

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Vince Keats
Napa Valley Country Club

Great Day at SJCC

The Assistant Superintendent's Meeting held in July at San Jose Country Club was superb. Jeff Steen and Steve Byrne shared their wisdom and advice on becoming a first-time superintendent. Pat Gross was on board with his valuable "Turf Tips." Host Assistant Superintendent Mitch Tankersley kept the whole program rolling. Winners of the complimentary registrations to the NCGA Assistant Superintendent Boot Camp were Jason Goss and Leon Alvarez. Congratulations guys! Naturally, Jason Green, Mitch Tankersley and staff had the course in excellent shape. Thank you to our sponsors: Danny Ramos - DHR Construction, Sal Sorbello - Reed Equipment Co. and Mike Ravel - Verdicon.

A Gentlemen and a Scholar

The annual Scholarship Tournament held at Stanford University Golf Course was a smashing success. Thank you to all our sponsors and event contributors. Special thanks go out to Tournament Chairmen Len Tallow and John Holmquist for putting it all together in grand style. Host Superintendent Ken Williams, CGCS, and staff provided excellent course conditions. Daniel Dalske, Assistant Superintendent Intern at California Club was present as a scholarship recipient. Daniel will be a senior at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo this fall. Congratulations Daniel.

Well Represented

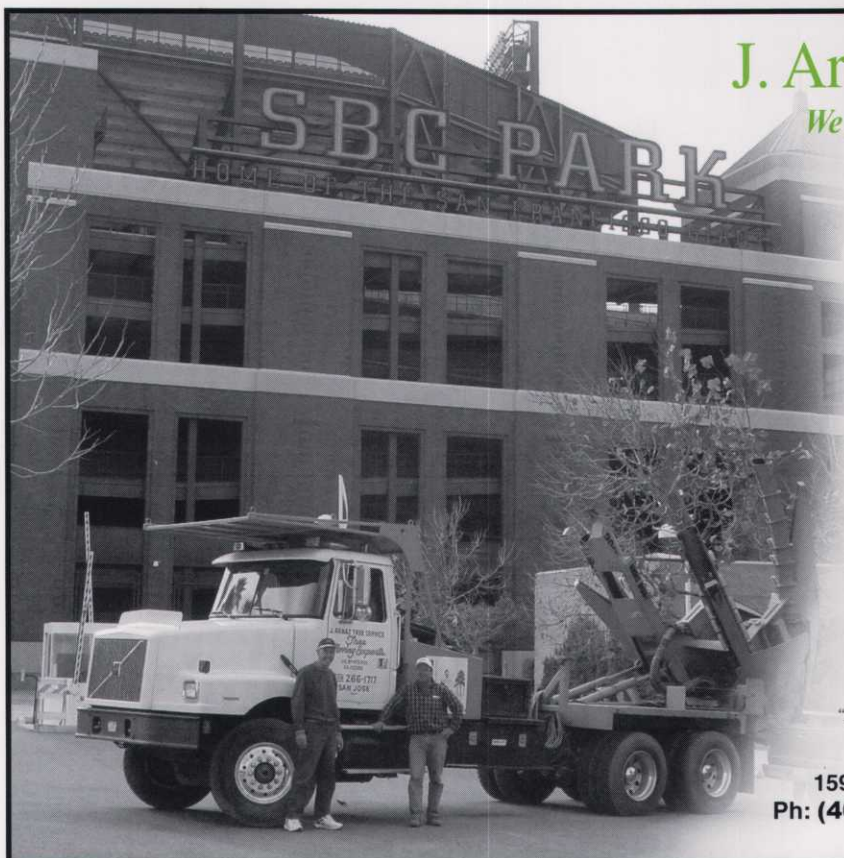
We are fortunate to have two members of our association running for positions on the GCSAA Board of Directors. Incumbent Gary Carls, CGCS, makes a bid for a second two-year term and Pat Finlen, CGCS, is also running for one of the open slots on the board. Gary is past president of both the GCSANC and CGCSA. Pat is Past-President of the GCSANC and currently serving as president of the CGCSA. Both men are excellent candidates and we give our total support to each. With both Gary and Pat in office, California will be well represented!

Remember

In our profession we are fortunate to be able to play some great courses that otherwise would be inaccessible. Remember, no matter where you go that you are an ambassador to the association and the profession. Represent us well.

Coming Up

- Oakland A's BBQ - September 29 - Clay Wood, host
- GCSANC / Sierra Nevada Joint Meeting - October 24 at Silverado C.C. - William Hamilton, CGCS, Host Superintendent
- Superintendent's Institute - November 14 & 15 at Seascape G.C. - Michael McCraw, Host Superintendent



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GCSANC Association Manager

OFFICE NOTES

Congratulations to Gary K Carls, CGCS and Patrick J. Finlen, CGCS for selection as candidates for the GCSAA Board of Directors. What great choices! I'm sure we all will be pushing hard for their election to the national board.

This year's Bert Graves Memorial Scholarship Tournament was very successful. John Holmquist, Len Tallow and Gill Stiles worked extremely hard on this event. Thanks to Ken Williams, CGCS and Stanford University Golf Course for being our hosts. Many, many thanks to all our Affiliate members! Their continued support for the event brings monies to the association to support turf grass research and scholarship programs for the industry. It was a great venue for a mid-season "stress reducer."

August in Nashville? Well the annual Convention of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) is scheduled for mid-August. It must be a bargain time for conventions in Tennessee! I have belonged to the ASAE for a number of years but this is the first convention which isn't in Washington DC. My attendance will contribute to my continuing education requirements.

I know there are some very exciting programs going on within this association. Tim Greenwald has one of the first First Tee courses in our area. Tim is at the Twin Creeks Golf Course in Monterey County. I recently spoke with him regarding the program and was promised an article detailing his involvement. I'm also looking forward to some more news regarding First Tee from GCSNC Committee Chairman Chris Mains.

"The First Tee is a World Golf Foundation initiative dedicated to providing young people of all backgrounds an opportunity to develop, through golf and character education, life-enhancing values such as honesty, integrity and sportsmanship. The intent is to offer opportunities for improvement in the quality of life and create a platform where children can increase their potential for success." If you want more information regarding this worthwhile program visit the web site www.thefirsttee.org

Current Courses in Northern California

- The First Tee of Contra Costa at Diablo Creek Golf Course
- The First Tee of Contra Costa at Lone Tree Golf Course
- The First Tee of Monterey County at Twin Creeks Golf Course
- The First Tee of The North Bay at Healdsburg's Tayman Park Golf Course
- The First Tee of San Francisco at Harding Park Golf Complex
- The First Tee of Greater Sacramento at Bing Maloney Golf Complex
- The First Tee of Greater Sacramento at Haggin Oaks Golf Complex

GCSANC New Members July 2005

- Keith Beamer, Assistant Superintendent • La Rinconada Country Club – Class C (New Member)
- William Andrade, Superintendent • Sunol Valley Golf Club – Class A (Reinstatement)
- Jonathan Korfhage, Retired • Retired – Retired Affiliate (Reinstatement)
- James Prusa, Director of Agronomy • Kemper Sports Management – Class A (New Member)
- David Piper, CGCS, Area Manager • Simplot – Affiliate (New Member)
- Jerry Bibbey, Superintendent • Summit Pointe Golf Club – Class A (New Member)
- Ryan Verness, 2nd Assistant Superintendent • Spyglass Hill Golf Course – Class C (New Member)
- Steve Kwasnicki, Owner • Tracy Golf and Country Club – Affiliate (New Member)



Barb and Wayne Mikel enjoy the beautiful afternoon at Stanford Golf Course