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The rain that has plagued the summer golfing season this year in Minnesota would not even let up for the monthly meeting of M.G.C.S.A., held this month on August 20 at the Silver Springs Golf Club in Monticello. What started out to be an afternoon of golf in the great outdoors turned inside when the inclement weather hit to Joyner's Lanes where free bowling was available all afternoon. At the business meeting that followed Robert Kretchmer of the Lyngblomsten Care Center was voted into membership as a Class F Member and Dale Wysocki, Superintendent at the Dahlgreen Golf Club, was welcomed in as a BII Member. The roast beef dinner that evening was superb and was highlighted by all the fresh corn on the cob you could eat. Following the meal, A1 Joyner capped the day's activities by picking up the tab on a round of after dinner drinks. We would like to sincerely thank A1 Joyner, Peter Dane and Larry Rootes for hosting M.G.C.S.A. in such grand fashion and we guarantee the Executive Committee is already working on securing some gorgeous weather for the next time we meet at Silver Spings.

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SMUG. Russ Rose, left and Jerry Commers can't believe that it would dare rain on M.G.C.S.A.'s "parade".

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As in the past, due to the popularity of this event, it is necessary for reservations to be made early. Two shotguns will be held, the first at 8:00 a.m. and the second at 1:30 p.m. Each shotgun will be limited to 32 foursomes. Tee times for the 1:30 p.m. shotgun will be given on a first reservation returned basis and given to Class A and Class B superintendents first, unless otherwise indicated. Others will be placed in the 8:00 a.m. shotgun.

The cost of the event will be $25.00 per person which includes prizes and dinner. Carts will be available at a cost of $7.50 each.

Lunch will be available at the club. In an effort to aid the management at Edina Country Club, please indicate on the reservation form whether or not you plan on having lunch at the club. As usual beer and pop will be available on the course for the players.

Associate members are not allowed to bring guests. Only Class AA, Class A, Class B and Class F members are eligible to participate.

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**M.G.C.S.A. TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 17, 1979**

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Payment must accompany reservation. Make checks payable to M.G.C.S.A.. Singles making reservations will be paired to make foursomes. Cancellations made prior to September 10, 1979 will receive a full refund. Cancellations after September 10, 1979 will receive no refund. No reservations (except for dinner) will be taken after Sept. 10. Send reservations to: Dale Caldwell, Town and Country Club, 2279 Marshall Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota 55104.
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You may never have given a speech before, but if you do your homework and follow a few simple rules, your audience will never know the difference.

The first step is to learn as much as you can about your audience. What you say must be of interest to the people you address. The things you tell your local garden club may be of little interest to a commercial farmer. Retail merchants' interests are different from those of a mothers' club.

Nothing will make you lose your listeners faster than a speech aimed at the wrong audience or one full of misconceptions about the group you are addressing. A little advance questioning can arm you with a few key facts and issues of special interest. If you work these into the first part of your speech, the audience will be yours until you walk off the podium.

On the other hand, you are an expert in your business, not theirs, so don't overdo it. Your audience wants to hear a different point of view, not someone telling them how to run their business.

Next, you must decide how you can be helpful and interesting to your audience. Ask yourself why you have been invited to speak to this group of people. What can you tell them that they don't already know? What information about your subject can they put to use? If you can't contribute something useful, you might as well go home.

Make sure you have a clear purpose in addressing this group. What can you accomplish for your profession? Persuasion is one of the most important motives in public speaking.

Now that you have a goal in mind, start gathering facts. Make a list of all the facts, points, examples, quotations and statistics you can put together. Allow yourself enough time to research, write and edit your speech. Don't get off your subject and don't try to cover too much ground in one talk. Keep a notebook or file for your excess material so you can use it another time.

Make sure all your data are correct and up to date. If you talk about legislation and regulations, check for recent changes. You must speak with certainty and authority if you are to be convincing. If you have doubts about some of your information, don't use it. In-
correct information can do more harm than good. After you have gathered all the information you need, it's time to start writing. If you are not an experienced writer, it might be best to write the entire speech out word for word. Start by arranging all of your various points in logical order. As you shuffle them around, one will seem to naturally follow another. If the order seems logical to you, then it will seem logical when you deliver it. Remember that every member of your audience is an individual. When you are writing your speech, pretend that you are talking to just one of those individuals.

Next, read your speech through several times. If you have a tape recorder, read the speech into it and then play it back to see what further changes you want to make. Be picky. Cut out dull or superfluous remarks. Use only a few adjectives. Tone down exaggerations. Use short, simple words and sentences. Do not use slang. If you are not sure about grammar, look it up or go to someone who does know and ask for help.

Time your speech. Make sure it is under your allotted time. If you are to speak for 30 minutes, make sure you do it in 25. No matter how good, informative or entertaining you are, your audience will love you more for finishing earlier than they had expected.

Finally, have your speech typed so it is easy to read without losing your place. As you look back, you will find you have invested a good amount of time and effort on this speech, but you can get a lot more mileage out of it in the future by updating and modifying it for other assignments. Don't think you won't get those assignments. Good speakers are always in demand and as an expert on the subject, you are the man people want to hear.

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GREEN CLIPPINGS

CLIP 1: Congratulations are in order for M.G.C.S.A.'s Dan Hanson of the Minikahda Club. Dan was recently awarded a plaque by G.C.S.A.A. for successfully completing all the requirements necessary to become a Certified Golf Course Superintendent (C.G.C.S.). A great deal of time and effort is spent in completing the stringent requirements and it is truly an honor to complete this difficult task. Dan deserves the honor as he is a fine young superintendent with a great future ahead of him.

CLIP 2: HOLE NOTES is saddened to pass on the announcement of the death of Roy Egeberg, owner of Egeberg's Harley Davidson. Egeberg's is a valued member of M.G.C.S.A. and we express our deepest sympathy to the Egeberg family during this time of sorrow.

CLIP 3: Seventy-five percent of the speakers are confirmed for G.C.S.A.A.'s 1980 Conference and Show in St. Louis, Missouri. The topics for the educational sessions have been finalized and center around the theme, "Conservation: Our Key to the Future".

CLIP 4: "Water, Water Everywhere" seemed to be the August theme song for four M.G.C.S.A. members who had major state events either delayed, shortened or cancelled due to our excessive summer rains. Jim Nicol at Coon Rapids, John Steiner at White Bear, Kurt Erdmann at Rochester and Gerry Bibbey at Keller have all now received their experts rating in hydrology.
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JIM BARTELS is the only golf course superintendent the Eastwood Golf Club in Rochester has ever known. Jim is now in his thirteenth year at this fine municipal course and is still learning interesting characteristics of the land on which his course was built including the surfacing of several huge, troublesome boulders. A member of M.G.C.S.A. since 1971, Jim also worked for five years at Soldiers' Field Golf Course in Rochester. Jim and his wife, Susie, have two children, Lisa, 11 years and James, 9 years. One of the family's favorite pastimes is rifle shooting. Susie was a top ranked marks- woman in college and she now uses that talent to hunt with Jim and also to keep him in line.

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