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**John Berarducci, Pres.**

**MY LAST MESSAGE AS PRESIDENT**

I believe that this association should be somewhat organic and adapt to the changing times in the same manner as a golf course. You remove antiquated sand traps and build new ones further down the fairway, or rebuild an old green to better handle today's traffic. We have made some bold strides forward this past year - which I'm proud to be a part of during my tenure. One of the first changes made was to restructure our committees to better accommodate our members present day desires. The most dramatic change being the Golf Committee. The adjustments made were to bring about more interest in our golf events. By creating different flights from handicaps everyone has a chance at a top prize. Superintendents and commercials members alike. One of the goals in mind is to eventually set up events similar to the ones held at your own course. We encountered some problems, but they can be solved and the foundation is set. Another big change was in education. We started in May by hosting our first ever joint meeting with Central Illinois. Together with the help of the Mallinckrodt Company we donated over \$1,500.00 to the University of Illinois through I.T.F. Then came Medinah Country Club, our gracious host for such a long time. Many people were getting confused and referring to our Midwest Clinic as the Medinal Clinic. We've had many good years at Medinah with them hosting our Midwest Clinic. However, along with the C.D.G.A. and I.T.F. we made a commitment to turn the University of Illinois into one of the best turf research institutions in the country. Instead of sending our money to the east coast to solve our problems, which by the way are not solved yet, (i.e.) C-15, we endorsed the hiring of a turf pathologist and committed M.A.G.C.S. to help cover the costs involved. We cannot hedge on this promise. By bringing the I.T.F. conference to Chicago, an area where the largest contributions come from - and joining in with our Midwest Clinic, I think we're on the threshold of a great exposition for years to come.

However, I have some concerns which in the near future our new officers and directors will have to address themselves to. One being our association's lack of support at the I.T.F. golf outing. This is a **key revenue** source for the University of Illinois. Another being that of **unwanted** outside consultants. I'm sure that by sticking together we can overcome this "disease". An area that has made some much needed gains is that of our employment referral service! When looking into my crystal ball I can foresee a similar committee being developed to intervene in communication problems between club members and Superintendents!

Through it all I'm glad I wasn't impeached or hung. If I ever thought something was unjust I thought it better to get it out and up front. In my opinion those who hesitate are lost! I thank my fellow board members for sticking with me and getting their jobs done. They accomplished their tasks well with class and as gentlemen. Thank you for your patience and support - it's been a lot of work, but a pleasure to serve you.

**John Berarducci**

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