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## N.M.T.M.A./M.M.T.M.A. Christmas Party

This year's Christmas Party will be held at Grand Traverse Resort again. The date is Saturday, December 5, 1992. We have made some changes since last year to improve it. The biggest change is that we now have a room large enough for all of us to sit and also have dancing. Look for further information to follow later this year.

NMTMA/MMTMA would like to announce that bid specifications have been drafted for the annual Christmas Party. Any resort wishing to bid on the 1993 party should have their superintendent contact Jon Maddern. Once contact is made, a copy of bid specifications will be sent to them and bids are due October 1, 1992. The bid specifications were drafted so everyone is bidding equal to equal and the members are getting the important minimums each year. We want to allow all members the opportunity to host this event if they are interested and can meet our specifications. Anyone that is interested or has any questions regarding this event should contact:

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Gaylord, MI 49735  
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## A few words about Charter Member Ron Haswell...

Mr. Ron Haswell, a charter member of the NMTMA, died on February 23, 1992.

Mr. Haswell began working on the construction of Crystal Downs Country Club as a teenager, along with Architect Alister Mackenzie and Architect/Construction Superintendent Perry Maxwell. After the construction, he worked for Greenkeeper Roy Oliver until the early 1940's. From the late 1940's through the early 1970's, he served as Golf Course Superintendent at Crystal Downs. From his retirement until his death, he advised the club. Mr. Haswell worked his entire life on one golf course.

Ron had a very keen mind; was well read; knowledgeable; and philosophically broad. Ron loved nature and golf. He loved Crystal Downs.

Ron was a great friend and an invaluable help during my tenure at Crystal Downs. I learned a great deal from him. I miss him...

by Tom Mead

## NMTMA/MSU Mini- Conference, March 31st

Our next meeting will be held on March 31st at the Grayling Holiday Inn south of Downtown Grayling on Business 75. This will be our annual MSU Mini-Conference.

Cost for this meeting, including lunch, is \$11.00 per person at the door. Please make checks payable to NMTMA.

Registration will begin at 8:30, and the seminar will last from 9:00 until 3:30.

Our proposed agenda may include:

SPEAKER	TITLE/TOPIC
Dr. Paul Rieke:	<i>MSU Crop &amp; Soil Sciences</i> Suggested Material - "Using Time Domain Reflectometry (TDR) for Determining Irrigation Requirements." "Water Management"
Dr. Joe Vargas, Jr.:	<i>MSU Botany &amp; Plant Pathology</i> Suggested Material - "1991 Turf Disease Research Report & Fungicide Resistance." "Did IPM Fail?"
Dr. Trey Rogers:	<i>MSU Crop &amp; Soil Sciences</i> Suggested Material - "Soil Modification & Putting Green Management."
Dr. R. Wilkinson:	<i>MSU Ag. Department</i> Suggested Material - "Sprayer Calibration With His Portable Boom Spray Pattern Unit." Emphasis on cost of wasting chemicals through poor calibration.
Dr. Jim Crum:	<i>MSU Ag. Department</i> Suggested Material - "Soils & soil testing - How to understand & read a soil test - How often to test - Understanding C.E.C. - What effect do micronutrients have on grass and its development?"
Ed Herndon	<i>State of Michigan MIOSHA Inspector</i> Suggested Material - "What can MIOSHA do for our industry? Services & materials available for use." Typical case scenario for our industry.

Watch for your next issue of Turf Times for more details about an April Seminar!

"Represent your organization with class. Nice sport clothes are required for all golf outings no blue jeans, t-shirts and the like. Sweaters or jackets with ties are recommended for all dinners and meetings. Good golf etiquette, fairness and sportsmanship are expected at all golfing events."



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