

## Greens' Clippings

We are sorry to report that Ray Frieburg, an employee of the Minneapolis Park Board and member of the MGCSA, passed away very suddenly on November 9th. Ray was born in Spokane, Washington in December 1922 and was just a little over 51 years of age at the time of his death. He is survived by his Mother, with whom he lived, and two brothers, Marvin and Lloyd. He was employed for a time as a golf professional at the University of Minnesota. He joined the Navy in January 1943 and was discharged in June 1946. Ray was a fine golfer and played in several local tournaments. Ray entered the services of the City of Minneapolis in 1949 and in 1950 transferred from the Water Department to the Park Department where he was continuously employed until his death. At the time of his death he held the classification of Foreman with the Park Department. The Officers and members of the MGCSA extend their sincere sympathy to his survivors.



Ray Frieburg

More vandalism, in fact this was theft. Vandals broke into the shop of the Superintendent of the Granite Falls Golf Course and stole a four-wheel 1974 Cushman Electric Golf Cart. The cart was white and gray, serial number 481384 which is shown at the front of the left side frame rail. If this cart should show up at your course, or if you should learn of some information as to its whereabouts, please notify Mr. R. W. Olson, Superintendent at Granite Falls Golf Course, phone (612) 564-2521 or his home 564-9801, or this Editor at (612) 922-6414.

Do you have or know where a used but still usable Greens' Mower can be located that the owner would donate to a worthy group (minimum security inmates at the Stillwater State Prison). They have or are building a 4-hole golf course and need this equipment. If you have any information, please contact Dr. Donald White, Horticulture Science Bldg., Room 415, U of M, St. Paul Campus 55101. Also if any of the superintendents or superintendent would like to assist the inmates in the construction of their course, you can also contact Dr. White and if unable to contact him, you can call the Editor at (612) 922-6414. Dr. White's phone number is (612) 373-1609. (cont'd on page 5)

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In closing, I want to thank you for entrusting the leadership of your association to me for the past two years. My one main hope at this point is that my efforts have helped MGCSA at least a fraction of the amount that my association with it and its members has helped me. I am very proud to be a member of this organization and hope that I have helped it during my terms.



Respectfully,

Larry G. Vetter  
President, MGCSA

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NOTE - There is still time to sign up for  
the GCSAA Pesticide Seminar, December 4-5.

As we go to press there are still two superintendent positions open - Forest Hills and Rolling Green. Applications for the Forest Hills position should be addressed to the Forest Hills Country Club, 7530-210th Street North, Forest Lake, Minnesota 55025. The position pays well and there are many fringe benefits. Complete resume should be included with your first inquiry.

The position at the Rolling Green Country Club is a full time job, many fringe benefits, salary open. Applications should be sent to Mr. Bob Stillman, % Rolling Green Country Club, 400 Evergreen Road, Hamel, Minnesota 55340. Complete resume should accompany application.

We were happy to see Burt Joramo at the meeting at Long Lake this week. Burt has been ill for some time but is making a fine recovery and believe me Burt, your fellow members are pulling for you and always happy to see you, so come whenever you can.



Burt Joramo

George Ostler, Superintendent at the Hillcrest Country Club in St. Paul, and Chairman of the membership committee of the MGCSA, is working hard on up-dating the records of the members in the various categories and among other things he wants is the year each member joined the MGCSA. With one of the near issues of "Hole Notes," probably January, we will inclose a post card with some questions printed on and when you receive this card, please complete it by answering the questions and dropping it in the mail box without delay.



George Ostler

George says that he has several membership plaques that members have not received and he will have them at the registration table at the Normandy Motor Inn when you register for the MGCSA Annual Meeting and Turf Conference. If you do not have yours, please ask for it at that time.

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AND A  
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Ray Hall resigned as Golf Course Superintendent of the Minnetonka Country Club effective November 15th and will devote his time to taking care of his Par 3 Course (Havana Hills) in Owatonna and will also do some travelling. On his retirement he will become an inactive superintendent and will no doubt apply for a Life Membership in the MGCSA. Pictured on the right is Ray with members of the Owatonna Chamber of Commerce at the opening ceremonies of the Havana Hills Course on July 20th. Ray, may you have a long and happy retirement and best of luck with your new course.



In addition to the resignation of Ray Hall there have been some other changes in the superintendents' positions at several courses. Gary Kwas has left the Wayzata course and Dave Fedie has moved to a course in Wisconsin. Irv Novak from Fargo has accepted the Superintendent's position at the Minnetonka Country Club and Jim Lindblad has moved to the Wayzata Country Club.

Jim Lindblad is looking for a good equipment mechanic, full time, at the Wayzata Country Club. Jim advises that the job pays a good hourly salary and there are many fringe benefits. For further information contact Jim at the Wayzata Country Club (612) 473-8846.

A reminder. If you are planning to go to the GCSAA Conference and Show in New Orleans in February, be sure and watch for Gordy Miller's mailing regarding his proposed package deal and follow the instructions given by Gordy and get your reservation in early.

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