

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 10 - CDGA Green Seminar at Butterfield C.C. April 21 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Mount Prospect G.C. May 19 - Joint association meeting at Cantigny G. C. May 30 - June 1 — Ameritech Open at Kemper Lakes G.C. June 2 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Rolling Green C.C. June 23-29 — 1997 U.S. Senior Open at Olympia Fields C.C. July 7 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Orchard Valley G.C. August 14 - MAGCS monthly meeting at Bartlett Hills G.C. August 24 — MAGCS Family Outing at Kane County **Cougars Baseball** September 22 — ITF Northern Golf Day at Glen View Club and Evnaston G.C.

For those of you who didn't go to Las Vegas or who didn't make it to the Midwest Hospitality Suite, you really missed out. It will be hard in the future to top the quality and spaciousness that we had. Hot and cold food was served from 6:30 p.m. to closing. Tables were available to sit down and enjoy your food or to visit with friends. The commercial distributors all need to be thanked for their generosity in making the two nights very enjoyable. Brian Bossert, chairman, did an outstanding job seeing that all went smoothly.

The President's Reception for Bruce Williams on Monday night, February 10, 1997, was very well done. The GCSAA made a 20minute videotape with various people close to Bruce talking about their relationship over the years. Included were video clips of Bruce in the past and up to the present. Bruce had his family up on the stage with him and his parents, Roberta and Bob Williams, sitting in the front row. How proud the family must have felt, hearing all of the accolades of their husband, father and son. There must have been 300 to 400 people in the room with the reception afterwards.

By the time you read this, Bruce Williams will be in Los Angeles at his new job as superintendent at the Los Angeles C.C. We all wish him and his family well. Bruce was a leader both here in the Midwest and with the GCSAA over the past years. He, like his father before him, proudly represented the golf course superintendent to the golfing community and in his own words, "raised the bar of excellence." Bruce can be reached at 310-276-6104. In 1996, the MAGCS donated to the following funds: GCSAA Robert Trent Jones Endowment Fund\$5,000 Musser Foundation\$1,000 CDGA Foundation\$4,000 Illinois Turfgrass Foundation, Tee Sponsor.....\$ 100 Evans Scholar Foundations.....\$1,000 Illinois Turfgrass Foundation at NCTE\$2,000 Secret Santa\$1,000 University of Illinois\$7,500

A couple of our members did okay in the GCSAA golf tournament in Las Vegas. Paul Voykin won Net in the Super Senior Division; and in the Four Ball, Steve Van Acker and Ken Goodman were winners.

While attending the GCSAA Conference in Las Vegas, Peter Leuzinger, Chuck Anfield, Stephanie Gotberg, Pam Brackenbury and Brian Bossert combined to complete the Las Vegas Marathon in just over 3.5 hours. Their team, "The Running Stolons," didn't set any records; but all agreed it was a great way to start the day.

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The Williams family I to r: Blake, Claire, Bruce, David, Roxane, Roberta and Bob Williams.

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John Turner, senior sales representative for AgroEvo, presented two \$500 scholarships to seniors Reed Kemp and Alicia McDonald from Purdue University at the Midwest Regional Turf Expo in January. This annual scholarship assists turfgrass students in meeting the educational needs of their professed interest in turfgrass management.

Susan and Scott Witte began their family with the birth of their first child, Kori Lynn, on January 29, 1997. Kori weighed 8 lbs., 14 oz. Congratulations!

Joe Murphy, 630-792-0416, is looking for an assistant or foreman position. Eleven years experience, college degree, resume upon request.

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Congratulations to Kristin and Mike Siefken who were married on March 1, 1997. Mike is the superintendent at Woodstock C.C. For sale: Six Toro Series IV greens mowers ('82-'84), two Toro Series IV greens mowers ('78), '69 Ryan Mataway dethatcher, '91 Cushman Core Destroyer attachment (used twice), '92 GreenIron 3000 greens roller (used one season) and two complete Cushman 5th wheel hitches ('93/'94, never used). For further information, call Tim Kelly at Village Links 630-469-2077, Ext. 1.

John Czapla is seeking a second assistant position. Recent graduate of Iowa State University specializing in turfgrass management. Please call 847-966-2468. (Resume is on file with editor.) Congratulations to Laura and George Ott on the birth of their fourth son, Michael Thomas, who was born on February 6, 1997. The Ott's other children are George, 7; Jim, 5; and Dan, 3. Here are the responses that I have received to date for a list of local horticulturists/gardeners for the local clubs. This was meant for networking purposes among these people:

NAME	CLUB	PHONE NO.
Frank Ashenhurst	Itasca C.C.	630-773-1800, Ext. 141
Stephanie Batroni*	Hinsdale G.C.	630-986-1323
Laurel Kaiser	Ivanhoe Club	847-566-9257
Debby Kiple	Arboretum G. C.	847-913-0383
Michael Moriarity	The Village Links of Glen Ellyn	630-469-2077, Ext. 6
Alaine Rapp	The Golf Club at Oak Brook	630-323-7633
* Stephanie would like to organize some sort of roundtable discussion, so give her a call.		

Tom McDonald of Chevy Chase C.C has moved into his new maintenance building, and it is quite nice. What a drastic and pleasant change from the old falling-down barn.

Floyd Norris is looking for a mechanic's position. Please call

630-985-6942.

Assistant needed. Flossmoor C.C. is looking for an assistant with 2 years in turfgrass study. Additional maintenance experience required. Contact Ray Schmitz, 708-798-2498. Bill Aiston at Lake Shore C.C. is looking for an assistant. Spray operator's license and experience is important. 847-835-4303.

We all read about the bank holdup and shoot-out in Los Angeles in late February. Well, one of the police officers that was wounded was the grandson of Adolph Bertucci. Adolph reports that his grandson is okay with only a flesh wound and had only been on the police force for 6 months.

Assistant needed at Turnberry C.C., Crystal Lake, IL. Call Jim Evans at 815-459-8570.

