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PRESIDENT'S Message

The first meeting of the Board of Directors was held on December 14, 1982. First on the agenda was to name committee chairmen and they are:

Membership: Bill Roberts

Golf and Arrangements: John Krutilla

Education: Randy Smith Audit: To be Filled Nominations: Roger Bell By Laws: Jim Belfield Parlimentarian: To be Filled Historian: Monroe Miller

Scholarship & Research: Don Ferger

Roster: Bill Roberts Publicity: Dan Quast Environmental: Bob Boltz

The environment committee is not new. Our friends in Madison have been very active and the past few years. A special thanks to Monroe Miller, Randy Smith and Tom Harrison for taking active part on all or behalves. Your Board has decided to be the Environmental Committee. We the Board of Directors are taking responsibility for making sure the government bodies in Madison have all the information before decisions are made. This is no small task. We need the support of every person. There will be more about this in the months to come.

We are instrumenting a support calendar. This is so we know when things are to be done, so things get done. If you have anything to add, send it to me.

Assignment	Due	Schedule
Dues statement/billing	Oct. 1	Sept.
	Nov. 15	Oct. 15
Nominations	Nov.	Oct.
By-Laws	Mar.	Jan.
	Nov.	Sept.
Audit	March	Jan.
Scholarship & Research	March	Feb.
Roster	March	Feb.
	Nov.	Oct.
Education	March	JanFeb.
Golf & Arrangements	March	Nov.
Payment to Editor	Jan.	Dec.

Your Directors have also taken responsibility for our Newspaper, *The Grass Roots*. All of us have committed to have an article to Dan by the end of January. That is what it takes to have the quality of our paper the way we want it.

The quality of our *Grass Roots* does not lie with the Ediotors, it lies with each member of our organization. Writing the article is not difficult. Making the committment and keeping our word is the part that doesn't get done. I invite you all to write about your many accomplishments.

You all have something to contribute, what we have now is our reasons not to.

In closing, I would like to wish all of you the happiest of New Years.

Respectfully, Bob Boltz, President WGCSA

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Editorial

The 1982-1983 winter is here, it is unexpected in regards to weather. What lies ahead? We can be certain that this unusual winter gives us reason to watch turf conditions as we get closer and closer to spring. We must stay on top of potential problems. We as superintendents must communicate, we must be in contact with our colleagues on a state and national basis. These weather conditions we are now experiencing may be different to us, but others have experienced it and are willing to share their knowledge with us.

"What problem?" you ask. The warm weather lends itself to insect problems. This will be an ideal winter for over wintering insects. Black Turfgrass Ataenius Beetle is already a state wide problem. An excellenct product for its control has been developed, the product Oftanol, but Oftanol is not registered in Wisconsin. What are we doing to see to its registration? What do we know about its availability this spring? You won't have time to seek the answer when your fairways are gone. You need to know now! Have you thought about your snow mold protection? Did it go with the recent rains? When do you respray or do you at all? What do you use? How much chemical on dormant turf is enough? I an not pretending to know the answer to all these questions but I sure owe it to myself and my club to find out. Have you ever seen Crown Hydration? What are the tell-tale signs of this killer, we need to know. Our neighbors in

Minnesota have dealt with this problem, they can help us. In 1964 I saw dessication on golf green in Ohio. The whole Miami Valley area lost turf, some lost every green. Poa Annua that following summer increased ten fold on putting surfaces. Get into a winter crisis, mismanage your permanent grasses, you will end up living with your mistakes not just this season, but many season to come.

Now that we have been told the good news, let us look at the bad news. The answers to many questions are available at the many turf conferences and shows held this winter. The bad news is that many of us are going to ignor these programs because we have more important things to do. Oh really? Superintendents beware you may over winter better than your courses. We are professionals and if we do not update ourselves we are doing a grave injustice towards our clubs and ourselves.

Are you aware of the new fungicides available to us in recent years? Products such as "Rubigan," "Chipco 26019," "Ridamil," "Banal," "Bayleton" and "Vorlan." What do you know about light weight mowing and how it can benefit you. It most certainly is the trend of the 80s. The people who know are eager to tell you about it, and if we do not get to them it will be our loss.

Let's attend the conferences and shows this year. It most certainly is the professional thing to do. It is more critical than ever before, our job



may depend on it. Let's start by attending the Wisconsin Turfgrass Association's research conference and annual meeting January 27, 1983.

The GCSAA National Conference in Atlanta, Georgia February 19th thru the 25th. Don't forget the pre-conference seminars. Seminars are also available during the week this year. The GCSAA has don an excellent job in making educational information available, let's use it.

Midwest Regional Turf Conference February 28 thru March 2 at Purdue University. This program is loaded with speakers in our field that has experienced many problems we could be facing ourselves in the coming months.

This is a must, Reinder's 6th Turf Conference March 16-17, 1983 at the Waukesha Expo Center. We can look forward to speakers Dr. Joe Vargas, Dr. Bill Daniel, Dr. Gayle Wolf, Dr. Bob Newman, and Dr. John Street. We also must remember that on alternate years educational programs and conferences are also given by Wisconsin Turf. We owe both these companies

our gratitude for caring about our profession.

I encourage you to attend these conferences this winter. Further information is available in this issue. These meetings are there for you.

> Danny Quast Editor

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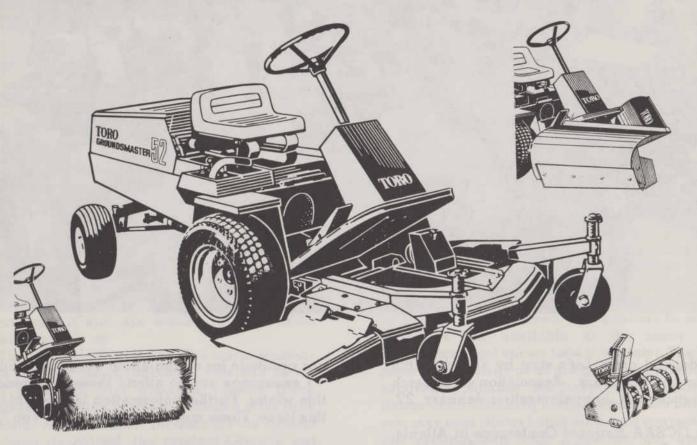
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MARCH
Business Meeting — To be determined

City of Beloit — Krueger Municipal G.C.

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JULY
Nagawaukee G.C. — Host, Armin Honeyager
AUGUST
The Ridges G.C. — Host, Dave Murgatroyd
SEPT.
Northbrook C.C. — Host, Tom Schaller

- TOURNAMENT MEETING

OCT. Squires C.C. — Host, Milt Karrels

NOV. Business Meeting & Election — To be determined

Dates Will Be Announced Later



Master Schedule

MONDAY

SAT/SUN

- 8:30 Seminar Program A,B,C,D,E,F
- 8:30 Certification Exam. (Sunday)
- 11:00 Registration Begins
- 12:00 Conference & Show Committee Meeting (Sunday)
- 1:00 President's Council Meeting (Sunday)

- 4:30 Pre-Annual Meeting Membership Briefing
- 6:30 GCSAA Faculty Meeting (Sunday)

7:00 Seminar Program G,H,I,J,K

- 8:00 Registration Opens
- 9:00 Opening Session

11:00 Press Conference/Reception

- 12:00 Spouses' Opening Luncheon
- 1:00 Thinking Superintendent I (ED:101)
- 1:00 Research Update I (ED:102)
- 1:00 Golf Course Design I (ED:103)
- 1:00 Distributor Show Review
- 2:30 Spouse Program (ED:201)
- 2:30 Spouse Program (ED:202)
- 2:30 Spouse Program (ED:203)
- 5:00 Meet the Candidates
- 7:00 Education Committee Meeting

TUESDAY

- 7:00 Seminar Program G,H,I,J,K
- 8:00 Registration Opens
- 9:00 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony — Show Officially Opens
- 10:00 Spouses' Tours
- 12:00 Voting Delegates' Luncheon
- 1:00 Thinking Superintendent II (ED:104)
- 1:00 Research Update I* (ED:102)
- 1:00 Golf Management I (ED:105)
- 1:00 Spouse Program (ED:204)
- 2:00 Spouse Program (ED:205)
- 3:00 Spouse Program (ED:206)
- 6:00 Certification Committee Meeting

*Indicates Repeat of Earlier Session

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 Seminar Program G,H,I,J,K

- 8:00 Registration Opens
- 8:30 Certification Examination
- 9:00 Thinking Superintendent I* (ED:101)
- 9:00 Golf Management I * (ED:105)
- 9:00 Personal & Professional Improvement I (ED:106)
- 9:00 Lawn Care Industry I (ED:107)
- 10:00 Spouses' Tours
- 10:30 Spouse Program (ED:207)
- 1:00 Thinking Superintendent II* (ED:104)
- 1:00 Golf Industry Profile I (ED:108)
- 1:00 Personal & Professional Improvement II (ED:109)
- 1:30 Spouse Program (ED:208)
- 2:30 Spouse Program (ED:209)
- 6:00 President's Reception
 (By Invitation)

THURSDAY

7:00 Seminar Program G,H,I,J,K

7:30 President's Council Breakfast

7:30 IRC Breakfast Buffet

8:00 Registration Opens

8:15 USGA Green Section Program

9:00 Spouse Program (ED:210)

12:00 GCSAA/USGA Luncheon (By Invitation)

2:00 Show Officially Closes

2:00 GCSAA Annual Meeting

2:30 Spouse Program (ED:211)

6:00 Banquet Reception

7:00 GCSAA Annual Banquet & Show

FRIDAY

9:00 Seminar Program G,H,I,J,K,L

9:00 Golf Course Tour (ED:301)

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