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President's Message



Ray Schmitz

In my first MAGCS president's message I would like to introduce myself, briefly mention about my background, and give some insight as to my intentions for leadership of this fine professional organization.

After gaining a B.S. degree in agronomy and soils at the University of Wisconsin in 1964 I started working on a small daily fee golf course in Wisconsin and decided that I would like to make this as my career and set as my goal to be a golf course superintendent. The turning point in my career came in 1967 when I came to the Chicago area and went to work for Ed Braunsky Sr. at Hickory Hills Golf Club. After spending the next 12 years between Hickory Hills and Green Garden C.C. I was offered the superintendent's position at Flossmoor Country Club which I have held the past 13 years.

I would like to thank Bruce Williams for his leadership of the MAGCS the past 2 years, he has done a splendid job. I wish Bruce continued success in all future endeavors especially in his campaign for director of the GCSAA in February.

All of the committee chairmanships have been assigned so if someone is interested in serving on a committee please contact me or the chairman of that particular committee. I have established a benevolence committee with Mike Bavier and Dudley Smith as co-chairman. This committee is set up to establish a better channel of communications for reporting illness or death of our present and past members. Also I intend to keep the commercial advisory committee intact. This allows a direct line of communications between the commercial members and the MAGCS board of directors.

Early in 1992 we plan to issue a new membership directory. To assure your name is in this directory pay your dues on time and make sure all information is correct such as name, address, phone, classification, etc.

The MAGCS is sponsoring two workshops at the NCTE held at the Pheasant Run Resort, Monday, Dec. 2nd and Tuesday, Dec. 3rd. I hope we have a good attendance at this Exposition. It is important that we show our support at these informative workshops.

During the holiday season it is time to relax and enjoy our family and friends, let's take advantage of this special season. I sincerely wish all of our members and their loved ones a safe and happy holiday.