Bylaws Change Recommended
by Rod Kilcoyne

It appears to be time for a change. I have taken the initiative to propose this change to the GCSANC bylaws based upon discussions and information I acquired attending board meetings for the last eight years.

I am asking you to consider the change, listen to the pros and cons, and be prepared to vote at the upcoming annual meeting. I hope you agree this change would be for the good of our organization and our industry.

It deals with Article II - Membership, which defines the application process and the various classifications. The revision of Section 5 would allow attainment of Class A status after six years without testing. There is no change to the current wording -- only an addition to the first portion.

Article II, Section 5.
Approval or Rejection of Application. Application for membership shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors at a scheduled meeting. Each
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What Have You Done For Me Lately?

Keep an idea file containing all the new cost-cutting, time-saving, profit-making ideas you’ve presented for the year. Note dates and track outcomes. Discuss them during your evaluation.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

It’s only March, but here goes my attempt to actually do something ahead of schedule!

As everyone probably knows by now, next year’s GCSAA International Conference and Show will be held in San Francisco. That makes GCSANC the host chapter, and, as host, we are responsible for putting nine members on the GCSAA Conference and Show Committee. This was easily done when I volunteered GCSANC’s Board of Directors, as well as the president of the State Chapter, Bob Tillema, and one other local member who wanted one of those little yellow "host" ribbons to hang from his name badge at the show.

It will be up to these nine committee members to try and coerce additional volunteers to assist with various duties, such as:
- People to welcome spouse attendees to the spouse activity center and provide local information on attractions in the area. In the past, spouses of local members have volunteered.
- "Ambassadors" who will gain knowledge of the convention center layout, hotel locations, and shuttle bus routes in order to welcome and guide conference attendees during the conference.
- People to assist the GCSAA in the coordination and promotion of the conference and show with the local media.
- People to promote the attendance of the conference and show to allied green industry individuals such as Parks and Rec. Departments, the local PGA, CMAA, USGA officials, and green chairman from the area.

If any of these activities sounds interesting to you or your spouse, please contact me or any of the board members and we will contact you as the time of the show approaches.

"You hear about constitutional rights, free speech, and the free press. Every time I hear these words, I say to myself, 'That man is a Red, that man is a communist!' You never hear a real American talk like that."

Mayor Frank Hague
Jersey City, NJ, 1938

Respectfully submitted
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President