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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

KERRY GLADER

I find it hard to believe that spring is just around the corner. I hope that we will come out of winter as well as it appeared we went into it. I've heard of some members with ice problems. I wish them the best of luck that they come out better than they think they will.

Many members traveled to the west coast for the GCSAA International Turf Conference held January 27 thru February 3. Many positive comments were expressed about the conference and of San Francisco. The seminars and sessions were all very informative and beneficial. With over 300 exhibitors at the Trade Show, I'm sure many ideas and dreams will result.

Articles in recent turfgrass publications, the USGA Greens Section Record and Grounds Maintenance, about EPA Regulations and the recently amended Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, are well worth your time to are, Areas of regulation study. Underground Storage Tanks, Pesticides and Waste Oils. By June 1, 1986 owners of underground storage tanks must notify the MPCA about the size, age, type, location, use, and contents. In addition, if any tank is removed from service, the MPCA must be notified. Also, pesticide rinse waters, containers, left-over solution, old banned or unidentifiable containers and contaminated soil and water where a spill has occured are all hazardous waste Finally, waste engine oil, concerns. unless recycled, is hazardous even if burned or used as a supplementary heat source. Much information is needed for us to make the proper decisions for our facilities. Care needs to be taken and I urge you to do your updating on these For more information, call regulations. 612/296-7373 or Minnesota the MPCA Technical Assistance Program 1-800-247-0015 or 612/376-4404.