

Midwest Breezes



Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

August 6 — ILCA Field Day at Schroeder's Nursery, Grayslake

August 7 — Indiana Coalition for Environmental Concern at Indianapolis

August 7 — University of Illinois Turfgrass Field Day at Urbana

August 18 — MAGCS monthly meeting, Bartlett Hills

September 8 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Deer Creek G.C.

September 15 — ITF Golf Day at Evanston & Bryn Mawr C.C.

October 6 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Wilmette C.C.

November 10-12 — Penn State Turf Conference

December 9-11 — North Central Turfgrass Exposition

January 26 - February 3 — GCSAA Conference in Phoenix

(Editor's Note) — I need to correct a mistake in our last issue and give credit where credit is due: Beckmann Turf & Irrigation, Chicago Turf & Irrigation, and Tri-State Toro — all three donated a Toro PGM III to the ITF at the Eagle Ridge C.C. meeting. My excuse is that I was taking notes sitting next to "Pass the Bud Benson" and I may not have passed all the Bud's to him.

Jim & Sue Reed have adopted a 4 month old Korean baby girl on July 23rd. The new Reed will be Kimberly Jeong-Yung. Congratulations on the new addition!

Remember to bring some cash to buy raffle tickets at the ITF golf day. We have a set of Ram feather light women's irons, and a set of Wilson Staff irons and wood to raffle off to raise money for turf research in Illinois.

A fish story & trick photography ... Just ask Tom Nestor. Remember, Tom is from the "Show Me State" so be prepared for at least an hour of fish tales or is that "tails"???

Frank Krueger and his staff did an excellent job of hosting our golf event at Palatine Hills. Fred Hall, Director of the Park District donated the green fees and golf cart fees — thank you, Fred. Elanco Products donated the refreshments on the course.

Golf Course Maintenance Supervisor

Responsible for maintaining a 9 hole executive golf course. Minimum requirement is graduating from high school with preference given to college grad. Minimum of 3 years of experience is required. Mechanical skills desirable. Salary is \$18,000 plus depending on experience with excellent benefit package. Send resumes to Tom Wilson, Salt Creek Park District, 530 S. Williams, Palatine, IL 60067.

Graduation — Paul Voykin's daughter Shannon Beth graduated with honors recently from Columbia College in Chicago. Shannon received a bachelor of arts degree.

Back in mid June a few of our members traveled to Hubbard, Oregon for the 4th Annual Turf Field Day sponsored by Turf-Seed, Inc./Pure Seed Testing, Inc. Those attending were Tony and Marge Meyer — their son Dr. Bill Meyer was the host for the event. Also Warren Bidwell representing the Tee to Green Corporation, Art Clesen, Roger Lemke, William & John Huber took in the field day. At the field day were people from all over the country and Japan. The day involved a review of the farm's turf, seed yield, forage evaluation and the new wildflower trials. Along with Dr. Bill Meyer on the program was Dr. Jim Beard who spoke on overseeding in the south.

By this time we are hoping that John Ebel has recovered from his bout with the removal of kidney stones by ultrasonic sound. John went to Indianapolis to have this done and was in and out in a couple of days.

Also fully recovered by now is Ted Mochel who had his appendix removed in early July. Ted especially liked the bed pan with a cactus in it that the MAGCS sent him. He expresses his thanks to all that called and sent cards.

MAGCS is again planning on having two GCSAA seminars in January at Pheasant Run again this coming year. Dr. James Beard will be instructing one of the courses. These seminars usually take place in early January — so reserve the time to attend one.

The word around town is that Bruce Sering needs practice in mowing greens. He was caught in the act one morning using a walking mower and his lines were anything but straight!

St. Charles C.C. was 95% seeded in their new addition as of the middle of July. Pete has had trouble just like everyone else who has new construction going on in trying to get it completed around all of the rain that we have been having.

Mike Nass at Bryn Mawr is installing new VT4 controllers from Toro which are replacing his old Moody controllers. Mike is one of the first in the country to get the VT4. The temporary facilities for a clubhouse are just about completed. Roger Stewart at Riverside reports that his new clubhouse is up and they are working on the inside at the present.

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