

TEE TALK

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The 1994 Greater Minnesota Turf & Grounds Conference and Show is starting to come together. At this date there are 130 booth sales. This represents 62 different companies. The program is set with 25 different speakers and should be very educational. Last year's survey showed the Conference Committee that the attendees wanted coffee and rolls. There will be coffee and rolls.

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The MGCSA family outing at Camp Snoopy is on Saturday, November 12. Everyone should meet at the Peanuts Party Garden, located on the 2nd floor of Camp Snoopy by the Fords Playhouse. There are some stairs by the playhouse to get up to the Party Garden.

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The October MGCSA meeting at Minneapolis Golf Club was a smashing success. There were 32-plus four-somes playing golf, although some may have been five-somes. I was amazed that it took around 4½ hours to play. That is some quick golf considering all the players.

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The GCSAA 66th International Golf Course Conference and Show is February 20-27, 1995 at the Moscone Convention Center in San Francisco. For those planning to attend, North Star Turf has secured a block of rooms at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel. Contact Dan Miller or Joe Campbell at North Star Turf, 612/484-8411. If you are looking for a roommate, you can call the MGCSA office. We will be making a list of people and get each of you in contact with other people on the list.

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A new information System called GolfLink is being marketed. GolfLink utilizes KU data transmission on the Galaxy IV satellite fed from its transmission site in Des Moines, Iowa to individual sites across the United States.

The GolfLink systems, which incorporate a VGA monitor, small satellite dish and a special computer receiver, are located in golf course superintendents' offices and pro shops as well as in offices of other golf businesses.

The information system is broken down into eight drive lines or menus:

- 1) Infobeam, information such as classified ads, courses to play, advertisements and "Today in Golf"
- 2) USGA News, Green Section reports, golf news
- 3) PGA News, local association news, PGA Tour stats, tips to help your game
- 4) GCSAA News, news for all superintendents.

To find the newest information on turfgrass management, from turf tips to new products and environmental news, you can find the most current work from a university.

5) News-US Today and BP Sportswire Live ticker tape accounts.

6) Stocks

7) Financial

8) Up-to-date weather information.

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