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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## SALUTE THE GIRLS

A tough season like "83" makes some of us want to cry in our beer. Most of us are married and have families to raise. I have the feeling that most of us have not given our loved ones all the attention they need and deserve. I am sure that our wives have worried right along with us as we struggle through another golf season. I love my wife and children more than anything in the world; but was taken back the other day when Jeff, (our 12 year old), asked me why I wasn't going back to work that particular evening. I explained to him that the recent rains and cool front had taken care of the extra work for me. He said, "Great, can we go out and play a little catch tonight?" That really hit home for a couple of days. I really started to think about certain things after that little request. Is my job really that important? Guess I am going to have to spend a little more time with my family. I really can't make it up to them - the time is gone. Even Dr. Roscoe Randall gave me the dickens this summer for spending too much time on the golf course. He said, "the kids may not remember all the events you attend with them, but Peter, they will remember all the ones you skipped."

I am lucky to have married a farmers daughter that knows what the growing season is all about. She really complains very little about my work schedule. DeeAnn is a golfer too, and knows what it takes to keep those artificial surfaces as nice as they are. She is glad to accompany me on the golf course in the evening just to see the course. The kids love it too. I am lucky to have that time with them.

I sincerely hope other Golf Course Superintendents around the area have had the understanding, the sharing and the cooperation from their families. I hope we all find some way to thank them, salute them and take them with us when possible. Thanks a million, girls. I'll bet you are glad this season is almost over too!

#### Pete Leuzinger

## "1983 REPRIEVE"

Now that Summer's over,

And We've weathered It's hot spree. Like a Herd headed for Clover.

Or as after the Storm, the Calm Sea. Oktoberfest is here once more,

Offering appeasement and relaxation,

For It has sent Summer off,

On a Fall Vacation.