

PRESIDENT, Kevin Czerkies (Peggy) Sportsman's C.C Home: 847-949-7074, Office: 847-291-2352 VICE PRESIDENT

Robert Maibusch (Cheryl) Hinsdale G.C. Home: 630-789-1651, Office: 630-986-1323

SECRETARY / TREASURER **Donald Ferreri (Geri)** Seven Bridges G.C. Home: 630-357-7964, Office: 630-852-1746

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY George Minnis MAGCS P.O. Box 760

Batavia, IL 60510 Office: 630-406-5356, Fax: 630-406-5456

Fred Behnke (Nancy) Mount Prospect G. Home: 773-774-1486, Office: 847-632-9331

Brian Bossert Bryn Mawr C.C. Home: 312-274-4724, Office: 847-677-4112

Kevin DeRoo (Cheryl) Bartlett Hills G.C. Home: 847-697-0595, Office: 630-483-4991

Jim McNair Orchard Valley G.C. Home: 630-892-8389, Office: 630-907-8998

Luke Strojny (Debbie) Poplar Creek G.C. Home: 630-830-7370, Office: 847-310-3618

Greg Thalmann (Trudi) Fox Run Golf Links Home: 847-394-5410, Office: 847-228-3541

COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATIVE

John Meyer (Jules) Cannon Turf Supply Inc. Home: 630-898-8922, Office: 630-898-8922

> PHOTOGRAPHY **Raymond Schmitz**

TURFGRASS ADVISOR Dr. Randy T. Kane

University of Illinois & CDGA 630-954-2753

EDITOR: Fred D. Opperman

810 Greenwood Avenue Carpentersville, IL 60110 Phone & Fax 847-428-5009 or email: magcsoc@aol.com On Course is published monthly. All articles, double-spaced, are required by the first of the month to make the next issue. Advertising is sold by the column inch, sixth page, quarter page, third page, half page and full page. This publication is not copyrighted. We would like to share our articles with any who would like to use them, but please give the author and On Course credit.

EEATURES

FRONT COVER

No. 6 hole at Schaumburg Golf Club.

4 ON COURSE WITH THE PRESIDENT Kevin Czerkies

- DIRECTOR'S COLUMN 8 Fred Behnke
- 10 SUPER -N- SITE PROFILE: Nick Hongisto -N- Schaumburg Golf Club

Fred Behnke

12 ASK THE EXPERT: To Cover or Not to Cover

Daniel Albaugh

18 The First Annual Chemical Cup **Hockey Game: In the Books!**

Henry T. Wilkinson

Performance Appraising 20

Glen Bereiter

THE BULL SHEET 30

Fred Opperman

34 FEATURE ARTICLE: If Golfers Only Knew, They Would Play the Course Backwards

Paul Vermeulen

The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents (MAGCS), founded December 24, 1926, is a professional organization whose goals include preservation and dissemination of scientific and practical knowledge pertaining to golf turf maintenance.

We endeavor to increase efficiency and economic performance while improving and enhancing the individual and collective prestige of the members.

The MAGCS member is also an environmental steward. We strive to uphold and enhance our surroundings by promoting flora and fauna in every facet in a manner that is beneficial to the general public now and in the future.