

# Textron Turf Student Seminar Had a Distinctive Wisconsin Flavor

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The 2000 Textron Golf & Turf (some of us still call them Jacobsen!) future turf managers seminar - the 29th annual event - was held in Racine during the second week of July. Nearly 30 turf students from all over the U.S. and Canada were at the plant for five days, learning about Jake, hearing how to prepare for major tournaments, talking about resort golf and considering problems like labor and the environment.

Panelists of golf course superintendents handled some of the educational duties, and many were WGCSA members - Mike Lee, Mike Handrich, Danny Quast, Scott Bartosh and Bob Vavrek. The pictures tell more of the story.

Speaking of the Jacobsen Turf Student Seminars, they are looking for alums of this program - there are 900 of us out there. A reunion reception is planned for the GCSAA Conference in Dallas in February. If you are one of these alums or if you know someone who is, contact Diane Ellsworth, events coordinator for Textron, at [dellsworth@ttcsp.textron.com](mailto:dellsworth@ttcsp.textron.com). They want to get as many as possible to the reception. 🌱



Scott Bartosh, superintendent a Kenosha Country Club, Kenosha, discusses the early May rains that swept through the Donald Ross designed course to participants in the Future Turf Managers Seminar, sponsored by Textron Golf & Turf, Racine.



During a panel discussion at the Future Turf Managers Seminar, sponsored by Textron Golf & Turf, Racine, superintendents answer questions of college students from across the nation. Panel participants include: Michael Lee, manager golf maintenance operations, Blackwolf Run and Whistling Straits Golf Courses, Kohler; Mark Kuhns, Bartusrol Golf Club, Springfield, N.J.; and Thomas Alex, director golf course maintenance, Grand Cypress Golf Club, Orlando, Fla.



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