

## **Office Notes**

By Barb Mikel

We have a new newsletter publisher, as if you didn't notice with her first issue in September. Welcome aboard to **Trish Hill** of Hill Design in Saratoga. The professional production of "Thru the Green" will continue. We hope to take the newsletter to another level in the coming year and I am quite certain Trish is up to the job. I would certainly like to thank retiring publisher **Jo Harlow** of Key Publications who has exited to the golfing greens of Contra Costa County. Jo Harlow took the newsletter to another level when she began her seven-year tenure in 1995. **Happy retirement Jo and thank you for your years of service to GCSANC!** 

A new advertising effort will be undertaken in the last quarter of 2002 and first quarter of 2003. We hope to entice you to use the expanded services and advertising, which will be available in "Thru the Green." If you have advertising needs, but not much technical ability, we can provide answers so please give us a call.

The C.L. Bryant Sponsors program has produced real financial rewards for the Association. We received the first check in September. Thanks to Dave Trieschman of C.L. Bryant for bringing this program to the association. Thanks also to all participating clubs for your support of the association.



**Barb Mikel** - GCSANC Executive Secretary

*I wonder how much technology is enough?* If the fax doesn't work, the email is down, and the telephone isn't working, how quiet our offices would be. The more complex doesn't always mean better, unless it serves your needs. I find most modern conveniences useful and look forward to the next innovation, however.... We all need to know how and when to reserve time for ourselves. The season for some "down-time" is here so take the opportunity while you

have it! Fall is a beautiful time of the year in the Sierra's. I know I will be enjoying the slowing pace and hope you will too.

Election of new GCSANC Directors will be held in January. If you have ever wondered, " What in the world does the Board do? " Well, now is your chance. I urge you to become a part of the association leadership. It's good for your career and it's good for the organization. I look forward to new faces (*old ones are also appreciated.*)

As an Affiliate member or a Superintendent, you can participate in YOUR Association.



Barb predicts "GROWING TRENDS" for the GCSANC in 2003!



**Gary Carls,** - CGCS, new elected President of the CGCSA, took time out of his busy schedule to do an up-close interview on Voice of the Valley Television Show. Carls provided an excellent overview of the state association, while also highlighting his long time involvement with the GCSANC.

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## **Speeds Licensing Renewal**

The Dept. of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) introduced new online services to speed up licensing of pest control professionals this fall. With new and improved online services, licensees will not have to wait to receive their renewal applications by mail; they can download licensing forms from the DPR web site. The DPR requires a qualified applicator certificate for those who use or supervise the use of a restricted use pesticide in an appropriate pesticide use category.

DPR streamlines license services, information: http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/pressrls/august28.htm