

Dan Quast -N- Medinah Country Club



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The MAGCS will hold its Midwest Turf Clinic on November 3 at Medinah Country Club. Dan Quast will be our host superintendent. Dan is responsible for all golf course maintenance at this historic 54-hole layout. Course #3, site of the "Last Major of the Millennium" in August, ranks 16 among the top 100 golf courses in the country.

Dan obtained his formal turf education at the University

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Medinah's beautiful trees frame Dan Quast.



Photo by Martin Miller

Course #3's 13th hole from yet another vantage point. If you watched the PGA Championship, you'll recognize this as the pivotal hole during Sunday's final round. Tiger Woods double-bogeyed 13 after watching Sergio Garcia birdie it, which made a horse race out of what had been a Woods romp. If the rough had been shaved close for the Championship as it appears in this picture, Tiger's ball probably would have rolled into the water and he may have lost the tournament.

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of Massachusetts and after a few golf course jobs out East, he emerged in the Midwest as superintendent at Milwaukee Country Club. In 1989, Medinah C.C. hired Dan as head superintendent. Dan's first challenge was to host the U.S. Open in 1990. Recently, in the 36th year of his career, he hosted the 1999 PGA Championship.

Dan and his lovely wife, Beverly, live in Bartlett, IL, where Dan is active on the board of his local church. His hobbies include working on the course and an occasional round of golf. He is a diehard Packers fan (bless his soul) and holds season tickets to two games each year at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

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Managing a high-profile course demands stress relief. Dan's method of choice currently is to tour the course with his golden retriever, Ginger.

In addition to extending Medinah's hospitality to the MAGCS, Dan is one of the featured speakers on a fine program. If you want to hear the inside story of the 1999 PGA Championship, please attend the Midwest Turf Clinic on November 3. Dan promises to give us his views on the Tournament. Don't miss what is sure to be a fascinating talk and a memorable day. See you at Medinah!



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