

MIDWEST PERSONALITIES



Name: **Michael Bavier, Jr.**, Deerfield Golf Club
Job title: **Superintendent**
Date of birth: **March 11, 1970**
Place of birth: **Harvey, IL**
Current residence: **Buffalo Grove, IL**
MAGCS member since: **1995**
College/degree: **B.A. in Psychology, B.S. in Criminal Justice from North Carolina Wesleyan College; Associate's degree in Turfgrass Management from North Carolina State**
My favorite childhood memory is: **Family vacations to Disney World and playing sports.**
My personal hero: **My father—a hard-working individual on and off the golf course. He has helped me through many of life's challenges.**
My professional mentors: **Peter Leuzinger, Paul Voykin, Mike Bavier**
Favorite actor: **Al Pacino**
Favorite musical performer: **Collective Soul**
Favorite restaurant: **Wildfire**
Favorite "pigout" food: **Babyback ribs**
Favorite professional sports team: **Minnesota Vikings and Chicago White Sox**
Favorite pro athlete: **Dante Culpepper**
Favorite pro golfer: **Phil Mickelson**
My handicap index: **12**
My favorite place to play golf is: **Tara Country Club in Bradenton, FL**
My best/most memorable round ever: **Playing at Kapalua, Hawaii. The scenery was beautiful.**
The most interesting/exotic place I've ever traveled: **Quepos, Costa Rica**
The book I've been recommending lately: ***Transfer of Power* by Vince Flynn**
The last great movie I saw: ***Blackhawk Down***
Favorite TV show: ***Seinfeld***
Favorite color: **Green and red**
In my spare time, I enjoy: **Spending time with my girlfriend, running/working out, playing golf, traveling.**
Three words that describe me: **Diligent, amicable, laid back.**
What I enjoy most about my job: **Turning an "eyesore" on the course into something beautiful. I also enjoy my relationship with my crew.**
What I dislike about my job: **I'm somewhat of a perfectionist, so I have a hard time dealing with golfers who don't respect the golf course, i.e., not fixing divots or ball marks.**
I'm a Midwest member because: **The Association exemplifies professionalism, something I strive for on a daily basis.**



Name: **Tony Frandria**, Glen View Club
Job title: **Assistant superintendent**
Date of birth: **January 25, 1971**
Place of birth: **Chicago**
Current residence: **Darien, IL**
Spouse: **Engaged to be married September 1, 2002**
MAGCS member since: **1993**
College/degree: **Penn State**
My favorite childhood memory is: **When I was 12 years old, I hit a game-winning grand slam to win an all-star baseball game.**
My personal hero: **Old Tom Morris.**
My professional mentors: **Dave Behrman, Jeff Leuzinger, Jay Druhan**
Favorite actor: **Robert DeNiro**
Favorite musical performer: **U2**
Favorite restaurant: **Bob Chinn's Crabhouse**
Favorite "pigout" food: **Lou Malnati's pizza**
Favorite professional sports team: **Chicago Cubs**
Favorite pro athlete: **Jason Kidd**
Favorite pro golfer: **Phil Mickelson**
My favorite place to play golf: **Glen View Club**
My handicap index: **Way too high!**
My best/most memorable round ever: **TPC at Sawgrass because I made a birdie on the no. 17 island green.**
The most interesting/exotic place I've ever traveled: **Maui, Hawaii**
The book I've been recommending lately: ***Keepers of the Green* by Gordon Witteven**
The last great movie I saw: ***Panic Room***
Favorite TV show: ***Six Feet Under, The Sopranos***
Favorite color: **Blue**
In my spare time, I enjoy: **Spending time with my fiancé.**
Three words that describe me: **Dedicated, dedicated, dedicated!**
What I enjoy most about my job: **The fact that I am learning something new everyday that will allow me to become a quality superintendent.**
What I dislike about my job: **Plowing snow!**
I'm a Midwest member because: **Being a member allows me to network with my peers.**

