

Editor's Corner

By Richard Traver, Jr., CGCS Monticello Country Club

What Great Fall Color!

Even though as I write this column most of the leaves have already fallen, I can't remember a year when the colors on the trees have been as vibrant as this year. It makes it so much easier coming to work when you have such a wonderful background to work against. Too bad it only lasts a couple of weeks. Make sure you take a little time to reflect on the year and all that you have accomplished. Take the time to write it all down. Sometimes I am really surprised at all that my staff and I have completed after I see it on paper.

Had a Bad Year?

The GCSAA has put together a new career development resource packet that members may find helpful. "How to help your course weather an Economic Downturn". The packet is free to members and can be ordered by calling the service center at (800) 472-7878. Some of the topics in the packet include but are not limited to the following:

*GCSAA information pamphlet: How to Help Your Course Weather an Economic Downturn.

*Crittenden Golf Inc: Keeping Your Maintenance Budget in Line.

*Golf Course Management Magazine: You Can Reduce Your Golf Course's Maintenance.

*Crittenden Golf Inc.: 10 Ouick Turnarounds.

Winter Projects

Looking for a little project this winter. Build a couple of bat houses, you can find directions for building a good bat house at www.batcon.org. Click on Projects, then Bat House Project. After you build it make sure it is placed somewhere it will get the morning sun and give it a dark color. Bats are a bit finicky about where they live so take a little time to find the right spot.

Boots

A longtime member of the MGCSA and dear friend to many, Boots Fuller passed away after struggling with a non-Hodgkins Lymphoma at the age of 71. Our best wishes go out to his friends and family.

Congratulations State Teams

Great job on bringing our state teams home for the USGA State Team Championships. Jim Nicols at Hazeltine G.C. and Rick Fredrickson at Woodhill C.C. had their golf courses in primo condition for the USGA State Team Championships. Much of the credit was given to John

Harris and Claudia Pilot for leading their respective teams. However, while they and their teammates are talented golfers beyond a shadow of a doubt, we all know that it was the expert turf care by the aforementioned superintendents that brought the titles home.

Next Event

Keep your eyes open for the registration forms for the MTGF Conference, coming up on December 4-6. We also have our annual MGCSA business meeting on Wednesday December 5, @ 4:45 p.m.

Safe Hunting

As you deer, waterfowl and pheasant hunters head on out to capture your prey, have a great time, but stay safe and stay smart.

> --Richard Traver, Jr., CGCS Editor

MGCSA Membership Report

New Members: October 3, 2001

Class
Charles Daggett Timber Creek GC
Chris Klatte Pine Hill GC / Grand View Golf Links
Brian Boll Interlachen CC
Clayton Krieger Midland Hills CC
Ryan Popp Interlachen CC
Charlie Edwards Rochester Technical School
Marshall Henson Rochester Technical School
Michael W. Nadolny Rochester Technical School
Andy Olson Rochester Technical School
Nicholas Quade Rochester Technical School
John Stapp Kate Haven GC
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John Quinlan Becker Underwood, Inc
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Daniel Hinton Jackson GC
Steven J. Hall Hillcrest G&CC

Submitted by Daniel Swenson, Membership Chairman

James Temple

Crystal Lake GC