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# Necrology

With a great deal of regret we announce the death of Associate Member C. Lonnie Anderson on Thursday, February 18. Lonnie was president of Dakota Turf Supply, Inc. of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, a position he had held for thirty years. He had been an Associate member of M.G.C.S.A. since 1958. He was also a long time member of the Golf Course Superintendents of America.



# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

LARRY MUELLER

I believe our image as superintendents and as an association has come a long way in recent years. However, we should continually try to improve it. Our state and national associations can help but they cannot do it alone. We all have to work on it ourselves. It is up to us to impress our golfers on an individual basis.

We can do this by our dress, attitudes, how we handle complaints, etc. and especially, how we communicate with others.

I have found communication with the crew, the Pro, Manager, Greens Committee and the golfer all pay big dividends. Most golfers will go along with your programs if they understand your reasoning behind them. Giving the golfers advance notice of the week you plan to aerify can save a lot of hard feelings or a sign on the first tee saying, "Spraying Fairways Today", can create cooperation and interest from the golfer you wouldn't otherwise have.

Let's make the golfer aware that through our efforts and skill we are truly the backbone of a beautiful golf course.

Along that line of self improvement, don't miss the Mini-Seminar scheduled for the Town and Country Club on Tuesday, March 9. Dale Caldwell has put together a fine program that is sure to benefit each and everyone of us.

Thought for today:

IF IT IS TO BE IT IS UP TO ME.

# FOR SALE

Vermeer M-30 Trencher with a back hoe and tandem axle trailer. Contact Dennis Hendrickson or Brian Lein at 612/452-6316 or 612/447-5549.