From The President

I hope that everyone had an opportunity to read Steve Carlton’s article in “Thru The Green” in last month’s issue. I felt it was an excellent article and very timely. The title was “A Tribute To The Old Timers” and it was certainly deserved. I am sure that if we all stopped to reflect on our careers in the turf industry, we could point to many of the same people mentioned as being instrumental in our approach to our chosen profession.

One quality that stands out among the superintendents that I have encountered along the way is the willingness to share the knowledge they have to help you solve problems. This is typical and very unselfish of this group. So, thanks Steve for reminding and remembering some exceptional old timers who have made a difference.

Your Board of Directors has been busy. A board meeting was held on June 6th at H.V. Carter in Livermore. Some of the items covered were the approval of Liability Coverage for Officers and Directors, reports from the National and State Associations and progress reports on up coming events, such as the Educational Institute and the Christmas Tournament. Your Association is in good hands and is alive and financially sound. The previous boards along with the guidance of Barbara Mikel, our Executive Secretary, have kept us on course and I will work to keep us in the same positive position. See you at the next meeting and please introduce yourself. I see a lot of new faces out there.

Joe Rodriguez, CGCS
President

Office Notes

By: Barbara Mikel

The GCSAA has a lot of information available to members. Professional Development Catalog for 1996-97 is just one example. I was perusing the catalog and discovered you don’t have to attend each and every seminar to have the resources of the Association available to you. The audiovisual section is over 4 1/2 pages single line entries of available materials, videos, slides, CASSETTES and notebooks which can be BORROWED. No purchase necessary, you simple pay the postage and handling fee. There are also audiovisuals translated into Spanish. This resource could be a valuable, inexpensive resource for education of your staff. The “Par For The Course” episodes 1 to 15 are available as well as lists seminars, correspondence courses, conference and show education, environmental management programs, certification program and so forth. There is one on “String Trimmer Maintenance” I may be forced to order for myself! I have a few copies of this catalog in the office. Call if you would like to look. I am sure I can get more!!!