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Gordon Held is looking for an assistant's position. Graduate of NC State University in turf, 7 years turf and horticulture experience. Please call 630-910-3426. (Editor has resume on file; if interested, please call and leave your fax number.)

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The April golf event will be a four-man scramble. Olds scramble format. Prizes for net and gross scores. The net score will be figured by points assigned for handicap ranges. Only two players per team may have negative

handicaps. Maximum handicap for a team is 12+ and the minimum is 0. Each player's drive must be used at least two times during the round.

Scott Speiden, superintendent of Itasca C.C., sent the following pictures of how he and his friends relax during the off-season. They have gone on a few upland game hunting trips and have been very successful, as the pictures can attest.



Sean Creed, Oak Brook G.C., with his retriever.



Scott Speiden and Jordan.



Gunther and Charlie Bruglar.

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from Greensmix. This helps us in storing the sand, but is very expensive. We have plans on purchasing the sand in bulk this season to save money. Remember, the following products are what have worked for us. I am sure there are other ways and products to use, but this is what has done well here at SGC.

First, we pretreat the seed using Germinex: 4 oz. by weight to 25 lbs. of seed. We do this in our cement mixer with a plastic bag tied over the opening (it is a little bit dusty). Mix this for at least 45 minutes. Dump out the treated seed, and set it aside for later. Then mix in the empty mixer: two 10 qt. buckets of green sand, 64 oz. of pretreated seed, 96

oz. of Sustane 5-2-4 fine fertilizer, and 128 oz. of Greenschoice soil Amendment. Mix this for 15 minutes, dump the mixture out, and start the process over.

Now for the program. We have the everpopular seed/soil bottles on every tee box. We have the buckets on all par 3s (thanks, Jim Burdett). Every morning, we have two employees on each nine holes set up the course. Part of their job is to repair and replace the divots. They take with them 2to 5-gallon buckets of the seed mix. They refill the bottles and then fill in the previous day's divots. We also have two bottles on each golf cart and tell the players to fill in their divots in the fairways. This has worked very well for us. In fact, we used almost 21 tons of the green sand last year.

The next level is to keep informing the golfers to replace their divots or to use the seed/sand mix. Education seems to be the key to really get this off the ground. In fact, last summer a golfer stopped me while he was on a tee and asked me why our ash trays were so hard to use. I asked him to explain this to me; and he said the bottles with sand in them have a curved top, and it was hard to get his cigar butt in them. Duh. It is time we explain what we want them to do.

I know that we all need to keep on our divot problems, but I thought I would share what we have done here and see if it can help you in your fight. Now I can tell Kevin that I am done, and he can stop bugging me.

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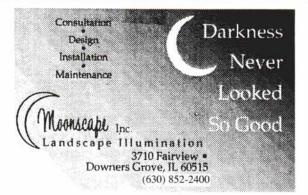


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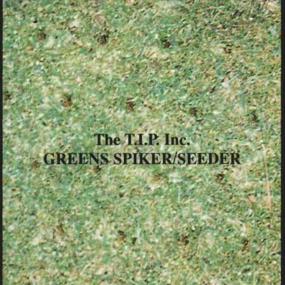




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great appreciation and satisfaction for developing crew members and speaks Spanish well as a second language.

Last year, Vince completed two new greens, and No. 18 was seeded with Princeville bentgrass. He also added and restored several traps along with constructing a netted practice facility. This was necessary due to the lack of space on the grounds. Vince plans on building many new tees this year along with more green reconstruction and starting a tree program.

None of Vince's accomplishments would mean much to him if he didn't have his lovely wife Jenny and 3-year-old daughter Kelsey to share them with. Vince's family is rounded out by three dogs: Frank, Pippen, and Tinker. Vince wouldn't tell me whether or not Tinker was the first geese-chasing Chihuahua in the Chicagoland area.

Vince would like to invite everyone to come to Nordic Hills for the March meeting and see the new digs.



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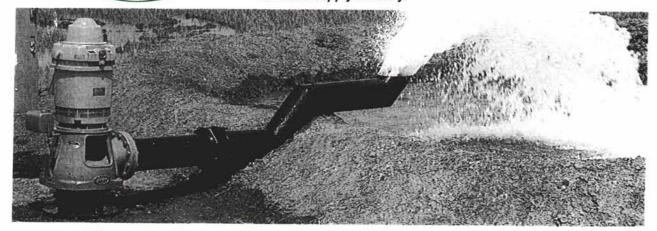
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