

Stillwater's Kevin Clunis Receives GCSAA Certification

Kevin Clunis, superintendent of Stillwater Country Club, has been designated a Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS) by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).

Clunis has been superintendent of the Stillwater, Minn., course since 1985. He lives at 311 Hallam Avenue South, Mahtomedi.

GCSAA instituted the certification program in 1971 to recognize outstanding and progressive superintendents. More than 1,300 active GCSAA members currently hold "CGCS" status.

To become certified, a candidate must have five years experience as a golf course superintendent, be employed in that capacity and meet specific educational requirements of college credit or continuing education units. The candidate must then pass a rigorous six-hour examination covering knowledge of GCSAA and its certification program; the

rules of golf; turfgrass management; pest management, safety and compliance; and financial and organizational management.

As part of the certification process, an on-site inspection of Clunis' golf course operation was conducted by two turfgrass experts: Dale Parske, CGCS, of Turf Supply Co., Eagan, and Greg Hubbard, CGCS, of Manitou Ridge Golf Course, White Bear Lake.

Since 1926, GCSAA has been the leading professional association for the men and women who manage and maintain golf facilities in the United States and worldwide. From its headquarters in Lawrence, Kan., the association provides education, information and representation to more than 13,700 individual members from more than 50 countries. GCSAA's mission is to advance the profession, promote the image of its members and enrich the quality of golf and its environment.

Cushman Motor Co. Celebrates 45 Years of Customer Service

When Gerald J. Commers opened his dealership, Cushman Motor Co., Inc., at 3205 Cedar Ave. in Minneapolis, his tiny office/shop/parts room was heated by coal. Shortly afterward, the landlord changed to gas heat and raised Commers' rent — from \$65 to \$75 a month.

That was in 1949 and, on July 31, 1994, Jerry Commers of Golden Valley will celebrate his 45th anniversary in business. His company is the third oldest among 125 Cushman dealers nationally and ranks in the top 10 in volume.

Since 1951, Cushman Motor Co. has been located at 2909 E. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis. The facility has been improved and expanded several times to its present 12,000 square feet. It features an attractive showroom, warehouse with inventory of more than 100 utility and industrial vehicles and turf care products, comprehensive parts department; and parking for approximately 20 cars.

The company, which has a staff of 14, has also become a family affair. Commers is president; his wife, Delores, is vice president and treasurer; their son, Tim, is sales manager, and their daughter, Valerie, is office manager.

Customers of Cushman Motor Co. include manufacturing plants, shopping centers, sports complexes, golf courses, lawn care professionals, rental stores and municipalities located throughout Minnesota, North Dakota and western Wisconsin.

"These accounts represent people we have served for decades as well as a growing base of new customers," said Commers. "We thank all of them and pledge to continue the tradition of providing quality products and services which have enabled us to succeed in a highly competitive marketplace."



Our Original Location in 1949
3205 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis



Jerry Commers at the present location at 2909 E. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis.
Jerry has been a member of the MGCSA since 1951.