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staff was gathered for the news of the new building, the meeting had to be held elsewhere. There isn't enough room at our present headquarters to gather troops. We have an excellent staff that deserves the working environment that the new facility will provide.

The timetable is as such. Bid documents have been prepared for approval at the October board of directors' meeting. Bid openings are expected in December to select a general contractor. Construction is to start in

January of 1990, weather permitting. A June 1991 move-in date is projected.

How much you ask? The project has a four million dollar budget-building, land, furnishing, systems inclusive.

Our current building has been appraised at \$800,000. This building was originally purchased for \$125,000 and is free of mortgage and debt. The board of directors has authorized using one million of the three million that our treasury has in hand. The remaining 2.2 million will be financed through industrial revenue bonds. There are

numerous benefits of this financing not to mention a 50% tax abatement from the City of Lawrence. This abatement has an estimated value of \$900,000 over the next ten years.

John Schilling, GCSAA executive director, has projected that this debt load can be handled at our present organization size and zero growth. I'm sure that we all agree that GCSAA is not through growing — upward and onward and build for the future.

THE WGCSA AUTUMN EXTRAVAGANZA: ANOTHER YEAR, ANOTHER SUCCESS

By Rod Johnson

The sixth annual WGCSA Autumn Extravaganza was held October 20th and 21st in "Beautiful" Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Barefoot Bay Resort and Quit Qui Oc Golf Club proved to be the type of hosts that an event organizer dreams about. It couldn't have been better.

The 30-plus couples in attendance learned why I refer to it as "Beautiful" Elkhart Lake. The scenery of the area is only matched by the friendly hospitality of the people. Quite plainly, the locals know how to have fun and know how to make a group like ours have a memorable weekend.

Barefoot Bay Resort proved a varied setting from previous years' sites. By summer this resort is a busy, bustling place. By late fall it provided a quiet exclusive retreat for WGCSA. Lee Richards, resort manager, handled our group with the personal attention nor-



Someone dropped a nickel!

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"Mark, if you step on my toes one more time I'm leaving!"



Hop-hop-hop



mally thought reserved for Porsche driving groups. A true measure of the attention that our group received was the quality of Saturday evening's dinner.

Quit Qui Oc Golf Course provided an outstanding location for the Couples Golf Event. We've played more famous courses in the past, but none that will provide more memories. WGCSA member and QQO owner/operator, Tom Wiege, greeted us in the parking lot with a hospitality not often extended to a group of duffing couples.

The 60 acres known as the front nine was beautifully prepared by Jim and

Fuzzy. Neither one will own up to the hole locations. The dreaded "shotgun start" format was utilized to whisk our group around in near record time.

Twenty-five teams entered this everpopular event where a game similar to golf is played. Mark and Karen Kienert emerged victorious claiming the title of "Mr. and Mrs. Moe 1989". In accepting the highly coveted traveling trophy, Karen thanked Mark claiming she couldn't have done it without him.

Following Saturday evening's excellent dinner, the group "One Way Up" provided the music for everyone's listening and dancing pleasure. Our dancing took on a special quality, not that of American Bandstand, but a special quality nonetheless. A great time was had by all with no serious injuries to report.

The social committee met immediately following this year's event and voted unanimously that this year's General Foods Tangless Award be given to Brian Schmidt. How did you like dinner and the dance Brian?

This year's event will be a hard act to follow, but be assured we will try. With the many friendships that have been struck up over the last six years. the continued success is guaranteed.



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"If you poke me with that pin, I'll tear your



Mr. and Mrs. Moe 1989



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Roy and Geri Zehren - hospitality hosts



"Now you see why I left Wisconsin."