

# Images of the Past

by F. Dan Dinelli

Back in the "good old days," trees were sought out in neighboring wood lots. All digging, handling and planting was done by hand. Note the size soil ball. Though it is difficult to assess, it looks as though the 12 to 1 ratio was used back then. The photos were taken by my grandfather, Frank Dinelli, at Northmoor Country Club, in the early 1930's.

The people in the tractor photo, left to right: Petun Bergoni, Joe Tondi, Al Tondi, Pete Dinelli, Lugi Biaggi and Frank Guidi. All of the men were related to Frank except Petun Bergoni. In fact, Frank Guidi was Frank's step-father.

P.S. You forgot one relationship in the **Bull Sheet**. Jerry Dinelli, Jr. (JD) worked with his family at Northmoor, Frank his grandfather and Jerry his father. Now Jerry is an Assistant at North Shore Country Club. My grandfather, Frank Dinelli, had his three sons working for him: Joe, Jerry and Jim Dinelli. All three became superintendents.



## Pine Shoot Beetle Update

by James A. Fizzell\*

Last fall a new pest of pines was identified in Illinois, the common pine shoot beetle. The first infestation of this insect in the U.S. was found in Ohio last summer. By fall infestations were found in western New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Indiana, in addition to those in Illinois and Ohio.

In Illinois the pests were found, not in nurseries, but in Christmas tree plantings in Kane and Will counties. Reports in the media resulted in a lot of alarm as to whether Christmas trees were safe to buy, and whether it will be safe to use pines as landscape plants.

Actually, the importance of this insect in pine plantings in northeastern Illinois has been blown up way out of proportion. None-the-less, as a precautionary measure partial quarantines were placed on pine Christmas trees and pines grown in

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