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dence in any statement we make to Mr. and Mrs. Golfer or anyone else.

In addition to information gathering, a manual will be developed by USGA and GCSAA staffs to provide consistent information on integrated turfgrass management practices that ensure environmental quality, to be updated as field-tested research results become available. The program is not meant to cast doubt on recent research efforts, but rather to expand the scope of research and involve all areas of the country.

Meantime, how are we to cope with accumulated grass clippings, tree trimmings and the like? Will manure spreaders (for clipping dispersal in roughs) become standard equipment on golf courses?

Now that mudholes and swamps have been upgraded to protected wetlands, what shall we call the mosquitos?

We will need more and more information to stay current with questions already asked and those which are to come. It comes from research programs on state, regional and national levels which must be supported by all individuals in golf as well as organizations.

Local-level research is necessary to help us cope with problems unique to specific areas as well as those which can be useful to a general audience. These programs need and deserve the support of golf and golf course superintendents' associations within their sphere of influence. National level funding is more difficult, since we expect some sugar daddy to kick in enough for all of us. Perhaps this is the time for everyone to become involved on a more personal basis.

The USGA Associates Program is a way to support this research as well as other programs benefiting golf. Membership is affordable to anyone, beginning at only $25. The Associates are for everyone in golf, superintendents, agronomists, sales people and researchers as well as golfers. After all, our livelihood depends on the viability of golf as an industry. The alternative is akin to those "good ole days" of weed pickers in bib overalls or something equally depressing.

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Lilacs Have Some Problems
By Cynthia Ash
Assistant Extension Plant Pathologist
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Bacterial blight hit lilacs, especially white-flowered varieties,
this spring with the cool wet conditions in May and could con-
tinue to spread under similar conditions. The blight resembles
fireblight. Young succulent leaves and stems turn black and
shrivel. Young shoots may be marked by a black strip or
cankered (dead) areas.

Destroy diseased shoots by pruning with sterilized shears.
Shears can be sterilized by dipping them for two seconds in
a 10% bleach solution (nine parts water to one part household
bleach) between cuts. Application of a copper fungicide as soon
as the disease is detected has been found helpful. Copper fun-
gicides can cause some leaf burn under certain conditions.
Check the label for precautions. Avoid excessive fertilizer ap-
lication including manure, and water only at the base of the
plant. Thin older bushes to increase air circulation.

Powdery mildew is a common fungal disease on many plants
including lilacs. A white to gray powdery fungal growth can
be seen on the surface and/or bottom of the leaf. The disease
seldom causes severe damage and can be kept at a minimum
with pruning, and watering only at the base. During seasons
when rainfall is plentiful and the humidity remains high, mil-
dew will be more abundant and a fungicide such as sulfur or
benomyl (Benlate) could be used to prevent new infections.

New Publication
“Planting and Transplanting Trees and
Shrubs” (AG-FO-3825) is a new publica-
tion which replaces Planting Landscape
Trees (AG-FO-0692). This publication
should be available from the Minnesota
Extension Service’s Distribution Center
or your local county extension office.

Verticillium Wilt Linked
To Shade Trees Death
By Cynthia Ash
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Verticillium wilt is a fungal disease which interferes with the
water conducting system in many shade trees including ash,
maple, catalpa, cherry lilac and Russian olive.

The fungus is present in the soil and enters the plant through
roots. Verticillium wilt has acute and chronic phases. Acute sym-
ptoms include curling, dying, or abnormal red or yellow color
leaf color, defoliation, wilting, dieback and sudden death of indi-
vidual branches or entire trees. Trees or portions of trees may
display these symptoms one year and appear healthy the next.

Chronic symptoms which may appear on certain limbs or
the entire tree and include slow growth, sparse foliage, stunt-
ed leaves and twigs, leaf scorch, abnormally heavy seed crops
and dieback.

The presence of the fungus in the xylem (water conducting
tissues) results in a greenish to gray-brown discoloration of the
xylem. This streaking may appear in the part of the tree dis-
playing the acute or chronic symptoms but is more likely to
be found farther down the tree in the trunk or larger limbs which
support the symptomatic branches.

The severity of the infection is increased by adverse environ-
mental conditions including water stress, high salt levels in the
soil, transplant stress, poor soils and nutrient deficiencies. Care
should be taken to alleviate or prevent these conditions. Trees
resistant or immune to verticillium wilt should be used to replace
trees lost to disease. Examples include gingko, juniper, larch,
pine, spruce, apple, crabapple, mountain ash, birch, hackberry,
hawthorn, linden, honeylocust, oak and poplar.

More information is available in a Minnesota Extension Serv-
ice fact sheet, AG-FS-1164 entitled, Verticillium Wilt of Trees and
Shrubs.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT
NEW MEMBERS—MAY 4, 1990
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Greg Hubbard, Membership Chairman
Dale Wysocki's Camera at Stone Brooke

Stone Brooke's Clubhouse.

SWINGING AWAY is Charlie Pooch, University of Minnesota Golf Club. Watching is Sean McDonagh, Roseville Golf Course.

CHATTING are, from left, Chris Hague CGCS, Hazeltine; Randy Nelson CGCS, Owatonna Country Club, and Paul Mayes, Brackett's Crossing.

COMPARING SCORECARDS are Jim Lindblad, left, Wayzata Country Club, and Alex Soggs.

POWERING ONE off the tee is Duane Slaughter of the host Stone Brooke Club.

DEEP IN DISCUSSION are, from left, Doug Mahal CGCS, Minikahda Club; Bob Adams, New Prague, and Larry Thornton, Brayton Chemical.
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Kevin Huseth captained the winning team in the fourth annual MGCSA Turf Tourney conducted at 18 golf courses in the Twin Cities metropolitan area on June 15. Huseth and his foursome of Bill Laooo, Rich Rossini and Mike Esch posted 99 points at Dellwood Hills to capture top honors. Each player was awarded $100 in prizes.

Tied for second with 95 points were teams captained by Steve Garske and Bill Preibe. Garske played with Bob Gerding, Curtis Cargill and Bob Kroiss at Oak Ridge Country Club, where the banquet and award ceremony was held. Each player received $75 in prizes.

Preibe led the team of Paul Thompson, Mike Duffey and Jim Beyl at North Oaks Country Club. They received $70 apiece, with that tie and all others being settled with a scorecard playoff.

"The tournament had 33 teams and netted approximately $5,300 in proceeds," said chairman Tom Fischer, superintendent at Edinburgh USA and vice-president of the MGCSA.

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