

# Red River Flooding Changes Priorities—

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is saved and the chance of injuries can be reduced. This machine did the work of several people. As a result, those people were free to work on other projects.

Mark has been in the golf course industry for quite a while. His career started when he worked part time for the Owatonna Country Club in his hometown of Owatonna, Minnesota. Mark worked at Owatonna Country Club during the summers while in high school and also after he started college at the University of Minnesota-Crookston. He then moved to Grand Forks where he was employed at the University of North Dakota, first as the campus mowing supervisor and then as the assistant superintendent at the university-owned Ray Richards Golf Course. In May, 1995, Mark was hired as superintendent at the Grand Forks Country Club. At that time, he had no idea of the difficulties he would face less than two years later.

Even though the Red River flood of 1997 is little more than a memory for the Grand Forks Country Club, it has

had some lasting effects. The labor shortage continues. Most of the remaining maintenance staff is working seven days a week to keep the course in tip top condition until the end of the season. Hopefully this is just temporary.

More importantly, the way things are done have been changed forever. The new DAKOTA Turf Tender will help save time, labor and expense for years to come. Mark was impressed with the versatility of the machine. It is the perfect grow-in machine. It can be used for construction, repair work or regular maintenance, and it will spread almost any material including topdressing and fertilizer. The savings in time and labor Mark experienced with the Turf Tender made it a good purchase for this year even if it hadn't been needed for flood repair. The Turf Tender can pay for itself in saved labor costs and by eliminating other unneeded machinery. In the long run, the purchase of a Turf Tender that was forced by unusual circumstances will end up paying dividends for a long, long time.

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— CORRECTION —

## Lucas Mahal and Tamara Johnson Receive Garske Legacy Scholarships

Lucas Mahal, son of Doug Mahal, Head Golf Course Superintendent at The Minikahda Club, Minneapolis, and Tamara Johnson, daughter of Bill Johnson, former Head Superintendent at Edina Country Club have been awarded \$1,250 Garske Legacy Scholarships.

Mahal is a student at Vermillion Community College in Ely. Johnson, who also received the scholarship last year, is a student at the University of Wisconsin/LaCrosse.

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