MGCSA Makes $7,000 Available For 1999-2000 Scholarships

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MGCSA Scholarship Committee Chair

The MGCSA Scholarship Committee has $5,000 available for Turf Student Scholarships and two $1,000 Legacy Scholarships for the 1999-2000 school year. Again this year the Trans-Mississippi Golf Association will be participating in the Turf Student Scholarships.

One Joseph S. Garske Legacy Scholarship of $1,250 is renewable for a second year if the recipient completes an application and meets minimum standards set by the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation (CSF) of America. Also available is one $1,250 Joseph S. Garske Legacy Scholarship to a new recipient.

Legacy Scholarship applicants have until June 1, 1999 to return completed applications to the MGCSA business office.

Turf Student Scholarships will be available to students completing the first year of a two-year turfgrass technical program or students completing the second year of a four-year or baccalaureate program with major emphasis in turf management. Candidates must be a resident of Minnesota or be employed by an MGCSA member. The MGCSA Scholarship Committee processes and determines recipients for the Turf Student Scholarships. Applicants have until July 1 to return completed applications to the MGCSA business office.

Legacy Scholarships are processed and determined by the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation (CSF) of America. In no instance will any member of the MGCSA play a part in the confidential selection process of Legacy awards. These scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors or graduates who plan to enroll or students already enrolled in a full-time undergraduate course of study in an accredited two-year or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school.

Recipients of the Garske award and at least one of the MGCSA awards must be children or grandchildren of Class AA, A, B, or C members (for at least three years) of the MGCSA. A child or grandchild who qualifies of Class D, Associate, or Affiliate members (for at least three years) of the MGCSA would also be eligible for the second MGCSA Legacy Scholarship.

MGCSA Legacy Awards are for one year only. However, students may reapply to the program each year they meet eligibility requirements. The Joseph S. Garske Scholarship in renewable for a second year if the recipient completes an application and meets minimum standards set by CSF.

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, potential to succeed, leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, a statement of education and career goals and an outside appraisal. Students are eligible to apply for both a Turf Student Scholarship and a Legacy Scholarship but will only be allowed to receive one.

Applications for each of the scholarships are available on request by contacting the MGCSA business office. A personal photograph will be requested of successful applicants to accompany article(s) published in Hole Notes. For more information contact Scott Turtinen, Executive Director, MGCSA, 240 Minnetonka Avenue So., PO. Box 617, Wayzata, MN 55391. Phone (612) 473-0557 or toll free at 1-800-642-7227.

Members of the Scholarship Committee are Jim Johnson, CGCS, Charlie Pooch, Jon Almquist, Dave Zimmer, Steve Garske, Dan Miller, Jeff Johnson, Larry Mueller, Jeff Churcill and Richard Grundstrom.

Trans-Mississippi Golf Association representatives are Tom Garrett and Hank Wilkinson.

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