

## Upcoming Events — Mark Your Calendar

July 11 - MAGCS meeting at Steeplechase G.C.

July 17 — NWIGSCA, Summer Golf Day at Lake Carroll G.C.

July 24 — John Deere Golf Tournament at Orchard Valley G.C.

July 25 — Midwest Regional Turf Field Day, Agronomy Research Center, West Lafayette

August 5 — MAGCS Family Picnic and Ball Game, Kane County Cougars

August 17 — Michigan Turfgrass Field Day, Hancock Turfgrass Research Center, MSU, East Lansing, MI

August 21 - MAGCS meeting at Hughes Creek G.C.

September 25 — MAGCS meeting at Prairie Landing G.C.

October 12 - MAGCS meeting at Sportsman G.C.

October 14—MAGCS Fall Dinner Dance at Aurora C.C.

**November 9** MAGCS Clinic & Annual meeting at Medinah C.C.

November 27-29 — NCTE at Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles, IL

Since we are going to be changing the name of our newsletter, I hope you will take some serious thought and come up with a name that will last as long as "The Bull Sheet." Think of a name that will relate to the maintenance and upkeep of a golf course, a name that won't be confused with the golf profession side or the clubhouse area, a name that states that this is our profession and ours alone. I'm excited that a new name will give us a better identity and a new look. As much as I like the present name due to its catchiness and name recognition, a person has no idea whose newsletter it is. Now is the time to make this change. Send in those post cards with your suggested name.

Ken Lapp will be hosting the 92nd Motorola Western Open at Cog Hill Country Club in Lemont for the fifth consecutive year. Tournament week begins July 3rd and official play starts July 6th through July 9th.

Roger Stewart will be hosting the 5th Ameritech Senior Open at Stonebridge Country Club in Aurora. Tournament week begins on July 24th and official play starts July 27th through July 30th. This will be the last time the Senior Open will take place at Stonebridge. Best wishes to Ken and Roger for smooth tournaments and fair weather. We know both events will be great successes.

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A and B members may now provide a complimentary issue of the **Bull Sheet** to a designated club official! This new service is designed to help Superintendents gain positive public relations. This will expose your Green Chairman or Club Official to our industry as they are with Golf Pros or Club Managers. If you are an interested A or B member only, please send a written request to our editor, Fred Opperman. To avoid confusion, personal names will not be used. I've provided an example of an ideal request:

Fred Opperman:

Please send a copy of the **Bull Sheet** to Green Chairman/Village President/Club Owner of ABC Golf Club. The following is the correct address:

Green Chairman/Village President/Club Owner ABC Golf Club 123 Elm Street Anytown, IL 60666.

Peter Leuzinger had a great write-up in the "Daily Herald" in early June. That is the kind of PR that is needed for the general public to see. Most local papers are looking for the very same kind of article. All it takes sometimes is a phone call and an invitation for lunch or a tour of the course. Also read Tod Hopphan's article on page 9.

Harold Frederickson is looking for an assistant at Edgewood Valley G.C. Please call 708/246-0278.

Our good friend and poet, Ken Zanzig, has been having some health problems. Ken has Parkinson's disease. He is presently living in California near his daughter. Please take the time to drop him a card and a note. His address is 1219 Belle Road, Calimesa, CA 92320.

Marlin McManus at Pinnacle C.C. is looking for an assistant. Pinnacle is near the Quad City area in Illinois. Call 309/787-2674.

The July "Midwest Breezes" can't be complete without a report on the great "Fox River Canoe Race" that two of our members have been participating in for a number of years. Dan Murray and Joel Purpur this year cut 60 minutes off their previous time a year ago. Dan states that they are just getting better. For all of you who know Dan, it isn't that. It must have been: (1) higher water, (2) wind at their back, (3) Dan finally paddled this year. My guess is it's all three!

Only in the Chicago area: A spring that wasn't, a sun that hardly shown, a rain that seldom stopped, the soil that never seemed to dry, a soil that never warmed up, a month of May with only 1, 80 degree day. 90 degrees one day and a high of 55 the next. The bentgrass that wouldn't grow and the bluegrass that wouldn't stop.

