

2005 GCSANC REGIONAL SEMINARS

WHERE:

Crowne Plaza, Pleasanton
11950 Dublin Canyon Road
Pleasanton, CA 94588
925-847-6000

WHEN:

January 11 and 12, 2005

WHAT:

Tuesday, January 11

Stephen Bernhard – Express Dual

Stephen Bernhard, the genius behind Express Dual, puts you on the cutting edge of reel grinding technology!

Wednesday, January 12

Dr. Bree Hayes – The Hayes Group

Renowned management strategist Bree Hayes gives you the tools to whip your staff into shape!

Reserve a room at the Crowne Plaza before December 24, 2004 to receive a special rate of \$99.00 per night. Mention GCSANC for special rate!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Pat Finlen, CGCS
Olympic Club

With the GCSANC's year moving into the last quarter, there still is time to participate in some of the great opportunities the association offers. The Institute is a long-standing educational event that takes place each November. This year the focus will be on trees and the many issues related to the care and maintenance of trees. The educational portion will take place on Monday November 8th with golf available on November 7th and 9th.

Coming up on the 3rd of December is the Holiday Party at the Crowne Plaza (formerly the Doubletree Hotel) in Monterey with golf at Pacific Grove GC. This year's dinner party will be another break from tradition with a comedian entertaining us as well as a drawing for some special prizes to be announced.

We wrap up the Association's year with two GCSAA seminars, and the Annual Meeting in January. The seminars focus on Reel Grinding with Stephen Bernhard and Staff Management with Dr. Bree Hayes.

This past September 16th we hosted Employee Day at the Oakland A's game. Many thanks go out to John Holmquist of Horizon, who secured all of the great food for the event, and to Armando Sanchez of Sequoyah Country Club who helped John with all of the cooking. Also, thanks to Terry Grasso of Sequoyah for providing the barbecue equipment.

By the time you read this, we will have had our second strategic planning meeting. With a third meeting planned later in the year, we will come away with a definite long-term plan for our association. While the thought of long term planning is close at hand, its time to think about electing our future leaders for the association. If you have a desire to run, or know of someone you think would be a good candidate, please pass his or her name along to any board member. While being on the board is certainly a time commitment, you get much more than you give from being a board member.

Gill Stiles represented our chapter at the Chapter Delegates Meeting in Kansas City this past September. There were many issues presented to the delegates at this meeting. Please take the time to read Gill's recap of the meeting. Your concerns on these issues is voiced through Gill. Please don't hesitate to call him with any comments or concerns you might have.

As we approach the Holiday season, please take the time to remember those that are less fortunate than us and enjoy the holidays.