

TURF CONFERENCE WRAP UP.

DALE CALDWELL, CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN

The 55th Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association's Annual Turf Conference held at the Sheraton Inn-Northwest December 1, 2 and 3 is now history. Each year this event becomes bigger and more popular. Registration on Wednesday afternoon was 232, Thursday's attendance was 284 and Friday's attendance was 257. The attendance averaged nearly 50 more per day this year over last year's conference. The Conference Committee would like to thank everyone of you who attended and we hope that each and everyone came away with something of value which you can utilize in the future.

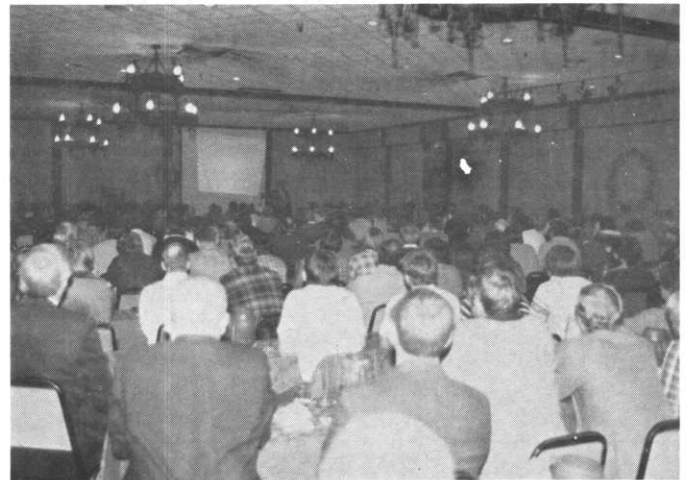
The Bull Session on Thursday afternoon was bigger this year as well, with ten more tables set up for display; 27 this year as opposed to 17 last year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Associate Members who set up displays as well as the Associates who so capably manned the registration table.

The conference was enjoyed by many simply as a place to renew past acquaintances with others in our profession whom we haven't seen in the past year and to make friends with new members who have joined our association in the past year. Much was learned in sharing knowledge and experiences through socializing between and after the educational sessions.

This conference was a huge success and we have every reason to expect the succeeding conferences to enjoy equal success. The education received gets better each year. We can thank the dedicated individuals of our association for taking the time and expending the energy it takes to arrange this event. In order to continue to improve, the input by you, the members of this association, is very much appreciated. We welcome any suggestions you may have on how we can improve or change this conference. Please feel free to approach James Wodash or Leif Erickson, your 1983 Conference and Education Co-Chairmen, with your suggestions and ideas.



CONGRATULATIONS. Dale Caldwell, MGCSA Conference Chairman expresses appreciation to Dr. Joe Vargas of Michigan State University for his two great presentations that had the room as quiet as a tomb or roaring with laughter. It isn't easy to make fungicides funny!



RECORD CROWDS. A typical Educational Session saw the conference room totally filled with eager superintendents. Note taking was in order and excellent questions provoked many fine discussions. Can we top this in 1983?



JOHN AND ZON. New M.G.C.S.A. President John Nylund, left, and U.S.G.A. Green Section North Central Regional Director and Agronomist Par Excellence Stan Zontek check over schedule of conference activities. Stan addressed the conference on "New Innovations in Maintenance for 1983".



SPIRITUAL LEADERS. M.G.C.S.A. member Ron Steffenhagen, left, organized the fine prayer breakfast that started Thursday morning off on a very fine basis. Wes Hamilton, rear, Offensive Guard of the Minnesota Vikings was the principal speaker and Bill Greenwood, front, a fine composer of original religious songs provided the music and inspiration.

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