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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

KERRY GLADER

A grand time was had by nearly one hundred members at the Purple Hawk Golf Club. Many members got in some good use on host superintendent, Fred Anderson's fine course lay out. I know, I was sure all over enough to get the definite feel of the "Hawk". Many thanks, Fred, and also to Sharon, the Purple Hawk Supper Club and all of the staff.

The annual conference is just around the corner. As always, the annual business and elections will open the meeting opportunity for some of you to say "yes" when Ex-Officio-Elections Chairman Dale Caldwell calls on you to be a candidate board member. Any Class for superintendent is eligible to be candidate, and I would like to encourage anyone interested to please call Dale. Let us know of your interests to be a candidate or to serve on a committee. Many of my lasting memories of profession will be from the friendships developed, acquaintances made and working a very talented group superintendents with one goal in mind, "The continued success and advancement of MGCSA". The opportunity to serve is something I hope you will not let pass by. We all have talents that can be put to good use, and through this opportunity we gain so much personally. I can only offer you my own feelings that it is worth every minute spent!

The Board of Directors recently honored several requests to change the name of our research fund and to renew a scholarship program. In honor of Harold Stodola, our research and scholarship efforts will be held under the heading of The Minnesota GCSA - Harold Stodola Research and Scholarship Fund. To honor a pioneer such

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EDITOR'S CORNER

RANDY NELSON

While I was negotiating with my pickup the curves of Highway 65 north of Cambridge, I could see a faint glow in the dawning As I drove further the glow western skv. grew brighter and brighter until I was nearly blinded by this intense light. Being somewhat curious I stopped my pickup along the side of the road and attempted determine what was causing tremendous reflection. Lo and behold, I found that the glow was caused by the morning sun reflecting off the forehead of this giant figure of a man named Big Freddie. Yes, fellas, I had found the stomping grounds of our resident MGCSA touring 8-handicapper and what a nice course it truly is.

I could tell by visiting with Fred earlier in the morning that he was apprehensive about having 100 turf experts inspecting his course, but as our members arrived and saw the superb condition he and his staff had provided for us, the compliments started flowing and Fred's nervousness subsided. The staff at the Purple Hawk Supper Club also served a nice choice of lunches which by all reports were filling and delicious. I am confident everyone had a super day and hope that our MGCSA group will be invited back to Fred Anderson's course again soon. can we get back on all those complimentary rounds we grant for Minnesota's own golf travel guide. Thanks, Fred, we had a great time.

Just a few reminders to our membership.
(1) Remember to sign up for our MGCSA golf championship coming up at Stillwater Country Club. The course is an interesting layout with a lot of elevation changes and should be a good test for all players.

(2) Now is the time to get your scramble teams together for our annual Guest Day Scramble event. We will have the

privilege of playing at Midland Hills Country Club which is a popular spot for state events. Paul Mayes will, I am sure, have his greens rolling extremely smooth and fast for this event.

(3) The November meeting which was originally scheduled for Edinburgh U.S.A. in Brooklyn Park had to be shifted to Bunker Hills Golf Club in Coon Rapids. Tom Fischer reported that construction on the clubhouse ran into too many snags and wouldn't be able to be completed in time for our meeting. Jim Nicol stepped forward graciously and offered to host November's meeting again. We just hope the weather holds so we can get in one more round of golf.

Well, I hope your summer continues to go smoothly or should I say smoother than it has been going and I look forward to everyone teeing it up at Stillwater Country Club.

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as Harold and to further develop our own association's research and educational goals, we are proud to be a part of Minnesota Turf Heritage.

The MGCSA will be adding new duties to our current committee structure. The Board of Directors has developed a position of "Media Representative" to help coordinate information about association activities. membership events, and or problems. Also the GCSAA has asked that we make available someone for our national headquarters to keep in contact with. Both positions should help develop further awareness of our state association and keep us in closer contact with our parent organization.

Stillwater Country Club is the site of our annual amateur championship on August 11, 1986. Host superintendent, Kevin Clunis, is looking forward to our visit and we to playing another fine Minnesota Golf Course.

See you on the Course!

