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## DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1 - MAGCS Scholarship Fundraiser at Geneva Golf Club, Ed Braunsky, CGCS host.

October 12 — Illinois PGA Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at the Glen Club in Glenview, IL.

October 17 — ITF Fall Golf Day and MAGCS College Team Championship at Silver Lake Country Club in Orland Park, IL, Dudley Smith host.

October 20 — MAGCS 75th Anniversary Gala Dinner Dance at Bryn Mawr Country Club, Brain Bossert, CGCS and Pam Bossert, hosts.

November 7 — 49th Annual MAGCS Turf Clinic and Annual Meeting at Medinah Country Club, Tom Lively, CGCS host.

November 4-16 — "Management Skills for the New or Prospective Manager" seminars. These are two-day seminars offered by SkillPath in the following locations: Arlington Heights, Chicago, Schaumburg, Naperville, Oak Brook and Oak Lawn. Call 1-800-873-7545 for details.

November 27-29 - North Central Turfgrass Exposition at Pheasant Run Resort.

Another fine Kane County Cougars outing was enjoyed by a capacity crowd on August 18, thanks mainly to Kevin and Cheryl DeRoo. Kid games and prizes were a big hit, and the game was truly a nail-biter, with the Cougars nosing it out through a one-hour rain delay by a margin of 1-0. Those who stuck it out were treated to an awesome fireworks display after

the game. Thanks to the DeRoos for their hard work, and to all who attended for another successful getaway from the same-old.

Congratulations to Scott Witte, CGCS of Cantigny Golf Club on becoming a certified golf course superintendent (thus the CGCS after his name).

Another MAGCS member is in the midst of a reconstruction project-Vince Dodge of Indian Lakes Resort is waist-deep in gassing and grassing. The front nine on the West course is being totally regrassed using Basamid on fair-

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Host Mike Figg and Purdue's Zach Reicher.

The August MAGCS monthly meeting was held at White Hawk Country Club with Mike Figg serving as our host. The trip to northwest Indiana was well worth it, as the course was in beautiful condition and those who attended were treated to some good ol' Hoosier hospitality. Education for the event was provided by Purdue University's Zach Reicher, who gave an infor-



Lynn Wesson, Fred Behnke, Mark Gilmour and Hans Hopphan enjoying their day.



Carl Hopphan and Marcia Trayes REALLY enjoying their day.

mative talk about the research projects going on at Purdue and fairway renovation. The results of the golf event were as follows: Closest to the pin on hole #7—Eli Witt. Closest to the pin on #3-John Coghill. Longest drive on #2-Paul Swenson. Longest drive on #1—Dave Groelle. Longest putt—Carl Hopphan. The blind draw winning teams were: 1st-Dan Tully and Fred Behnke with 134; 2nd-Brad Krolik and Dave Mayzel with 136; 3rd-Dave Groelle and Zach Reicher with 139; 4th-Lynn Wesson and Paul Carlson with 140; 5th-Chuck Anfield and Marlin McManus with 140; and 6th-Jim McNair and Tim Keating with 140. Congratulations to all the winners, and thank you from MAGCS to the folks at White Hawk for a great day.

ways (applied August 30) and methyl bromide on greens. Fairways will be regrassed with Princeville, and greens with Penn G-2. Vince is also rebuilding all the tees, doing some bunker work and having a new irrigation system installed, among other things like the daily maintenance of the rest of the property. Sounds like Gene Thompson got out of Dodge (no pun or innuendo intended) just in the nick of time . . . Good luck with the work, Vinnie.

The August issue of Chicagoland Golf had a very nice article by the true superintendent's friend, Phil Kosin, about turf conditions in our area as they relate to the heat and humidity of July and early August. We should be thankful to have friends like Phil associated with us—it wasn't that long ago when superintendents were very close-mouthed about any problems they were experiencing

(and any successes they were achieving), and golfers had no source of accurate information on the care of their courses. This type of press truly helps our profession and our customers to be better informed about the work we do and the challenges we face.

Also in the local press, a fine article in the September/October issue of Chicago District Golfer about Paul Voykin. Len Ziehm captured what most of us know already about Paul and his groundbreaking work at Briarwood Country Club, but it's still nice to know that people who use our courses are learning about it as well.

Dan Albaugh, CGCS has a new address. Dan is now at Pheasant Run Resort, where he will take the reins from retiring Peter Mirkes, Jr. Congratulations and best of luck to both of these fine gentlemen in their new environs.

As part of the Superintendent Leadership Series, the Northwestern Illinois GCSA and GCSAA present "Influencing On-The-Job Behavior." Funded by the Callaway Golf Grant for Professional Development, the seminar begins where "Managing On-The-Job Behavior" ends. Join instructor Gerry Sweda and your colleagues from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on October 25 at Forest Hills C.C. in Rockford (host MAGCS member Don Altman, CGCS). For more information, contact Robin Krupke at 815-232-3329.

Equipment wanted: Fox Valley Golf Club is looking for a used Jacobsen Greens King IV Diesel mower. Anyone interested in selling theirs can reach Dan Anderson, CGCS at 630-879-3332.

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