



The Editor

MIDWEST BREEZES

The G.C.S.A.A. 47th Annual Turf Grass Conference and Show to be held in Minneapolis Feb. 8-13, 1976 is fast approaching. The weather could be in our favor or could be the opposite, that is a chance one must take. Warm clothing is a necessity just in case. Take along your skates and enjoy some real ice and how about some ice fishing; many lakes are near by. Lake Minnetonka is just a few miles from the western edge of the city. If you like iceboating, you will find many lakes for this type of sport. If you plan on driving your car from the Chicago area, you should have no problem; interstate 194 highway all the way. Allow about seven hours and it will require approximately thirty gallons of gasoline each way and watch your speed.

Bob Williams and wife Bobbie are enjoying the warm weather in sunny Florida, mostly playing golf. Bob has been seen on the practice tee with the pro. He could be preparing himself for some easy snow bird money, or could it be the better half, Bobbie, is putting pressure on him on the golf course?

There were a few Chicago area Supts. who visited with Bob over the holidays and played some golf at HOWEY IN THE HILLS golf course. The winners have not been published and the losers we will never know.

Bruce Sering, Walter Fuchs and Keith Fuchs all enjoyed the sun in Florida and had a good time.

To those of you who plan on going to Florida in February; I am sure the Williams' would be glad to see you.

Dear Ray,

Sorry you did not attend the Bojo Turf Supply Co.'s well attended open house over the holidays. Also sorry the pictures are not back from processing.

Ed Wallenberg was voted "teller of best story."

Dick Trevarthan was voted "fire bug of the year."

Jack Urban was voted "most overworked."

Jim Gerlach was voted "most times to buffet table."

Norm Stelter was voted "foxiest."

Walter Peeper was voted "fastest on his feet."

All the rest by popular vote were, "good time Charles." Please plan on attending our 1976 Open House.

Regards,
George Hoddad

There have been persistent rumors going around recently, and we hope that's all it is, that the dues in the G.C.S.A.A. are going to be substantially increased. If so, is this to make up the deficit of moving to and maintaining headquarters in Lawrence, Kansas?

Paul Voykin, Supt. at Briarwood C.C. and Brother Pete, Supt. at Idlewild C.C. have left for Tampa, Florida to enjoy the sunshine and golf.

Bruce Burchfield, Supt. at Hillcrest C.C. will be joining Paul at a later date in Fort Lauderdale.

Some Supt's. hit telephone poles, deer, cows and even chickens. Our friend Adolph Bertucci did one better. He hit a horse that jumped out of a ditch as he was rounding a sharp curve near his home. The horse "A Thorough Bred" was knocked back into the ditch and adolph had to go to the hospital for some check-ups.

Thank God the horse didn't die.

A note from the "Boonies" for the Bull Sheet. This Fall we installed 1400 feet of 12" drain till to take care of our 13 - 14, 15 and 16 fairways. Hope this is the answer! We also cleaned additional 4" and 6" existing tile, bringing our total to 10,000 linial feet of drain tile on the course that we have repaired, rodded and cleaned. We have installed in the past two years a total of 50 catch basins, manholes and clean-out basins. Also this past summer we planted a total of 60 trees using a Vermen 44" and 66" tree spade, sizes to 8" in diameter. In between this work we tried to mow the course and plant some flowers.

My best wishes for 1976.

Jack Hanson
Crystal Lake C.C.

Our 50th year. Who started it and where?

Frank Dinelli, retired superintendent at Northmoor Country Club, sent me the following, in regards to the birth of the Midwest Golf Course Superintendents Association. The first meeting was held at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago in February, 1926. Officers elected were: John MacGregor, President, Chicago Golf Club; Fred Krueger, Secretary, Olympia Fields Country Club; Alex Bennie, Director, Shore Acres Country Club; Peter Stewart, Director, Knollwood Country Club; Edward Dearie, Director, Oak Park Country Club; Fred Sherwood, Treasurer, Northmoor Country Club.

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