



Remodeling University Comes to Bay Area

The American Society of Golf Course Architects, in cooperation with the Northern California Golf Association and the Olympic Club in San Francisco, is proud to announce an educational symposium series entitled "Remodel University, A Short Course for a Better Course." The program is designed to educate golf course decision-makers on the basics of the golf course remodeling process.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m., with the seminar starting at

9 a.m. Lunch will be provided for attendees with the program ending at 3 p.m.

The program is a must for

and planning processes as well as the roles and responsibilities of the architects, builders and superintendents.

Robert Muir Graves, John Harbottle, Bruce Charlton and Kyle Phillips.

These seminars have been held throughout the country during the last two years to rave reviews. Educational credits from the GCSAA, CMAA and the PGA are available to those enrollees who attend the daylong session.

Early registration for the event is highly recommended, as a large turnout is anticipated. /

those clubs who are planning or thinking about remodeling their existing golf course. Topics of interest include the budgeting

The one-day session will highlight some of the brightest names in golf course architecture. Noted speakers include:

To register, contact
The American Society of Golf Course Architects
at **312-372-7090** or go to their website at
www.remodelinguniversity.org.
Cost for the even is \$199 in advance or \$229 at the door.

PDI Final Proposal Passes

The debate is over. In what had been one of the most discussed issues in recent memory, GCSAA members, through their chapter delegates, approved the recommended bylaws changes that provide new standards for Class A membership and change the designation from Class B member to "Superintendent Member". These changes, which were a component of the Professional Development Initiative, will take affect on July 1, 2003.

Current Class A, B and C members have been grand fathered into the program and will not be required to meet the entry-level qualifications. Beginning in July 2003 however, to retain Class A status, members will have to possess a state issued pesticide license and complete 50 hours of continuing education and service every 5 years.

GCSANC Chapter Delegate, Bob Costa under the direction of the Board of Directors cast all available votes in favor of the proposal. "It was the feeling of the Board that the new standards will serve to benefit the profession and encourage superintendents to look for opportunities to improve their skills" said Costa.

"Some have suggested that with the new standards, GCSAA has mandated continuing education. I view it as an issue of choice", continued Costa, "those that elect not participate will still receive all the benefits of those that do, they just wont be recognized as a Class A superintendent. Personally, I feel the long term benefits far outweigh the negatives and apparently, based upon the vote at the annual meeting, more than 75% of the associations members did as well".

The annual meeting concluded with the election of officers, which produced tight races for Secretary Treasurer and Director. Elected, as President was Tommy Witt, CGCS. Mike Wallace, CGCS was named Vice President. The tightly contested race for Secretary Treasurer saw Michigan's John Maddern, CGCS narrowly beat Arizona's Mark Woodward, CGCS.

In the race for Director, Woodward, who was nominated from the floor, joined Bob Maibusch, CGCS and Tim O'Neil, CGCS in victory. The final Director's position went to Sean Hoolehan, CGCS from Pendleton, Oregon. Sean was appointed to fill a one-year term. /

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Wednesday, May 23, 2001

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- sports field seeding: sodding, overseeding and renovation.
- sports field irrigation management
- sports field fertilization, mowing, compaction and thatch management
- managing weeds and pests for sports fields

Instructor

Ali Harivandi, Ph.D., is a turf, soil and water advisor for UC Cooperative Extension, Alameda County.

Who should attend

- municipal parks and rec mgrs.
- cemetery turf managers
- sports turf managers
- public school and college grounds managers
- horticultural consultants
- pest control advisors
- other prof. turf and landscape managers
- turf seed and sod suppliers

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