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 Place of birth: **Urbana, IL**
 Current residence: **Sycamore, IL**
 Spouse: **Michelle, 5 years**
 Children: **Drew—15 months**
 MAGCS member since: **1997**
 College/degree: **University of Illinois, B.S. in ornamental horticulture**
 My favorite childhood memory is: **A vacation to Moose Lake in northern Minnesota in 1978.**
 My personal heroes: **My parents, brother and wife.**
 My professional/personal mentors: **Randy Wahler, Mike Ellsworth**
 Favorite actor/actress: **Tom Hanks/Elizabeth Shue**
 Favorite musical performer: **Beatles, Neil Diamond—yes, I admit it.**
 Favorite restaurant: **Al Capone's Hideaway in St. Charles**
 Favorite "pigout" food: **Mashed potatoes**
 Favorite sports team: **St. Louis Cardinals/Illinois basketball**
 Favorite pro athlete: **Albert Pujols**
 Favorite pro golfer: **Fred Couples**
 My favorite place to play golf is: **Sycamore Golf Club—it's great for high handicappers.**
 My Handicap Index: **27**

My best/most memorable round ever: **At The General in Galena; it's a unique course and I lost 12 golf balls during the round.**

The most interesting/exotic place I've ever traveled: **Italy**

The book I've been recommending lately: ***Da Vinci Code***

The last great movie I saw (rental or theater) is:

Seabiscuit

Favorite TV show: **"CSI"(the original)**


Favorite color: **Green**

In my spare time, I enjoy: **Spending time with my family, jogging, history, sports.**

Three words that describe me: **Positive, dependable, happy**


What I enjoy most about my job: **Being outside and seeing people enjoy the product we work hard to provide.**

What I dislike about my job: **Dealing with negative people who can never be satisfied.**

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The following are highlights of the MAGCS Board of Directors meeting held Tuesday, March 2 at Bartlett Hills Golf Course. Full meeting minutes, once approved, are available upon request.

- The Board approved accounts payable for January in the amount of \$9,105.43 and February in the amount of \$17,166.92.
- With Board approval, the MAGCS will make several donations, including \$500 to Illinois Junior Golf Association (IJGA) and \$1,000 to the Musser Foundation.
- The Board voted in favor of MAGCS membership in C-Far, the Illinois Council on Food and Agriculture Research.
- The Board moved that executive director Luke Cella should work on creating a new membership card for Midwest members.
- The Board recapped the San Diego meeting and noted that the 294 votes in the MAGCS block, as well as other Illinois GCSA chapters that followed the Midwest's lead, were instrumental in electing Sean Hoolehan as the new GCSAA secretary/treasurer.
- Phil Zeinert's participation in the Chapter Leadership Workshop taking place March 23-24 at GCSAA headquarters in Lawrence, KS was confirmed.
- The Arrangements Committee reported that the Midwest's March 2005 meeting has been scheduled for Solider Field.
- Per Phil Zeinert, results from the last MAGCS member survey are presently being tabulated.
- Fred Behnke noted receipt of a letter from Mike O'Neil (Master of the Links) regarding a MAGCS Scholarship Fund donation in the name of Paul Burdett. A motion was made, seconded and passed that a \$1,000 scholarship bearing Paul's name be given for the next three years.
- The next Board meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20 at Bartlett Hills.



FROM THE GCSAA

Legacy Awards' Application Deadline Nears

April 15 is the deadline for children and grandchildren of GCSAA members to apply for the 2004 Legacy Awards.

The Legacy Awards competition offers educational aid to the children and grandchildren of GCSAA members. Syngenta Professional Products funds the \$1,500 awards, which are administered by The Environmental Institute for Golf (formerly The GCSAA Foundation).

Applications come under review by an independent committee consisting of six educators and/or college administrators. All decisions of the committee will be final. Applications should be postmarked by **April 15**. Applicants will be notified by mail of their status by June 15. Applicants will be evaluated based on academic achievement, extracurricu-

lar and community involvement, leadership and outside employment as well as their composition of an original essay, not exceeding 500 words and not previously submitted to GCSAA. Interested students should complete the application and must attach official transcripts from all high schools and colleges attended as well as a typed, original essay on one of the three following topics:

1. How have the events of 9-11 affected your life?
2. Who has been the most influential person in your life? Why?
3. How has your education contributed to who you are today?

Graduating high school seniors must also attach a college acceptance letter to their application.

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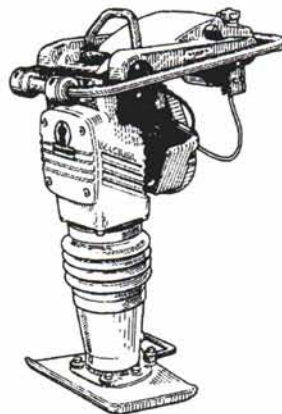


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