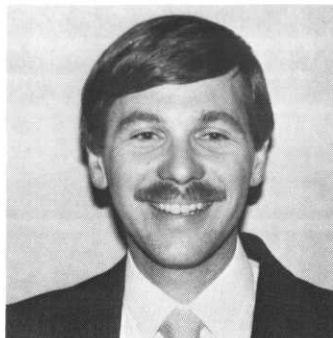


get out the vertical mowers to go with the aerators.

And the worry of the year: Spots on some greens that look very much like the C-15 disease, except the grass isn't C-15. At this writing, tests are being rechecked at UW and MSU.

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## EDITOR'S CORNER

TOM FISCHER

The close of another golf season is upon us. I am sure everyone is looking forward to a more relaxed atmosphere that the winter months bring.

A very important event took place last month. The Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association held its first annual Research Golf Tournament. Nineteen clubs helped sponsor the event by donating tee times. Southview Country Club graciously hosted the banquet. This tournament was for any golf course, public or private, having players who wanted to participate in a challenging event and raise money for the research trust fund. This year's participation was fair with

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the tournament raising \$2,030.00, a good beginning balance for the fund.

Next year we plan to make a few changes in the format. We would like to make aware the fact that everyone is eligible to play. These people would include managers, golf pros, superintendents, men's club members, people from private clubs and public golf courses as well. The tournament day will be one of good competition and camaraderie among all participants.

We would like to thank Richard Smith of LeSueur Country Club for hosting the October meeting. Turf Supply sponsored a great educational program.

Please don't forget to send in your December conference registration as soon as possible. We are looking forward to another great winter seminar. See you there.

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## THANK YOU

The Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association would like to express its sincere thanks to the membership and staff of the nineteen clubs that donated use of their courses for our First Annual Turfgrass Research Benefit Tourney. The participating clubs were:

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