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Nick Mooneyhan Media/Public Relations Hobbits Glen Golf Course (410) 730-5962 In my last President's Message, many of us were concerned about the economy and I'm sure a lot of us still are. Now, to add to our concerns, we are dealing with heavy rains, high grass and increased disease pressures, which also negatively affect the number of rounds of golf and decrease the overall use of all of our facilities. Hopefully some better weather is in the future.

Most of the following information is as repetitive as our current weather. Membership directories are soon to be published. Thanks to all of you who have renewed your MAAGCS membership. If you haven't submitted you dues renewal payment, please make payment as soon as possible, so that the Membership Directory can be accurate and up-to-date. If you have received a dues renewal reminder and you have questions regarding your bill, please do not hesitate calling Theresa in the MAAGCS office.

Thanks to Ed Long at Stonewall Golf Club for hosting the April joint MAAGCS/GWGCSA meeting and thanks to Mike Barrett of Argyle Country Club for hosting the Superintendent/Pro event. Both courses were in great condition, and we hope to have the opportunity to have another event at these facilities in the future.

As always, please consider becoming more actively involved in our association. Attend more meetings, and if you can't make it, send your assistants. Consider hosting a monthly meeting. Our 2009 schedule is currently filled, but the 2010 schedule is open for volunteers. Initial organization has begun for the joint MAAGCS/ESGCSA/VGCSA reception at the 2010 Golf Industry Show in San Diego, California. Also, Board of Directors positions and IAC positions will need to be filled in December. It's never too early to search for new candidates. A new position for an assistant superintendent will also be available to sit on the Board of Directors. Several assistants have already shown an interest in this opportunity. Inquiries about this position or any BOD position can be made through the MAAGCS office or any member of the Board of Directors.

The position for a local superintendent on the Maryland Turfgrass Council (MTC) Board of Directors has been filled by Randall Pinckney from Manor Country Club. The ESGCSA also has a representative, Guy McDonald, on the MTC Board of Directors.

The results of the Superintendents Survey are being compiled and will be sent out shortly. Thanks to all of you that took the time out of your busy schedules to participate in the survey.

Thanks to all of the MAAGCS supporters. The new advertising package has been successful, and we appreciate all of the feedback that we have received. Revisions and improvements will be made to the current advertising program. If anyone has addition comments, please let us know so that we can include your concerns during the revision process.

Thanks again, Mark Kingora MAAGCS, President



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