SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
Sunday, January 8, 1978 through Thursday, January 12, 1978

Sunday, January 8, 1978
(Early arrivals at Sheraton-Lanham Motor Inn after 1:00 p.m.)

Monday, January 9, 1978
MORNING
8:30 am Registration
10:00 am Call to Order and Welcome
George B. Thompson, Superintendent
Columbia Country Club
President's Message
William J. Emerson, Superintendent
Chevy Chase Club
10:30 am Bentgrass Management in the Hot, Humid Southeast
Dr. A. Robert Mazur, Professor of Turfgrass Management
Clemson University
Liming Golf Turf
Dr. Henry Indyk, Specialist in Turfgrass Management
Rutgers University
12:00 noon Lunch
AFTERNOON
1:30 pm Presiding
Sam Kessel, Superintendent
Country Club of Fairfax
Water as a Natural Resource
Dr. J. R. Watson, Jr.
Toro Manufacturing Company
Contour Mowing of Fairways
Sherwood Moore, Superintendent
Woodway Country Club, Inc.
Flowers from Greenhouse to Frost
David S. Fairbank, Superintendent
Army-Navy Country Club
Professionalism
Angelo Cammarota, Superintendent
Hobbits Glen and Allview Golf Courses

EVENING
6:30 pm Social Hour
7:30 pm Banquet

Tuesday, January 10, 1978
MORNING
8:30 am Coffee and Pastry
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Fellow Members:
It is said "Time flies when you're having fun", well, 1977 flew by for me. A new job, new home, new schools for my kids, and being your president made 1977 a year I'll long remember. Looking back, there were times when the pressure of all these happenings gave me cause to ponder the wisdom of trying to serve as your president with so many new goings on in my own personal sphere. Looking ahead, the experiences of 1977 can do nothing but help me to cope with other action-packed times in my future.

The accomplishments of my year as president of our association were few, the failures fewer. The most dramatic lesson I learned first hand in 1977, as president, was that to improve our association's response to members' needs is difficult, if not impossible, as we are presently structured. The weakness that I see in our system of leadership is that the officers of our association are "Lame Duck" as soon as they take office, so it is difficult to get significant plans on programs moving onto a successful conclusion, because there, just plain and simple, is not enough time. I see the need for a paid
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From the Board

The past two Board of Directors meetings have been taken up with the usual year-end closeout of committees and preparation for the National Convention in February.

Virgil Robinson has submitted our operating budget for 1978. The board accepted this budget unanimously after a long and very close look at our financial status. We feel that the budget is something we can live with; but we all felt that we should keep a close eye on our own individual departments and stick very closely to our budget. The budget is included at the end of this report.

As we all know, George Cleaver is running for GCSAA President this year. The board has decided to look into renting a room for one night after the elections at the national. We felt that after George is elected that a "Ya'll Come" celebration is in order. We will not be operating a hospitality room for the entire week. This decision was made due to expenses and to a lack of participation the last two years.

Items which will be taken before the advisory committee at the National by the MAAGCS will be: 1) Local Chapters should have the privilege of selecting their own representative for GCSAA and 2) To become a national member you must be a member of a local chapter.

Our two-day conference during the first two days of Turfgrass '78 has all been finished. Beside the regular conference we will be opening our hospitality room the night before, Sunday, January 8th.

From all of us on the board to all of our members and families, we hope you had a good Christmas, and we wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

1978 Proposed Budget

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Respectfully submitted,
Virgil Robinson

MAAGCS Conference

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9:00 am  **Presiding**
Mike Larson, Superintendent
Hillendale Country Club

**Disease Control in Perennial Ryegrass**
Dr. Houston Couch, Professor
Plant Pathology Dept., VPI & SU

**We Built a U.S.G.A. Green**
L.R. (Bob) Shields, Superintendent
Woodmont Country Club

**Maintenance and Playability of Bunkers**
William J. Buchanan, Agronomist
USGA Greens Sect., Mid-Atlantic Region

**Bunker Placement & Design**
Geoffrey Cornish, Golf Course Architect
Amherst, Massachusetts

"TURFGRASS '78" - Registration

**AFTERNOON**

12:00 pm  **Exhibit Hall**
Exhibitors serving the turfgrass industry display their products.

12:30 pm  **Maryland Turfgrass Council**
Election Luncheon

**4:00 pm**  **Cocktail Hour**
Cocktails and refreshments served in the Exhibit Hall.

**EVENING**

8:00 pm  **Stewards of the Soil**
A computer-controlled multiscreen slide presentation by the STAUFFER CHEMICAL COMPANY.