

Midwest Breezes



Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

- June 6** — MAGCS monthly meeting at Lake Shore C.C.
June 30-July 3rd — Western Open at Butler National
July 18 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Springbrook C.C.
July 21 — Field Day at University of Illinois
August 2 — Purdue Field Day at Agronomy Farm
August 3 — ILCA Field Day at Morton Arboretum
August 15 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Balmoral Woods C.C.
September 13 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Crystal Lake C.C.
September 26 — ITF Golf Day at Knollwood G.C.
October 10 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Lake Barrington Shores
November 2 — Annual Meeting & MAGCS Turf Clinic
December 6-7-8 — NCTE, Pheasant Run
Jan. 23, 24, & 25 — Midwest Regional Turf Foundation Seminar, Indianapolis

This month marks the 42nd year for the publication of our newsletter "The Bull Sheet". During that time we have had only 9 Editors. The Editors were from first to present: William Stupple, 5 years; Bert H. Rost, 2 years; Ted Woehrl, 5 years; Doug Jabaay and Tom Burrows, 1 year each; Dick Trevarthan, 3 years; Roger LaRochelle, 1 year; Ray Gerber, 11½ years; and Fred D. Opperman, 5 years. Ever-Redi Printing has been our only printer all of those years.

Paul Voykin writes that he is a very proud father in the fact that his daughter has been accepted into the Veterinary School of Medicine at U of I. Paul, also is trying to keep the GCSAA on track by sending them many letters of advice (of which he copies to this editor).

Congratulations to Sue & Roger Stewart on the birth of Roger A. III, on April 18, 1988. And we thought Roger talked alot before — now with a new son, you can't shut him up.

Assistant Golf Course Superintendent

Supervises grounds and equipment maintenance for an 18-hole county golf course. Two years experience in golf course maintenance preferred plus college level courses in turf management. Send resume to:

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Lake County Forest Preserve District
2000 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Libertyville, IL 60048 (312) 367-6640

The EPA has pulled diazinon off the golf courses. If you feel we should have this product, copy this letter and send it to Tom Walker at the address listed below.

Partnership for Turf 1988

The Midwest Regional Turf Foundation is a nonprofit organization chartered to support turf research and education at Purdue University. The Foundation serves as a vehicle for both professional turf managers and businesses to promote the turfgrass industry within Indiana and the Midwest. The MRTF has already improved and expanded its research program by adding personnel to meet the growing needs of turfgrass managers.

This year the MRTF is conducting a drive to gain new members. Everyone associated with the turf industry is asked to join a "Partnership for Turf" program. The additional revenues generated by new memberships will be used to support turf activities such as the annual Midwest Turf Conference, Chemical Use Seminars, and Turf Field Days.

As President of the MRTF, I ask your consideration and support in becoming a "Partner for Turf". Enclosed is a membership application for your classification.

NOW ... is the time to move forward for the Purdue turf program and the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation.

**John Turner, President
MRTF**

Something terrible happens when you don't support turf ...
"NOTHING!"

Dr. Randy Kane would like to remind area superintendents that he is available for on site diagnosis and consultation concerning diseases or other turf problems. His name and new phone number (**954-2753** 24 hr. hotline) now appear on page 2 of every **Bull Sheet** issue, just under the board listing.

<name>
<address>
<city>, <state> <#zip>

Dear <lastname>:

Subject: Use of Triumph® Insecticide on Golf Courses

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently finalized its position prohibiting the sale and use of diazinon containing products on golf courses. Diazinon offered users an economical and effective method for controlling various pests on this turf site. In addition, we have been advised that the EPA's administrator has expanded the definition of "lawns" to include golf courses.

The <golf course organization> believes that the EPA action against diazinon creates a void in our pest management programs and that the administrator's expansion of the site definition, as noted above, is cause for concern. With these facts in mind, the <golf course organization> wishes to request that CIBA-GEIGY's Triumph 4E (EPA Reg. No. 100-643) be granted a special local need label to permit and clarify its use on golf courses. The product is currently registered for use on lawns.

We understand that CIBA-GEIGY is supportive of this effort and will be submitting the appropriate information directly to you. CIBA-GEIGY has also advised us that they are seeking full federal registration for this use and are targeting July, 1988, for submission to EPA.

We believe that your approval of this state label will ensure the availability of a necessary pest management tool and provide appropriate directions for use that meet the needs of professional golf course superintendents.

Your support of this action is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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