TO NON-MEMBERS OF THE MINNESOTA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS' ASSOCIATION AND/OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF A GOLF COURSE

Gentlemen:

The Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association is an organization of golf course superintendents organized for the purpose of advancing the art and science of golf course management, to collect and disseminate among member superintendents practical solutions to problems with a view to more efficient and economic maintenance and production of golf courses and to promote the welfare of the superintendent and the profession.

The MGCSA holds monthly meetings during the year where subjects of interest to superintendents are discussed. Distinguished speakers attend and talk to the superintendents on matters having to do with golf course management. Frequently they support their subject by slides or charts. The meetings are followed by a social hour and dinner. During the golfing season there is golf in the afternoon for the members.

The MGCSA also sponsors, in conjunction with the University of Minnesota, a Research Program. A date and location of one of the monthly meetings is set aside for a picnic where the ladies are invited and another date, a big event, is the Annual MGCSA Golf Tournament.

We also publish a monthly publication "Hole Notes." President Rich Rannells recommended, and the Board approved his recommendation, to mail a complimentary copy of "Hole Notes" for a few months to Non-Members and this issue is the first of such complimentary copies. We hope you will read and enjoy it. Please feel free to express any recommendation or opinion you might have of this publication.

We believe you could derive some benefits by being a member of our organization and that you could also add something to the group. Please give some consideration to becoming a member. We would be pleased to send you an application on request. Please address your request to George Ostler, Chairman Membership Committee, 1912 West Shryer Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55113 or to A. W. Wareham, 5600 Chowen Avenue, Edina, Minnesota 55410.

Sincerely,

Alfred W. Wareham
Editor

February 24, 1975
COMMITTEES

In a recent issue we carried the names of Committees and the Chairmen of these Committees as appointed by President Richard Rannells. We think it advisable to have the members of MGCSA know not only the names of the Committees and the Chairmen, but also the names of members of the Committee. So here they are:

Nominating Committee
Chairman, Russ Adams - John Fuller
By-Laws Committee
Chairman, Clem McCann - Tom Hopf
Finance Committee
Chairman, Keith Scott - Dean Sime
Membership Committee
Chairman, George Ostler - Dan Evavold
Editorial Committee
Chairman, Rich Rannells - Dean Sime, Keith Scott, Larry Vetter
Public Relations Committee
Chairman, Larry Vetter - Dick DeSplinter, John Nyland, Bill Johnson, Jon Heimsness
Arrangement Committee
Chairman, George Jennrich - Larry Mueller, Arnie Bodhaine, Dan Evavold, Dennis Hendrickson
Entertainment Committee
Chairman, Rich Rannells - Jim Wodash, George Jennrich, Roger Kisch, Carl Johnston, Tom Hopf
Tournament Committee
Chairman, Dick Ulrick - Ralph Kemna, Don Lindblad, Larry Mueller, Bill Johnson, John Fuller
Ecology & Research Committee
Chairman, Dean Sime - Jim Wodash, George Jennrich, Roger Kisch, Carl Johnston, Tom Hopf
O.S.H.A. Committee
Chairman, Clem McCann - Tom Hopf
Stillwater Committee
Chairman, Jerry Murphy - Dick Grundstrom
Annual Conference Committee
Combined Education, Arrangement and Entertainment Committees - Jerry Murphy
(76) Conference Committee
Chairman, Larry Vetter - Jerry Murphy

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COMMITTEES FOR 1976 GCSAA CONFERENCE
LARRY VETTER AND JERRY MURPHY CO-CHAIRMEN TO ORGANIZE COMMITTEES TO PREPARE FOR THE 1976 GCSAA CONFERENCE AND SHOW

1. 1976 Host Booth, New Orleans  
   Chairman - Jim Lindblad
2. Host Booth, Minneapolis 1976  
   Chairman - Dick DeSplinter
3. Reception and Housing  
   Chairman - Dick Ulrick
4. Monday Party  
   Chairman - Ralph Kemna
5. Educational and Physical Services  
   Chairman - Don Lindblad
6. Exhibit Service  
   Chairman - Larry Mueller
7. Golf Tournament  
   Chairman - Bill Johnson
8. Finance  
   Chairman - Keith Scott
9. Substitute Pool (Miscellaneous Help)  
   Chairman - John Fuller
10. Public Relations  
   Chairman - Milt Wiley, Russ Adams, Jon Heimsness
11. Ladies Program  
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MINNESOTA CLINICS SCHEDULED IN MARCH

Minnesota Toro has scheduled Turf-A-Rama Service Clinics to highlight Turf Service and Maintenance, at various locations in March as shown below. Turf Equipment and Irrigation Division personnel from the Toro Factory and the Minnesota Toro will present the clinics at the following times and locations:

8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

(1) Holiday Inn Tuesday, March 18th Eau Claire, Wisconsin
(2) Dunwoody Institute Thursday, March 20th Minneapolis, Minnesota
(3) Fargo Civic Auditorium Monday, March 24th Fargo, North Dakota
(4) Rochester Civic Auditorium Wednesday, March 26th Rochester, Minnesota

Lunch will be served

All types of turf equipment users are expected to be attending. A fine educational program will be available. Special emphasis will be placed on preventive maintenance for gang mowers, rotaries, triplexes and hydraulically driven equipment. An Irrigation Service and Maintenance Workshop is scheduled.

The Minnesota Toro Turf-A-Rama Clinics have been extremely well attended in the past and attendance is expected to reach 1000 at the four locations.

Please watch for your special invitation or contact Glenn Rasmussen at Minnesota Toro for details. Phone (612) 544-0111.

1974 MASTERS GOLF TOURNAMENT FILM

The Minnesota Toro, Inc. wishes to announce that they have, for public viewing, a recap of the complete 1974 Masters Golf Tournament. If your club or association is interested in scheduling this film for viewing during some function at the club or association meeting, contact Glenn Rasmussen at Minnesota Toro, Inc. Phone (612) 544-0111. Glenn says it is a beautifully prepared and action filled film of the Pros. Any golfer would be tremendously pleased with it.

IOWA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS' ASSOCIATION 41ST TURF GRASS CONFERENCE

An announcement regarding the Iowa Golf Course Superintendents' Association Turf Grass Conference has been received from President Mike Katres.

This is their 41st Conference and they promise it will be the best. The theme of this year's conference is "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." It will be held at the HILTON HOTEL, SIOUX CITY, IOWA, March 10-11-12. They have a very interesting, elaborate and educational program scheduled for the members and also a complete and fun program for your ladies. For further information, please contact Mike Katres, Green Valley & Floyd Park Golf Courses, Sioux City, Iowa 51106.
The answer is contained in the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as Amended. The Act is long and complicated and we recommend that if you are faced with the problem that you secure the opinion of an attorney. We believe that Sec. 13, Par. 3 of the Act is applicable to Golf Course Employees. You can secure a copy of the Act, which is published in U. S. Department of Labor Publication 1318 and there is another publication headed "Private Clubs and Fraternal Orders." This publication is identified as WH-Publication No. 1349. Both of these publications can be secured from the U. S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, Room 396 Federal Court Building, 110 South Fourth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401.

HEADED FOR NEW ORLEANS

There was a very excited and enthusiastic group of about 75 members of MGCSA and their wives and associates at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Sunday February 16, waiting to board Braniff Airline Flight 155 for New Orleans where they will attend the GCSAA Annual Conference and Show. This group is known as the "Gould Group" as all arrangements were handled by Gordon Miller of the R. L. Gould Company. This group will be joined in New Orleans by several other members of MGCSA and their wives. Nine or ten couples of those attending the GCSAA meeting will make a side trip to Biloxi, Mississippi. This was also arranged by Gordy. Good Luck and have Fun.

SUPERINTENDENT WANTED

The Owatonna Country Club, Owatonna, Minnesota has an opening for a Golf Course Superintendent. At present it is a 9-hold course but another 9 will be opened early this year. The Club prefers a person with some mechanical ability. Salary and fringe benefits are negotiable. Send resume with first application to Mr. Fred Heiseke, 129 E Broadway, Owatonna, Minnesota 55060. Phone (507) 451-1320.

JOB WANTED

A young man, Stephen Deuth, 214 SE 3rd Street, Renville, Minn. 56284, is seeking employment on the staff of a Golf Course Superintendent. Stephen has only limited experience but wants to follow a career in golf course maintenance and will attend Anoka Voc-Tech. starting in August of this year. He will study Landscaping and Turf Management. If you have the need for such a young man, please contact him.

MARCH MEETING

The March meeting is Monday, March 10. The meeting will be preceded by a tour of the Minnesota Toro Plant. (This should be very interesting). Members are requested to meet at the Ranch House, 7956 Lyndale Avenue South, which is across the street from the Toro Plant, at 3:30 p.m. We will leave the Ranch House for the Toro Plant at 3:45 and return to the Ranch House at 5 p.m. for a business meeting followed by a social hour and dinner.

The New Orleans visitors will be back and you should hear some reports on the 1975 meeting and also what is being planned for the 1976 meeting here in Minneapolis.

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PLEASE REMEMBER
If you have not yet paid your 1975 dues, please do so at once. They were due on January 2nd and we gave a 30 day grace period by not sending out bills until February 1st.
George Ostler is still looking for that information card from more than half of the membership. Please get it to him pronto.
STILLWATER COMMITTEE

Several months ago we received a call from Dr. Donald White of the University of Minnesota asking for assistance in securing a used but usable greensmower for the minimum security inmates at the Minnesota State Prison at Stillwater. These men have available between eight and nine acres of land on which they wish to build a golf course to be used by them as a part of an over-all recreation program. The information was passed on to the Officers of the MGCSA and a committee consisting of Jerry Murphy and Dick Grundstrom was appointed. These two gentlemen together with Larry Vetter made a trip to the Prison at Stillwater and visited with the Warden and others to obtain first hand information about the program. They were very impressed with what they learned and pledged to do all they could to assist in making the program a success. They have been able to secure a greensmower and some additional equipment. They also learned that this recreation program is a part of an over-all rehabilitative program. It is not restricted to various forms of recreation with a Country Club atmosphere and the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents’ Association is only one of many organizations involved. These men have paid or rather have about paid their debt to society and will be released from prison within a reasonable time after they have been classified as a minimum security inmate and this program is designed to help them prepare for their return to a normal happy life. Other organizations interested and active represent such things as tennis, skiing, other golf associations etc. Industry, Education, and Religion are still other activities that are interested.

Members of the Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents’ Association will receive more information direct from your Committee. If there is anything you can do to help in this program, please advise your Committee.

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PICTURES TAKEN AT JANUARY MEETING AT WOODHILL COUNTRY CLUB
PICTURES TAKEN AT AIRPORT AWAITING DEPARTURE TO NEW ORLEANS