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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

First Annual Garske Scholarship Scramble Was Huge Success



The First Annual MGCSA Garske Scholarship Scramble was a huge success with 38 foursomes competing at Tartan Park. Chuck Tuthill's team, from Elk River Country Club, won it with a 10-under score. The proceeds from this event go directly into the Scholarship Fund. Additional funds also were derived by the contributions from Steve Garske and Scott Montague. They issued a special challenge to the field of players that for each team with a better score, they would donate \$5.00 a piece to the scholarship fund. Our thanks to Joe Moris and Randy Allen for their help in hosting the Garske Open.

Susan Wiese, a reporter from KARE News, was also at the meeting doing a report on pesticide use and safe practices on golf courses. It is important that our associates address these issues for they will become more prevalent in the future. It is also important that the association continue to educate our membership in IPM.

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Mike Olson, Chairman of the Membership Committee, and John Granholt have three committee members available throughout the state to interview applicants. They are located in different regions of the state in order to provide better access for those interested in joining our association. Upon their recommendation Mike submits the application to the board for approval. The regional representatives are Fred Taylor from Mankato Golf Club, Steve VanNatta from Owatonna Country Club and David Kohlby from Northland Country Club.

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Members of the Association should be aware of a 'con' going on in the metro area. A call is made to the club informing them of a member being injured in an accident and requesting money immediately.

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Many of the MGCSA member courses offer reciprocity of playing privileges. Members should make arrangements in advance by calling the superintendent of the course that you want to play. Remember that availability, time restrictions and dress codes may apply. Please do not abuse the privilege.

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The MGCSA Championship is August 17 at Midland Hills Country Club. Scott Austin and his staff are looking forward to hosting this event.

—Rick Fredericksen, CGCS
MGCSA President

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