MANKATO C.C. HOSTS APRIL MEETING

By Irv Fuller, Jr., Host Superintendent

The Mankato Golf Club was established in 1919 with the construction of a 9-Hole golf course and a clubhouse. The major highlights of the Mankato Golf Club history include: 1) destruction of the clubhouse in 1929 by a tornado; 2) arrival of Irv Fuller, Sr. as greenskeeper in 1932; 3) rebuilding of the clubhouse after the tornado in the 1930's; 4) expansion to 18-Holes in 1951-52; 5) hosted the M.G.A. State Amateur Tournament in 1959; 6) hosted the State Open Tournament in 1965; 7) construction of a new clubhouse and subsequent demolition of the old one in 1971-73; 8) hosted the State P.G.A. Tournament in 1976; 9) hosts the annual Mankato Golf Club Loren Krugel Invitational Tournament in July of each year; 10) proposed host of the 1982 Minnesota Women's Golf Association State Amateur Tourn.

I arrived at Mankato Golf Club in June 1975 after a 17 year career in teaching. At the time my father was preparing to retire after 43 years of service at the Mankato Golf Club. In addition he was also very active in both the state and national associations. We currently maintain an 18-Hole golf course, a swimming pool, two tennis courts, two tree nurseries and two sod nurseries. We are currently undergoing a three year program of renovation on our greens and tees with guidelines being determined by the U.S.G.A. North Central Greens Section. Agronomist Pat O'Brien who works out of the Mid-Atlantic region visited our course in September 1980 to assist us in setting up this program.

Mankato Golf Club is located one mile north of the Mankato city limits on Highway 22 north. I would personally like to invite all members of the M.G.C.S.A. to visit our course on April 13 for the business meeting, lunch at $6.00 per person and golf. I would also be willing to discuss any portion of the U.S.G.A. program we are embarking on for any of you who might have an interest. A direction and location map is provided below:

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