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President's Message



by Timothy Kelly

It is a great honor to be elected President of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents. I am proud to be a Golf Course Superintendent, and a member of a great Association, the MAGCS. I am proud to have been chosen to lead and serve the MAGCS. I am willing to accept this responsibility. There are challenges ahead, but with the assistance of the MAGCS Board and Membership, I will be eager to meet these challenges. Our Association is ready to continue its growth and development. The MAGCS exists to provide **SERVICE** to the Membership, the ultimate goal of the Association! The MAGCS already provides many services: **The Bull Sheet**, educational programs, employment services, video tape library, MAGCS merchandise, golfing events, and plenty of fellowship and hospitality. The MAGCS is capable of improving services, and providing new services. To be able to do this, I and the MAGCS Board need to receive input and feedback from our fellow members.

After each MAGCS annual meeting, there is a change within the Board of Directors. A great leader of the MAGCS retired from the Board, Bruce R. Williams. All of us realize the great impact Bruce has made during his years as a member of the Board, and his two term Presidency. Bruce continues to excel as a leader of our National Association, the GCSAA. We all wish Bruce continued success, as he works on the national scene as a GCSAA Director.

Our new Past President, Ray Schmitz has provided excellent leadership during his tenure as a member of the Board, and during his just completed term as President. Due to Ray's leadership our Association continued to improve, and is in excellent financial shape. Ray will remain another year to provide his valuable guidance as President Emeritus.

I want to thank the 21 MAGCS members who attended the meeting on November 4th regarding the GCSAA proposed By-Laws changes. I also want to thank Bruce R. Williams for the excellent presentation he provided that evening. An interesting discussion, with questions and answers, followed the presentation. Our GCSAA President, William R. Roberts was also in attendance that evening. I certainly would have liked a much larger number of our GCSAA voting members present. Our current GCSAA voting strength is approximately 300. At this meeting only 7% of our voting members were present that night. These are extremely important issues, and proposed By-Laws changes. All voting GCSAA members of the MAGCS must be sure to be involved in our local poll to be held in the near future. The MAGCS Board is going to send a ballot to every GCSAA voting member of MAGCS, regarding all proposed By-Law changes. I hope that our participation level is 100%. Please stay tuned for further detailed information regarding how the voting will be accomplished, and how the MAGCS Voting Delegates will act upon this poll. Every member's individual voice will be heard, each vote will be counted!