EDINA TEAM AT JOHN DEERE SCRAMBLE—This fivesome, representing Edina Country Club at the national John Deere Scramble in LaQuinta, Calif., shot a very respectable 38-under-par 104 but finished 12th. From left they are Bill Johnson, superintendent; Marty Lass, head professional; Dale Miller, club manager; John Harris, green chairman, and Kelly Johnson, representing Polfus Implement, a John Deere distributor.

GREEN CLIPPINGS

An Edina Country Club team that shot a 38-under-par 104 finished 12th in the national John Deere Scramble Tournament held November 17-18 in LaQuinta, Calif.

Members of the five-man squad were Bill Johnson, course superintendent; John Harris, green committee chairman; Dale Miller, general manager; Marty Lass, club professional, and Kelly Johnson, Polfus Implement Co., a John Deere distributor.

Winning score among the 37 teams entered was a 51-under-par 91. Competition was held on the par 72 LaQuinta Hotel Dunes Course and the par 70 Mission Hills Resort Course.

Eight hundred sixty teams entered the competition nationally. The Edina group placed first in the Upper Midwest competition among 26 teams competing at Rum River Hills.

Edina Superintendent Johnson won the long drive contest with a 280-yard tee shot on the fifth hole. (See team photo on this page.)

A course on practical tree care based on a systems approach and designed to increase the knowledge, professionalism and integrity of any person who takes care of trees will be held from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Friday, January 25 in Ballroom B of the Minneapolis Convention Center.

Principal speaker will be Dr. Alex Shigo. His presentation on “Tree Care for the 21st Century” includes discussions on tree stress; myths about trees and tree care; new information on pruning, fertilizing and planning; common mistakes in planting trees; growing bigger vs growing stronger trees; the tree as an energy system; how trees maintain their systems; dose and timing; trees as living pumps and stories of new successes garnered from his travels around the world.

If a registration is postmarked before January 11, the cost of the seminar is $50, including lunch, or $35 without lunch. For more information call Tom Prosser, Al Olson, Sam Burris or Jeff Rick at Rainbow Treecare (612/933-8845).

Bob Mugaas, University of Minnesota, and Dr. Tom Watschke, Penn State University, were voted honorary members of the MGCSA at its Annual Meeting November 28 in Brooklyn Park.