

Green Clippings

CLIP 1: Approximately 15 golf course superintendents from this area attended "Management II: Leadership, Motivation and Employee Relations at the Hotel DeFrance on October 25-26. The seminar, presented by the Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America (GCSAA) was taught by Oklahoma City based management training consultant, Ron Frame. Frame led them in a study of the basic principles of good management including communications, employee motivation and handling crisis situations.

CLIP 2: HOLE NOTES has received a letter from Dr. Harry Niemczyk with some interesting information on turf beetles. First of all the 1978 Committee on Common Names of Insects has bestowed the name of "Black Turfgrass Ataenius" on the Ataenius Spretulus. Also another beetle has been discovered that damages turf at the same time the Ataenius larvae do. This insect has been determined as Aphodius Granarius. Dr. Mark Ascerno should be able to update us completely on both insects at the Turf Conference.

CLIP 3: A great retirement party was held September 24 for Clem McCann, retiring superintendent of the Bunker Hills Golf Club in Coon Rapids. Clem received many beautiful gifts that night including a plaque, a golf jacket and a matching sweater and socks combo. After having worked for the last twelve years at Coon Rapids, Clem will not disappear completely from the scene as he is being retained by the city as a consultant.

CLIP 4: M.G.C.S.A. has received a nice thank you note from Mrs. Jerry (Dolores) Commers thanking the association for the lovely plant that was sent to Jerry during his hospitalization. Hopefully, by the time you are reading this, Jerry will be home and well on his way to recovery.

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