

the Bull Sheet

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 4-6 — Penn State Golf Turf Conference, State College, PA. For information, call 814-863-1017.

November 12 — Midwest Clinic and Annual Meeting at Medinah C.C.

November 15 — Midwest Dinner Dance at Aurora C.C.

January 8-9 — GCSAA Seminar "Golf Greens, History, Theory, Construction and Maintenance" at Oak Brook, IL.

January 14-16 — Mid-America Horticultural Trade Show at Navy Pier.

January 19-22 — Michigan Turfgrass Conference, Lansing, MI.

January 20-22 — Midwest Turf Expo at Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis, IN.

February 2-8 — GCSAA Conference & Show, Anaheim, CA.

It is sad to report that three old-timers passed away recently. Melvin Duehr, who inherited his job at Midlothian C.C. from his father, died September 19, 1997. Melvin and his twin brother Milton shared the superintendent's responsibility for many years at Midlothian until they retired in 1995. The twins both started working at age 14 and retired at age 65, first working

for their father and then their older brother Don.

Dick Betterly of Halloran & Yauch, Inc. passed away September 21, 1997. Dick installed many an irrigation system in the Chicago-land area and upgraded many more pump houses. Dick first worked for A. J. Miller when they were putting in irrigation systems during the 60s and 70s. Dick left that firm in 1974 and started with Halloran & Yauck, Inc. in spring 1975 and retired in 1995.

Jock McIntosh, past owner of Oak Hills C.C., passed away in Arizona on October 3, 1997.

The members of the MAGCS extend condolences to each of these families.

If you want some good PR, get yourself a dog that chases geese! Al Fierst and his dog Wiley were mentioned by Paul Harvey on the WGN noon radio show on September 8. Last month, I mentioned Kerry Blatteau was on the 5 p.m. Channel 2 news due to his dog Jenna.

Speaking of geese chasing dogs, in the October issue of *On Course*, Harold Frederickson ran an ad advertising his new company, Migratory Bird Management, and somehow his phone number was omitted. Harold, I sincerely apologize for this error. It is especially difficult for a new company starting out to not have their number

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Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents

ELECTION SLATE OF CANDIDATES

November 12, 1997

PRESIDENT

Kevin Czerkies, CGCS, Sportsman C.C.

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Robert Maibusch, CGCS, Hinsdale G.C.

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Donald Ferreri, Seven Bridges G.C.

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(Three to be elected for a two-year term and one to be elected for a one-year term)

Fred Behnke, Mt. Prospect G.C.

Kevin DeRoo, Bartlett Hills G.C.

Thomas Fahey, CGCS, Marquette Park G.C./Columbus Park G.C.

James McNair, CGCS, Orchard Valley G.C.

Richard Reed, Arboretum G.C.

Luke Strojny, CGCS, Poplar Creek G.C.

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published. For all of you who need to have geese chased off your property and do not own a dog, please give Harold a call. His phone number is 708-361-6772, and his pager number is 630-867-5840.

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Congratulations to Ray Schmitz on Flossmoor C.C. becoming the 101st Audubon certified golf course in the country. Illinois has the largest number of certified courses.

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Craig Wilson is looking for an assistant's position. He is presently at Briarwood C.C. Please call 847-945-3350 or his home at 414-304-0749.
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For sale: 1983 Dodge D250 pickup truck, John Deere 575 Skid Steer Loader (hydraulic pump broken), 1982 Bobcat traction unit, Wards 11 HP garden tractor, 1988 Brower PTO-driven 10' reel mower unit. All equipment as-is, best offer. Written bids must be received by November 14. Contact Daryl Cole, Channahon Park District, 815-467-5621.

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The bachelor of bachelors (next to Al Fierst) Dave Blomquist is marrying Michelle McMahon on November 7 in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. All are welcome to come. Congratulations to the happy couple.
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Details were still being finalized at press time for the Midwest Turf Clinic and Annual Meeting to be held back at Medinah C.C. this year. Their newly-remodeled clubhouse is said to be spectacular. The November 12 clinic will open with registration from 8 to 9 a.m. The Clinic and Annual Meeting will follow. Hope to see you all there!
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For sale: Meyers model 5525 PTO, 300-gallon spray rig. Best offer. Call Bill or Al at Lake Shore C.C., 847-835-4303.
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Joel Purpur has been busy this fall remodeling his practice range and tee plus rebuilding 21 bunkers and 5 tees. He still found time to hit the Gauley River and go white water rafting.
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President's Message

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concerned. I cannot thank you enough, George, other than helping you out in the years to come. Drop George a line or give him a call to let him know how he is doing.

Every time you turn on an awards show, all of the winners make sure to thank their families. I cannot forget mine. My wife Sue and my kids Ben and Emily are truly my inspiration. They put up with all of my time away from home and are always there for me. If you have a family that supports you like mine does, you are blessed! I LOVE YOU GUYS!

Recently, one of my members, a fine pediatrician, was honored for his forty-two years of service to the Fox Valley area. I talked to him on the course soon after that event. I told him he deserved all of the honors he was being given. He told me, "I

went to school, I learned a profession and I did my job!" I feel that I have served the association, learned the ins and outs of the MAGCS, and I hope that I have done my job! Thanks a million (before taxes) to all!



Ed Braunsky, CGCS
President, MAGCS

Past President's Message

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scenes. President Ed Braunsky, Vice President Kevin Czerkies, and Secretary/Treasurer Bob Maibusch, as well as the entire Board of Directors have performed admirably. They are just as busy with their work activities and family lives as everyone else is, but they still find the time to unselfishly serve our association. Thank you so much, guys!

The Midwest is always looking for and depends upon interested and dedicated members to help serve our fine organization. Get involved. Serve on a committee. Run for the board. Give a little something back to the group that benefits you in so many ways. You'll be glad you did. ■