

Midwest Breezes



Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

May 20th — MAGCS meeting at Silver Lake C.C. This is a joint meeting with the other local associations.

June 17th — MAGCS meeting at Sunset Ridge C.C.

June 24th — Illinois Turfgrass Foundation Golf Day at Glen Oak C.C.

July 8th — MAGCS meeting at Deerpath Golf Club-Seniors Day

August — WE NEED A MEETING PLACE - Contact Mike Nass: 677-4112

Sept. 9th — MAGCS meeting at Briar Ridge C.C., Dyer, IN

University of Illinois is looking for a riding putting green mower that they will use on a fairway bentgrass study to be cut at 1/2". They would like a donation and this would be tax deductible to whoever donates it. If you have any questions give Dr. Dave Wehner a call at his office which is (217) 333-7848.

Ted Sokolis is looking for a dozen full length lockers, 12"-15" wide, for his new maintenance building. If you have some for sale, call Ted at (312) 566-4653.

Our June issue of "The Bull Sheet" will have a new look to it. After much thought and having many other newsletters to compare ours to, plus the unfavorable comments from the judges of the national GCSAA newsletter contest, we decided to make a change. Our name stays the same. We will not change our name just because someone who is judging our newsletter needs a course in diction, but we are up-dating the type and style and adding a scene to depict the maintenance of golf courses. The "Bull" on the cover will become a thing of the past. It may be appropriate on a cattle or stockman's newsletter, but in reality it doesn't belong on our newsletter.

Our 39th volume (June, 1985) will usher in a new look. We went to two different graphic art shops and had eight sketches to choose from before making our decision. The Board of Directors and I selected the new cover. I hope you like it and agree that it is a welcome and agreeable change.

Time is rolling around for you to begin thinking about supporting the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation Golf Day. This is one fun way to support your state university in its turf research. The golf day this year will be held at Glen Oak Country Club on June 24. Think now of getting a foursome together for this fine day. Since I edit this newsletter and run the golf course, I guarantee that the weather will be in the mid 70's with a gentle breeze and sunshine. I also guarantee that the trees will be many, the rough will be rough, the sand will be soft, and the grass will be green. I guarantee no golf scores.

Excursion Trip to Happy Valley

Depart Monday evening, Nov. 11th for State College, Pennsylvania. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday attend Penn State Annual Turf Conference on campus. Friday, golf at Toftrees CC and Lodge. Saturday, Nov. 16th attend Notre Dame football game at Beaver Stadium. Sunday, return trip to Chicago. Travel via deluxe vans sharing driving and expenses. If interested, contact Sean Daley, 233-8490; David Louttit, 448-0771; David Behrman, 672-5887; or Lenny Berg, 985-8366.



Who are these guys? They are from left to right: Bert Ingverson, Supt. Shore Acres; Bill Rueck, Supt.; Mel Warneke, Supt. Idlewild; Don Strand, Supt. Westmoreland; Frank Dinelli, Supt. Northmoor; Gabriel Rossett, Supt. Skokie; and Dom Grotti of Sunset Ridge. Thanks to Bob Williams for identification. Bob writes that: "All of whom were stalwarts of the Midwest in their time. Warneke, Strand and Dinelli were all (I believe) presidents of the Midwest."

Kurt Desiderio, assistant at Barrington, who wrote that nice article in the February issue is moving on to the Superintendents position at Cielo Vista Golf Club in El Paso, Texas. We wish him success.

Need a mechanic? Call or write: Mark Stephan, 1543 Silver Lane, Apt. 3B, Palatine, IL 60067 - (312) 870-8026.

"MAGNIFICENT MAY"

May! bedecked in Heavenly splendor,
To Who, all Nature willingly surrenders.
Even the Frost will leave in dismay,
As Springtime explodes with wonderful May.
Flower's abloom in aromatic bouquet,
Setting the scene for Memorial Day.
May Magic with Mother's Day between,
How better to enter the New Golf Scene.

Kenneth R. Zanzig