

# James Bade Elected MGCSA President

## Brown, Hines, Meier, Proshek and Vinkemeier Join Board

James Bade, Superintendent at Somerset Country Club in Mendota Heights, is the new president of the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association.

Bade, who was vice-president the past two years and has served on the board for eight years, was elected at the Association's 78th Annual Business Meeting held on January 5, 2006 at the Minneapolis Convention Center during the Green Expo.

### New Officers

Rick Traver, CGCS, Monticello Country Club, Monticello, Vice-President; E. Paul Eckholm, CGCS, Heritage Links Golf Club, Lakeville, Treasurer, and Matt McKinnon, The Legacy Courses at Cragun's, Secretary.

### New Directors

New directors elected were Dan Brown, Par Aide Products Co., Lino Lakes; Scottie Hines, CGCS, Windsong Farm Golf Club, Independence; Tom Meier, LeSueur Country Club, Le Sueur; Tom Proshek, Brackett's Crossing Country Club, Lakeville, and Jeff Vinkemeier, Glencoe Country Club, Glencoe.

### Award Recipients

In 2005, we had 25 members of our association to honor for the dedication they have shown to the profession.

**45-Year Service Award** recipient: G.M. Jerry Murphy, CGCS;

**35-Year Service Award** recipients: George Jennrich, John Sniker and David Zimmer.

**30-Year Service Award** recipients: Randall Allen, Joseph Check, Thomas Fischer, CGCS, John Granholt, Scott Hoffmann, CGCS, and John Wiley.

**25-Year Service Award** recipients: Walt Braunig, Jr., Richard E. Carr, Timothy Commers, William S. Cox, Allan Fitz, Cary Femrite, John Ganske, James Gardner, CGCS, Michael Hoffman, Kurt Johnson, Tom McCann, Robert McKinney, CGCS, Marlin Murphy, Duane Slaughter, Richard Smith and Greg Spencer.

**Steve Garske**, Par Aide Products Co., received the 2005 MGCSA Distinguished Service Award.

**Bradley Pedersen**, University of Minnesota, received the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award.

**Michael Sonnek**, Spring Hill Golf Club, was the recipient of the 2005 Watson Award.



New MGCSA President James Bade, right, accepts the traditional President's Gavel from outgoing President Robert Panuska at the MGCSA Annual Meeting.

## MGCSA Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs

### Arrangements

Tom Proshek

### Awards & Recognition Banquet

Tom Proshek

### Bylaws & Historical

Tom Meier

### Conference & Education

Paul Diegnau, CGCS

Tom Proshek

### Editorial

Jack MacKenzie, CGCS

### Environmental

Scottie Hines, CGCS

### Fundraising

Dan Brown

Jeff Hartman

### Human Resources

Tom Meier

### Industrial Relations

Dan Brown

Jeff Hartman

### Legislative

E. Paul Eckholm, CGCS

### Membership

Jeff Vinkemeier

### MTGF

Jack MacKenzie, CGCS

Paul Diegnau, CGCS

### Public Relations

Jack MacKenzie, CGCS

### Research

Rick Traver, CGCS

### Scholarship

Eric Peters

Note: If you'd like to participate on a committee, contact a Chair or Co-Chair.