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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

DALE CALDWELL

Dr. Don Taylor is back at the University of Minnesota for the summer. Don is looking to hear from anyone in this area who is practicing an intensive topdressing program (not necessarily sand) and is experiencing an increasing incidence of localized dry spot since starting the topdressing program. Don can be contacted at 373-1259. Feel free to contact Don about this particular problem or any other soil related problem you may have encountered.

I would like to thank all the members, regular and associate and their respective clubs and organizations for their contributions to the research fund this year. The funds are flowing in and appear to be on their way to setting new records again this year. If you haven't made your contribution yet, it's not too late.

The Reuter-Stokes Predictor is in place at the "Big I"...Interlachen. This project is one of many useful and interesting proposals being funded through the research committee. The application of this unit primarily being to predict when the conditions are right for the outbreak of disease in this area. This would allow the superintendent to make this fungicide applications accordingly.

I played golf at the "Violet Vulture" in Cambridge with Doug Mahal, Mike Olson and of course Freddie "Awesome" Anderson. I took my first "whiff" in many years in a futile attempt to reach Doug "Long Ball" Mahal's drive in two. Fred isn't having much luck converting his bentgrass greens to Poa annua. Nice golf course, Fred!