

MGCSA, 6 Minnesotans Cited by GCSAA For Scholarship, Research Support

The Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association was one of 14 chapters providing financial support to GCSAA Scholarship & Research during the foundation's recently completed 1990-1991 fiscal year.

In addition to the chapter's donation of \$1,000, six residents of Minnesota were members of the Golden Tee Club, the grassroots support organization for GCSAA S&R.

"Chapter and individual member support are absolutely crucial to our ability to fund turfgrass research and to offer scholarship assistance to future golf course superintendents," said Stephen G. Cadenelli, CGCS, president of GCSAA. "We commend the Minnesota GCSA and its members for their high level of involvement and assistance."

The Minnesota GCSA earned a "group" membership in the

Golden Tee Club for its contribution. Cadenelli and fellow board members also noted with appreciation the following Minnesotans who held individual memberships in the Golden Tee Club:

Thomas C. Fischer, CGCS

Douglas R. Mahal, CGCS

Keith Scott, CGCS

Gary A. Shampeny

John Staver

John G. Szafranski

Golden Tee Club membership is open to individuals who contribute \$100 or more annually and corporations, clubs, chapters and other organizations that contribute \$1,000 or more annually to support GCSAA S&R. During the past fiscal year, contributions to the club totaled almost \$20,000.

EPA May Extend UST Insurance Deadline

The EPA has proposed a 14-month extension for Category IV underground storage tank owners/operators to prove financial responsibility.

The proposal, which was published in the August 14 *Federal Register*, would push back the federal deadline to December 31, 1992, for most golf operations with USTs. However, individual states will have the option of keeping the current October 26, 1991, deadline, or extending it to match federal requirements.

EPA is now accepting comments on the proposal, which was drafted under pressure from congressional representatives concerned about the financial stability of small businesses located in states without EPA-approved trust funds. Currently, 22 states have received EPA approval for UST trust funds; 12 more have submitted trust fund programs for approval.

Golf operations should be aware that, regardless of the financial assurance deadline, they are already responsible for cleanup costs, third-party liability and associated legal fees resulting from a leak or spill. GCSAA sponsors a low-cost UST insurance program that can assure your club or course will have the resources to survive such an incident. For details, call GCSAA's communications department at 913/832-4470.



Golf Car, Turf Utility Vehicle Report Released

The Center for Golf Course Management (CGCM), the marketing research division for the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA), has announced the release of its second 1991 marketing research report.

The *Golf Car and Turf Utility Vehicle Report* offers detailed information on golf cars and turf utility vehicles used by golf course superintendents.

The report presents statistics on the market share, typical lifespan and product ratings of golf cars, modified golf cars for maintenance tasks and light- and heavy-duty turf utility vehicles, cross-tabulated by manufacturers. In addition, capital expense data is presented for each product category.

This report also provides a section on course demographics including type of facility, number of holes and budget levels.

Two more CGCM marketing research reports will be released later. They are:

- The *Mower and Maintenance Equipment Report*
- The *Buying Habits of Golf Course Superintendents Report*

The *Mower and Maintenance Equipment Report* will provide manufacturers and suppliers with information and statistical summaries, broken down by manufacturer. The report will feature data on product inventories, market share and superintendents' ratings of specific products' performance, reliability, service and support. The report also features sections on demographics, capital expenditures and more.

The *Buying Habits* report will feature summarized information from three specialized CGCM reports (*Golf Car/Turf Utility Vehicle*, *Mower/Maintenance Equipment* and the previously released *Pesticide and Fertilizer Usage*) and a section devoted to maintenance trends in the golf course management industry.

The *Golf Car and Turf Utility Vehicle Report*, as well as the *Mower and Maintenance Report*, are priced at \$1,500 each. The *Buying Habits of Golf Course Superintendents Report* will be released in late October at a price of \$185. The *Pesticide and Fertilizer Usage Report* is available for \$2,500.