

Mike writes about "The OAKMONT GOLF COURSES are part of a retirement community. This project was started in 1963 with the last of 36 holes being completed in 1980. There are 3,400 residents now, with a final population of 5,000 when the building of homes is completed.

The courses are open to the public, but with 1,000 resident golfers, most of the 110,000 annual rounds are by golfers that live at Oakmont. There are cart paths throughout both courses. These are necessitated by 445 privately owned carts and a rental fleet of 30 more.

The meeting will be held at the Oakmont East Club House. Since this location is right next to the golf course maintenance center, you are invited to wonder through it. Any suggestions you have to improve it, are welcome, and you are welcome to any ideas you go away with."

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MEMBERSHIP by Bob Ford

For those of you that have been in the GCSA of Northern California for any length of time, you will notice many of the same faces at most meetings and functions no matter what the local is. Did it ever occur to you that there are many more superintendents out there that are not members of any local association? Going through the NCGA Blue Book using as a boundry, the coast on the west, Clear Lake to the north, Sacramento to the east and Modesto to the south, there are some ninety plus golf courses with superintendents not associated with any local Chapter. Another fact that was discussed at a California State meeting is, there are approximately forty National association members in California who do not belong to a local Chapter. Maybe these people don't know wht the association has to offer them or vice versa.

The point is--no matter what membership classification you are, you should always be looking for new superintendents to enhance the associations membership which will in turn help him with his own career.

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REGIONAL DATES FOR TARP MEETINGS

May 6 - El Rancho Golf Club, Chico
11 - Kings River CC, Kingsburg
18 - Stockton CC, Stockton
27 - Santa Rosa CC, Santa Rosa
June 8 - Rancho Murieta CC, Rancho Murieta