

# EDITOR'S CORNER

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I can't recall a spring when the weather had such drastic mood swings. Warm dry, wet cold, and sunny cool.

For the most part, Minnesota superintendents opened their courses to thriving greens and good growth in all areas with very little winter kill. This is good news to us all and, in particular, Chris Hague and his staff.

I would like to thank Chris for granting myself and Scott Turtinen the time he extended us to conduct an in-depth interview regarding the preparation taking place at Hazeltine for the Open. The article in this issue containing excerpts of that interview revolve around March, April and May. Another article will appear in the June issue and cover much of the final and tournament day preparations.

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**The March Mini-Seminar** was well attended and the people at the Northland Inn were very accommodating. Members of the MGCSA had some concerns over the timing and the back-to-back seminars. The board of directors is aware of this and is looking into making some schedule changes in regards to the matter.

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**The Scholarship Committee** is accepting applications for the Harold Stodola Memorial Scholarship. If any of you know of someone that qualifies, encourage them to contact Joe Moris at Tartan Park for an application.

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**The Environmental Committee** a "Laws and Compliances Guidelines" booklet. The method of distribution is still being discussed due to the size and expense of this publication, but it should be available soon.

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**The May monthly meeting** will be held at Pebble Creek. Host Superintendent Cary Femrite and his staff will have this exciting facility in top form for our enjoyment. Hope to see you there.

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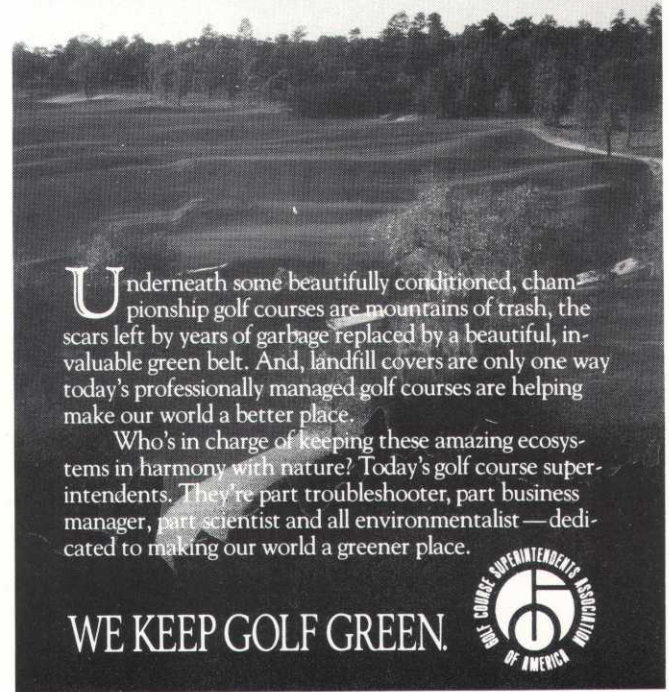
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