

EDITOR'S CORNER

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Spring time is here, the grass is greening, the crocuses have popped through the last bit of snow and we are faced with yet another season of pleasing memberships, nature and government.

Memberships are easily pleased with a little luck and an adequate budget. Mother Nature and governments aren't so easily swayed. Governments require forms, affidavits licenses, petitions, studies and other assorted nuisances. Mother Nature may sometimes be cruel, but don't forget it's April and she's taking off the parka and putting on the bikini. All she asks is a little love and consideration.

We can complain about how our government has complicated our lives with regulations and such but that won't make it go away. Only our willingness and professionalism will show our good intent. There is good reason for most of our pesticide regulations and only we

can defend ourselves with education and proper usage.

Mother Nature has many rewards for us, shown to us daily, with only an occasional reprimand to remind us of our own inadequacies. We should never think that we can change things in nature, maybe compliment, but never change. Our dependence on man-made conveniences are probably the most cost effective. But nonetheless, sound cultural practices could accomplish the same end.

Every year our attendance at the Mini Seminar has increased and this year was no different. Don Lindblad and his clubhouse staff did a wonderful job and should be commended. The list of speakers was excellent and the arrangements committee did another fine job.

The April meeting at Faribault should be a good kick off to another growing season so hope you all can attend.

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