Forty players teed it up on an overcast day at New Prague Golf Club for the annual Assistants’ Spring Mixer on May 24. Considering this year’s golfing weather, it was a great day to play!

**Host Superintendent Jeff Pint** and his staff had the course in great shape. Special thanks to golf professional Kurt Ruehling and his staff for their help in making the Assistants’ Spring Mixer successful.

**Guest Speaker Kathy O’Brien, FICO,** gave valuable information to the assistants on their career advancement path. Kathy ran an interactive session with the attendees on a variety of topics relating to networking, resume writing and interview preparation. The assistants received some interesting things to think of.

**The winning team** of Arik Hemquist, Brackett’s Crossing CC; Joel Metz, Inver Wood GC; Jeremy Stafne, Turfwerks, and Sly Stocker, New Prague GC shot a 27-under-par score of 117.

In the midst of this wacky Spring, Hemquist is quietly having himself quite a year. His wife Randi gave birth to Stella Marie on March 4, (See photo on Page 18) and now he played part on another winning team at the Assistants’ Spring Mixer. Congratulations, Arik!

**Finishing in second place was the Glencoe CC team consisting of Jeff Vinkemeier, Gregg Urban, Nate Hahn and Manley Vinkemeier. They finished with a score of 120.**

Thanks to our 2011 sponsors we had six field events. The closest-to-the-pin winners were; Ben Walker, Somerset CC; Manley Vinkemeier, Glencoe CC; Nick Folk, The Minikahda Club, and Troy Tschida, Medina Golf & CC. Jim O’Neill, Cycle Works Golf Supply, sank the longest putt for the day. Eric Rasmussen, Southview CC hit the longest drive.

_Figure: Hemquist, Metz, Stafne and Stocker Win Spring Assistants’ Mixer at New Prague_