# CLASSIFIEDS

#### FOR SALE

\* 1979 200 Gallon FMC Spray Unit, 21' Boom 8 h.p. Telumseh Engine, Piston Type Pump Hose & Reel Manual On-Off Valve.....\$900

\* 1982 Neary Model 200 Bedknife Grinder . . . . . \$350

Contact: Stillwater Country Club Don or Marlin

(612) 439-7760

#### FOR SALE

- \* 1978 Toro Greensmower, 7-Blade Reels, Honda Engine, Good Shape ......\$1,700 or best offer
- ★ Three 11-blade Toro Cutting units with Double Wiele Rollers in excellent condition. These units have SPA adjustment. Purchased new 1990. Asking \$600 per cutting unit or best offer.
- \* 1983 Ransome Motor 180 New Wisconsin Robins Engines. Excellent machine asking \$2,500.
- ★ Will consider trade for 4-Bolt Adj. Greensking Reels.

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#### FOR SALE

★ 1990 Smith Co. Super Rake with Plow and Cultivator \$1,800 or best offer Call:

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#### FOR SALE

Rvan Greensaire II Aerator Greensaire Core Processor

Contact:

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### TURF EQUIPMENT SALE!!

12 Cushman Turf Truckster Trade-Ins from Madden's Resort & Golf Club in Brainerd. Plus: Sprayers, Mowers, Sand Trap Groomers and other miscellaneous items.

To be sold at Madden's Parking Lot.

Wed., April 10th. • NOON - 5:00 p.m.

For information, call: John Olson at Cushman Motor Co.

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# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?—

## Neil W. Draz

By Jack Kolb

Some talented individuals go through this world unobtrusively leaving a wide wake of accomplishments.

Neil Draz is one of those individuals and many



**Neil Draz** 

of you are saying "Who is He?" Neil came out of the St. Paul Park system and was the superintendent at Phalen Golf from 1971 until his retirement in 1987.

Neil Draz has always intrigued me by his appearance in areas of "high culture" such as the Ordway Theater, Walker Art Institute, Tyrone Guthrie Theater and Minnesota Orchestra

Hall. Neil says the sightings were happenstance but he does try to diversify his entertainment. Neil's amalgam of talents began when he was

in high school and found a job in the old Onyx Dental Laboratories at 4th and Minnesota Street in downtown St. Paul. He started out as an errand boy running crowns, partials and dentures of all types to local dentists. Before going into the Navy in 1945 he had worked his position up to being the technician who vulcanized the "Ivories" to the dental plate. Upon discharge from the Navy in 1947, Neil went to work for "Reid H. Ray" film industries.

Old timers remember the local studio as the source of training films - also for the many short advertisements that were run on the screen before the feature movie in theaters nationwide. Shortly thereafter television became prominent and began casting about for technicians in their industry.

KSTP channel 5 television needed a talented person to operate its new film processor. Neil Draz was one of the few persons around with that talent and got the job.

With protective guilds that had quickly moved into the industry Neil soon found that he had a lot of daylight time on his hands and wanted a little more fresh air. He took a test as a park aide and was soon on his way to a new career, all the while continuing to do film processing at KSTP studio.

Neil Draz was the supervisor and Golf Course Superintendent in charge of reconstruction of the Phalen Golf Course which took from 1974 until 1976 at which time it reopened.

Neil and his wife Carol will celebrate 47 years of marriage this summer.