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STILLWATER TRADITION

Lyle Cran reports that for years a growing tradition has developed at the Stillwater Country Club. After a HOLE-IN-ONE is scored the member is awarded the actual flag that was on the flagstick when the shot went in the hole. There has been a rash of HOLES-IN-ONE at Stillwater C.C. lately - so much so that Lyle's flag inventory has been restocked several times.



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

LARRY MUELLER

July is a month when we find our jobs most challenging. The threat of disease, compaction from heavy play, loss of turf vigor due to high temperatures all test our abilities to provide quality turf under less than ideal weather conditions.

Our crews can help us tremendously if we ask them to report anything unusual such as browning turf, which may be due to disease or perhaps a sprinkler head that didn't come on or isn't turning. Having our crews involved and interested in a quality golf course can make our jobs easier and our courses better.

I would like to thank Scott Hoffman and Jim Madden of Madden's Inn and Golf Club for being such generous hosts of our June meeting and also Jack Kolb and Turf Supply Co. for hosting Dr. Bill Daniel of Purdue as a speaker on the timely topic of "Sand Top-dressing". It was a most interesting and informative presentation.

In July we will have our annual family picnic at Braemar where John Nylund will be our host superintendent and the Wileys of Landscape and Turf Supply will again host the picnic. It's a fun day for the family and a perfect opportunity to visit with family members and friends we don't get to see very often. Get your reservations in early and I'll see you July 12.

Best wishes to Vern Hansen and family who have moved to Arkansas where Vern has accepted a position as Superintendent of five golf courses. I'm sure it will be a challenge and I hope Vern finds it equally rewarding.

Printed in this issue is Nick Dunn's report on the M.G.C.S.A. Survey. It shows our organization is on the right track but we are always open to new suggestions on how to better serve our membership.