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### SPRING IN FULL SWING

It never ceases to amaze me how it can be winter one week and the next week spring has arrived in full force! Grass is growing, mowers are mowing, weed eaters are whacking...it's a full-on-frenzy! By now we have had a chance to gain some control over the situation and to catch our breath. Hope your season is off to a great start.

### **GREAT TO RELAX AT THE STATE**

Now that you have spring well in hand, why not take some time to recharge your mind and body at the California GCSA Annual Conference and Golf Championship May 15, 16 and 17? You may still have time to sign up. This year's theme: "Reality Check 2005 The Golf Course Superintendents Future in the Work Place." The Golf Championship will take place on May 17 at Old Greenwood in Truckee, CA. Host is Golf Course Superintendent Joel Blaker, CGCS. Don't forget to support our vendors at the Trade Show that occurs in conjunction with the Welcome Reception on Sunday, May 15. Go to California GCSA .org for more information and registration.

### **BOARD APPOINTEE**

Last years exiting BOD left a remaining one-year term to be filled. I have appointed Chris Mains, Superintendent of Spring Valley Golf Course in Milpitas, to fill this position. Chris is capable, enthusiastic and is a welcome addition to the board.

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Vince Keats Napa Valley Country Club

### **COMING UP**

Superintendent / Pro Tournament - June 13 at Half Moon Bay Golf Links - Daniel Miller host Superintendent. This tournament is an open format. All are welcome to play.

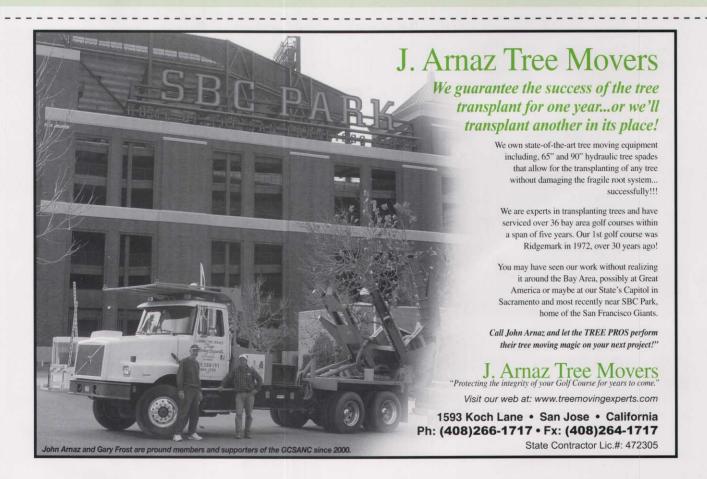
Assistant Superintendent Meeting - July 11 at San Jose Country Club - Jason Green host Superintendent.

### A DAY IN THE FIELD

Thank you Dave Davies, CGCS, Dr. Ali Haravandi, Gill Stiles and Terry Grasso for organizing last month's Field Day at Callippe Preserve. It was a treat to see all the progress that has been made constructing this course. Dave, you are a most gracious host.

### TELL A FRIEND

As I mentioned at the Annual Meeting, we have some wonderful meeting venues this year that afford us the chance to play some great golf. Please take advantage of the opportunity to invite a potential member, Green Committee Chair or Club Manager. Let them see what a great association we have.



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Barb Mikel. **GCSANC** Association Manager

The PDI (Professional Development Initiative) was one of many topics at the GCSAA Chapter Executives Conference in Lawrence Kansas the week of April 11. The deadline of compliance for the first group of superintendents is July 2006. Approximately one third in the first rotation have satisfied the educational requirements. Another third have some points accumulated toward the July goal. The remaining one third have no educational points yet posted. It is strongly recommended you determine which category you fall under. Keeping your educational record current will eliminate a lot of last minute scrambling for the necessary credits! For the most part you should be recording your own educational credits received at GCSANC sponsored educational events. The board decided at the inception it was an individual responsibility that the superintendent should undertake. I will keep records in the office of those educational events sponsored by GCSANC until the first cycle ends in July 2006. Thereafter we will keep two years of records for auditing purposes only.

Other topics of interest for Chapter Executives across the country included water issues, chapter leadership structure, chapter continuity, allied associations' cooperative programs, advocacy, program content, contracting, and technology in the future workplace. I do enjoy these conferences and would like to thank the Board of Directors and the membership for their continued support and cooperation.

The GCSANC Membership Directory publishing date is on the horizon. Please let us know if you have items for consideration or inclusion. To all the Affiliate members out there, we are actively seeking your support of the Directory to defray costs of publication and mailing. If you have ideas for this, please give me a call.

## **GCSANC MEMBERSHIP NEWS MARCH 2005**

Joshua Clevenger, Asst. Superintendent • Metropolitan Golf Links - Class C Mike Carter • All American Rental - Affiliate Randy Curtola • Pleasanton Fairways, Inc. - Inactive (Class Change) Mario Bellizzi, Asst. Superintendent • The Preserve Golf Club - Class C Alberto Cañedo, Superintendent • Gilroy Golf Course - Class A (Class Change) Shane Ferrill, Superintendent • The Golf Club @ Boulder Ridge - Class A Jason Green, Superintendent • San Jose CC - Class A (Class Change) Natali Guadarrama-Plotner, Asst. Superintendent • Presidio Golf Course - Class C Damian Guzman, Asst. Superintendent • Rancho Del Pueblo G.C. - Class C William Hausch, Asst. Superintendent • Del Monte GC - Class C Dante Hernandez, Sales • West Coast Sand & Gravel - Affiliate Daniel James, Intern • Pebble Beach Golf Links - Associate Justin Janke, Intern • Poppy Ridge G.C. - Associate Stewart Ludwig, Jr., Golf Director • Campers Inn Golf Resort - Affiliate Monti Nunemacher, Superintendent • Blackhawk Country Club - Class B Jeremy Payne, Intern • Meadow Club - Associate Donald Roller, Superintendent • Eureka Golf Club - Class A Mitch Tankersley, Asst. Superintendent • San Jose CC - Class C (Class Change) Mark Weitz, Asst. Superintendent • Carmel Valley ranch Resort - Class C Steve Kimbrough, Superintendent • The Olympic Club - Class B



Irene Cline, Cindy Neal and Brenda Warner at The Orlando GCSAA 2005 Meeting

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