First of all, I would like to thank our president, Greg Hubbard, for the appointment as Hole Notes editor. It seems like yesterday that I last wrote an editorial. With this in mind, I feel right at home, a little older and hopefully wiser. I think we all owe Dale Wysocki a debt of gratitude for the fine work he has done with this past year’s publications. They were informative, addressed the issues and sometimes humorous. I hope to carry this into the ‘93 season.

I will need your help. If you have a tidbit of information or a good story up your sleeve, pick up the phone and call yours truly, whether it be a piece of legislation that affects us or a new infant in the household.

Some of you have expressed an interest in a structure change on payments to the monthly meetings due to your golf club and individual accounting procedures. The arrangements chair is going to offer an annual fee for all regular monthly meetings. This should help reduce confusion for pre-registration such as “the check is in the mail.”

The MGCSA Annual Conference was a success, in large part due to the diligent work of Shane Andrews, CGCS. I have heard many positive comments on some of the format changes. Other changes were not as well-received and will be looked at closely by the Conference and Education Committee.

Special thanks go out to (in alphabetical order) Cushman Motors, Leitner Co., MTI, North Star Turf and Par Aide Corporation for supporting the Thursday Evening hospitality room. The nostalgia and camaraderie was well-received by all. We will be sure to ask them to do it again next year.

Also special thanks go to the Leitner Company and Polfus Implement. Leitner donated the notebooks and calendars that many of us use and probably adorn our office wall. Polfus donated the bag tags that I hope to see on everyone’s bag. All proceeds go to the scholarship fund, and they are much appreciated.

The GCSAA National Convention is fast approaching. For those of you that have not attended in the past, this could be your year to start. The educational opportunities are always there and growing to accommodate the issues that face Superintendents today.

Once again, it’s nice to be back in the saddle, and I hope to get your input on upcoming issues. It’s important that you contribute to the content of this newsletter. It’s a direct reflection on you and our profession.

— John Harris
Editor

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Our next meeting, featuring winter sports activities, will be hosted by Steve Schumacher at Izat’s on January 11. We will also caucus as members of GCSAA and discuss the proposed bylaw changes which will be voted on in Anaheim during convention week. Look for further information soon, and plan on attending this fun, event filled day.

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Best wishes for a happy and safe holiday season!

—Greg Hubbard