

A "Birdie" for Village Links of Glen Ellyn

by Fred Opperman

Tim Kelly's repeat performance of winning the National Public Course Division 1996 Environmental Steward Award is a first for this program. Tim won the same award in 1995 and won it again in 1996. Quite an accomplishment to do so. Tim was recognized and presented the award at the GCSAA conference in Orlando last month. Also, I'm

sure many of you read all about this prestigious award in the February 1996 issue of *Golf Course Management* where quite a large section was devoted to the Environmental Steward Program. This is certainly a PR plus for all of the superintendents, winners and others. It takes a great deal of dedication and work to accomplish what the Village Links of Glen Ellyn did. As you read in the article, it stated there wasn't even a squirrel on the property when the course was built.

Well done, Tim Kelly, you are a credit to your club, your village and to our association and profession.

In this same light, Peter Leuzinger of the Ivanhoe Club, Ivanhoe, Illinois, was a cowinner in the 1996 Environmental Steward Program for the Mid-Continent Region. Pete won this award in 1995 also. Pete is the only superintendent in the country to have two different golf courses certified in this program. ■

