JOSEPH RODRIGUEZ, CGCS, started his horticultural career in Antioch, CA in 1959. In 1969, he went to work for Contra Costa County in the Landscape Division. He progressed to the Chief Gardener position, where he was in charge of all landscaped and turf areas within the County's jurisdiction. While with Contra Costa County, Joe graduated from Diablo Valley College with a degree in Ornamental Horticulture. He also attended Los Medanos College for two years, and possesses a State Contractor's License for landscaping.

In 1986, Joe graduated from Saint Mary's College with a Bachelor's Degree in Management. He has been the Superintendent at the Rossmoor Golf Courses since 1978.

ROSMOOR is a planned adult community that was first opened in 1964. Presently there is a population of approximately 8,500 residents, whose age average 75.5 years. The community has many advantages, among them is a medical clinic and the Rossmoor security force.

The maintenance and management of the Rossmoor community is administered by the Golden Rain Foundation.

The Rossmoor Golf Courses consist of the 18-hole South Course, and the 9-hole North Course, and are private courses. In 1975, a new 9 holes was designed by Robert Muir Graves, and put into play. The new 9 was worked into the old 9 for 18 holes. So, we have a combination of new and old on the South, and the North is the original front 9.

The South Course is rated at 67.3 from the white tees, and the course length is 5,765 yards. The cart paths extend from tee to green, and carts are restricted to the paths. There is also no rough. This is to facilitate play because of the age factor. We mow approximately 175 acres of fairway twice weekly. In the past two years, we have averaged 88,000 rounds of play per year. The Golf Pro at Rossmoor is Norm Oliver, with whom we have a very cooperative working relationship.

Written Directions on following page!
Rossmoor (cont.)

From the South - 680 North to South Main St. off ramp. South Main to Newell Avenue. Left on Newell to Olympic Blvd. Left on Olympic to Tice Valley Blvd. Left on Tice Valley to Rossmoor.

From the North - 680 South to Newell Ave exit. Right on Newell Ave. to Olympic Blvd. Left on Olympic Blvd. to Tice Valley Blvd. Left on Tice Valley to Rossmoor.

From the West - Highway 24 to Pleasant Hill Rd. exit. Right on Pleasant Hill Road to Olympic Blvd. Left on Olympic Blvd. to Tice Valley Blvd. Right on Tice Valley to Rossmoor.

USGA NEWS/GCSAA GOLD CARDS

"Members of the GCSAA—Those members who will identify themselves by a gold GCSAA membership card for the current year are to be granted complimentary admission to the grounds and clubhouse on a day-to-day basis. Spouses of such members will be granted the same complimentary admission when accompanied by the card-carrying member. Note: Those GCSAA members identifying themselves by a green membership card are NOT to be admitted on a complimentary basis."

"Will Call", where GCSAA gold card holders will present themselves, will be located where John Daly Blvd. deadends at Shoreline Blvd., right on the ocean.

* This information was supplied by Ron Read of the USGA.

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