

# Turf Students Spend Week in Racine at Jacobsen School; WGCSA Members Serve as 'Faculty'

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More than 30 undergrad turf students spent a week in May at Jacobsen headquarters in Racine for the 30th annual Future Turf Managers Seminar. The students came from all over the U.S.; Canada, Australia and New Zealand were are represented.

Members of the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents were involved in the seminar. Ric Lange conducted a tour of Meadowbrook CC, which was followed by a tour of Racine CC, led by Mike Handrich. Scott Bartosh of Kenosha CC was part of the group and answered student questions about golf course management in Wisconsin.

As in all previous years, students were given an extensive tour of the Racine manufacturing facility, afterwards, they had a chance to operate the line of Jacobsen equipment.

Other WGCSA members served on the Jake faculty. Larry Lennert of Milorganite gave a lecture entitled 'What Did They Teach You at Turf School?' Danny Quast spoke about golf course budgets and Bob Vavrek discussed environmental issues

facing golf course superintendents today.

On a personal note, this reporter was a student in the first Jacobsen school for turfgrass science majors in 1968. It was a thrill to see the Triplex greensking prototype and actually use one of the three in the country! 🏌️



Part of the Jake school program is operating equipment at Meadowbrook.



UW-Madison student turf student Dave Rappold is on the far left of the fourth row. He works at the new Whistling Straits golf course.

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