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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT'S DESK

Wayzata C.C. Hosts A Great Championship



The MGCSA Championship has come and gone. Bob Distel, the association thanks you for holding the tourney at your beautiful course. I didn't get a chance to play, but Kevin Clunis, along with many others, assured me the course played as great as it looked.

On August 15-16 Kevin Clunis, Tom Johnson, Dale Parske, Bob Frank, Dr. Ward Stienstra and I attended the Wisconsin Turfgrass Field Day at the O.J. Noer Turfgrass Research & Education Facility in Madison.

There was more electricity in the air than during a lightning storm. I was very impressed, as were the other members of our group. When I saw Dr. Stienstra on his hands and knees. I knew he either wanted to go home or was really into it. Of course, I asked him, and if you want the answer, ask him or anyone else who attended.

Dr. Frank Rossi and Julie Meyer were very happy to see us and gave us a very personal walk-through. That's not easy when there were in excess of 700 people in attendance.

I spotted a distinguished looking gentleman that looked a lot like Jim Latham. Sure enough it was.

In the past I have had mixed thoughts on needing a research facility in the metropolitan area. However, after realizing how far south geographically Madison really is, and talking to a lot of researchers, I have come to believe, without any doubt, we are in great need of a facility such as the O.J. Noer.

I didn't think Madison falls somewhere between Austin and the Iowa border geographically.

After hearing the background of the W.T.F., I am positive that the great turf people of Minnesota will be able to merge into a very strong Minnesota Turf & Grounds Foundation.

I learned a few other interesting things while in the Madison area. Yes, golf courses have a dress code. I wouldn't have believed it, but Tom was good enough to prove it to me. Thanks Tom. I would also like to thank Ward for his advice about hitting into the sun. I hope this will help my game in the future.

Joe Moris
 President

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