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#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

December 2-5 — NCTE at Pheasant Run Resort & Expo Center.

December 16-17 — GCSAA/Wisconsin GCSA, "Golf Greens: History, Theory, Construction and Maintenance." Call 800/472-7878.

December 20 — Golf Turf Workshop for foremen, crew members and staff. Call 317/494-8039.

January 20-23 — 67th Annual Michigan Turfgrass Conference, Lansing, MI. Call 517/321-1660.

January 21-23 — 1997 Midwest Turf Expo, Indianapolis. Call 317/494-8039.

February 6-12 — GCSAA Conference in Las Vegas, NV.

February 25 — GCSAA Seminar "Prevention Maintenance of Equipment" at Seven Bridges G.C.

April — MAGCS monthly meeting at Mt. Prospect G.C.

June 2 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Rolling Green C.C.

July 7 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Orchard Valley G.C.

September 22 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Ruffled Feathers G.C.

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Jim Pedersen is looking for an assistant's position. Five years experience, applicators license. Call 773/777-5589 evenings.

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Wanted: Used Cushman trucksters, Jacobsen G-10 tractors and fairway mowers. Call Ron at 815/468-3438.

Please change the fax number you have for the MAGCS office to 630/406-5456.

Floyd T. Norris is looking for a mechanic's position. He has a resume that this editor can fax to anyone interested. His number is 630/985-6942.

Poplar Creek G.C. has experienced some vandalism. The first occasion took place on the night of the ITF golf outing there.

Someone poured an unknown substance all over four greens in a serpentine pattern. Then two weeks later, a four-wheel-drive vehicle drove over another green causing extensive damage.

Jim Holtschult at Evanston G. C. is installing a three-row Toro Osmac system that will have over 1,200 heads. Installation of the new system began in early November. Plus many of the bunkers will be refurbished with new sand to keep the rest of the crew busy.

Dave Schlagetter at Indian Hill C.C. is redoing 25 bunkers and 2 new tees. Dave and his crew are doing all of the drainage and hauling of the 375 tons of sand. They have laid over 2,000 ft. of drain tile and 7,000 sq. yds. of sod.

Ed Joerns at Villa Oliva has rebuilt their 4th hole, which is a Par 3, and used Allen Block for the walls along the pond.

America's most private country club is looking for an assistant superintendent. Please send resumes to: Scott Resetich, Rich Harvest Links, PO Box 610, Sugar Grove, IL 60554. Phone: 630/466-7610.

Rory Bancroft reports in that he is in a whole new ball game since he is in Florida where Joe Jemsek will be building a new golf course. Rory states that the local superintendents have been most helpful whenever he needs help, e.g., What kind of palm tree is that? What kind of grass did you say that was? Rory can be reached at phone/fax 561/688-1260.

Golf courses can receive a free lightning exposure analysis by contacting Global Atmospherics, Inc., the owner and operator of the National Lightning Detection

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#### NETWORKING

Consulting with other professionals is very helpful. Finding what other golf course superintendents or university professionals are seeing in the area often indicates what I may soon be seeing.

#### COMPUTERS

The use of computers has helped us in many ways. From our computer in the office, we can access our weather station and bring up degree day figures, raw weather information, disease forecasting models, evapotranspiration, soil temperatures and moisture. The computer has also helped us in the very important task of note taking. Two complete sets of drawings are scanned into our computer. Each set is a holeby-hole drawing to a scale of

I foot to 100 feet. One set has our irrigation and drainage; the other is used to map "hot spots." The computer is also used to go online. Several golf course superintendents' bulletin boards are accessed which helps greatly in networking with others. There are several services available over the wire also, one being the Turfgrass Information Center at Michigan State University. This reference allows me to research topics quickly.

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Network (NLDN). They will pinpoint and map all cloud-to-ground lightning strikes detected within a 10-mile radius of your facility for a given time period. Call 800/283-4557.

Congratulations to Tim Anderson, the new superintendent at Prestwick C.C. who has replaced Dick Trevarthan, who is retiring. Dick will be around for a few months as a consultant and help with the changeover. Tim was the assistant at Naperville C.C. We all wish Dick an enjoyable and happy retirement.

Steve Cummins at Lake Barrington Shores is looking for a mechanic. Call 847/382-3252 if interested.

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