

1978 FLOWER SHOW A SUCCESS

The Midwest booth at the 1978 Flower Show was a huge success due to the fine work of the many people who helped to staff the booth and answer all those questions on how to control "Creeping Charlie" or "Tall Fescue". Our booth was awarded a "Certificate of Appreciation" for the third time. This year the flower show was expanded from last year and the show people went out of their way to help you get set up and organized.

Special thanks is extended to Carl Hoppman and his crew at Aurora for setting up the display and taking care of all the painting and erecting of the split rail fence and the fine flag pole stands that Carl made for the booth. Mike Bavier and Paul Voykin are to be thanked for their work in getting us publicity for the booth thru Ginny Beatty who has a talk on WBBM show and thru Dick DeLano of the Sun-Times. Warren's Turf is to be thanked for supplying the fine looking flats of A-34 and C-7 sod that got so many raves of attention and loving strokes of the hand. Duane Hobbs of DuPont Company was very helpful in supplying pictures of various diseases that plague the homeowner, thank you. Dr. John Street, University of Illinois supplied the pots of turfgrasses and a couple pots of the weeds which made up our main display along with the sod flats and along with the literature we passed out. Joe Grenko and his crew from the Marriot is to be thanked for helping to tear down the booth and store it for next year.

To all the 45 members who staffed the booth and helped me to set up or take down and all those others who contributed some way not mentioned - THANK YOU.

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The sympathy of the Midwest Association is extended to the Walter Boysen family due to the passing away of Mrs. Nina Boysen. Mr. Boysen is a past president of the G.C.S.A.A. The Boysens attended many of our national conferences. I am sure Mrs. Boysen will be missed by her many lady friends. She passed away on March 24, 1978. Walter Boysen resides at 308 Rockgreen Place, Santa Rosa, CA 95405.

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