Karol has riding equipment which is six years old. "My first year of maintenance, I walked with a new type of push mower," recalled Jim. "I weighed 187 lbs., when I began in the spring and at the end of the summer I weighed 155 lbs."

The garden hose was used in the evening when dark until the daylight hours. Jim wound the hose back up after completion.

It would cost a minimum of \$15,000 per green to build from scratch at today's costs, according to Jim. The costs include the nine greens and the price of land. At the present time, there are two greens done, except the topping and grass seed. The new greens will eliminate congestion on the golf course.

The **Dunlap Golf Course** was purchased for \$85,000 on a short term contract from the Barrett family. The land totals 44 acres.

The Dunlap Golf Club officers for the 1982-82 year are Mark Brasel, president; Ralph Waderich, vice president; Roy Gray, grounds maintenance; Ron Weber, Rich Haskins and Jerry Houston, special functions.

There are 140 members in the Dunlap Golf Club. Golfers come from Moorhead, Woodbine, Dow City and Dunlap. It costs \$150 for a family membership, \$120 for single membership and \$100 stock to join.

The clubhouse is open from April 15 to October 15 each year.

Greens Require Constant Care the Year Around

By LINDA JOCHIMS

"There were cows grazing on the original golf course," recalled Paul Lehan. "We had to be careful not to step in the manure."

The first golf course was located on the Jim Schaben farm pasture ground in Harrison Township in the early 1920's. It was known at that time as the Mike Sullivan farm.

The charter members of the

Dunlap Golf Course were Dr. W. L. Reichelt, Dr. R. G. Moore, (Dr. Robert A. Moore's dad), Wilma Clemons, O. E. "Otto" Bramson, former owner and operator of the Dunlap Reporter, Leonard Bramson, Ed Wilson, a Dunlap plumber at that time, now residing in Alaska, and Paul Davie (Jim Davie's dad).

"We mowed the greens and maintained the golf course

as well as could be expected in those days," explained Paul Lehan. Paul was a caddy along with Jerry Ward and Baird "Blondie" Roberts (Judi Knutson's uncle).

A second golf course was used during an interim of two years while the new golf course was being finished. It was located on Mr. Bailey's farm ground which is today the Geraldine Van Ness farm.

Mr. Bailey was a lawyer in Dunlap during his residence here.

The ground for the golf course was purchased from Marty Barrett (uncle to Bob, Rose and Ruth Barrett) in the late 1920's. The present golf course has been in the same location since that time.

"There were several volun-

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Karol Murphy mowing the greens.

January 20, 1983 – Dunlap Reporter

Post Script to the Golf Club story

Once the land was all bluegrass pasture for some prized racing horses belonging to Michael Barrett, grandfather of Rose, Ruth and Bob Barrett. Rose and Ruth volunteered some additional information about the Dunlap Golf Course and some clarifications to Linda Jochims' story which ran in December.

The land now occupied by the Dunlap Golf Club was part of the property included when Michael Barrett first staked a claim in 1867 and helped to plot the town. Michael was a farmer but his first love was horses, said Rose, as she reminisced in the Barrett home on Court Street. He raised purebred trotters and single footers which became renowned across the country and in England. The 34 acres which was later developed into a golf course was bluegrass pasture for Michael's horses. It included a stream running through the middle of the pasture. Farther out on the edge of town, Michael developed a race track.

Michael had three sons, Ed, Marty and Jim. Jim was the father of Rose and Ruth. Michael started the mercantile business for Ed. Jim went into the bank and Marty ran the farm. None of the sons was as interested in horses as Michael and when the horses were gone, Jim opened up the pasture land for local residents. In those days, said Rose, each family in town had its own milk cow. It was 34 acres, Rose pointed out, and it is estimated that it takes an acre of land for every cow. So Jim would allow up to 30 cows on the pasture land without charge.

The east part of the pasture was used as a cemetery for many years until several of the neighboring farmers, including the Barretts, contributed a portion of their land on the hill to create Pleasant Hill Cemetery where it now stands.

In 1925 Rose and Ruth's brothers, Mort and Frank, and their sister, Phyllis, attended college at Iowa State University where the two brothers, particularly Mort, developed an avid interest in golf. Mort became a fanatic about the game, said Rose. When he returned to Dunlap to work with his Dad, Jim Barrett, in the bank, he persuaded Jim to convert the pasture into a golf course.

It was Mort and Earl Knutson of Soldier, as the Barrett sisters remember it, who first began promoting and developing the course in 1926 and 1927. They enlisted the help of Bill Chauncey (not Joe as stated in the previous story. Bill was Joe's father), who owned a garage in town. The three men started "snooping around" to find out how to build the greens and Bill did the work and continued to keep up the greens for many years. The Barrett sisters added the name of a dentist, Dr. Higgins, to the long list of volunteers named in the earlier story who assisted in developing the course.

Jim Barrett himself was not much of a golfer, said Rose, but he would put on his knickers and putter around. Ruth says in later years he became "pretty good."

Margaret (Mrs. Jim) Barrett went out when the women first started to participate. By some fluke of beginner's luck, she made a hole-in-one on her first outing. But she never went back to press her luck. She preferred the less strenuous sport of playing cards.

The golf course just grew "like Topsy," said Rose, without any overall plan, but the people came from Logan, Missouri Valley, Woodbine, Earling, Denison, Council Bluffs and Omaha because it cost far less than to play on their own courses.

During World War II the course wasn't used much but Jim Barrett paid the taxes on the land and paid Bill Chauncey to preserve the greens. His son, Bob, suggested they should plant the area in corn but Jim refused. "He wanted the golf course there when the boys came home from the war," said Rose.

While Jim was alive, she added, the golf course was rented to the Golf Club for the amount of taxes. A rental fee was charged after Jim was gone until the grounds were sold to the Dunlap Golf Club in 1979. Along with the 34 acres, they sold them an additional 10 acres to enlarge the course.

—D.B.

April 10, 1986 – Dunlap Reporter

Golf Club Plans Grand Opening At Club House

The Dunlap Golf Club will hold a grand opening with free barbecue and refreshments for all members and prospective members Sunday, April 13, starting at noon.

The clubhouse has been completely renovated inside and out with new walls and carpet. An addition has been added on the north end for golf cart parking.

New cement benches, donated by area merchants, have been placed throughout the course.

May 26, 1988 – Dunlap Reporter

Golf Course Vandalized; Reward Offered

The Dunlap Golf Course was vandalized Friday night by a vehicle. There was extensive damage, said Mark Brasel, Golf Club president.

The Dunlap Golf Course is offering a \$300 cash reward for information leading to the arrest of the person responsible.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the club house manager or any board member with the information. All information will be kept anonymous, Brasel said.

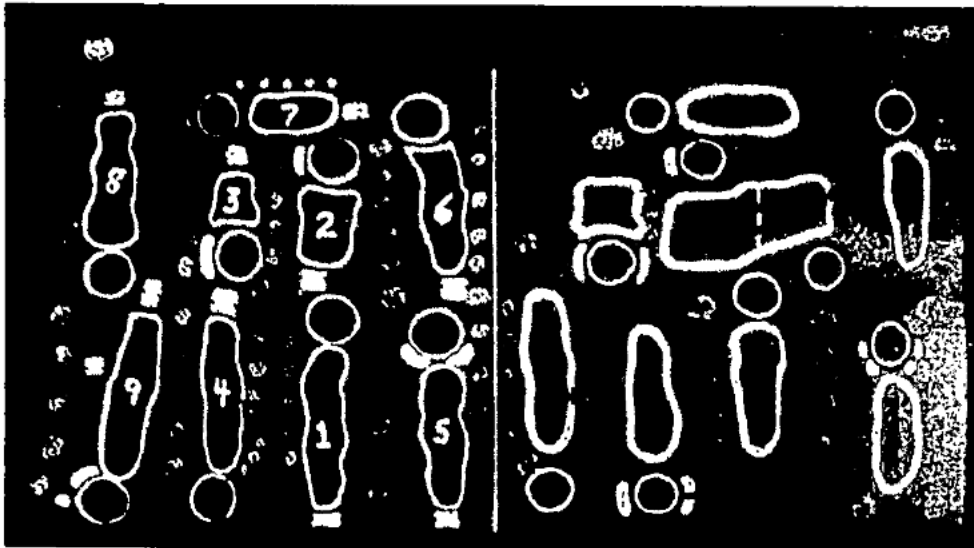
Well produces water for Dunlap Golf Course fairways



Jim Davie, left, and Glen Leaders, Dunlap Golf Club board member; check out the flow of water last week as Sargent Irrigation of Geneva, Neb., drilled a well with 18 inch casing at the Dunlap Golf Course. At first the well was only producing 94 gallons a minute. But the drillers cleaned it up and increased the flow to 150 gallons, said Karol Murphy, golf course superintendent. About 250 gallons a minute are needed to properly water all of the course's fairways in the time which will be available,

Karol said. But the well will make the long-held dream of water fairways come true. Karol said Sargent Irrigation officials will be discussing options to increase the flow of water, and there is also the option of creating a holding pond on the course. That option would mean considerable extra expense, but some members believe that a water hazard would be a valuable addition to the course. (Photo by Butch Walker)

May 14, 2009 – Dunlap Reporter



This wall hanging showing the lay out of the Dunlap Golf Course as it was in 1929 and how it is today will be on silent auction at the golf course celebration in July.

photo submitted

Special activities planned to celebrate 80th Birthday of Dunlap Golf Course

by Jane Davis

Brian McGinn, President of the Dunlap Golf Club, has spent many hours researching old Dunlap Reports to get information on the Dunlap Golf Course. He became interested in this because the course will celebrate its 80th birthday this summer on Saturday, July 25, with a lot going on that day. The other officers at present are Cory Heistand, Vice President, and Brad Gross, Secretary and Treasurer. Karol Murphy is the head grounds keeper and club house manager and Katie Murphy works the kitchen.

Some years there was lots of information and some years scarcely any. It seemed to depend upon who the officers were each year. Rumor has it that the very first golf was played somewhere east of town but no records were found to prove or disprove that.

The first published account states that on May 3, 1928, a group of men gathered to organize a golf club. The officers and board members were O. E. Bramson, F. A. Hagen, D. V. Moore, Dr. Slattery, and D. E. Rogers. One of the original rules was that all women could play free even if their husbands didn't belong. The group met at the American Legion Building. Green fees were 50 cents a day unless you were the guest of a member.

On April 18, 1929, the golf

course was started at the present location. Then on May 30, 1929, they seeded the greens with fine creeping bent grass which has never been replaced although some of the greens have been changed. At that time they had a ten year lease with the Barretts who owned the land. The first tournament was August 22, 1929, on their "fine new course" and had 32 golfers.

J. B. Chauncy won the silver cup that first year.

George Larson from Council Bluffs who was here helping build St. Patrick's Church had the first hole-in-one on Number 5 on May 1, 1930.

The Women's Auxiliary got organized on July 3, 1930, with 26 ladies joining. News accounts are a little scarce for a time, but then in 1932, R.A. Williams, the jeweler made the third hole-in-one on Number 5.

A caddy tournament was held on August 4, 1932, and Byron Nordaker won a full year's membership in the Dunlap Club. Other prizes were golf balls. Golf balls could be purchased at the Dunlap Pharmacy and Tommy Armour Champions cost 63 cents and the Black Diamonds were cheaper at 29 cents.

In the 40's all members were asked to come on Friday night with their jack knives and

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Looking forward to a busy golf season are (R to L) Katie Murphy who works in the kitchen at the club house, Brian McGinn, President of the Dunlap Golf Club, and Karol Murphy, head grounds keeper and club house manager.

photo by Jane Davie
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help dig the greens. The brightness and Contrast control with ground squirrels and Phil Gambs took his 22-rifle up there to shoot them. They straightened the creek in 1944 and the report in the paper said, "the greens are deep and soft as Wilton rugs as the club prepares for a tournament. The prizes will be War Stamps."

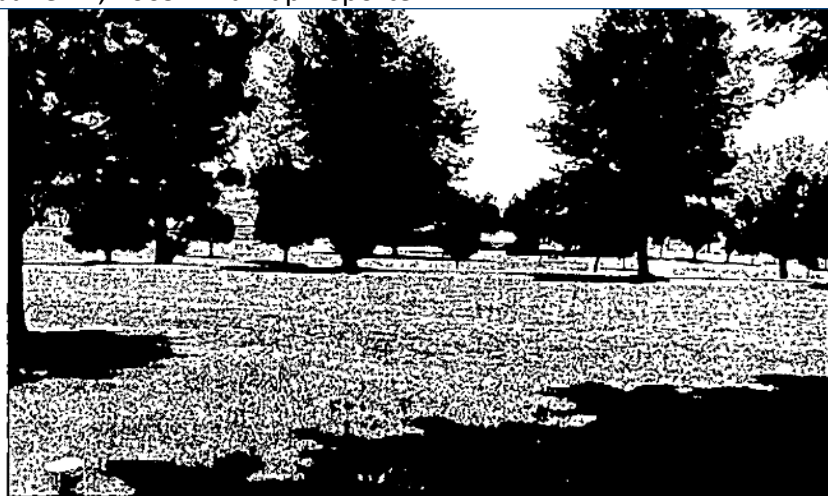
With W W II over, things got livelier again in the 50's at the Dunlap Club. Thursday nights were always stag nights and In August 7, 1952, they held a combination horse shoe and golf tournament. Clyde Crandall and Jeff Nuzum won the horse shoe contest and Joe Talcott won the golf tournament.

June 1953, had 107 players in an Open Tournament with Ray Nauroth the club champion that year. Dr. R. A. Moore won the championship in 1957 and

the runner-up. Flight could not be announced because score cards were tacked on the outside of the club house and scores written in as they finished. A storm came up and blew all the cards away. Ray Nauroth's name showed up as a winner with great frequency over the years. Someone should ask him how many times he has won a golf tournament

Also, in 1953, they held a "novel event" in which they played the whole course with one putter and one club. The next year they had a "Screw Ball Tournament" which was a mixed foursome and they shot through barrels and putted into cans.

The story of the **Dunlap Golf Course** will be continued in the next few weeks. If anyone has other information or old pictures that they would like to share, please let us know.



The 2009 **Dunlap Golf Course** will be maintained with lush grass and beautiful trees. Several tees have been changed and improved in the last couple of years and have improved the course.

Anniversary preparations underway at golf course

*Research by Brian McGinn,
Story by Jane Davie*

The **Dunlap Golf Course** is looking good in preparation for the big celebration on July 25. While celebrating the past 80 years, it is interesting to again look at some of the high points of past years.

From an old Dunlap Reporter, we learn that on August 6, 1936, Hugo Lehman made a hole in one on No. 1. "a feat never before accomplished by anyone and considered almost impossible to the average small town golfer due to the fact that the distance is over 250 yards and out of the reach of the average in one stroke." He and his caddy searched several minutes before they discovered the ball in the cup.

August 23, 1960, Clair Hannasch of Dow City had a hole in one on #3 which would

have been 136 yards on the old course. Max Clark of Woodbine suffered a heart attack, was treated by Dr. Byrnes on the Golf Course and then taken to the Denison Hospital on May 11, 1967. Also, in 1967, members were instructed to bring their own steaks.

Max Clark recovered and was included in the list of directors in May of 1968. Others were Joe Talcott, Ray Nauroth, Clyde Crandall, Bob Nauroth, Victor Finken of Earling, and Jerry Lapke of Panama.

May 1, 1969, the Dunlap Golf Club became a corporation. That year on May 29th, Bob Nauroth joined the Hole in One Club on old #3, but the shock of it must have gotten to him as his score on the outside was 43. That year the Dunlap High School team consisted of Dave Abramson.

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Craig Van Thuyne, Bob Barrett, Mike Farley, Marc Moore, Mike Nauroth, Tom Davie, Danny Talcott, Larry Peterson, Mike Wertz, Byron Hartwig, and Chuck Altic with Dave Wilson as their coach. Wes Hein won the championship that year, but couldn't go to the tournament and Jim Davie won the play off with Ray Nauroth to go to Atlantic.

In the '70's 44 acres were added to the course and Karol Murphy started working there, became grounds keeper and now is the Club House Manager and grounds keeper. Information was not available about who planned it, but a ladies' day was held on July 10, 1979, with tables decorated with daisies and each lady was given a Royal Daisy golf ball. In 1979, they started giving plaques to the club winners and that has continued with the plaques still hanging in the club house. Cheryl Woodle and Tom Davie were the first to have their names on the wall.

Some years there is still not much information available but there will be one more history report before July 25. If you have any other information or old photos, not newspaper clippings, please let us know



September 6, 2018 – Dunlap Reporter

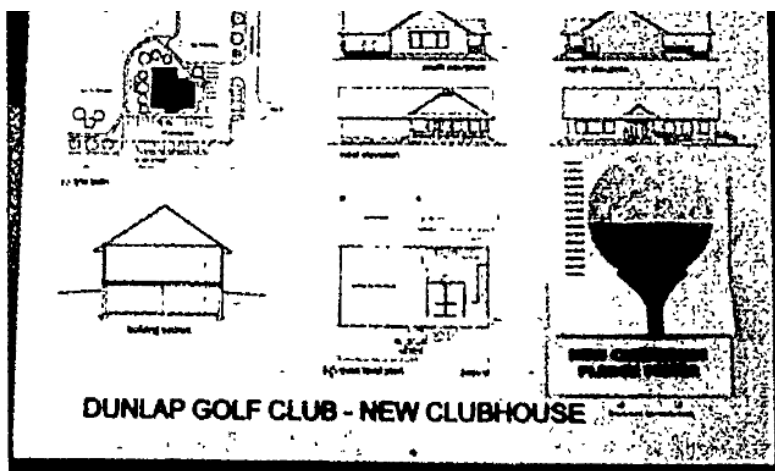
Dunlap Golf Club seeks and receives support for new clubhouse project

The Dunlap Golf Club is in the midst of fundraising for construction of a new clubhouse. Support for the project has been sought from the Harrison County Board of Supervisors and the Dunlap City Council for an Enhance Iowa Grant application. The grant requires a show of support from the community as one of its requirements.

Ben Hansen of Dunlap approached the Harrison County Board of Supervisors on June 14 on behalf of the **Dunlap Golf Course** to ask for their support of the project.

"This a non-profit 501(c)(4)," said Hansen. "We are applying for that grant to build a new clubhouse. Our current clubhouse is in pretty rough shape. The clubhouse is originally about 100 years old, but there have been some additions made to it. The floor is settling, and there are structure foundation issues. There is a big crawl space underneath it, so it is not a matter of that we just want a new clubhouse. We absolutely need one."

Hansen explained that



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The plans for a new clubhouse at the **Dunlap Golf Course** are posted inside the current clubhouse. The plans also include a pledge meter for the project.

the project was in the fundraising process at this time and has a budget goal of \$450,000. In order to get the Enhance Iowa Grant, a project needs to have 65 percent of its funds raised.

"One of the biggest issues in order to meet this grant application is that you have to have community support, monetary or in-kind, as well as county support," said Hansen.

"You would have to do some kind of services for us to help show to them that you are on board and in support of us towards



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Ben Hansen addresses the Harrison County Board of Supervisors in June, seeking its support of the **Dunlap Golf Course** new clubhouse project for a grant application.

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Fundraising is currently underway to replace the **Dunlap Golf Course** clubhouse.

November 21, 2019 – Dunlap Reporter

Dunlap Golf Court Clubhouse to open this spring

BY TONIA COPELAND
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The landscape in Dunlap changed drastically when the old Dunlap Golf Course Clubhouse was demolished.

A new clubhouse is in the process of being erected in its place and is expected to open in the spring of 2020.

According to board member Ben Hansen, the old clubhouse was more

than 90 years old and had undergone a few facelifts.

"Over the past couple of years, it really declined," Hansen said.

With seating for just 50, Hansen said the clubhouse was simply no longer meeting the needs of nearly 150 current members.

As demolition progressed, the clubhouse was found to have been sitting on cinder blocks instead of a foundation, making it dangerous to occupy.

The board applied for, and was granted, an Iowa Community Attraction and Tourism grant in the amount of \$20,000 to supplement the cost of the new build.

"We are always looking to entice people to come to town, support the local economy, and maybe become future residents," Hansen added.

The new clubhouse will be a meeting place for anyone, member or otherwise,

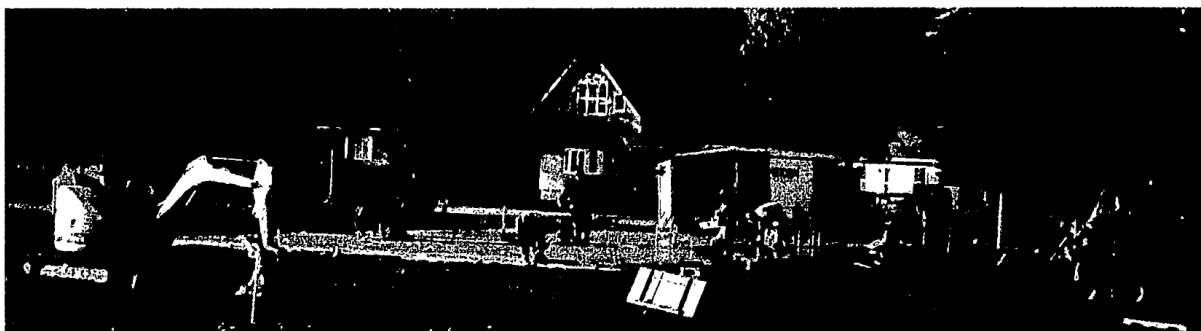
with seating for about 100, Hansen said. He envisions the space as a great place for graduation parties, wedding rehearsals, and a meeting place with a full kitchen.

"I want people to use it even if they don't golf," he said. "It is just another option here to go watch a game and get out of the house."

Along with a new clubhouse, the board plans to promote new memberships

with a special price, and they are putting together a list of benefits, including discounted food and drinks, free play at 17 other courses, and entry into all the local tournaments.

"We want people to enjoy it and use it and meet new people," he said. "Come up and give it a try, enjoy it. It is something new that won't cost a whole lot of money."



Work on the foundation of the new **Dunlap Golf Course** Clubhouse is taking place on Friday, Nov. 15.

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Dunlap Golf Course to receive nearly \$100,000 CAT grant

Dunlap's golf course has been awarded a \$99,985 grant to complete a new single story building with a full basement from the Iowa Economic Development Authority in the form a Community Attraction & Tourism grant.

The project includes plans for cart and general storage as well as a mechanical room in the basement of the new building, with a total project cost of \$517,485.

The new building will include seating for 132

and will feature handicap accessible bathrooms, a large covered deck and a small gaming area for youth, according to the award letter.

The award, made by the Enhance Iowa Board on Nov. 14, 2018, includes the following provisions:

- The project will contain all components originally proposed in the application.

- The award shall be made pursuant to contingencies outlines in a contract approved by all parties.

Dirt work at the **Dunlap Golf Course**



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A grader works on leveling and compacting a new dirt base on Friday, Oct. 18, at the Dunlap Golf Course in preparation for construction of the new clubhouse.