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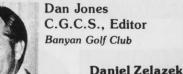
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# **President's Message**

The Golf Course Superintendent's Conference and Show in Las Vegas were quite a treat. The educational sessions were very informative with emphasis placed on improving yourself and job efficiency. The show had several new ideas on equipment and accessories. Add this to a record attendance of 8,900 and a conference ending banquet including Bob Hope, Dick Clark, and Arnold Palmer makes it an event I'm glad I didn't miss. Congratulations to President Bob Osterman, Executive Director John Schilling, and Education Director Jim Prusa and their staffs on a job very well done.

The Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association was well represented in Las Vegas. Our light blue blazer has become a recognized symbol of the largest, most productive chapter in the nation.

On January 31, 1984 in Las Vegas at 7:00 A.M. the FGCSA had the winter Board of Directors meeting. My first meeting as president was very gratifying because of the committee work reported that had been voluntarily accomplished since our FTGA board meeting.

The public relations committee has put together a program to identify the superintendent at clubs hosting PGA and LPGA tour events with the media. They have also organized the Florida Golf Day that was proclaimed by the Governor to be held on May 5, 1984. Also this committee has put together a slide presentation on the many job functions of a golf superintendent which will be available to our members.

The Long Range Planning Committee is studying the possibility of securing an executive director and office location for excelling in organization, efficiency, and overall effectiveness.

The Education Committee gained approval on presenting a seminar at the POA ANNUA CLASSIC on management skills. They are also developing a list of programs and speakers that local chapters could use at their monthly meetings.

The FGSCA is directly responsible, in cooperation with I.F.A.S., for our members receiving the Ornamental Horticulture 1983 Research Report and the Report of Turfgrass Research supported by the FTGA.

The Florida Green magazine once again won more awards than any others at GCSAA conference this year and continues to be recognized as one of the leading golf turf publications in the country.

The FGCSA is very active, united and strong and I look forward to its future. Communicate with your chapters external vice president and get involved to help the promotion of our profession.



When you get what you want in your struggles for self and the world makes you a king for a day, just go to the mirror and look at yourself and see what that man has to say.

For it isn't your Father, or Mother, or Wife whose judgement upon you you must pass. The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life is the one staring back from the glass. Some people may think you a straight-shooting chum and call you a wonderful guy, but the man in the glass says you are only a bum if you can't look him straight in the eye.

He's the fellow to please, never mind all the rest, for he's with you clear up to the end, and you've passed the most dangerous difficult test if the man in glass is your friend.

You may fool the whole world down the pathway of years and get pats on the back as you pass, but your final reward will be heartaches and tears if you've cheated The Man in The Glass.



