



MIDWEST BREEZES

The Illinois Turfgrass Foundation golf outing on August 24th held at Indian Lakes C.C. Bloomingdale, Il was enjoyed by ninety-six. A wonderful dinner (all one could eat) and plenty of refreshments were served. Fifty-eight played golf on a super conditioned course made possible by the watchful eye of our host, **David Meyer**. Dave is also the M.A.G.C.S. secretary and treasurer and always does an excellent job as M.C. at a meeting of this nature.

The golf course commercial companies in the Chicago area can always be depended on for their financial support. This is not true with our local golf course Supts. who surely benefit from this research work on turfgrass. Their lack of participation proved their interest. The M.A.G.C.S. has pledged financial support for Illinois turfgrass research for a period of three years.

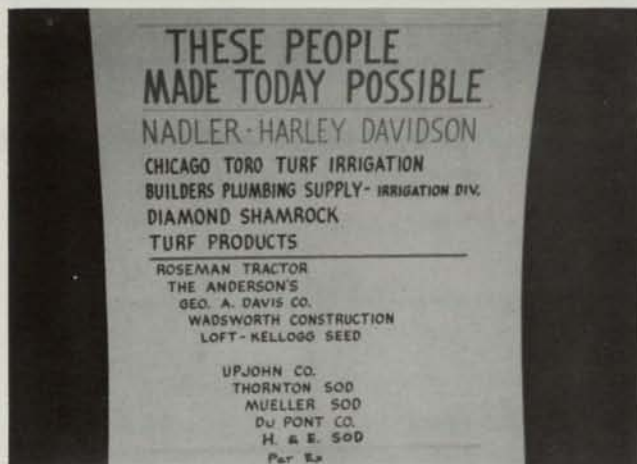
On behalf of all those that attended this meeting at Indian Lakes, we thank the Northern Illinois Landscaping Association for the refreshments on the golf course.

Golf course Supts. are busy at this time of year aerifying fairways, greens, and tees. Some seeding is being done hoping to get a jump on the Poa Annua. Problems with irrigation systems and drainage systems that did not function properly are being corrected. Everyone is hoping for good weather this fall.

This editor just recently received a letter from the **National Golf Foundation** informing me I will receive an award in recognition for my contribution to the game of golf and to the profession of golf course superintendents. This will take place at the **National Golf Foundation's** annual **Herb Graffis** award dinner on Tuesday, December 1, 1981, at the St. Andrews Golf Club in West Chicago, IL. This will certainly be an honor for me and I hope many of my long time as well as recent friends will be there.

As my memories go back and I think of the many hours of contributions I made to the game of golf, this award more than makes up for it. I hope all of you will come forward and offer your service for the good of golf. I am sure it will pay off, it did for me.

The bright lights will shine Dec. 1 on our good friend **Patty Berg**. She will receive the **Herb Graffis** award at this National Golf Foundation dinner at St. Andrews G.C. No one is more deserving of this award than **Miss Berg**. Our congratulations to **Patty Berg**.



Dear Ray;

It is said, "The Meek shall inherit the Earth".

"BIT-by-CHING"

Most worthy philosopher has said!

"When your course faces stress, so do you"!

How far do you get, declaring the Blue Flu?

Go on strike and shout, "I am underpaid",

Who in the world would join in your parade?

A person once found honor, persuing an endeavor,
Now they stop to wonder, "Am I really very clever"?

Have faith, the world will awaken, one fine day,

Everyone within it's realm, will realize and say,

Did I do my job unselfishly,

Regardless of the pay?

What's right is might, and will prevail,

When it comes Judgment Day.

Superintendently,

Kenneth R. Zanzig

Green Garden C.C.

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Nominations from floor will be accepted.

Dear Ray:

That was an excellent example of reporting in the September issue. It is refreshing to review the past. Sometimes I think that we've come too far too fast. Many young turfgrass managers have had many benefits practically handed to them on a silver platter. Not that it is a cinch today but the **brain** work now is more important than the **brawn** work. It is an enjoyable piece of literature, Ray!

It occurs to me that the water shortage may be a blessing in disguise. Without excess water **Poa annua** will not be able to survive. Chemical folks will have to seek another source of income.

Your work on **The Bull Sheet** has been outstanding! For a retired greenkeeper-superintendent to become an editor takes a special kind of talent. You are to be commended for your dedication and for your fine work. Thank you for keeping me on your mailing list.

Fred V. Grau

President