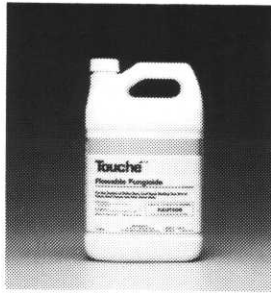


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NATIONAL NEWS

Minnesota Superintendent Receives Professional Certification

John Gregory Steiner, superintendent at White Bear Yacht Club, has been designated a Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS) by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).

Steiner has been superintendent of the White Bear Lake, Minn., course since 1979.

GCSAA instituted the certification program in 1971 to recognize outstanding and progressive superintendents. More than 1,500 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 Steiner's golf course operation was conducted by two certified golf course superintendents: John K. MacKenzie Jr., CGCS, at North Oaks Golf Club, St. Paul, and Greg Hubbard, CGCS, at Manitou Ridge Golf Course, White Bear Lake, Minn.

AFFILIATE NEWS

North Star Turf Takes on Goossen

Goossen Industries, located in Beatrice, Nebr., recently announced the appointment of North Star Turf in St. Paul as the exclusive distributor of its Turf & Landscape Products within Minnesota, North and South Dakota and western Wisconsin.

Goossen is best known for its line of commercial rake and vacuum products for use on golf courses, parks, schools and institutional grounds. The *Rake 'N Vac* is easily towed and is available with various attachments. The smaller *Vac 'N Load* mounts behind most outfront rotary mowers.

Other products available from Goossen include 3-pt. hitch debris blowers, mulching machines and chipper/shredders. For more information, contact North Star Turf at 612-484-8411 or 800-592-9513.