

MGCSA President Fred Taylor, left, past president Kevin Clunis, middle, and board member Bob Distel relax and enjoy lunch at The Preserve.



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THURSDAY

DECEMBER 11, 1997

MORNING SESSION (continued)

Concurrent Session Dr. Ron Smith & Gar	V – Plants & Plant StressRoom 102 ABC ry Johnson
9:15-10:05 a.m.	Selecting Trees & Shrubs to Reduce Shock, Stress And Pesticide Application — Dr. Ron Smith
10:10-11:00 a.m.	Xeric Landscape Plants and Plantings that Conserve Water — Dr. Ron Smith
11:05–12:00 p.m.	Selecting Site-Tough Trees and Shrubs For Urban Landscapes — Gary Johnson

Concurrent Session VI – Environmental Issues Relative To Athletic Fields ... Room 208 CD Steve Wightman & George Hamilton

9:15-10:05 a.m.	Minimize Pesticide Use Through
	Healthy Turfgrass Management – Steve Wightman
10:10-11:00 a.m.	IPM Management for Athletic Fields - Steve Wightman
11:05–12:00 noon	Cultural Weed Control – George Hamilton

AFTERNOON SESSION

Concurrent Session I – Aquatics......Room 206 AB This session qualifies for MDA Aquatics (category F & APCA) recertification in 1998. Aquatic Applicators must also attend the morning session (7:00 a.m.–8:00 a.m.)

1:00-1:55 p.m.	Aquatics Recertification (Weed Identification)
2:00-2:55 p.m.	Weed Control
3:05-4:00 p.m.	Regulations

2:00-2:55 p.m.	Equipment Maintenance for
	The 21st Century (Part I) - John Beattie
3:05-4:00 p.m.	Equipment Maintenance for
	The 21st Century (Part II) - John Beattie

2:00–2:55 p.m.	Low Maintenance Turfgrass — Dr. Mary Meyer
3:05–4:00 p.m.	Compost: Why Bother? - Judy Purman

2:00–2:25 p.m.	The Five Most Common Mistakes in Sports Turf Management
	And Their Solutions $- Dr. Dave Minner$
2:25–2:55 p.m.	Managing the Cyclones Stadium Football Field-Mike Andreson
3:05-4:00 p.m.	New Advances in Sports Turf
	Construction and Management $- Dr. Dave Minner$

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MTGF Conference & Trade Show-

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2:00-2:30 p.m.	Overview of Minnesota OSHA Program – Jeff Wasvick
2:30-2:55 p.m.	OSHA Recordkeeping – Jeff Wasvick
3:05-4:00 p.m.	Employee Right to Know – Jeff Wasvick

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DECEMBER 11, 1997

AFTERNOON SESSION (continued)

VI – GolfRoom 211 AB
The Effects of Lightweight Rolling
On Putting Green Quality – George Hamilton
Alternative Golf Shoe Spike Research – George Hamilton

FRIDAY

DECEMBER 12, 1997

MORNING SESSION

8:00-9:00 a.m.	Registration
9:00-10:00 a.m.	Opening Speaker: Dr. Joe VargasRoom 102 DEF Topic: Fungicide Resistance, Facts and Folklore
10:00-10:05 a.m.	Break
Concurrent Session I Mike Zins and Mark Ste	- Trees and ShrubsRoom 208 AB
10:05–11:00 a.m. 11:05–12:00 p.m.	Pruning Trees and Shrubs — <i>Mike Zins</i> Treating Dutch Elm and Oak Wilt — <i>Mark Stennes</i>
Concurrent Session II Dan Gullickson and Joh	- Potpourri
10:05–11:00 a.m. 11:05–12:00 p.m.	Living Snow Fence — <i>Dan Gullickson</i> New and Improved Annuals for the Minnesota Landscape — <i>John Erwin</i>
Concurrent Session III – Disease	
10:05–11:00 a.m. 11:05–12:00 p.m.	Update on Patch Diseases — Dr. Joe Vargas Important Winter and Summer Diseases — Dr. Joe Vargas
Concurrent Session IV – Sports	
10:05–11:00 a.m. 11:05–12:00 p.m.	Managing Football and Soccer Fields: High/Low Budgets — <i>Dr. Dave Minner</i> Selecting and Managing Skin Areas for Baseball/Softball — <i>Dr. Dave Minner</i>
Concurrent Session V – Nutrients and Fertilizers	
10:05–11:00 a.m. 11:05–12:00 p.m.	Humic Substances — Dr. Van Cline Micro Nutrients and Turf Health — Dr. Paul Kresky
Concurrent Session VI – Board of DirectorsRoom 211 CD Barbara Davis	
10:05–11:00 a.m. 11:05–12:00 noon	Board Roles and Responsibilities — <i>Barbara Davis</i> Board Roles and Responsibilities — <i>Barbara Davis</i>

SCENES AT THE 1997 STODOLA



Champions of the Net Division at this year's Stodola Research Scramble, held at The Preserve, is this team from Mankato Golf Club. Pictured from left to right, are Leroy Mamer, MGCSA President Fred Taylor, Josh Blackman and Al Starke.

The team from Rolling Green Country Club misses the green but looks to have an easy par wrapped up. Superintendent and MGCSA secretary Pat Walton led his scramble team of Larry Olson, Harry Hunt and Bill Soule to a 63.





Enjoying the day from The Wilds are, from left, Chuck Schoenrock, Shad Gordon, head superintendent James Gardner and Mike Regan. The team scrambled to a 12-under-par 60.

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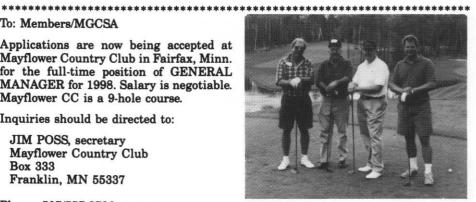
To: Members/MGCSA

Applications are now being accepted at Mayflower Country Club in Fairfax, Minn. for the full-time position of GENERAL MANAGER for 1998. Salary is negotiable. Mayflower CC is a 9-hole course.

Inquiries should be directed to:

JIM POSS, secretary Mayflower Country Club Box 333 Franklin, MN 55337

Phone: 507/557-2726



THE BENSON GC TEAM of Bill Dethloff, Jack Kjos, Mike Kellner and Dave Sime on the first tee of The Preserve at this year's Stodola Research Scramble.

MGCSA Awards Banquet Returns

The MGCSA will have an Awards Banquet at the 1997 MTGF Conference and Trade Show. The luncheon will take place at 12:00 noon on Thursday, December 11 at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

Awards to be presented are the Distinguished Service Award, Watson Award, Service Awards and four Scholarship Awards.

MGCSA members may sign up for this luncheon on the Conference Registration Form. The cost is \$23.00.



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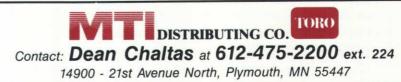
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As I started writing this column late Sunday night, I found myself drifting into the events of this past season. I went to my calendar and looked over the major weather events, the tournament schedule, fertilizer and pesticide applications, project work scheduled and I began to realize why I seem to get run out at this time of year. I also came to the conclusion that I take my job WAY too seriously. My priorities get all messed up by this time of the year, especially after the July and August we had this season. I want to thank our president Fred for his very timely and well-chosen words of advice in his September president's message. Thanks also to Allen Starke, one of Fred's assistants, for getting us to think about our priorities. If you haven't done so yet, take the time to thank those around you for all the support they give.

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Special thanks to Dave Sime, Benson Golf Club, for taking pictures at the Stodola Research Scramble held at The Preserve on September 14. Thanks to all who participated. Look for more throughout this issue.

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Has anyone out there been able to develop a control program for our beloved state bird — the mosquito??? I wish I had a dollar for every member that has asked me what can we do to control them. We have done some fogging around our pool area for evening parties but that is very short-lived and would not be practical over the entire course. I'm serious here, if you have put together a program that seemed to work at your course, please take the time and write an article for us. I'm sure others would like to hear about it.

I found a very timely article in Golf Course News that we reprinted in this issue of Hole Notes. It is written by Dr. Michael Hurdzan and is found on Page 21. The article entitled Design, Maintenance: A Crucial Marriage is very well-written. According to Hurdzan "the single most important element of a golf course is DRAINAGE." Well, when I said timely I meant perfect timing after the July and August we just passed. In Waseca, our course received just short of 17 inches of rain. I know others who were well above that in the Twin Cities and West. We flooded at our course to the point of closing four separate times, the last being Labor Day weekend. The end result of all that "down time" was the approval of a major drainage upgrade project which includes the replacement of a 25-year-old, undersized mainline and the addition of several "detention areas" to catch the runoff and hold until the tile system can take it away. I will be writing an article about the project and

let you know what we did and how it went. If anyone else has done or will be doing a similar project, please give some thought to writing an article for *Hole Notes*.

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Don't forget to mark your calendars for the MTGF Conference and Show on December 10, 11 & 12 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. Look over the program in this issue and mail in your registration soon. The program is loaded with great speakers and topics. Thanks for your time...until next month.

-Rob Panuska Editor

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