Editor's Letter

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It appears spring may have finally arrived. I sometimes wonder if we as superintendents are ever satisfied! I know that I wished for snow all winter and when it finally came it was too late. I hope everyone has had an opportunity to "recharge their batteries" this winter. Hopefully in that vein, the first issue of 1999 has articles that will help you get ready for the coming season.

Mr. Mike Farrar wrote the lead article in this issue of *Turfgrass Matters*. Mike is the Director of the EPA's Pesticide Environmental Stewardship Program and a new member of MAAGCS. Each issue this year will highlight a member of the Board of Directors in a little different light.

I would like to thank the MAAGCS members who volunteered their time to help man the booths at the Greater Washington and Greater Baltimore Golf Shows. These booths were well received and accomplished a great deal towards making superintendents recognizable to the golfing public.

Finally I would like to recognize my committee members, Keith Williams and Carmen Giannini for their efforts. Keith had an article published in the last issue of the *Washington Golf Monthly* on fairway turf. I also want to remind each member that *Turfgrass Matters* depends on your input. If you are approached for comments or have a topic of interest, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or someone on the committee.

Wishing everyone a successful 1999!

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