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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I can't thank the members, the sponsors, the Board of Directors and the surrounding associations enough for making 2008 a great success. The increase in membership and the rise in attendance at the monthly meetings were nice to see especially after the lower numbers in the previous several years. We all need to continue to promote our profession by promoting membership and meeting attendance of our Assistants who are the future of the MAAGCS.

Sponsorship and advertising has remained very consistent, and due to that consistency, MAAGCS continues to have successful educational events and monthly meetings. We will continue to work with and support the GCSAA, the ESGCSA, the VGCSA, the GWGCSA, the MTC, the VTC and the University of Maryland to become stronger and more unified. MAAGCS Board of Directors will continue to learn through participating in GCSAA sponsored educational seminars geared toward BOD participation and function. We will also continue to support our neighboring associations through joint meeting organization, association meeting attendance and association event sponsorship.

Thanks to all of the Superintendent's that hosted an event in 2008. The course conditions and the service were outstanding. Thanks, also to everyone that made an educational presentation at the monthly meetings. And thanks to our neighboring associations for their continued support!!!

A special thanks goes out to the 2008 Board of Directors and Executive Secretary for their outstanding performance and continued dedication to our profession. The MAAGCS is always looking for volunteers to give something back to the association, so if you have the time to serve on the Board of Directors, or on a committee, or a chance to host an event, please contact the MAAGCS at 1-888-mid-turf (1-888-643-8873), contact a board member, or send an e-mail to maagcs@earthlink.net.

Hopefully everyone had a great holiday season, and I'm looking forward to another outstanding year in 2009.

Thanks again, Mark Kingora, MAAGCS, President

News & Notes

Congratulations

To Chad Adcock and his wife Laurie on the birth of their son, William (Liam) Warren Adcock born September 2nd.

To Doug Hall (Towson Golf & CC) and his wife Samantha on the birth of their son Samuel James born October 29th.

To Matthew Harps (Manor CC) and his wife Jennifer on the birth of their son, Carter Matthew born November 4th.

Mike Burkholder, retired member of MAAGCS, wins 2008 VGSCA President's Award.

New Members

Devon Byrne, Class C, Falls Road GC

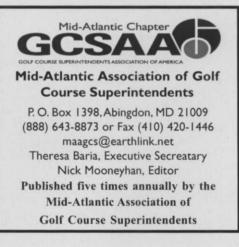
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