MGCSA Announces 2001-2002 Student Scholarship Awards

Two students pursuing careers as golf course superintendents, one at Anoka-Hennepin Technical College and the other at Pennsylvania State University, have been awarded $2,500 MGCSA Scholarships for the 2001-2002 school year.

Jeff Weiss, 19, who is pursuing a two-year AAS degree at Anoka-Hennepin, was graduated last year from Sleepy Eye High School where he was a Gold Cord Recipient for completing four years of high school with a GPA higher than 92%. For three years he also was captain of his varsity golf team which won conference championships for three of the four years he was on the team.

He also was starting goalie on his high school's varsity hockey team in his senior year; was a member of the schools' concert, jazz and pep bands and was selected to the National Honor Society for which he organized a citywide aluminum can drive, collected food for the local food shelf and participated in a Big Brother/Big Sister program.

Weiss also worked in the grounds maintenance department of Sleepy Eye Golf Club, was a sales associate in the golf department of Sportmart and also worked in the maintenance department of The Ponds at St. Francis.

Eric Ritter, 21, a 1998 graduate of Cretin-Derham High School in St. Paul, expects to graduate next May from Pennsylvania State University where he is pursuing a four-year degree in turfgrass science.

In high school he was an honor student, a member of the junior varsity golf team and winner of a NRA distinguished expert badge and other awards for small bore rifle competitions.

At Penn State Ritter is a student of accounting, math and finance at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter.

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