

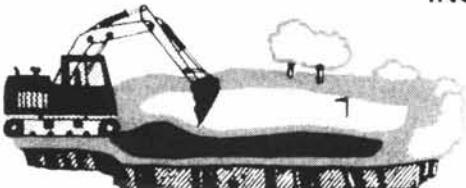
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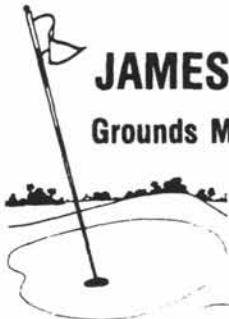
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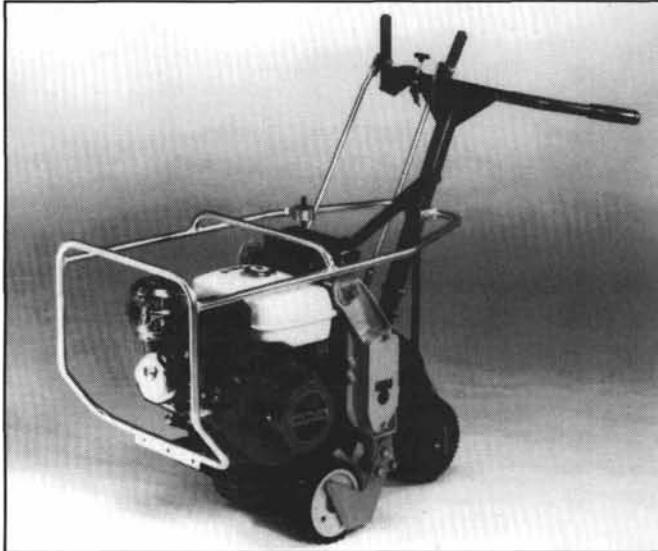


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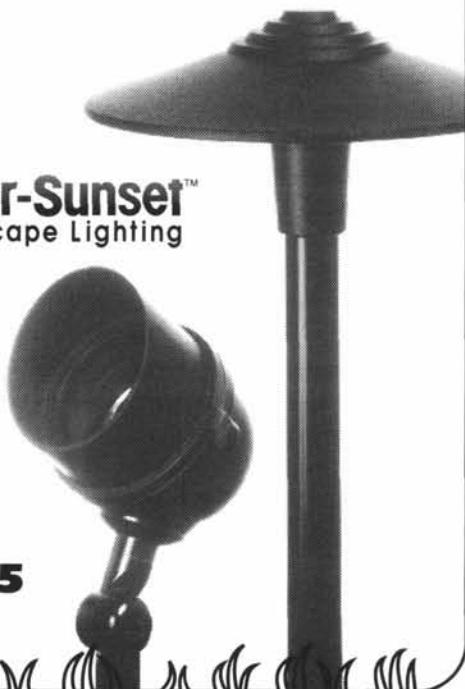
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December 2-3-4 — NCTE at Pheasant Run Resort

January 1992 — Arrowhead Golf Club

January 13-17 — OSU Short Course

January 16-18 — Mid-Am Trade Show/Hyatt Regency Chicago

January 20-22 — MRTF Conference & Show, Indianapolis Convention Center

January 20-22 — 62nd Annual Michigan Turfgrass Conference. Contact Mike Saffel, 517/353-9022.

February 10-17 — GCSAA Conference in New Orleans

April 1992 — Geneva Golf Club

June 22, 1992 — River Forest Golf Club

July 13, 1992 — Briar Ridge Golf Club

August 1992 — Mt. Prospect Golf Club

October 1992 — Settlers Hill Golf Club

James Burdett biography has been selected by MARQUIS "Who's Who in America" for their 23rd edition. Congratulations, Jim!

Robert Wilkins was honored by his club for his 38 years of service to Biltmore Country Club at the October meeting of the MAGCS which was hosted by Biltmore. Bob will be retiring to Arkansas where he is planning on building a new home. Good luck Bob and happy fishing.

Mike Bavier will have his passport stamped in the upcoming months. He went to Scotland in October and played some golf and in January he plans a trip to South Africa.

Lynn Wesson has a round trip airline ticket to New Orleans that he would like to sell to someone going to the convention. Price is \$182.00. Give Lynn a call at 815/786-8830.

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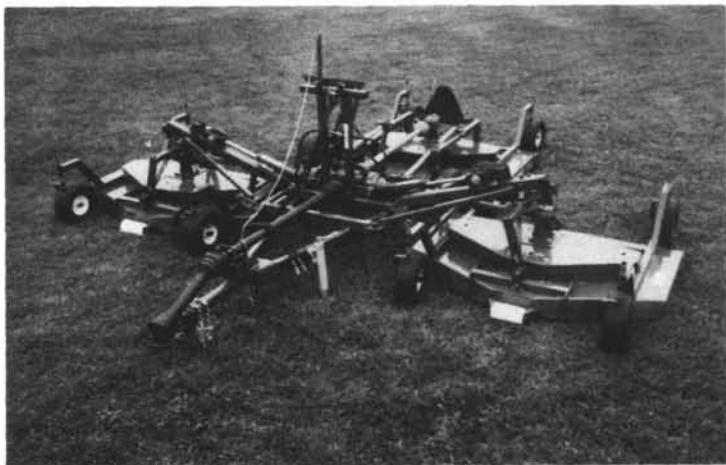
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Our lake is still under contract and monitored weekly, but I would say that our herbicide applications have decreased this year even during this hot, dry season. Our white amurs have grown from ten inch fingerlings to two pounds and our lake still is attacked by algae blooms. All in all the battle is still raging for control of our lake and it looks like we're winning this war.

Study Will Aid Environmental Researchers

A new study on pesticide and fertilizer use will help guide scientists reviewing the environmental impact of golf course management. The study, which documents chemicals typically used to control weeds, insects and diseases on America's courses, is being provided to the United States Golf Association's (USGA) Environmental Research Committee thanks to funding from the GCSAA Scholarship & Research, Inc., a non-profit science and education foundation.

"This survey and subsequent report continues GCSAA's commitment to working closely with the USGA in turfgrass and environmental research," said Stephen G. Cadenelli, CGCS, president of board of trustees of GCSAA Scholarship & Research. "The information from this report will assist researchers who are carrying out work funded by the USGA by providing them accurate data as to which materials are being used on America's courses."

Cadenelli added, "Obviously, we share the USGA's commitment to sound environmental management of our nation's golf courses and are pleased to assist them in any way possible.

William Roberts, CGCS, vice president of the board of trustees and a member of the USGA environmental committee, said that "it was critical to know exactly what chemicals we should be studying rather than just making assumptions. This report allows us to efficiently direct the researchers' efforts and to get the most from the investment USGA is making."

GCSAA Scholarship & Research commissioned the report from the Center For Golf Course Management, the marketing research division of GCSAA. The study, which is based on a nationwide survey of golf course superintendents, examines insecticide, fungicide, herbicide and fertilizer usage in terms of the type of golf course, region of the country, type of turfgrass, and exact products used. The USGA Environmental Research Committee will pass the information along to various independent researchers involved in pesticide and fertilizer fate studies at universities around the nation.

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The Location: Pheasant Run Resort and Convention Center, less than an hour from Chicago, will again host our program. Rates of \$78 for single or double occupancy rooms are offered to participants making their reservations by December 8, 1991. Lodging is the responsibility of the individual registrant.

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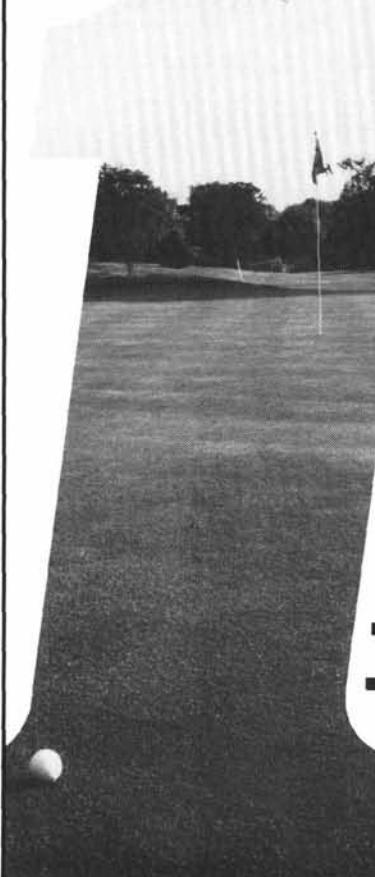
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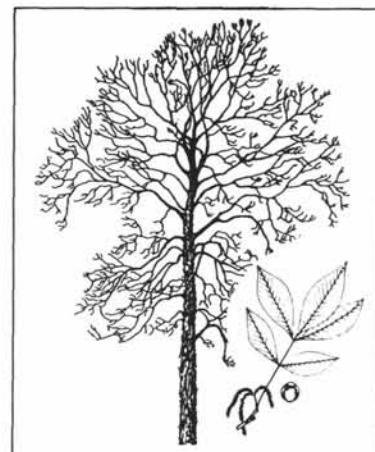
by Fred D. Opperman

This month's selection will be the Shagbark Hickory, *Carya ovata*. This tree has been around since before the first glacier swept into North America. This tree makes up about 15% of the oak-hickory forests of Illinois. It is one of our hardiest species and a valuable tree for its lumber. It is tough, hard and heavy, weighing about 50 pounds per cubic foot. The wood is used mostly for tool handles, furniture, gun stocks, and implements that require great strength. It is not usually used in construction because it tends to decay quickly if exposed to the elements.

Another major benefit of the hickory is its value to wildlife. Squirrels, wild turkeys and deer feed extensively on the nuts. These trees are tall, straight and long lived. They can grow to 300 years. Most will reach a height of 60 to 80 feet. The largest Shagbark Hickory in Illinois is in Clark County and it is 88 feet tall and a crown of 90 feet, with a circumference of 10 feet 3 1/2 inches. There are taller hickories, but none with the crown that the Clark County tree has.

Hickories are found on most golf courses if a oak-hickory forest once existed. This is a native tree that needs to be added to your tree inventory. They can be transplanted, if done so

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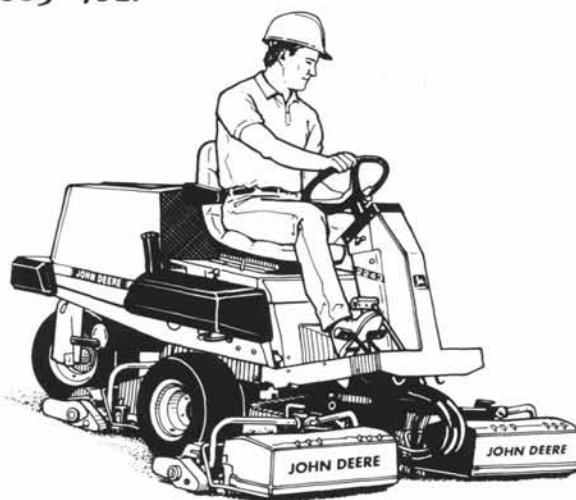
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1991 Gauley White Water Rafting Trip

by Pete Leuzinger
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Standing, left to right — John Lebedevs, Dave Ward (R), Marty (River Guide), Steve Crow, Trent Bradford (R), Renny Jacobson, Byron Wilkins (R), Mike Hessenius, John Gurke, Dave Blomquist, Tom Murphy, Al Fierst, Bruce Williams, Don Cross, Len Berg, Ken Kinka, Wally Fuchs (R), and Pete Leuzinger. Kneeling, left to right — Rick Uthe (R), Don Spier, Fred Opperman, Joel Purpur, Steve Stewart, Julius Albaugh and River Guide Al. (R=Rookie)

For several years now a group of golf course superintendents and friends have organized a trip to the Gauley River in West Virginia for the purpose of white water rafting. This year is no exception as 23 area nuts, wet heads, or white water freaks met this past September 22 and 23 for a two day trip down the famous Gauley River Gorge. The trip was not without its memorable moments. The Chamber of Commerce couldn't have ordered better weather the first day. The second day was cloudy and the only ones sweating it out were those who stayed glued to their seats. Those who were hooked by the white water action enjoyed all the surprises on the river. There was plenty of time for small talk in between rapids, especially for nervous rookies on the trip. It takes a while to learn how to handle one's self on the river. Everything from getting your wet suit on right side out to keeping in cadence with the other seven paddlers eventually gets worked out. No one can deny the rush of excitement we all got while flying through the air, hear the roar of the rapids, while the water rushes by you and/or over your head.

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Every year has its memorable moments. I know we will have our stories to tell. The excitement on the Gauley is next to none east of the Mississippi. Al Fierst, Bruce Williams, Joel Purpur, Fred Opperman, John Lebedevs, Don Spier, Walter Fuchs, Julius Albaugh, Steve Stewart, John Gurke, Dave Blomquist,

Peter F. Leuzinger, Ken Kinka, Steve Crow, Renny Jacobson, Trent Bradford, Dave Ward, Len Berg, Mike Hessenius, Don Cross, Rick Uthe, Tom Murphy, and Brian Wilkins all had a blast.

"In quest of too much fun" is the motto of Class VI, our rafting company. Our guides: Robin, Marty, and Al were happy to see us again. They had a great time too. We were all made to feel very welcome. For my money it is a great way to wind up a golf season.

Anyone interested in the trip can contact Joel Purpur, our group leader. The trip down there is about 550 miles from the center of Chicago. It is 27 miles and we do camp overnight on the banks of the Gauley. The guides are very professional. It's safety first, then fun and excitement. Did I mention that the food is great too? Come join us!

Addendum to Peter's report—by Fred "Pucker Butt" Opperman

As the senior member of the rafting trips, I feel it somewhat falls into my lap to also bring up the various "nick names" that have been tagged onto the guys that have made this adventure to the white waters of the Gauley River. Of course some of these names are only going to make sense to the participants. Joel "Shooter" Purpur, Dave "Missile Scientist" Blomquist, Wally "No Small Talk" Fuchs, Peter "ing" Leuzinger, Steve "Crocodile Dundee" Stewart, Lenny "Do the Lenny" Berg, Steve "Slinky" Crow, Bruce "BWB" Williams, Julius "Sleep Under the Stars" Albaugh, Don "Wave Eater" Cross, John "Wild Pants" Gurke, Dave "Gortex" Ward, and Al "Lead Foot" Fierst. I'd also like to mention the participants in the "Sitting Golden Shower Contest" and they were Joel Purpur, John Gurke, Dave Blomquist and the river guide Marty, who won it. Details of this contest really can't be discussed in this newsletter, but one of the requirements of this contest is to drink a lot of beer. Pete Leuzinger not only shot the rapids on the Gauley River, but also shot thru one of the New River — but without a raft. Pete was taking pictures of a rapid on the New River and decided to step a little closer for a better picture, the next thing, he was flying thru the air and rocks and water. He fell about 10 feet off the slippery rocks thru the falls and landed on the bottom in a puddle. Only thing hurt was his ego and some bruises on his butt.

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