Maynard Erickson-

(Continued from Page 9)

employee, and the following year, at age 14, Maynard worked for Mike Sanko each summer through high schoool as part of the Golden Valley Grounds Crew. Maynard reminds us that he mowed greens while the mowers did not have gas engines. They were hand pushed at that time. 1938 also happened to be the year Glenwood Golf became Theodore Wirth Park and Golf Course. Following high school graduation in 1942, Maynard did about a one-year stint with the Milwaukee Road.

In July of 1943, the United States government convinced Maynard that he was needed to preserve freedom in this great country, and he was drafted into the Navy. Few of today's society realize what a complete career change this causes. Here is a man who is working on solid ground with vegetation all around — next he is on a piece of floating steel bobbing around in an endless body of water with the nearest solid ground as far away as six miles "straight down" and not a tree in sight. It was people like Maynard, who although he was not a rural person, had the knowledge of work ethic, equipment, motors, tractors, problem solving and level headedness under stress that persevered to defeat the enemy.

Maynard was assigned to PCC 598 a small Patrol craft engaged in communications during invasions of enemy held islands in the Pacific Ocean. PCC 598 and her sister patrol craft were used for invasions of enemy held islands. Maynard was in on seven of these confrontations from Pelilu to Okinawa. Their job was to station themselves one on either side of the American invading forces, only several hundred yards from the enemy shore, and keep all those engaged in the operation informed of enemy activity and hopefully progress of the success of the assault. Maynard's rank was a MM 2/c (Machinists Mate second class). His "battle-station" position was manning a 3-inch gun, "topside," where a lot of metal of all shapes and sizes was constantly in the air. In the heat of an amphibious assault you see floating bodies, most of which - unfortunately - are your own troops. There is a great appreciation for those you are working with. One such person was a young man from Kansas, who shared dreams of the future with Maynard.

Those dreams ended when the young man was struck in the chest (heart) by a bullet as he and Maynard were in conversation with each other.

Maynard returned to civilian life in February of 1946 and was living at home with his parents at what would be 3715 Glenwood Avenue in Theodore Wirth Park. He had seen quite a bit of the world and was contemplating whether his future should be made in Minnesota or other "ports" of the World. Ben Johnson, supervisor of the Minneapolis Park Employees, stopped by his home and encouraged Maynard to take the civil service test and come into the City Park system.

At the same time Maynard was filling out his civil service form, two other young men, Todd Johnston and Bud Larson, also were applying for work with the Park Board. Those of you who have been around for a while are aware that Todd Johnston (deceased) eventually became Golf Course Superintendent at Hiawatha and Bud Larson was Superintendent at Columbia Golf Course.

As it turned out, all three of these young men were sent to work at Theodore Wirth golf under the direction of Course Superintendent Carl Erickson, Maynard's father. When Carl Erickson retired in 1949 he moved from the home provided by the Park Board and moved to Cross Lake, Minn. Emil Anderson, Superintendent at Columbia Golf, replaced Maynard's dad and moved into the house in Wirth Park. In 1952 when Emil Anderson retired, he moved from the home and was replaced by the "grounds crew member named Golf Course Superintendent" Maynard Erickson. As was so typical of those days, Maynard related a story about asking his boss (Emil Anderson) a somewhat technical question about growing turf. Emil would answer, "If I tell you, den you be as smart as I am, den you get my yob."

In 1953 Maynard Erickson moved into the house in which he was born and raised his family of two girls, Linda and Janice, also two boys Bradley and Wayne, within the confines of Theodore Wirth Park.

Maynard retired fromt he Park Board in 1976 after 30 years of service and moved to Cross Lake, north of Brainerd. He has remained active in golf course development and management in that area as a consultant. He currently is engaged in development of a course called "Cross Woods" — a new 18-hole layout in Cross Lake. Maynard's son Brad is in his 26th year with the Minneapolis Park Department, and a fourth generation Erickson, Scott, started work this past summer "part time" in the clubhouse. Scott Erickson is Wayne's son and if he perseveres until the year 2016 we will have a full century of Ericksons.

Maynard and his wife Fran celebrated 50 years of marriage this past March.



Important MTGF Conference Hotel Information

MTGF Conference Attendees:

All of the hotels listed below are offering special rates for our conference and trade show. However, in order to receive that rate you must indicate at the time you register that you are attending the MTGF Conference and Trade Show. Also, since room availability is on a first come, first serve basis, the earlier you register the greater probability that you can secure comfortable, nearby conference lodging. Please note the cutoff dates listed by the Hilton and Holiday Inn Express to receive these convention rates. It is your responsibility to register directly with the hotel of your choice.

Hyatt Regency Minneapolis

The Hyatt Regency Minneapolis, 1300 Nicollet Mall, welcomes attendees of the 1998 Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation Conference & Trade Show. Walk to the convention center via the climate controlled skyway and enjoy any of the four restaurants within the hotel. We are happy to offer sleeping room rates of \$85.00 (not including tax and subject to availability) per night. Note that availability is limited and therefore we strongly encourage making room reservations as soon as possible. For reservations call: 1-800-233-1234. You must mention that you are with the Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation conference to receive this convention rate.

Hilton Minneapolis & Towers

The Hilton Minneapols & Towers located at 1001 Marquette Ave. extends a warm welcome to those attending the 1998 Minnesota Turf and Grounds Conference & Trade Show at the Minneapolis Convention Center. We are pleased to be able to offer a convention room rate of \$85.00 (not including tax and subject to availability) per night. Note that conference room rates for the Hilton can only be guaranteed until November 17, 1998. There are skyway connections directly from the Hilton to the Convention Center. For reservations call: 1-800-445-8667 or locally (612) 376-1000.

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites

The brand new Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites, 225 S 11th St., Downtown Minneapolis, located one block from the Convention Center, will be offering the Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation rooms, based on availability, at a rate of \$69.00 single occupancy or \$79.00 double occupancy. Note that these conference room rates for the Holiday Inn Express can only be guaranteed until November 11, 1998. Plese call (612) 341-3300 for reservations and be sure to ask for the "Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation" group rate.

MAKE RESERVATIONS EARLY!



12 • HOLE NOTES

OCTOBER 1998

An unbeatable lineup of pumping systems for all turfgrass applications.

5

e m

Syste

00

Pumpin

FLOWTRONEX PSI is the world's largest pump station manufacturer, with more installations than all of our competitors combined.

A 30-year knowledge base in turfgrass pumping systems assures quality and reliability.

Put this experience to work for you.

MTI Distributing 612-475-2200

Contact: Dean, ext. 224 or Bob, ext. 343

14900 21st Avenue North Plymouth, MN 55447–4655

IPM in Buildings

By JEAN CIBOROWSKI

Integrated pest management (IPM) is typically associated with treating pest problems which occur in landscape settings or agricultural fields. How many of you have ever thought of employing IPM when treating indoor pest problems? In most cases, when an indoor pest problem arises, people want the quickest solution; however, in the long-run, a "quick-fix" solution may not be the most appropriate. Just as in outdoor settings, indoor settings can also benefit from well-planned IPM programs which are proactive in nature. The same principles which apply to outdoor IPM are also applicable to indoor IPM. Remember the six IPM "How To" steps: gather information and assess your situation; establish monitoring procedures; establish injury levels and develop economic thresholds; determine corrective actions; establish a good recordkeeping system, and finally, evaluate your program's effectiveness.

It makes good sense to use IPM in indoor settings where humans and pets live, work and play. The goals of a good IPM program stress: 1) the importance of minimizing the risks to human health and the environment; 2) providing effective control of a pest complex by including alternative pest management strategies which are least toxic to nontarget organisms; 3) ease in carrying out a pest management program safely and effectively; 4) maintaining cost effectiveness both in the short- and long-term; and 5) appropriateness to the site.

When implementing a pest management program in buildings it is important to consider not only the pest but the environment in which the pest is found. What factors are contributing to the pest's ability to survive and propagate? Where is the pest located, i.e., throughout the building or just locally in a specific area? In order to manage the pest, you must be aware of its habits and location. The more information you collect, the better able you will be to make informed pest mangement decisions. Often by simply monitoring the pest, you will be able to determine its location and then, using one or more of several treatment options, control the pest so that it is below your accepted aesthetic, economic and/or safety threshold. Remember, when treating any pest you must be aware of its life cycle so that you treat the pest during its susceptible life stage. Treatment of dormant stages will prove unsuccessful and a waste of time and money.

Broadly speaking, what are the treatment options for indoor pests? I will touch briefly on five general categories including; education, habitat modification, physical controls and chemical controls.

• Education: Often indoor pest problems can be drastically reduced or eliminated by education. If people understand what causes a pest problem, they may be better able to avoid behaviors which can lead to pest problems. For example, people may not realize that by leaving food and drinks out and not cleaning up spilled foods, they are creating the perfect environment for pests.

• Habitat modification: It is important to keep things clean. Sanitation goes a long way in eliminating pest populations. Eliminating sources of water and food for potential pests is very important. Storage of items in the proper containers, off the floors, and in dry spaces can aid in preventing problems.

• Physical controls, including vacuuming, caulking cracks, placing traps and removing pests by hand play an important role too. Choosing least-toxic chemical controls such as dessicating dusts and insect growth regulators can also contribute to your IPM program.

• When chemical control is necessary, consider the safety of the pesticide for humans, pets and the overall environment. Try to use a chemical which is species specific and always follow label directions. Keep in mind that the aim of an IPM program is to manage pests over long time periods. You want to implement a program which will be viable now with continued efficacy into the future.

For more information, please contact Jean Ciborowski at (651) 297-3217.



- First lab in the country A2LA accredited under the new USGA guidlines for new greens construction
- · Fast turn around time, yet quality is never compromised

Jim Nicol Nominated for 1999 GCSAA Election

MGCSA President Jim Nicol, CGCS, has been approved as a nominee for director for the 1999 GCSAA election. GCSAA members will elect three officers and three direc-

tors from a field of 10 candidates at the annual meeting



in Orlando Feb. 13. The nominating committee met July 25 at GCSAA headquarters and, after closely examining the eligibility and qualifications of the nominees, unanimously approved the following candidates:

• For president: David W. Fearis, CGCS at Blue Hills Country Club in Kansas City, Mo.

• For vice president: R. Scott Woodhead, CGCS at Valley View Golf Club in Bozeman, Mont.

• For secretary/treasurer: Michael Wallace, CGCS at Hop Meadow Country Club in Simsbury, Conn.; and Tommy D. Witt, CGCS at Still-Waters in Dadeville, Ala.

For directors: David S. Downing II, CGCS at Wild Wing Plantation in Conway, S.C.; Joseph H. Emanuel, CGCS at Hurstbourne Country Club in Louisville, Ky.; James J. Nicol, CGCS at Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minn.; Timothy T. O'Neill, CGCS at Country Club of Darien in Darien, Conn.; Samuel R. Snyder VII, CGCS at Hercules Country Club in Wilmington, Del., and Mark J. Woodward, CGCS at Dobson Ranch and Riverview Golf Courses in Mesa, Ariz.

Jon D. Maddern, CGCS, and Ken Mangum, CGCS, each have one year remaining on their two-year director terms. 1998 President George Renault III, CGCS, will serve as past president, and Paul S. McGinnis, CGCS, 1998 immediate past president, will retire from the board.

"The nominating committee was pleased with the quality and number of candidates that were nominated for the 1999 board of directors," says Bruce R. Williams, CGCS, nominating committee chairman. "The chapter delegates will have a huge responsibility in representing GCSAA voting members given this year's competitive election slate. I urge GCSAA chapters to select a delegate who will dedicate the necessary time to accomplish this task."

Also serving on the nominating committee are Mark D. Kuhns, CGCS; Thomas E. Mason; Sanford G. Queen, CGCS, and Nick L. Vance, CGCS. Fearis serves as board liaison to the nominating committee.

Candidates were introduced at the Chapter Delegates Meeting, Sept. 18-19. They offered brief presentations and participated in one-on-one question and answer sessions. In-depth profiles of the candidates will be included in the official notice of annual meeting to be mailed to all GCSAA members in January.





(612) 420-4202 • Fax (612) 420-5056 1-800-944-8163

- ▲ Bareroot, Containers, B&B
- ▲ Landscape Supplies
- ▲ Service, Quality, Convenience
- ▲ Wholesale Growers, Wholesale Prices



Slightly Storm Damaged Shade & Ornamental Trees

Ash, Hackberry, Honeylocust, Linden, Maple, Oak, Crabapple, Hawthorn, Lilac & Ginnala Maple Up to 3" Caliper Balled & Burlaped Nursery Grown & Inspected Digging & Shipping Fall '98 / Spring '99 Inspections & Tagging Welcome

Terms available to work within your budget

Call for Pricing Information

Outstate 1-800-944-8163

Local 612-420-4202



Stodola Scramble-

(Continued from Front Cover)

Tollison, Club Car, for the chance to win a golf cart for a hole-in-one.

An affiliate team made up of Monte Montague, National Mower/Turfco; Todd Plaisted, Plaisted Companies; Paul Jones, Tee Shot Marketing, and Don Bergren, Club Car, won the net division with a score of 55.4. This team also won one of the three skins of the day. Being the generous members that they are, they donated their skin prize back to the MGCSA Research Fund.

The winners of the four proximity events were Wade Tollison, Club Car; Larry Olson and Dave Rehfeldt, Rolling Green Country Club, and Scott Bearson, Rochester Golf & Country Club. Long Drive of the day went to Mark Neva, The Pines at Grand View Lodge. Tom Dargay, Elm Creek Golf Links of Plymouth, sank the longest putt to win this event.

Stodola Scramble Results

GROSS SCORES

Bryan Koep, Randy Eggerclaus,	
Mike Gunderson, Rick Koep	57
Michael Brower, Tom Kristo,	
Al Loth, Dave Rehfeldt	
Chris Hasbrouck, Tom McCann,	50
Geno Rouliard, Bruce McCann	
Pat Walton, Larry Olson,	
Bill Soule, Harry Hunt	60
Lee Hornung, Fred Boos,	
Mark Neva, Bill Moseley	60
Michael Klatte, Jason Klatte,	
Dave Small, Tom Dargay	61
Tom Fischer, Don Berry,	
Linda St. John, Greg Kapitan	62
Monty Montague, Todd Plaisted,	
Paul Jones, Don Bergren	62
Dick Grundstrom, Doug Redfield,	
Curtis Wohlberg, Mark Duxberg	62
Scott Weltzin, Joe Goetz,	
Steve Fessler, Shannon Weltzin	62
Doug Mahal, Kip Colwell,	
Jeff Johnson, Scott Turtinen	62
Scott Hoffman, Pat Morstad,	
Tony Kramer, Don Shuett63	
Dennis Salwei, Wade Tollison,	
Dennis Bain, John Olson63	l William
Thomas Schmidt, Michael Borgie,	w man.
Larry Murphy, Bob Molder63	
John Monson, Fred Dinkel,	
Randy Swanson, Helen Monson63	
Bradley Hable, Al Sunnarborg,	0 100
Len Olson, Dick Tollette64	🛛 & Asso
Jim Johnson, Bill Hawn,	
Kris Rocky, Linus Guggenburger64	
Cary Femrite, Mike Albus,	Garrett Gill, Prin
Robert Stern, Dick Femrite66	Garrett Gill, Prin
Charlie Pooch, Russ Adams,	

Cordial Hosts at Pebble Creek Pictured from left are Dick Femrite, Robert Stern, host superintendent Cary Femrite and Mike Albus.

Mike Bohnenstingl, Darren Snobeck,
Chad Bohnenstingl, Dan Helbling66
Dennis Owen, Bud Nelson,
Matt Nelson, Tim Johnson66
James Gardner, John Larson,
Mike Regan, Chuck Schoenrock66
Jim Nicol, Keith Conway,
Steve Goessen, Mark Storby
Jerry Webb, Kevin Norby,
Leif Erickson, Bob Reihe67
Jim Sinkel, Rich Schwartz,
Ron Nelson, Dave Lund67
Tim O'Driscoll, Tim Warren,
Scott Bearson, Arvid Neus69
Dale Burmeister, Dan Brown,
Jeff Whitehurst, Tim Berquam69
Dave Sime, Mike Forsberg,
Paul Estenson, John Howley69
Bob Fredericks, Butch Greeninger
Bob Fredericks, Butch Greeninger Jon Almquist, Dan Evavold
Randy Allen, Dave Koehnen,
Tom Ryberg, Sam Emerson71
John Queensland, Marlyn Sellers,
Tex Theobold, Jack Klashn72



OCTOBER 1998

Productivity, Performance and

TORO

GREENSMASTER® 3100

- Available in 2 or 3-wheel drive
- Quick response power steering
- Equipped with Toro's Turf Guardian[®] leak detector
- Sure-footed traction

EQUIPMENT FINANCE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

Contact Your MTI Representative Today

2. 7 S. 5. 19 5

COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT REPAIR SERVICE

- Trouble Shooting
- Cutting Unit Rebuilding/Sharpening
- Electrical Diagnostics & Repair
- Hydraulic Diagnostics & Repair
- Engines Motor Repair/Rebuilding

Call Randy Mackeben, Ext. 229

IRRIGATION CONTROLLER REPAIR SERVICE TORO AUTHORIZED REPAIR CENTER

- Trouble Shooting
- Refurbishing/Updating
- Solid State
- Electro/Mechanical
- Call John Artus, Ext. 205

WATCH FOR OUR FALL/WINTER SERVICE SPECIALS

Profits: You Can Have It All



- Completely modular, expands from eight to 48 stations
- Retrofits existing satellites without adding wires or altering hardware
- Operates from any location via remote control
- Motorola quality and radio expertise

EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS IRRIGATION SERVICE

Call 612-475-2200, Ext. 302 or 1-800-362-3665, Ext. 302 (For service during regular business hours, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday, call John Artus at the above numbers, but use ext. 205)

CENTRAL CONTROL SYSTEM



PICTURE-PERFECT IRRIGATION CONTROL SitePro is irrigation management for the 21st century. Incredibly flexible Incredibly accurate Incredibly powerful

> PREDICTABLY TORO Call for a product demo





14900 21st Avenue North • Plymouth, MN 55447 612-475-2200 • 800-362-3665 4310 Main Avenue • Fargo, ND 58103 701-281-0775 • 800-782-1031

Minnesota Turf & Grounds Foundation Conference & Trade Show Schedule

Wednesday, December 9

- 7:00 8:45 CONFERENCE & SHOW REGISTRATION
- 9:20 11:00 Keynote Speaker TBA
- 11:00 4:30 TRADE SHOW OPEN
- 11:30 1:00 Lunch Available in Trade Show
- 2:30 3:20 Concurrent Sessions
- 3:20 3:30 Educational Pause
- 3:30 4:20 Concurrent Sessions

SESSION 1

RECREATIONAL TURF Topics for Mark Altman Altman & Altman Construction

Room 208-AD

2:30 - 3:20

Understanding Basic Soil Analysis for Golf and Sports Turf, Renovation vs. Construction

This session will cover the basics of understanding a basic soil analysis, including major and minor nutrients, and their relevance to our own soil types. An introduction of the decision making process as to whether renovation or reconstruction is needed on any particular site will also be covered.

3:30 - 4:20

Sports Field Quality and Safety, Common Pitfalls When Building a New Field

This session will cover the basics of the sports field construction process as well as highlighting those considerations that contribute to safe, highquality playing fields.

SESSION 2

GRASSES, BLUE AND BENT

Topics for Dr. David Huff Penn State University

Room 103-AF

2:30 - 3:20

Kentucky Bluegrass for Home and Golf. Which is the Right Cultivar for You?

There is an enormous amount of variation among Kentucky bluegrass cultivars. Dr. Huff will explore and explain this variation and how it impacts your cultivar choices.

3:30 - 4:20

Cultivar Development of Greens Type Poa Annua

Dr. Huff will present an inside look at Penn State's annual bluegrass breeding program specifically focused for application on golf course greens.

SESSION 3

TREE MANAGEMENT FROM

SEEDLING TO CHIP PILE Topics for Dr. Bob Miller University of Wisconsin — Stevens Point Room 211-AD

2:30 - 3:20

Planting to Early Maturity

Developing a proper root system, correct planting and follow up training and maintenance to grow a quality landscape tree.

3:30 - 4:20

Mid Life to Old Age

Shifting management activities to ensure long term health, and care for old trees to protect your investment.

SESSION 5

HORTICULTURE Topic for Jim Hagstrom, ASLA Savanna Designs, Inc. Room 212-AB

2:30 - 3:20

Ecologically-Based Landscape Design

This session will discuss the principals of sustainability and environmental ethics as they relate to landscape design. The question "What is natural?" will be addressed. Several completed projects that demonstrate varying levels of wildness will be reviewed and discussed.

> Topic for Harvey Buchite Rice Creek Gardens Room 212-AB 3:30 - 4:20

Herbaceous Plants for Mass Plantings: Golf Courses, Parks, Cemeteries and Schools

Knowing the characteristics of a perennial's growth habit and their environmental tolerances are key to successful mass plantings. A variety of plant combinations will be presented along with their application to public sites.

(Continued on Page 21)

OCTOBER 1998