PROUDLY SALUTE...
LOCAL HEROES

Yamaha and Golfdom are partnering to pay tribute to superintendents around the nation who serve their profession as volunteer leaders of local chapter associations. Please join us in thanking these "local heroes."

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Monroe S. Miller
Blackhawk CC, Madison, Wis.
Editor of Wisconsin GCSA's The Grass Roots

The U.S. Postal Service has nothing on Monroe. Since he took over as editor of The Grass Roots in 1984, not only has he never missed a deadline, but the one-man editorial gang has won the GCSAA national award in his publication's category every year since 1985. Monroe, who has held every office in the state chapter, assumed the editorship after stepping down as president in 1984. "We needed to improve it, and I was willing to make the commitment," he says. A Vietnam War veteran with undergraduate and graduate degrees in turfgrass management from the University of Wisconsin, Monroe has been superintendent at Blackhawk CC since Jan. 1, 1973. "Monroe puts in more time than any of us just doing that publication," said Wisconsin GCSA President David Brandenburg Jr. of Rolling Meadows GC in Fond du Lac. "Wisconsin is such a big state, and that publication is the only contact some of us have. It keeps the group together."

Greg Searle
Cape Arundel GC, Kennebunkport, Maine
Maine GCSA Education and Monthly Meetings Chairman

Greg recently resigned as superintendent at the home club of the first President Bush (that's "41" to the locals), but he remains active in the Maine GCSA, which he has served in every capacity for 27 years, including president in 1984-85. While operating his new business, Super Turf Consultants in Kennebunkport, Greg is also a member of the chapter's board of directors and is in his sixth year on the USGA's Green Section Committee. Having hobnobbed with 41's pals like the venerable Arnold Palmer, Ken Venturi, Fred Couples, Ben Crenshaw and Davis Love III, Greg pointed to "the friendships that last a lifetime - those with my colleagues" as his favorites. About the Maine GCSA, he said, "I can't say strongly enough how important that organization has been to me, personally and professionally."

DO YOU KNOW A LOCAL HERO IN YOUR CHAPTER?
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