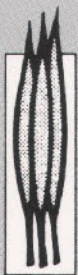




# NOER CENTER NEWS



## O.J. NOER CENTER for TURFGRASS RESEARCH Honor Roll

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Kohler Company  
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As we approach the halfway point in the fundraising period for the NOER

CENTER, I find it incredible that there are only 17 golf courses represented in this list of donors: 17 out of over 400 golf courses in the state. More obvious than the generosity of the golf courses listed is the absence of nearly all of the state's largest, wealthiest and most prosperous clubs. Many individual WGCSA members — Wayne Otto and Randy Witt are the latest — have given. Manufacturing and distribution have done an excellent job although there are some notable absences here, too. So where are these golf clubs? We know they have the financial wherewithal to participate. And I'm willing to bet none would look me in the eye and declare, "We are against research and education."

Where are they? I hope we find them in the last half of the pledging program. There's no reason we shouldn't.

## Jacobsen Donates to NOER CENTER

The Jacobsen Division of Textron, Inc. from Racine gave evidence of their commitment to turfgrass research in Wisconsin when they contributed \$1000 to the O.J. NOER CENTER for TURFGRASS RESEARCH in December.

In a letter to the University of Wisconsin Foundation, Jacobsen Vice-President Ned Brinkman said, "We wish you continued success in your drive toward improving turfgrass research in Wisconsin."

Jacobsen has been manufacturing turfgrass maintenance equipment in Racine since. Thanks to Ned and all of our friends in that company.

## Kettle Moraine, Nakoma Lead Latest Golf Course Donations To The NOER CENTER

Dewey Laak, owner of the Kettle Moraine Golf Club in Dousman, and Randy Smith, golf course superintendent at the Nakoma Golf Club in Madison, are among the latest WGCSA members to pledge to the research center project for the University of Wisconsin.

Each club pledged at the Medalist level.

Both men have long been active in the WGCSA. Laak is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Turfgrass Association.