

Wouldn't It Be Nice ...

by Editor

Wouldn't it be nice — to have a MAGCS Membership Directory that is current?

Wouldn't it be nice — to have one source to look up that address or phone number you need.

At the present, to publish **The Bull Sheet**, I need the following directories: The outdated MAGCS Directory, the Chicagoland AGCS Directory (wives' names), the CDGA Directory (for some club addresses and phone numbers) and the ITF Directory, if the others don't seem to have the answer I'm looking for. In fact, all of my directories are outdated!

I will admit, the first time around, it does take time to put the directory together. But with the data bases and computer programs we have today, it shouldn't take 6+ months to redo.

The Directory, I feel should have the following information in the main listing:

Name:	Wife's Name:
Club/Business:	Home Address:
Street Address:	Town, State, Zip Code:
Town, State, Zip Code:	Home Phone:
Work Phone:	Work Fax:
Mobil Phone:	Class:
Year Joined Association:	

In the back of the directory cross reference the main listing by an alphabetical listing of the club or business, the persons name and the work phone number. Our last directory was arranged in this manner; however many names and businesses were missed in the cross reference.

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J. Michael Hart Environmental Specialist

J. Michael Hart, certified golf course superintendent of Danville Country Club, Danville, IL, has earned an environmental specialist certificate in Integrated Plant Management (IPM).

The IPM specialization focuses on effective and safe alternatives to the regular use of chemicals on golf course management. The goal of IPM is to reduce reliance on pesticides and increase the use of biological, mechanical and cultural pest control techniques.

The IPM specialist recognition is part of the Environmental Management Program (EMP) offered through the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).

GCSAA's EMP consists of six distinct specializations: IPM; Underground Storage Tanks; Golf Course Development; Employee Safety and Right-To-Know; Water Quality and Application; and Storage, Disposal and Recycling.

Golf course superintendents may choose to complete one or more of these specializations, each of which is composed of a series of relevant course work. Because environmental science and regulations evolve rapidly, the superintendent must renew the specialization certificate at the end of three years.

The superintendent who successfully completes the required course work in a specialization receives a certificate from GCSAA. In addition, the superintendent who earns this credential demonstrates his or her commitment to preserve and protect the environment and local resources.

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