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## From The President

This past year has been a busy and fulfilling experience. As I head for completion of my last month as President of our Association, I just want to say that it has been an honor to serve our membership and I also appreciate the support I have received.

Most of you probably appreciate the fact that you will not have to be bored by my monthly messages anymore.

My tenure as President of this great Association this past year is proof that any one of our members can serve our group. All you need is an exceptional group of individuals in place as officers and directors. Their concern and dedication to do the right thing for our membership made my job easy. I thank each one of them for their time and hard work.

I am trying to keep this message brief, but it's difficult because there are individuals which I feels must be recognized for their contributions to our Association. Barbara Mikel, our Executive Secretary is one of them. Thanks Barbara, for doing an outstanding job and keep us on our toes. Bob Costa, our Newsletter Editor has also transformed our Newsletter into a very professional publication. If you take the time to read it you will know exactly what is going on. I think the addition of the Boardroom Briefs section was a great idea and we thank you.

Another person who deserves credit is Mr. Richard Lavine, CGCS. Rich did a wonderful job as Affiliation agreement with the National Association and his concern and hard work deserves to be recognized.

Recognition is also due our affiliate members who have been so supportive all year. Their generosity and support for many of our special events has contributed to the success of these ventures and I thank you. One of these supporters is Mike Ligon from H.V. Carter, who will be leaving the Board this year. Thanks Mike for your diligence and abilities.

See you,  
Joseph Rodriguez, CGCS



## Office Notes

By: Barbara Mikel

Springtime brings flowers, sunshine, and the Association Directory. Each year we try to respond to member suggestions for the Directory and this year I have had requests for E-mail (barb@inforum.net) before April 30.

If you have a new job, new home or new phone/fax number be sure to forward that information to the office as soon as you can.

Those of you receiving your NCGA handicapping through the Association and have yet to receive your 1997 cards and you have moved please call the office.

I hope all of you have taken the opportunity to visit the "California Fairways" web page sponsored by J.R. Simplot. They did a great job.

## Naumann's NorCal News

**Dave Skinner**, Superintendent at Lake Chabot Golf Course in Oakland recently had an accident on the golf course. Dave was severely injured and was out of work for over 1.5 months. He is now able to get around and should be back to work soon . . . **Resham Singh** has recently left Buchanan Fields Golf Course to pursue other interests. His replacement has yet to be named . . . **Nick Alvarez** has been named Golf Course Superintendent at Blackberry Farm Golf Course in Cupertino replacing the retiring **Ernie Alvarez**. Ernie is Nick's father.