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DATES TO REMEMBER

March 18 — CDGA Green Seminar, Medinah C.C.

March 10 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Poplar Creek G.C.

April 27 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Mill Creek G.C.

May 3 — ITF combined meeting, Mount Holly C.C. and Weaver Ridge G.C., Peoria area.

June 16 — MAGCS monthly meeting at Broken Arrow G.C.

July 19 - MAGCS monthly meeting at Crystal Lake C.C.

Harper College in Palatine will be offering a one-day seminar called Team Concept for Golf Course Management. The class will start Wednesday, March 17, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fernando Fernandez, CGCS, will be the instructor. For information, call 847-291-2232, or fax 847-705-8574.

For the fifth year now, Fernando will also be offering classes in Spanish to English to help Spanish-speaking people acquire the Commercial Not-for-Hire Operators license, category General Standards, for the state of Illinois. The classes will be held at Harper College starting Tuesday, March 16, and will run for 10 weeks from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. For information, use the above phone number.

Assistant superintendents needed: Applicants need golf course maintenance experience and the ability to obtain an Illinois Pesticide Applicator's license.

Call Kurt R. Sams, Idlewild C.C., Flossmore, IL, at 708-798-4927.

Call Paul Swenson, The Course at Aberdeen, Valpariso, IN, at 219-531-5718.

Call Mark Bobb, Barrington Hills C.C., Barrington, IL, at 847-381-0140.

Look who's turning 80! Albie Staudt. Do you know what Albie wants for his birthday? He is requesting your club scorecard. No birthday cards, just your golf club's scorecard for his collection. Now guys, let's fill his mailbox with those cards. Here is a man who saves us countless hours from listening to the reading of past meeting minutes. Isn't he worth a scorecard? You bet he is. Send those cards to 723 Carlisle Rd., Batavia, IL 60510, and then give him a call at 630-879-5511 and wish him many more Happy Birthdays.



Calling all Gin Players! The Annual Gin Classic will be held at Hackney's Restaurant on Milwaukee Avenue in Wheeling. It is just south of Dundee Road.

Date: Monday, March 22

Time: 12 Noon Lunch

This year's recipient will be Maryville Academy. Cost for the day will be \$40 (minimum). Includes lunch, donation and gin tourney; or \$25 (minimum) for lunch and donation. Donations may also be sent directly to: Maryville Academy, c/o Father John Smith, 1150 N. River Road, DesPlaines, IL 60016. Come on out, enjoy the gathering, and help a very worthy cause.

Mechanic needed at Settler's Hill G.C. Contact Dan Murray at 630-232-4922.

CDGA Green Seminar, Thursday, March 18, at Medinah C.C. Featured keynote speaker is Judy Bell, past president of the USGA. Note that any MAGCS member (superintendent, assistant superintendent, commercial) can register at the "CDGA Member" rate.

The MAGCS has opened up a web site on the internet. The address is www.magcs.org. In the future, this address will be on the index page of *On Course*.

DACC Turfgrass Alumni Association Becomes Official.

The Danville Area Community College Turfgrass Association and Friends was officially organized December 2, 1998, at the Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles, Illinois. The first meeting was held and called by Brian McCoy, of Danville C.C., Danville Illinois.

It was agreed that there was a need and desire of alumni to meet, generate scholarship money, and assist Danville Area

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Community College's Turfgrass program. At this meeting, there were several other topics discussed, including increasing membership and planning the spring golf outing. They also elected three committee chairmen: Brian Bossert, Scholarship Committee; Dennis Buck, Golf/Events Committee; and Rich Wall, Membership Committee; along with appointing Brian McCoy Secretary/Treasurer.

Those attending the first meeting were Brian McCoy, Danville C.C.; Mike Hart, Danville C.C.; Brian Bossert, Bryn Mawr C.C.; Kerry Blatteau, Oak Brook Hills Resort; Ron Dohman, Pontiac Elks G.C.; Dennis Buck, Dwight C.C.; Keith Peterson, Medinah C.C.; Rich Wall, Lesco Inc.; Bill Smith, Panther Creek C.C.; Eric May, Panther Creek C.C.; Don Spinner, Iron Horse G.C.; Todd Deitz, Mt. Hawley C.C.; Brock Burton, Bryn Mawr C.C.; and Bart Schaaf, Oak Springs G.C.

Others joining in the first year, and thus becoming charter members, were John Tonsor, South Side C.C.; Will Buchar, Charleston C.C.; Stephanie Batroni, Hinsdale G.C.; Stacy Wallace, Northmoor C.C.; Brian Comisky, Pinecrest G.C.; Michael Rayman, Canton C.C.; Paul Pierceall, Lowe's Inc.; Fritz Bateman, Edgewood

G.C.; and Rich Erickson, Panther Creek C.C.

Anyone interested in joining the DACC Turfgrass Alumni and Friends Association can call Brian McCoy at Danville C.C. at 217-443-8955, or send a check for \$25 to P.O. Box 292, Danville, IL 61834. We are planning a golf outing at Pontiac Elks C.C. on Saturday, May 8. Anyone interested in participating can call Ron Dohman at 815-842-3728. Space is limited to the first fifty people.

For sale: Course Alert II Siren System with master controller and four remote horn satellites (one new). Installed in '95. Asking \$1,200. Toro GM3 triplex-traction unit only, good condition. Asking \$400. Toro VT3 satellite face plates for \$75 each. Contact Kurt at Exmoor, 847-433-1177.

For sale: One VT-2 Toro Central with four clocks. Two new power supply boards #556138 for VT-2. One new syringe printed circuit board #556136 for VT-2. 80 hydraulic normally open 650s sprinkler heads. 150 hydraulic normally open 690s sprinkler heads. PSI pumping station, 1,000 gpm. Call Matt Springer, Sunset Ridge C.C., at 847-446-5268.

For sale: Most have been sold, but still have plenty of Toro 650, 750, and 780 sprinklers. There are a few VT-4 controllers, two

LTC standalone controllers, and loads of Rain Bird #55 quick-coupler valves. A "Chris Plumb Special": three-pump process controller that regulates your pumps based on system pressure. Worked great; like new. Almost no offers refused! Call Brian Bossert, Bryn Mawr C.C., at 847-677-4112.

Wanted: Experienced parts and inventory person or will train correct candidate. Preferred background includes customer service, parts inventory, computer experience, ability to order parts and make shipments in a prompt fashion.

Wanted: Experienced golf course equipment mechanic or will train correct person. Background in electrical diagnostics, hydraulics, trouble-shooting, setup of new equipment, grinding of reels, some field service will be required.

Benefits for the two positions include: insurance, 401k, vacation. Salary determined by experience. Call John Buck, J.W. Turf, 847-683-4653, or send resume to J.W. Turf, Inc., 14N937 US Highway 20, Hampshire, IL 60140.

Methyl Bromide news: The methyl bromide phase-out deadline was extended to 2005 by language included in the

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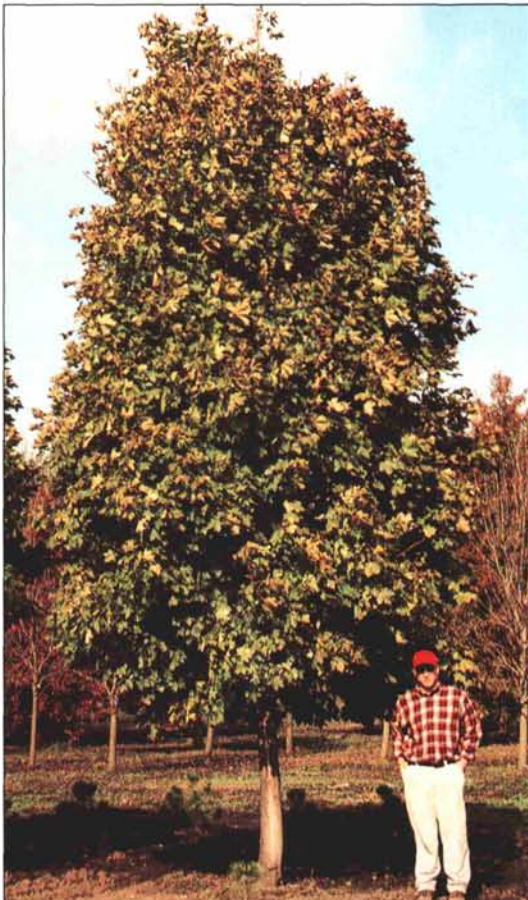
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omnibus spending bill passed by Congress in October, which President Clinton was not willing to veto. This measure pushed back by four years the 2001 phase-out date for the agricultural fumigant. The new deadline matches the phase-out for other developed nations and allows more time for scientists to develop effective and economically viable alternatives.

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