

## Midwest Breezes



### Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

**April 9** — USGA Regional Meeting at Westmore C.C. in Milwaukee

**April 23** — MAGCS meeting at Inverness C.C.

**May 18** — Joint Association meeting at Pontiac Elks C.C.

**June** —

**July** —

**August** — MAGCS meeting at Turnberry C.C.

**September** —

**October** — MAGCS meeting at Woodstock C.C.

**November** — Annual Meeting

**December 8-10** — NCTE at Pheasant Run

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### Good News for "The Bull Sheet"

"The Bull Sheet" has just been awarded 1st Place in the 1986 Harry C. Eckhoff Award for excellence in golf journalism in the category for Professional Association Newsletters. We have received other awards in this National Golf Foundation contest since 1983, but this is our first — 1st Place! In 1983 we received an Honorable Mention, 1984 we received 3rd Place, and in 1985 we received another Honorable Mention.

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Bruce & Kim Burchfield brought another daughter into the world on January 23, 1987. Their 5 year old daughter Barbara, will now have a little Molley Brayton to play with in the near future. Congratulations parents!!!

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The news going around is that Thorngate C.C. will be moving to new quarters. The new location will be further west and the present location will no doubt be built upon.

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Joel Purpur was finally roped and led off down the aisle on February 21, 1987. After the knot was secure, Joel & Deborah spent a week on the slopes at Breckenridge, Colorado. Congratulations Joel!

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Medinah C.C. will be rebuilding three greens on the 3rd course this Spring. Koelper Brothers will be doing the #1 green, #15, and #16 (they are the old #12 & #13). These greens are to be built to the USGA greens specifications.

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Assistant Superintendent is needed at Medinah C.C. Send your letter of introduction and resume to Pete Wilson, Supt., Medinah C.C., Medinah, IL 60157.

There have been and will be some new irrigation systems in use in the area. Last October and November Midwest Irrigation installed a single row system with 690 heads and basic Toro electric controls for Len Berg at the Village Greens of Woodridge. The System was completed and tested before winter set in.

Bill Leath at Elgin C.C. also had a system installed by Midwest last fall, but they still need to put in the controllers. Bill's system will be a double row with a Toro 8000 controller, the newest thing on the market.

Ed Stewart of River Forest C.C. will be installing a Toro system this Spring. It too will be a double row system but with a VT4 controller. Ed's system will have a PSI pump package with 1350 gpm including 3 pumps.

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Len Berg has been appointed to serve on the GCSAA Educational Committee for the coming 1987 years. If you have any questions, complaints, suggestions — get them to him for he has a committee meeting on next years conference the end of the month.

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The March meeting hold at Nordic Hills G.C. had 90 in attendance for the dinner and meeting. The guest speakers were from the University of Illinois.

Dr. Dave Wehner went on to describe the various testing being done on the following: Fairway Bentgrass Study, Crabgrass Control in Bentgrass, Milorganite with Potassium, Late Fall Fertilization, Fertilizer Burn, Heat Tolerance of Turf.

Dr. Hank Wilkenson described his tests on the following: Poa Patch, Nematodes (severe outbreak in Illinois in 1986), Continuing to advance the Patch Disease Research.

Dr. Tom Fermanian explained his program and that some of his staff have left Illinois for jobs in other states. The summer field day is scheduled for August 5th at Urbana, the NCTE is scheduled for Pheasant Run in December, and continued use of the computer for turfgrass use, Weed and Growth Control research is still going strong with new products coming on the market. Prodiaminine (experimental label) is a new pre-emergent for crabgrass control that can be applied in the fall.

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Ken Zanzig and his wife enjoyed their retirement gift of their trip to Hawaii in early March. I'm sure the tropical breezes will bring about many poems from our poet and that we may be able to read them in future issues.

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If you are lucky enough to score a "Hole in One" at the April meeting at Inverness Easy-Go will give the lucky person at GXT-800!

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If any of you fellows are ice fisherman and need some tips on how to catch fish through the ice, just give Ted Mochel a call. Ted this past winter pulled a 6½ lb., a 8¾ lb. and a 9¾ walleye from the water. The 9¾ lb. walleye had a length of 29½ inches.

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Congratulations to Chris & Dave Behrman on the birth of Benjamin Robert on January 26, 1987. Benjamin weighed in at 7 lbs. 8 oz. with blond hair and blue eyes.