and in preparing our financial statement for our annual Stock Holders Meeting. In the spring I meet with area school coaches in preparing the Junior Golf program and scheduling golf meets. It is also my job to set up the format and run our annual shortstop tournament and to work with the board in setting up tournaments expressly for our members.

In summary the Purple Hawk is unique because of the many facets in which I am able to work. I find this type of employment to be very challenging, educational and rewarding. I am greatly benefitting from my experience here at the Purple Hawk because I am becoming a better golf course superintendent. I feel that in a situation of this type where the superintendent can work in all phases of management, he is acquiring a broader spectrum of the golf business as a whole.



EDITOR'S CORNER



by DOUG MAHAL Chairman Editorial Committee

President Don Lindblad approached me shortly after our annual elections and asked if I might chair the Editorial Committee and thereby help organize the HOLE NOTES. My first reaction was that it sounded like quite a responsibility for a "rookie" but after a chat with former chairman Boots Fuller, I've decided to "give it a shot". I'd like to

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congratulate Boots for the exceptional job he's done with the HOLE NOTES this past year. His hard work in organizing a good format has made my job considerably easier! I don't anticipate many changes in the format Boots has initiated which means I'll be attempting to contact two superintendents and an associate member each month to write articles on an aspect of their operation which may be unique or some different timely subject. Volunteer articles from any of our members would be greatly appreciated. I know we have many members with something noteworthy to say. So, to you ladies and gents, please don't hesitate to put your thoughts on paper and send it to Warren Rebholz or myself. Let's all benefit from each other's experiences. Your HOLE NOTES will again feature monthly reports from Don Lindblad, your president, and from Lyle Olson, membership chairman. also might anticipate frequent Research Committee reports which are aimed to keep the membership abreast of new information which progress and becomes available through the work of our research fund.



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think I speak for all the newly appointed officers elected or directors when I say thanks to the membership for their vote of confidence at our annual elections. Be assured, the entire board will be working hard to keep this association a very viable and Here is a list of productive one. and committee chairmen: officers PRESIDENT, Don Lindblad; VICE-PRESIDENT, Dale Caldwell; SECRETARY, Kerry Glader; TREASURER, Mark Smith; BYLAWS, Hoffman; MEMBERSHIP, Lyle Olson: EDITORIAL, Doug Mahal; ARRANGEMENTS, Russ Adams; EDUCATION, Keith Scott and Jim Wodash; EX-OFFICIO, John Nylund.

I hope to see many of you in Las Vegas for the GCSAA Annual Conference and Show. From all indications, Vegas will host the largest annual conference in GCSAA history. It should be exciting. For those M.G.C.S.A. members who have had thoughts of joining the national, keep in mind that you are exempt from conference registration fees if your GCSAA memgership is approved prior to conference. And speaking conferences, Jim Wodash organized incredibly good annual conference. Well Jim! Attendance was substantially from last year. Ticket sales numbered 241 on Wednesday, 280 Thursday and 253 on Friday. Speaker selection was outstanding and hotel accommodations and service were second to none. The Thursday evening banquet attendance has fallen somewhat over the past three years, however, (159) to a point where 1984 conference chairmen Jim Wodash and Keith Scott will be looking for ways to spark new enthusiasm in this enjoyable affair. The banquet is a fun time, especially for the ladies who put up with those horrid schedules of July and August. One might think we owe them "a night on the town".

Work is already being done on our Mini-Conference in March. Any member with particular topic interest may contact one of our board members and relay that information. We're looking for input.

I hope all had a blessed and joyous holiday season and that the new year will be a prosperous and productive one for all. See you at Izaty's!