

# EDITOR'S CORNER

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It seems to me that I've done this job before. Am I dreaming? Quick, someone slap me or shoot a hockey puck at me. No, I'm not dreaming! Actually MGCSA President Joe Moris was harassed, maligned, beleaguered and just verbally abused into letting me volunteer for being editor! I didn't even have to resort to physical threats. I am happy to represent the MGCSA as a Board member and as the Editor. I will try to get the information out to you, the membership. For anyone who has a story to offer such as re-building putting greens, bunkers or any other timely subject, please submit to the MGCSA Office.

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**This whole Calo-Clor scenario** has me baffled. I am using alternative plant protectants to substitute Calo-Clor and I am proud to say that for the winter of 1994-1995 I will not use any type of mercurial fungicide. What I can't figure out is how did the Minnesota State Attorney General's office get involved? The Association did the correct thing by getting the information out to the membership. What you do to manage your fine turf is up to you; however, do try some alternative plant protectants for winter patch diseases. There is good information out there. As we receive new information about winter patch disease, we will print it in *Hole Notes*.

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**The move down to the Minneapolis Convention Center** was a good move, from the information that I've gathered in conversations with close personal friends. They review the move as "two thumbs up". I have already heard that the Conference and Education Committee is starting to gear up for next year's Annual Conference. The response from the membership has been extremely positive. Of the topics covered, the one geared towards professional relationships seemed to have many positive points that we can *all* use in our day-to-day relationships.

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**1993 was a unique if not totally strange bizarre year** to manage turf. *All* Golf Course Managers had to be extremely creative in how they dealt with the excess water that was received, and still provide their employer with a playable track that looked like nothing was out of the ordinary. Now with the holiday season upon us, it's time to remember to make time for all members of our families. Families are an important element in our source of strengths that we call on when times get tough.

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**1994 looks like an extremely good year for the MGCSA and the membership.** It looks like we have a very active arrangements Co-Chairman in Cary Femrite. He has a very attractive slate of events for 1994. Starting off is Woodhill Country Club on January 10th, bring your ice fishing gear. There could be an ice fishing contest for those who dare hunting the giant walleye or there will be a competition in the form of ice hockey and platform tennis. The rest of the schedule has yet to be filled out, but look for the Joseph Garske Scholarship scramble to be held at Southern Minnesota's finest track, Rochester Golf and Country Club, and the Harold Stodola Research Scramble to be played at Hazeltine National Golf Club and a site to be announced later. Remember the USGA will be holding its Mid-Amateur Championship at Hazeltine and Wayzata C.C. later on that week.

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**Congratulations are in order to Mark Poppitz and his lovely bride Betty,** on the birth of their first child, Ryan Joseph, born on November 15 at 11:52 a.m.

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**Paul Diegnau of River Falls Golf Club** has just achieved the highly sought after certification by the GCSAA.

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**Happy Holidays** to all members of the MGCSA.

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