

**Mrs. Grass 'L'**  
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Hi Ladies! How was your month? My mail box or female box is 4 by 6 so it can handle more letters than I'm receiving. I hear that wives from other states love our column. So let's start participating in our editorials. I would enjoy very much some help from you. Have a beautiful summer and keep in mind, you're by far not alone as a Supt. wife, there's lots of us!!! Right, Ladies!!!!

**THOUGHT:** Killing time on the job in time will kill the job.

#### MY PRAYER FOR SUPERINTENDENTS

Hi God, remember me, I'm his wife,  
the woman who loves, shares and gives new life.  
Every summer I come to you with my hands stretched out,  
In hopes you'll answer my prayers, and confirm my doubts.

It's not lack of love or retreating face,  
but a reinstatement of your wisdom and grace.  
For our Supts. you have in your care,  
are so in need of your guidance everywhere.  
He needs you and loves you even if he does not tell you so,  
it's up to you and me to help make him a Pro.  
Windy, calm, cool, hot, raining or sun,  
it's not the members who predict, it's you who controls his fun.

You and I know it's you who makes his summer grow,  
but to him he blames himself if his course lacks show.  
So I'm asking with love in my heart and my soul,  
bless him this summer with temperatures he can control.

If you could just take a minute or two,  
you'd see how the beauty, reflects back to you.  
The nature you've given us to behold,  
he takes in his hands, and gently remolds.  
Help him, stay with him, each day of his life,  
I may be selfish in asking because I'm his wife.  
But I see first hand, how he tries and tries,  
I see the hurt when he fails, by his eyes.  
Let him see, and feel his value no matter the cost,  
for never a summer goes by, that he feels at a loss.  
Also Lord, protect him from harm or a fall,  
because in the past he's been hit by a ball.  
His main objective is to excel, as a proud Supt. and man,  
please Lord, take care of his first wish, and the second, I can.

As long as I'm asking I would also like a few graces,  
for the challenge of wife, takes on many new faces.  
As you see it Lord, this man is very special to me,  
his job is a hard one, but give him more time for He.  
If there's a cure for this Pythium, up there in sight,  
would you please send it down, so they could end this plight.

I have, Lord, but one request from Thee,  
if you could see to a bit of rain, now and then for me.  
As my husband would admit, his wife is full of air,  
but Lord, handle my requests with SPECIAL LOVING CARE.

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"I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day,  
I'd rather one would walk with me than merely  
tell the way;

The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear,  
Fine counsel is confusing, but example's always clear:  
The best of all preachers are the men who live  
their creeds,  
For to see God put in action is what everybody needs.

I soon can learn to do it, if you'll let me see it done,  
I can watch your hands in action, your tongue  
too fast may run;

The lectures you deliver may be very wise and true,  
But I'd rather get my lessons by observing  
what you do;

I may not understand the high advice you give,  
But there's no misunderstanding how you act and  
how you live."

-Selected

Dear Mr. Grenko:

Again my brother Joe and I thank you and all the rest of our Midwest friends for our annual honorary memberships in the Association.

Joe and I had the very enjoyable honor of being the first two made Midwest honorary members. That distinction was given us when the Association was formally organized.

Although this is formally the Association's 51st year our recollection is that there was an active and useful organization of "greenkeepers" a few years prior to formation of the Midwest to become a founding chapter of the national association. So it has been the happiness and pride of Joe and myself to be members of the Midwest family for years rarely recorded in the business history of lucky guys.

And Joe, without bragging, I think brother Joe and I have been useful in developing public recognition for the Midwest members and their colleagues.

Thanks and cheers to you all.

Sincerely,  
**Herb Graffis**  
Three Little Carlos Lane  
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

Dear Joe:

It was a very pleasant and flattering experience to again be honored with an Honorary Membership Award by your fine Association.

I will indeed display my certificate and card with pride and will try to attend several of your functions! Thanks to you and your Board of Directors.

Hope to see many of you at the C.D.G.A. Green Seminar on March 24, at Butterfield.

Cordially,  
**Don Johnson**  
297 Montclair Avenue  
Glen Ellyn, Ill. 60137

Dear Joe:

Should like to thank you and the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents for honoring me with membership in your organization for 1977. I am grateful for your thoughtfulness and appreciate very much the opportunity to be associated with your excellent organization. I hope to have an opportunity to visit with you and other members of the association this coming season.

With a sincere wish for a good season for the association and its membership, I am,

Sincerely,  
**James R. Watson**  
Vice President - Toro

Dear Mr. Grenko:

Thank you very much for your recent letter informing me that I have again been appointed an Honorary Member. I'm very proud to be associated with your officials and members and only a lack of time keeps me from attending your meetings. Thank you so much for this honor.

Sincerely yours,  
**John E. Kenny**  
President  
Chicago District Golf Association

Dear Joe:

Please express my thanks to the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents for once again making me an Honorary Member.

I shall do my best to live up to this honor, and further in anyway possible the goals and objectives of the Midwest Association.

Yours truly,  
**Charles G. Wilson, Director**  
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