

PJ Spellman congratulates Steven Crane and Ken Converse on recieving GCSANC Scholarships.

The Institute Returns

That's right fellow NorCal Members! November is the month for that fast paced, action-packed, fun-filled, educational extravaganza we call the Golf Course Superintendent Institute. This annual event, sponsored this year by DBD Structures, is developed in conjunction with the UC Extension Service. It will be held at the world famous Cocoanut Grove Conference Center in Santa Cruz. Ah yes! The Cocoanut Grove! Palm trees, the waves crashing upon the shore, I can almost taste the cocoanuts now...

Are you plagued by pests on your putting surfaces? Then you don't want to miss this year's Institute, beginning Monday November 4th, with the educational session, trade show and reception. The educational program will feature a series of practical discussions on maintenance practices focusing on pest control including: the elusive IPM Program – find out what it's really all about from the superintendents that are involved in a formalized IPM program. Also there will be sessions on innovative fertilization techniques and the continuing war against nematodes.

Plus on Tuesday November 5th there will be the annual Institute Golf Tournament to be held at Boulder Creek Golf & Country Club and graciously hosted by Superintendent Bill Keller and Leonard Walsh. If you are a superintendent

who is on the cutting edge of the industry, you can not miss this once a year premier event!

Overnight accommodations at discount rates are available at the West Coast Santa Cruz Hotel. Mark Monday and Tuesday, November 4th & 5th on your calendar now! Watch for the registration flyer coming your way in mid-September. See you at the Institute!



Steve Carlton is the new Superintendent and Manager at Bass Lake Golf Course in Rescue (*near El Dorado Hills*). Part of his new responsibilities are to rebuild the golf course, clubhouse and maintenance facility.....

Jeff Southerland is the new Superintendent at Carmel Valley Ranch in Carmel. Jeff was the assistant prior to his promotion. He is replacing Chris Dalhamer who moved to Spyglass Hill Golf Course.....

Lincoln Wallace is the new Superintendent at The Ranch at Silver Creek. It is a new development in San Jose....

Sean Battistini is the new Super at Hiddenbrooke Country Club in Vallejo. Sean was the Superintendent at Yountville Golf Club. Replacing Sean at Yountville is his assistant John Krueger.....