By most reports, the summer of 1985 was a relatively pleasant season. Temperatures were not excessive, disease pressure was reasonable and moisture was adequate, with some notable exceptions, particularly southeastern Minnesota. The majority of us in the turf industry would certainly welcome a repeat performance in 1986.

With the fall season approaching, we are already losing our summer help. Aerification is completed or soon will be. It won't be long and we'll be up to our elbows in leaves. Many of us are embarking on projects of reconstruction or improvements deemed necessary through the course of the past season. This fall season can be equally as trying as the summer season.

An observation from the meeting at Island View in August... There are many members of our association who are new and not familiar to many of us "old timers". If all of us would take the time to introduce ourselves to someone we don't know each month, I'm sure it could be a valuable experience and mutually beneficial. You may learn something which you could apply to your operation or you may be able to teach someone else something. Take time to meet one or two unfamiliar members each month.

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