## **EDITORIAL**

The snow is melting, the floods are starting to recede, and the grass is beginning to green. Can golf be far away? Your Golf Committee hopes not, we are hoping for a great year with the first outing planned for May.

The rules will be the same as in the past, showing of your Membership card when signing up being the prerequisite to playing. Club Officials are always welcome as guests, but please call the Golf Committee or the Host Superintendent so arrangements can be made.

One thing that we are doing right now is trying to work with the CDGA on getting our Member Superintendents a CDGA Handicap. I know here at Butler I don't have a handicap and I feel many of our members would like to have one. We hope to have all the details worked out in time for the golfing season.

If anyone has any suggestions on the type of events we should have, or any other suggestions, please feel free to contact me or Pete Leuzinger. I hope that everyone has a great upcoming season.

**Ed Fischer** 

## DID YOU KNOW?

Grass seed is dormant for 3 or 4 months after harvesting. Winter's cold temperatures rearranges chemicals in the seed so it will germinate at the right time the following spring. It's nature's way for protecting the seed for perpetuation of our grasses.

Oregon grown grass seed has 7 percent more pure, live seed than those grown in any other climate.

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Grass seed will germinate much better with warm days and cool nights and when the temperature variation is from 85 degrees F. down to 55 degrees F.

More water is not necessarily a cure for brown grass. If lawn grass is ailing from disease, additional humidity may actually aggravate the sickened turf.

Because grass flowers are wind pollinated, they have no need for bright colors, fragrance or honey to attract bees or other insects.

Just a reminder that our flowable thiram, Spotrete F, is available for application on **this** season. Spotrete F is used for control of Dollar Spot, Brown Patch, Pink and Gray Snow Mold. This product is available from your local turf distributor in cases, 4 x 1 gallon and 2 x 2 ½ gallons.

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