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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Again, I would like to thank the Education Committee, Paul Dias, CGCS, Rod Kilcoyne, Joe Rodriguez, CGCS, Jean LaDuc, Alison Good, and Dr. Ali Harivandi, whom are members of GCSANC for all their dedication and hard work putting the Superintendent's Institute at Spanish Bay together. Also on this committee was **Carl Rygg, CGCS**, Supt. at The Links at Spanish Bay. He involved himself getting the course set-up for the round of golf on Monday. Many thanks to Carl and his staff for a great day on the links!

The program consisted of speakers from the turf field and was very impressive. There was a lot of information desiminated to the people in attendance. The general feeling about the seminar was very positive and we (GCSANC) feel that there will be another such seminar next year.

It is difficult to get such speakers for monthly meetings. By putting this mid-winter seminar together, we are able to fill some of the requests that we receive.

Thanks to all the participants who attended the seminar, you made it work.

Now to other matters. It is the time of year when many of us are getting ready to go to the International Golf Superintendents Convention in Orlando. Your voting representatives need your input as to how you would like them to vote on the issues and candidates. Would you vote for the dues increase this year? Who do you want to see in office? Please let myself or Joe Rodriguez know of your feelings.

When we return from Orlando, It will be once again time to think of our own elections within the Association. Perhaps you would like to run for office or work on one of the committees for the Annual meeting. In this issue, there are the special award categories for you to submit your nominations for.

**GET INVOLVED!! WE NEED YOU!!**

Pete