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Don't forget the Big Cheese of Wisconsin golf turf events—the 45th Annual Wisconsin Golf Turf Symposium—takes place at the American Club in Kohler this month on the 16th and 17th. Lots of good stuff up there, and a great location. Did you catch the pun there with the cheese thing?

Congrats to MAGCS members **Brad Legnaioli** of the Highlands of Elgin, **Curtis Tyrrell** of Medinah Country Club, and **Scott Witte** of Cantigny Golf Club on their recent recertification with GCSAA.

Ever wonder what happens when you slightly over-apply root stimulator to your turf? By slightly I'm talking like 100 times the normal concentration. Just ask **Bob Kohlstedt** of Fox Bend Golf Course...



What kinda cup cutter did he use to pull that sucker?

KemperSports has announced that the City Council of Highland Park, IL has chosen to extend its current agreement to manage Highland Park Country Club (**Daniel Cherrstrom, CGCS**).

Several MAGCS-member golf course architects have been keeping busy recently, bad economy or not:

On his golf blog, **Bob Lohmann** (Lohmann Golf Designs) relates details of his extensive work at Poplar Creek Country Club in Hoffman Estates (**Dustin Hugen** superintendent). Sitting in a flood plain and surrounded by development, the course is frequently rendered unplayable in many areas after rain events. With the help of the Bruce Company, Bob's plans call for a major redesign of the course, including lifting three fairways out of the flood plain while creating a giant system of ponds for increased and more flexible water retention. Along with this, the creek will be expanded in half a dozen different areas of the course, and connect to these ponds. With these new and improved features, rerouting of the layout in spots will create new risk-reward shot opportunities that weren't available before, along with a more attractive look thanks to the fescue-accented wildlife buffers along the new wetlands. There's much more on the plate for Bob and Poplar Creek, and it sounds as if the result will be outstanding.



Bob Lohmann

Greg Martin and his Martin Design Partnership are also kicking butt and taking names in our area. Greg is involved in several projects, including the current renovation work at Arrowhead Golf Club in Wheaton (**Mike Mumper** superintendent). The project is a three-phase renovation including bunkers, tees, fairway adjustments, tree removal and relocation, as well as the realignment of two holes on the East Course. At Fox Run Golf Links in Elk Grove Village (**Greg Thalmann, CGCS** superintendent), Martin will be providing a plan for infrastructure improvements and design facelift to the 40-year-old facility. This facelift will include drainage, irrigation, bunkers, tees, tree removals (a common theme around here, no?), and the redesign of two holes. Ground breaking is expected for 2011, and the project

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