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President's Message

by **Bruce R. Williams, CGCS**
MAGCS President

A lot of time and effort has gone into the campaign for GCSAA Director this winter. The fruits of those efforts shall be evident after the election at the annual meeting in Las Vegas, on February 12th. I am sure that our joint efforts will be successful and I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the MAGCS for their support. I pledge to continue my service to my profession as I have done in the MAGCS since 1986. Association work has never been a chore for me, instead I have always looked at it as though it were my duty to serve the industry. The extra work load has been made much lighter by the pleasant and positive results in guiding the MAGCS. One only hopes to add those things that will improve a group under their leadership. It is a nice feeling to know that a group, such as the MAGCS, is better off now than the first day you were elected to the Board. There is a lot of satisfaction knowing that you have accomplished many of your goals.

It would be foolish to say that service to the industry comes without sacrifice. The sacrifices are many. Working for any association means extra hours and longer days. This isn't bad though as the work is thoroughly enjoyable. Sometimes we have scheduling conflicts due to the many association activities. I would rather have that problem than boredom. Our families must sacrifice a little too when we have meetings and work to do that interfere with a normal family schedule. There will always be sacrifices made by anyone becoming involved in volunteer work. This is the price we pay for the advancement of our profession.

I would be remiss to leave out the many rewards from serving one's association. The rewards are many. I have never seen anyone that was truly committed to their elected position that did not come away a better person after their tenure on a Board or committee. We all learn a lot by serving others. We learn of people's wants and needs and ways to provide people those things. We learn to manage our time better, we learn to lead instead of following, and we learn to work with our peers to promote professionalism. These are gifts that association service has given to me. These are some of the things that have made me a better person and a better superintendent. I am grateful for that.

I encourage my fellow members to consider serving the MAGCS in the years ahead. We have members out there who can make the difference for the future of the MAGCS. Get involved now by working on the committee level. Sure, there will be some sacrifices but the rewards far outweigh the drawbacks.