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## DATES TO REMEMBER

April 27 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Schaumburg G.C.

May 4 — ITF Combined Meeting at "The General," Eagle Ridge Resort.

June 15 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Fox Valley G.C.

Remember that this year's combined golf day will be played at "The General," Eagle Ridge Resort's new 18-hole course. The event will be May 4 and will accommodate 200 golfers. Both a morning and afternoon shotgun will be offered, and there will be a midday buffet for both golfing groups. The event is open to all, and both foursomes or single players can register.

Penn State students held a contest to choose what item from the University they would send into space on the April 2 space flight. The student body choose turf seed, from which a bluegrass variety was chosen. Once back from space, the seed will be propagated, and the seed from it will be used around the state to seed the various other PSU campuses.

The Board of Directors would like to remind all members to be courteous and respectful of others during our meetings and educational sessions by turning off all cellular phones and pagers. It is very disruptive not only to hear phones ringing but to have people leave the meeting to take

the call or page. Please turn off all phones and pagers when attending your next meeting.

## 1998 MAGCS Hospitality Room

*Brian Bossert  
Bryn Mawr C.C.*

The GCSAA Conference has come and gone, and even El Niño couldn't prevent the MAGCS hospitality room from being a huge success. The two-night event at the Anaheim Marriott officially started at 5:54 p.m. on Thursday, February 5, when Lynn Wesson requested a gin and tonic. However, the planning started months earlier, and the following companies were responsible for providing the financial support to make such an event possible:

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Layne-Western Company  
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These companies generously donated \$15,200 towards the cost of the festivities. That does top last year's total, and judging by all the positive comments, it was greatly appreciated by those in attendance. Please keep this in mind as you make your purchasing decisions in the upcoming year.

The first evening was marked with several significant announcements. For the first time in many years, a chapter team from the MAGCS won the conference tournament. The team was comprised of Al Pondel, Tommy Robinson, Randy Wahler and Bob Kronn. Additionally, Al finished first overall with a one-day score of 69. Congratulations on the fine showing!

Unfortunately, all the news was not so positive. The untimely passing of Adolph Bertucci was noted, and Paul Voykin graciously eulogized his longtime friend. Adolph was a fixture at all the

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MAGCS events and will be dearly missed by his many friends.

In addition to all of the commercial sponsors, the following individuals deserve thanks for their behind-the-scenes help: Noreen Higgins, Dan Augdahl, Fred Behnke (I hope the photos turned out!), Ed Braunsky, Don Ferreri (bouncer), George Minnis, Luke Strojny and Al Fierst. Let's do it again next year!

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Unfortunately, the pictures taken at the Midwest hospitality room in Anaheim were too dark to reproduce in the newsletter.  
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*A family connection. Left to right: Tom Savage (Pine Meadows G.C.), Frank Jemsek, Kevin Czerkies (Sportsman G.C., who at one time worked for the Jemseks), and seated, the patriarch of the family, Joe Jemsek.*



*GCSAA prayer breakfast at Anaheim. Leaving the podium, Phil Taylor, and, below, one of the organizers of the prayer breakfast, John Ebel.*

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Congratulations to Tod Hoppah on his new job as superintendent "to be" at Elgin C.C. upon the retirement of Bill Leith in a year.  
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Greg Thalmann at Fox Run Golf Links is looking for a mechanic. Please call 847-228-3541.  
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Wanted: Working assistant superintendent at Flossmoor C.C. Call Ray Schmitz at 708-798-4700, ext. 241.  
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Howard Baerwald, retired superintendent from LaGrange C.C., passed away February 22, 1998. During the 70s and early 80s, Howard was always the one who greeted you when you came to an outing. He took it upon himself to help the MAGCS by always being the one to register you and take your money. Although he wasn't on the board and didn't play golf, he wanted to help and choose this way to do so.  
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The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents would like to extend their deepest sympathy to the family of George Minnis, our executive secretary, on the death of his father on February 14 and to the family of Richard Warpinski, founder of Central Sod, who passed away on February 28.  
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Please mention to the advertisers when you next talk to them that you saw their ad in your newsletter and thank them for advertising and supporting your association. Remember to support the ones who are supporting you.

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Congratulations to Chuck Anfield on his new position as superintendent at Heritage Bluff G.C. Chuck started in mid March after leaving Steeplechase G.C.  
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