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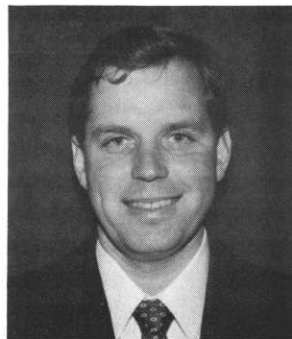
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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

SCOTT HOFFMANN, CGCS

We proved it at Stillwater in May and once again in September at St. Cloud. Our answer to this year's drought was simple. Just gather a group of superintendents for an afternoon round of golf and presto! I'll have to remember to write that down in the presidential "SOP" somewhere.

Rain or shine, Kerry Glader and St. Cloud Country Club rolled out the red carpet for our 4th Annual Harold Stodola Research Scramble. Yes, most of us die-hards did complete the round, with putting through running water providing our greatest challenge.

Due to the popularity of this event it has become a major undertaking for the host superintendent and the Arrangements Committee. Our thanks to Kerry and Barb Glader, Tom McCann and Kevin Clunis for providing us with an exceptional event.

The MGCSA Education Committee have been working with the Minnesota Club Managers and we will be providing them with a seminar on turfgrass maintenance designed to aid club managers to better understand our jobs, and we hope improve communications between managers and superintendents, and managers and members, concerning golf course maintenance. This one-day seminar will be held November 15 at the Lafayette Club and will be open to club managers only.

It's not too early to start thinking about this year's Annual Conference to be held November 30, December 1 and 2. Remember this year we are going back to the Sheraton Northwest. Once again our Pesticide Re-certification will be held on Wednesday and because of new state regulations will be an all-day seminar this year.

Our October meeting will be hosted by Rick Fredericksen and Rolling Green Country Club. Please take note the date has been changed from October 3 to October 10. Rick has assured us the weather will be much nicer on the 10th.

Just for the record, I am still looking for my first winning raffle ticket. Good news is Keith Scott didn't win either. All he did was take 1st Place in the scramble. Wonder if I can borrow his leprechaun next year.