




# Timing is Everything

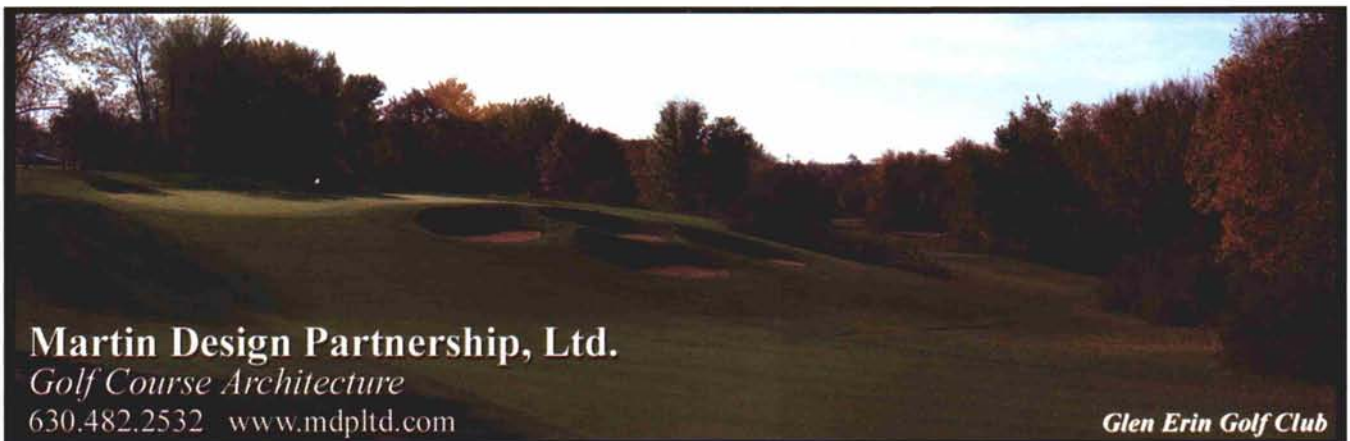
*Those who know me know that I usually speak my mind. I have learned to temper this somewhat in my days of rowing toward the other shore. Speaking your mind is not always viewed as politically correct these days, however it is a character trait that serves me well. In my opinion, stating views in a politically correct manner may lead to miscommunication. The point I make here is that while I am a member of the MAGCS Board, please feel free to tell me what you really think.*

As a newly elected Board member, I have been appointed to chair the Scholarship Committee. Timing is everything. My plan is to set into motion a series of changes in the MAGCS scholarship funding and selection criteria. If the funding goes as planned there will be two full-ride scholarships available for the start of the 2005 school year. Selection criteria will be as follows: successful recipients must be twin boys, will have worked on the grounds crew at Glen Flora Country Club and will call me dad. That's right, my twin sons, Phil and Pat, will be starting college in 2005. Too bad it's not that simple and I'm slightly less self-serving.

*March 31st  
is the deadline  
to apply for the  
2004 MAGCS  
scholarships.*

As I said before, timing is everything. Having procrastinated on my children's college savings plan, the opportunity to chair the Scholarship Committee has encouraged me to focus in the right direction. Although my children will not be eligible for the MAGCS scholarships, serving in this capacity is a learning experience. For those of you who have children or grandchildren preparing to attend college, the MAGCS offers three \$1,000 scholarships. All the information needed to submit an application for one of these scholarships is available on our Web site, [www.magcs.org](http://www.magcs.org), in the members' area, or by calling Luke Cella. If you have any questions or concerns during the application process, please contact me and I will help however I can. Please keep in mind that the deadline for submitting a completed application is March 31st. Several additional scholarships are offered through the GCSAA. Information on these scholarships can be found on the GCSAA Web site in the Career Center area or by calling Pam Smith, scholarship and programs manager, at 800-472-7878.

The MAGCS Scholarship Committee will be reviewing the application and selection criteria for the 2005 scholarships during the upcoming year. Any suggestions and input you can offer will be appreciated. Please take every opportunity to support our scholarship fundraising. Thank you. 



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