

Midwest Breezes



Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

January 10-11 — MAGCS & GCSAA Seminars at Pheasant Run Resort

January 16 — MAGCS Monthly Meeting at Arrowhead Golf Club, Wheaton

January 22-24 — Midwest Regional Turf Conference, Indianapolis, IN

February 19-26 — GCSAA Conference, Orlando, FL

A Fork In The Road

by Fred D. Opperman, Editor

Well, fellow members and friends, I have reached my fork in the road, and I will now be traveling down a different path from the one I have been on for the last 29 years. These past 16 months have been frustrating, enlightening, enjoyable, and blessed with friends who cared enough to ask how I was getting along and friends who gave me work to pay the bills. To these friends I am truly indebted and I sincerely thank you.

The 2nd of January, I will begin working with the team of Dick Lamkey and Greg Oltman of Williamson Nursery & Associates. My position will deal with the sale of trees, tree transplanting, and fertilizer. I will be calling on golf courses to introduce our products and services in the very near future.

I am pleased to continue to serve as your Editor of **The Bull Sheet**; and with my calling on the golf courses, I should find that it will be easier to fill the "Midwest Breezes" page.

The deepest sympathy of the members of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents is extended to Dave Blomquist and his family on the death of Dave's mother on December 17, 1989.

Christine Faulks recently addressed an international meeting of the world's top golf course designers, constructors and architects in Wiesbaden, West German, on October 4. Her presentation was entitled, **State of the Art Blending and Formulations of Rootzone Mixtures**.

Congratulations to Jacoba and Dave Ward on the birth of their daughter Julia Rose on Thanksgiving Day. Also to Beth and Andy Dauksas on the birth of their daughter, Alexandria, on December 12, 1989.

Performance Booster

You won't want to miss the January 15th MAGCS meeting at Arrowhead Golf Club. This meeting will begin promptly at **10:30 A.M.** The education portion will feature a presentation by Michael Crandal, a performance enhancement specialist. Mr. Crandal's speeches and seminars are in demand throughout the country, with his most requested program being, "Success is an **Attitude**". Mr. Crandal has authored the book, "**The Power Tools of Performance Enhancement**". He will bring to us an interesting, fresh, and lively ninety minute program. He will discuss many of our personnel management, and employee motivation concerns. All **MAGCS** members are sure to find this a most refreshing and enlightening presentation. See you there!

MAGCS Education Committee

We have some commercial "reps" who are moving around in the area. Jerry Persons will be the new kid on the block for LESCO and Tom Nestor will be moving on to St. Louis to get closer to his main squeeze and his farm. Good Luck to both men.

Howard Baerwald wishes to say "Hello" to all his old friends. He says he is doing fine, but slowing down. Many of us can recall the time that Howard was at every meeting. You never missed him for he was always taking the entry money to every event. Give Howard a call to say hello to him at 354-3222.

ASSISTANTS NEEDED, APPLY BELOW:

Wilmette Golf Club, Mike Matchen, Supt. (708) 256-9654
Sunset Ridge C.C., Dennis Wilson, Supt. (708) 466-5222
Olympia Fields C.C., Tom Rodems, Supt. (708) 748-0495
Kemper Lakes G.C., Doug Quiram, Supt. (708) 438-5610

FOREMAN NEEDED:

Bob O'Link G.C., Bruce Williams, Supt. (708) 432-0088
Sunset Valley G.C., Brian Green, Supt. (708) 433-0850

Assistant Superintendent & Mechanic needed at Royal Fox Golf Club. Contact Ernest Corsi, at (708) 377-9491.

Used Equipment List — For Sale

National — 1983 — Excellent - \$1,500.00
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Jacobsen 22" — 1983 — Good - \$1,000.00
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Cushman Rotary — 1982 — Runs good engine - \$500.00
Woods C80 Rotary — 1975 — Very good - \$1,000.00
Chevy Pickup — 1980 — Rough - \$500.00
Cushman Greensaver — 1982 — Very good - \$200.00
Bean 300 GAI — P.T.O. — 1979 — Very good - \$1,000.00
Call Tom Rodems at (708) 748-0495

For Sale: Rugg 28" wide wood bunker rakes. Contact Bruce Burchfield at Thorngate C.C., (708) 945-0568.

For Sale: 1986 Jac HF-5, excellent condition, only 800 hrs., 10 blade reels, grooved rollers, all updates — \$7500. Call Kurt Galisdorfer, Exmoor C.C., (708) 433-1177.