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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

he "Dog Days of Summer" are now upon us, and I hope most, if not all, of you have survived the array of problems which effect us during the warm season of the turfgrass growing year. Whether it be the diseases (anthracnose, pythium, summer patch, southern blight, or whatever) or insects, or simply the decline of poa annua, I know as September rolls in most of us are anticipating those first rain storms which inevitably lead to winter. The fall also means the workload does not drop off as we must consider fall aeration and top dressing, as well as overseeding around the busy

tournament schedule.

Fall is also the time we anticipate the GCSANC Annual Institute. This year's event promises to be a whopper. The education committee, under the guidance of Dr. Ali Harivandi and Bill Kissick, CGCS (co-chairpersons), are presenting the topic, "Managing Your Greatest Resource: Humans." The featured speaker is Dr. Elizabeth Gibson of RHR International Co. The dates are November 2,3, and 4, 1994. The location in beautiful Santa Cruz are the Coconut Grove and the Dream Inn with a golf outing at DeLaveaga. As usual, the first afternoon will be a four

hour presentation on pesticide laws and regulations. CDFA hours (4) have been applied for. Golf is considered to be a fun outing, but be advised -golf is reserved for conference attendees only. Get your reservations in early to take advantage of the Early Bird Discount.

Also, a reminder that the joint meeting with Sierra Nevada will be held at Edgewood, Lake Tahoe. I suggest you get your reservation in ASAP if you want to attend.

See you on the tee, Randy Gai President

FYI

I'm back! Vacation and fishing were great!

Now, on to more mundane matters. Recently, I have been receiving a lot of renewals for GCSAA (that's national) membership. Sometimes the checks are made out to GCSAA and sometimes, to GCSANC. You might want to make sure your accounting staff understands that there is more than one superintendents association in the world! Nice to know they think of us first! I have forwarded all those I received and called the various clubs' accounting departments, but it could mean a delay in your GCSAA renewal.

Speaking of renewals, I will be mailing GCSANC renewal bills in October. These bills are due and payable upon receipt. They are delinquent and subject to a late fee if not paid by December 31, 1994. I know it seems like we just did this, but we try to get them out to you early so you can submit them for prompt payment. Those questionnaire forms are due back with your check. If we get the check, but not the form, you are technically not renewed until we get the form! So, when you hand your request for payment and questionnaire to your accounting department, be sure they understand to send back the questionnaire with the check.

The office has been in Diamond Springs for almost a year now, but I am still getting reforwarded from the old address. Please circle or highlight the new GCSANC address for all it going through your accounting department.

You guys are still moving around, please forward new addresses and telephone numbers as soon as possible.

See you at Chardonnay.