

MIDWEST BREEZES

The Chicago District Golf Association annual Green Seminar held on March 25, 1982 at Butterfield C.C. was attended by approximately three hundred consisting of club members, club presidents, green chairman, golf

course Supts., and golf professionals.

The C15 turfgrass problem created some very interesting reports. These reports were presented by Dr. David Wehner, University of Illinois; Joe Dinelli, Supt. North Shore C.C.; Pete Leuzinger, Supt. St. Charles C.C.; Don Pakkala, Supt. Medinah C.C.; and Stan Jontek, U.S.G.A. Green Section. Effluent water research in the Chicago area by Bruce Williams, Supt. Bob O'Link G.C. Green is better than brown was advocated by Bruce Sering, Supt. Glen View Club. The welcome and introduction was done by David L. Amory, C.D.G.A. Green Committee Chairman from Onwentsia Club, and Robert A. Van Nest, Pres. La Grange C.C. No one can do it better than these two gentlemen.

The Butterfield C.C. showed their usual fine performance in hosting this event. Everything was just super. I am sure considerable credit goes to **Carol McCue** from the Chicago District Golf Association who took care of the necessary details. The editor said everything was super. I must correct this statement, the camera failed to do its part. The reason was "a dead battery". We

will call this the rub of the green.

Starting in May of this year there will be three generations of Dinelli's as members of our Association.

The May 10th meeting at Kankakee Country Club will be a joint meeting combining the efforts of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents, the Central Illinois Association of Golf Course Superintendents, and the Mallinckrodt Corporation; in order to raise funds for the University of Illinois new pathology program.

Tee times will be available from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Reservations for golf will be limited to twosomes only, in order that pairings can be made with two C.I.A.G. C.S. members. (Reservations for golf are a **must**. Phone 815/933-4738). Due to the nature of this meeting we are limiting attendance to association members only. Our host superintendent will be Tom Rodems.

Directions - Take I-57 south, exit west on Route 17, travel approximately 2 miles and turn left (south) on Evergreen Ave., continue to Cobb Blvd., turn left (east). This will take you to the clubhouse.

Dear Ray:

After my customary delay due to laziness, comfort and over-ripe old age, I want to put into ink a little wrap-up of the plenty due you in recognition of your value that the whole bunch paid you when I was up there for that dinner and awards ceremonies at St. Andrews.

Ray, I have seen you do one hell of a lot to elevate your entire profession in its accomplishments and value to golf and golfers and for the professional, economic and social progress of the men in charge of golf courses.

You know my brother Joe and I saw you come into the act and the pace of progress accelerated in course maintenance as an art, science and business. The agricultural schools, the Green Section, the regional and national associations all got working together and it was ... and continues to be ... men of your type who directed, applied and coordinated the favorable elements. You and your type had and have the quiet and powerful personality that has had tremendously wide influence. And you and your sort can be thanked for a pleasant, substantial and useful development that certainly has aroused the profound admiration of professionals and managers as well as club officials and members.

As you know and can see from this typing my sight is very foggy. Print has to be read to me. Letters I correct (sometimes) with the aid of a magnifier called a visualtek.

The **Bull Sheet** is always refreshing to me. I got a lift and some laughs and thoughts out of Wollenberg's reflections on the Age of Insects and the lack of view of those who carry control prohibitions to the degree they'd half evolution.

I was very much interested in John Berarducci's comments on the location of headquarters. Of course as John and you and I and the rest of the fellows know there always will be a debate about the location. The USGA is having one right now. The PGA and the journeymen pros are finding that between the landlord and the tenant there never is a hot love affair and with the Ladies PGA getting in on one of those golf course—real estate promotions with office quarters as a come-on there isn't love's old sweet song by one hell of a long way.

So again, cheers to you and your tribe and to all the old, medium-aged and younger pals Joe and I used to have with you up there.

Herb Graffis

CONGRATULATIONS

On April 1, 1982 **Kelly Nicole Murray**, weighing in at 9 lbs. came to live with Dan & Jill Murray at Kishwaukee C.C. Mother and Father are doing fine.

This publication aims to please everyone so if you find any gramaticle errors or mis-spelled woreds you can bet they are in there for a reason. Believe it or not some folks only read this newsletter in hopes of finding misteaks.