



ON BOARD

Musing the Monthly Minutes

By Jack MacKenzie, CGCS
North Oaks Golf Club

Now I could go on how the MGCSA Board of Directors is not in favor of a 20 percent dues hike at the National level, but I won't. At our local level it has been decided to increase our dues every two years and to reflect a rate based upon inflation. Or I could reflect upon the limited club response received from superintendents when requesting their club for MGCSA related events. The BOD will be implementing a program where potential clubs will be contacted by the Executive Director, much like the Minnesota Golf Association does in an attempt to solicit participation, thus reducing the pressure upon the individual superintendent. Instead I will focus upon the upcoming 75th Anniversary plans.

To coin a phrase from the A Team (*a show from the 80s featuring Mr. T*), "I love it when a plan comes together." In fact, this event, the celebration of 75 years of organized golf course turf management in the state of Minnesota, is gelling to become a fine night of dining and remembrance. We are talking a program that embodies our professionalism.

Passed hors d'oeuvres, a duet meal of roasted tenderloin in a Red Pepper Coulis paired with chicken breast Picatta, followed by a sweet chocolate treat. MMMM' good. I should know, I sampled the wonderful fare at the PGA Awards Banquet and Hall of Fame Ceremony. Talk about a class act to follow.

I can only hope we emulate the Pro's (*and I can't believe I said that!*) by wearing the infamous "coat and tie." And the women were resplendent in comparable evening attire. Believe me, everyone looked great and took the atmosphere of the event to the next level. Classy. No, CLASSY! No I won't be dusting off my Tuxedo, but I expect to be dashing in either my camel hair charcoal black evening jacket or maybe my gray suit with green and blue silk tie. Ah, thank goodness I have time to think about it.

The evening is developing into a celebration to be remembered. Several very honored guests will grace the audience. There will be surprises for everyone and the stirrings of memories conjured up by old photographs. And we will have the chance to pay homage to a very important group of professionals, ourselves. We are a good gang and deserve a night out to celebrate our achievements.

And the cost? \$50 dollars a person. Now where are you going to find a deal like that? Kincaids? The Palomino Club? All this with the ambiance created by the gathering of good friends in a festive environment.

Come celebrate with me my associates. Join in the 75th anniversary of your organization, The Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association.

MGCSA Membership Report

New Members: September 30, 2002

Class
Mark W. Bradford
Montana State UniversityStudent - GCSAA
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Reclassifications

Steven R. Benson
Grand National Golf ClubC to B - GCSAA (pending)

Michael Cohrs
Bluff Creek Golf CourseB to A

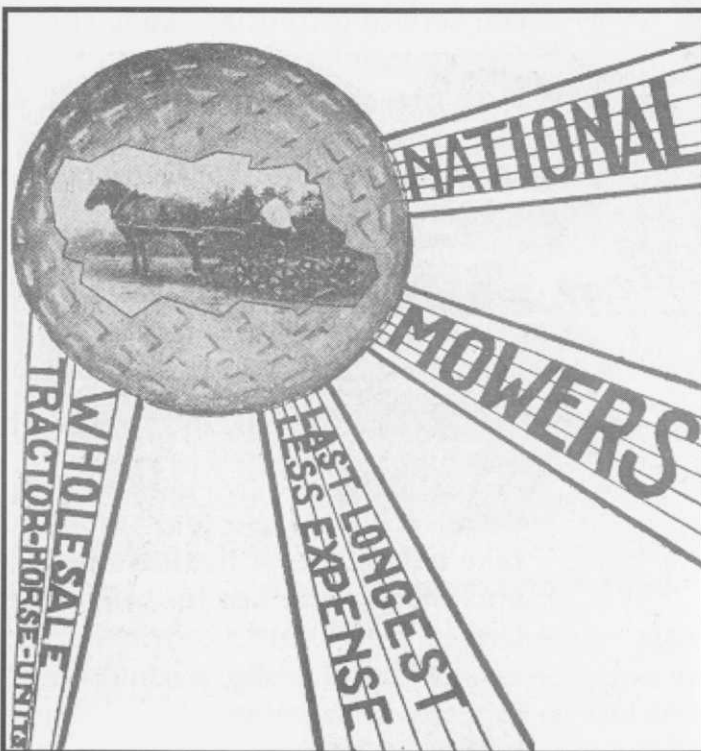
Submitted by Daniel Swenson,
Membership Chairman

75TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

Tuesday, December 3, 2003

Golden Valley Country Club, Golden Valley, Minn.

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