From the Editor's Desk

Paul Masimore, CGCS

At the last minute, after an already extended deadline, I begged some people for the articles you will find in this issue. My thanks go to you for your last minute help. I know Bob Collins will be especially happy to see my term as Newsletter Editor come to an end.

If you find this issue coming to you late, once again you can blame the Editor. I had ideas for what I thought were a couple very good front page articles. Unfortunately one turned me down early and the other pulled out after I had extended the deadline for the article. Charlotte, once again, has been very diplomatic in her dealings with me. I know I have certainly tested her patience several times this year. I have enjoyed that though; must be my strange sense of humor.

Having great ideas for articles is one thing; to actually have the articles in print is no small task. I have made comments more than once about the newsletter being late -- no more. One must devote a great deal of time and have the full support of committee members to find timely articles for each edition. I did not use the newsletter committee members very well this year. I pressed only a couple members and then usually at the

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Bullets from the Boardroom

A special Board of Directors meeting was held August 17, 2001 regarding the Industrial Advisory Committee. The issue of allowing one member of the IAC to attend the monthly Board meeting at the discretion of the President was revisited. The motion carried by a 6-2 margin. Guidelines were established to govern the non-voting IAC position on the Board.

The Board of Directors unanimously approved a donation in the amount of \$250.00 to the First Tee Program in Howard County.

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Golf Notes

by Dave Burkhart

The second annual Stewards of the Chesapeake fundraising tournament was held at Queenstown Harbor Golf Links on August 27th with 124 golfers in attendance. Thanks to Atlantic Golf who again donated one of their courses for this event. Tom Tokarski and his staff had the course in outstanding condition. Great job gentlemen! We also wish to thank the numerous sponsors that stepped up to make this tournament so successful again. If you did not attend this year you missed out on a great event. So plan on attending next year, we would love to see you out there.

The day's winners were:

Ist Net (101) Lakewood Country Club Chris Ayers, Doug McPherson, Jorge Massa, and Bill Karpa

2nd Net (102 match of cards) C C at Woodmore Mike Evans, Dave Osterhouse, Lester Tanner, and Jeff Miskin

3rd Net (102) Atlantic Golf John Newcomb, John Stern, Scot Forbis, and

Lex Birney

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Straight Drive: Sam Kessel

Closest to Pin: Jeff Johnson, Rick Wakefield, Jim Halley, David Evans

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last minute. This type of "Crisis Management" just doesn't work well. Fortunately, some very good people stepped up with some interesting articles once again.

This is the last issue I will have panic attacks over, as the December issue is full of Committee reports. To whomever becomes Editor next year, remember this - the position of Newsletter Editor can be fun and rewarding. There are three very important things to remember: work on your ideas before the season starts, get and keep your committee members involved and communicate with the Executive Secretary, frequently.

Years ago, I went out west and complained about the newsletter in the association I joined there. To make a long story short I became the Editor. I did everything. I wrote, took pictures, organized articles, traveled back and forth to the printer and stuffed and mailed the newsletter. I was busy but I had a lot of fun doing it. I just couldn't get into that same mode the whole year, this time. Maybe a couple glasses of good wine would have helped me.

No political buttons this time, although I do have some thoughts. As always, I hope you find something of interest in this edition.

