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A FINAL FAREWELL

John F. Streater, CGCS

This editorial will be the last in my official capacity as editor of the *Connecticut Clippings*. After ten years at the helm of The U.S.S. Clippings, I will turn my command over to Captain Bob Chalifour, CGCS, a veteran of committee warfare and a past president of CAGCS. Bob will assume the duties of *Clippings* editor beginning in January of '98.

My tenure as *Clippings* editor began in 1987 when I inherited the job from CAGCS past president Greg Wojick, CGCS. It has been a long but rewarding ride being involved and volunteering my time to this association. This committee duty officially ends my 20 plus years of service to local associations. Although I have petitioned for a new editor for some time, I now step down with mixed feelings as the reality of finality has set in.

I began my involvement with local associations in 1976 when I assumed my first committee assignment in the Rhode Island association, eventually rising through the chairs to serve as their president in 1983 and 1984.

Upon my arrival in Connecticut in 1986, I once again gravitated toward involvement in my local association and assumed the duties of newsletter editor in 1987. As with the Rhode Island association, I also eventually rose through the chairs to serve as president of CAGCS in 1993. I am also currently serving as President of The Tri State Turf Research Foundation.

I certainly did not intend this editorial to serve as my resume or am I looking for a pat on the back. My intention is to send a message to those youngsters out there who have infiltrated our industry to get involved and volunteer your services. Do your part to keep our profession and association strong—because without all of those before you who have made the effort to volunteer—the golf course superintendent and our profession would not be as positioned as it is for entry into the next century.

Serving your association for the betterment of the profession can pay dividends. In my case, 20 plus years of

involvement has not only enhanced my professional career, but has also provided me with the opportunity to interact with many different people in our industry, many of whom have become friends and valuable colleagues. Collaborating with your peers in an association environment can only help make you a more responsible and productive individual. Associations are the life blood of our profession. So, for those who have given their time and efforts to serve this cause, I applaud you. To those who have not, give it some thought and get involved.

In closing, I would like to thank past and present CAGCS boards who have supported me over the years and to those who have contributed to this publication throughout my tenure as editor. I believe the *Clippings* is being left in good hands, as Bob Chalifour and his competent committee of Jud Smith, Heather Garvin, Ron Holcomb and David Basconi takes the helm.

Good luck to all and thanks for the memories.

A year in review

John Napier, CGCS
1997 CAGCS President

The year 1997 was a great year not only for managing turf, but for me, personally—because you, our membership, have allowed me to lead this great association with the help of an energetic and dedicated board of governors.

This association is made up of many different classifications of membership, all of whom contribute to make a strong CAGCS. This year, we became a small but integral part of the bigger picture by becoming an affiliate member of GCSAA. Together, we will work to elevate our associations and profession.

With all great associations, there are a few individuals behind the scene that make things happen. One of those individuals is our executive secretary, Pauline Streeter. Along with our administrative assistant, Mary Jo Kennedy, they kept our office running smoothly during a very hectic and progressive year.

CAGCS is getting ready to propel

our multi media needs into the next millennium. We have installed an additional computer which is networked to our old MacIntosh computer.

Thank you to Anthony Grosso, vice president, for your involvement in the Green Book and representing CAGCS in the New England Turf Conference Committee, and for your support and help. I have every confidence in your ability to be an exceptional President. Good luck!

This past year we joined forces with the CT Recreation and Park Association for the first "Connecticut Golf Scramble Tournament". The tournament's main goal was to benefit youth golf programs in Connecticut. However, it was hoped that the joint venture would also give both of our associations media coverage, as well as some non-dues revenue for scholarship and research and a benevolent fund.

Many thanks to Anthony Grosso, Peter Pierson, John Motycka and Les Kennedy, Jr., CGCS, for all their help

and we hope that the 1998 tournament will result in more participation from our membership.

It was a new and exciting venture when CAGCS participated in the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for schools and adopted the Bishop Woods School in New Haven. Under the direction of our Governmental Rep., Les Kennedy, Jr., we were able to become involved in the innovative environmental education program that helps students and teachers demonstrate environmental stewardship right at the school. We look forward to the continuation of this project.

This year we had some long and tedious board meetings. Brian Skelly would leave our meetings with pages and pages of notes, but he never failed to keep all our minutes concise and accurate doing a great job being the information conduit between the board of directors and our membership.

To our Treasurer, Peter Pierson, thank you for tracking our income and expenses for the budget and learning a new computer program to aid in future budget preparation. A sincere thanks should also go to Heather Garvin and



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A year in review, continued

John Motycka, both past treasurers, for their assistance to Peter in getting him off the ground. Peter was also involved with the Environmental Industry Council, and will be serving the EIC as President in 1998, and he is one of our representatives to the Tri-State Turf Research Foundation. Peter never hesitates to assist with all CAGCS functions as he has proven by heading the Golf Summit Committee and serving as our on-site coordinator at our recent CAGCS/GCSAA Regional Seminar.

Thank you to our outgoing membership chairperson, Scott Gennings, CGCS, for keeping tack of our membership.

Peter Cure, CGCS, was appointed to join our board this year to assist with the Social & Welfare Committee, and I thank him for his hard work in all the social activities, especially taking our annual family day to Lake Com-pounce this year where we had over 100 members, families and friends enjoy a great day. Aside from our social events, Peter also kept current with our members' welfare from all newborns to unfortunate tragedies.

What would we do without John Motycka as head of our Golf Committee? John's hard work in handling the monthly golf tournaments, the CAGCS Invitational, Met and New England Team Championships is greatly appreciated. Aside from all of this, he also kept track of our GHIN handicaps and introduced a new two-man, best ball event.

Through the efforts of Greg Bradley and his committee, the Scholarship & Research Committee had one of its biggest years with fund raising support through raffles, soft good sales and an extremely successful S & R Golf Tournament, plus awarding scholarships and research grants on behalf of CAGCS.

Dennis Houle, our Education Chairperson - Thank you for a successful

1997 January Seminar, and your planning of the 1998 meeting sites which is always a struggle, and for the upcoming biennial survey and computer training classes.

To Jud Smith - Newsletter - thank you for getting increased input for the *Clippings* through more committee involvement and also increased revenues through advertisements—plus your added humor at sometimes serious board meetings.

To Les Kennedy, Jr., CGCS - Governmental - thank you for wearing many hats for this new board positions. You represented CAGCS with the Chapter Relations meeting in Kansas and will be our next voting delegate at the 1998 GCSAA elections, together with sitting on the EIC and Tri State boards.

Our Commercial Rep., Owen Regan, supported CAGCS by providing commercial sponsorship of skill prizes at monthly meetings along with our social events to make our programs cost effective and successful.

Phil Neaton, Immediate Past President, thank you for all your years of dedication to CAGCS. As well as chairing the Nominating Committee and the Employment Referral Committee, Phil also represented CAGCS in the New England Turf Conference.

As you can see, none of the above could be accomplished without a strong and supportive board of directors.

I would like to thank all the committee members who helped in making CAGCS successful in 1997, and encourage their continued involvement in 1998.

I would also like to thank our entire membership for their support during my presidency and would like to encourage all of you to get involved in your association in the future.

John Napier, CGCS
1997 CAGCS President

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'Twas the night before member guest...



by Peter Cure, CGCS



'Twas the night before Member Guest,
when all through the green
The golf course was perfect and
waiting to be seen.
The greens had been double cut, and
stimped at eleven;
With rollers and softspikes, they'd putt
just like heaven.
The equipment all sparkled, down to
the last cup
With hopes that in the morning, the
summer help would show up.
Gus, the mechanic, had his stag
planned that night
No wonder my stomach didn't feel
quite right.
With my assistant on the break table
and me on the desk,
We had just settled down for a much
needed rest.
When out of the yard there arose such
a clatter,
I rolled off my desk to see what was
the matter.
Away to the door I flew with no care,
I slid open the dead bolt to see what
was there.
The flood lights came on and shone
through the fog;
An eerie sight, like that of a bog.
When out of this gloom, but what
should appear
But my crusty old green chairman,
Bill Bombardier.
Old Bill was a W.W.II flying ace
Who, as a trial attorney, had never lost
a case.
A two handicap who played to an
eight,
His irons and putter weren't
all that great.
Old Bill liked nothing, and his tongue
was as sharp

As the fins on the back of our grass
eating carp.
"Good morning, good morning" he
said through the night—
"Hurry up there 'Supe', we must make
the course right."
Through the doorway he went, through
the break room, and shop
On into cold storage, he just wouldn't
stop.
He grabbed a cup cutter, a dew whip
and rakes,
A ball mark repair tool, and some
out of bounds stakes.
My assistant blurted out "Oh, this
is just great,"
I made a mental note to bring my
resume' up to date.
He hopped on a workman and was
out the door faster
Than pythium on that black Saturday
disaster.
As I stood there and watched him
disappear in the night,
I couldn't recall a scarier sight.
I followed him out by the tracks
in the dew
Down the first fairway and on
to hole number two.
Past three and past five and past
hole number seven,
Past the clubhouse, past ten, and on
past eleven.
Try as I might, I couldn't catch
old Bill,
So, I slowed the Cushman down as I
crested the last hill.
The fog was just clearing and the
full moon shone bright
From the hill I could see a
wondrous sight.
The cups were set in all the
right places

Even the par threes were
set for some aces.
The bunkers were raked and as
I gazed through the night,
The hazard stakes and tee markers
all looked just right.
Bill must be part genie, part wizard
part elf
I couldn't have done a better job
myself.
I arrived at the shop to find Bill was
not there;
He had seemed to disappear into
the cool morning air.
My staff was arriving by the
dawn's early light
Dragging Gus who was putting up
a terrible fight.
"The front nine looks perfect," my
Assistant said with a trace
Of astonishment and a quizzical
look on his face.
He turned and walked towards the
staff to get them started
And as I stood there I realized old
Bill wasn't cold hearted.
He did have a heart but he wouldn't
dare show it
So the average person would never
ever know it.
Later that morning as I stood by
the first tee,
Bill hopped off his golf cart,
growling at me.
He growled at his opponents,
he growled at the Pro
He even growled at his partner,
wouldn't you know.
But I heard him exclaim as he drove
out of sight,
"I love golf, 'Supe',
you've made everything just right!"



It was a pleasure to invite CAGCS members to the Country Club of Waterbury on October 20th for our annual Superintendent/Assistant Tournament.

Connecticut Governor John G. Rowland Guest speaker at October meeting

by Les Kennedy, Jr., CGCS

Woodway Country Club (Larry Pakkala, CGCS and Blade Halderman) won the gross prize with a score of 69. The net prize was won by Highfield Country Club (Chris Mauro and Walter Wozniak) with a net score of 60.

After golf, over 100 CAGCS members were treated to a light hearted presentation by Connecticut Governor John G. Rowland who spoke about politics, golf and the superintendents' ever-increasing role in the game of golf, emphasizing the fact that our job has evolved into one that requires communication among ourselves, golfing members and the general public.

At the conclusion of his speech, he presented our chapter with an official

proclamation commending our Association for our outstanding commitment to community service. The original proclamation will be framed and kept safe at our CAGCS office; but, copies are being made for all CAGCS members and will be sent along with your 1998 membership card.

The day was enjoyed by all and the Governor's appearance was a milestone for our chapter. More importantly, may be the positive impression made on Governor John G. Rowland as he met with and talked to the professionals that are responsible for golf and the environment in Connecticut.

CAGCS competes in Met Area & New England Team Championships

by Peter Pierson

The Met Area Team Championship was held on October 6th at the Country Club of Darien, hosted by Tim O'Neill, CGCS, golf course superintendent, with CAGCS being represented by Peter Pierson, Jim Staszowski, Greg Stent, Peter Cure, Heather Garavin, Dick Cook, Bruce Morse and Sean Moran.

Seventy-two hopeful golfers representing northeast chapter associations gathered to test their skills. The weather, course conditions and hospitality were all wonderful and the CC of Darien and Tim O'Neill must be thanked for a great presentation of their facility.

The New Jersey GCSA came in first with a combined score of 462; 2nd place went to the Long Island GCSA with a score of 475 with the Met GCSA finishing 3rd with a 483. CAGCS finished in 5th position with a combined score of 498.

The Third Annual New England Golf Course Superintendents Championship was held on a very brisk October 8th morning at the Falmouth Country Club in Falmouth, Maine, hosted by Scott Cybulski, golf course superintendent, and the Maine AGCS.

Representatives from chapter associations throughout New England gathered to compete in the 3rd annual event.

CAGCS was represented by Mike Dukette and Peter Pierson (A Division), Dick Cook and Bruce Morse (B Di-

vision), Steve DiVito and Tony Baviello (C Division) and Anthony Grosso and Craig Terrell (D Division). The scoring was by Stableford points from a net best ball of each division. The results were:

- 1st - New England GCSA - 201
- 2nd - Connecticut AGCS - 191
- 3rd Maine AGCS - 183
(matching cards)
- 4th - Cape Code
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All CAGCS members who reserved a room in the room block should have received their confirmation by now. If by chance you have not, please call the CAGCS office and we will track it down for you.

CAGCS will again be co-hosting a hospitality suite at the National Convention on February 6th at Headquarters Hotel, Pacific Ballroom D, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Follow the sign for the "Noreaster hospitality reception" as we are sharing with Cape Cod, Hudson Valley, Maine, Metropolitan, New England, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Northeastern, Rhode Island and Vermont.

You will be receiving an invitation card in the mail in the early part of January.

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**Sites needed
for 1998 CAGCS
monthly meetings**

We need volunteers for sites for 1998 monthly meetings, specifically for October and our annual S & R Tournament.

Please contact Dennis Houle, Education Chairperson, at 203/938-9640.

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The 1998 Dues Statements have been sent out to all CAGCS members along with information sheets. Please take a minute to review the information, make any and all necessary additions, deletions and/or corrections and return it to the CAGCS office as soon as possible.

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As mentioned in a recent memo to the membership, because of the cost involved in sending out copies of all board minutes to the entire membership, we are asking that any member interested in receiving copies of all board minutes to call the CAGCS office and add your name to that specified mailing list.

Any member can call the office at any time during the year and ask for copies of board minutes and/or be added to that mailing list.

The 1998 advertising rate schedule has been sent out to all commercial members. The deadline for the February issue is January 10th and will highlight the First New England Regional Turfgrass Conference & Show scheduled for March 3-5th at the RI Convention Center.

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**CAGCS annual
winter seminar
January 6th**

The annual CAGCS Winter Seminar is scheduled for January 6th at the Hawthorne Inn in Berlin, CT.

The educational sessions will be presentations by Dr. Bridget Ruemmele, URI, Dr. Gail Schumann, U/Mass, Tim Abeey, U-Conn, Robert MacArthur, Business Lifelines.

We will be brought up to date from the DEP by Brad Robinson and a legislative update from Richard Tice.

The Superintendent of the Year Award will be presented at the end of the day.

Pre-registration prior to Dec. 30th is \$70 with on-site registration \$80.

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Tri State funding requests for 1998 should be arriving in your mail box by mid January.

We urge all of you to contribute to this worthy foundation which supports turf research in the northeast region. Also coming in your mail box from Tri State will be the year-end issue of *Foundation News* which will bring you up to date on the research activities that are taking place with the Tri State Foundation.

Although this research information is brief, anyone interested in receiving a copy of the actual research reports should contact one of your Tri State reps, Les Kennedy or Peter Pierson.

Annual meeting highlights

Anthony Grosso elected 39th CAGCS president

The annual CAGCS meeting was held on November 4th at the Birchwood Country Club.

Anthony Grosso was duly elected to lead our association. He has been a member of CAGCS since 1987 and is the superintendent at Pautipaug Country Club. He has served on the board of governors since 1994 serving as co-chair of the Golf Committee for two years. Thereafter, Anthony served as Secretary, then Vice President, and we feel that CAGCS is once again being left in good hands after a superb job by John Napier, CGCS.

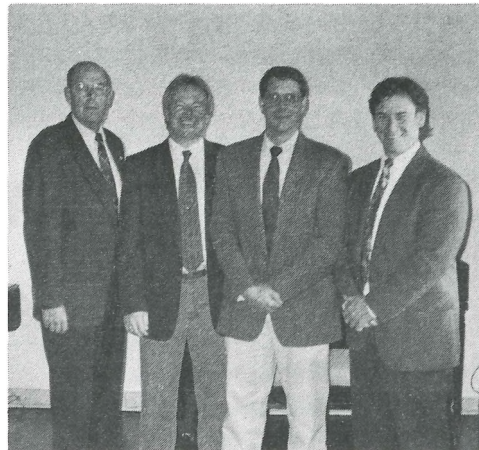
Election results

President - Anthony Grosso
 Vice President - Brian Skelly
 Secretary - Jud W. Smith
 Treasurer - Peter R. Pierson
 (pictured right)

Three directors were elected to serve two-year terms. They were Peter Cure, CGCS, Dan Rackliffe, CGCS, and Wayne Urban. Continuing to serve on the Board as directors will be Dennis Houle, Les Kennedy, Jr., CGCS, and

John Motycka. Owen Regan will continue for one more year as commercial representative to the board. John Napier, CGCS, will serve on the board as Immediate Past President.

Some of the highlights of the annual



meeting included the annual reports of all officers and directors. Treasurer, Peter Pierson, reviewed the budget for the 1998 fiscal year. It was voted on and approved by all voting members in attendance.

Golf Chairperson, John Motycka, awarded the gifts to the low gross and

low net golf champions in their respective divisions, and Scott Gennings, CGCS, awarded a life membership pin to Paul Ladzinski representing 30 years as a member of CAGCS. A 25-year pin was awarded to Mark Loper, 20-year pins were awarded to Robert Lippman, John Napier, CGCS and Brian Skelly. Fifteen-year pins were awarded to Greg Bradley and Steven Rackliffe, CGCS, and a 10-year pin was awarded to Dan Rackliffe, CGCS.

Our host superintendent, Ed Consolati, (pictured below center) once again provided our association a first-class day for our annual meeting. Birchwood has hosted this event many times, and the accommodations both on and off the golf course were once again superb.

Ed has devoted all of his 29 years as a superintendent to Birchwood. The golf course was originally an 18-hole golf course known and was known as the Westport CC. In 1947, Architect Orrin Smith was retained to redesign the course to a 9-hole facility and henceforth was renamed Birchwood Country Club.

Birchwood is one of the finest 9-hole facilities in the northeast and sports velvet bentgrass greens which are found on only a few courses in New England.

Presently, Birchwood is redesigning bunkers and tees with architect Steven Kay.

Golf Results

Gross - Scott Ramsay,
 John Streeter & Peter Burnham

1st Net - Anthony Grosso, Shawn
 Donovan, John Motycka &
 Brian Pope

2nd Net - Peter Cure, Tom Pelletier
 and Bob Chalifour



(L-R) Dennis Houle, John Motycka,
 Dan Rackliffe, CGCS, Peter Cure, CGCS,
 Wayne Urban & Les Kennedy, Jr., CGCS





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Turf industry loses valuable comrade, educator & researcher

by Bob Chalifour, CGCS

Dr. C. Richard Skogley, educator and researcher from the University of Rhode Island and a long-time friend of CAGCS, passed away September 10, 1997.

Richard Skogley was active in turf management programs at the university level for 40 years. During his tenure, he served on numerous committees, including the Bookstore and Land-Use policy panels. He was also secretary of the URI General Faculty, President of the University Club, and head of the Turf Group. He served three terms on the Faculty Senate. He was also active in his community and church.

Bentgrass, Kingstown Velvet Bentgrass, Jamestown Chewings Fescue, and Exeter Colonial Bentgrass. He also was involved in developing and promoting sound cultural practices for turfgrass managers.

As an educator, Dr. Skogley taught hundreds of students, many of whom continued on to prominent positions in the turfgrass industry. Contributions to professional publications and

journals were numerous, along with articles to newspapers, newsletters and trade publications.

In his retirement, Richard Skogley continued to interact with

The University of Rhode Island plans to announce soon that the Agricultural Experiment Station will be renamed in honor of C. Richard Skogley.

The Rhode Island GCSA honored Richard Skogley with their Distinguished Service Award in 1977, and in 1989, Dr. Skogley was the recipient of the GCSAA Distinguished Service Award.

He was also awarded a State Service Award in Meritous Service in 1992, the Oregon Seed Trade Association "Man of the Year" Award, the New England Branch of the Professional Grounds Management Society Environmental Public Service Award, and South County Hospital Trustees' Award in 1997.

As a researcher, Dr. Skogley introduced several important turfgrass cultivars—Providence Creeping

and advise those in the turf industry that sought his advice. He enjoyed being with turf professionals which was evident when he visited the Turf Field Day in August at URI and talked of going to a couple of golf courses in the Fall to be with friends.

Dick Skogley will surely be missed by all turf professionals, his school community, his friends and his family. Our sincerest condolences to his family.

A scholarship program for URI turf students will also be set up with money donated in memory of Richard Skogley.

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Two-man season-long competition

Final standings in the two-man season-long competition were as follows:

<u>Red Division</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
Anthony Grosso & Paul Sabino	3	1
John Callahan & Tom Watroba	2	2
Steve DiVito & Joe Malay	2	2
Gary DeVaux & Tom DeVaux	1	2
Les Kennedy & Jud Smith	1	2
<u>Blue Division</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
John Napier & Kevin Devaux	3	1
Greg Stent & Peter Cure	3	1
John Motycka & Peter Pierson	1	3
Bruce Morse & Bob Silva	1	3

<u>White Division</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
Mike Chrzanowski & Brian Pope	4	0
Phil Neaton & Dick Cook	3	1
Dennis Houle & Wayne Urban	2	2
Skip Deubel & Owen Regan	0	3
Gary Bryant & Kevin Kelley	0	3

The semi-finalists were: Phil Neaton and Dick cook who defeated Mike Chrzanowski and Brian Pope; and John Napier and Kevin DeVaux who defeated Anthony Grosso and Paul Sabino.

In the finals, the Superintendent/Assistant team of "Putt 'em from anywhere" Napier and "rock solid" DeVaux handily defeated Neaton and Cook to claim the first year's winnings of \$250.

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The GCSAA Conference & Show

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The conference & show actually begins with the members-only GCSAA Golf Championship, including a one-day, four-ball event Feb. 1 at four different courses, and the championship featuring 720 participants on six different courses Feb. 2-5.

The educational portion of the 1998 GCSAA Conference & Show begins on Feb. 2 and includes seminars on Golf Course Design, Construction and Renovation for IPM by noted architect Michael Hurdzan, Ph.D.; Golf Course Safety, Security and Risk Management by Pebble Beach VP, Ted Horton, CGCS; and Turfgrass Ecology by Ohio State Associate Professor of Agronomy Karl Danneberger, Ph.D. More than 85 seminars and numerous educational programs are planned, with the trade show to begin on February 6.

Among the special activities will be PGA Tour pro Peter Jacobsen's keynote presentation at the 6:00 p.m. Opening Session, Feb. 4, at the Anaheim Hilton. The event serves as the traditional kick-off to GCSAA's annual week of education, trade show exhibits and networking. A 19-year veteran

on the PGA Tour, the colorful Jacobsen is author of the funny and insightful behind-the-scenes book

"Buried Lies: True Tales and Tall Stories from the PGA Tour."

The annual GCSAA meeting is scheduled for Feb. 7, and the following slate of candidates will be voted upon:

For President: George Renault, III, CGCS, Burning Tree Club in Bethesda, MD.

For Vice President: David W. Fearis, CGCS, Blue Hills CC in Kansas City, MO.

For Secretary/Treasurer: Tommy D. Witt, CGCS, Wynstone GC in North Barrington, IL and R. Scott Woodhead, CGCS, Valley View GC in Bozeman, MT.

For Directors: Joseph H. Emanuel, Jr., CGCS, Louisville, KY, Jon D. Maddern, CGCS, Atlanta, MI, Ken Mangum, CGCS, Duluth, GA, and Wayne P. Remo, CGCS, West Orange, NJ.

Samuel R. Snyder, VII, CGCS and Michael Wallace, CGCS, each have one year remaining on their two-year director terms.

The final event of the conference & show is the banquet and gala on Saturday night, Feb. 7, with a formal dinner and awards presentation.

Ken Venturi, CBS golf analyst and former PGA tour professional, has been selected to receive the 1998 Old Tom Morris Award, GCSAA's most prestigious honor. The Old Tom Morris award, is presented each year to an individual who, "through a continuing lifetime commitment to the game of golf, has helped to mold the welfare of the game in a manner and style exemplified by Old Tom Morris."

"Ken exemplifies the spirit of Old Tom Morris because has a passion for the game and all that it has to offer," said Paul S. McGinnis, CGCS, GCSAA President. "Quietly, unassumingly, behind the scenes, he's done a great deal to benefit the game of golf and those less fortunate. He has brought the game to people around the world and, in the process, always supported superintendents and recognized their management and environmental achievements.

Among his many achievements, he was selected to the 1965 Ryder Cup team, induction into the Collegiate Hall of Fame (1978), and the Smithsonian Institute (1979). He was presented the Golden Tee Award by the Metropolitan, NY Golf Writers in 1994.

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