The 1995 MTGF Conference and Show held at the Minneapolis Convention Center December 6-8 made positive strides in its second year.

As newly-elected MGCSA President James Gardner, CGCS said, “It was an outstanding educational conference and the Trade Show looked like a Mini-National Conference.

Excellent attendance, a superb program and the pleasant atmosphere at the Convention Center added up to a successful conference.

A record number of 235 exhibitor booths was well-received. Next year the conference committee hopes to have 300 booths. This was the first year the exhibits were in the domed exhibit hall.

Breakdown of the members attending for the nine associations involved was:

- Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents’ Association (MGCSA), 460;
- Minnesota Park Superintendents’ Association (MPSA), 67;
- Minnesota Sports Turf Managers Association (MSTMA), 58;
- Minnesota Nursery & Landscape Association (MNLA), 32;
- Minnesota Society of Arboriculture (MSA), 28;
- Minnesota Association of School Maintenance Supervisors (MASMS), 15;
- Minnesota Turf Association (MTA), 8;
- Minnesota Association of Cemeteries (MAC), 4;
- Northern Minnesota Forage and Turf Seed Advisory Committee (NMFTSAC), 0.

In addition, there were 246 persons with no association affiliation at the show.

New MGCSA officers elected at the association’s annual meeting were:

- James Gardner, CGCS, Rochester Country Club, president;
- Fred Taylor, Mankato Golf Club, vice-president;
- Tom Johnson, New Richmond Golf Club, treasurer;
- John Granholt, Eau Claire Country Club, remains as secretary;
- Kevin Clunis, St. Croix National, outgoing president, remains on the board as an ex-officio member.

New directors elected were:

- Jeff Backstrom, Cannon Golf Club;
- Leif Erickson, O.M. Scotts Company;
- Robert Panuska, Wasena Lakeside Club;
- Tom Parent, River Oaks Municipal Golf Course;
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REPRESENTATIVES FROM PRECISION TURF greeted attendees at this year's MTGF Conference and Show at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

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