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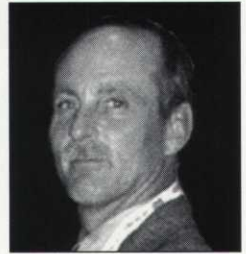
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Minnesota Green Expo Kicks Off The New Year In a Great Way

By Robert Panuska



The Minnesota Green Expo was a great way to kick off the new year by meeting old friends and making new contacts. Thank you and congratulations to James Bade, Barry Provo and the Conference and Education Committee for presenting an excellent educational program. Larry Vetter, MTGF executive director, and Bob Fitch, MNLA executive director, also deserve a pat on the back for a job well done with this year's Expo.

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I would like to thank the members of the MGCSA who attended our Annual Meeting held at the Green Expo. As I begin my term as your president, I thank you for the confidence you have placed in me. I will do my best to fill the shoes of this office. I am very fortunate to have a great group of professionals on our Board of Directors. These volunteers "make things happen" and are dedicated to serving you, the members of the MGCSA. I would also like to recognize Scott and Jeff Turtinen for the fine efforts they put forth on our behalf.

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In this issue of Hole Notes we have included a list of the committees and chairmen that we have in the MGCSA. We need your help and input on several of these committees. This is where the "rubber hits the road" as the old saying goes. I would strongly encourage you to become involved by volunteering to serve on a committee of interest to you. If you would like more information about what a particular committee does or would like to volunteer, please contact the chairman or me.

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Finally, I would like to recognize Rick Fredericksen, CGCS and thank him for his service to the MGCSA as president the past two years. Also thanks to Greg Hubbard, CGCS retiring Board member and immediate past president of the MTGF. Rick will continue to serve on the Board as ex-officio and Greg has volunteered to continue to serve as one of our MTGF Board representatives. Mike Brual and Joe Churchill also are retiring as Board members. Both were very productive Board members as Mike held the office of Treasurer and Joe was our affiliate representative. Both did a tremendous job. Thank you gentlemen!

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I look forward to seeing many of you in San Diego at the GCSAA conference and show.

Until next month,

Rob

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