

M.G.C.S.A. as important as mowing greens on Men's Day. Along with dedication, you need those two to be successful.

Lastly, but most important, in my change was the fact that I wanted to do what God wanted me to do. Knowing that when some doors are closed, He opens others, the credit for any success must go to Him.

## EDITOR'S CORNER

by DOUG MAHAL  
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The season is about over for the golfer but not necessarily for the superintendent. Late October and November is as important maintenance-wise as any period of the year. One must be concerned about having a strong healthy turf going into the winter, the irrigation system must be blown and winterized, snow mold fungicides must be applied, tons of leaves must be processed, those fall projects must be completed and time must be allotted for discussion of the

Vikings chances to make the playoffs this season. Many superintendents must start scheduling tree pruning and turf dessication protection - all with limited manpower inventory. I think it is very easy to begin "over-relaxing" once October 1 arrives but as "keepers of the green", our season doesn't end until that first permanent snowfall. We must stay motivated - we can get a lot accomplished in late fall which can make next July a bit more tolerable.

In general, Minnesota superintendents produced some awfully fine turf this past season. Some areas may have been too dry and some too wet but I've heard of no maintenance catastrophe that created unusual heartache this year. We can all remember worse! Let's hope the winter allows us a good start again next spring.

As winter does approach, let's not let our club members forget about us or give them the feeling we've forgotten about them and their valuable real estate. If your club doesn't have a regular publication which is

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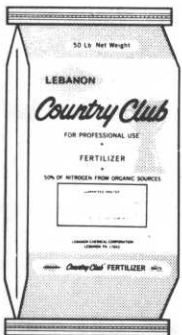
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sent to its membership, write your own letter to be sent out. One might discuss the past season, its successes and failures, and also plans you're making to improve course conditions next season. Let them know what you do during the winter months. Your members might be interested.

On behalf of the staff here at Interlachen, I'd like to say we were happy to host the October meeting of M.G.C.S.A. Though the weather was less than ideal, it appeared all had a good time. Thanks to Dr. Don White for his remarks on preparing for winter. Dr. White made the comment much of his talk was a repeat of what we've heard in the past. Perhaps, but I felt reassured that my practices are still "on track" and that's nearly as good as learning something new!

Our annual conference is scheduled a little earlier than normal this year - November 28, 29 and 30. Most of us know already if we'll be attending so please send in those pre-registrations as soon as you receive them. There will be a \$5.00 daily cost increase for at-the-door registration. Even if you only plan to attend one day, pre-registration is required to avoid the \$5.00 at-the-door additional charge.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were accepted in August:

Jerry Dalen, Class B, Coffee Mill G.C.; Darold Voss, Class BII, Vallebrook; Thomas Johanns, Class C, Interlachen C.C.; and Eric Anderson, Class D, Golden Valley C.C.

The following were accepted in October:

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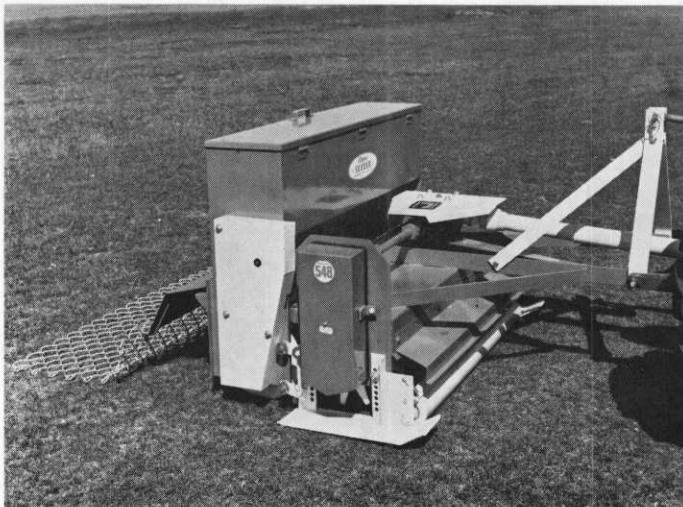
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