

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The M.A.G.C.S. was well represented at the G.C.S.A.A. 53rd International Turfgrass Conference and Show in receiving awards. One special achievement which requires twenty-five years of active membership in G.C.S.A.A. is the Quarter Century Club. More than 10% of this year's participants being honored for twenty-five years of outstanding service and Professional activity are members of the M.A.G.C.S. Those superintendents honored during the Annual Membership Meeting and presented with their Quarter Century Pin are:

Robert K. Breen
Arrowhead Country Club
Joseph F. Dinelli, Sr.
Northshore Country Club
John C. Ebel
Barrington Hills Country Club
Bernard Kronn
Twin Orchard Country Club
Clarence H. Mueller
Glendale Country Club
Charles O. Rack
Flying Carpet Golf Club
William J. Saielli
Indian Hill Club
George M. Weidner
Arlington Country Club

Think back and ask yourself, "Where was I twenty-five years ago?" I am pretty sure that the majority of us were not Golf Course Superintendents or even thinking about a career. These men are the reason for G.C.S.A.A. accomplishments and the advancement of the turfgrass industry. Without their support, innovation, leadership and organization the progress and success of turfgrass management would be limited today.

The members, Executive Committee, and Board of Directors of M.A.G.C.S. congratulates this special group for their achievement. This is an example of our peers and a goal that should be set by all Golf Course Superintendents.

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Len Berg
M.A.G.C.S. President Emeritus

The members of the Sod Growers Association of Mid-America who serve the entire Chicago-metro area as well as southern Wisconsin and north-western Indiana announce that beginning with the 1982 season they will harvest and market their sod by the square foot rather than the square yard. The majority of the rest of the U.S. already markets by the square foot and the local growers feel it will be to everyone's advantage to standardize. Most growers will probably harvest a 10 square foot roll thereby effecting an 11% efficiency of handling to both the grower and the installer. Measuring for and ordering sod will also become less confusing in that measurements are all made in square feet and the conversion to square yard will be avoided.

The S.G.A. members feel the time has come to streamline the standards in the sod industry and that this change is a step in that direction.

Thomas A. Thornton, President
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The greatest handicap — Fear
The best day — Today
Easiest thing to do — Find A Fault
Most useless asset — Pride
The greatest mistake — Giving Up
The greatest comfort — Work Well Done
Most disagreeable person — The Complainer
Worst bankruptcy — Loss of Enthusiasm
Greatest need — Common Sense
Meanest feeling — Regret of Another's Success
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