

Midwest Breezes



Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

- January 7-11, 1991** — Ohio State University Short Course
- January 8, 1991** — Arrowhead G.C.; 11:00 a.m. Education
- January 17-19, 1991** — Mid-America Horticultural Trade Show, Hyatt Regency, Chicago
- January 21-23, 1991** — Midwest Regional Turfgrass Seminar
- January 21-23, 1991** — 61st Annual Michigan Turfgrass Conference
- February 5-12, 1991** — GCSAA Conference & Trade Show
- February 10** — Prayer Breakfast 7:30 a.m., Riviera Hotel
- July 4-7** — Western Open at Dubsred

Job Changes in Our Area: Len Berg is going with the LESCO around the first of the year and driving that BIG truck into all of your maintenance yards. Scott Nissley is leaving the Oak Brook Golf Club and going with the new course being built at the DuPage Airport. John Berarducci is joining Mariani Landscape firm in Lake Forest. John Gurke left Bartlett C.C. to become the Superintendent at Aurora C.C. John Ebel is retiring at the end of the year as superintendent, but will still be retained as their construction/remodeling superintendent. Mark Bobb will replace John as Superintendent at Barrington C.C.

The MAGCS donated \$2,000 to the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation at the past NCTE in Springfield.

A Foreman is needed at the Twin Lakes Golf Course in Palatine, IL. Call Kevin Lotzer at 708/934-3006.

Joliet Junior College is presently placing students for Spring on-the-job training in the Turf Industry. These Students will have had four semesters of instruction in Horticulture and previous work experience in Turf. They are ready to be employed for spring 1991 for 9 weeks as student trainees, hopefully leading to a permanent position. Call Lisa Perkins, Turf Placement Coordinator at 815/729-9020 ext. 276 or 320 for more information or a fact sheet on the present students to be placed.

Wanted: Front end loader; turf tractor with pto and 3 point hitch; 5 gang rough units and triplex greensmowers. Must be in good condition. Call Todd at 815/652-4244 or after 6 p.m. at 815/652-4413.

For Sale: 2 ea. 14 H.P. Toro GM3. Extra 6, 8 & 9 blade reels. Many extra parts. 2 ea. 1988 Toro 216's. Grooved rollers, 8 blade reels. 1 ea. Neary reel grinder. 1 ea. TUFCO sod cutter. All in excellent condition. Balmoral Woods C.C., 708/672-4390 or 708/672-8497. Ask for Bob.

If there is ever an award given to a Superintendent for toughness and perseverance, I want to nominate Walter Fuchs, Sr. Walter, who will turn 76 in March has had four (4) heart attacks since July '90. His first one was in July and he was back out working in the yard in a couple of weeks, the next one was in September, the next one the third week in October and then the last one the day after Thanksgiving. He has had three coronary angioplasty during this time period. His latest stress test the doctor stated that a healthy man of his age rarely reached the level that he did. Walter's comment was, "You stopped me too soon, I could have gone further." Way to go Walter, keep stepping into the ring and keep punching, we love you.

Wanted: Assistant Supt., Barrington Hills C.C., contact Mark Bobb, 708/381-0140.

Seeking an assistant? Call Don Houston, 708/946-9158. Qualifications include 2 yr. and 4 yr. degree as well as graduate experience in turf, over 4 seasons experience in the Chicago area, and Ill. Applicators License.

Latham Honored by Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents

James M. Latham, formerly Marketing Manager at the Milorganite Division—MMDS, was honored at the recently concluded Wisconsin Golf Turf Symposium. Latham was cited by the Wisconsin Chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents of America for his continuing efforts to aid the Association and golf over a span of nearly three decades. Currently serving as Director, Great Lakes Region, USGA Green Section, Mequon, WI, Latham continues his effort to promote turf excellence on courses which leads to better play. Latham and his wife, Lois, were present for the award presentation.

Mike Bavier was honored by speaking at a International Turfgrass Conference in Paris in late November. Mike was the only U.S. Superintendent to speak before the multi-nation gathering. His topic was, "Establishment and Maintenance of Young Turf."

For Sale: Heavy Duty Shelving, 14 gauge steel, 10' tall x 48" wide x 24" deep. Height can be cut in half or to any height, includes up to 10 shelves per unit. \$50.00 per unit. Call John at 708/669-3625.

Wants to Buy — any condition F-10 tractor and mowers or Jacobsen blitzer fairway units. Call Ron Payne at 815/468-3438.

The January meeting at Arrowhead G.C. is a luncheon meeting with cocktails starting at noon and lunch at 1 p.m.