

NAUMANN's NORCAL NEWS

Al Mooser, one of our Board of Directros, recently accepted the Superintendent position at San Luis Obispo Country Club.

Gale Love has been named Superintendent-Manager at Antioch Golf Course in Antioch.

Dave Smith, Superintendent at Green Hills CC, Millbrae recently went through a series of medical operations. He is now back at work (part-time) and recovering.

Storm damage over the last two years has run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars on Northern California golf courses alone. With the super-saturation of our soils, stability has been lost. Slides and tree losses are at an extreme. Last years damage at Stanford Golf Course can be seen in the picture on the left. This is the 14th green(par 3) bank area. No damage occurred in the green, however 5000 cubic yards of soil was lost because it slipped into nearby San Francisco Creek. This photo shows the start of the vertical slippage which eventually became a 10 ft vertical gap. It has been repaired at a cost of \$155,000.

LEONARD FELICIANO passed away March 11, 1983. He was a Class A Life member since 1972. He joined GCSA of Northern California in 1947. He was superintendent at Pebble Beach Golf Course and De Laveaga Golf Course in Santa Cruz. He received his 25 year pin in 1979 from GCSANC and was also a 25 year member of GCSA of America. One of his sons, Lawrence Feliciano is with the City of Sacramento. Our condolences to the family.

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UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION Green Section Conference - Western Region Monday, April 11, 1983 - Orange Tree Golf Club, 10601 N. 56th Street, Scottsdale, Arizona - Preregister fee \$25.00 includes lunch. - Contact Donald Hoos, 222 Fashion Lane, Suite 107, Tustin, CA 92680 for information.

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'If I had but one course to play...' Dave Anderson of Golf Digest put that question to a panel of 50 legendary champions, current and past touring pros, official, celebrities, TV commentators and authors almost none hesitated. Each responded almost immediately, as if he or she had been sitting around for years waiting for the question to be asked.

In choosing one course, each was permitted to establish his or her personal reasons: atmosphere, beauty, challenge, charm, convenience, whatever.

Over all, 25 different courses were named. Cypress Point, on the scenic Monterey Peninsula in Northern California, was by far the most popular choice. The course that Frank (Sandy) Tatum former President of USGA, has described as the "Sistine Chapel of golf" was named by 15 members of the panel.

After that, there was a sharp drop to four voted for Augusta National, three each for Merion and Pebble Beach, but the top four courses represented the choices of more than half the panel.