

Introducing the 2007 MGCSA Scholarship Recipient: Tom Steigauf

The MGCSA Scholarship Committee had its hands full this year with four very qualified scholarship candidates. After careful review we have determined the winner, Tom Steigauf.

Tom got his start in the golf industry at Hillcrest Golf Club of St. Paul at the young age of 16. He spent three years there getting his feet wet with course set-up, mowing and pesticide and fertilizer applications. From there he found himself at Hartman Companies learning all he could about golf course renovations, drainage, tee and green construction. Tom then enrolled in the turf program at Anoka Technical College.

As a student, Tom traveled to Colorado for his first internship experience. At the Country Club of the Rockies he put his past experiences to work in a bunker renovation program and further sharpened his skills in daily golf course management. After graduating from Anoka, Tom went to Big Sky Montana to assist in the grow-in of the Tom Weiskopf designed Spanish Peaks Golf Club.

Tom is now enrolled in the University of Minnesota's turf program and doing another internship at Spring Hill Golf Club in Wayzata. He plans on graduating in the spring of 2008 and looks forward to becoming a golf course superintendent in the not so distant future.

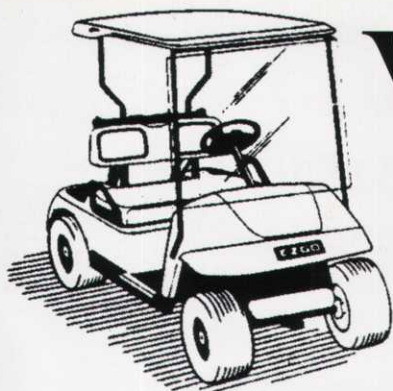
His hobbies include hunting, fishing, working on cars, building cabinets, and spending time with family and friends.

"I had the distinct pleasure of playing golf with Tom at the 2007 MGCSA Scholarship Scramble at Greystone Golf Club and I assure you he is a worthy recipient of our scholarship. It is obvious that he takes pride in what he does and will be a great addition to the turf grass profession." said Scottie Hines, CGCS, MGCSA Scholarship Chair.



Tom Steigauf, right, received the 2007 MGCSA Scholarship Award at the MGCSA Scholarship Scramble at Greystone Golf Club in Sauk Centre on June 18 from MGCSA Scholarship Chair Scottie Hines, CGCS on behalf of the MGCSA. Steigauf currently attends the University of Minnesota at Crookston.

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