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Environment & Climate News published an article focused on scientific research showing that phosphorous fertilization reduced the amount of phosphorous run-off. The article (visit www.heartland.org/Article.cfm?artId=22224) cited research results that banning phosphorus in fertilizer does not reduce phosphorous runoff into water bodies. Lawns treated with phosphorus fertilizers produced less phosphorous runoff than those where no phosphorous was applied.

On average, runoff was 78% greater from unfertilized plots than from fertilized plots.

Please feel free to use these resources in your efforts to address restrictive local proposals.

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January 31 Was Special In Orlando, Florida...

One-hundred fifty two members of the MGCSA gathered at the Tommy Bahama Tropical Cafe in Orlando, Fla. for a hospitality night gathering. The event was sponsored by 22 MGCSA Affiliate members' companies.

...and in Minnesota, too

While MGCSA members were having fun in Orlando, Jessica and Ben Just were having a very special time in Minnesota. The Justs happily announce the birth of Hannah Just. She was born on January 31 (MGCSA Hospitality Night in Orlando) weighing 8 lbs., 4 oz. and 21" long. She pretty much eats and sleeps. Both Jessica and Hannah are doing great. Ben is Superintendent at Midland Hills Country Club in St. Paul.

Brian Brown Appointed To MGCSA Board

Brian Brown, Superintendent at Chisago Lakes Golf Club, graciously accepted the board position vacated by Paul Diegnau’s advancement to Vice President.