Izaty’s Lodge provided us with a wonderful northern Minnesota outing. The weather was magnificent and my self-guided tour of the course revealed a very interesting layout. Steve Schumacher and his staff are to be commended on a superb job of upkeep on one of Minnesota’s premier resort courses. It was apparently so for Scott Weltzin, Pheasant Run Golf Club, as he aced the 16th hole (I think his ball hit a deerfly).

It has come to the attention of our directors, through Bob Mugaas, that his extension office may be eliminated due to budget cuts. As you know, Bob writes a monthly column for our Hole Notes, therefore providing a valuable service to our association and many other horticultural businesses in Minnesota. I urge you to take the time to write the extension committee chair and express your views on why this office should be preserved. The address is as follows:

Marvin Johnson  
Extension Committee Chair  
c/o Minnesota Extension Service  
Hennepin County  
701 Decatur Ave. N. #105  
Golden Valley, MN 55427-4346

It has come to my attention that a number of you have received blurred issues of Hole Notes. My apologies to those that have them. The MGCSA office has taken the necessary steps to rectify the situation by switching printers and a reduced payment to the previous printer.

Lastly, I encourage you to take the time to write an article concerning an experience that pertains to our industry. The MGCSA office has an excellent questionnaire that may be of great help in producing an article. If you are pressed for time, simply fill it out and the article will be edited for you. There are a number of outside resources that contribute to our publication regularly. I would like to see a number of member-generated articles to help round out Hole Notes. It’s your publication. Help us out. Please write.

— John Harris  
Editor