

GREEN CLIPPINGS

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MGCSA received \$1575 from **GCSAA** for participation in regional seminar which goes to the Scholarship Fund. 61 participants attended the March session. Some thought to opening up registration two weeks earlier for MGCSA members . . . Look for presentation by **Minnesota Safety Council** concerning Employee Right to Know laws . . . Applications for **GCSAA** membership available from **Rick Fredericksen, Andy Lindquist, Mike Netzel, or Keith Scott** . . . Speakers are all-lined up for Annual Conference. Good work **Dan Hanson, Andy Lindquist, Kerry Glader, and Jim Nicol** . . . **March Mini Seminar** had 222 registered, 37 no shows. Netted \$1713 for us . . . 92 members preregistered for the April meeting at **New Prague**. New golf fashions included stocking hats and ski jackets for those who played . . . Lunch fees for lifetime members are waived at our June, July and October meetings by Board action. We hope to encourage their attendance at monthly meetings and recognize their lifetime contribution to Minnesota Golf. Major events will still require payment of registration fees . . . Follow this column for info on Board of Directors meetings . . . Please return donations for Research Fund Drive as soon as possible. Return your benefits to the future of golf . . . Research Committee is reviewing funding of the Poa/Bent competition project headed by **Howard Kaerwer** . . . Have a nice trip to Japan, Howard . . . Look for legislation concerning Community Right to Know in the future. This may include 24 hour waiting periods after the application of golf course chemicals before reentry. Contact your legislator for more information . . . Consider the book, *The Dose Makes the Poison* by **Dr. M. Alice Ottoboni** as recommended by **Dr. Elliot Roberts**, speaker at our April meeting . . . Many thanks to those who have submitted articles to *HOLE NOTES* . . . We need more! 500 words or one typewritten page is all we need. Put your thoughts on paper now! . . . Many 9 hole operations have difficulties affording new equipment. Consider using experienced equipment to fill your needs. See your dealer or our classified ads for info . . . Classified ads are FREE to MGCSA members . . . **MTI** announces a new phone number for PARTS ORDERS ONLY 475-0026 . . . MGCSA President **Keith Scott** has been appointed to the Chapter Relations Committee of **GCSAA**. Let Keith know if you have any problems with this fine organization . . . Hope the Grand Opening at Becker's **Pebble Creek** goes well . . . Look for a new 18 hole course in **Rhineland** soon . . . **Cuyuna CC** is adding another 9 holes . . . as is **Amery and Cumberland** . . . **Don Herfort** has been hired to develop plans for an 18 hole golf course in **Mandan**, North Dakota . . . Many reports of poa damage in the state. Dessication and ice damage appear to be the culprits . . . **SEE YOU AT EDENVALE-MAY 8.**

'ROUND THE REGION - Regional reports:

Feel free to contact your regional reporters with information about your golf course which you would like to share with your fellow members.

SOUTHERN MINNESOTA -

RICK SMITH, LeSueur Country Club

"Boots" Fuller reports that Mankato C.C. came through in fine shape from the winter. Mankato is currently investigating improvements to its irrigation system . . . Montgomery Golf Course is looking into the feasibility of expanding to 18 holes . . . Bob Adams reports that New Prague is planning on the construction of 2 new greens beginning this summer . . . Lack of soil moisture is a big concern in the Southern portion of the state.

NORTHERN MINNESOTA -

MIKE NETZEL, Northland Country Club

Extensive changes are being planned at Ridgeview Country Club including a new irrigation system . . . Look for a new golf course at Lutsen, being designed by Don Herfort. Plans are being readied for bid.

METRO AREA -

JOHN HARRIS, Lafayette Club

Preparations for the U. S. Open continue at Hazeltine. A new irrigation reservoir is nearing completion.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE - ANDY LINDQUIST

The following new members have been approved by the MGCSA Board of Directors:

Mark Arndt (F), Irrigation Supply Company
Ray Bloemke (A), Lakeside Golf Club
Douglas Buchan (BII), Rose Lake Golf Club
Thomas Dooley (F), The Toro Company
Keith Faber (F), Five Star Deep Aerifying
James Hove (C), Hazeltine National Golf Club
Mark Kenzler (F), Kenzler Irrigation
David Kohlbry (BII), Northland Country Club
Mark Moers (BII), Chaska Par 3
Mike Mueller (BII), Montgomery Golf Club
Michael Nelson (D), Midland Hills Country Club
Dave Reif (D), Hazeltine National Golf Club
Dean Sperling (BII), Lake City Country Club
George Weir (BII), Winthrop Golf Club
Allen Wilhelm (B), Riverview Golf Club
David Wood (C), St. Cloud Country Club

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The Following were reinstated:

Keith Johnson (BII), Midland Hills Country Club
Brad Harne (E), Johnson Nursery
Ronald Noyce (BII), Purple Hawk Country Club

SCHOLARSHIP

The **Harold Stodola Memorial Scholarship** is presently accepting applications. The one year grant is available to students who have completed the first year of a two year turfgrass technical program, or the second or third year of a four year turfgrass program. The applicants must also be either a Minnesota resident, or be working for an MGCSA member. Applications are available by contacting the MGCSA office at 612/927-4643. Deadline for applying is July 1, 1989.



TURF TIPS

Where and when possible, water early in the day or at the base of plant material and use sprinklers which disperse water close to the ground. This will result in plant material being wet for shorter periods of time thus limiting amount of disease which can occur. For example, consider black knot; under optimum temperature only six hours of moisture are necessary for infection to occur.

From Kevin Schmidt, Assistant Golf Course Superintendent, Lafayette Club:

We at Lafayette Club had no way other than a floor jack to get equipment off the floor to work on it. To solve this I made a ramp system made of 2 x 12 to get them off the floor. We made 2 boxes 8' long and one 2' long for three wheel equipment and three six foot removable ramps. They are all lag bolted together and counter sunk so not to pop tires. These boxes are very mobile and are great for getting equipment off the ground to power spray the underside of machines and rotary decks. It is easy to get under equipment on a creeper for greasing or etc.

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