

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - by Michael R. Clark, CGCS, Oakmont C.C., Santa Rosa

Many thanks to Host Superintendent Merle Russill for our July meeting at Fort Ord. He and the staff did everything possible to make our day the success it was.

Our Speaker, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Executive Director Conrad Scheetz gave a very informative talk. His subject was what the G.C.S.A.A. is doing now and its future plans to upgrade the image of the golf course superintendent, not only to the people in the golf business, but to the general golfing public. He also answered many questions from the floor. Our thanks to Connie for taking a day of his vacation to be with us.

See you at Alta Sierra

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SCHOLARSHIP VALUE by Bob Ford

What is the value of a scholarship to a student working his way through college? I know, I received a scholarship from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America for my interest in turfgrass management. To me it meant there were people in the turfgrass field willing to help me gain more knowledge in order to upgrade their profession

At the present time our Northern California Chapter only gives and receives on the research end of turf management. My feeling, as well as that of others on the Board, is that we should develop a program with one or several turf schools to aid in the education of others coming into our field. With the added financial help to interested turf management people our association should grow to the prominence our group hopes to attain.

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WHAT ARE OTHERS DOING?

A NEW COLUMN hopefully ??? wishing ??? that interested superintendents will take time to write an article of the things they are doing--new tees, greens, sand traps, water systems, swimming pools, tennis courts, tree preventative measures (like published in last months Newsletter), etc. The article doesn't need to be long. If it is just one line send it in, others like to hear what you are doing.

Send to either Bob Ford, 6349 Lillian Way, San Jose, CA 95120 or

Myrtle Wagoner, 1233 Kansas Avenue, Modesto, CA 95351

YOU BE THE ONE this month to say "I'll do mine this month and not put it off and Let George do it". If we get 200 we will be able to have a back log to publish--THAT WOULD BE FANTASTIC.