## **December/January 1998**

• Scott Wagner won his third consecutive title in the 2nd flight at the GCSAA National Championship in windy Las Vegas. Also, at the National, George Renault, CGCS and partner Sean Remington tied for 1st net in the Four-Ball Competition.

• Sean Remington and Jim Fitzgerald won the President's Cup in the Superintendent-Pro Tournament at Bethesda Country Club with a net 63. Glenn Smickley and Cary Sciorra won the low gross with a score of 68.

• Ed Brown shot a steller 65, on his own ball, teamed with Dean Graves to win the Two-Man Championship at Rehoboth Beach Country Club with the unbelievable gross score of 62. Nick Vance, CGCS and George Renault, CGCS won the net with a 60.

• Jim McHenry captured the Kenneth Baker Award for the second consecutive year in the Annual Championship at Chartwell Country Club with a 78. Rich Issac won the Angelo Cammarota Award for low net with a 72.

• Kirk Intermill and Steve Caruthers won the Inaugural Superintendent-Club Official Tournament at Kenwood Country Club, with a net 64, while Dave Rudinski and Gene Fields shot 70 to claim the low gross honors.

• Nick Vance, CGCS won the gross division of the Points Tournament with 30 points while Corey Haney took the net division with a +3. I would like to thank the Golf Committee, Tim Sage, Ken Ingram, CGCS, and Paul Masimore, CGCS, for all of their help and support this year. In addition, past golf chairman Jim McHenry has been most gracious with his time and wisdom. Thanks also to the MAAGCS Board of Directors for their support and encouragement. And finally, thanks to Executive Secretary, Charlotte Norris for all of her help, but particularly for her wonderful attitude and great sense of humor.

The 1997 Player of the Year Award was won by Walter Montross, CGCS. Walter placed in four of five events that earn points toward the award and his total of 200 points was 60 points better than his closest pursuers, Jim McHenry and George Renault, CGCS. Congratulations Walter!

In closing, 1998 is shaping up to be another excellent year for golf. Once again, we are visiting some great venues, highlighted by the Superintendent-Pro Tournament at Robert Trent Jones in May. A major goal for the upcoming year is to increase participation in the Annual Superintendent-Club Official Tournament to where it eventually becomes one of the major events on the golf calendar.

## Membership

## Gregg Rosenthal, CGCS

I am happy to report that the Association has a healthy membership with 497 total members, 56 of those being new members this year. New name badges were made for all members including the new members. I am also delighted to have been able to serve on the board of directors for the last three years and I look forward to serving again in the future. If I can be of any assistance at any time to any member of the board or any member in general it would be my pleasure.

## Social & Benevolence

Gordon Caldwell, CGCS

Baby Bonds were purchased for seven new additions to MAAGCS families.

Twelve members received fruit baskets or flowers for illnesses throughout 1997.

Donations to a favorite charity or flowers were sent to five members who had deaths in the family.

A very positive response was received for the new Picnic Site - Mayo Beach with approximately 250 people in attendance.

Eighty-six people turned out for good food, music, fun and fellowship aboard the tall ship "Clipper City" during this year's Ladies Night.

MAAGCS hosted a Hospitality Room at the Maryland Turfgrass Conference with over 200 people in attendance.

