From The President

I’ve been waiting to do this column for a long time. It’s time for Rich’s Top Ten List of favorite golf course questions from over the years.

10. Why is the grass always wet in the morning? Can’t you water at night?
9. Usually asked in early spring Why can’t we take our carts on the fairways?
8. What kind of grass do you use on the greens? I want to plant some in my yard to make a putting green. How low should I set my mower?
7. The sand traps on that other course are always so dry. Why can’t you move the sprinklers so the water won’t get them wet?

6. Why do you always have to plug the greens just when they are so good?
6a. How soon will the greens recover from the plugging?
5. Why do you always have to spot water the greens during our tournament? Mostly asked on a very hot day.
4. Any statement preceded with “we used to…”
3. Didn’t you just topdress the greens last month?
2. Why are there so many geese on our golf course?
And finally, the best reason to stay in the shop on those frost early mornings.
1. How long will the frost delay last?

Have a great August
Richard Lavine, CGCS
President

Stanford University Vacancy Announcement

The Department of Athletics is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Golf Course Superintendent to manage, supervise and delegate the maintenance of the golf course, practice areas and clubhouse facilities in order to maintain the highest standards of excellence.

Qualification:
• Five years or more of professional golf and grounds management experience.
• Undergraduate degree with a specialty in agronomy, horticulture, plant and soil sciences or equivalent required.
• Certification in pesticide usage and valid driver’s license required.
• Member in good standing of the “Golf Course Superintendent’s Association of America.”
• Computer skills, working knowledge of golf course equipment and vehicles, and participating knowledge of the game of golf are also required.

Interested, qualified candidates should submit their resume and letters of reference to: Ann McGee • Arrillaga Family Sports Center • Stanford, CA 94305-6150

Responsibilities:
• Recruit and hire course personnel; assign and prioritize duties and tasks of staff.
• Record all work undertaken by maintenance, keep plans, blueprints, drawings, etc.
• Assist with the preparation of capital and operating budgets; maintain expense records, inventory of equipment, maintenance schedules and replacement needs.

Office Notes

By Barbara Mikel

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