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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT'S DESK

How We Can Help Each Other



The strength of *any* association is directly related to the active role that its membership plays.

Every year new chairpeople are placed on various committees, all of which are important factors in the success of the organization. They often need help in lessening the amount of work that needs to be done in order to make their committees effective.

I strongly urge each MGCSA member to take an active role in a committee. The camaraderie, along with new friendships that are formed, is very rewarding. It is a chance for each of us to expand our professional horizons and share insights into the future of our organization. Everyone benefits.

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Many positive responses have come forward regarding the idea of having more education-related monthly meetings. We will continue to work towards this goal for next season. One idea is to have regional sessions in our outstate areas. These meetings may be held quarterly or biannually. Some members are holding these regional meetings with pretty impressive participation. Our MGCSA office can help organize these gatherings; however, members will need to facilitate them. I pledge my support for any idea that benefits our members.

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The MGCSA was well-represented at the GCSAA Annual Convention and Show at Anaheim. It was great to see so many members taking advantage of the educational opportunities and trade show. Our Friday night get-together was well-attended. Thanks to our affiliate members for sponsoring this annual event.

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Mike Brower of Hillcrest CC has put together an interesting agenda for our March Mini-Seminar. This is also a great time to share information on springtime strategies. Hopefully we can enjoy more positive winter outcomes compared to last year.

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On behalf of the association and myself, I send our condolences to Chris Hasbrouck of Daytona whose sister lost a courageous battle with cancer. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.

— Jim Nicol, CGCS
MGCSA President



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