

ATTENTION MEMBERS!

Lend me the stone strength of the past and I will lend you the wings of the future, for I have them."

Robinson Jeffers 1887-1962

I am extremely excited about the future of GCSAA. We have worked hard to form a strong foundation and now we can build upon that strength. The evidence of our shared commitment was never more apparent than our attainment of higher levels of involvement.

Reference this to the fact that we have upgraded and improved our existing Certification Program. Along with this you must consider our posture with governmental and environmental issues. This educational and governmental involvement show that we, as Golf Superintendents, are interested and are willing to accept the responsibilities of our chosen profession. We are accentuating the fact that we are the best we can be; and better yet, we are reinforcing those statements with our actions. Pride and professionalism go hand in hand in my book and we can certainly state that "we are the leaders of the turf industry."

Let us continue for further advancement and refinement within our Association. We can do this by continually raising our goals and levels of excellence. This, along with a greater public awareness, will be our road to our realizations. I have been exceptionally proud and grateful to represent our Association. I will continue to work for the positive growth of our organization and be creative enough to accept spontaneity as well. Thank you for the opportunity to represent you and I look forward to continue to represent your best interests.

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