



Editor

## MIDWEST BREEZES

**Dave Meyer**, Supt. at Indian Lakes C.C., reports he and his crew will be planting trees in February of this year. He has approximately 1/2 acre in the lobby at the new hotel at Indian Lakes which has three ponds with waterfalls. The finished product will hopefully be similar to the many enclosed malls you see in our shopping centers.

The M.A.G.C.S. hospitality room during the G.C.S.A.A. conference in St. Louis will be in the headquarters hotel. It will be open for your pleasure on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The M.G.C.S.A. voting caucas will be held in the Hospitality room on Wednesday at 12:00 noon. The G.C.S.A.A. headquarters is in the Stouffers Hotel.

The M.G.C.S.A. January 7 meeting was held at Hackney's Inn at Wheeling, IL, 68 attended and enjoyed a wonderful buffet luncheon. The speaker of the afternoon was **Mike Bavier**, C.G.C.S., Supt. at Inverness C.C. and a director of the G.C.S.A.A. and a candidate for Vice President in the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. He answered many questions pertaining to the G.C.S.A.A. and the conference and also the golf tournament in Guadalajara. I am sure everyone went home with more knowledge than he had when he left home.

The winner of the attendance drawing for 1979 was **Mr. Miller** who received six hundred dollars. "Congratulations."

**John Ebel**, Supt. at Barrington Hills C.C., informs you that there will be a prayer breakfast at the Cervantes Exhibition Center on Monday, Feb. 18 from 7:30 A.M. to 8:30 A.M. in Room 276, second floor. The speaker will be **Earl Worley**, a former minister. John says you are all invited and for more information get in touch with Mr. Ebel.

If you plan on going to the G.C.S.A.A. Conference in St. Louis by train you can do so from the Union Station in Chicago. Leaving at 8:15 A.M. - arriving at 1:30 P.M. Also one leaving at 11:00 A.M. - arriving 4:15 P.M. The third train will leave at 5:20 P.M. - arriving at 10:45 P.M. Round trip fare - \$48.00. These same trains can also be boarded at Joliet. Round trip from Joliet - \$42.00. For more information, phone 800-972-9147.

**Bill Brady**, former Supt. at Barrington Hills C.C. passed away on Thanksgiving Day in California. Bill has made California his home for the past several years. Our deepest sympathy to the Brady family.

**Dr. Bill Daniels** wants to know of some research projects that each of you would be interested in having conducted at Purdue University. This is a good opportunity to express your preference.

The flower show will be held at O'Hare Exposition Center in the Chicago suburb of Rosemont, IL on March 15, 1980.

Hi Ray,

While Winter has it's beauty, it has it's dull moments too.

### "WINTER DOLDRUMS"

Barn fever is growing,

Winter blah's reign supreme.

Equipment is looking better,

With a new coat of red, orange or green.

Knowing all will be ready,

When the season re-appears.

Is good reason for contentment,

And rates a few good cheers.

Winter's sure to leave us,

After it's had it's fling.

Spring will surely follow,

And that will ease the sting.

So, chin up, give a smile,

Soon "FORE", will be the word.

Isn't that the sweetest sound,

Your ears have ever heard?

Keep warm,

Superintendently,

**Kenneth R. Zanzig**

**Green Garden C.C.**

**How much water does the average person use each day? — H.J., Chicago**

In Chicago, the per capita consumption, based on Chicago's population, is 250 gallons. In the suburbs, it is 145. Does this mean that Chicagoans are (1) cleaner and (2) thirstier than suburbanites? Not necessarily. It means that there is more industry, using more water, in the city and that water here costs less. Also, that many suburbanites work in the city and use Chicago's water. It wouldn't be very hospitable to make them carry their own canteens.

## SULFUR - THE FORGOTTEN TURF NUTRIENT

Sulfur is essential to the healthy growth of turf as well as all plants. Here are some of sulfur's benefits to turf.

1. Improves water penetration in soil.
2. Increases availability of iron, manganese, copper, zinc, and boron to the plant.
3. Improves soil structure.
4. Enhances color.
5. Builds healthy protoplasm and plant tissue to help resist drought.
6. Promotes turf growth and density.
7. Aids the turf response when used in combination with nitrogen.
8. Helps keep alkalinity in balance.
9. Aids nitrogen release from organic matter.
10. Improves recuperation capacity.