

1993 Turf Conference To Be Held at Minneapolis Convention Center

The annual MGCSA Turf Conference and Business Meeting will have a new look and feel to it in 1993.

The most significant change is in location. The Board of Directors of the MGCSA, during the meeting held at Mankato Golf Club on April 19th, approved a recommendation by the Conference Committee to move from the Northland Inn to the Minneapolis Convention Center.

The reasons the committee made this recommendation are varied and many. The first and foremost is to provide a quality education program at a competitive and realistic price. To accomplish this we have adopted a "workshop" approach to the conference. There will be a main room for general sessions with smaller classroom settings for "workshop" topics that we feel will enhance the educational experience. These sessions will have a single focus and, in most cases, more than one speaker will be featured.

With this format, the Northland Inn could not have handled our group adequately, thus the search for a new facility.

The Minneapolis Convention Center was opened in 1990 with the intention of hosting just such events as ours. The Convention Center is connected with the skyway system, which makes it possible to move around downtown without ever being outside. The committee has contacted hotels in the area, and we were pleased to learn prices are at or below those of the Northland Inn.

This is just the first article from the Conference Committee on the 1993 Conference and the changes that are being made. Change for the sake of change is not enough. To make changes that benefit the membership is what we, on this committee, feel our focus should be. We look forward to November 17th, 18th and 19th, the dates of the 1993 Conference.

—MGCSA Conference and Education Committee

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