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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK DOUG MAHAL

If the cooler temperatures and changing turf condition haven't convinced you fall has arrived, the fall colors certainly have. As well as being a season in which one can take a couple deep breaths and get reacquainted with the family, it can also be a season to perform tasks which will make your job easier next summer. If you're staffed well enough, it's a great "project time" of the year also. It's likely that some R & R for you and your staff is required after the difficult summer season but, the next 4-6 weeks are too valuable to allow them to slip away entirely. Use the time wisely!

As predicted, our 3rd annual Harold Stodola Research Scramble was a rousing success. 196 contestants were treated to an outstandingly maintained golf course and superb dinner. Congratulations to host superintendent, Dan Hanson, and the Minikahda staff for an incredibly enjoyable day. And BRAVO to the winning team from Edina C.C. The "Kahda" is always a challenge so their score of 12 under par was outstanding.

Looking ahead, I, for one, have never had the opportunity to visit either LeSueur Country Club or Burl Country Club, our meeting sites for the coming months. I likley can speak for a majority of the membership so, do make plans to attend these last two golf opportunities of the year. I've chatted with the "big weather maker" and a good day has been promised for each.

Although at this writing I have no information on the success of our 1st annual Research Benefit Tourney, I have great hopes that MGCSA has found a winner. Many thanks to those who participated! Although our numbers may have been less than hoped for this first year, by 1988 the event won't be quite the surprise to potential players and participating clubs.

Have a productive but more relaxing fall!