PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

I would like to begin my initial President’s Message by stating I welcome the challenge and accept the responsibility of the position of GCSANC President. I have grown quite fond of our association; it has certainly helped to enhance my development as a golf course superintendent. I want to return my efforts to this association in the hopes it will continue to flourish.

Realizing the tremendous efforts put forth by our Past President, Brian Bagley, I can only hope to continue the dedicated leadership of a hardworking Board of Directors. On behalf of GCSANC, I would like to extend to Brian and the Board of Directors a most sincere “Thank You” for a job well done.

The accomplishments over the past year have been numerous, none to be surpassed by the reorganization of the newsletter. This board under diligent leadership never had a problem focusing on its intended goal and carrying it out to fruition. I hope to lead by delegating responsibilities, yet following those directives until the task is accomplished.

This is an association of individual members joining together to help improve the game of golf, specifically in the art of turfgrass maintenance. We joined this association to learn some of these finer techniques and to mingle with our peers as a means of gaining and passing on valuable information pertinent to our jobs. We have all learned from this association, be it a little or a lot. The point I want to make is: we have all benefited from our organization and we should each, at some point, consider giving something back to it. This can be done in many ways: running for the Board, participating on a committee, hosting a meeting, or even writing a newsletter article. Many of us are “on the fence,” so to speak, as to whether to become active. I urge you to take a stand and make a commitment to your association. Please feel free to call me and I will be happy to discuss the possibilities with you. I know there are vast numbers of talented individuals out there who could be a valuable asset. Let me complete this thought by saying: If you don’t call me, I’ll be calling you.

GCSANC calendar of events for the forthcoming year promises to be very exciting — beginning with the state meeting May 15 & 16 at the Royal Scandinavian Inn in Solvang. The Central Chapter, as our hosts this year, have presented a very interesting education program which I urge you to attend. Mix with our counterparts from throughout the state and play in the golf tournament and help GCSANC defend the trophy. Our next local meeting will be on June 20th at Castlewood CC. We will conduct our Scholar-