



President's Message

By Jeff Shafer

THANK YOU!

To be in golf,
Was where I wanted to be:
Ever since I can remember,
It is all I could see.

To work on a course,
Was such a thrill:
To climb the industry ladder,
Seemed such a steep hill.

I started at the bottom,
Just like all of you:
To work my way up,
Was so very very hard to do.

Many years later,
I found myself there:
What I thought was the top,
The course now under my care.

And then along this journey,
I was asked in another way:
To be part of the golf industry,
In leadership they say.



Jeff Shafer
The Course At Wente Vineyards

It was during this time,
Over the last three years:
I found what it meant,
To be honored by your peers.

They changed my life,
Not just in a professional way:
My priorities became more oriented
With not just what I get paid.

My Lord and my family,
Became first in my life:
And my career in golf became second,
No matter the strife.

I learned to serve,
With many mistakes even today:
But I continue to strive,
To here what you say.

You made me a better person,
By honoring me this way:
I am forever indebted,
No amount of years could I repay.

There are so many to thank,
I cannot begin to start:
However you know who you are,
And I say THANK YOU from my heart!

Vote For Mike Hill For GCSANC Director In 2003-2004 Term

Greetings fellow members, my name is Mike Hill and I am the Golf Course Superintendent at Moffett Field Golf Course in Sunnyvale, where I have been for five years. As you probably know, I've served on the GCSANC Board of Directors for the past 12 months.

I would like to have your support in my campaign for another term on the Board. The last year has been a pleasure serving the GCSANC membership and working with my fellow Board members in conducting association business. This experience has shown me that it takes many dedicated people to effectively service the membership. It is my hope to build a better foundation for future association matters.

Best regards,

Mike Hill

Vote For Terry Grasso For GCSANC Director In 2003-2004 Term

I am grateful for the nomination to serve as a Director for the GCSANC. As some of you may recall, I served previously as Director in 1997-1999. Due to personal reasons I was unable to continue my service, however I am now ready and excited to resume my service to this association.

As a Director, I hope to renew my contributions to our golf events, media activities and sponsorship program and offer my support to our President and fellow Board members, as we work to strengthen our current services and programs.

With the support of the membership and new Board, I look forward to the challenges that lie ahead and the opportunity to shape the future of our association.

THRU THE GREEN

Golf Course Superintendent's Association
of Northern California

Publisher's Note For 2003



Patricia Hill
Publisher of TTG

I want to thank the GCANC for choosing my advertising agency, Hill Design to produce the new and improved Thru The Green bi-monthly newsletter that will launch sometime in mid-February.

We are excited and enthused to revamp the design layout by adding a full color cover and back, increase the number of pages from 12 to 16 and give it a more updated look for 2003.

I look forward to working closely with the committee on the NEW TTG and want to thank the 2002 committee and members personally for all their support and hard work in making TTG grow. **Thank You!...** Jeff Shafer; President, Ken Williams; Editor, Bob Costa; Past Pres., Barb Mikel; Exec. Sec., Andy Slack, Emmy Moore Minister and to all the affiliate members that supported TTG in 2002. **Happy New Year Everyone!**