

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

This New Year promises to be another year of difficult problems for the superintendent to overcome. The prepared superintendent will be able to deal with situations ahead and keep his turf in the best possible condition. To help you prepare, there are two important dates coming up.

The first is January 28 which is the Northern California Turfgrass Council Exposition at the San Mateo County Fairgrounds, San Mateo. You can compare the new types of equipment, check on prices, and familiarize yourself with equipment you may want to purchase in the months to come. Don't miss this opportunity, it comes only once a year. (We are not holding any meeting in February so all Golf Course Superintendent Association members can attend this Exposition.)

The second date is March 7 through March 12 at Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove. The information that is available during that week is invaluable to golf course superintendents. It can not be obtained any where else but Asilomar. This year the session will deal with the overall management of the golf course. An especially interesting part of this week to me will be the covering of time and motion information. This will enable the superintendent to better use the man power available to him and therefore improve his golf course. Remember Asilomar has limited enrollment, so SIGN UP SOON.

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BOB HANNA DAY - by Bob Ford, Almaden Golf & C.C., San Jose

For those of you who missed the meeting at Walnut Creek, the Board of Directors pulled a big surprise on Mr. Robert E. Hanna. Bob, who is the Executive Director of the Northern California Golf Association, was asked to give the program for the superintendents meeting. His topic, as published in the newsletter was "Comparison of British and United States Golf Courses". Little did Bob know that his presentation would be preceded by "BOB HANNA DAY".

Many of Bob's long-time friends and fellow workers were asked to attend to give testimonial as to why the Superintendent's Association chose to honor Bob Hanna. Those who couldn't attend sent letters which verified why Bob is known as "Mr. Golf" of Northern California.

Celebrities in attendance were: Mr. Charles Van Linge, President NCGA, Dr. John Rhodenbaugh, NCGA Director, Mr. Bill Davis, University of California, Davis; and Mr. Pat Markovitch, P.G.A. professional.

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California honored Bob with an Honorary Membership card to our Association and a

a plaque with the appropriate inscription conveying the feelings of the Association towards Bob for his many contributions towards the game of golf.

Notes: I wonder what was going through Bill Nigh's head when he saw one of his greens mowers at the bottom of the #18 canyon at Pasatiempo Golf Course, Santa Cruz.

New Employees - H. V. Carter Company - Steve Taylor

Occidental Chemical Company - Dennis Allen

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GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT WANTED by City of Tulare who has recently purchased an 18 hole golf course and intends to operate it as a municipal course. Three years experience including experience in a supervisory capacity. Entry Salary \$1,084. All qualified applicants will be required to submit an official City of Tulare application. Application request to be directed to Personnel Office, 411 East Kern Avenue, Tulare, CA 93274 (209) 688-2001, Ext. 219 by FEBRUARY 6, 1976 Applicants required to appear for an oral interview. A background investigation may be conducted prior to employment.

Questions should be directed to Bill Wagenhalls, Director of Parks & Recreation, (209) 688-2001

CONTRA COSTA COUNTRY CLUB, Pleasant Hill is seeking an experienced, mature superintendent. CONTACT Green Chairman, Mr. Kraemer, 801 Golf Club Road, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 (414) 798-7135 Salary Open.

Stan Burgess reports 1972 Jacobsen 22" Greens mower Model #62208, Serial #9909 was stolen from Claremont Country Club, Oakland, Notify local authorities and then Stan Burgess if found.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - Jim Bantrup, Manteca Golf Club

Let's have a record attendance in April for the annual election of officers meeting. Now is the time to seriously think of Class A & B member names to present to the committee for the election slate.

There are many good names with good ideas for consideration to run our Association and promote our profession.

I can say personally I thoroughly enjoyed serving on the Board for several years and look forward to every monthly meeting.

Why not plan attending every meeting with a member in your area--your green chairman will be all for it. Bring him also as he will understand