Grants Available For Hazard Abatement Projects

The Department of Labor and Industry is pleased to announce another funding round of its safety grants program under Minnesota Statutes, Section 79.253. Employers covered by workers' compensation insurance, including self-insured employers, are eligible to apply for matching grants to abate safety hazards in their workplace. The hazards must first be identified in a safety survey done by a qualified person and must have resulted in specifically recommended safety practices and/or equipment.

Grants up to $10,000 are available. The employer must provide at least $1 in project costs for every grant dollar awarded. The grants are designed to promote safety in the workplace, particularly those that are in high-risk industries. Qualified projects having the greatest impact and feasibility will be given priority.

Applications, program qualifications, and information are available from the department. Applications will be accepted from March 6, 1995 to December 31, 1995, or until the allocated funds are committed. They will be processed on a continuous basis. The department has allocated a total of $300,000 in grant awards for each quarter of 1995: March 1–June 30, 1995; July 1–September 30, 1995; and October 1–December 31, 1995. If the funds are expended for one quarter, applications will be held over for consideration the following quarter.

For further information or a grant application, please call James Collins, Workplace Safety Consultation, at 612-297-2393.

The Winning Team at the June meeting in Bemidji was Tom Little, Minnesota Golf Cars; Pat Sullivan, Bemidji T&CC; Scott Hoffman, Madden's on Gull, and Steve Shumansky, Perham-Lakeside. They were 17-under par in a Best 2-Ball Net mixer.