The MGCSA Research Committee has completed a survey entitled “Winter Preparation.” Its purpose is to identify maintenance practices that are beneficial to turfgrass survival over winter. Those of you who complete this survey will be eligible for one of four $50 cash prizes. You should receive the survey in a separate mailing in May. Watch for it....

Congratulations to the following for joining the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA):

Gerald Dale, Class A, Coffee Mill Golf & Country Club, Wabasha; David Stromberg, student, Anoka, and Michael Nelson, student, St. Paul.....Be on the lookout for Lyme Disease. Spring and early summer is the peak period for disease incidents. Everyone is urged to check themselves, children and pets daily when they have been active outdoors. Studies have shown that as many as 65% of the cases had picked up the disease on their own lawn....

Scholarship applications are available from any board member. Chairman Rick Frederiksen says there will be $3,000 in scholarships awarded this year....

John Staver, Virginia, recently was transferred from the Sectional Affairs Committee of the United States Golf Association to the USGA’s Green Section Committee. He cited his interest in turfgrass management and research as his reasons for requesting the change....

William H. Bengseyfield, national director of the USGA Green Section since 1982, retired on March 31. His successor will be named in the near future....

The Minnesota Golf Association has moved into handsome, new, expanded quarters across the hall from its previous location. Room number now is 405. Paul Douglas, KARE-TV (Ch. 11) weatherman, will be the principal speaker at the May 15 meeting of the MGCSA at Oak Glen. Host superintendent is Pete Morgan. Host company is North Star Turf.

New Positions

Pat Walton, Superintendent, Deer Run, Victoria, to Superintendent, Rolling Green CC, Hamel.

John Katterheinrich, Lost Tree, North Palm Beach, Fla., to Superintendent, Interlachen Country Club, Edina.

Bill Larson, Superintendent, Hudson, Wis., to Superintendent, Town & Country, St. Paul.

Tim George, Superintendent, Headwaters GC, Park Rapids, to Superintendent, Deer Run, Victoria.

Greg Spencer, Assistant Superintendent to Superintendent, Brookview GC, Golden Valley.

Mark Fossum, Assistant Superintendent, Braemer GC, to Superintendent, Headwaters GC, Park Rapids.

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NOTE

If you've moved and we haven't heard about it, please send this information to Hole Notes, P.O. Box 617, Wayzata, Minn. 55391. Thank you.