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TO SUPERINTENDENTS, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS,
MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS

Gentlemen:

Al Wareham, currently recovering from a mild stroke, aptly explained the many functions of the MGCSA in the March issue of "Hole Notes" which was sent to 150 non-members of the MGCSA. As Executive Director, Al Wareham has been a great asset to our Association, and we wish him a speedy recovery.

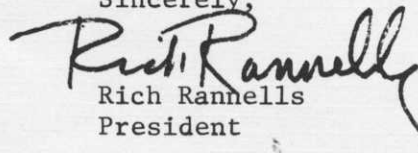
Superintendents are currently realizing more responsibilities, and as a result must strive to gain knowledge in all phases of turf management. Professionalism is a term which I would like to think that each superintendent is striving for. Professionalism is simply making the most out of your position with respect to work responsibilities, type of club operation and the self-respect which you wish to attain.

John Lightfoot, Superintendent of Cloquet Country Club, Cloquet, Minnesota, is a prime example of a superintendent who has strived to better the profession, as well as himself. John recently passed the testing procedure to become a "Certified Golf Course Superintendent." This award was initiated by the Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America in 1971. In order to qualify for this award a superintendent must meet the basic requirements, complete a six-hour written examination which tests technical knowledge and managerial skills of administration and leadership, and possess a thorough knowledge of the official rules of golf. Congratulations to John who will be presented with a plaque from the GCSAA at a future meeting.

The International GCSAA Turfgrass Conference and Show will be held in Minneapolis on February 8-13, 1976. Hopefully, every golf course superintendent in the reach of this publication will attend this conference, for there is unlimited knowledge to be gained from the educational assemblies, as well as 150 exhibitions of equipment, fertilizers, chemicals etc. The MGCSA is hosting this conference, and with the support of the present, and new members, we hope to provide the best conference ever.

Membership in the MGCSA is \$25.00 for a year, which is very nominal when compared to the benefits which can be received by prospective members with "Professionalism" as a goal.

Sincerely,


Rich Rannells
President

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