

MIDWEST BREEZES

Harold Frederickson, Supt. of Edgewood Valley C.C., is renovating the no. 3 fairway. The fairway was sliced in two directions, making it easy to peel back the sod to be picked up. The fairway is being recontoured and then seeded with an 80% rye grass blend and 20% pennncross. Harold starts his construction projects early so that by October 1st he can start his vacation.

Elmhurst C.C. have played host to ABC Network Corp., Merchantile Exchange, and many other prestigious golfing groups. This is no different than any other year for golf Supt. Tom DiGuido in renovating fairways that again were flooded by the Salt Creek basin. Tom's new book, "The Use of an Ark on a Golf Course", will soon be ready for publication.

Howard Baerwald is Supt. at La Grange C.C. for 31 years. He will be meeting with the Greens Committee to prioritize capital improvement projects for the fall. Howard reminds us that every year is a learning experience. Mother Nature is unpredictable as ever and gives us vigor, simuli, fungi and ...

Congratulations to Marilyn and Phil Taylor on their newborn baby boy, 8 lb. 15 ozs. Joseph was born at 4:00 A.M. on July 15th. Phil is Director of Golf Operations at Sugar Creek Golf Club in Villa Park. Marilyn and baby are doing fine. Phil has not been to work since the delivery. Rumor has it, Phil is giving Joseph golf lessons so he will be ready for the Tour in 1995.

Dudley Smith and Dave Behrman made it the U. of I. Field Day, just in time to eat lunch and visit the collegiate pub. Dave at least picked up the educational material in order to have something to read on the way home. U. of I. is growing bentgrass taken from Dudley's putting greens. The bentgrass never looked so good. Dudley, it's Turf in the morning and Trees in the afternoon.

August meeting was at Ridge C.C., hosted by Sean Daley. There were 48 for golf and 71 for dinner. Roger Brown, representing The Andersons Company, provided the educational session with a presentation on sulfur coated urea products. Dr. Bill Daniels, Purdue University, spoke on What Good Will Come From This Season's Extreme Heat. "Maybe new jobs".

Annual Meeting of MAGCS will be October 24th, 1983 at the Cyprus Inn, Hinsdale, IL.

Our next meeting will take place at the St. Charles C.C. on September 12, 1983. A buffet lunch will be served at 11:30 A.M. with a shotgun start at 1:30 P.M. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served while the golf prizes are awarded. This event is limited to the first 128 golfers to register. Please no guests at this meeting. When making reservations, all names of foursome must be reserved at that time.

Jim Johns at Northmoor C.C. is looking for an old Toro Dump tractor with overhead valve motor. Doesn't have to run, but must have all the parts. Call him at 432-6730.

Plan now to attend the North Central Turfgrass Exposition starting November 1-2-3, 1983 at the Arlington Park Hilton, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Dr. Joe Duich will be the keynote speaker on November 1st. More details later.



Dr. Dave Wehner addresses crowd at the opening of the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation Field Day

I.T.F. GOLF DAY

The 1983 I.T.F. golf day will be held on September 19 at Turnberry Country Club in Crystal Lake. Donations for the day is \$50.00. This includes: golf, cart, locker, prime rib dinner, raffle and door prizes. Tickets for dinner only are available for \$25.00. All proceeds go to turf research in Illinois. This is a fun event for a worthwhile cause and we'd like to see a big turnout this year. Bring your friends, greens chairmen or just yourself and enjoy a nice day. Tickets can be purchased from Don Spier, John Lebedevs, Jim Reed, Greg Oltman, Jim Halloran or Mike Nass.

Mark October 3rd, 1983 on your calendar for the October meeting of MAGCS. Dan Murray, Kishwaukee C.C., DeKalb, IL will be our host. Dan has had trouble with flooding on his course (seems alot of us have had that problem) and after trying seeding with the normal bluegrasses, bents, and ryegrasses with no success he planted bermuda. He is quite pleased with the catch he got in the flooded areas when everything else failed him. Maybe more of us should look into this in those special problem areas when we find it hard to get the normal grasses to germinate.

Congratulations to Bob Kronn, Supt. at Rolling Green C.C. for doing so well in the Illinois Open which was held at Elgin C.C. in July.

With the passing of Ray Gerber, Fred Opperman assumed the duties of Editor of **The Bull Sheet**. All correspondence should be directed and sent to Fred Opperman, 1022 Shady Lane, Glen Ellyn, Illinois, 60137. Phone calls should be made to (312) 469-3444 which is the new number for **The Bull Sheet**. Calls can be made anytime since there will be an answering device used to insure that all calls and messages are received.

Pete Leuzinger has informed me that we are tentatively set to sponsor another GCSAA Seminar at Pheasant Run in January on the 10th and 11th. The topic will be Turfgrass Diseases and will be taught by Dr. Couch and Dr. Larsen.

The deepest sympathy of the members of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents is extended to the Hopphan family due to the death of Carl's wife, Norma, who passed away on August 9th, 1983.