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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Members of our group who are planning to participate in the GCSAA tournament in January please take notice. I am recruiting a team to represent our chapter in the team competition. Play as usual will be by the point system. The Gross Team Champion will receive the Scottish Trophy while the Net Team Champion will receive the Lamphier Net Award. Those of you who are interested in signing up to play on the chapter team, please contact me in the next couple of months.

Notice of a seminar sponsored by GCSAA has been sent to it's members. I have been asked to announce the program, Technical Training for your Spray Technician, will be held October 29 at Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton. Registration for the one day seminar is \$95.00. Those requiring information please call 913/832/4444.

I would like to thank Stan Burgess for hosting our August meeting at Marin Country Club. The golf course was even better than I remembered it to be. I hit the ball all over the place so it was a complete tour. The hosting of the monthly meetings is one of the most important contributions made by our members. Without the work and effort required of the hosts of our monthly meetings, our group

would lose the ability to showcase the fine golf courses in Northern California. Hosting a meeting is work, inviting your peers to your golf course is not for the insecure. Too many of us have the feeling that everything has to be 'just right' to host a meeting. The August meeting has always been the hardest to book. I always schedule my annual visit from the USGA Green Section for August so that the report can focus on obvious areas of improvement needed.

Brian Bagley and Randy Gai are beginning to put together meetings for next year so let them know if you are interested in hosting a meeting. It is probably the most important contribution made by our members to our organization.

The next two meetings will be a little different in format. The September 1st meeting at Pasatiempo Golf Club will be an afternoon shotgun, followed by a meeting and dinner, so tell the wife you will be home late. The October Meeting will be hosted by the Sierra Nevada Chapter in Tahoe. This will leave you with two options-tell the wife you won't be home or the safe one, take her along and spend the weekend in Tahoe!

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