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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Since my friend Howard Fisher defected to Texas, a vacancy has been created on the board of directors. I have asked Al Schlothauer to serve the remainder of Howard's term. It was an easy choice and I'm glad Al accepted. He is very capable and has the experience to step right in and be an effective representative of the membership.

In all probability representatives from our board, Bill Davis from U.C. at Davis, and representatives from the N.C.G.A. will be meeting in September to discuss the future direction of the TURFGRASS ADAPTIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM (TARP).

I feel a lot of good information and help for superintendents has already come from this program. The areas that you think T.A.R.P. can help with...need to be communicated to myself and the board. This is your opportunity to direct research into specific areas that can help you do a better job. A successful T.A.R.P. program can mean better playing conditions for golfers throughout northern California.

MEETINGS

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| OCTOBER | 9 | Manteca GC/ Simplot Plant, Lathrop |
| NOVEMBER | | Haiggin Oaks, Sacramento (Joint meeting with Sierra-Nevada Chapter) |
| DECEMBER | 7 | Rancho Canada, Carmel (Christmas Party) |
| JANUARY | 11 | San Jose Country Club, San Jose |
| FEBRUARY | 5-13 | GCSAA Conference & Show, Washington D.C. |

** The October meeting will include golf in the morning at Manteca GC with lunch and meeting at the J.R. Simplot Fertilizer and Chemical Plant in Lathrop in the afternoon. The program will feature a tour of the manufacturing plant. A hard hat is required for all people who tour the plant so be sure to bring one along. Also the tour will be restricted to the first 100 people who send in reservation cards.