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President's Message

Over the past two years a lot has been accomplished in the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents. The credit for these accomplishments goes to the members for their progressive thinking and most of all to the Board of Directors that has served you during this period. It has been a very rewarding experience to work with such a fine group of people. Our association has a bright future and we are only experiencing the beginn-

ing of an exciting future for our profession.

Several years ago we decided to bolster the educational offerings of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents. There is no doubt that the quality and quantity of our education is at an all time high. Similarly, our golf events have become something to look foward to with a challenging event every month. It isn't easy to coordinate 120 golfers each month and handle the scoring and prizes. A lot of credit goes to all of the people working on the Golf Committee. Our monthly meetings are big events and a lot of coordination is necessary to check people in, take the fees for the day, feed 120 people, pay the bills, etc. Making arrangements with the clubs is a time consuming job that we often take for granted. Providing membership services through our membership committee and executive secretary is an important function of the association. I can't begin to tell you the number of hours required to handle our monthly routine tasks. We have made every effort to expand our membership services and evaluate the needs of the entire membership.

Our long range planning committee was established two years ago to look to the future for the MAGCS. This committee has done an excellent job of planning ahead. A committee of this nature will often be controversial as the group is looking at change. It is difficult to keep a proper balance between tradition and change. I can assure you though, that the MAGCS is prepared to meet the needs of the industry and our membership in the years that lie ahead.

All of our officers have done a super job in supporting our programs over the last two years. There has been a lot of responsibility delegated to the officers. The officers were up to the task and performed admirably. It has been a super bunch of guys to work with. The association is in very good financial shape. We have adequate funding to run our current programs and have planned for the funding needed to support future programs.

There were two more committees that originated over the last two years. Both the Commercial Member Advisory Committee and the Past Presidents' Council were developed as information sources to help guide the association. The past presidents have helped in keeping our operations in focus. The commercial members have been given a collective voice as they are an important part of our association and our industry.

The **Bull Sheet** continues to thrive and will always be one of the premier publications in our industry. Our editor is the best. Nothing else compares.

My hat is off to all of you that made my job, as your president over the last two years, an enjoyable one. The membership entrusted me with the responsibility of leading the biggest and best chapter in the country. I have been enthusiastic about that challenge and hope that you all appreciate the progress we have made during this period. Thank you to all for your cooperation and support.

Bruce R. Williams, CGCS

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