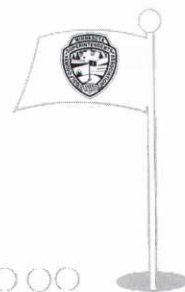


# IT'S IN THE HOLE



Congratulations go out to **Dick Grundstrom** on his recent retirement. Dick has been an active member of the MGCSA for over 35 years and was the Superintendent at Indian Hills Golf Club for over two decades. Also on the move with relation to this club is the promotion of **James Gardner, CGCS**, former Superintendent at The Wilds Golf Club. He is now going to be Director Of Grounds at both Indian Hills and The Wilds. The new superintendents are to be Charlie Schultz at Indian Hills and Wes Stoneback at The Wilds Golf Club. Good luck in your new positions!

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Also retiring is **John Nylund**, Superintendent from Braemar Golf Course. Joining him in retirement is his mechanic **Don Klingelhoets**. Combined, these two professionals have contributed over 65 years to Braemar Golf Course. **Thomas Swenson** will be taking over as the new Superintendent.

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**Jim Nicol, CGCS** is pleased to announce a major management change at Hazeltine National Golf Club. **Mark Storby**, Jim's former Assistant, is moving onto the esteemed position of Superintendent at Oneida Golf and Country Club in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Replacing him as Assistant at Hazeltine National will be **Joseph Maloney**. And moving into the foreman position will be **Steve Geisen**. Jim is excited about Mark's opportunity, but will miss his nine years of experience at Hazeltine National.

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Another new Packer fan will be **Jeff Gajdostik**. He is moving from the Assistant Superintendent's position at Stillwater Country Club to the Amery Golf Club in Amery Wisconsin. Go Vikings!

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A warm Minnesota welcome goes out to **David Von Schmittou**, the new Superintendent at Baker National Golf Course. David hails from Fort Walton Beach, Florida where he was Superintendent for four years. Tagging along with David to the "great up Nort" is his wife Tawnya, and children Dixie Anna, Scarlet, Griff and Peter. Good luck Gang!

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Some folks just know the right people! Kudos are in order for **Michael Brual**, Superintendent of the Faribault Golf and Country Club, **Norma O' Leary CGCS**, Superintendent at Silver Bay Golf Club and

**Jack MacKenzie, CGCS**, Superintendent at North Oaks Golf Club for their recent nominations as Superintendent News' Superintendent of the Year Award. Extra congratulations go to Norma for making it to the finals.

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**Mike Klatte, CGCS**, received a 25-year certification award at GCSAA in Atlanta. He was certified in 1977 and was one of twelve nationally to receive this award.

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**Northway Irrigation**, an 18-year-old residential-commercial irrigation contractor is expanding into the golf irrigation market. **Bob Reihe**, who has over 30 years of golf irrigation experience in sales, design and installation and will manage this new golf irrigation venture. Bob may be reached at 763-786-4379.

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**Turf Bowl results:** A total of 71 teams were represented from many universities and colleges. Team 1 (**Grant Blumrich, Mike Bratvold, Andrew Carlson, Neil Roberts**) placed 18th which was just 9 points from the being in the top 10. Team 2 (**Matt Smith, Justin Funk, Kyle Fick, Jeff Reich**) placed 23rd. Team 3 (**Sam Bauer & Aaron Karn**) placed 28th. Team 4 (**Tony Dutchin, Gabe Klaassen, Justin Ellison, Corinne Radatz**) placed 54th.

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**SUPERINTENDENTS TIE SERIES AGAINST THE PROS** by beating the golfers at the Blaine Super Rinks on February 19th. This event was sponsored by MGCSA affiliate members Brad Smith and Dave Krupp from Precision Turf and Chemical, Inc.