



Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

December 7 — CPR Seminar at Oak Brook Hills Resort, Oak Brook, IL

January — MAGCS meeting at Arrowhead G.C.

January 17-19 — Midwest Turf Expo, Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis, IN

February 12-17 — Indiana-Illinois Turfgrass Short Course

February 20-27 — GCSAA Conference & Show, San Francisco

March —

April — MAGCS meeting at Ruffled Feathers G.C.

May 5 — Past MAGCS Presidents Golf Outing at Geneva G.C.

June — MAGCS meeting at River Forest G.C.

July —

August — MAGCS meeting at Mount Prospect G.C.

September —

October — MAGCS meeting at Sportsman G.C.

November — Midwest Clinic

Your new Board of Directors for 1995 are:
President — Joel Purpur, River Forest G.C.
Vice President — Don Cross, Skokie C.C.
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Newly Elected — Brian Bossert, 2 year term; Kevin Czerkies, 2 year term; Donald Ferreri, 2 year term; Luke Strojny, 1 year term. President Emeritus — Alan Fierst.



1995 Board of Directors

Back row, left to right: President Emeritus, Al Fierst; President, Joel Purpur; Vice President, Don Cross; Sec./Treas., Ed Braunsky; Director, Bob Maibusch, Don Ferreri, Kevin Czerkies & Brian Bossert. Front row: Joan Minnis, Executive Secretary; Director Dave Blomquist & Luke Strojny. Absent from picture, Fred Opperman, Editor of "The Bull Sheet".

The 42nd annual Midwest Turf Clinic is history. The Education Committee did a great job with the program this year. All of the speakers were excellent. Joseph O'Brien, COO from the GCSAA was impressive with the fresh outlook that our national association is taking. There are some new programs to help us all coming soon. He emphasized the importance of working for us and needing our input, wants, and desires. Ed Hightower, the NCAA Final Four Basketball Official was very interesting and held everyones attention with his stories. He stressed the fact to take responsibility to make a difference everyday. He was good.

Sunday, October 30, 1994, the Inverness Country Club held an afternoon party to celebrate Mike Bavier's 25 years of service. In attendance were about a dozen fellow superintendents and personal friends, plus close to 75 members. Some of Mike's friends "roasted" him and others praised and paid tribute to him. Past presidents and green chairmen spoke highlighting the many accomplishments and projects that took place during the past years. When it was Mike's turn to speak, he spoke of the many friends that he had made at the club, both past and present. He thanked many of them for helping him to do his job. That afternoon was truly a mutual admiration get-together.



Mike Bavier, daughter Holly; girlfriend Mary Florek; and son, Michael Jr.



Mike Bavier, Wade Thompson, and Carl Dillfaver presenting a plaque of appreciation to Mike.

Congratulations to Bill Kennedy who became the new Superintendent at Cress Creek C.C. Bill was the assistant to Kurt Galisdorfer at Exmoor C.C.

Jim McNair at Orchard Valley G.C. is looking for a mechanic. Call 708/907-8998.

Caroline & Bret Rush became proud parents of baby Marie on November 7th. Congratulations on the new addition to the family.

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DeAnn & Pete Leuzinger are going to be grandparents in 1995. Their son Jeff and wife, Marcie announced this the Friday before Pete ran in the Chicago Marathon. Jeff is the assistant at the Glenview Club. Pete completed the 26+ mile run on Sunday, October 30th. Congratulations on both major events.

Gil Velazquez has been busy this past fall in building another 9 holes at White Eagle G.C. Eight of the holes were seeded and sodded by late October and the 9th hole needed final grading and no doubt is by this time. Tree planting was also completed with over 500 trees being used. In a couple of years another 9 holes will be built as the property expands and housing is completed. Gill also broke his wrist in early November. We hope he has a speedy recovery.

Your Editor, Fred Opperman, has changed jobs the beginning of November. Fred has joined the sales group at Arthur Clesen, Inc. He will be calling on the customers that Bob Baker called on. Bob is retiring from the road after many years of loyal service. The sales territory will be roughly north of I90 and west of Route 83.

Jim Latham is retiring from the USGA at the end of the year. We will miss Jim in our area. He was always a source of information and was the Superintendent's true friend. He saved many a job by being the go-between with the green committees and club officials. I will try to get one more "Lathamism" out of Jim for our January issue. Jim & Lois, we all wish you the very best, health and happiness, thank you for sharing so much with us.



The College of Lake County in Grayslake is offering an Introduction to Turfgrass class starting January 24 on Tuesdays evenings at 6 p.m. The course is being taught by Bruce Williams from Bob-O-Link Golf Course. For more information contact Admissions at 223-6601, ext. 2573 or Mark Zampardo at 223-6601, ext. 2320.

For Sale: 2 Toro estate mowers, 2 Toro 21" walking Greenmasters, mod. 04211, 1 Toro Sand Pro 77, 8 hp.; 1 Toro 1957 80" Whirlwind rotary mulcher; 1 Woods C-80-1980 rotary mulcher. Also 1927 Chevy dump truck C-30, 350 CID V8 4 spd. trans., snow plow, 30K mi. 2 year old box, rebuilt trans. & clutch. Call Bob at Glen Oak C.C., 708/469-6220.

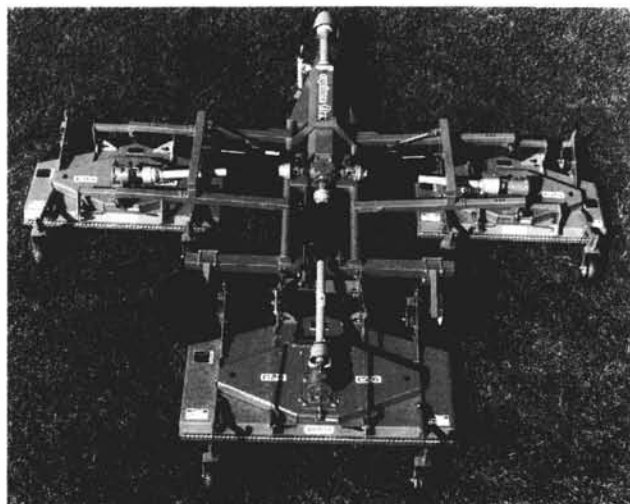
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Fred Opperman, Editor, presenting Peter Vandercook with the "1995 Editors Award" for the many articles he wrote on the history of the MAGCS.

For Sale: Foley Reel Grinder, good condition. Call Art at Pinecrest Golf Club, 708/669-3130.

Rick Wilson, Glenview Park District Golf Course has been returfing and leveling a few tees this fall. He also likes top-dressing with push spreaders using dry sand for his greens.

Bill Aiston, Lake Shore C.C. spent his time removing the bent from the banks of his greens and resodding with bluegrass.

Tom Lively, Ruth Lake G.C. will be directing construction traffic on the rebuilding of a new clubhouse. The old clubhouse and pool were torn down to make way for the new. Trailers were set up in the parking lot to serve as the clubhouse during construction.

Bob Maibusch, Hinsdale G.C. is also going through clubhouse remodeling and he too will be directing traffic. Bob is also building a new green and dredging out and enlarging a corner of his lake.

Dan Dinelli at North Shore C.C. has a new toy; a weather station that does everything except apply the chemicals when needed. It has all of the "bells & whistles" from soil moisture sensing of a green, dew, wind, humidity, air temperature at 6" and other sensing features. Also call Dan and ask what he is doing with hydrogen peroxide and black layer.

A contribution is being donated to the American Cancer Society in the name of Terry Petric, a deceased MAGCS member. These funds are from the June meeting at Aurora C.C.

The Forest Preserve District of Dupage County/Oak Meadows Golf Course in Addison has openings for full-time Greensman positions. Responsibilities include: wide range of activities involved in golf course maintenance/construction; such as equipment operation, minor mechanical maintenance; applications of fertilizers and pesticides; irrigation/drainage installation and repairs. Requirements: basic knowledge of fertilizer and pesticide applications and ability to obtain an Illinois Pesticide Operators' License within 6 months of employment. Must be able to work varying hours, including weekends and holidays. Preferred candidate will have experience in golf course or landscape maintenance and coursework in horticulture, turf management or related field. Please send resume with social security # to/or apply in person at: 185 Spring Avenue, Glen Ellyn.

Congratulations to Dr. Bill Meyer who received two prestigious awards in November at the American Society of Agronomy meeting. The first award is called the ASA Fellows Award, which is awarded to a small percentage of the whole membership. This is called the highest honor of the Society. The other award is called the Fred Grau Turfgrass Scientist Award, which is given each year by the Crop Science Division of the ASA. Bill's parents Tony & Marge Meyer were in attendance to see the awards given.

For Sale: 1 Cushman core harvester for the 1991 Cushman and older - \$1800.00; 1973 O'Brien Sewerking model 250, works OK, make offer; 3 Cushman engines, 1 runs, 2 good for parts - **FREE**; 1 Cushman Greensaver aerator kit, make offer. Call Glenn at Sunset Ridge C.C., 446-5268.

Kurt Galisdorfer at Exmoor C.C. has a position for a technician/2nd assistant. Interested candidates can call Kurt at 708/433-1177 for more information.

Bob Lively at Glendale Golf Club is looking for a mechanic. Call 708/529-6264.

Mike Hubbard of Hidden Meadows G.C. is looking for an assistant. Please call 708/747-0303.



Joel Purpur presenting outgoing president Al Fierst with a plaque of appreciation.