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President's Message

Now that spring is among us, April showers are bringing May flowers. At least I hope things turn out that way. At the moment I am writing this, the April Drought may be more appropriate. Anyway, we are all back into full swing. Having our start up behind us, we can look forward to the beautiful scenes we will groom for the golfers this season.

Spring's beauty also brings to mind poetry and with it the name Ken Zanzig. Ken has chosen to retire this year and my wife and I had the pleasure of attending a wonderful retirement party that was given by Ken's employer, Ralph Krueger. After a fine meal, several superintendents such as Dudley Smith gave testimony to Ken's dedication, as well as to his more spirited endeavors. Finally, I was privileged to present Ken with a plaque commemorating his being a member of the MAGCS and thanking him for the poetry he shared with us each month for as long as I can remember. Again, I would like to congratulate Ken on thirty successful years. We will still look forward to your poems in **The Bull Sheet**.

Speaking of **The Bull Sheet**, did anyone realize that last month's issue was the largest ever produced? We can all be proud of the fine job Fred Opperman does in preparing an informative, well organized, and self supporting monthly publication. It can also be noted that **The Bull Sheet** was again recognized as one of the country's top publications by the National Golf Foundation. You can help Fred continue his success by keeping the flow of articles to his desk.

Finally, I found myself in an unusual situation this past month. This is due to the fact that Sean Daley resigned his position at Ridge Country Club and joined the ranks of Lesco Inc. as their Phoenix, Arizona representative. Sean had been a member of the board of directors for two years and was serving as golf chairman. It is evident he will be missed in both capacities. And even though he left me holding the bag, I wish him the best of luck in his new endeavor.

In the interim I as the president had to appoint a replacement who will take Sean's place on the board, until the elections in November. The individual I chose was Dennis Wilson, superintendent at Sunset Ridge Country Club. Dennis is an enthusiastic person who I am confident will serve the board and membership well for the remainder of the year. Welcome aboard, Dennis.

I look forward to seeing many of you at Eagle Ridge for the joint meeting May 19th. If you cannot attend, use the money you are saving to join the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation and show your support for research and scholarship in Illinois.

David R. Behrman