



MIDWEST BREEZES

Golf course superintendents and many others that are interested in turfgrass are asking questions in regards to the problem with the C15 strain of bent. There have been considerable problems in the Chicago area and many greens have been resodded or reseeded. This editor visited one of the courses that had this C15 disease problem. **Peter Leuzinger**, Supt. at St. Charles C.C. decided to correct the problem by applying a recommended chemical and following very closely the directions. This required many extra hours on the job, seven days a week. My visit to St. Charles C.C. the last week in September showed almost every green back to their original fine condition. This proves never throw in the sponge regardless of the situation. Stick with the problem.

This editor had the pleasure of visiting on Oct. 7 with **Art Benson**, Supt. at beautiful Butterfield C.C. Art gave me a complete tour of the 29 holes. The work that he has done at this club is remarkable. Many new trees of different varieties and also many colorful shrubs have been planted on various places on the entire grounds. The brilliant fall color shows that a good choice was made in their selection. **Art** is at this date in the process of planting an additional 65 trees.

I visited with **John Lapp**, C.G.C.S. Supt. at St. Andrews C.C. at West Chicago and father **Amos Lapp** the early part of October. This is a 36 hole public course. The golf course is in fine condition, equally as good as one will find anywhere. Many improvements have been made on the course. Some new tees have been built, others have been enlarged. Several new greens have been built or rebuilt. Some sand traps received a new design. An excellent improvement job done by St. Andrews regular employees.

The M.A.G.C.S. Oct. 6 meeting was held at St. Andrews C.C. **John Lapp**, C.G.C.S. Supt. was our excellent host. Forty-nine members and guests played golf on a super golf course. Eighty-three enjoyed a wonderful dinner, all one could eat. After the business part of the meeting was conducted by Vice Pres. **John Berarducci**. **Joe Jemsek**, owner of St. Andrews C.C. gave a short talk and presented a plaque to **Amos Lapp**, former Supt., for his dedicated work at St. Andrews. I am sure every Supt. would like to receive an acknowledgment of this kind coming directly from his employer.

On Sept. 8, 1981 **Robert John** came to live with his parents, **Don and Sue Hoffman**. He weighed in at 8 lbs. 6 oz. He could be a future golf course superintendent.

Our annual tournament was an enjoyable day, it started off cool and dreary, but warmed up to a very pleasant afternoon. Our host again went out of his way to make things pleasurable. I think we all found out that the briar patch was a fitting name for the course.

Champion B. Kraun - 73 Goodman - 75 Rader - 75	Commercial Champ B. Taggart - 80 V. Rascher - 86	Closest to Pin T. Mochel - reg. A. Staudt - sen.
Senior Champ B. Miller - 76 A. Staudt - 83	Long Drive J. Smith - reg. B. Miller - sen.	

We had 36 Blind Bogey and 34 Peiria winners. So congrats to the winners and wait till next year for the losers.

John Stephenson, CGCS

Dear Ray;

Those beautiful leaves are falling again, time to drain the irrigation system.

"NOVEMBER BLESSINGS"

From the worries of Winter, anxieties of Spring,
Pressures of Summer, to the hard work Fall brings.
November stands ready to close the door,
The season is over, you've done your chore.
Enjoy Thanksgiving, feast like a King,
Drink to the Season, next year will bring.
What is the mystery each Season holds?

One is just over and we await the next to unfold.

Superintendently,

Kenneth R. Zanzig
Green Garden C.C.



I. to r. - **Bill Lapp, Joe Jemsek, Amos Lapp, John Lapp, Ken Lapp**

LOYALTY, DEDICATION, AND HARD WORKER

These are the words expressed by Mr. Joe Jemsek on a bronze plaque presented to Golf Course Superintendent, Amos Lapp. On October 6, Superintendents and industry friends gathered at St. Andrews Country Club to show special appreciation to Amos Lapp for his 36 years of service to the club. Amos was first employed at St. Andrews in 1945. Prior to that, Amos was Superintendent at courses in Michigan City and South Bend, Indiana respectively. His biggest reflection is if he had the tools that we have today what he could do with a golf course.

Amos's two sons, Ken & John, were inspired by their father and today are successful Superintendents. Ken's at Cog Hill and John's at St. Andrews. Amos was very much involved in the growth of our association and served as President in 1957. Still showing up for work everyday with the responsibility of working with the fleet of golf carts at St. Andrews, Amos can keep a watchful eye on son, John, so that he does not screw up the many years of hard work that have been put into the club.

The M.A.G.C.S. expresses their deepest appreciation to you Amos, for your many years of service to St. Andrews and the Turfgrass Industry.