Exchanging Thoughts About
The Early Golf Season

Pictured from left to right at the April 16th MGCSA meeting at Bearpath Golf & Country Club are Brad Klein, Northern Turf Services; Tom Fischer, Edinburgh USA, and Ross Galarneault, executive director of the MGA.

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A case in point was the "Jacobsen bought Ransomes" rumor. Although true to a degree, it was a case where the facts should be heard from authorities before repeating them with their permission.

3) Forget some information as soon as you hear it. Sometimes what people hear is more than what they wanted to know. It's like hearing your parents talk about their sexual fantasies: You just wish the conversation would have never started.

4) Always be suspicious of the statement: "This is just a rumor, but..." If that's all the substantiation that a news source has, then it's best to tune it out. Similarly, it's just as bad to inform someone else of information that needs such a disclaimer. If it's just a rumor, then bury it.

5) Remember that if your talking about someone else, then there is probably someone talking about you. If you spread negative information about someone else, those negative vibes will return to you.

Having an ear to the ground and a sense of what is going on around us is good business sense. After all, it is said that knowledge is power. But, at the risk of endangering careers and reputations, let's all think twice before we attempt to share information that may be of suspicious origins or negative in nature. We know that the grapevine will continue to be a source of information, but hopefully one that is truthful and kind.