

THINGS + + + + + The August meeting was a real experience for me. This was the first time that I had been a guest at a military base. Our meeting place was the Ferguson Hall, which is the officers' club. And a lush place it is, located on the highest point in Fort Ord. As I commented to some of my colleagues: "I would really not mind it very much if that was my house!"

Anyway, there was a good audience, even though I noticed that many of the guests arrived late. You probably did not read your newsletter carefully fellows. Myrtle purposely put on the front page: NOTE CHANGE OF TIME. Now, if you can't read that, you must be as bad as I. One time I even came one week ahead of the meeting, and was wondering why I was the only superintendent who had read my newsletter correctly, and everyone else was wrong! Anyway, those of you who did not come at all missed a good meeting.

Our introduction to Fort Ord was by Colonel Murnigan, who is the Deputy Director of Civilian Personnel Activities. In spite of his long and awkward title, Colonel Murnigan proved to be a fine gentleman and a highly informative one as he explained to the group some of the trials and tribulations which his office has to cope with. With a little more experience, he may even qualify for a golf course superintendent's job. But all kidding aside, he brought a lot of things to light which I was not familiar with, such as Fort Ord being a city, not just a military base.

Colonel Murnigan's excellent introduction was followed by an equally excellent and interesting talk by our speaker for the occasion--none other than our good ole Roger Larson, who gave us an insight into the preparations necessary for a major tournament such as the US Open. The talk was illustrated with color slides of magnificent quality, both from a color as well as a composition standpoint. Credit for these truly fine slides goes to Dave Porter, Roger's assistant, and one who is applying for membership in the Association. I hereby vote to make Dave our official Association photographer when he becomes a member. Any motions and seconds? Credit for the excellence of the course at play time was graciously acknowledge by Roger as being the results of hard work by Frank Silva and his crews. Good work, Frank.

There was one shocking bit of news--Roger informed us that one of our Directors Lou Pohlson, had suffered a heart attack. This always is unpleasant news. However, on the brighter side, I just talked to his wife, and guess where Lou was ON THE COURSE WORKING! Can you beat that? There is a truly dedicated superintendent. However, Mrs. Pohlson assured me that this was with the blessing of his doctor. Which means that Lou will be just fine, and hopes to see many of you at his club this meeting. Let's be sure that we do not disappoint him.

Ken Vorderbruggen has this bit of information for us concerning the plaque. He will have samples and prices ready for our inspection at the September meeting.

IMPORTANT DATES-- March 4-9, 1973--There will be a Turf Seminar held at Asilomar on those dates. This seminar will last 5 days and will be extremely important for people connected with the maintenance of turf. The University will coordinate this program, and members will receive more information on this subject. Keep your eyes open for this one.

LARRY FELICIANO asked me to announce that he has found a #2 Staff Wilson iron, which somebody lost during the Incline Village meeting in June. He has been carrying it around in his car, but has always forgotten to mention it until now. Will the owner please claim his club.

THE CITY OF DAVIS has an opening for a Golf Course Superintendent. Their announcement reads:
Golf Course Supervisor, City of Davis, California (Pop. 27,700)
Salary \$841 - \$1,023. Required 12th grade education, four years experience in general golf course maintenance, including two years supervisory experience (degree in Ornamental Horticulture or closely related field experience may be substituted for up to two years experience). Apply to Personnel Office, 226 F Street, Davis, CA 95616

This is all for now, folks. I am glad to see that we are getting more help from members in getting articles and bits of news. Anything is welcome, so, keep it up, and keep that news coming.

LEE HUANG

A GROUNDS SUPERINTENDENT IS WANTED AT Rolling Greens Memorial Park, 4100 Hilltop Drive, Richmond, California. Mr. Bill Brown, General Mgr. George Bell, 1126 Ridgewood Drive, Millbrae, CA 94030 can be contacted after September 16 if more information is desired. George is on the SIA European visit.

IF ANYONE MAILED INFORMATION TO JIM ROSS while he was on vacation-- Don't be surprised if you get a late answer. He thought it funny that he didn't get any mail while he was gone...Would you believe he received it all one day from the police department - opened. Someone had been following the postman--hunting for money--four homes got the same treatment.

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"To get maximum attention, it's hard to beat a good, big mistake."

--Honover N.H. Gazette