

Midwest Breezes



Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

June 20 — MAGCS meeting at Sportsman G.C.

July — No date or place set for MAGCS meeting

July 25 — Midwest Regional Turfgrass Foundation Field Day

August — No date or place set for MAGCS meeting

September — No date or place set for MAGCS meeting

October — MAGCS meeting at Prestbury C.C.

November — Annual MAGCS meeting

November 28-30 — Purdue Turfgrass & Ornamental Chemical Seminar

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Your Editor has been kept busy during the month of May in doing consulting work and completing the building of a nine hole private course in Norway, IL. Seven of the 9 greens were regraded and in some instances top mix was added. All of the tees were reshaped and graded. Penncross was seeded on the greens.

Also doing consulting work is Pete Wilson, who is working for the Florida development firm who is building Carillon along I55 just five miles southwest of Bolingbrook. It is a 1400 acre housing and 27 hole golf course development. Pete has to travel at least 5 miles to find a shade tree on this project, for it is built on the flat corn/soybean fields.

If anyone needs to learn how to trap skunks or raccoons, give Wolfgang Muller a call. He recently caught both of them at the same time in the same trap. Being a good supervisor he does delegate his work and this was one time he did so with ease.

Ed Parolek (312) 668-7576 is looking for a used 5 or 7 gang rough units. If you have one for sale, give him a call.

Calendar of Events from Purdue University

July 25 — 1989 Midwest Regional Field Day

Purdue Agronomy Farm

Contact: Barb Meyer, (317) 494-7221

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Al Fierst is looking for an assistant at Oak Park C.C. Call him at (312) 453-7525.

How Much Happened Yesterday?

When you add together all the activities Americans do in one day, the numbers can be surprising.

For instance, each day:

- We eat 200 million pounds of fruit and vegetables
- We eat 1.2 million bushels of potatoes and 228,000 bushels of onions
- We pour 250 billion gallons of water through homes, factories, and farms
- One new insect species is discovered
- Rats and mice damage \$2.5 million worth of property
- About 200,000 tons of edible food are wasted
- We eat 50 million pounds of sugar
- Americans crush 85,000 bushels of cigarette butts
- Six million tons of manure are produced by farm animals
- We make 1.9 million sheets of plywood
- Aches and pains prompt us to ingest 575 bushels of pain reliever

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“Summer Tidings”

Spring to Summer, in one Grand Swoop,
June provides that Loop-De-Loop.
Summer prospects tend to make One Dreamy,
As Vacation thoughts are very Seemly.
But—Summer’s pressures enter the Race,
Changing dreams to nightmares in many-a-case.
The challenge it offers, has it’s rewards,
In winning battles, We sharpen Our Swords.

Kenneth R. Zanzig

Photos from Kankakee C.C.

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Tom Rodems & Host Greg Coyne



Speaker Bruce Davies from Naturscape Ornamental Grasses