NCA CONFERENCE THEME:
A CAUCUS WITH GOVERNMENT
— IN WASHINGTON

Washington, D.C., the seat of the Federal government and source of all Federal legislation will be the site of the next three annual meetings of the National Club Assn. The theme will be ‘‘A Caucus With Government—in Washington.’’

The city was selected because of the association’s close affiliation with national legislation, taxation and legal issues and because it will give association members the unparalleled opportunity of directly contacting their elected representatives.

At its Denver meeting in January, NCA’s board of directors gave their approval to preliminary plans for the conference, the dates of which are March 31 to April 2, which is the beginning of Washington’s beautiful spring weather and cherry blossom season. The conference hotel will be Western’s Mayflower on Connecticut Ave.

Initial plans emphasize the ‘‘government’’ aspect; the program will include a congressional reception on Capitol Hill, a special briefing and a ‘‘congressional package’’ with directions and suggestions for meeting with your senator and representative, followed by prearranged calls at congressional offices.

The reception will be attended by majority and minority leaders of both Houses of Congress, as well as other government notables.

The briefing session will be made with congressmen on the basis of NCA’s early registration program.

Of special interest to members wishing to see Washington at its best will be the news that the dates selected, March 31 to April 2, mark some of the finest weather in the East and herald the beginning of Washington’s cherry blossom season.

A complete and detailed review of all legislation, which could have an effect on private clubs and which is currently before the first session of the 93d Congress has just been completed by the National Club Assn.

This review was made by direct reference to Senate files and through the computer service of the House of Representatives. It was a necessary preliminary to the development of NCA’s Legislative Program, which will be released to the membership the first of November.

NCA’s Legislative Program—1974 will include these areas: tax reform, occupational safety and health, environmental protection, land use, unemployment compensation, pensions, social security and alien registration legislation. Additional titles will be added from time to time.

The program will carefully review current legislation under consideration in each of these areas. NCA’s objectives in each section will then be briefly reviewed, followed by a position statement on the major bills under consideration.

Legislative Program—1974 is the result of many hours of intensive staff study and preparation. NCA’s objectives were developed by the board only after lengthy conferences with industry leaders. Its position on specific legislation was taken as a result of meetings with the parties concerned. The final drafting was completed only after full consideration of the board of directors.

This legislative analysis and program is a true first for the club industry. Never before has there been a complete analysis of all legislation affecting the industry, nor has anyone before this attempt to gather all the issues together for proper review and publication.

The program will be updated annually and should form the nucleus of the industry’s legislative reference.