Florida Golf Team Wins National Title

We always knew our state had great golfing superintendents but now it is a proven fact. In its initial attempt, our state team won the national championship of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. The tournament site was Industry Hills, California. The event was prior to the 52nd International Conference at Anaheim, California.

Our four man team won by a four-stroke margin over runnerup Rocky Mountain GCSA. Our victorious team was led by Dan Meyers, CGCS, Temple Terrace G&CC of the West Coast Chapter. His pace of 70, 77 also won individual medalist honors. Other teammates were Kevin Downing, CGCS, Atlantis Golf Club, Palm Beach Chapter; Fred Klauck, Pine Tree Golf Club, Palm Beach Chapter; and Robby Robbins, Gainesville G&CC, North Palm Beach Chapter. The team was selected from the three statewide golf tournaments: Poa Annua Classic, Crowfoot Open, and FTGA. Winners and best finishers that are going to the tournament represent the state chapter.

In the individual classes, a 15-20 handicap flight, we also had another winner: Bill Jeffrey, Woodmont Country Club, South Florida Chapter.

The eight low individual scores were challenged by the visiting Scotland team. In a match play format the American team won 7-1

HOOKS AND SLICES

Two guys were walking down Collins Ave. on Miami Beach when a Seagull swooped down and made a deposit on one of the guy’s hat. “Don’t move,” said his friend, “I’ll get some toilet paper.” The guy with the hat says, “Don’t bother. He’s miles away by now.”

STRAIGHT SHOTS

Fifty-six men signed the Declaration of Independence. Five were captured or imprisoned in the war that followed. Nine died of wounds or hardships. Twelve lost their homes. Seventeen lost everything they owned. Everyone of them were hunted. Most were driven into hiding. They were offered immunity, rewards, the return of their property or freedom of their loved ones to desert the cause. Not one did. Not one broke their pledge.

Choking to death on food is the sixth largest cause of accidental death in the nation. Victims of potentially fatal choking can’t breathe. They can’t talk. Generally they turn gray-blue from lack of oxygen after a moment or two and they collapse. Until now, remedies for choking on food have not been reliable: pounding the victim on the back, reaching into the throat to dislodge the food, etc.

Here’s how the “Heimlich Maneuver” works:

1. Grab the victim and stand behind him or her. Wrap your arms around the waist, allowing the choking victim’s upper torso to hang forward.
2. Make a fist with one hand and grasp it with the other, placing both hands against the victim’s abdomen slightly above the naval and below the rib cage.
3. Press with a quick upward thrust.

Repeat several times if necessary, but it usually works the first time.

If the victim is prone or unconscious, turn him on his back and kneel astride the torso and place both hands on the victim’s abdomen slightly above the naval and below the rib cage - and again, press with a quick upward thrust.