

From the MGCSA Research Committee

## NEW MINNESOTA TURF TOURNEY

The MGCSA Research Committee and Executive Board have been considering various means of raising additional dollars to set up and perpetuate a permanent Turfgrass Research Trust Fund. As the MGA Research Program has grown and the need for continued research becomes increasingly important, the concept of a Trust Fund was developed.

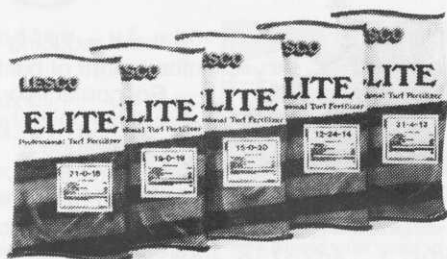
In order to continue our research, it is our intention to provide an annual source of revenue to sustain this trust fund in addition to our annual research solicitations. With long term research commitments often necessary we have found we cannot effectively and efficiently operate depending solely on yearly donations to sustain long range projects. This is where the idea for the Minnesota Turf Tourney was developed.

The format for this tournament was adopted from a very successful Michigan Border Cities Golf Course Superintendents' Association Annual event, and it is set up as follows:

Nineteen Twin Cities area private country clubs have generously agreed to donate four tee times and eight golf cars at each of their clubs on the first Friday in October each year at noon. Members of these nineteen clubs will then, so desiring, have the opportunity to sign up on a first-come-first-serve basis to play in a four-man team event at a club other than his own on this date. The tournament would be followed with a complimentary cocktail party, dinner and prize presentation at one of the participating clubs. The dinner business would be rotated from club to club each year to those clubs desiring the business. The cost of the day would be \$75.00 including golf, golf car, cocktail party, prizes and research donation. This event will also be open to all MGCSA members and their guests, providing the opportunity to tour another golf course with members or club officials that were unable to play in our annual Harold Stodola Scramble.

We would like to emphasize this tournament is not a replacement for our Harold Stodola Scramble or any other MGCSA monthly meeting or golf event. Neither is it strictly a superintendent's event; although we hope to see many superintendents and their guests participate. This year's tournament will take place Friday, October 2, 1987. Further details and entry blanks shall be mailed to all MGCSA members and to golf professionals at the participating clubs. We ask all our members to please get the word out regarding this event and we hope to see you October 2 for an enjoyable afternoon of golf.

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The Wisconsin Golf Turf Symposium will be held October 28 and 29, 1987 at the Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Contact: Bob Welch, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District, 735 North Water Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202; (414) 225-2222.