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**BILL BRADY**  
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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, MAY 1963**

**Dateline: April 14, 1963**

It was very gratifying for us all at our April meeting at Sportsman's Country Club to see some friendly faces we haven't had the pleasure of seeing for some time. I hope this is an indication that some of our temporarily inactive members have found a renewed interest and will share with us the benefits of our educational offerings and the spiritual lift of brotherhood each month.

An April meeting seems to have a stir of motion in it. The conversation and activity is generated by pent up energy we have accumulated during the winter months, and everyone is champing at the bit. Chief topic of conversation as I heard it was water systems. It seems that this winter played some havoc with soils and pipe. With the dry weather this spring some of us turned on our water systems earlier than ever before, and were surprised to find some lines still frozen. Stories of broken pipe five feet below the surface and fairway valves being snapped off like match sticks were numerous. Even heard someone had pipes raise up out of the ground when pressure was turned on. These stories really scared some of the boys who had not yet turned on their systems. I guess we really found out just how good our water systems drain out in the fall after this winter. At the present time there are indications that we will have to do more sprinkling this spring than normal unless we get a break in the weather pattern. The main topic won't be "ice sheet" damage this spring, at any rate.

In the department of trivia or of interest to those who notice such thing I would like to relate that about two weeks ago several large flocks of Sandhill Cranes passed over my club northward. They are large birds standing over 4 feet in height. Their presence is not phenomenal, but they are rarely seen east of the Mississippi River.

Well, time is getting short and filled with many things to do, so I'd better cut this off short. See you next month.

John Ebel, President

**MEET THE BOARD**

Bill has been employed as the Superintendent of Barrington Hills Country Club for the past five years. Prior to coming to the Chicago area he was Superintendent of Maple Bluff Country Club in Madison, Wisconsin for 10 years. Other experiences before that time included 14 years with the Municipal Club in Mishawaka, Indiana.

He lives with his wife, Mary Jane and two children in Barrington. There is a girl 16 years old and a boy 7 years old.

Bill's hobbies include fishing and hunting. He served in the Infantry during World War II and he said it wasn't too bad except they had to walk wherever they went and he doesn't like to walk.

Bill was elected to the Board of Directors last year and served as Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. This year President John Ebel appointed him the Chairman of the Membership Committee. He has already started a program to increase our membership. Good Luck, Bill.

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**WHAT KIND OF MEMBER ARE YOU?**

1. Some members are like wheelbarrows — no good unless pushed.
2. Some are like canoes — they need to be paddled.
3. Some are like kites — if you don't keep a string on them they will fly away.
4. Some are like footballs — you can't tell which way they are going to bounce next.
5. Some are like balloons — full of wind and likely to blow up unless handled carefully.
6. Some are like trailers — no good unless pulled.
7. Some are 100 percent members in regular attendance, and are very cooperative.

Which one are you?

From Leo Cleary