

## EDITOR'S CORNER



The annual International Golf Course Conference and Trade Show held February 19-26 in Orlando, Fla. set record highs. Where does it all end?

There were more than 17,400 registered conference participants.

Obviously, the attractions of the area prompted many superintendents to bring along their family members for an extended stay. As I eased my rental car through the boulevard of International Drive, I couldn't help but think of how many superintendents were considering the wiser choice of the hotel shuttles.

**The concurrent sessions centered** around water use, pesticides and the legislation monitoring both. I took particular interest in the GCSAA/Hall-Kimbrell Self-Audit. This program looks to be of some use and certainly is of interest to all superintendents.

As the popularity of golf continues to grow, and public scrutiny of golf course operations heightens, a tool is needed to be certain that our houses are in order. It also shows that the GCSAA and its chapter associations are moving towards the forefront of these issues.

The trade show continues to supply us with new technologies to improve our maintenance practices. *(By the way, what's a W.I.C.?)*

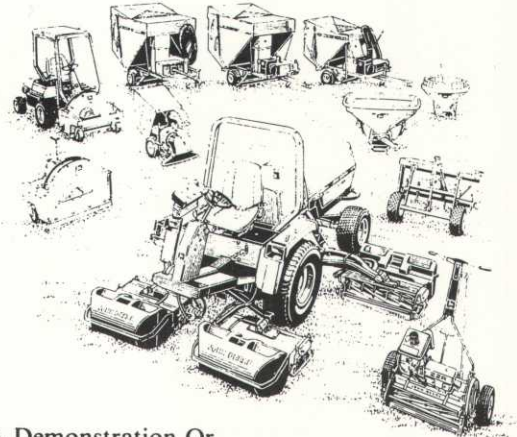
Associate members and their companies continue to come up with products to meet the demands of golfers and superintendents. My congratulations to all of the companies who participated in the trade show, and I bid you the best of luck in your endeavors.

As I sat three miles away from Shuttle Atlantis, this thought crossed my mind: How far can we go? What will the 21st Century bring us? Will technology and all its innovations bring us the desired result, or will unforeseen disasters arise and send people to their respective drawing boards?

—John Harris  
Co-Editor



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