

Tim Sedgley's visit to Headquarters brings this information

GCSAA is now a 1½ million dollar business and is projecting a 2½ million dollar income by the end of 1986. Membership dues make up less than 1/3 of GCSAA's income. Members receive a great deal in return for their dues. The costs involved are extremely economical when compared to other professional organizations.

Some of GCSAA member benefits include the magazine and related publications, the National conference and show, conference proceedings, scholarships, seminars, employment referral service, research, survey results, tournament passes, and the services of a hard working staff of 18.

There are approximately 3,700 Class A and B members in GCSAA. This figure could be much higher considering there are over 10,000 eligible members. 91% of Class A and B members have their dues and conference expenses paid for by their employer. California has the lowest percentage of members for the number of courses in the State. In most cases, employers would be receptive to funding this cause. All a prospective member has to do is to get some back ground information and ask for approval.

Over 15,000 copies of Golf Course Management are now printed (400 of these are sent overseas). The current board has decided to place more funds in research and cut scholarship monies because of membership input. There are presently 98 Chapter Newsletters throughout the country. GCSAA has recently hired 2 former superintendents to their staff to serve the membership better.

The present board is seriously considering moving Headquarters from Lawrence, Kansas to Orlando, Florida. There are many members in the organization opposed to any move. One of the main reasons for moving is to put GCSAA in the mainstream of golf for better recognition in the golf world. The main opposition is financial cost and is it really necessary to move. You will hear more about this possible move in the near future.

54th GCSAA International Conference & Show, Atlanta, Georgia
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Plan now to attend the 54th Conference and Show coming up in Atlanta, Georgia. An excellent package including an educational program, spouses program, trade show, seminar program, golf course tours, and show and banquet has been put together.

Delta Airlines has guaranteed a 30% discount on roundtrip coach fare on group passage or will match the lowest fare available. Call 1-800-291-6760 for information. There is also an early registration prize of a vacation for 2. Hotel accommodations are also discounted through GCSAA compared to normal rates.