



MIDWEST BREEZES

The National Golf Foundation held their annual award dinner at St. Andrews Golf Club on Dec. 1, 1981, and it was a great success in every way. The steak dinner was one of the best. Over three hundred thirty were present and had high praise for everything. **Joe Jemsek**, owner, and son **Frank** are to be commended for the fine way that they take care of large crowds; everything went like clock work. **Don A. Rossi**, executive director of the National Golf Foundation, was present and kept everything moving.

Patty Berg, with eighty-one tournament wins to her career, was the recipient of the **Herb Graffis Award**. A special recognition award was given to this editor for his contribution to golf during the past sixty-five years. Speaking for myself it was the nicest thing that could happen to an individual.

On November 23, 1981, **Anne Maureen**, weighing in at 8 lb. 6 oz., came to live with her parents Mr. & Mrs. **Roger Stewart**, Supt. at Riverside C.C. Congratulations!

On November 23, 1981, a girl given the name **Barbra** and weighing in at 5 lbs. 9 1/2 oz. came to live with her mother and father Mr. & Mrs. **Bruce Burchfield**. Congratulations!

January 4, 1982 M.A.G.C.S. meeting will be held at Hackney Inn on Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling, IL. This is a 12 noon luncheon meeting. Be sure and come to this meeting. There will be no February meeting due to the G.C.S.A.A. conference in New Orleans.

Dear Ray,

On September 18, 1981, St. Charles Country Club honored one of golf's best friends, Art Benson, retired golf course superintendent. Over one hundred golfers attended Art Benson Day for lunch, golf, and dinner. Superintendent friends who enjoyed the day were Art Benson Jr., Carl Hopphan, Pete Leuzinger, Amos Lapp, Alby Staudt, and Ray Gerber.

Art was given a plaque and a nice donation for twenty three years of work at St. Charles Country Club. That work included rebuilding the entire golf course, including greens, tees, and traps. He is perhaps most proud of the 3,000 trees and shrubs that were planted on the course during his tenure. Many of the native trees were taken from the neighboring timber and are now thriving.

By now, Art is probably playing golf at West Orange Country Club in Winter Garden, Florida. It is hard to know what to say about a friend like Art Benson. We will miss him, we wish him the best and hope that he has taken a little of us with him.

Pete Leuzinger, Supt.
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The Editor Wishes All of You Health, Happiness and
Good Luck During 1982