



## MIDWEST BREEZES

Many times we hear the statement made, "What does the G.C.S.A.A. do for its golf course Supt. members?" This editor is not one of the junior members. I have had many years of experience with G.C.S.A.A. Therefore I know they have helped the Supt. many times when it did not meet the eye of the Supt. members.

On behalf of the Midwest Golf Course Supt. Assoc., I want to thank the G.C.S.A.A. for showing their concern in regards to the problem that was encountered on a certain strain of bent grass on greens in the Chicago area this past season of 1980. Our many thanks goes to G.C.S.A.A. Pres. **Mel Lucas** for making it possible in a financial way for **Dr. Couch** and **Dr. Larsen** to participate in our M.A.G.C.S. turf clinic at Medinah C.C. Their part of the program was very educational to everyone present and I am sure eased the minds of many who encountered this serious problem.

This is only one of the many ways the G.C.S.A.A. gets involved in pertaining to our profession. Now ask yourself, "What can I do to help our national association?" My answer is, if you are not a member, become one. If you are a member, get in touch with a golf course Supt. who is not a member. Get involved, offer your service. You will find that sooner or later it will pay dividends.

The M.A.G.C.S. 28th Annual Turf Clinic held at Medinah C.C. on Nov. 18 and 19, 1980 was a success in every way. The educational part of the program was among the better ones. The speakers did a splendid job in delivering their part of the educational program. Approximately 200 attended the one day and a half program. The food was excellent and the service was super. We thank all the employees and above all our host, **Don Pakkala**, Supt. and Manager **Robert Nelson**. Also Medinah C.C. who have permitted the Midwest Association to hold their clinic at this beautiful club. The location is perfect and the facilities are the best. All in all, we are a lucky association.

The busy golf season in the Chicago area has come to a close. A good season for some course Supts. and not so good for others. I guess that is part of the game. Now that this is behind us, it is time to get ready for next year. I hope your snow mold treatments have been applied; all new construction work has been completed; the planting of new trees finds them all in the hole, wrapped and staked if necessary. Also, are your reservations all in order for the G.C.S.A.A. 52nd International Turfgrass Conference and Show in Anaheim, CA on Jan. 25-30, 1981. Save a little time for our M.A.G.C.S. Jan. 5th meeting at Arrowhead G.C. **Bob Breen**, Supt. will be our host.

We were all glad to see **Mrs. Walter Fuchs, Sr.** at her son **Walter's** Christmas party on Dec. 5. She sure looks good after a 29 day stay in the hospital. It proves one can not keep a good lady down and where there is a will, there is a way.

The Dec. issue of the **Bull Sheet** listed the M.A.G.C.S. dinner dance door prizes and donors names. Due to not all the necessary information, the donors of the centerpiece on each table was donated by Warren's Turfgrass and Thornton's Turfgrass Nurseries.

Dear Ray,

A new year opens the door to optimism and great expectations.

## "NINETEEN EIGHTY ONE"

N\*ow we have a chance to say,  
I'll be an asset every day.  
N\*owhere else on this good Earth,  
E\*ach may compliment their birth,  
T\*hrough deeds they do, big or small,  
E\*normous dividends will fall.  
E\*veryone may reap their share,  
N\*ow they've given and show they care.  
E\*ach year brings a new perspective,  
I'n this one, a new elective.  
G\*reat things may we find in store,  
H\*istoric changes, by the score,  
T\*o lead us in the paths of right,  
Y\*ielding not to Worldly blight.

O\*ur treasured values that went astray,  
N\*ow will come back home to stay.  
E\*njoy the pleasures that will come,

from Nineteen Eighty One.

Happy New Year, Superintendently,

**Kenneth R. Zanzig**  
Green Garden C.C.

The deepest sympathy of the M.A.G.C.S. is extended to the Voykin family, due to the death of Rodney who passed away on Dec. 5th. Rodney was the golf course supt. for the past several years at Green Acres C.C. He will certainly be missed by his many, many friends.



**Adolph Bertucci** has done it again. With the help of **Nancy Norman** and **Nancy Johnson**, his Christmas party at Lake Shore C.C. gets bigger and better each year. Approximately 300 attended and enjoyed the assortment of food and liquid refreshments. This editor hopes he will continue to be one of **Adolph's** many friends.