## TEE TALK

By Scott Turtinen Executive Director, MGCSA



Coming up *very* soon is the Third Annual Garske Scholarship Scramble on Monday, July 18, at Rochester Golf & Country Club.

The afternoon shotgun is full. All future entrants will have to play in the morning shotgun, which starts at 7:30.

Remember, there is dinner after golf, but you *must* be registered in advance. There will be no dinner tickets available at Rochester.

However, if you haven't signed up as yet, there is still time to do so.

Congratulations to James Johnson, Rich Springs Golf Club, who now can add CGCS to his title. Jim has been designated a Certified Golf Course Superintendent by the Golf Course Superintendents of America.

The 1994 Dues Statements have been mailed. If you did not receive one, please call the MGCSA office (612/475-0557 or 800-642-7227).

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The MGCSA's 8th Annual Turf Tourney attracted 32 teams. Although this competition on June 17 was interrupted by some heavy rains, blue sky returned, and everyone was able to finish their rounds.

The team of Bill Priebe, Mike Duffey, Jim Beyl and Tom Dorn playing at North Oaks Country Club won the event with a score of 117.

If you want to see some of the top amateurs in the country, go to Minikahda and Somerset for the 91st annual Trans-Mississippi Mid-Amateur Championship.

This prestigious tournament, one of the oldest in the United States, starts with 18 holes of qualifying on Monday and Tuesday, July 11, at both clubs.

The full field of 172 players will be trimmed to 96 following the 36 holes of medal play. Then the low 63 players will join defending champion David Ojala, a former University of Minnesota golfer, in Championship Flight match play at Minikahda. Born in Two Harbors, Ojala has lived in the Houston, Texas area for the past 25 years and plans to try out for the PGA Senior Tour this fall.

The next 32 qualifiers will compete in President's Flight match play at Somerset. The Championship match gets underway at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, July 16, at Minikahda.

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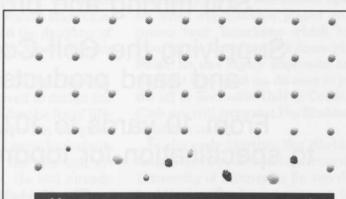
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