

# Talented Local Superintendents Will Headline March 6 Seminar Set at Park Place Hotel

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The five speakers at this year's MGCSA March Mini-Seminar all have one thing in common: creativity and an eye for the future. All five will educate us all with their innovations on March 6, at the Park Place Doubletree Hotel in St. Louis Park.

**Steve Schumacher**, superintendent at Izaty's Lodge and Yacht Club at Mille Lacs Lake, had to work with architects on a new design for his already interesting golf course and add another nine-hole regulation course. He tells me he will be talking about construction of the golf course and its efficient watering system.

**Michael Olson**, superintendent at Golden Valley Country Club, and **Robert Distel**, superintendent at Wayzata Country Club, will collaborate as host speakers on bunker restoration. Each had different reasons for doing these projects, and the contrast will be very interesting.

The idea of putting bunkers back to their original form will be illustrated nicely by Michael. Bob will present a more practical reason why his bunkers needed to be moved closer to his greens and why fairway bunkers were moved

strategically in their relationship to championship golf.

**Tom Kientzle**, superintendent and general manager at the Legacy Courses at Cragun's in the Brainerd Lakes area, will put us through the step-by-step process involved in the construction of this great new course. Tom also was involved right from the start in the construction of The Pines at Grand View Lodge when he was superintendent at this Nisswa course, also in the Brainerd Lakes area.

**Tim Johnson**, superintendent at the Spring Hill Country Club in Orono, will provide us with the newest venue in the country club scene. This course was created to be very exclusive and money was not a limiting factor. Tom is new to our area, and the seminar will provide a good opportunity for him to describe his new course during the construction and grow-in period.

Last but certainly not least at this year's MGCSA Mini-Seminar will be representatives from Professional Development Initiative (PDI). This presentation will center on GCSAA initiatives on how the national association is dev-

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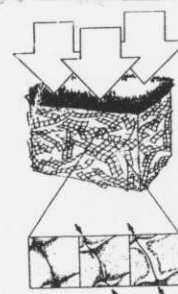
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## Annual Meeting--

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Mueller, Minnesota Valley, 35 years;

Robert Borovansky, Rich Acres Golf Course; Lorin Maenke, Olympic Hills Golf Club; John Queensland, Cedar River Country Club; Keith Scott, CGCS, Oak Ridge Country Club, 30 years.

John Kuusinen, Mesaba Country Club; John Nylund, Braemar Golf Course; Mark Smith, The Quarry at La Quinta; Larry Thornton, Superior Turf Services; Grant Wenkstern, Red Oak Golf, and Dick Williams, Pine Meadows, 25 years.

Dr. Don White, University of Minnesota, and Leroy Young, Leroy Young and Associates, received the association's Distinguished Service Award.

Michael Brower, Hillcrest Country Club was presented the Watson Award for his journalistic efforts for *Hole Notes*.

Scholarship honorees were Jason Habneck, Iowa State; Andrew Kjos, Penn State; Eric Ritter, Penn State, and Brandon Schindele, University of Minnesota.

The Trans-Mississippi/MGCSA Award went to Chad Wilson, Iowa State.

The Joseph S. Garske Legacy honorees were Amy Mounts, daughter of Peter Mounts and Aaron Smith, son of Mark Smith.

The MGCSA Legacy Awards were presented to Laura Lentner, daughter of Glen Lentner and John Redmond, son of Mike Redmond.

## Mini-Seminar--

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eloping standards for its members to meet. Many of us need to know more about this program.

The GCSAA Mini-Seminar will follow our one-day seminar with more construction lessons taken from "the eye" of a renowned golf course architect, Dr. Michael Hurdzan, Columbus, Ohio.

His very popular presentation entitled "Golf Greens: History, Theory, Construction and Maintenance" will be on the agenda.

Michael Brower, superintendent at Hillcrest Country Club in St. Paul, booked this seminar more than a year ago for us to enjoy, so plan not to miss any of the exciting new seminars in March.

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