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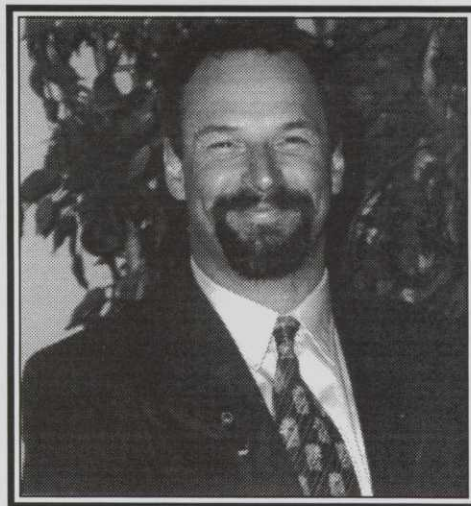
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From The President

We seem to finally be on the verge of Summer. It seems that we have again missed Spring but as always we will find a way to bring our courses and businesses up to speed. For those of you unable, unwilling or uninterested enough to participate in the activities hosted by our Sierra Nevada neighbors in Reno, you missed a great program. It was perhaps the best one day educational program I have attended. Take the time to get into a class by Gerry Sweda, Bob Sexton or Dan Church — they were great. Speaking of lower than expected participation, many of you superintendents missed the annual Superintendent/Pro event hosted by Joel Aherns and San Jose Country Club. Those that made it had a great time, thanks to Joel, Head Pro Jay Walkinshaw, and the entire staff at San Jose. The course was exceptional (how's that rough coming along Joel ?) and the service and hospitality were top notch. A special thank you to those Affiliate members that were able to adjust their schedules to participate at the last minute. This question was raised at the event, "has this event run it's course? Is there enough interest to continue and if so should the format be reviewed?" Any opinions????

The media event is just around the corner. San Juan Oaks, July 26th. Should be a fun time for all. I've spoken enough about the importance of developing these relationships. Hope to see a great turnout.

One final thought. I have had the opportunity to work with some very dedicated individuals during the course of the last 3 years on the Board. We always make mention during the annual meeting of their efforts but this seemed like a good time to acknowledge them again. Ken Williams has taken over the Newsletter and aside from one questionable picture is doing a great job. Terry Grasso works very hard formatting each golf event. I am sure his intake of excedrin has increased, I know the number of phone calls I get from him has increased. Bob Costa and



Dave Davies, CGCS

Gary Carls continue to put together educational programs and the ground work for the media program. Mike Nunemacher was convinced to stay on another year in spite of a major renovation project in the near future. Steve Franzen and Craig Kilcoyne continue to work on behalf of the Affiliate membership trying to refine the sponsorship program and put together a fund raising event. These people are working on your behalf, above and beyond their regular jobs. Take a moment and recognize their efforts.

See you at San Juan Oaks. /

Office Notes

By: Barbara Mikel

1999 is half gone! Boy, what perspective that gives. Some "tidbits".

- The Association has grown by 43 members.
- There have been 26 position available notices processed by the Association since February.
- The GCSANC Web Site <http://www.gcsaa.cgcsaNorCal> was linked to GCSAA and revamped (courtesy of Bob Tillema, CGCS thanks !)

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Tough Track for Superintendent-Pro

The 1999 Superintendent-Pro Tournament was held last month at San Jose CC. Host Superintendent Joel Ahern had the course in beautiful tournament condition. The course was not long, but provided a stern challenge for both pros and superintendents alike. The course required straight driving and its small sloping greens were fast and firm. Most importantly, the event helped solidify the relationships between GCSANC superintendents and their golf professionals.

Thanks go out to Terry Grasso, Intelecady, and all the people at San Jose CC for an extremely well run event.

Tournament Results:

Pro - Individual

1) Rich Bin, Palo Alto Municipal	75	\$400
2) Byron Cone, Fountaingrove	76	\$250
3) Jay Walkinshaw, San Jose CC	76	\$150

Supt. - Individual Gross

1) Ross Brownlie, Mariner's Point	81	\$125
2) Michael Garvale, Palo Alto Hills	83	\$100
3) Michael Hill, Moffet Field	84	\$ 75

Supt. - Individual Net

1) Jeff Hardy, Laguna Seca	73	\$125
2) Andrew Trinkino, Fountaingrove	75	\$100
3) Gary Skolnik, Fountaingrove	77	\$ 75

Team Net

1) Ross Brownlie/Joby Ross, Mariner's Point	63	\$175
2) Chris Gose/Mark Petersen, Sunnyvale	66	\$125
3) Gill Stiles/Tom Sims, Hiddenbrooke	66	\$100

Team Gross

1) Dave Davies/Rich Bin, Palo Alto Municipal	69	\$175
2) Michael Hill/Larry Jost, Moffet Field	69	\$125
3) Joel Ahern/Jay Walkinshaw, San Jose CC	71	\$100

Office Notes (Cont'd)

- The GCANC Bylaws were revised.
- Media Director, Greg Crawford introduced Dave Davies, CGCS, President of GCSANC to the San Francisco Bay Area via "Hooked on Golf."
- The First Annual Field Workshop was held at Crystal Springs Golf Course.
- The new annual Media Day Tournament is well on its way.
- Revamped "Thru the Green" advertising program & sponsorship has been launched.
- Meeting sponsorship has been implemented.
- The 1999 Membership Directory revamped.
- I have lost track of the number of trips made to Lawrence, Kansas by GCSANC Officers, Board of Directors and members serving GCSAA's Committees.

Terry's Tournament Tips

by Terry Grasso

GCSANC is happy to announce it's first ever Media Day, July 26, 1999. Come out to the beautiful San Juan Oaks golf course and meet members of the print and electronic media from Northern California. Golf will be a scramble format, so bring a guest and join in on what will be one of the most enjoyable events of the year.

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