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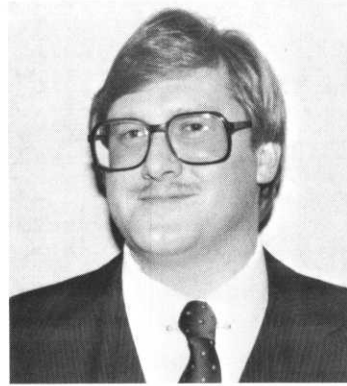
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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

### KERRY GLADER

At a recent meeting the Board of Directors passed a new policy regarding monthly meetings. In order for our association to give support to the clubs that open their doors for our monthly meetings, we will be making all outings a set, "Price for the Day" for lunch and golf. As we must guarantee members at our meetings for meal count and as these clubs are blocking out income producing time for us, we must show our support through use of the restaurant or green fees. I strongly believe that our good association name would soon have become unwelcome by our area clubs and result in restricted or unavailable use. A cost limit will be placed on our lunch outings to keep control over the expense to you, the members. I hope that you all understand and support this policy.

The USGA Regional Seminar held at Town and Country Club was very well attended. USGA Green Section Director, James Latham; USGA Regional Affairs Manager, James Farrell, and Chris Hague all developed an excellent program. Many thanks go to the Town and Country Club, host superintendent Tom Fuller, and the seminar chairman.

The Research Committee is actively preparing for 1986 donations and project funding. You will be receiving mailings soon about the need for donation funds, to continue our research efforts. It can not be said enough times that the MGCSA has a well respected and model research program. Every year we develop further and the results benefit all golf clubs and the industry. Please see to it that the proper committee members at your club receive our donation solicitation letter so they may consider supporting our research program.

As the spring thaw emerges, the ever wary golfer will be eager to get out and play

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course closings due to past flooding levels. Rice Creek cuts across the property and was put in play with two bridge crossings. The present course was in regular play until after Labor Day, at which time golfers were allowed to play approximately seven holes on a no charge basis. The irrigation system is a Toro automatic centerline as per the original installation.

A new clubhouse is being planned by Patch, Erickson, Madson, Watten, Inc. Architects, and should be started by spring 86. Chomonix will open as usual this spring, in the capable hands of superintendent Hank Lemm, with three temporary tees and one temporary green. The full 18 holes should open in late July or early August.

If I haven't mentioned your project, RELAX. I will catch you on my follow-up article. If I haven't been able to touch base with you, feel free to call me at (612) 455-4205. Keep those news notes coming. Remember, the goal here is to inform all members of all projects. "No project too big, no project too small."

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those early rounds. Communication with the membership or club about the problems of early spring play could be very favorable. Several articles over the years have been written about early spring play damage such as: Weeds, Trees & Turf 1981 - Dr. J. R. Watson.

See you on the course at Faribault on April 21!

## NOTES GETS ECKHOFF AWARD

The Harry C. Eckhoff Committee of the National Golf Foundation has announced the recipients of its 1985 awards for excellence in Golf Journalism. We were very proud to learn that HOLE NOTES was judged Second Place in the category for Professional Association Newsletters. The committee received more than 130 entries from the U.S. and Australia, so it is indeed an honor to be chosen. The National Golf Foundation is preparing the awards at this time and they will be presented in the very near future. HOLE NOTES is very happy and thankful for this recognition and also offers thanks to its many contributors whose efforts are acknowledged by this award.

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