

EDITOR'S CORNER

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Has anyone figured out what "Colochor" is? After reading the content of President Rick Fredericksen's April message, everyone will know that "Colochor" is "Calo-chlor" I apologize for the mistake. Anything that is written in Hole Notes is the responsibility of the Editor. I guess that it's a case of we're in a hurry to get things done, so let's hurry and get it done. This is a subject that I try to always remember and carry out, do the task correctly and use a reasonable amount of time doing it. Being in too much of a hurry may save time, but mistakes can happen.

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In a recent discussion with a close personal friend, we were trying to figure out how the MGCSA came about. We know that the MGCSA was established in 1927, and the MGCSA was organized to promote the art and science of maintaining fine turf for golf courses throughout the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin and the Dakota's. Aside from that there is no real history for us to acquaint ourselves with. Now I know that there are old photos out there and probably much more than just that. If a group of people, or if an individual would be interested in writing a column on the history of the MGCSA, I know that the column would be more than welcome.

Another idea that is currently being pondered is the question of how to generate more member-written articles. One train of thought is why not break *Hole Notes* into "theme" issues, this being that, the June issue will contain articles pertaining to Poa. The July issue is going to be geared towards disease, insect and other nemeses of turf-grass plants. August seems to be when our golf courses and ourselves are under the most stress, so that seems to be a timely issue. Ah, September, with the temperatures cooling down and the golfers are becoming scarce, a good time to do renovation projects. What more can you say about October, thinking of putting the golf course to bed for the year? Just remember October 31, 1991. Finally November arrives and winter maintenance of equipment, time to encourage mechanics to give out a couple of their secrets that keep the equipment working at peak performance all year long. Should you feel the writing bug approaching your desk or word processor, and now there is a subject already picked for you, to coin a popular advertisement, "Just do it."

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Spring has arrived. I remember last time we talked I was talking about our perennial friend, Mother Nature. She granted me several favors this past winter and I am grateful. With the advent of spring comes, sometimes, my favorite time of year. It's the start of a new golf season, the grass is coming out of its dormancy, a chance for us to put to work the knowledge we picked up attending various seminars throughout the off season. A chance to prove ourselves that we are worthy of what we are doing. Along these lines it's time to do an attitude check. Remember to keep a Positive Mental

Attitude. It will keep you going indefinitely. What's best about Spring? Everything!

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Lesco is pleased to announce that George Jennrich will be driving the "store on wheels" throughout Minnesota and western Wisconsin.

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Paul and Beth Tinklenberg would like to welcome Alissa Marie, born on March 3, 1992. Paul is the Golf Course Superintendent at Ortonville Municipal Golf Course.

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Have you ever wondered why there are erasers on the end of pencils that go with your golf scorecard? Why is it that the closer you get to the putting cup the smaller it gets? Why is it when putting uphill the greens are slower than a snail's pace but, when putting downhill, the greens are either too fast or just illegal?

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I am looking for help on a project for the November issue; it's called the top 10 questions asked to a superintendent. Please submit your top 10 questions to me at my home address.

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Larry Thornton of Wilbur-Ellis had arranged for Owen Town of Ciba-Geigy to talk to the group about how a plant protectant goes from the laboratory to the testing fields to us the end user. Afterwards, a brief question and answer period was conducted about registration of products, what's coming on the market and how products actually get discovered. The next outing is scheduled for May 11th at Braemar Golf Club.

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Mark May 11th on your calendar. The MGCSA monthly meeting will be at Braemar Golf Club. John Nylund has written us an article on the many different projects going on at Braemar. Look forward to attending.

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During the past year I have found a new way to relax, reading. Right now I am trying to read any chance I get. During the course of my ventures I have found quotes that can pertain to everyday life. One of my favorites is "a person needs new experiences, they jar something deep inside, allowing them to grow; without change something sleeps inside us and seldom awakens, the sleeper must awaken.

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