

## Midwest Breezes



### Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

**September 13** — MAGCS monthly meeting at Crystal Lake C.C.

**September 19** — ITF Golf Day at Knollwood G.C.

**October 10** — MAGCS monthly meeting at Lake Barrington Shores

**November 2** — Annual Meeting & MAGCS Turf Clinic

**November 14-16** — Penn State Turf Conference

**December 6-7-8** — NCTE, Pheasant Run

**Jan. 23, 24, 25** — Midwest Regional Turf Foundation Seminar, Indianapolis

The annual Ray Gerber Editorial Award contest this year has five articles that will be entered. They are as follows: January 1988, **The 19 Law and You**, by Robert Breen; February 1988, **Brain Food**, by Dennis Wilson; March 1988, **Flower Bed Preparation and Maintenance**, by David Ward; April 1988, **Our Future is Now** by Ed Fischer; May 1988, **Impact With Detail**, by Joel Purpur. A panel of judges will select the best written article and the award will be given at the MAGCS clinic on November 2nd at Medinah C.C.

Better late than never — Congratulations to Jeff Nack on his marriage to Roberta on "Friday, May 13th." Jeff was our host for the August meeting at Springbrook C.C.

Mechanics Meeting September 20, 1988 will be held at the Bob O'Link Golf Club maintenance building. Address: 1120 Crofton Road, Highland Park, IL. The topic of discussion will be welding. Call Pat at 432-0088 or Wes at 447-1047 for times and any other information.

Social Security is now offering free benefit projections. They will provide free detailed individual financial statements to workers estimating how large a benefit check they will get each month when they retire. Call a toll free number 1-800-937-2000 to request copies of the disclosure form, SSA-7004.

Assistant Superintendent Needed: Naperville C.C. under the direction of Dave Blomquist is looking for an assistant, call Dave at (312) 355-9807 or 355-6015.

Sales/Marketing Career: Selling nations leading Fertilizer and Chemicals. Golf Course/LCO experience, 2 year education. Will cover the north mid-west territory. Car, salary, bonus, benefits. Send resume and salary requirements to Lebanon Chemical, P. O. Box 8002, Rochester, MI 48063.

Typing up the copy for the September "B.S." in early August when we have already set records upon records, one has to ponder when it will ever end. The "it" being the heat, humidity and in some cases (or many cases) the lack of rain. I believe most courses were doing so-so thru late July, but then the 1st of August with excessive heat and humidity and high night time temperatures and there went the Poa in many places. But I hope when you are reading this the extreme temperatures have been a nightmare of the past and we will have returned somewhat to a normal existence.

There are new job openings coming up, I only hope that they are not the result of one of the worst years on record. Let's hope that the powers who control our jobs have the fortitude to stand by their Superintendent when members start to complain about how the course looks.

You can't help hearing the same thing time after time when Superintendents get together — "it just isn't any fun any more." For sure — one of our ranks is retiring this year just because of this. What a shame to lose a fellow member due to these hectic times when members are demanding so much more.

#### ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS

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### Illinois Turfgrass Foundation

### NORTHERN ILLINOIS GOLF OUTING

Monday, September 19, 1988

*SUPPORT TURFGRASS RESEARCH IN ILLINOIS*

**Donation — \$85 per person — includes:**

An afternoon round of golf at one of these prestigious Chicagoland golf clubs

Knollwood C.C.

Host Superintendent — Randy Wahler  
11:30 a.m. Shotgun Start

Sunset Ridge C.C.

Host Superintendent — Dennis Wilson  
11:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

- A Golf Car
- Lunch
- Refreshments
- A Sit-Down Steak Dinner at Knollwood C.C. (Approximately 6:00 p.m. — Jacket Required)
- Prizes

Golf courses will be assigned on an alternating basis  
• Attendance limited to 200 Golfers •  
Dom Grotti Trophy Award to Superintendents & Assistants for combined low net

Call ITF Headquarters for reservations

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