

A very brief report on the 45th annual GCSAA Turfgrass Conference and show at Anaheim, California, February 10-15, 1974 (A more detailed report will be in the April issue of "Hole Notes")

I was at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport Sunday, February 10th when a group of MGCSA members, their wives and families assembled before departing for the GCSAA Turfgrass Conference & Show at Anaheim. This group is known as the "Gould Group" because it was organized and reservations handled by Gordon Miller of the R. L. Gould Co. This is done annually by Gordy and his Company and requires a great deal of effort and time and we are very grateful to all concerned. It was a rather cool morning and although it was not snowing, at least in the Twin Cities, it had snowed the night before and it was windy with the snow being blown across the highways in spots making it rather hazardous driving. In spite of these conditions there were in excess of 70 people there, including men, women and children; several from areas so-e distance from the Twin Cities. Included in those that I saw were John Lightfoot from Cloquet; Irwin Fuller, Mankato; Kurt Erdman, Rochester; Dave Fedie, Forest Lake; and I am sure there were others. A very dedicated and enthusiastic bunch of people and they, together with the others from the MGCSA that drove, will be representing this area by approximately 100. We wish them all a very enjoyable, pleasant and educational trip.

The group departed on schedule at 11:00 a.m. and enjoyed a very fine flight. They were wined and dined and in general were made to feel welcome and comfortable aboard the plane. They arrived in excellent weather and enjoyed that kind of weather all during their stay. On their arrival they were joined by several others from our State bringing the total from MGCSA and their guests to about 100. A fine representation. After their arrival, the balance of the day (Sunday) was devoted to registration and getting settled.

The Conference opened Monday morning with Welcoming Ceremonies followed by the Keynote Address by a member of the U. S. Expedition which climbed Mt. Everest. He gave a tremendously interesting, exciting and educational talk. Time would only permit about an hour and a half, so only the highlights of the climb could be related. I am sure he could have talked for hours and perhaps days and kept the interest and attention of his audience. It was remarkable.

The afternoon session was an Educational Assembly and covered such subjects as "Trials and Tribulations of a Golf Course," "The Superintendent of Yesteryear," films and other exceptionally interesting subjects which were narrated by outstanding speakers.

Monday evening the members and guests attending the conference were treated to a very lovely dinner and dance on board the Queen Mary. It is estimated that more than 2000 Superintendents and their Ladies attended this party.

Tuesday morning the Exhibits were officially opened with special ribbon cutting ceremonies. Women and children were invited to visit the exhibits on Wednesday and Thursday only. Educational Assemblies were in session both morning and afternoon on Tuesday and again there were very interesting subjects presented by outstanding and able speakers. Our own Jerry Murphy was Chairman for the Tuesday Assemblies. At Noon the Minnesota Toro hosted a luncheon at the Golden Pheasant with Milt and Cathryn Wiley as Host and Hostess. In the afternoon the Ladies were taken on a tour of the Universal Studios. Tuesday evening Swift & Company hosted a party at the Disneyland Hotel.

Educational Assemblies continued Wednesday and Thursday with no depression in the quality of the subjects or the speakers presenting them.

Thursday night was the Banquet and Dance with the entertainment highlited by Gordon McRea.

Friday - a tour of area golf courses and ticket-passes available at a nominal amount for Disneyland. These ticket-passes were good for everything except food and the shooting gallery.

One item not on the schedule was that of Rich Rannels taking off for Los Angeles and getting himself married. Best of everything to you and your Bride, Rich.

**HELP WANTED, POSITIONS WANTED AND
QUALIFIED PERSONS AVAILABLE**

If you are looking for an assistant, Tim Stenson, 5841 73rd Avenue No., Brooklyn Park, Minn., 55443, age 25 is available. Tim is married, has his military obligation completed. Graduate of the Anoka Vocational School, specializing in Turf-grass Management. Experience: Four years at Greenhaven Country Club under Tom Hopf and three years at Oak Ridge Country Club under Keith Scott. Phone (612) 566-3707 (home) and 938-6900 (work).

Bob Hendricks, Placement Director, University of Minnesota Technical College, Waseca, has advised us of a young man, Joe McMahan, who will graduate from the Technical College of Waseca in March with a major in landscape development. He would like to find work on a golf course where he can apply the knowledge he gained in college and also from his experience in working for Kurt Erdman at the Rochester Golf & Country Club. Joe can be reached through Bob Hendricks at the U of M Waseca or at 428 East School St., Owatonna, Minnesota, 55060. Phone (507) 451-0055.

Bob Feser, a former officer and a long-time member of the MGCSA and a teacher at the Anoka Technical Vocational Institute, has advised us that there will be four or five young men graduating from Anoka Technical this spring who have specialized in Turf Management and they will be available for and would like work at a golf course. It may be that some of the Superintendents will be looking for this type of a man to work for them. If so contact Bob Feser at the School, phone (612) 427-4920 or write to the school at Anoka, Minnesota, 55303.


**HERE IS AN OUTSTANDING EXPERIENCED
SUPERINTENDENT AVAILABLE**

Vern Hansen, a Class "A" Superintendent and a member of the MGCSA and the GCSAA well qualified by education and years of experience is available to take over as a Superintendent.

Vern is a graduate of the University of Minnesota with a degree in Turf Management and a minor in Business. He has been the Superintendent the past four or five years at the Minneapolis Golf Club. Any Club looking for a Superintendent would be fortunate to secure a man with the background that Vern has.

He can be contacted by writing to him at 6928 60th Avenue North, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55428 or by phone at (612) 537-8736. If you have any problem in contacting him, please call the MGCSA office (612) 922-6414 and we will locate him and have him contact you.

BROADLEAF WEEDS
controlled positively
with maximum safety
to sensitive grasses
and ornamentals



BENTGRASS
BROADLEAF HERBICIDE

FAIRWAY
BROADLEAF HERBICIDE

GORDON'S
Chemicals

trimec
TURF HERBICIDES®

U.S. Patent
4,284,146

THE MOST CONTROL AT THE LEAST EXPENSE

ASSOCIATED PRODUCERS
285 E. FILLMORE AVE **INC.** ST. PAUL, MINN

America's foremost turf fertilizer



MILWAUKEE®

MILORGANITE

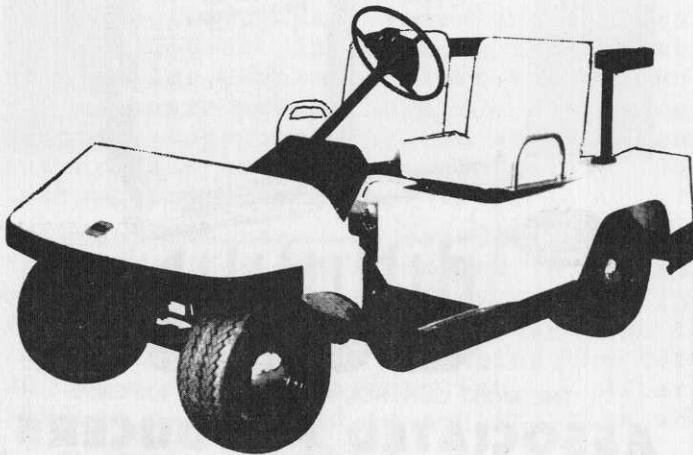
THE NATURAL
ORGANIC
FERTILIZER



Call
612-472-4167
 For these Quality
 Products

KROMER CO

RTE 2, BOX 681A • MOUND, MINNESOTA
 55364

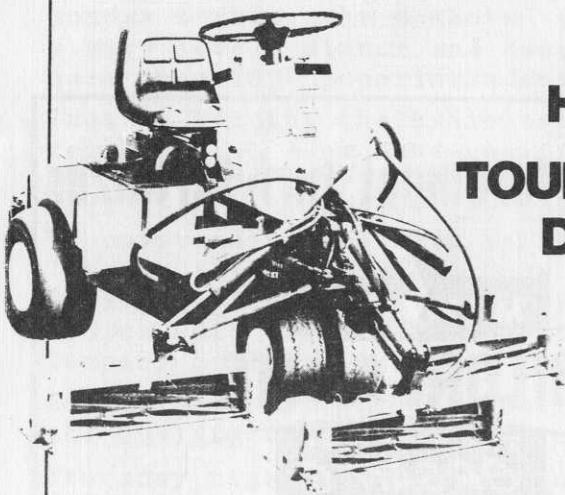
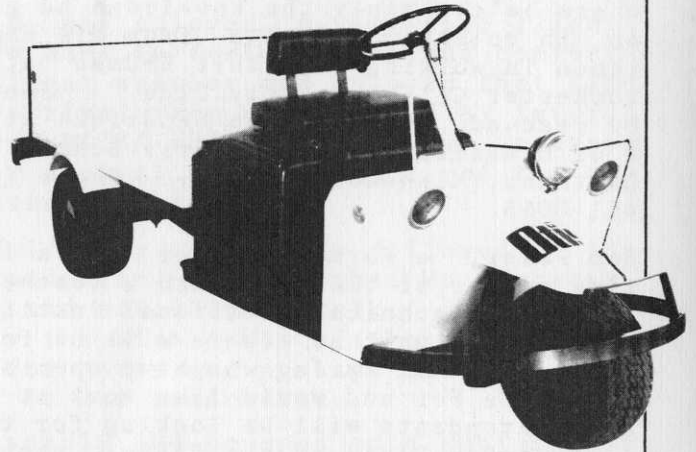


OTIS Golf Cart

Four Wheel Stability
 Low Center of Gravity
 54 Holes Before Recharging

Otis Turf-Aul

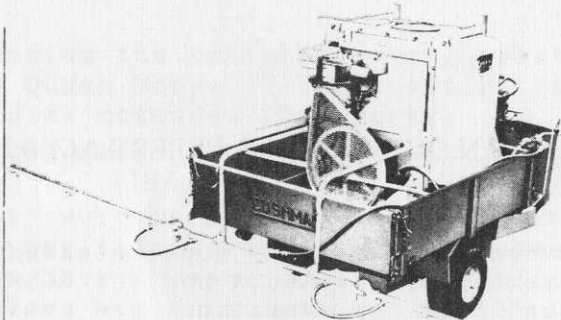
"Tough with a gentle touch"
 Wide, wide tires that can even
 drive on greens.
 Broad range of attachments
 4-wheel model also available



Hahn TOURNAMENT DELUXE

greens management system.

In an instant, you can convert your
 Tournament Triplex from a greensmower to a
 vertical mowing unit, to a spiker, to a utility mower. All
 cut a wide 67" swath with all three heads operating and
 all are designed to save you time and money.



TURF CART SPRAYER
 Sprays all chemicals, liquid or
 powder
 Cleans machinery
 10 gal per minute, 500 psi
 Heavy Duty Piston Pump

Research Program

With Spring approaching this is an all important program. Through this program we will endeavor to discover ways to improve playing conditions on golf courses by making it possible to have better grasses and turf on the Tees, Greens and Fairways and by eliminating crabgrass and other unwanted grasses and weeds from the entire course including the rough.

This can only be done by hard work and intensive study by the Golf Course Superintendents. They have pledged themselves to this part of the program but it also requires finances and we ask each club to make a contribution to this worthy cause. The results will be beneficial to the members by making the course more enjoyable to play.

Several of the Clubs have contributed and we thank them for their contributions and ask for their continued help. To the Clubs that have not made a contribution we ask them to do so. You have all heard the familiar phrase "God helps those that help themselves." This also applies to Superintendents. Superintendents can and will help those that help themselves. With that in mind it would be nice for each member of a golf club to contribute 50¢ to this program. That would put our program over in great shape. Make the contribution to your club and they can send a check to the MGCSA. Every penny received by the MGCSA for the research program is used for that purpose only.

Use this form when sending in your contribution. Mail the form and your check to either Dean Sime, Secy-Treas. % Interlachen Country Club, 6200 Interlachen Boulevard, Edina, Minn. 55436 or to Al Wareham, 5600 Chowen Ave., Edina, Minn. 55410. Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$_____ for our 1974 contribution to the Research Program. We are very much in favor of the program and thank the MGCSA for their interest in having the best playing conditions possible.

Club _____

By _____

Title _____

March Meeting-Monday, March 11th

Jim Lindblad, Chairman of Arrangements, wishes to remind the members that the March meeting will be held at Vince Dahle's Brightwood Hills Golf Course (Computerized) bring your clubs. Jim has also arranged with Vince to give a talk on computerized golf courses and to answer any questions you might have. This should be an interesting subject. Brightwood Hills is located at 1975 Silver Lake Road, one Mile North of Hwy 694 on Silver Lake Road. Come early and get in a round or two of golf, remember the season is not too far away and a little early practice could help. There will be the usual other forms of entertainment to enjoy. We will be looking for you. Dinner and the meeting will be at Donatelle's Supper Club, 2400 N.E. Hwy 10, a short distance from Brightwood Hills. The dinner will be buffet style at \$4.50. There will be reports and details about the GCSAA Conference at Anaheim. With the number of MGCSA members that attended that meeting, our meeting should be very instructive and entertaining.

TORO

LAWN SPRINKLERS

TORO

- RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SYSTEMS
- MANUAL AND AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS
- AUTHORIZED INSTALLERS (SEE TRADE MARK AD THIS PAGE)
- DESIGN, INSTALLATION, AND SERVICE FOR ALL SYSTEMS.

AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTOR MINNESOTA TORO, INC.

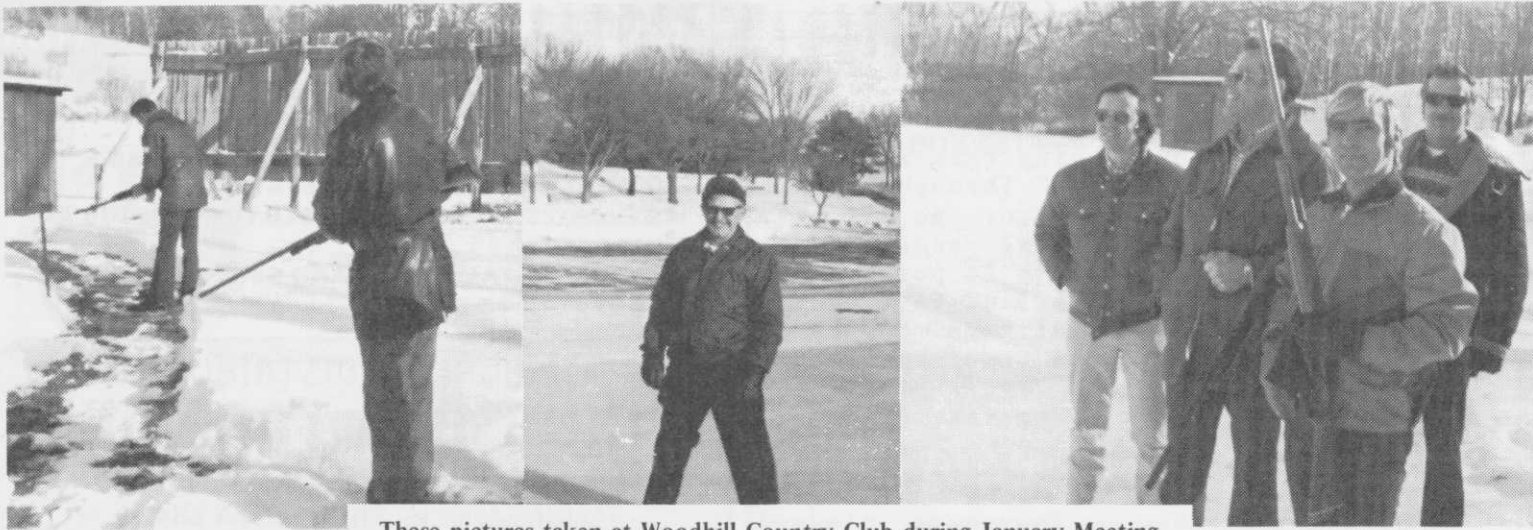
850 SOUTH FLORIDA AVENUE
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55426

- SPECIALIST IN GOLF COURSE AND LARGE AREA SYSTEMS
- 15 YEARS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE WITH OVER 100 GOLF COURSE SYSTEMS INSTALLED
- ONE OF THE AREA'S LARGEST STOCK OF PRODUCTS AND PARTS
- DESIGN, INSTALLATION, AND SERVICE.
- CONSULTING SERVICE AND MATERIALS FOR YOUR OWN INSTALLATION.

TORO

544-0111

TORO



These pictures taken at Woodhill Country Club during January Meeting



Pictures taken at Air Port on day of departure for Anaheim

Greens' Clippings

Superintendent, Ole Rud of the Monevido Country Club, took his family on a little winter vacation and drove to Albuerque, New Mexico to look over Golf courses, among other things, but reports as far as looking over courses he might just as well have stayed home as it snowed all the time they were there. and the courses looked just like Minnesota courses in the winter time. He did say that at the time the TV was reporting 47 below in Minnesota it was about 25-35 above there but the people got cold just watching the weather reports on TV.

Dave Streater has resigned as Golf Course Superintendent at the Orono Minicipal Golf Course and is moving to Hayward, Wisc., April 1. He will operate the Lakeview Country Club just outside of Hayward. He has purchased that course and invites anyone from this area that might be in that location to stop and look over his course. He plans on maintaining his membership in the MGCSA. We are glad to hear that and we wish him the best of luck in his new venture.

WANTED -- Qualified Golf Course Supt. to maintain 9-hole Municipal Golf Course. For further details contact James W. Cosby, City Administrator Orono, Box 66, Crystal Bay, Mn. 55323, phone (612)473-7357. If by letter give complete resume.

RAIN BIRD®



DOES YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM NEED
A
SPRING CLEANING

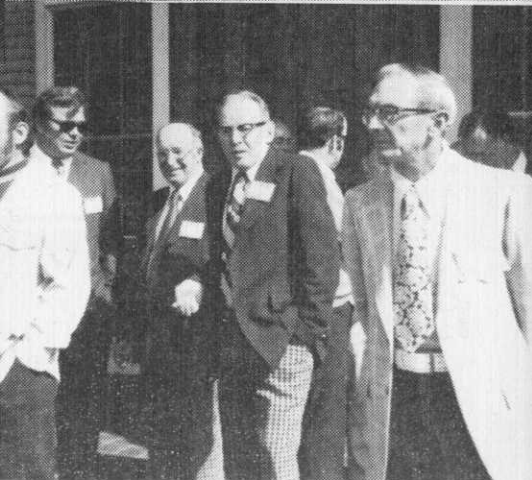
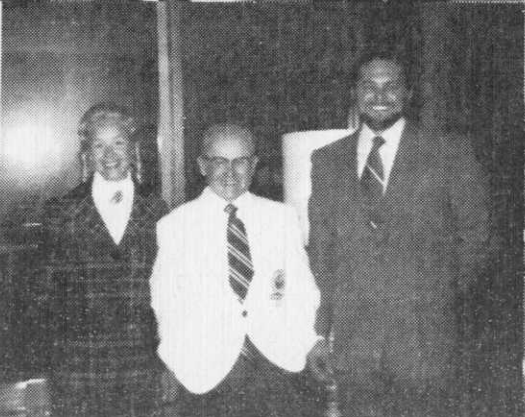
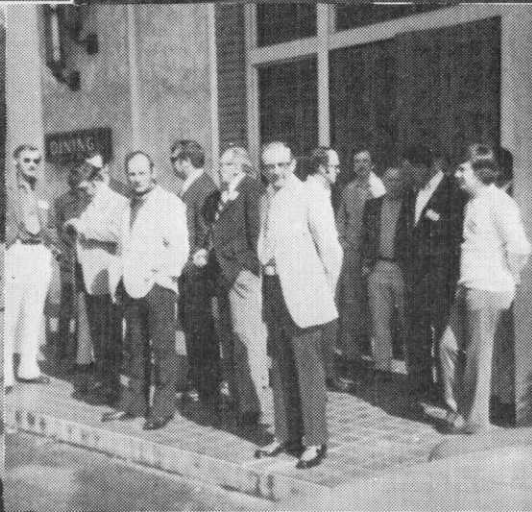
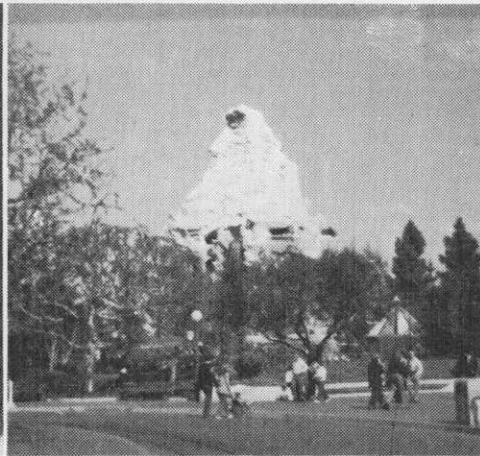
WE HAVE A COMPLETE STOCK
OF IMPACT AND POP-UP HEADS
PARTS AND ACCESSORIES

P & H WAREHOUSE SALES
10906 WAYZATA BLVD.
MINNETONKA, MINN. 55343
AREA 612-545-2276

BARTLEY SUPPLY CO.
BOX 874
ST. CLOUD, MINN.
AREA 612-251-2233



Pictures on this page taken at Anaheim during GCSAA Annual Conference



Here's the new, 1974 Greens King. It's dynamite.

We're pretty excited about showing off the all new, redesigned and faster traveling Greens King. From Jacobsen.

There are so many new features you really ought to have a test ride.

You'll notice how the mowing units can be operated singly, or in any combination, with fingertip controls.

The new, spunky transmission gives you faster transport between greens. And the husky 14HP engine runs

smoother and more quietly than ever due to the new, enlarged muffler.

It steers with better control and gives you tighter turning. There are a lot of other neat features that should knock your eyes out. Including the sleek new, ground hugging design.

Of course it can still cut through 18 greens in about four hours. So it's still the champ.

While you're at it, ask your

Jacobsen Distributor to show you the new Trap King. It's the best trap rake in the business simply because its unique features let you rake faster and better than any other trap rake. And that's not a brag. It's a promise.

Your Jacobsen Distributor will be happy to give you a demonstration. He has a complete line of turf care products as good as the Greens King and Trap King.

They're all dynamite.



3711 Lexington Avenue North
St. Paul, Minnesota 55412

call (612) 484-8411



Greens' Clippings

In a recent issue of "Hole Notes" we had an article regarding the number of families having two or more members of the family in the profession of Golf Course Superintendents and we named several and we also mentioned the fact that there were, no doubt, others that we had not mentioned. We are happy to say there were, and a couple of them have come forward and let us know about them. One, Arnold L. Anderson, retired and a life member residing in Duluth, Minn. has a son, James E. Anderson, a member of the MGCSA and the Superintendent at the Lester Park Course in Duluth. Charles Tillman, Superintendent at the Monticello Country Club has a son, Joe working with him at Monticello and another son Jon attending the Anoka Technical Vocational Institute. Jon is not studying Turf Management but is studying related subjects and may later decide to follow golf course work. Joe is planning on applying for a membership in the MGCSA as an assistant superintendent. He also hopes to attend Anoka Technical Vocational this fall and study subjects in Turf Management. Now if there are others we have overlooked, or do not know about, please let us know so we can acknowledge them.

In the last couple of issues of "Hole Notes" we have made mention of one of our members who we referred to as "Ray Hill" and even after we were told that it should have read "Ray Hall" we did it the second time. Our apologies, Ray, it is not that I didn't know how to spell "Hall," it was my typing. On another page of this issue you will see a picture of Ray skating at the Woodhill Country Club during the January meeting and when you see it, remember it is Ray "Hall" and not "Hill."

O. W. Kromer an associate member of the MGCSA sent us an article on the subject of "Professional Athletes Urge Abolition of Artificial Turf." It is a very interesting article but I don't think it is applicable to golf courses at this time, except maybe some use on Tees. But with the vast area to cover on a course it does not seem practical at this time and the cost would probably be prohibitive, so for now we will probably stick to our watering systems, grass cutting, fertilizing, aerating, etc.

We like to hear from members that we don't get a chance to see very often and when returning the questionnaire we sent out this winter to bring our records up to date we did hear from some of them and we thank them. One of these members was Frank B. Anderson, a life member. Frank said he has been seriously ill for some time but is now on the way to recovery. We are glad to hear that. Stick with it Frank, we are all pulling for you. Another was Dr. Fred Grau. He said "I appreciate 'Hole Notes.'" I recall the first time I addressed this group (MGCSA) I tried to tell a Norwegian joke. It didn't take me long to learn." Nice to hear from you Fred. C. L. (Jim) Graham was still another honorary member that said "Hi" and that he enjoyed "Hole Notes" very much. Thank you, Jim.

I would like to remind you about completing and returning various forms that are sent out each year. When we do send out a form to be completed and returned they are important or we would not bother preparing them and sending them out at an expense to the Association. We are still short several returns on the questionnaire regarding your status as a Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, etc. We are anxious to get them in so we may update the roster thereby making it of value to those that use it. So please help us by getting it in to us. Thank you. Your attention is also called to the distribution of the "Hole Notes." If the Superintendents do not properly distribute them a lot of hard work is being done for nothing. If your 1974 dues has not been paid they are due and payable.

We receive many requests during the year for information about average salaries, fringe benefits, etc. and we do not always have the answer. We are,

➡➡➡