After another season of drought, pythium and then an unusually long fall the annual conference came and went. Many things were accomplished, not the least of which was seeing old friends and acquaintances. The annual conference was very successful not only because of an excellent slate of speakers and topics but because of the interest shown by the membership by being there. If you missed this year don’t disappoint your friends and miss next year. Remember the old saying, “Outa sight, outa mind”.

Back on November 2 we had what must be considered the finest weather for a monthly meeting at Burl Country Club. The weather reminded many of the British Isles but the golf was great along with the temperature. Thanks go to Tom Natzel and his crew at Burl and Long Lake Ford for hors d’oeuvres at Billy’s Lighthouse.

This is my first editorial for HOLE NOTES and please bear with me. I hope to add a few new features in future issues to retain your interest. The first new feature will be a column entitled “So, Who Cares”. It will be a question and answer thing dealing with up-coming problems and events.

I have no intention of harping at people for articles in the future. We can get articles from many sources but then HOLE NOTES no longer truly represents the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents. To take a saying from the computer business, “Garbage in, garbage out”. Try and help me make HOLE NOTES a true barometer of the professionalism that our membership possesses.

NEW MEMBERS: We are pleased to announce 10 new members who joined during the annual conference.

Patrick Jasper, Class A, Chippewa Falls, WI
Roger L. Hanson, Class BII, Austin Country Club
Jeffery Backstrom, Class C, Anoka AVTI
Scott Melby, Class C, Anoka AVTI
Mike Albus, Class D, Edinburgh USA
Todd Grimm, Class D, Fargo Country Club
Tom Dawson, Class F, Carlson Lake State
Linias Langer, Class F, Carlson Lake State
Brian Price, Class F, Carlson Lake State
Jerry Odash, Class F, Aeration Industries

To faithful old friends — to cherished new friends — to those whose friendship we hope to earn —

it is a pleasure to extend Best Wishes of the Season... may your New Year be one of Happiness and Prosperity...

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