

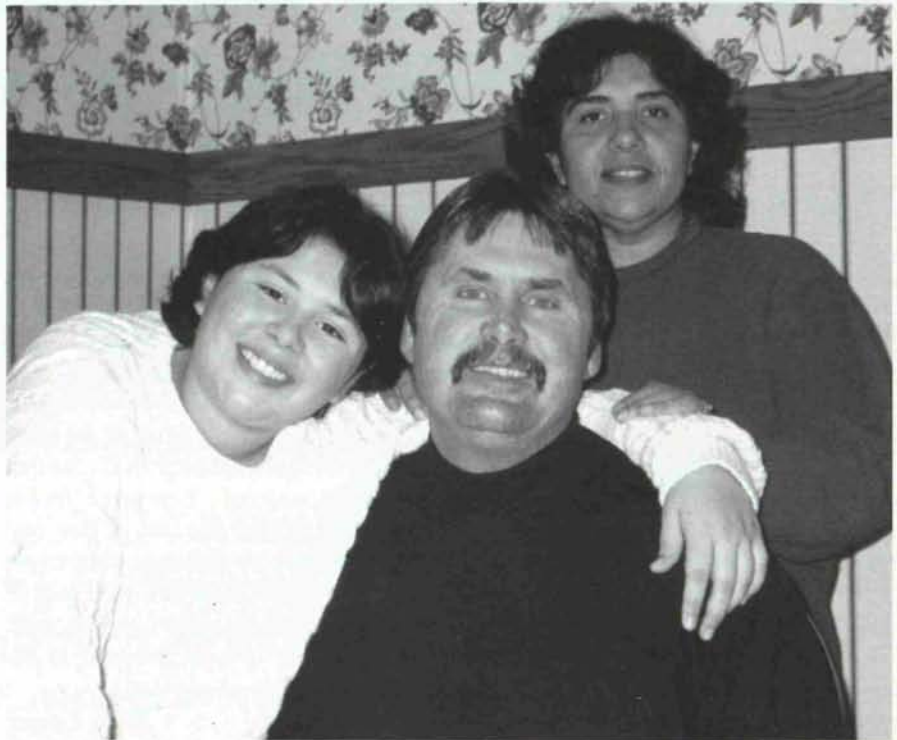
# Bob Breen -N- Arrowhead Golf Club

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Bob Breen, the 18-year superintendent of Arrowhead Golf Club, will be the host of our January MAGCS meeting. Not to sound too much like a personal ad, but Bob is 48 years young, happily married to his wife Angie of 25 years, and has two children: son John, 24, and daughter Mary, 13. He enjoys fishing and watching daughter Mary pitch no-hitters at her softball games. Asking price for this competent, versatile package: \$250,000/o.b.o. Just kidding, Bob.

Bob's prior experience includes working under the direction of Dave Meyer at both Indian Lakes and Nordic Hills back in the '70s. From there, he went on to become a spray technician for Sears Lawn and Leaf and Du Page Landscaping. To finetune his knowledge, he took several ornamental and horticultural classes at College of Du Page.

Built in 1925, Arrowhead is in its final stages of reconstruc-



Bob Breen, his wife, Ansela and daughter Mary.

tion, an initiative that began six years ago. Ken Killian designed the new layout, and bringing it to reality has been quite a project for the Bruce Company and Bob. The biggest challenge of managing Arrowhead's 27-hole layout during renovation, says Bob, was

to "maintain the 18 holes open to the public at any one time while simultaneously overseeing the reconstruction of the third nine." Fortunately, dedicated assistant Tom Byrne, Jr. has contributed enormously during the recon-

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struction, devoting much of his time and effort to Bob and the golf course.

Happily, too, the renovations have been a complete success. According to Bob, "The amount of compliments by the golfers has been overwhelming."

Now, for a couple interesting facts and features about Arrowhead.

- Bob and his father, Bob Breen, Sr. (a past President of the MAGCS), have logged a combined tenure of an astounding 43 years at the helm of Arrowhead. That's one heck of a father/son tag team if I ever saw one.
- Nestled in the "green track area" of Wheaton, Arrowhead is certified by the Audubon Society. Bob says that upon leaving the parking lot located next to the very busy Route 56 and entering the golf course, "it's like being in a different world, very quiet and very peaceful."

As many of us know, Bob was diagnosed with oral cancer earlier this year. It is with great pleasure that we can announce

here that 100% of the cancer was surgically removed. Bob is happy to say, "I am doing fine and a very big 'thank you' to all of you who expressed your concern through phone calls, cards and flowers." Though Bob is a little tired from the ongoing radiation treatments, he is looking forward to seeing all of you in January at Arrowhead Golf Club. 

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