

*Opportunity  
is Knocking*

**PRESIDENT'S  
MESSAGE**



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**U**ndoubtedly by now all of our members are aware of the “blue tag” seed rebate program being sponsored by Turf-Seed, Inc. and Tee-2-Green and administered by the GCSAA. This program is an excellent opportunity to raise funds for both and the state and national organization as well.

While this information may have reached us too late for this year, after purchasing decisions were already made, keep it in mind for the following years. The program runs for a five-year period. If you did not directly purchase one of these company’s products, be sure to check the seed tag of what you did purchase for the proper prefixes. Their product may still be part of your blend this year and still qualifies for the the rebate.

I am not one to advocate the support of any vendor over another. However, our association like many others is desperately seeking new sources of

income to support our programs without having to raise membership dues. The day may not be far off when organizations such as ours and other local and regional groups stop relying on commercial vendors to support our various programs. Any vendor group that proposes such a program as the “blue tag” rebate warrants our consideration and support.

This is my last message as your president. It has been an honor to have served in this capacity for the last year. I would like to thank the officers and board of directors for their services this year, and my utmost appreciation to Marie and Joel for their efforts.

As my final thought, I would implore you the membership to become more involved! Apathy appears to be our greatest obstacle to overcome. This situation prevails at all levels. Have you been to a local meeting lately? Recognize anyone? No matter what your situation – young or old, our association can best be measured by the sum of our members input. The vast majority right now are silent. Stand up and shout! Your association needs to hear from you.