

Boardroom Briefs

- ◆ Affiliate representative **Steve Franzen** reported that all was in order for the upcoming Scholarship Research tournament to be held at Orinda CC on August 21st. The morning shotgun will feature a supt/vendor team format, according to Franzen..
- ◆ Santa Cruz has been confirmed as the 2000 Institute site according to **Gary Sayre**, Education chairman. The Cocomanut Grove will play host to the seminar, which will feature irrigation as the theme. **West Coast Turf** has been named the sponsor. Sayre also noted that more education is on it's way at the July 18th meeting at Oakmont Golf Club. **Robert Green, Pat Gross** and the NCGA's **Mike McCullough** will make separate presentations during the three hour educational meeting. Golf will follow.
- ◆ **Cliff & Myrtle Wagoner** continued to demonstrate their devotion to the association as they presented the board with a compilation of GCSANC meeting minutes from 1932 to 1997. The project, which began in 1996 was recently completed. Also presented to the Board, was a pictorial summary of GCSANC's history, which has been professionally formatted and bound. With the Board's approval, the pictorial will be donated to the GCSAA's historical library by the Wagoner's as they complete a cross country journey to Kansas this summer. The trip has it's own historical significance as they will travel in the family Model A.
- ◆ The Board unanimously approved drafting an amendment to the bylaws that would allow Affiliate Board members voting rights. The bylaw change will be put before the membership at the January Annual meeting.
- ◆ **Bob Costa**, who has been serving as the Media Director reported that June was an active month for the Media program (see media scorecard) and outlined two events for summer and fall. **Ballmark repair week**, scheduled for the October 2 - 9 will feature the distribution of 10,000 ball mark repair tools at the Senior Transamerica event hosted by Silverado. Costa, received approval from the board to purchase the tools and ballmark repair posters, which will be mailed to all Class A and B superintendents. Costa noted that the NCGA had been approached as a partner, but declined participation. The other featured media event will be **Turfgrass Awareness Week**, scheduled for August 21- 28.
- ◆ **Dave Davies** who had proposed a review of the annual awards selection process will draft a new proposal that will establish the criterion for future recipients. The board will review Davies draft at the July Board meeting.

BUNKER SHOTS

A mishmash of editorial ramblings by Ken Williams, CGCS

Tiger Woods controlled the ball and his mind to dominate at Pebble Beach. Well almost.....He was having difficulty controlling one part of his anatomy when he unleashed some juicy four-letter bombs on #18 tee Saturday morning.....I guess he wasn't thinking about all the kids who want to be Tiger Woods!

It's Junior Golf Camp time and Stanford is no exception. The stuff that happens never ceases to amaze me! Controlling the counselors is just as difficult as the kids. I caught one counselor out on the course with his personal car. When he saw the stern look on my face he said, "What's up with you *Braaahh?* You'd better chill." I had to think back to my So Cal days to answer, "*Duuuude*, you can't bring your *ride* out here, *Braaahh.*" "It's just not *All Good.*" "You've got to leave your *sled* at the clubhouse next to all those *fossil rigs, Braaahh.*" He said, "*No sweat, Braaahh,* I just wanted to play some CDs and forgot my Walkman today." Oh, boy.....Generation Next!

How about those \$250 Class A GCSAA dues? It's getting to the point of pricing quite a few individuals out of the Association. Advertising and commercial sponsorship are already overwhelming us. Hey GCSAA, how about reducing some of that overhead in Lawrence instead of raising our dues again?

The GCSANC has one employee (Barb Mikel) to handle the daily needs of over 600 members. She's always got a lot on her plate. Try to follow the rules, treat her with respect and not be overly demanding. For God's sake, we wouldn't want to start acting like our own Club members!